

Sunday, February 2, 2025

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

Romans 1:16

# Coffee with Pastors

Seniors (50+) please join us this Thursday morning (Feb. 6) for Coffee with Pastors. This is our monthly gathering to feast, fellowship, prayer, sing, and study the Word of God. Our time together begins at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall.

#### Family Business for February 2, 2025

- 1) Coffee with Pastors this Thursday
- 2) Two videos from Zambia are posted online
- 3) C.A.R.E. room is open after service (Connect ... Action ... Resources ... Events)
- 4) An invitation to participate in Holy Communion

Today's Bible teaching: Who is your king?

Week One- Jesus: The Redeeming King

Week Two- Jesus: King of Kings

Our journey: Connect to last week ... Read and study through Romans 1:1-7 ... Jesus versus Emperor Nero ... Jesus versus Humanism ... Who is your king?

Notes:

#### This Week at BSW

On Sunday (2-2) - Micro-church in the Wood County Jail. Pastor Lonnie leads.

On Monday (2-3) – 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 (2-3) – Men's study group meets from 7 to 8 pm in the Family Center. Kevin Lien leads.

On Tuesday (2-4) – 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 (2-4) – Bible Study (Book of Exodus) in the Shepherd's Loft processing area from 11:15 am until noon. Pastor Milt leads.

On Wednesday (2-5) – Micro-church at Waterford nursing home at 10:30 am. Pastor Milt leads.

On Wednesday (2-5) – BSW Underground (6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade) meets in the Family Center from 6:30 to 8 pm in the Family Center. Doors open at 6 pm.

On Thursday (2-6) – Coffee with Pastors meets in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 9:30 am. This is an event for seniors (50+) and includes food, fellowship, prayer, singing, and teaching.

On Friday (1-30) – 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: 4

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 12/31					
Jan 5	102	46	25	43	191
Jan 12	84	42	36	61	187
Jan 19	100	28	33	56	184
Jan 26	120	35	27	46	201
January	102	38	31	52	191
Averages					

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 12/31					
Jan 5	2,527	2			
Jan 12	1,777	2	600		
Jan 19	2,992	102			
Jan 26	4,594	2	720	60	
Jan Totals	11,890	108	1,320		

Earmarked giving for 1/26/2025: Children's Wing \$30.

#### 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

Monday, 2-3: Matthew chapter 15

Tuesday, 2-4: Matthew chapter 16

Wednesday, 2-5: Matthew chapter 17

Thursday, 2-6: Matthew chapter 18

Friday, 2-7: Matthew chapter 19

Saturday, 2-8: Matthew chapter 20

Sunday, 2-9: Matthew chapter 21

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) Commanders of the Unified Combatant Commands of the US Military (Page 147 middle)
- 3) These five countries and their leaders; Azerbaijan, The Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, and Barbados (Pages 751-753)

4) The congressional delegations of Arkansas, California, and Colorado (Senators on page 10 and Congressional Representatives on page 11-12)

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.

Notes from Tuesday's Local Board of Administration meeting.

The board received reports on the minor damage to the carport by a delivery truck and the annual fire department inspection ... Attendance reports, Harvest Field reports, and financial reports are all positive and we are grateful for the moving and blessing of God ... The board will meet with Rev. Ron Gormong of the Great Lakes Region of the Wesleyan Church to conduct Pastor Milt's performance review on February 25 at 6:30 pm ... Pastor Seth and Molly will become the hosts and teachers of Family Day beginning in February.