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January 22, 2017



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** "All Because of Jesus"
***Call to Praise** Psalm 118:14-16
***Songs of Praise** "Shout to the Lord"
"Indescribable"

***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 Psalm 139:13

Prayer Requests & Testimonies
Prayer

Communion Instructions and Prayer

Call to Remember "Behold Our God"
Communion

Call to Give and Prayer
Offertory

Bible Text Mark 1:16-20 (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: Jesus Chooses You"

Invitation

***Closing Song** "Lord, Reign in Me"

**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 1:16-20

“Jesus Chooses You”

WHEN JESUS CHOOSES US, HE REVEALS OUR WORTH AND IDENTITY

“Come, follow me”...without delay he called them (Mark 1:17, 20)

JESUS GIVES MEANING AND PURPOSE FOR OUR LIVES

“and I will send you out to fish for people” (Mark 1:17)

JESUS CHOOSES US, BUT WE HAVE A DECISION TO MAKE

At once they left their nets and followed him...they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him. (Mark 1:18, 20)

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, active 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.

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Today's worship leaders:

8:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

Praise Team Leader

Organist

Prayer Leader

Elder

Preacher

Projection Operator

Sound Technician

Deacons

Kay Heller

Dave Mealiff

Bill Angell

Cliff Heagy

Doug Johnson

Blake Miller

Derek Fobes

Dan Streit

Loren Heller

Howard Wehrman

Bobbi Link

Dave Mealiff

Bill Angell

Cliff Heagy

Doug Johnson

Blake Miller

Joey Behrends

Adrian Meyer

Max Wehrman

Scott Ahlvers

Announcements

JANUARY 22 (today) — 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. Following the meal Pastor Cliff will briefly share regarding vision for the future of BFCC. 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. Annual Reports are available at the Welcome Center.

JANUARY 22 (today) — The monthly Church Board meeting with Elders will take place today, Sunday, January 22, at 7:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. The meeting agenda and reports are available at the Welcome Center.

JANUARY 29 — 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 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.

JANUARY 29 — Inter-generational Soup and Chili Supper: Our FUSION youth ministry students would like to serve a light soup and chili supper to anyone age 55 or older here at the BFCC Family Life Center gym on Sunday, January 22 at 5:00 p.m. Not only will you enjoy excellent food, but you’ll have the opportunity to engage in some good-hearted activities together. There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center so FUSION’s food preparations.



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.

FEBRUARY 24-25 — Manhattan Christian College’s Woman’s World Conference



presents, “How Sweet It Is!” Tammy Trent, speaker/performer, will focus on how God walks with us every day in both good times and hard, and how He desires to bless us more than we can imagine. There is more information and registration forms at the Welcome Center.

APRIL 1 — Deadline to receive applications for Ile Hillman/Cheryl Christians



Scholarships: Applications are now available for all Seniors graduating from High School, and all students continuing their college education. You may pick up an application at the Welcome Center, or download one from the church web site (scroll through the announcement slides at www.beloitfcc.org).

Announcements

JUNE 25 - JULY 1 — Male and female adult sponsors are needed for the High School Christ in Youth (CIY) Conference in Durango, Colorado. This high-energy conference is a highlight of the year for students who are challenged to follow and serve Christ, and it is a great opportunity for adults to grow in their own faith. You can be the key component in making this trip a reality. For more information visit ciy.com/move, or contact Mary Fugate (738-8264), or any pastor.



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"

Thank you, BFCC!



"Ladies of the Christian Church—Because of you, there's someone who is thanking God today; Someone who appreciates your warm and caring way; Someone who's remembering the special things you do, and wishing you His blessings every day, the whole year through. Thank you for the wonderful meal!!! - OCCK"

Thank you, BFCC!



