



Sunday, March 9, 2025

*And the congregation of those who believed were of one heart and soul;  
and not one of them claimed that anything belonging to him was his  
own, but all things were common property to them.*

Acts 4:32

## Today is Family Day!

Welcome to Family Day at BSW. Today we worship as one big family with the school age children joining the adults. We invite you to worship at 10 am. Then to a potluck lunch at 11 am and finally to a time of fun and games in the Family Center from 11:45 to 1 pm. The nursery is open for the youngest members (3 and under) of our family.

## Family Business for March 9, 2025

- 1) Alex Miller says thank you
- 2) BSW Underground outing this Wednesday

Today's Bible teaching with Pastor Seth

## *This Week at BSW*

On Monday (3-10) – 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 (3-10) – Men’s study group meets from 7 to 8 pm in the Family Center. Kevin Lien leads.

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

On Wednesday (3-12) – Micro-church at Waterford nursing home at 10:30 am. Pastor Milt leads.

On Wednesday (3-12) – This Wednesday BSW Underground (grades 6-12) will be taking a break from their current teaching series and joining other local youth groups for a night of fun at Skate City (2211 36th St N, Wisconsin Rapids). The cost is \$6.99 for pizza, soda, and skate rentals (\$1 extra for inline skates). If cost is an issue, please talk to Pastor Seth. Doors open at 6:15 for the 6:30-8:30pm event.

On Thursday (3-13) – 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 (3-14) – 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: 12

Those recommitting their life to Christ: 2

Those being baptized: 7

Call-to-Ministry: 1

## Attendance Report

Date	Sanctuary	Micro-Churches	Online Raw #	X 1.7 Reporting Number	Total Foot Print
Y-T-D Averages To 2/28	101	38	25	42	182
March 2	102	18	32	54	174
March 9					
March 16					
March 23					
March 30					
Totals					

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

- 1) Securely online at [bakerstwesleyan.org](http://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 2/28	105,968	4,674	11,720	3,570	2,000
March 2	4,459	557			
March 9					
March 16					
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

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

Monday, 3-10: Luke chapter 6

Tuesday, 3-11: Luke chapter 7

Wednesday, 3-12: Luke chapter 8

Thursday, 3-13: Luke chapter 9

Friday, 3-14: Luke chapter 10

Saturday, 3-15: Luke chapter 11

Sunday, 3-16: Luke chapter 12

**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 Maine, Maryland, and Massachusetts (Senators on page 10 and Congressional Representatives on page 14).
- 4) These five countries and their leaders; China (Hong Kong and Macau), Columbia, Comoros, Congo (DRC), and Congo (RC) (Pages 763-766).
- 5) Pray over the states of Georgia, Hawai'i, and Idaho (page 567-568).
- 6) Pray for the April 1<sup>st</sup> Wisconsin Supreme Court Justice election.

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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Other notes:

The hygiene drive for local needy persons continues through Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup>. Items requested are bathroom tissue, cleaning supplies, dental care items, deodorant, diapers and baby care, face and bath soap, feminine care items, laundry detergent, paper towels, razors, textured hair care, and trash bags. The collection box is in the main lobby.

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.

God is filling up the sea container. This week we received textbooks from Alexander Middle School in Nekoosa. These textbooks will be used by students in Zambia. This week we also received eight boxes of brand-new apparel from a landscaping company in Appleton to be sent specially to Zambia. Praise God for His provision.