



Sunday, October 27, 2024

Pastor Appreciation Month

“If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me.”

Mark 8:34 NASB

Ladies Conference on Saturday, November 2nd

This conference will focus on Peace-Joy-Love and will be conducted from 9 am to 2 pm. There is no charge to attend. All women 16 and up are welcome. Mothers with newborn babies are welcome to bring their babies to the conference. Snacks will be provided. Fliers available in the lobby!

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Family Business for October 27

Today a game of how well do you know your pastors Jeopardy hosted by Brandon Pautz ... plus updates on the Hope Gospel Mission truck loading this Thursday, the Zambia children's sponsorships, and the women's conference on Saturday.

Notes for today's teaching from God's Word: Mark 8:27-38.

1. What Billy Graham didn't tell me when you evangelized me!
2. Mark 8:27-38 is the too often unshared calling of Jesus
3. "Deny yourselves" means to willingly lay down our own self-centered will to take up the will of Jesus for our lives. It does mean to suppress my God-made personality or neglect my self-care.
4. "Take up your cross" means to lay down our life in love for others ... see 2 Corinthians 12:15
5. "Follow Jesus" means to live a life of holiness (sanctified and pure) and love (seeing and helping the most vulnerable among us) ... see Matthew 25:31-46

This Week at BSW

On Sunday (10-27) – Micro-church in the Wood County Jail. Pastor Lonnie leads. Pray for God's favor on Pastor Lonnie.

On Monday (10-28) – Women's study group on being grateful from the teachings of Anne Voskamp at 5:30 pm in the church lobby. Joelle Lemke leads.

On Monday (10-28) – Men's study group meets from 7 to 8 pm in the Family Center. Kevin Lien leads.

On Tuesday (10-29) – The Shepherd's Loft clothing ministry is fully stocked with fall and winter clothing. Appointments available at 9:30, 10, 10:30, and 11 am to receive clothes, shoes, towels, and bedding. Donations can be dropped off from 9:30 am until noon.

On Tuesday (10-29) – Micro-church at Cranberry Court assisted living at 10 am. Pastor Milt leads.

On Tuesday (10-29) – Bible Study (Psalms and Proverbs) in the main lobby of the church from 11:15 am until noon.

On Wednesday (10-30) – Micro-church at Waterford nursing home at 10:30 am. Pastor Milt leads.

On Wednesday (10-30) – Micro-church at Arborwood nursing facility at 1:30 pm. Pastor Jim leads.

On Wednesday (10-30) – BSW Underground (6th through 12th grade) meets in the Family Center from 6:30 to 8 pm in the Family Center. Doors open at 6 pm.

On Thursday (10-31) – Hope Gospel Mission visits to receive a donation of 500+ banana boxes of gently used clothes. Truck loading at 10 am. Watch Facebook for staging details.

On Friday (11-1) – The Shepherd’s Loft clothing ministry is open from 9:30 am until noon.

On Saturday (11-2) – 3rd BSW Women’s conference from 9 am until 2 pm. See newsletter cover for more details.

By The Numbers

Celebrating new life in Christ:

For the 2024-25 Church year (June 1, 2024, until May 31, 2025):

Those confessing Christ as Savior and Lord: 5

Those recommitting their life to Christ: 2

Those being baptized: 3

Call-to-Ministry: 0

Attendance Report for October 2024

Date	Sanctuary	Micro-Churches	Online Raw #	X 1.7 Reporting Number	Total Foot Print
Y-T-D Averages To 9/30	98	37	21	35	170
Oct. 6	98	51	29	49	198
Oct. 13	107	45	25	43	195
Oct. 20	97	39	14	24	160
Oct. 27					
Oct. Ave.					

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.

Tithes and Offerings Report

Date	General Fund	Zambia Partnership	Warehouse Partnership	Wish List	Pastoral Scholarship
Y-T-Date As of 9-30	48,601	4,234	5,390	3,510	2,000
Oct. 6	4,120				
Oct. 13	1,531	4	720		
Oct. 20	2,076	2	420		
Oct. 27					
Oct. Totals					

*Jail Ministry \$150 on 7/21 and \$83 on 10/6

* Christmas Shoeboxes \$100 on 9/15, \$150 on 9/29 & \$100 on 10/6

* Middle School Retreat \$500 on 9/22, \$75 on 9/29 & \$300 on 10/13

Leadership Team 2024-25:

Local Board of Administration as elected at the Local Church Conference on Thursday, June 20, 2024 serving until the next local church conference.

Chairperson: Rev. Milt Van Natta, Senior Pastor

Treasurer: Jamie Mlsna

Secretary: Kimberly Bier

Members-at-Large: Kat Esser, Mike Hamilton, Diane Jackson, Bonnie Lemke, Brandon Pautz, and Kevin Lien (Vice-Chair).

Your BSW Staff Team

Lead Pastor/Teaching Pastor/Shepherd's Loft: Rev. Milt Van Natta

Next Generations Director/Music Leader: Pastor Seth Dykstra

Assistant Pastor of Discipleship/Zambia: Rev. Carri Johnson

Assistant Pastor of Spiritual Care/Prayer Chain: Rev. Jim Leston

Jail Ministry Missionary: Rev. Lonnie Selje

Heart of the 27 New Testament Books:

The Gospels –

(Matthew, Mark, and Luke are also called the synoptic gospels because they are very similar in content)

Matthew: The Gospel to the Jews (written to the Jews)

Mark: The Gospel of Action (written to the Romans)

Luke: The Historical Certainty of the Gospel (written to the Greeks)

John: The Believer's Connectedness to Christ (written to everyone)

Acts: The Advance of the Gospel (Luke and Acts written by Luke a Gentile)

(Matthew through Acts are the history books of the New Testament. The gospels are biographies of Jesus and his ministry. Acts covers the birth of the church and the evangelization of the world)

The 13-Letters of the Apostle Paul begin with Romans

Romans: The systematic summary of being saved by faith

1 Corinthians: Division and immorality in the church

2 Corinthians: Paul's personal defense

Galatians: Christians are justified by faith alone

Ephesians: Living as the body of Christ

Philippians: The epistle (or letter) of joy!

Colossians: The pre-eminence of Jesus Christ

1 Thessalonians: Keep growing spiritually

2 Thessalonians: Clear teachings on Christ's second coming

1 Timothy: Administration of the church

2 Timothy: For people near death

Titus: Order and structure in the church

Philemon: About the slave Onesimus

Hebrews: Jesus, the great high priest

James: Faith working by love

1 Peter: Book of suffering

2 Peter: Defending the orthodox truth

Shepherd's Loft Clothing Mission:

The Shepherd's Loft Clothing Mission is open to the public on Tuesday and Friday mornings for patrons to receive free clothes, shoes, and linens. Please call 715-421-5335 to schedule your 30-minute appointment for 9:30 am, 10 am, 10:30 am, or 11 am.