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*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 Songs** "Build Your Kingdom Here"
***Call to Praise** Psalm 66:1-5
***Song of Praise** "What a Glorious Night"
"Hungry (Falling on My Knees)"

***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 Luke 11:1-4
Prayer Requests & Testimonies
Prayer

Call to Remember
Communion Instructions and Prayer
Communion

Call to Give and Prayer
Offertory

Bible Text Mark 4:1-25 (page 813)
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: The Secret of the Kingdom of God"

Membership (8:00 a.m.) Heidi Silvia

Invitation
***Closing Song** "Let Your Kingdom Come"

**Please stand, if you are able*

Message Notes

Mark 4:1-25

“The Secret of the Kingdom of God”

JESUS IS THE SECRET OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD

When he was alone, the Twelve and the others around him asked him about the parables. He told them, “The secret of the kingdom of God has been given to you.” (Mark 4:10-11)

THERE IS REVEALING JUDGMENT FOR THOSE WHO REJECT JESUS

But to those on the outside everything is said in parables so that, “they may be ever seeing but never perceiving, and ever hearing but never understanding; otherwise they might turn and be forgiven!” (Mark 4:11-12)

LIFE WITH JESUS WILL BE CHALLENGED

“Listen! A farmer went out to sow his seed...Consider carefully what you hear” (Mark 4:3, 24)

PERSONAL GROWTH IS MEANT FOR REVEALING CHRIST TO OTHERS

“Do you bring in a lamp to put it under a bowl or a bed? Instead, don’t you put it on its stand? Whatever is hidden is meant to be disclosed, and whatever is concealed is meant to be brought out into the open.” (Mark 4:21-22)

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.

BFCC Staff:

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(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

Deacons

8:00 a.m.

Phil & Kristi Vetter

Kay Heller

Dave Mealiff

Kris Kimple

Cliff Heagy

Jacob Scoggan

Drew Grabon

Tom Maxwell

Brady Luke

Rod Pearson

Howard Wehrman

10:30 a.m.

Phil & Kristi Vetter

Bobbi Link

Dave Mealiff

Kris Kimple

Cliff Heagy

Jacob Scoggan

Drew Grabon

Joey Behrends

Vernon Adams

Ed Allen

Dave Hughes

Announcements

MARCH 30 — Game Night at 7:00 p.m. at BFCC: Come on out for a time of fun and fellowship playing a variety of different card and board games. You can also bring a favorite game of your own. Contact Mary Belknap or Vera Streit with any questions.

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).

APRIL 3 — “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!



APRIL 5 — Women’s Ministries meeting at 5:00 p.m. There will be a Women’s Ministries meeting in the Family Life Center South Classroom at 5:00 p.m. All women are invited to come to this meeting and participate.

APRIL 12 — CLASH BASH with free meal for family members and students to end the spring session! CLASH students will meet at the normal time of 6:00 p.m., but parents, grandparents, and family members are all invited to attend, too, so they can hear CLASH



singing some of the songs they’ve learned

throughout this year. After the singing, CLASH and their families AND Fusion and their families are all invited to come to a free meal in the Family Life Center gym and enjoy some food and fellowship. Make plans to come and celebrate with us what God is doing in CLASH and Fusion!

Announcements

APRIL 13 — Maundy Thursday worship service at 7:00 p.m. (childcare available). In



preparation for a great celebration of our Lord’s resurrection, come and join us for a unique service of remembrance, repentance, and renewal where we focus on Jesus’ suffering and death on our behalf. Childcare is available for this worship service.

APRIL 16 — Easter Sunday worship services at 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. (childcare available at both services). Christ is risen! Invite



family and friends and join us in celebrating Jesus’ amazing victory over death and the grave, proving himself to be the Savior and Lord over all. In addition to our two worship services, there is also Sunday School for all ages at 9:30 a.m.

APRIL 23 — The next monthly Church Board meeting with Elders will take place Sunday, April 23, at 7:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Ministry Chairpersons should submit any written reports they have by noon on Thursday, April 20 by email to cheagy@beloitfcc.org. The meeting agenda and reports will be available April 23 at the Welcome Center.

