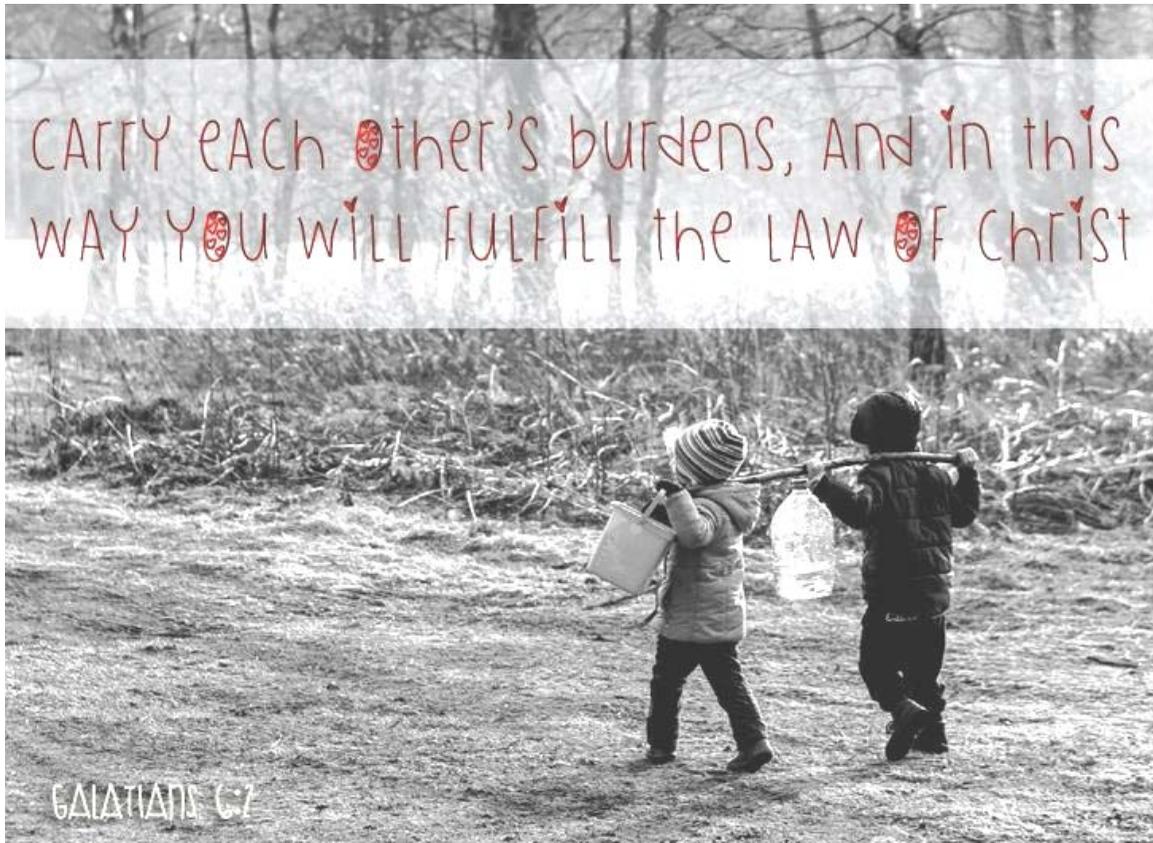




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**June 17, 2018**



*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** "Come, People of the Risen King"  
**\*Call to Praise** Psalm 92:1-3  
**\*Songs of Praise** "Lord Most High"  
"Be Exalted, O God" (hymn #32)  
"You Are God Alone"

**\*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** Romans 15:30-33

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

**Communion Instructions and Prayer**  
**Call to Remember**  
**Communion**

**Call to Give and Prayer**  
**Offertory**

**Bible Text** Exodus 18:1-27 (page 59)  
*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 Through Community"

**Invitation**  
**\*Closing Song** "The Servant Song" (hymn #424)  
"People of God" (hymn #427)

*\*Please stand, if you are able*

## Message Notes

### “Freedom Through Community”

Exodus 18:1-27

#### **FREEDOM TO SHARE THE GOSPEL THROUGH OUR EXPERIENCES**

*“Moses told his father-in-law about everything the Lord had done...and about all the hardships they had met along the way and how the Lord had saved them. Jethro was delighted to hear about all the good things the Lord had done.” (Exodus 18:8-9)*

