

Sunday, March 23, 2025

He was despised and forsaken of men, A man of sorrows and acquainted with grief.

Isaiah 53:3a

Lifesaver Week at BSW

Youth for Christ will be hosting Wisconsin Rapids LifeSaver Week in the BSW Family Center on March 24 through March 28. The daily events are for youth age 11 through 19 and will be conducted from 10 am to noon.

Family Business for March 23, 2025

- 1) Pictures from Dr. Kalembo
- 2) Chairs for the churches in Zambia
- 3) LBA email this week
- 4) Pill Bottles need sterilizing

Today's Bible teaching with Pastor Milt

The prophetic voice of Isaiah: Jesus the Suffering Servant Isaiah 52:13 through Isaiah 53:12

Key words today: will (of God) ... suffering ... succeed

Notes:

This Week at BSW

On Monday (3-24) – 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 (3-24) – Men's study group meets from 7 to 8 pm in the Family Center.

On Tuesday (3-25) – 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 (3-25) – Bible Study (Book of 1 John) in the Shepherd's Loft processing area from 11:15 am until noon. Pastor Milt leads.

On Wednesday (3-26) – Micro-church at Waterford nursing home at 10:30 am. Pastor Milt leads.

On Wednesday (3-26) – No BSW Underground (6th through 12th grade) this week. It is Spring Break. See you next week.

On Thursday (3-27) – Ray Vander Laan video series from 6 pm to 7 pm in the lobby. Pastor Carri and Jonathon Johnson are your hosts and facilitators.

On Friday (3-28) – The Shepherd's Loft clothing ministry is open from 9 am to noon for donations and 9:30 to 11:30 for clothing acquisition.

BSW Holy Week Schedule

Sunday, April 13 ... Family Day and Palm Sunday Service at 10 am Thursday, April 17 ... Last Supper Communion Service at 7 pm Friday, April 18 ... At the Cross Good Friday Service at Noon Friday, April 18 ... At the Tomb Good Friday Service at 6 pm Sunday, April 20 ... Easter celebration of the resurrection at 10 am

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: 13

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	101	38	25	42	182
Averages					
To 2/28					
March 2	102	18	32	54	174
March 9	96	23	37	63	182
March 16	89	38	28	48	175
March 23					
March 30					
Totals					

<u>Supporting BSW:</u> 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	105,968	4,674	11,720	3,570	2,000
As of 2/28					
March 2	4,459	557			
March 9	5,111	502	550		
March 16	1,604	102			
March 23					
March 30					
Totals					

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, 3-24: Luke chapter 20

Tuesday, 3-25: Luke chapter 21

Wednesday, 3-26: Luke chapter 22

Thursday, 3-27: Luke chapter 23

Friday, 3-28: Luke chapter 24

Saturday, 3-29: Luke chapter 25

Sunday, 3-30: Luke chapter 26

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.

- 3) The congressional delegations of Missouri, Montana, and Nebraska (Senators on page 10 and Congressional Representatives on page 14).
- 4) These five countries and their leaders; Czechia, Denmark (and Greenland), Djibouti, Dominica, and Dominican (Pages 769-771).
- 5) Pray over the states of Kansas, Kentucky, and Louisiana (page 570-571).
- 6) Pray for the April 1st Wisconsin Supreme Court Justice election between Brad Schimel and Susan Crawford.
- 7) Chief Commanding Officers of the U.S. Military: Army (page 147)

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.

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