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**'This son of mine
was dead and has come back to life!
He was lost and is found!
And they began to celebrate
– Luke 15:24**

*We are an ordinary group of loved and forgiven sinners
set free to be children of God and saints who follow Jesus Christ.*

*We seek to **make disciples** of lost sinners for Christ,
and **grow disciples** in joyfully obeying all of Jesus' commands
to express love for God and all 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** "Nothing But the Blood of Jesus"

Announcements

Call to Worship

Romans 4:22-25; 5:1-2, 11; Ephesians 1:3, 7, 8

***Songs of Praise**

"Nothing But the Blood" (hymn #196)
"Jesus Paid it All"

***Prayer of Invocation**

*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

Hebrews 9:15

Prayer Requests & Testimonies

Prayer

Communion Instructions and Prayer

Call to Remember

Communion

Call to Give and Prayer

Offertory

"The Old Rugged Cross" (hymn #327)

Bible Text

Luke 15:11-32 (page 849)

*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

"Through His Blood: Identity and Belonging"

Invitation

***Closing Song**

"Majesty (Here I Am)"

**Please stand, if you are able*

Message Notes

“Through His Blood: Identity and Belonging”

Luke 15:11-32

OUR SIN SEPARATES US FROM GOD

“Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living...The older brother became angry and refused to go in.” (Luke 15:13, 28)

CHRIST’S DEATH BEARS THE SHAME AND REPROACH OF OUR SIN

“The younger one said to his father, ‘Father, give me my share of the estate.’ So he divided his property between them... While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and...ran to his son...The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. (Luke 15:12, 20, 28)

CHRIST’S DEATH SECURES OUR IDENTITY AND BELONGING

“Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let’s have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again” (Luke 15:22-24)

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:

	<u>8:00 a.m.</u>	<u>10:30 a.m.</u>
Praise Team Leader	Linda Mealiff	Linda Mealiff
Announcements	Doug Betts	Doug Betts
Prayer Leader	Dave Mealiff	Dave Mealiff
Organist	Kay Heller	
Elder	Phil Vetter	Phil Vetter
Preacher	Cliff Heagy	Cliff Heagy
Projection Operator	Doug Johnson	Doug Johnson
Sound Technician	Blake Miller	Blake Miller
Deacons	Drew Grabon	Vernon Adams
	Tim Hager	Adrian Meyer
	Brady Luke	Carl Prather
	Lindy Lindblad	Joey Behrends

Announcements

MARCH 17 (today) — New Sunday Morning Life Group for PARENTS Starting March 17: “Parent Connect.” Pastor Doug will be leading



a new Sunday Morning Life Group for parents and others in a parental role raising teenagers, or soon to be teenagers. This class is intended to help navigate the challenges of raising kids in a

completely different world than the one in which we grew up. Anyone is welcome to attend, and the group will meet in the North Classroom of the Lower Level downstairs.

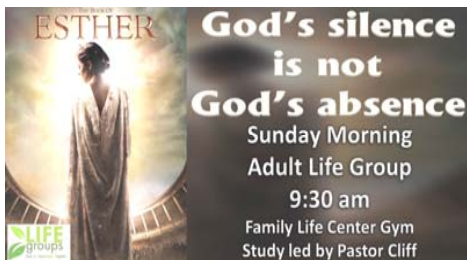
MARCH 17 (today) — A new Sunday morning adult Life Group begins: “Indivisible.”



“Indivisible” is the extraordinary true story of Army Chaplain Darren Turner and his wife Heather, whose lives are fully devoted to serving God, family and country. But when war etches deep battle scars, both overseas and on the home front, the Turner’s rock-solid marriage is shaken to its core. Carrying burdens the other can’t comprehend,

they must decide if they’re willing to face one more battle: the fight to save their marriage. This resource examines marriage, life, faith, challenges and how to process difficult real life situation. This movie is excellent for both married and single folks. This Life Group is facilitated by Pastor Dave and Linda Mealiff and meets in the Family Life Center North Classroom, Sunday mornings at 9:30 am, beginning March 10.

