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April 8, 2018



*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** "You, You Are God"
***Call to Praise** Romans 12:1-2
***Songs of Praise** "Let the Peace of God Reign"
"Lord, You Have My Heart"

***Prayer of Invocation**

Announcements

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

Call to Prayer

Jeremiah 32:17-18

Prayer Requests & Testimonies
Prayer

Communion Instructions and Prayer
Call to Remember
Communion

Call to Give and Prayer
Offertory

"None but Jesus"

Bible Text

Exodus 9:13-35 (page 51)

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

"The Progression of Belief"

Invitation

***Closing Song**

"I Give You My Heart"

**Please stand, if you are able*

Message Notes

“The Progression of Belief”

Exodus 9:13-35

BELIEF MUST GROW OR DIE

“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.” (Psalm 111:10)

- also read Mark 12:34; Luke 8:4-15

BELIEF CAN’T GROW WHEN WE BARGAIN WITH GOD AND MINIMIZE OUR SIN

“This time I have sinned,” he said to them. “The Lord is in the right, and I and my people are in the wrong. Pray to the LORD...I will let you go.” (Exodus 9:27-28)

BELIEF OFTEN BEGINS WITH FEAR OF CONSEQUENCES

“Those officials of Pharaoh who feared the word of the Lord hurried to bring their slaves and their livestock inside.” (Exodus 9:20)

BELIEF GROWS IN THE FEAR OF THE LORD

“But I know that you and your officials still do not fear the Lord God.” (Exodus 9:30)

- also read Isaiah 6:5-7; Luke 5:8-11; Matthew 10:26-31; Acts 5:1-11; Acts 9:31; 2 Corinthians 5:9-11

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

Dave Cordel

Cliff Heagy

Doug Johnson

Doug Johnson

Brian Gates

Lindy Lindblad

Brad Mason

Jared Schmidt

10:30 a.m.

Angie Ahlvers

Bobbi Link

Doug Betts

Dave Mealiff

Dave Cordel

Cliff Heagy

Doug Johnson

Doug Johnson

Carl Prather

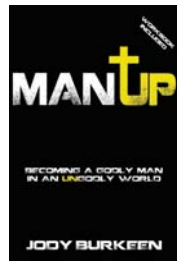
Adrian Meyer

Vernon Adams

Max Wehrman

Announcements

APRIL 8 (today) — New Sunday Morning Small Group for Men!



“Are you or other men you know having trouble in their Christian walk? The good news is that these are troubles that can be avoided if we will just Man Up and follow Jesus. Join me on a journey through seven areas in a Christian man’s life that need major attention.” -- from author Jody Burkeen. This men’s small group will begin Sunday, April 8, 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. in the south classroom of the Family Life Center. If you would like to be a part of this study contact Kent Miller, 534-2633 (cell) so the books can be ordered.

APRIL 10 — Heart Choices Annual Spring Banquet (reservations required by April 3):



Heart Choices is having their annual banquet at the Beloit Municipal Building on Tuesday, April 10, at 7:00 p.m. This year’s featured speaker is Melissa Ohden, the survivor of a failed saline infusion abortion in 1977. After years of searching for her biological family and offering them forgiveness, Melissa’s life is evidence of the intergenerational impact of abortion on all of our lives, and a testament to the beauty of God’s grace and power: “but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.” (Genesis 50:20). The banquet is free, but reservations are required by calling 785-738-3433, or emailing: heartbeat@nckcn.com

APRIL 15 — BOOST Praise and Worship night (6:30 - 7:30 pm):



Boost Ministries is a God-breathed Christian outreach here in Beloit that has a deep desire to help people grow closer to God through building relationships, demonstrating love, and actively praying for one another. Boost has regular women’s groups that meet in the Guaranty State Bank Community room Wednesdays (6:30-7:00 am) and/or the first Sunday evening of each month (6:30-7:30 pm). This praise night at BFCC is open to everyone, as we unite to give God glory! For more information about Boost, contact Kristi Arasmith at boost@boostministries or 785-251-3135.

Announcements

APRIL 15 — Help support the Boost Praise Night by making cookies!



As host for the Boost Praise Night, BFCC has been asked to provide cookies for 250 people. We are looking for any volunteers who could make 4 dozen cookies to donate. If interested, please contact Jodi File (738-0316), or sign-up at the Welcome Center. Thank you!

APRIL 17 — Pies are needed for the Community Blood Drive:



The Community Blood Drive will take on April 17 at the North Central Kansas Technical College gym, and we have been asked to provide 16 pies. If you would like to help, there is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center. Pies need to be delivered to the NCKTC gym by 10:30 a.m. on April 17.

