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## 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** "Come, People of the Risen King"  
**\*Call to Praise** Psalm 89  
**\*Songs of Praise** "By Faith"  
"Believe"

**\*Prayer of Invocation**

*At this time in the 10:30 a.m. service, children in K-4th grade may be dismissed for Kid's Church in the upstairs youth room. Parents please accompany your child on their first visit!*

**Call to Prayer** Proverbs 3:5-6

**Prayer Requests & Testimonies**  
**Prayer**

**Communion Instructions and Prayer**

**Call to Remember** "Jesus, Son of God"  
**Communion**

**Call to Give and Prayer**

**Offertory**

**Bible Text** Mark 1:1-15 (page 812)

*Page numbers are for Bibles located under many of the seats in the sanctuary. These are available for your use in worship. We have free Bibles to give you at the Welcome Center—ask any Pastor if you'd like to have a Bible to keep for your own.*

**Message Title** "Following the Servant King: Surrender Your Kingdom"

**Invitation**

**\*Closing Song** "Step by Step"

*\*Please stand, if you are able*

*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.*

## Message Notes

Mark 1:1-15

“Surrender Your Kingdom”

### WE NEED MORE THAN OUR GOOD RESOLUTIONS AND EFFORT

*“The beginning of the good news about Jesus...Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River...I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.” (Mark 1:1, 5, 8)*

### THE TRINITY REVEALS OUR PURPOSE IN LIFE

*Just as Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.” (Mark 1:10-11)*

### REPENTANCE IS LETTING GO OF WHAT WE HAVE TO RECEIVE WHAT ONLY GOD CAN GIVE

*“The time has come,” he said. “The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!” (Mark 1:15)*

## 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

Elder

Preacher

Projection Operator

Sound Technician

### 8:00 a.m.

Angie Ahlvers

Bobbi Link

Dave Mealiff

Bill Angell

Cliff Heagy

Jacob Scoggan

Blake Miller

### 10:30 a.m.

Angie Ahlvers

Bobbi Link

Dave Mealiff

Robert Davis

Cliff Heagy

Jacob Scoggan

Blake Miller

## Announcements

**JANUARY 8 (today)** — There will be a Youth Discipleship Committee meeting today at 12 noon in the Church Library.

**JANUARY 8 (today)** — There will be a Youth Pastor Search Team meeting today at 5:00 p.m. in the Church Library.

**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 that will supplement BBQ and pork sandwiches being provided 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 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

**FEBRUARY 24-26 or MARCH 10-12** — Invest in your marriage with “Weekend to Remember” Marriage Conference: This two-and-a-half day getaway weekend (same conference for two different weekends) is a time to be together as a couple to invest in and strengthen the foundation of your



marriage, no matter how firm or fragile it is. By getting away from the distractions of life, you can fortify your most important relationship and work toward building wonderful memories together, for decades to come. Weekend to Remember is not a large group counseling session or small group discussion. You won't be asked to share intimate details of your relationship with anyone. You will listen to engaging talks from marriage experts, then take private time alone with your spouse to work on the concepts you studied. When you leave, you will have an assortment of powerful, Christ-centered communication tools to use for years to come. Learn how to:

- address issues as they arise, rather than letting resentments fester;
- express feelings positively, so your partner remains engaged in the discussion;
- resolve conflict in healthy, biblical ways;
- maintain a vital sexual connection with one another;
- forgive one another freely and completely;
- increase your commitment to your marriage, resulting in deeper intimacy.

BFCC is committed to helping marriages grow God's way, and is offering full scholarships for either weekend. Talk with any pastor if you are interested.

**Thank you, BFCC!**



“Thank you so much for once again graciously allowing the use of the church for our client Christmas party, and also the Moms’ Bible Study. It’s a blessing! God bless! —Heart Choices”

**Mitchell County Food Pantry special needs this month are:** jelly, laundry soap, cereal, soda crackers, syrup. These or other non-perishable food items may be dropped at the Food Pantry (12th and Walnut Streets) on Tuesday mornings from 9:00—11:00 a.m., or brought to the church and put in the collection box marked for the food pantry in the north hallway of the Education wing. “Then the King will say to those on his right...‘I was hungry and you gave me something to eat.’” (Matthew 25:34-35)



## 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 (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 Samuel Jenson improving enough to go home from the hospital.
- Praise God with Todd Wiles as his Mom had medical tests recently and there was nothing requiring any more attention.
- Praise God with Jessica Drum's family for her recent PHD degree from WSU and her new job with Facebook in California.
- Praise God with those who were able to gather at the church for a New Year's Eve party as a good time was shared by all.
- Praise God as we expect a positive time of food, fellowship and inspiration at the January 15, 2017, pot blessing meal and annual meeting and vision sharing.
- Pray with Shane Thompson for both his Mom and Dad as she will get advice soon on treatment options and he is in the Salina Regional Health Center. (We got a follow up message that Shane's Mom health concern is not a serious concern and his Dad was released to come home from the hospital.)
- Pray with Angela Engelbert for health concerns for a friend, Jodi Loomis. (We got a follow up report that Jodi got a report that her concerns are very treatable.
- Pray for Steve and Linda Walters who are January missionaries of the month.
- 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 Bob and Mary Belknap for their daughter, Brenda, who fell and broke her hip.
- Pray with Connie Kopsa for her Dad, Lenard Fowler, as he fell and has had related health complications.
- Pray for John Yeary as he is recovering at home now.
- Pray for Gary Morrell as he has been in Mitchell County Hospital.
- Pray for Virgil English as he has been in Mitchell County Hospital this last week.
- Pray for the family of Bob and Mary Belknap's ex-son in law who passed away.
- Pray for the family of Margaret Hollingshead as the graveside funeral service to remember her was December 29, 2016.
- Pray for the family of Roger Oplinger as the funeral to remember him was December 29, 2016.
- Pray for the family of Jerry Novak, Lisa Novak's Uncle, as the funeral to remember him was December 30, 2016.

## 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:

1/8 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:

1/8 Bill & Jodi File  
 2/8 Greg & Debbie Geyer  
 2/9 Randy & Linda Doggett  
 2/14 Bill & Sherry Angell  
 Dave & Brenda Crawford

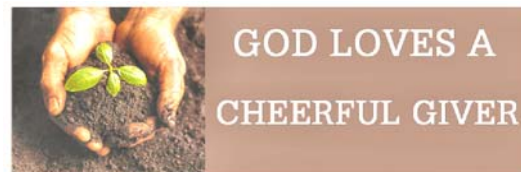
### Hilltop Lodge Nursing Home

- Mildred Bohnert
- Lela File
- Katherine Loofbourrow
- Don & Betty Melton
- Hazel Peterson
- Barbara Quakenbush
- 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 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

### January 10 (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 11 (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 12 (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 13 (Friday)

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

### January 15 (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)  
 12:00 noon Potluck meal and Annual Meeting, Vision Sharing in gym (child care provided for the meeting)  
 7:30 pm Church board meeting in Fellowship Hall