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# New Year's Day WORSHIP SERVICE

*We are an ordinary group of loved and forgiven sinners  
set free to be children of God and saints who follow Jesus Christ,  
**making disciples** of lost sinners for Him,  
and **growing disciples** in joyfully obeying all of Jesus' commands  
to express love for God and people.*

## We Celebrate in Worship

*Childcare is provided for children newborn through 5 years old during each worship service.  
Please ask any usher for assistance.*

*The \* indicates when we stand, but please be seated at any time if standing is uncomfortable.*

**\*Gathering Song** "We Three Kings" (Hymn #288)  
**\*Call to Praise** **Psalm 57 selected verses**  
**\*Medley of Praise** "How Great Are you, Lord."  
"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" (Hymn #3)

**\*Prayer of Invocation**

**Call to Prayer** **Psalm 23:5-6**  
**Prayer Requests & Testimonies**  
**Prayer**

**Call to Remember** **Luke 22:7-20**  
**Communion Instructions and Prayer**  
**Communion** "Ten Thousand Angels"

**Call to Give and Prayer**  
**Offertory** "Loving God, Loving Each Other"

**Invitation**  
**\*Closing Song** "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name" (Hymn #2)

*\*Please stand, if you are able*

## Meditation Notes

Luke 22:7-20

“Preparing for Communion and Offering and 2017”

### I. PREPARING FOR COMMUNION

A. The First Passover

B. The Lord’s Passover

C. Our Current Communion

### II. PREPARING FOR OFFERING

A. Remember what Jesus did for you

B. Remember that all that you have belongs to God

C. Remember to ask God to prompt you on what to give

### III. PREPARING FOR 2017

A. Start where you are

B. Use what you know

C. Do what you can

Will you decide to obey God in every situation in 2017?

## Welcome to Beloit First Christian Church (BFCC)

We are glad you’re here and pray you will experience God’s presence and love. We believe accepting and living in a right, loving relationship with God through Jesus Christ is the most important decision you will ever make. The Bible tells us: *“And this is what God has testified: He has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have God’s Son does not have life.”* (1 John 5:11-12) Jesus Christ preached the “Gospel” (good news) of his coming and called everyone to:

- **Repent** from our sin—that is, reject and turn away from our old desires and actions of self-righteousness and self-indulgence that separate us from God and the life He has for us. To repent is to admit we need a Savior and to look to Him in trust.
- **Believe** that Jesus’ sacrificial death on the cross offers full forgiveness for our sins, and convincingly demonstrates God’s deep, ongoing love for us.
- **Follow** Jesus, who rose from the dead and lives forever. Through the Holy Spirit, the life of Christ in us brings new life, a transformation of our desires, and the power to live obediently to God’s Word for all who put their faith and trust in him.

### BFCC Staff:

Cliff Heagy, Senior Pastor .....cheagy@beloitfcc.org or 785-534-0770

Dave Mealiff, Pastor of Caring Ministries .....dmealiff@beloitfcc.org or 785-738-0039

Karen Buser, Office Secretary ..... kbuser@beloitfcc.org or 785-738-3071

*(Karen is in the office on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.)*

Marilyn Kruse, Church Custodian ..... 785-738-8620

### Today’s worship leaders:

Praise Team Leader

Organist

Prayer Leader

Meditation

Projection Operator

Sound Technician

### 10:00 a.m.

Donna Munsey

Dave Mealiff

Dave Mealiff

Doug Johnson

Rob Heller

## Announcements

**JANUARY 2 — “Questions and Conversation”** This informal time of open discussion is led by Pastor Cliff and takes place in Fellowship Hall on the first Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. This is not a pre-programmed study, but rather a place where your questions become the topic of conversation in a safe, accepting atmosphere. This group is open to everyone. Bring your questioning co-worker or friend!



**JANUARY 12 — Deadline for all Ministry Chairpersons to submit an annual report of their ministries**, prior to the January 15 Annual Meeting. Please email reports to [cheagy@beloitfcc.org](mailto:cheagy@beloitfcc.org), or drop them off at the church office. Thank you!

**JANUARY 15 — Potluck Meal for everyone and Annual Vision Sharing meeting (with childcare) beginning at 12 noon.** Come and bring a dish to share for a fellowship meal at 12 noon, followed by a time of vision-sharing by Pastor Cliff, along with distribution of the annual reports. This is a time for us to see how we are “on mission” as a church, and how the Holy Spirit is leading us into the new year. Childcare will be available.



**JANUARY 15 — The next monthly Church Board meeting with Elders** will take place Sunday, January 15, at 7:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Ministry Chairpersons should submit any written reports they have by noon on Thursday, January 12 by email to [cheagy@beloitfcc.org](mailto:cheagy@beloitfcc.org). The meeting agenda and reports will be available January 15 at the Welcome Center.

