



November 5, 2023

“How often I wanted to gather your children together, just as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you would not have it!”

Luke 13:34

Family Night Break:

Don't miss out on our last family night of the calendar year. Join us this Wednesday, November 8th from 6-8 PM.

During our break, the BSW staff will be praying about the future direction of this ministry. There have been many changes over the years as we have grown. We want to make sure we are continuing where God wants us to go, to be the best family we can be!

Will you please join us in prayer? Also, if you have any feedback or feel led to serve on Wednesday evenings, please let Pastor Seth know.

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Welcome to our guests today! Please visit the welcome booth in the lobby and receive a small gift with our appreciation for your visit.

Message notes for November 5, 2023

Walking through the Gospel of Luke
Luke 13:22-35
Pastor Milt Van Natta

Set the scene: Jesus expresses grief and longing over the people of Jerusalem.

1. One of God's names is Jealous.
 - a. El Kanna
2. Isn't jealousy a bad thing?
 - a. There is godly jealousy – 2 Corinthians 11:2
3. Why is God so jealous for us?
 - a. We are His bride ... God doesn't want to share us with another.
4. We should be jealous for God's ...
 - a. Glory
 - b. Worship
 - c. Exaltation

This Week at BSW

2024 Women's Conference – Deep Dive: Who I Am in Christ! – January 26-27, 2024:

Tickets are on sale today! We are giving our ladies the first opportunity for ticket sales for this year's event. We have a wonderful Keynote Speaker, Elise Zuber, who works at the GLR Headquarters. She is an inspiring speaker and is so excited to come and be a part of the 2024 Women's Conference. The date of the conference is January 26-27, 2024.

Order your tickets: 2024 Women's Conference Tickets

Or type in: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2024-bsw-womens-conference-deep-dive-who-i-am-in-christ-tickets-749512380707?aff=oddtcreator>

Women's Life Groups:

Women's Life Groups resume on Monday, October 30 at 1:30 pm and 6:00 pm groups.

Shepherd's Loft Bible Study:

Each Tuesday morning from 11:15 am to noon the Shepherd's Loft processing team lays down their labors and has a Bible study. Currently Pastor Milt is teaching through the Book of Acts one chapter at a time. This Tuesday will be chapter twenty-two. All are welcome to attend this study!

This Week's Micro-Church Schedule:

Sunday morning at Wood County Jail (Pastor Lonnie)

Wednesday morning at Waterford (Pastor Milt)

Coming Soon

Quarterly LBA (leadership team) meeting:

The next meeting is on Tuesday, November 7th at 6 pm in the church lobby.

Membership Sunday:

BSW will be celebrating our new members during Family Worship service on Sunday, November 12th.

Family Thanksgiving Dinner:

On November 12, we will be holding our Thanksgiving Pot-luck dinner after Family Service! There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby, and we highly encourage you to sign-up with the dish you will bring. Let's thank the Lord together and enjoy a wonderful meal as God's Family!

Choir is Starting Soon:

This year we have a wonderful opportunity for sharing our joy in Christ together in song. A Christmas Choir. We will have more details next week! Looking for Men, Women, Teens, and Youth who want to sing over the Christmas season! Also, if there are instrumentalists who want to be part of our Christmas Celebration, please talk to Pastor Carri or Pastor Seth!

Junior High / High School Hangout:

Next Wednesday, November 15th from 6-8 PM we will be in the BSW Family Center with pizza, soda, popcorn, games, live music, good talks, and more!

If you are in 6th-12th grade, we encourage you to come, eat, and have fun with us! We also will be asking for your feedback on how we can best serve you. Go to the far west door with the BSW Family logo and come downstairs. We hope to see you there!

2024 Zambia Trip!

Things are beginning to ramp up regarding our up-and-coming opportunity to go and minister God's love with our brothers and sisters in Christ in Zambia. Please begin to pray and seek the Lord about your role in this trip: Missionary, Donor, Prayer Support, Fundraising, etc. We are looking at going to Zambia in June of 2024. I cannot wait to introduce you to the wonderful people I was blessed with getting to know! ~Pastor Carri. More details will be coming soon!