New online digital library resources available to our congregation:



The Grace Ministries Online Digital Library is a free tool, provided by BFCC. It has a wealth of information on Christian counseling, discipleship, men’s

ministries, women’s ministries, marriage enrichment, family relationships, Bible study, character development, pastoral care resources and mentoring programs with well know teachers including Dr. Gene Getz, Gary and Barb Rosberg, Dave Ramsey, Dr. Max Anderes, Dr. Robert Morgan, Greg Vaughn and others. This resource includes unlimited streaming use for our entire Church family through May 5, 2019, and also for people to whom you may be ministering. There is just one website, one user name, one password and no personal information is required from those who access these resources. More details are available at the Welcome Center or contact any pastor.

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) to view videos of all of our past

services and sermons. You can also subscribe to our YouTube channel (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.

Announcements

Be a part of a new BFCC photo directory! So far we have received 10 photos, and our goal is at least 125—help us help you get better



connected: Because the Lord has blessed us with so many new folks here at BFCC, we'd love to put together a photo directory to help you better connect faces with names. To be included, give us a photo to scan, let us take your photo after a worship service, or simply email or text your individual or family photo, along with name,

address, phone number, and email address to: cheagy@beloitfcc.org OR 785-534-0770. Thank you!

Sunday Morning is a perfect time to connect in a small group! Every week BFCC



provides outstanding Sunday School groups for all ages from 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. These groups provide a Biblical foundation for life, and loving teachers to help you and your children see the beauty and truth of Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. To hear God speak, we must become familiar with God's voice, which is heard most clearly through God's Word. This happens best in a group where you can listen to others, ask questions, and

discern God in meaningful discussion. You can't make a more important investment of time than enhancing your Sunday morning worship with a Sunday morning small group for yourself, and for your children.

Thank you, BFCC!



"It is with great relief and joy that we announce the closing of our house in Bennington! Praise God our transition is complete! We would like to take this opportunity to thank our church family for such a loving and warm welcome over the past year. We have never been in a

situation were we have felt the love of Jesus Christ more than through our transition to Beloit and through the congregation of BFCC! Thank you does not express our gratitude towards you, but Philippians 1:3-6 does a pretty good job of describing how we feel! God bless you! We are so excited for what God has planned for our church and community! In Christ's Love, The Betts Family"

Children and Youth Ministries



FUSION

Jr High and High School Youth Group

Wednesday night from 7:00 - 8:30!

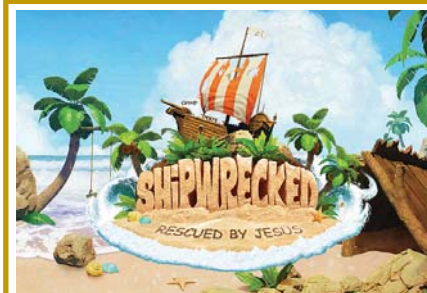
I Can Only Imagine

Movie Night Saturday April 7th
1:00 pm at Solomon Valley Cinema



****FREE**
Movie and
Small Combo**

Thanks to some awesome people in our church who made this possible



VBS @BFCC
Vacation Bible School
Beloit First Christian Church

Sunday July 29th - Thursday August 2nd 6:00 - 8:30 pm

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! - VBS volunteer sign up at the

Welcome center or visit with Pastor Doug.

We'll have a VBS table up soon for more information!

Children and Youth Ministries

WHAT'S UP AT

He Is Risen!

The true reason we celebrate Easter is because the tomb was empty! When you run for eggs, remember how excited Peter and John were when they ran to where Jesus had been buried only to find that it was empty, He IS risen!!



Christ In Youth - MOVE!
July 16 - 20th
Siloam Springs, Arkansas
Fusion Fundraisers

Sunday April 8th
9:00 - 10:15 am
BREAKFAST!

Join us for breakfast in the family life center gym!
All donations go to support
students attending CIY Move!

MAY 26th - Memorial Day food booth in the park!

JUNE 8th - Dinner and a movie at BFCC!