#### **FREEDOM TO SHARE AND BEAR OUR BURDENS TOGETHER**

*Moses’ father-in-law replied, “What you are doing is not good. You and these people who come to you will only wear yourselves out. The work is too heavy for you; you cannot handle it alone.” (Exodus 18:17-18)*

- *also read Ephesians 4:11-12)*

#### **FREEDOM TO GROW AS WE SERVE THE NEEDS OF OTHERS**

*“Select capable men from all the people—men who fear God, trustworthy men who hate dishonest gain—and appoint them as officials over thousands, hundreds, fifties and tens.” (Exodus 18:21)*

## 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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#### **Today’s worship leaders:**

	<b><u>8:00 a.m.</u></b>	<b><u>10:30 a.m.</u></b>
Praise Team Leader	Linda Mealiff	Linda Mealiff
Organist	Kay Heller	Bobbi Link
Announcements	Doug Betts	Doug Betts
Prayer Leader	Dave Mealiff	Dave Mealiff
Elder	Randy Doggett	Randy Doggett
Preacher	Cliff Heagy	Cliff Heagy
Projection Operator	Doug Johnson	Doug Johnson
Sound Technician	Blake Miller	Blake Miller
Deacons	Lindy Lindblad	Shelby Gantz
	Jared Schmidt	Ed Allen
	Tom Maxwell	Adrian Meyer
	Loren Heller	Norm Newell

## Announcements

**JUNE 17 (today) — New Sunday morning Adult Life Group begins: “Is Genesis**



**History?”** This DVD study with Dr. Del Tackett, former director of the Focus on the Family Truth Project, looks at a variety of scientific authorities who help process evidence for a Biblical account of Creation and the Flood versus the alternative, conventional account of time and chance over millions of years. Pastor Dave and Linda Mealiff will facilitate this group which is open to all men and women.

**JUNE 21 — A new, weekly worship opportunity has begun here at BFCC: “Immerse”**



IMMERSE WORSHIP

Come out on Thursday evenings this summer at 7:00 p.m. to explore “Immerse,” a new worship ministry inspired from John 4:23 - “God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.” It is a time full of worship, reflection, and prayer for all who desire to connect with the Creator!

**JUNE 30 — Graduation Party that everyone at BFCC is invited to attend:** Terry

Peterson would like to invite the Beloit First Christian Church family to a graduation party for her son, Dakota Follett on Saturday, June 30 in the Family Life Center Gym from 2 - 4 pm.

**JULY 22 — NO JUNE BOARD MEETING: The next monthly Church Board meeting with**

**Elders** will take place Sunday, July 22, at 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Ministry Chairpersons should submit any written reports they have by noon on Thursday, July 19 by email to [cheagy@beloitfcc.org](mailto:cheagy@beloitfcc.org). The meeting agenda and reports will be available July 15 at the Welcome Center.

**JULY 29 - AUGUST 2 — Vacation Bible School is coming, and now is the time to sign-**



**up to help us make and grow disciples of elementary students!** There is a volunteer sign-up table in Fellowship hall. Stop by and visit with the leaders to hear how you can play a part in making an amazing impact on our community for Christ. You may also register your kids before July 29 by

completing an online form (<https://goo.gl/forms/TF2zkZfHbGRib39i1>), which is also available as a link on the BFCC FaceBook page ([www.facebook.com/beloitfcc](http://www.facebook.com/beloitfcc))

## Announcements

**SEPTEMBER 7 - 9 — Men’s Encounter Weekend Retreat at Webster Conference**



**Center, Salina:** Men’s Encounter is a time for men to get away and encounter God, perhaps like never before; A time to consider, give thought to our lives, and discover solutions to the unique challenges facing men. Men’s Encounter is organized by men and for men. There is no central organization, but rather a growing network of ordinary men

from all walks of life and different regions who have experienced freedom in Christ and are now working to share it with others. While there will be other men in attendance, Men’s Encounter is an individual and personal experience. What takes place during the weekend is between you and God. He has a gift uniquely for you. The cost for the weekend is \$125, but BFCC has scholarships to cover this if you let us know of your interest. For more information, we encourage you to contact Max Wehrman (785-770-7013 or [beef\\_@hotmail.com](mailto:beef_@hotmail.com)), or visit the Men’s Encounter website at [www.encounterthecross.com](http://www.encounterthecross.com), where you can also register.