MARCH 17 (today) — A new adult Life Group bible study on the book of Esther begins: “God’s silence is not God’s absence.” The



Old Testament book of Esther is unique in that it is a part of the inspired Word of God, but “God” is never mentioned throughout the entire book. Often our lives can feel that God is silent, but that does not mean God is absent. In fact, Esther will reveal that God is at work in the ordinary stuff of

life, and God’s providential power creates “God-incidences” that some mistake as random acts of chance. “We may throw the dice, but the Lord determines how they fall.” (Proverbs 16:33) This study is open to everyone, is led by Pastor Cliff, and meets in the Family Life Center gym on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am.

Announcements

MARCH 31 — You are invited to a baby shower for Heart Choices on Sunday, March 31 at the Municipal Building in Beloit. This is



a come and go shower from 2 - 4 pm, with Alice Thompson as our guest speaker, refreshments, activities, and an opportunity to give a gift. Heart Choices current needs are:

baby washcloths, clippers, thermometers, fitted crib sheets, monitors, breast milk storage bags, and XL (16-22) maternity clothes. If you are unable to attend, but would like to make a donation or give a gift, contact either Teresa Heidrick (316-641-8700), or Amy Gengler (316-461-2215). Your support is appreciated!

APRIL 1 — “Questions and Conversation” This informal time of open discussion is led



by Pastor Cliff in the Church Library 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 11 — Heart Choices Annual Spring Banquet at the Municipal Building in Beloit



at 7 pm: “Live, Laugh, Love”. This year’s guest speaker is comedian Paul Aldrich. You can call Heart Choices at 738-3433 to make your free reservation by April 2. Everyone is invited to attend this special night, where Paul Aldrich will share his

strong passion for ministries, like Heart Choices, that save and cherish life. You will also hear what God has been doing in the lives of mothers and fathers in our area in the past year.

Missed a sermon message? Subscribe to our YouTube Channel online (youtube.com/user/BeloitFCC) you to view videos of all of our past services and



sermons. You can also visit our website (www.beloitfcc.org) to view these videos. Use these resources and pass them along to others. Help us spread the Word of God as far as we can.

Announcements

Mitchell County Food Pantry special needs this month are: minute rice, tuna, cereal, canned fruit, hamburger helper, and monetary gifts (made out to the Beloit Ministerial Association and mailed to P.O. Box 22, Beloit, KS). Monetary gifts pay for food vouchers for those who come to the Food Pantry, for the purchase of needed additional groceries for the Food Pantry, and to provide emergency assistance for other needs. 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.

Thank you, BFCC!

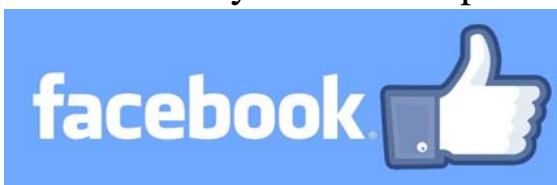


“Thank you to the Beloit Christian Church for your faithful prayers for my health condition. I am Jay Rowh's sister, and I know your church people have been praying for me. I appreciate very much all your prayers. My update... “You thrill me, Lord, with all You have done for me! I shout for joy because of the works of Your Hand.” (Psalm 92:4); “Oh Lord, what great miracles You do! And how deep are Your thoughts.” (Psalm 92:5). I am praising God with a heart full of Thanksgiving!! I finished chemo treatments for leukemia at the end of the year. After having a bone marrow test last week, I have received word that I am in REMISSION!! Next labs and appointment is not for three months!! So after 4 years, I am thrilled to report this wonderful news. THANK YOU Beloit First Christian Church for praying for me. I appreciate all the faithful prayer warriors. It was such a comfort knowing others were praying with me. Throughout the journey it was evident God was always near. I am beyond thankful for His love and healing and for all the miracles I've seen along the way. Please lift up prayers of PRAISE and THANKSGIVING. Thank you, John and Carla Pilkington”

Children and Youth Ministries



1st - 6th Grade Student Ministry
Wednesday 6:00 - 7:00 pm



CLASH

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Parents/Guardians

facebook.com/groups/bfccparentpage

FUSION

facebook.com/fusionbfcc

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Jr High and High School
Student Ministry

Learning Not to Judge Others

Memory Verse: James 2:1

“My brothers and sisters, believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ must not show favoritism.”



Youth & Children Ministry!

