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September 24, 2017



*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** "This is Amazing Grace"
***Call to Praise** Ephesians 1:7
***Song of Praise** "Your Grace is Enough"
"Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)"

***Prayer of Invocation**

Announcements

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 Romans 8:37-39
Prayer Requests & Testimonies
Prayer

Communion Instructions and Prayer
Call to Remember "Carry Your Name"
Communion

Call to Give and Prayer
Offertory "Jesus, Son of God"

Bible Text Psalm 10:1-15 (page 607)
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 "Freedom Sunday Against Slavery"

Invitation
***Closing Song** "There is Power in the Blood"

**Please stand, if you are able*

Message Notes

“Freedom Sunday Against Slavery”

Psalm 10:1-15

FREEDOM TO LOVE GOD AND LOVE PEOPLE

“But you, God, see the trouble of the afflicted; you consider their grief and take it in hand. The victims commit themselves to you; you are the helper of the fatherless.” (Psalm 10:14)

GOD LOVES JUSTICE AND HEARS THE OPPRESSED

“For the LORD is righteous, he loves justice.” (Psalm 11:7)

- also read Exodus 2:23-25; Isaiah 61:1-3

GOD CALLS US TO LOVE OTHERS BY WORKING FOR THEIR FREEDOM AND JUSTICE

“He has shown you, O man, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To do justice, love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.” (Micah 6:8)

- also read Deuteronomy 24:17-18; Isaiah 1:15-17; Luke 11:42; James 2:15-17; 1 John 3:16-18

INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE MISSION (www.ijm.org)

THE EPIK PROJECT (www.epikproject.org)

HOPE RANCH FOR WOMEN (www.hoperanchforwomen.com)

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:

Praise Team Leader

Organist

Announcements

Prayer Leader

Elder

Preacher

Projection Operator

Sound Technician

Deacons

8:00 a.m.

Angie Ahlvers

Kay Heller

Doug Betts

Dave Mealiff

Ken Moeller

Cliff Heagy

Jacob Scoggan

Drew Grabon

Tim Hager

Brad Mason

Howard Wehrman

Rod Pearson

10:30 a.m.

Angie Ahlvers

Bobbi Link

Doug Betts

Dave Mealiff

Ken Moeller

Cliff Heagy

Jacob Scoggan

Drew Grabon

Vernon Adams

Joey Behrends

Ed Allen

Announcements

SEPTEMBER 24 (today) — Young Adult Small Group (18 to 29ish) gathers every Sunday evening at 7:00 p.m. at 312 N. Mill Street. Open to men and women, this is an informal time of fellowship, discussion, and study. Contact Pastor Doug Betts (785-488-5047) if interested, or just come to check it out.



SEPTEMBER 24 (today) — The Case for Christ DVD home small group will start from 5:00 to 6:30 pm at the home of Dave and Linda Mealiff, 410 N Hersey Ave Beloit, KS. This small group will meet every other Sunday afternoon on the five dates of September 24, October 8, October 22, November 5 and November 19. All adults are welcome to participate in this dramatic true story of Lee Strobel's personal journey from skepticism to belief. Lee and Leslie Strobel's marriage struggled as her growing faith collided with Lee's determined atheism. This moving story will inspire everyone who sees it: believers, those searching for answers and even those who are where Lee Strobel was. Free child care is available if we know ahead of time that it is needed. Call Dave Mealiff at 738-0039 to register.



SEPTEMBER 25 - OCTOBER 1 — Meals on Wheels drivers needed! BFCC is scheduled to deliver Meals on Wheels the week of September 25 - October 1. If you are available even one day, this is a great way to serve Jesus by serving others: *"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'"* (Matthew 25:40) A sign-up sheet is located at the Welcome Center, or you may contact Karen Buser (7569-1212) with any questions.

SEPTEMBER 27 — CLASH begins for students in grades 1 - 6! CLASH (Children Loving And Serving Him) is our weekly program for elementary-age students. It meets on Wednesday evenings (beginning September 27) at 6:00 p.m. in the church sanctuary. With music, singing, teaching, and games, kids have a fantastic opportunity to experience Jesus Christ while connecting with friends. Contact Pastor Doug Betts with any questions at 785-488-5047.



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OCTOBER 5 — Pies needed for the Blood Drive! Volunteers are needed to make and deliver pies to the NCK Technical College gym on Thursday, October 5 for the blood drive. Two volunteers are also needed to cut pies at 11:00 a.m. that day. There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center if you can help.

Our Nursery Ministry is looking for Adult Nursery Care leaders to serve any Sunday for our childcare ministry during the 10:30 a.m. worship service. We believe offering childcare is a vitally important ministry that enables families with young children to fully participate in worship, and to remain connected to the Body of Christ. Thank you to those who have already signed up (some for multiple Sundays)! Your ministry and act of service in



Jesus' name is greatly appreciated! We still have Sundays available, so please prayerfully consider signing up. If you would like more information on our Childcare Nursery and what is involved in serving, please contact our Childcare Coordinator, Charle Green at 534-9617 or charlegreen55@yahoo.com. Thank you!