**JANUARY 22 — Childcare meeting at 12 noon for workers, volunteers, substitutes, and anyone interested in this crucially important ministry at BFCC:** There will be a brief meeting in the Childcare Nursery room at 12 noon for current and interested Childcare workers. Quality childcare is a foundation stone for fulfilling our mission and purpose to make and grow disciples, including families with young children. Come and see why Jesus was so adamant that his disciples should welcome children. We will explain how this ministry functions, and the different ways you can help with childcare for Sunday worship, Wednesday evening CLASH, or Vacation Bible School.



## Announcements

**Community Caring Cards:** At the Welcome Center you will find some encouragement cards for individuals who have had a recent physical, emotional, or spiritual challenge in their lives. These cards will be sent out tomorrow, so we invite all who would like to sign their name to do so as a sign of Christian fellowship and love. We also encourage you to use the addresses on the cards as prompts for sending your own, personal notes and other expressions of love.



**Missed a sermon message?** We have free options for you to catch up. At the Welcome Center you will find free DVD's and CD's of our most recent worship services and sermons, and online you can visit our website ([beloitfcc.org](http://beloitfcc.org)) to view videos of all of our past services and sermons. You can also subscribe to our YouTube channel ([youtube.com/user/BeloitFCC](http://youtube.com/user/BeloitFCC)), where you can find all our available videos. Use these resources and pass them along to others. Help us spread the Word of God as far as we can.



**New Sunday School Class —** We are pleased to announce that a new adult Sunday school class will start on January 8, 2016, on the topic, “**The Unshakable Truth**” by Josh and Sean McDowell. This DVD format study will involve teaching by Josh McDowell and his son, Sean, as they highlight several key Biblical truths and how these truths should influence our lives. This new study will meet in the Family Life Center north classroom being facilitated by Dave and Linda Mealiff.



### Thank you!

“Thank you from the bottom of my heart for all the prayers offered, cards, phone calls, emails, flowers and food received during George’s illness, and after his passing. A special thanks goes to the ladies and one man who prepared the tasty refreshments served after the funeral service. I am so very thankful for my church family. —Bobbi Link”



“Thank you for thinking of me after my accident with your prayers, and card. I am overwhelmed with all the good wishes. Merry Christmas to all. —Rose Matous

## Missionaries of the Month: Steve & Linda Walters

*Steve and Linda work with The Navigators—Africa Partners where he develops the micro enterprise ministry in Africa by working to link American business people and other individuals as mentors with emerging African business people. Here is their latest correspondence:*



**Dear BFCC,**

### **Travel Report:**

From October 4-19 I traveled alone to Ethiopia and Kenya. I never cease to be challenged by the level of devotion and deep faith of our African Christians. What I receive from them is far greater than what I have to give to them. Traveling in Africa is humbling. February 7-18 I will travel with a team of 6-8 other men to Kenya. We will attend the Africa business Forum II in an effort to link American business people and agricultural people with their Kenyan counterparts. April 11-23 I will travel with 1-3 other men to Zambia. There are many broken families and few male role models for young men. We will attend a men's conference to address these issues followed by a visit to a rural ministry.

### **Health Report:**

My prostate was removed on October 31. After 6 weeks I am starting to feel like me again! During the surgery, early stage bladder cancer was discovered. At this stage it is fairly easy to eliminate. After I return from Kenya in February I will have an outpatient procedure to deal with this.

### **Personal Report:**

My mother passed away on November 27. Her last few months were difficult. She was 84 and will be missed. My parents were married for nearly 68 years, and this will be a tough adjustment for Dad.

Thank you for your support!

Steve and Linda Walters

## Communicate with your spiritual leaders

**Elders for 2017:** Aaron Adams (738-0057), Gary Allen (738-4228), Bill Angell (785-412-0328), Robert Davis (534-1500), Randy Doggett (738-2829), Carl Fugate (738-3630), Doug Johnson (738-2573), Kris Kimple (738-4002), Ken Moeller (738-3378), Justin Rice (568-2489), Robie Smith (428-3350), Greg Harrison (738-6530), Pastor Cliff Heagy (534-0770), Pastor Dave Mealiff (738-0039). *Elders generally meet on the 3rd Sunday evening of each month at 7:30 p.m. These are open meetings for anyone, where you can share your concerns and questions. Check the calendar of events to know of any changes in meeting times.*