**SEPTEMBER 10 — Mark your calendar and spread the word: A new DivorceCare and**



**DivorceCare for Kids is forming!** On Mondays from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. beginning September 10 and ending December 3, BFCC will again be offering two important groups that provide help, healing, and hope for people who may be struggling with separation or divorce...plus help if their children (ages 5-12) may be hurting. Children must have a

parent in the adult DivorceCare group to participate in the DivorceCare for Kids group. Talk with any BFCC pastor, call the church office (738-3071), or email [cheagy@beloitfcc.org](mailto:cheagy@beloitfcc.org) to register, or for more information. There is no cost to participate, and you will receive all your materials at the first meeting.

## Announcements

Be a part of a new BFCC photo directory! So far we have received 63 photos, and our goal is at least 125—help us help you get better connected.



To be included, just give us a photo to scan, let us take your photo after a worship service, or email or text your individual or family photo, along with name, address, phone number, and email address to: [cheagy@beloitfcc.org](mailto:cheagy@beloitfcc.org) OR 785-534-0770. Those who submit a photo will be able to access the

online directory through a free app on their smartphone (android or iPhone), or through a web browser on their computer. Instructions for doing this will be emailed after your photo is received and processed into the online directory.

**Stories from Operation Christmas Child:** Operation Christmas Child takes place in



November, and BFCC will once again take part in packing, collecting, and shipping shoeboxes. Until then, be encouraged in your prayers for how this mission outreach makes a difference for eternity: "On the outskirts of Beirut, Lebanon, a young mother named Delil and her infant baby lived in a two room house with eight other refugees. An Operation Christmas Child team came and presented Delil with a shoebox that had been filled with gifts, clothing, and little shoes for her infant girl. During the visit, Delil's older brother, a crack

addict, walked into the room and was overwhelmed by the love shown to his sister and her child. He stayed to listen as the team shared the story of the Christmas Child sent by God as the greatest gift to all people. As refugees, they were especially moved by Jesus' own displacement after his birth, to Egypt after Herod sought to kill him. The account so moved him, that Delil's brother was led to receive Christ! Material gifts may cause the recipient's eyes to open in fascination, but it is the magnificent Gospel that opens wide the door of the human heart." (From Franklin Graham's book, "Operation Christmas Child: A Story of Simple Gifts")

## Children and Youth Ministries



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GUARDIANS Group page - @bfccparentpage

**VBS Online Registration:** <https://goo.gl/forms/hLGHzIm6EFjhJLoe2>



**July 29 - August 2**  
**6:00 - 8:30 pm**

Vacation Bible  
School

**VBS @BFCC**  
Beloit First Christian Church

## Young Adult IHOP Trip!

The young adult life group has planned a trip to IHOP (International House of Prayer) in KC for the days of June 22 and 23. Leaving times are flexible between leaving Friday for overnight or Saturday for a day trip.

For more information contact  
Brooke Hemmert at 785-953-0783.



## Children and Youth Ministries

# WHAT'S UP AT



God is generous to us so we can be generous to others!  
 2 Corinthians 8:1-15  
 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

### VBS PREP DAY!



## Prayer requests from last Sunday

- Praise God for the volunteer banquet on June 3, 2018!
- Praise God with Ashley and Tristan Long for their 2nd wedding anniversary June 11th.
- Praise God with George Stroup for his daughter, Pam, being here to visit today.
- Praise God with Chandra Wagner for the volunteers who helped with a home make over project in Cawker City.
- Praise God for the Immerse worship program that started on June 7, 2018!
- Praise God that Melva McGuin's sister, Donna, is expected to be released from the Smith Center hospital on June 12th.
- Pray with Phyllis Kjellberg for Jessica Cody's painful breast cancer concern.
- Pray with Emily Hamilton as she heals from a broken ankle.
- Pray for Beth Harrison as she recovers following knee replacement surgery.
- Pray with Louise Sutton for her nephew, Doug Dillner, as he waits for a lung transplant.
- Pray for Ryan Batchman's 98 year-old Grandma as she fell broke her arm.
- Pray for the VBS volunteers as they work to prepare for VBS later this summer.
- Pray for wisdom for the Boost group as they seek opportunities before them.
- Pray for Jill Ehram as she fell and was in the MCH ER on June 8, 2018.
- Pray for 2 care-givers to be hired to help Jill Ehram each week.
- Pray with Kristin Lawrence for her niece, Crystal, who has had a rough time recently.
- Pray with Vera Streit for her cousin's husband, Andy Ashley, as he recovers from injuries from a fall off a roof.
- Pray for Rita Rowh for medical concerns.
- Pray for the 40 folks planning to go to CIY in July for transportation and for about \$7,000 more needed to cover the cost.
- Pray with Renee Scoggan for missionaries in Mozambique as they seek to evacuate about 250 people from an unsafe area.
- Pray with Lorna Jones for her son, Chris, as he will have back surgery on June 11th.
- Pray for the family of Zeb Larson as his funeral was June 8, 2018.
- Pray for the family of Teresa Moncrieff's Aunt Burnita who passed away.
- Pray for the family of Gerald Briney's brother, Delmar, who passed away June 3, 2018.
- Pray for the family of Mallory Wittstruck's Grandpa who passed away last week.