Church Library: To make new books easier to find in the Church Library, they will be placed on the display in the bookcase on the east wall for a few weeks. Afterwards, they will be moved to their appropriate areas in the library. Feel free to check out these and any other resources!

Thank you, BFCC!



"Beloit First Christian Church: Thank you so very much for your generous donation to our Boost Women's Conference, and helping us bring Chris Sligh to Beloit. God bless all of you! —Boost Committee"

Thank you, BFCC!



"Thanks to Pastors Cliff, Dave, and Doug, and to all who prayed for me before, during, and after my two surgeries. I'm happy to report that they were very successful, and that the pain in my legs is gone.

Thanks, too, to all who called, sent cards, or brought food. And a big thank you to Kay Heller for filling in on the organ. What a wonderful church family we have!! —Bobbi Link"

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Thank you, BFCC!



“Dear First Christian Church: Thank you for your contribution of \$415.37 to the Summer Kids Café program. Through your generosity of sharing your talent, time, and resources, you demonstrate your dedication to our mutual mission of ensuring that our youth are healthy and that they feel valued. Your donation will be used directly to provide nutritious lunchtime meals and activities for children ages 1-18 throughout the summer. Thank you again for your gift of your talent, your time, and your resources. Sincerely, Summer Kids Café Board”

Mitchell County Food Pantry special needs this month are:



cereal, canned fruit, green beans, peas, and corn. These or other non-perishable 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 in the north hallway of the Education wing.

Box Tops, Tabs, and Labels can make a difference!



Take a moment to collect box tops, tabs, and labels to help others in a variety of ways. Box tops for education are worth 10 cents for schools. Pull tabs from cans can be collected to help support the Ronald McDonald Houses. Labels from qualified products and Best Choice UPC's are also valuable for schools. You can drop any of these items off in the collection containers located on the table in the north hallway of the Education wing here at BFCC.

WiFi available here at BFCC — Connect your WiFi enabled device to “BFCC_guest” to access your favorite online Bible or other internet resources. No password is required.



Children and Youth Ministries



FUSION

Jr High and High School Youth Group
Wednesday night from 7:00 - 8:30!

Prayer Partners! - We'd like to pair up our students with prayer partners in the church. If you are interested in becoming a prayer partner for one of our FUSION students please see Pastor Doug or sign up at the welcome center!

SEE YOU AT THE POLE™

FIX OUR EYES HEBREWS 12:2

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2017

7:30 AM

FLAGPOLE IN FRONT OF BJSHS

WHAT WOULD YOU WANT GOD TO DO IN YOUR SCHOOL?!

Write out a list of all the things you would want to see God do in your school... and bring that list with you Wednesday morning to See You At The Pole at the flagpole in front of BJSHS and join me and some friends as we pray for these things.

PRAY BOLDLY and RESPOND OBEDIANTLY

Children and Youth Ministries

WHAT'S UP AT

The Last Supper

Mathew 26:26-30 and John 13:1-15

Jesus and the disciples ate the Last Supper, which is the first "Lord's Supper".

Jesus said that believers should share in the



1st - 6th Grade Students

Wednesday 6:00 - 7:00

CLASH starts this Wednesday night!

Registration forms are available at the Welcome center.

THIS WEEK:

ALL HAVE SINNED

Romans 3:23 For ALL have sinned and fall short of the glory of GOD.

Prayer requests from last Sunday

- Praise God for "Bless Our Schools Sunday" designation by Moms in Prayer today.
- Praise God for Hazel Peterson's 100th birthday on September 23rd.
- Praise God with Tom and Mary Maxwell on the birth of a new great granddaughter.
- Praise God with Jenni Reling for the wedding of Nick Reling and Kelly Shamburg on September 23rd.
- Praise God with Diane Kolman for the wedding of Aspen Davis and Jacob Arnold on September 23rd.
- Praise God with Drew Grabon for Susan Grabon's birthday on September 17th.
- Praise God with George and Judy Stroup for their 12th anniversary Sept. 18th.
- Praise God for The Stewards of Children training seminar on Tuesday.
- Praise God got the Heart Choices Walk Run 4 Life on October 1, 2017.
- Praise God with Drew Grabon for the rain.
- Pray for Terry Shamburg for healing and recovery for a medical concern including praying for successful surgery in Shawnee Mission, KS on September 26th.
- Pray with Scott Ahlvers for Delwin Rathburn for high blood pressure.
- Pray with Scott Ahlvers for Andy Heller as he recovers from bypass heart surgery.
- Pray with George Stroup for Judy Stroup as she is in Mitchell County Hospital.
- Pray with Renee Mason for the first FCA meeting of the fall on September 18th.
- Pray for the people of Texas, Louisiana and Florida who have suffered loss.
- Pray for Lois Simoneau as she was in Mitchell County Hospital last week.
- Pray with Bob and Mary Belknap for their daughter, Luann, recovering at home.
- Pray for Jill Ehram for all that concerns her.
- Pray for Doug and Deana Betts' house in Bennington to sell soon.
- Pray with Wil Hoestje for safe travels for Sue Hoestje and Kim Budke as they return today from a wedding in south Dakota.
- Pray with Becky Staley for safe travel for her husband and daughter as they travel to Virginia to visit her grandson.
- Pray with Becky Staley for our government and for our military.
- Pray for the family of Judy Peterson, as her funeral was on September 12, 2017.
- Pray for the family of Ronald Kelley as his memorial service was September 16.