**Deacons for 2017:** Vernon Adams (593-6670), Scott Ahlvers (738-4008), Ed Allen (373-5775), Joey Behrends (738-6479), Derek Fobes (569-1007), Shelby Gantz (738-6651), Brian Gates (738-4263), Tim Hager (738-5207), Loren Heller (529-4191), Dave Hughes (534-2727), Lindy Lindblad (738-3293), Brady Luke (738-8451), Brad Mason (738-2625), Tom Maxwell (738-7502), Adrian Meyer (738-5353), Rod Pearson (738-4407), Carl Prather (739-2260), Dan Streit (738-2419), Howard Wehrman (277-3743), Max Wehrman (529-2770). *Deacons meet on an as-needed basis. Call any pastor and check the calendar of events to know when they will be meeting.*

**Trustees for 2017:** Aaron Adams (738-0057), Dave Crawford (738-2684), Jim Gates (738-5516), Greg Harrison (738-6530), Lindy Lindblad (738-3293), Kent Miller (738-3190), Carl Prather (739-2260). *Trustees meet on an as-needed basis. Call chairman Jim Gates and check the calendar of events to know when they will be meeting.*

**Ministry Chairpersons:** Listed on page 9, ministry teams meet at a variety of different times. Please check the calendar of events and call the ministry chairperson to verify their next meeting.

**Church Board Secretary:** Amber Mihm (593-6663)

**Treasurer:** Robert Davis (534-1500)

Please contact Olson Accounting (738-2607) with any questions about your personal offerings to the church, including statements of giving for tax purposes.

## Use your particular gifts to serve the Lord

We call you to contribute in Jesus' Kingdom by using your gifts and talents to serve on any of our various ministry teams for 2017. Everyone is encouraged to serve!

### **Ministry of Evangelism (contact any pastor - 738-3071)**

This ministry seeks to develop ideas for communicating the Gospel to our community.

### **Ministry of Worship (Doug Johnson - 738-2573)**

This ministry develops the worship service each week through prayer, praise, communion, and God's Word. It oversees the praise teams, music, and technicians.

### **Ministry of Hospitality (Angela Engelbert - 738-5589)**

This ministry plans ways to show the love of Jesus Christ by meeting particular needs of those who come to worship. It oversees greeters and childcare.

### **Ministry of Refreshment (contact any pastor - 738-3071)**

This ministry looks to love people by offering food and drink in various situations. It oversees Meals on Wheels, Home meals for those recently hospitalized, Doughnut Sunday, and Sunday Morning Coffee/Tea Service for guests and visitors.

### **Ministry of Adult Discipleship (Dave Mealiff - 738-0039)**

This ministry aims to help adult believers grow in their faith. It oversees adult Sunday School classes, small groups, our Faith Partner program, and the church library.

### **Ministry of Jr./Sr. High Discipleship (contact any pastor - 738-3071)**

This ministry aims to help Jr./Sr. High students grow in their faith. It oversees the Fusion youth groups, fellowship events, retreats, and youth mission trips.

### **Ministry of Children's Discipleship (Venette Davis - 534-1500)**

This ministry aims to help elementary students grow in their faith. It oversees Sunday School, CLASH, Vacation Bible School, and Children's Church.

### **Ministry of Facility Maintenance (Shelby Gantz - 738-6651)**

This ministry maintains and encourages use of our facilities for all ministries. It oversees specific repairs, projects, and needs for the church buildings and grounds.

### **Ministry of Financial Stewardship (Tim Mehl - 738-3009)**

This ministry seeks to handle the finances of the church with integrity. It oversees offering counting, financial record-keeping, and yearly budget proposals.

### **Ministry of Missions (Jeanette Luke -738-2135 and Jodi File -738-3321)**

This ministry oversees our missionaries, and develops strategies to promote and increase mission awareness, giving, and participation.

## Prayer requests from last Sunday

- Praise God for the advent season as we celebrate the birth of Jesus!
- Praise God with Howard and Suzanne Wehrman as they will celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on December 26, 2016!
- Praise God with Phyllis Behrends for the good doctor's report that she has now been free from cancer for 9 years.
- Praise God with Drew Grabon for all the men and women who have served our country in the past and currently to protect the freedoms we enjoy.
- Praise God for reports of some improvements in the health of Samuel Jenson even though he is still in the hospital recovering. Continue to pray for his healing and recovery.
- Pray with Bob and Mary Belknap for their daughter, Debbie, as she fell in Wichita and broke her leg which has been reset and pinned to guide her healing and recovery.
- Pray with George Stroup for his Granddaughter in Wichita who is in a hospital with complications with her 4 month along pregnancy.
- Pray with Greg Harrison for his sister, Kim, for health concerns and treatment.
- Pray with Jill Ehram for health concerns.
- Pray for Betty Melton as she was in the hospital last week.
- Pray for John Yeary as he fell on the ice and broke a rib and as he is recovering at home now.
- Pray for Gary Morrell as he has been in Mitchell County Hospital battling cancer.
- Pray for Shane Thompson's Mom as she will have more medical treatments in January.
- Pray for Virgil English as he has been in Mitchell County Hospital this last week.
- Pray for the family of Robie and Linda Smith as they remember Noah this first Christmas since he passed away.
- Pray for the family of Margaret Hollingshead as her family will remember her life at a graveside funeral service at 11:00 am, Thursday, December 29, 2016, at Elmwood Cemetery.