## 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:

- 6/17 Jenny Wessling
- 6/18 Stanley Behrends, Emma Rice, Clint Scheck
- 6/19 Annie Engelbert, Kay Heller, Tim Mehl, Jean Widrig
- 6/21 Lauryn Betts, Linda Doggett
- 6/24 Canaan Smith
- 6/25 Cathy Rice
- 6/26 Gary Allen
- 6/27 Karen Buser, Kristin Lawrence
- 6/29 Jan Stouffer
- 7/3 Mary Fugate, Rhonda Mehl, Chris Miller
- 7/4 Ally Betts
- 7/6 Madeline Brown, Hannah Carter, Ezra Ensey, Elleleigh Stortz
- 7/8 Rose Hicks, Noah Smith, Robie Smith
- 7/9 Rita Rowh
- 7/11 Christopher Gantz
- 7/12 Mark Bean, Jama Budke, Tyson Gates, Brad Mason

### Anniversaries:

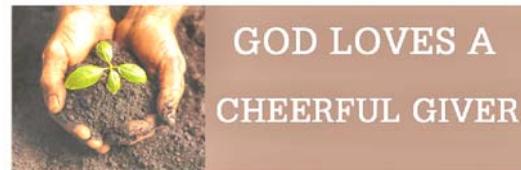
- 6/21 Charlie & Kristin Lawrence
- 6/22 Gary & Janet Allen
- 6/26 Barry & Donna Munsey
- 7/6 Shelby & Jodie Gantz
- 7/8 Brian & Julie Gates
- 7/11 Jared & Morgan Schmidt
- 7/12 Jim & Lynne Gates  
Casey & Amanda Seyfert

### 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:

May Giving: \$ 30,388.57  
 May Expenses: \$ 24,929.01  
 Year-to-Date Giving: \$ 148,750.16  
 Year-to-Date Expenses: \$ 154,411.07



## Get Connected in a Weekly Life Group!



DAY	TIME	AGE/GROUP	NAME/FOCUS	LOCATION	LEADER
Sundays	9:30 am	Toddler, Pre-K, Kindergarten	Bible Study	Upper Level Classroom	Jan Stouffer
Sundays	9:30 am	Grades 1-2	Bible Study	Upper Level Classroom	Cathy Rice
Sundays	9:30 am	Grades 3-4	Bible Study	Upper Level Classroom	Gwen Batchman
Sundays	9:30 am	Grades 5-6	Bible Study	Upper Level Classroom	Ellen Meyer
Sundays	9:30 am	Grades 7-12	Bible Study	Upper Level Youth Room	Doug Betts (785-488-5047)
Sundays	9:30 am	Adults (men and women)	Bible Study - 1 Kings	FLC Gym	Cliff Heagy (785-534-0770)
Sundays	9:30 am	Adults (men and women)	"Is Genesis History?"	FLC North Classroom	Dave Mealiff (785-738-0039)
Sundays	9:30 am	Adults (women)	"Overwhelmed By My Blessings"	Church Library	Leni Smith (785-614-0798)
Sundays	9:30 am	Adults (men)	"Man Up"	FLC South Classroom	Kent Miller (785-738-7388)
Sundays	9:30 am	Young Adults (men and women 18-35)	Bible Study	Lower Level Classroom	Brooke Hemmert (785-953-0783)
Tuesdays	12 noon	Adults (women)	"Unshaken: Experience the Power and Peace of a Life of Prayer"	Church Library	Melissa Luke (785-534-9432) Linda Mealiff (785-738-8043)
Wednesdays	6:00 am	Adults (men)	"Man in the Mirror"	Guaranty Bank Community room	Doug Johnson (785-738-7752)
Wednesdays	6:00 pm	Adults (men and women)	Bible Study	Church Library	Keith Williams (785-534-0715)
Thursdays	6:00 am	Adults (women)	Bible Study - James	Church Library	Jeanette Luke (785-738-8463)