Prayer requests from last Sunday

- Praise God for Easter Sunday today on April 1!
- Praise God with Judy Stroup as she shared that everyday is a celebration of Easter!
- Praise God with Joe and Samantha, Carl and Mary and Ann Fugate that the judge decided on March 30 that Liam can become part of their family forever!
- Praise God for the Heart Choices Banquet April 10, 2018!
- Praise God with Phyllis Kjellberg for the support, cards and prayers she experienced when her mom passed away recently.
- Praise God for the CLASH celebration program and family meal on March 28!
- Praise God for the Man Up Sunday men's small group which is scheduled to launch April 8, 2018.
- Praise God that the movie "I Can Only Imagine" is at the Solomon Valley Cinema for two weeks.
- Pray with Rita Rowh for Jay Rowh's sister, Carla, for healing as she goes to KU Med Center for assessment of her leukemia challenges.
- Pray with Teri Engelbert for Cami Engelbert as she injured her knee playing volleyball and it will be several weeks before she can have an appointment with a specialist.
- Pray with Joni Adams for Zeb Larson as he is at KU Med Center and they have suspended chemo treatments because he is too ill for it.
- Pray for Dick Wise as he is scheduled for a heart valve replacement and 4 heart bypass surgery in Wichita on April 13.
- Pray with Michelle Emerson for healing of some ongoing medical concerns.
- Pray for Dan Reling as he has multiple health concerns.
- Pray for Vernon Adams as he recovers at home.
- Pray for Beth Harrison for all that concerns her including her scheduled knee replacement surgery on May 17, 2018.
- Pray for Ileen Bean as she recovers at the Concordia hospital.
- Pray for Rob Heller for all that concerns him and his health concerns.
- Pray for the family of Linda Mealiff's Aunt Hester VanDyne as her funeral was Monday, March 26, 2018, in Independence, KS.
- Pray for the family of Tim Chapman's sister, Janyce Chapman, as her funeral was Wednesday, March 28, 2018.

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:

- 4/8 Brynna Allen, Tyler Allen, Sharayah Smith
- 4/9 J.R. Simmons
- 4/10 Gage Stewart
- 4/11 Neva Howland, Joslynn Kuiack, Danny Pfannenstiel
- 4/13 Hugh Scheck, Leo Scheck
- 4/14 Coleton Fobes, Julia Rabe, David Stouffer
- 4/17 Tatum Seyfert
- 4/18 Jesse Mudd, Raegan Stewart
- 4/19 Raylynn Anderes, Chandra Wagner
- 4/20 Josh Smith, Gretchen Spitz
- 4/22 Keighlee Armstrong, Becky Staley
- 4/24 Carl Lafferty, Karen Stortz
- 4/25 Jodie Gantz
- 4/26 Luke Shamburg
- 4/27 Kiera Rabe

Anniversaries:

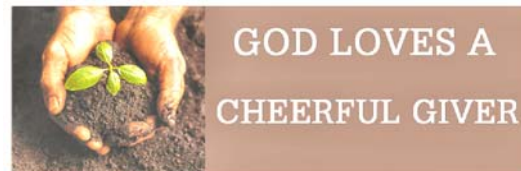
- 4/8 Joe & Lori Deneke
- 4/14 Jason & Julia Rabe
- 4/16 Ed & Patty Allen
- 4/17 Nathan & Tracy Anderes
- 4/18 Don & Dawna Robinett
- 4/19 Loren & Kay Heller
- 4/22 Mitch & Tami Eck
- 4/23 Steve & Kim Hlad
- 4/27 Jeff & Jenny Wessling

Hilltop Lodge Nursing Home

- Lela File
- Betty Melton
- Rod Pearson
- Hazel Peterson
- Lois Simoneau
- LaDonna Snyder
- Gerald Briney

The Nicol Nursing Home (Glasco)

- Neva Howland



The Latest Financial Report:

February Giving: \$ 23,092.10
 February Expenses: \$ 43,195.64
 Year-to-Date Giving: \$ 48,569.51
 Year-to-Date Expenses: \$ 75,124.55

Calendar

April 8 (Sunday)

- 8:00 a.m. Worship Service (childcare available)
- 9:00 a.m. Breakfast free-will fundraiser by Fusion - Family Life Center Gym
- 9:30 a.m. *Small groups (all ages):* Sunday morning small groups
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service (childcare and Kid's church available)

April 9 (Monday)

- 6:30 p.m. DivorceCare - Family Life Center South Classroom
- 6:30 p.m. DivorceCare for Kids - Family Life Center North Classroom

April 10 (Tuesday)

- 9:00 a.m. *Small group (over 50):* "Metallic Bible Study: Book of James" - Church Library; Terry Shamburg (785-738-7492)

April 11 (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 (785-738-2573)
- 6:00 p.m. *Small group:* "The Minor Prophets" - Church Library; Keith Williams (785-738-2936)
- 7:00 p.m. Fusion (students in grades 7-12) - Upper Level Youth Room; Doug Betts (785-488-5047)
- 7:00 p.m. *Small group (women):* "12 Ordinary Men" - Mill Street Mission House (312 N. Mill Street); Chris Miller (785-738-7965)

April 12 (Thursday)

- 6:00 a.m. *Small group (women):* "Lead Like Jesus" - Church Library; Jeanette Luke (785-738-2135)

April 13 (Friday)

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

April 15 (Sunday)

- 8:00 a.m. Worship Service (childcare available)
- 9:30 a.m. *Small groups (all ages):* Sunday morning small groups
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service (childcare and Kid's church available)
- 6:30 p.m. BOOST Praise Night - Church Sanctuary