## Opportunities to Encourage

If you have any additions or corrections to these lists, please contact Karen Buser in the church office at 738-3071 or kbuser@beloitfcc.org

### Birthdays:

1/2 Dan Reling  
 1/8 Rex Keister  
 1/9 Weston Roush  
 1/11 Greg Geyer  
 1/13 Larry Girard, Gabe Rice  
 1/14 Lori Deneke, Ellen Meyer  
 1/15 Terry Mitchell, Emilie Sadler  
 1/16 Reid Behrends, Barb Quakenbush, Pam Greenleaf  
 1/18 Shirley Conley  
 1/19 Marty Hughes  
 1/21 Leni Smith  
 1/22 LaDonna Snyder, Allie Williams  
 1/23 Jason Chancellor, Charle Green  
 1/24 Mildred Bohnert, Brady Luke, Dan Staley  
 1/26 Darrell Conley, Wil Hoestje, Daniel Mealiff  
 1/29 Gary Pingel  
 1/30 Venette Davis, Harold Staley  
 1/31 Keith Williams  
 2/2 Ryan Batchman, Joey Behrends

### Anniversaries:

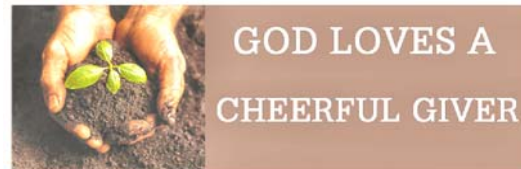
1/5 Darrell & Shirley Conley  
 1/8 Bill & Jodi File  
 2/8 Greg & Debbie Geyer  
 2/9 Randy & Linda Doggett

### Hilltop Lodge Nursing Home

- Mildred Bohnert
- Lela File
- Katherine Loofbourrow
- Don & Betty Melton
- Hazel Peterson
- Barbara Quakenbush
- Wauneta Robinson
- Lois Simoneau
- Ruby Sutton

### The Nicol Nursing Home (Glasco)

- Neva Howland



### The Latest Financial Report:

November Giving: \$ 24,083.86  
 November Expenses: \$ 28,129.19  
 Year-to-Date Giving: \$ 324,156.33  
 Year-to-Date Expenses: \$ 326,430.86

## Calendar

### January 1 (Sunday - New Year's Day)

10:00 a.m. Worship Service (NO Sunday School, Kid's Church, or Childcare available on this day)

### January 2 (Monday)

7:00 p.m. "Questions and Conversation" - Fellowship Hall

### January 3 (Tuesday)

9:00 a.m. *Small group ("Metallic" over 50): "Philippians" - Church Library; Dave Mealiff (738-0039)*  
 12 noon *Small group (women): "Moms in Prayer" - Church Library; Melissa Luke, Laura Ensey*

### January 4 (Wednesday)

6:00 a.m. *Small group (men): "Man in the Mirror" - Guaranty State Bank; Doug Johnson (738-2573)*  
 3:30 p.m. *Small group: "Acts: How, Why, and When to Pray" - Church Library; Keith Williams (738-2936)*  
 7:00 p.m. Jr. and Sr. High FUSION - Upper Level Youth Room

### January 5 (Thursday)

6:00 a.m. *Small group: "Prayer and Fellowship Group" - Church Library; Jeanette Luke (738-2135)*  
 12 noon Open Prayer Time - Sanctuary; Venette Davis (534-1500)  
 7:00 p.m. *Small group (men and women battling alcohol and drug use): "Celebrate Recovery" - 312 N. Mill Street (738-2683)*

### January 6 (Friday)

6:30 a.m. *Small group (men): "Turning the Tide" - Church Library; Bill Angell (738-7382)*

### January 8 (Sunday)

8:00 a.m. Worship Service (childcare available)  
 9:30 a.m. *Small groups: Sunday School small groups for all ages*  
 10:30 a.m. Worship Service (childcare and Kid's church available)  
 12 noon Youth Discipleship committee meeting - Church Library  
 5:00 p.m. Youth Pastor Search Team meeting - Church Library