3/20- 6p - CLASH

Learning Not To Judge Others
(James 2:1)

3/20 - 7p - FUSION

Godly Leaders
(Deuteronomy 1:13)

3/27 - CLASH FAMILY NIGHT

Parents/family are invited to join us for the final CLASH. See what we've been doing and join us for some pizza and ice cream!

3/27 - Fusion

Connecting With Others
(John 17:20-26)



We currently have several volunteer needs for this ministry and are prayerfully considering our options. Please join us as we pray for God's guidance for direction in this ministry.

Children and Youth Ministries

Sunday Morning Life Group - Parent Connect!



Starting today I will lead a Sunday Morning Life Group designed for adults who fill a parental roll in the life of a young person. This Group is designed to help you navigate the challenges of raising kids today. The format will be guided but open to the Holy Spirit. With so many challenges in the world today, we also want to be open to topics as they arise.

Parent Connect will be intended to help you connect with your kids, and help you connect your kid's the church. I believe that you, as a parent or parental figure, play a vital roll, second only to God in Impacting your child.

- Pastor Doug

CLASH FAMILY NIGHT
WEDNESDAY
MARCH 27TH
6:00 - 7:00
Children Loving And Serving Him

WEDNESDAY MARCH 27TH WILL BE OUR LAST CLASH THIS SPRING! WE'D LOVE FOR FAMILIES TO JOIN US AS WE CLOSE OUT "BEING A GOOD FRIEND, GOD'S WAY"! SEE WHAT THE KIDS HAVE BEEN LEARNING AND

FUSION STUDENTS WILL WATCH THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST ON APRIL 17TH. THAT NIGHT FUSION WILL BE FROM 6:30 - 9:00PM. PARENT ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US THAT NIGHT. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE VISIT WITH PASTOR DOUG.

THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST

Prayer requests from last Sunday

- Praise God with Rob and Mary Lou Heller for the birth of granddaughter Helena Katherine Rose on February 21, 2019!
- Praise God with Venette Davis for the health birth of Elijah to Brooklyn Davis!
- Praise God with Venette Davis for her lost phone being found and returned.
- Praise God with Carla Pilkington for healing from having cancer!
- Praise God for the Weekend to Remember weekend that Doug and Deana Betts are attending in Kansas City this weekend.
- Praise God with George Stroup that Judy is out of the hospital and home.
- Praise God with Jennifer Bean that her brother in law, Herb Unrein, is doing better at the Madonna Rehab Unit in Lincoln, NE.
- Praise God with Melva McGuin that her son has been released from the hospital.
- Praise God with Melva McGuin that he sister's cancer can be treated at home.
- Praise God with Teresa McGuin that she and Paul have housing in Germany.
- Praise God with Phyllis Behrends that she and Stanley are both better.
- Praise God with Laura Heagy that Grace's thyroid problem is less serious now.
- Praise God with Kamisha Howe for the blessing of reading the Bible!
- Pray for John Yeary as he is in the Salina hospital with health concerns.
- Pray for Virgil English as he has been in Mitchell County Hospital.
- Pray for Royalyn Hayes as she recovers after surgery last week.
- Pray for Dina Budke for medical tests.
- Pray for Amber Mihm as she recovers following knee surgery.
- Pray with Bill Angell for his brother, Gary, as he recovers after heart surgery.
- Pray with Donna Munsey for Pam Thiessen for medical treatment wisdom.
- Pray for Terry Shamburg as he requested prayers for surgery to remove a brain tumor at 7:30 am on March 19, 2019.
- Pray with Marcia Belyea for Tracy as she received medical treatments.
- Pray for Teresa Moncrieff's sister who will have knee surgery on March 19, 2019.
- Pray for health concerns for Bobbi Link.
- Pray for Gene Foster for strength and energy in the Marines.
- Pray for the family of JoAnn Hansen as her funeral will be March 11, 2019.

