

Sunday, February 16, 2025

Even so consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Romans 6:11

Thursday Evening Video Study

For the next nine weeks, BSW will be offering a video teaching series from respected author and teacher Ray Vander Laan. The study will be held in the lobby on Thursday evening from 6 to 7 pm with Pastor Carri and Jonathon Johnson as your hosts.

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Family Business for February 16, 2025

- 1) Ray Vander Laan Discipleship Study continues on Thursday at 6 pm.
- 2) A reminder about the February campaign to help Alex Miller replace his power tools.
- 3) C.A.R.E. room is open for twenty minutes after service (Connect ... Action ... Resources ... Events).

Today's Bible teaching with Pastor Milt

Overview of the Book of Romans: 1) Jesus is God's plan to save humanity from evil and destruction. 2) We all must choose our king: Jesus or the spirit of the age.

Today: We will become like whom we follow. Romans 6:11-23

Think ... Talk ... Behave ... Desire ... Believe

Notes:

This Week at BSW

No jail services for the rest of February as Pastor Lonnie recovers from surgery.

On Monday (2-17) – Women's study group with Joelle Lemke from 5:30 to 6:30 pm in the church lobby. Topic is the Book of Isaiah.

On Monday (2-17) – Men's study group meets from 7 to 8 pm in the Family Center. Kevin Lien leads.

On Tuesday (2-18) – The Shepherd's Loft clothing ministry is fully stocked with 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 (2-18) – Bible Study (Book of Exodus) in the Shepherd's Loft processing area from 11:15 am until noon. Pastor Milt leads.

On Wednesday (2-19) – Micro-church at Waterford nursing home at 10:30 am. Pastor Milt leads.

On Wednesday (2-19) – Micro-church at Arborwood Lodge nursing home at 1:30 pm. Pastor Jim leads

On Wednesday (2-19) – 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 (2-20) – Ray Vander Laan video series from 6 pm to 7 pm in the lobby. Pastor Carri and Jonathon Johnson are your hosts and facilitators. This series is for ten weeks and is great Lenten spiritual formation focus.

On Friday (2-21) – The Shepherd's Loft clothing ministry is open from 9 am to noon for donations and 9:30 to 11:30 for clothing acquisition.

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: 12

Those recommitting their life to Christ: 2

Those being baptized: 7

Call-to-Ministry: 1

Attendance Report

Date	Sanctuary	Micro-	Online	X 1.7	Total
		Churches	Raw #	Reporting	Foot
				Number	Print
Y-T-D	102	40	24	41	183
Averages					
To 1/31					
Feb 2	92	31	48	82	205
Feb 9	104	14	23	39	157
Feb 16					
Feb 23					
Totals					

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	Zambia	Warehouse	Wish	Pastoral
	Fund	Partnership	Partnership	List	Scholarship
Y-T-Date	96,040	4,568	10,460	3,570	2,000
As of 1/31					
Feb 2	3,921				
Feb 9	2,813	2	610		
Feb 16					
Feb 23					
Totals					

\$30 was given as a memorial to Bill Nicholson

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

Hearts on Fire: Four Spiritual Journeys

Journey One- First Time Through: Reading/Listening to Good News Bible

Congratulations!! You have made it through the first book of the New Testament of the Bible!!

Monday, 2-17: Mark chapter 1

Tuesday, 2-18: Mark chapter 2

Wednesday, 2-19: Mark chapter 3

Thursday, 2-20: Mark chapter 4

Friday, 2-21: Mark chapter 5

Saturday, 2-22: Mark chapter 6

Sunday, 2-23: Mark chapter 7

Journey Two- Daily Holiness Devotional Reading: *When Morning Gilds the Skies* by Dr. John Oswalt. Read the devotional for each day.

Journey Three- Praying for the World from World Almanac and Book of Facts: Be a cot-bearer and pray for the world by name. Also pray as the Lord leads you. Pray for this list three times this week.

1) Read the intercession prayer from page 18 of the Field Guide for Daily Prayer

- 2) Pray for President Trump and Vice-President Vance. Google President Trump's cabinet and pray for his confirmed cabinet members.
- 3) These five countries and their leaders; Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Botswana, Brazil, and Brunei (Pages 756-757)
- 4) The congressional delegations of Georgia, Hawaii, and Idaho (Senators on page 10 and Congressional Representatives on page 13)
- 5) Pray for the states of Alabama, Alaska, and Arizona (page 562-563.

Journey Four- Morning and Evening Surrender. Read John Baillie's *Diary of Private Prayer*. One prayer for morning and one prayer for evening. Please read out loud over your own life and heart.