MAY 4 — Beloit Area Prayer Breakfast, 6:30 a.m. at First United Methodist Church: In conjunction with the National Day of Prayer, this year’s Beloit Area Prayer Breakfast will take place in the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church. The breakfast will begin at 6:30 a.m., and the speaker will be Robert Davis who will share about his prayer journey. The breakfast is free, but donations are welcomed. The event will end by 7:45 a.m.

Thank you, BFCC!



“Greg and I would like to thank the church for sponsoring us on the ‘Weekend to Remember.’ We had such a wonderful time! I learned what the Bible has to say about marriage and my role as a wife. We truly believe that all marriages could benefit from this weekend! Thank you so much. — Greg and Michelle Drum”

Announcements

JULY 16 - 20 — Vacation Bible School 2017 is going to be awesome and we have some EXCITING UPDATES TO SHARE!

Maker Fun Factory: Created by God, Built for a Purpose” is the theme, and plans are in the works to provide kids from ages pre-school to Grade 6 an amazing, summer evening experience with their Creator and Redeemer! Here are the latest updates on how God is moving and providing:



- **Monetary Donations and Food Coordinator needs**

have been met! We have been blessed in a couple of very big ways as of recent! We now have our food coordinator AND we have received very generous monetary donations that will enable us to completely provide a meal every night of VBS for the kids and volunteers! With these donations we also plan to host an ice cream bar social at the closing of our parent night the last evening of VBS in the Family Life Center. We feel this is will be a wonderful opportunity for fellowship and are very excited to see this come together. Thank you so much!!!

- **Tinker Tots Pre-school Group Leader still needed:** Last year we had a successful Pre-school program, and it was among our highest attended groups. We would like to offer this special age group an opportunity to attend VBS again this year, and are looking for someone who would be interested in leading and planning our Pre-school group. There is already a Pre-school curriculum provided with the VBS materials that can be followed just as it written, but you will also be given flexibility to explore ideas of your own that would relate to each day's theme and Scripture verse. You will also have a team of volunteers helping that week!

- **Future Sign-up:** We will have further sign-ups for the various and many opportunities to help us serve VBS. We will have a table in Fellowship Hall in the coming months. Until then...

Would you please pray and consider if the Lord is calling you to participate in His work... in a Maker Fun Factory kind of way this summer? We would love to hear from you. Thank You!

Jen Scheck - jen.scheck@hotmail.com or 620-257-8737
Charle Green - charlegreen55@yahoo.com or 534-9617

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 with Ellen and Adrian Meyer for their 39th wedding anniversary on March 19, 2017.
- Praise God with Lois Simoneau as she will celebrate her 90th birthday on March 23, 2017.
- Praise God for the wedding of Susan Grabon's friends Mike and Rita on March 18, 2017.
- Praise God with Connie Hager as she was thankful for the support and prayers from the church family after her Mom passed away.
- Praise God with Brenda Berndt as she was thankful for the support and prayers from the church family after her Dad passed away.
- Pray with Ann Girard for her nephew, Dan Engel, as he is scheduled for quadruple heart bypass surgery on March 20, 2017, in Salina.
- Pray with Kylie Mihm for Emma Easter as she is getting over walking pneumonia.
- Pray for Dan Reling's brother, Dennis Reling, as he is in the Salina Regional Health Center for health concerns.
- Pray for Sally Williams as she was not able to have a radiation treatment last week since the machine was not working.
- Pray for Richard Edelman as he is now in hospice care.
- Pray with George Stroup for the witnessing opportunity he was able to share with a lady in Beloit last week. Pray he can visit with her again.
- Pray for Rod Pearson as he will be moving to Hilltop Nursing Home in the near future.
- Pray for the youth pastor search team.
- Pray for the family of Mike Evans as his funeral was March 14, 2017.
- Pray for the family of Angie Water's Dad, as his funeral was March 17, 2017.
- Pray for the family of Phil Vetter's Mom, Nevada Vetter, as her funeral was March 18, 2017.
- Pray for the family of Doug McKinney's Dad, Lawrence McKinney, as his memorial service will be March 26, 2017, in McPherson.