"I would like to thank you for all your prayers and concerns while I was in the hospital. It was greatly appreciated. Thank you! — Donna Thompson"

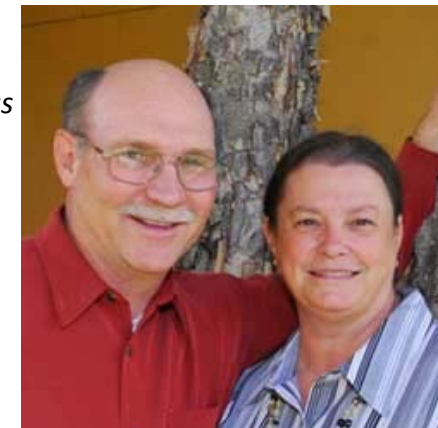
Mitchell County Food Pantry special needs this month are: jelly, laundry soap, cereal, soda crackers, syrup. These or other non-perishable food items may be dropped at the Food Pantry (12th and Walnut Streets) on Tuesday mornings from 9:00—11:00 a.m., or brought to the church and put in the collection 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

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 with Sharon Keister for Samuel Jenson improving enough to go home from the hospital. Pray for Lauren Jensen as she will go back to work on January 9, 2017.
- Praise God with Angela Engelbert for her Mom who has a birthday today.
- Praise God with Mary Belknap for her daughter, Debbie, whose leg is healing well, for her daughter, Brenda, who is in a knee brace now and for the safe travel her granddaughter had going to her father's funeral and back.
- 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 for all of the church leaders who have been selected to guide our church in 2017.
- Pray for Bill File as he is scheduled for knee replacement surgery on January 13, 2017.
- Pray with Sharon Keister for her cousin, Jennifer Darnell who is scheduled for breast cancer surgery on January 11, 2017, in St Louis.
- Pray with Angie Ahlvers for her friend Tammy, who will start chemo treatments soon.
- Pray with Leann Wehrman for a complicated health concern for Parker in Sylvan Grove, KS.
- Pray for Fran McDonald as she continues to experience declining health.
- Pray for Sally Williams for health concerns as she received treatments for lung cancer.
- Pray for Diana Portenier for continued strength and healing for all that concerns her.
- 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 Steve and Linda Walters who are the January missionaries of the month.
- Pray for the family of Darrell Kelley's dad, James Kelley, as his funeral was January 6, 2017, in Jewell, KS.

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:

- 1/22 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
- 2/3 Laura Heagy, John Redmon
- 2/4 Janet Allen, Natessa Mudd
- 2/5 Bob Belknap, Jim Gates
- 2/7 Brooke Davis
- 2/8 Brooke Vetter
- 2/9 Don Robinett
- 2/11 Beth Harrison
- 2/15 Greg Kopsa
- 2/16 Gerald Briney
- 2/19 Sarah Katsiyiannis
- 2/20 Hudson Smith

Anniversaries:

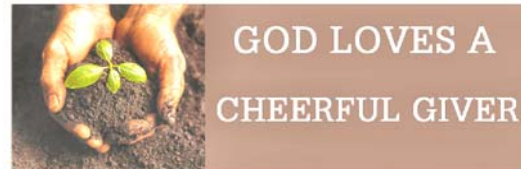
- 2/8 Greg & Debbie Geyer
- 2/9 Randy & Linda Doggett
- 2/14 Bill & Sherry Angell
Dave & Brenda Crawford
- 2/24 Lindy & Lori Lindblad

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:

December Giving: \$ 27,622.54
 December Expenses: \$ 23,987.48
 Year-to-Date Giving: \$ 351,778.87
 Year-to-Date Expenses: \$ 350,881.33

Calendar

January 22 (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 Vision Meeting (childcare available) - Family Life Center Gym
- 7:30 pm Church board meeting with Elders - Fellowship Hall

January 24 (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
- 12 noon *Small group (women):* "Watch Your Mouth" - Family Life Center South Classroom; Sherry Angell

January 25 (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 26 (Thursday)

- 6:00 a.m. *Small group:* "The Armor of God" - Church Library; Jeanette Luke (738-2135)
- 7:00 p.m. *Small group (men and women battling alcohol and drug use):* "Celebrate Recovery" - 312 N. Mill Street (738-2683)

January 27 (Friday)

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

January 29 (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 Childcare workers and volunteers meeting - Childcare Nursery
- 5:00 p.m. FUSION's soup and chili supper for those over 55 - Gym
- 7:00 p.m. Deacon's meeting - Church Library