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Christmas Decoration Sunday is coming!!

We will be decorating our church for the Christmas season on November 26 following our Sunday service. Let's make it a family event and have some fun, smiles, and laughter together.

Child Dedication Service:

The next Child Dedication Service is December 10th. Talk to any pastor to ensure your family's participation.

Food Pantry Service Opportunity:

BSW is looking for volunteers to serve at the FOCUS food pantry on Monday, November 13th (11:45 am to 4 pm) and Tuesday, November 14th (3:45 pm to 7 pm). Please sign-up or direct questions to Kay Van Natta in the tech booth after service today.

Shepherd's Loft Clothing Mission

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The Shepherd's Loft Clothing Mission is open to patrons on Tuesday and Friday mornings with appointments available at 9:30 am, 10 am, 10:30 am and 11 am. Make your appointment by calling 715-421-5335. There is never any charge for receiving clothes, shoes, bedding, or linens from the Loft.

Spiritual Habit: Scribing

Now we will learn the spiritual habit of scribing or writing out the Word of God by hand. Get yourself a notebook and a writing instrument along with your Bible. Your assignment is to write or print Luke chapter two and parts of chapter three this week.

For those of you who do better with a schedule, here it is:

Sunday: Luke 9:42-45 ... Monday: Luke 9:46-49 ... Tuesday: Luke 9:50-56 ... Wednesday: Luke 9:57-62 ... Thursday: Luke 10:1- 6...
Friday: Luke 10:7-11 ... Saturday: Luke 10:12-16.

Cot-Bearing Prayer Schedule:

Monday: Governmental Leadership

Tuesday: Our Zambian partners/GLR leadership/Denominational leadership/Missionaries

Wednesday: Our Neighborhood

Thursday: Our List of Unsaved People

Friday: Our Family

Saturday: BSW Micro-churches

Sunday: BSW pastoral staff and their households

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By The Numbers

Celebrating new life in Christ:

For the 2023-24 Church year (June 1, 2023, until May 31, 2024):

Those confessing Christ as Savior and Lord: 15

Those recommitting their life to Christ: 1

Those being baptized: 3 Teresita De La Cruz (10/22/23)

Call-to-Ministry: 1

Week 22 of the Church Year	October 29 through November 4, 2023
Sanctuary Attendance	96
Micro-Church Attendance	20 (two sites)
Live Stream Raw	31
Adjusted Live-Stream Reporting (X 1.7)	53
Total Footprint	169

Supporting BSW: There are four ways that you can support BSW with your tithes and offerings.

- 1) Securely online at bakerstwesleyan.org using the “support BSW” tab on the right-hand side of the homepage.
- 2) In the jar provided in the sanctuary on the tech booth.
- 3) By mail to Baker Street Wesleyan Church, 640 Baker St. Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin, 54494. Attn: Treasurer.
- 4) Donation of stock and securities to our Edward Jones account.

Week 22 of the Church Year	October 29 through November 4, 2023
Total Tithes and Offerings last Sunday	\$ 1,423
Month to Date	\$ 12,202
Year to Date	\$ 61,763
Year to Date Special Offering	\$1,050 for Zambia, \$1,496 for Middle School Retreat, and \$100 Christmas Shoeboxes

Leadership Team 2023-24:

Local Board of Administration as elected at the Local Church Conference on Tuesday, June 20, 2023

Chairperson: Rev. Milt Van Natta, Senior Pastor

Treasurer: Jamie Mlsna

Secretary: Diane Jackson

Members-at-Large: Kat Esser, Mike Hamilton, Judy Henke, Jonathon Johnson, Kevin Lien (Vice-Chair)

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Your BSW Staff Team:

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Jail Ministry Missionary: Rev. Lonnie Selje