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:

- 3/29 Joe Prather; Phil Vetter
- 3/30 Isaac Wiles
- 3/31 Charlie Lawrence; David Williams
- 4/3 Mya Mihm
- 4/4 Stacey Allen; Beau Batchman
- 4/5 Gus Rice; Linda Smith
- 4/8 Brynna Allen; Tyler Allen; Sharayah Smith
- 4/9 J.R. Simmons
- 4/10 Gage Stewart
- 4/11 Neva Howland; Joslynn Kuiack
- 4/13 Hugh Scheck; Leo Scheck
- 4/14 Coleton Fobes; David Stouffer
- 4/16 LaDonna Fulton
- 4/17 Hannah Hughes; Elsie Mealiff; Tatum Seyfert
- 4/18 Jesse Mudd; Raegan Stewart
- 4/19 Raylinn Anderes; Chandra Wagner

Anniversaries:

- 3/26 Doug & Janet Johnson
- 4/5 Matt & Chelci Kuiack
- 4/6 Merlin & Jackie Fobes
Nash & Tazsa Smith
- 4/8 Joe & Lori Deneke
- 4/16 Ed & Patty Allen
- 4/17 Nathan & Tracy Anderes
- 4/18 Don & Dawna Robinett
- 4/19 Loren & Kay Heller

Hilltop Lodge Nursing Home

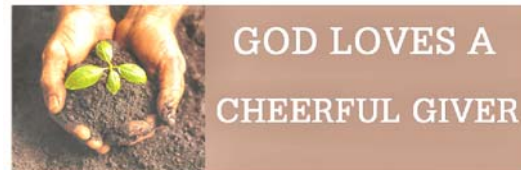
- Mildred Bohnert
- Lela File
- Katherine Loofbourrow
- Don & Betty Melton
- Hazel Peterson
- Barbara Quakenbush
- Lois Simoneau

Mitchell County Hospital Resident Care Center

- Harold Staley

The Nicol Nursing Home (Glasco)

- Neva Howland



The Latest Financial Report:

February Giving: \$ 25,423.12
 February Expenses: \$ 26,105.61
 Year-to-Date Giving: \$ 57,789.93
 Year-to-Date Expenses: \$ 67,971.34

Calendar

March 26 (Sunday)

- 8:00 a.m.
- 9:30 a.m.
- 10:30 a.m.

Worship Service (childcare available)
Small groups: Sunday School small groups for all ages
 Worship Service (childcare and Kid's church available)

March 28 (Tuesday)

- 9:00 a.m.
- 12 noon
- 6:00 p.m.
- 7:00 p.m.

Small group ("Metallic" over 50): "Colossians" - Church Library; Dave Mealiff (738-0039)
Small group (women): "Moms in Prayer" - Church Library; Melissa Luke, Laura Ensey
Small group (women): "Prophecy" - Church Library; Renee Scoggan (785-534-7129)
Small group (men and women battling alcohol and drug use): "Celebrate Recovery" - 312 N. Mill Street (738-2683)

March 29 (Wednesday)

- 6:00 a.m.
- 6:00 p.m.
- 6:00 p.m.
- 7:00 p.m.

Small group (men): "Man in the Mirror" - Guaranty State Bank; Doug Johnson (738-2573)
Small group: "Acts: How, Why, and When to Pray" - Church Library; Keith Williams (738-2936)
 CLASH (Grades 1-6) - Sanctuary
 Jr. and Sr. High FUSION - Upper Level Youth Room

March 30 (Thursday)

- 6:00 a.m.
- 7:00 p.m.

Small group: "The Armor of God" - Church Library; Jeanette Luke (738-2135)
 Game Night - Fellowship Hall; Mary Belknap (534-2436)

March 31 (Friday)

- 6:30 a.m.

Small group (men): "Turning the Tide" - Church Library; Bill Angell (738-7382)

April 2 (Sunday)

- 8:00 a.m.
- 9:30 a.m.
- 10:30 a.m.

Worship Service (childcare available)
Small groups: Sunday School small groups for all ages
 Worship Service (childcare and Kid's church available)