

Sunday, October 26, 2025 Pastor Appreciation Month

Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching.

1 Timothy 4:2 NKJ

Pastor Appreciation Sunday!

Today is the final day of Pastor Appreciation Month. All of our pastors have the day off today and the LBA will leading the various aspects of the service. We will be praying over our pastors and their spouses with blessings and exhortations. There will be the annual Jeopardy game and sweat cupcake treats after service.

Family Business for October 26, 2025

- 1) Welcome home from Zambia to Pastor Carri and Jonathon Johnson!
- 2) Thank you to all who participated in the church-wide cleaning day yesterday.
- 3) Thank you to all who participated in the truck loading for Hope Gospel Mission on Thursday.
- 4) There is no "ice cream with pastor" today in lieu of the cupcakes that will be served after service for Pastor Appreciation Sunday.

Today's teaching is from LBA member Kat Esser.

Your notes:

This Week at BSW

On Sunday (10-26) – Three micro-churches meet in the Wood County Jail this afternoon. Pastor Lonnie and Pastor Milt lead.

On Monday (10-27) – Women's study group meets at 5:30 pm in the church lobby. Joelle Lemke leads.

On Monday (10-27) – Men's study group meets at the Warehouse at 7 pm. Alex Miller leads.

On Tuesday (10-28) – The Shepherd's Loft clothing ministry is open to people in need of clothing, bedding, and towels with appointments at 9:30, 10, 10:30, and 11 am available. Donations will be accepted from 9 am until noon.

On Tuesday (10-28) – Bible study in the Loft processing area at 11:15 am. Pastor Milt begins a study of the book of Revelation. Join us for a fresh perspective on Revelation.

On Wednesday (10-29) – Micro-church at Waterford nursing home at 10:30 am. Pastor Milt leads ... Micro-Church at Arborwood Lodge at 1:30 pm. Pastor Jim leads.

On Wednesday (10-29) - Next Level ministry for youth from Youth for Christ held in the Family Center from 3:30 to 5:30 pm ... then the BSW Underground at 6 pm until 8 pm. Tonight's book of the Bible is Judges. Youth attending both are welcome to stay in the Family Center between events.

On Thursday (10-30) – Embracing Hope: Grief Processing class in the Wood County Jail at 2 pm. Pastor Milt teaches.

On Friday (10-31) – The Shepherd's Loft clothing ministry is open to people in need of clothing, bedding, and towels with appointments at 9:30, 10, 10:30, and 11 am available. Donations will be accepted from 9 am until noon.

Father grants us ...

A brave heart

A true heart

A tender heart

A heart with great room in it

A heart fixed on you

A pure heart

By The Numbers

Celebrating new life in Christ:

For the 2025-26 Church year (June 1, 2025 until May 31, 2026):

Those confessing Christ as Savior and Lord: 5

Those recommitting their life to Christ: 4

Those being baptized: 0

Call-to-Ministry: 0

Attendance Report

Date	Sanctuary	Micro-	Online	X 1.7	Total
		Churches	Raw #	Reporting	Foot
				Number	Print
Y-T-D	100	42	27	46	188
Averages					
To 9/30					
Oct. 5	80	52	25	43	175
Oct. 12	106	49	32	54	209
Oct. 19	116	56	20	35	207
Oct. 26					
Monthly					
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	Zambia	Warehouse	Wish	
	Fund	Partnership	Partnership	List	
Y-T-Date	54,201	6,622	6,640		
As of 9/30					
Oct. 5	4,345	2	670		
Oct. 12	1,405	2			
Oct. 19	1,945	102	550		
Oct. 26					
Monthly					
totals					

Leadership Team 2025-26:

Local Board of Administration as elected at the Local Church Conference on Sunday, June 22, 2025 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

Building and Grounds Care Team

 Project Managers: Mike Hamilton, Brandon Pautz and Mimi Sievers.

Hearts on Fire: Four Spiritual Journeys in 2025

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

Congratulations! You have read through the New Testament a chapter and a day. You are now encouraged to do the same with the Old Testament in your Living Bible.

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.

- 1) Read the intercession prayer from page 18 of the Field Guide for Daily Prayer
- 2) Pray for President Trump and Vice-President Vance. Also, Speaker of the House Mike Johnson and Senate leader John Thune.
- 3) Pray for the congressional delegations of Louisiana, Maine, and Maryland (Senators on pages 10 and Congressional Representatives on pages 13-14).
- 4) Pray for Chief Commanding Officers of the US Air Force on page 147.
- 5) Pray for the peace accord reached between Israel and Hamas. Pray for the healing of the hostages who have recently been released.

6) Pray for Governor Evers and the 33 state senators and the 99 state assembly persons of the state of Wisconsin. Pray for the candidates declaring for the governor's race in 2026.

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.