



Sunday, January 25, 2026

“For who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should taunt the armies of the living God?”

The words of David in 1 Samuel 17:26

Please silence your cell phones

The sanctuary of our church is holy ground. We ask everyone to silence their cell phones before entering the sanctuary for worship service. If you need to be available to your work or family, please place your phone on vibrate. It is important for all of us to respect what is happening in the sanctuary with our attention and not to distract others.

Family Business for January 25, 2026

1. Ice Cream Sandwiches on the go today the children.
2. Informational meeting immediately after service for people interested in serving in the jail one Sunday a month for two hours.
3. Pastor Carri is meeting with people interested in membership at BSW. Appointments in February.
4. Next men's breakfast is March 14th at 8 am.
5. Three can't miss Sundays this year: March 8 (Dunbar's renew their wedding vows), April 5 (Easter Sunday) and July 26 (Chris Conrad visits from the GLR).

Blueprint Bible Message Pastor Milt Van Natta

The heart of David as he faces Goliath ...

- 1) David sees Goliath as a small man because he doesn't honor God ...
- 2) David is certain that God is far bigger than Goliath ...
- 3) David trusts God because God has been faithful in the past ...
- 4) David goes to battle with his skills and gifts, not Saul's armor.

David's heart is indeed brave, but perhaps even more so; true, tender, and fixed on God.

This Week at BSW

On Sunday (1-25) – Four micro-churches meet in the Wood County Jail this afternoon.

On Monday (1-26) – Women’s study group will meet in the church lobby from 5:30 to 6:30 pm.

On Monday (1-26) – Men’s study group will meet in the Family Center from 7 to 8 pm.

On Tuesday (1-27) – 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 (1-27) – Bible study at 11:15 am in the Shepherd’s Loft processing area. Pastor Milt leads a study on women in the Bible.

On Wednesday (1-28) – Micro-church at Waterford nursing home at 10:30 am. Pastor Milt leads.

On Wednesday (1-28) – BSW Underground at 6 pm until 8 pm in the Family Center. There is no Next Level ministry for youth from Youth for Christ this week.

On Thursday (1-29) – Pastor’s staff meeting at 11:30 am.

On Friday (1-30) – 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.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, February 18 is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent.

Sunday, March 8 is Family Sunday and we welcome back Tom and Doris Dunbar to renew their wedding vows and celebrate Tom’s 90th birthday.

Saturday, March 14 is the quarterly men’s breakfast at 8 am.

Sunday, July 26 is our first ever visit from the superintendent of the Great Lakes Region of the Wesleyan Church, Dr. Chris Conrad. Also, the celebration of BSW’s 80th anniversary.

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: 18

Those recommitting their life to Christ: 11

Those being baptized: 2

Call-to-Ministry: 0

Attendance Report

Date	Sanctuary	Micro-Churches	Online Raw #	X 1.7 Reporting Number	Total Foot Print
Y-T-D Averages To 12/31	103	46	28	48	197
Jan 4	108	56	29	49	213
Jan 11	108	34	31	53	195
Jan 18	101	58	24	41	200
Jan 25					
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 Fund	Zambia Partnership	Warehouse Partnership	Wish List	
Y-T-Date As of 12/31	89,786	10,614	11,210	100	
Jan 4	4,011	2			
Jan 11	1,710	2	755		
Jan 18	445	102			
Jan 25					
Monthly totals					

Jail ministry \$1,000

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.

Spiritual Formation 2026: Guarding our Hearts

(Proverbs 4:23)

- 1) Journaling through the Bible ... Slow reading year
- 2) Praying daily over our hearts the prayer of John Baillie (14th day in morning) ... praying specifically for our spiritual hearts in the manner of Ephesians 1:3 ... the prayer is listed below
- 3) Praying for spiritual blessings from Psalm 119 or the Ephesians 1:3 Grace/Desire plan
- 4) Dennis Kinlaw's daily devotional *This Day with the Master* to challenge us to spiritual growth

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