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:

- 3/17 Courtney Batchman, Curt Christians
- 3/18 Beaver Yeary
- 3/19 Barry Munsey
- 3/20 Barb Grove, Harold Seely
- 3/21 Jaytyn Mudd
- 3/23 Nathan Anderes
- 3/24 Lois Guipre-Simoneau, Lori Lindblad
- 3/27 Vicki Fincham
- 3/29 Joe Prather, Phil Vetter
- 3/30 Isaac Wiles
- 3/31 Charlie Lawrence
- 4/3 Mya Mihm
- 4/4 Stacey Allen, Beau Batchman
- 4/5 Gus Rice, Linda Smith
- 4/8 Brynna Allen, Tyler Allen, Sharayah Smith
- 4/10 Gage Stewart
- 4/11 Joslynn Kuiack, Danny Pfannenstiel, Dagan Smith
- 4/14 Julia Rabe, David Stouffer

Anniversaries:

- 3/19 Adrian & Ellen Meyer
- 3/20 Joey & Stacy Behrends
- 3/26 Doug & Janet Johnson
- 4/5 Matt & Chelci Kuiack
- 4/6 Nash & Tazsa Smith
- 4/8 Joe & Lori Deneke
- 4/14 Jason & Julia Rabe

Hilltop Lodge Nursing Home

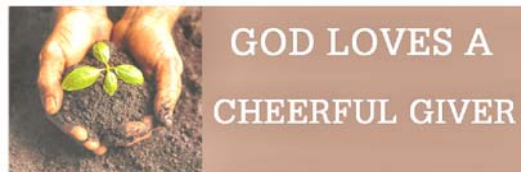
- Betty Melton
- Rod Pearson
- Hazel Peterson
- LaDonna Snyder
- Gerald Briney

Mitchell County Hospital Residential Care Center

- Lois Guipre-Simoneau
- Leta Dameron

The Nicol Nursing Home (Glasco)

- Harold Seely



The Latest Financial Report:

February Giving: \$ 21,562.32
 February Expenses \$ 29,925.22
 Year-to-Date Giving: \$ 46,447.27
 Year-to-Date Expenses: \$ 74,750.84



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 (785-667-2662)
Sundays	9:30 am	Grades 1-2	Bible Study	Upper Level Classroom	Gabbie Smith (785-534-9360)
Sundays	9:30 am	Grades 3-4	Bible Study	Upper Level Classroom	Gwen Batchman (785-526-7224)
Sundays	9:30 am	Grades 5-6	Bible Study	Upper Level Classroom	Ellen Meyer (785-534-9832)
Sundays	9:30 am	Grades 7-12	Bible Study	Upper Level Youth Room	Brad/Renee Mason (785-738-2025)
Sundays	9:30 am	Adults (men and women)	Bible Study: "Esther"	FLC Gym	Cliff Heagy (785-534-0770)
Sundays	9:30 am	Adults (men and women)	"Indivisible"	FLC North Classroom	Dave Mealiff (785-738-0039)
Sundays	9:30 am	Adults (men and women, parents)	"Parent Connect"	Lower Level North Classroom	Doug Betts (785-488-5047)
Sundays	9:30 am	Adults (women)	"The Christian Atheist"	Church Library	Leni Smith (785-614-0798)
Sundays	9:30 am	Young Adults (men and women 18-35)	Bible Study: "Revelation"	Lower Level Open Classroom	Brooke Hemmert (785-953-0783)
Tuesdays	6:00 am	Adults (women)	Prayer Group: Moms in Prayer	Church Library	Linda Mealiff (785-738-8043)
Tuesdays	7:00 pm	Adults (men and women)	Bible Study: "Revelation"	FLC Gym	Phil Scoggan (785-534-7129)
Wednesdays	5:00 pm	Adults (men and women)	Bible Study	Belknap home at 112 N. Broadway	Keith Williams (785-738-2936)
Wednesdays	6:00 pm	Children (Grades 1-6)	CLASH Student Ministry	Church Sanctuary	Doug Betts (785-488-5047)
Wednesdays	7:00 pm	Youth (Grades 7-12)	Fusion Student Ministry	Upper Level Youth Room	Doug Betts (785-488-5047)
Thursdays	6:00 am	Adults (women)	"The Rock, the Road, and the Rabbi"	Boost Blessing House 120 N. Campbell Ave.	Jeanette Luke (785-738-8463)
Fridays	6:30 am	Adults (men)	Bible Study: "Romans"	Church Library	Dave Cordel (785-545-7137)