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:

9/26 Bobbi Link
 9/27 Sally Williams
 9/28 Angie Ahlvers, Joe Simmons
 9/29 Adam Stortz
 9/30 Janet Johnson, Mike Stewart
 10/2 Irene Fobes
 10/3 Caylen Chancellor, Lennox Smith
 10/4 Brody Batchman, Derek Fobes, Terry Jennings, Mary Maxwell
 10/5 Greg Drum, Sharon Keister, Perry Williams, John Yeary
 10/6 Tom Naasz
 10/7 George Stroup, Carol Tolbert
 10/8 Cassie Luke
 10/11 Aspen Davis, Linda Miller, Todd Wiles
 10/12 Ann Girard, Casey Seyfert
 10/13 Brycn Corbett
 10/14 Michelle Drum, Jake Reling
 10/15 Mike Nulty
 10/17 Tristan Armstrong
 10/18 Jenni Reling, Levi Roush
 10/20 Larry Behrends

Anniversaries:

10/2 Jason & Jama Budke
 Kenny & Deanna Nelson
 10/3 Jerry & Karen Buser
 10/19 Alan & Julie Snyder
 10/28 Wil & Sue Hoestje

Hilltop Lodge Nursing Home

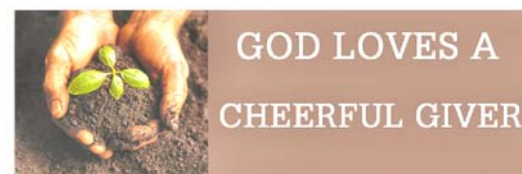
- Mildred Bohnert
- Lela File
- Katherine Loofbourrow
- Betty Melton
- Rod Pearson
- Hazel Peterson
- Lois Simoneau
- Gerald Briney

The Nicol Nursing Home (Glasco)

- Neva Howland



The Latest Financial Report:



August Giving: \$ 26,286.67
 August Expenses: \$ 30,446.54
 Year-to-Date Giving: \$ 242,746.13
 Year-to-Date Expenses: \$ 237,698.91

Calendar

September 24 (Sunday)

8:00 a.m. Worship Service (childcare available)
 9:30 a.m. *Small groups:* Sunday morning small groups for all ages
 10:30 a.m. Worship Service (childcare and Kid's church available)
 5:00 p.m. *Small group:* "The Case for Christ" - 410 N. Hersey (Mealiff's)
 7:00 p.m. *Small group:* Young Adults (18 to 29ish) small group - 312 N. Mill Street; Doug Betts (785-488-5047)

September 26 (Tuesday)

9:00 a.m. *Small group ("Metallic" over 50):* "Ephesians" - Church Library; Dave Mealiff (738-0039)
 12 noon *Small group:* "Uninvited" - Family Life Center South Classroom; Mary Lou Heller (738-3352)

September 27 (Wednesday)

5:30 a.m. *Small group:* STRONG exercise group - Family Life Center Gym; Gabbie Smith (785-534-9360)
 6:00 a.m. *Small group (men):* "Man in the Mirror" - Guaranty State Bank; Doug Johnson (738-2573)
 6:00 p.m. *Small group:* "The Minor Prophets" - Church Library; Keith Williams (738-2936)
 6:00 p.m. CLASH (Grades 1-6) - Sanctuary; Julia Rabe (319) 210-6314
 7:00 p.m. Fusion (Jr. and Sr. High Students) - Upper Level Youth Room; Doug Betts (785-488-5047)

September 28 (Thursday)

6:00 a.m. *Small group:* "The Armor of God" - Church Library; Jeanette Luke (738-2135)
 7:00 p.m. Game Nite - Fellowship Hall; Mary Belknap (534-2436)

September 29 (Friday)

5:30 a.m. *Small group:* STRONG exercise group - Family Life Center Gym; Gabbie Smith (785-534-9360)

October 1 (Sunday)

8:00 a.m. Worship Service (childcare available)
 9:30 a.m. *Small groups:* Sunday morning small groups for all ages
 10:30 a.m. Worship Service (childcare and Kid's church available)
 7:00 p.m. *Small group:* Young Adults (18 to 29ish) small group - 312 N. Mill Street; Doug Betts (785-488-5047)