## **UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION**

buffalocov.org/events

#### **WOMEN'S TASTE OF BCC**

## February 17, 6 pm // Youth Room

Tempt your taste buds at a unique event for the women of BCC! Bring a dish to share that represents your heritage and we'll enjoy both the samplings and each other's company. We'll also have a special treat from our very own Phyllis Kiemele - she will share how our individual uniqueness from our family history to our identify in Christ is all laid out by God into a plan to be part of His unique story. Sign up at buffalocov.org/women.

#### MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT: ENGAGING THE CULTURE FOR CHRIST

## February 19 - April 16, 10:10 am // Gym // With Bill Everett

Come learn how to keep your testimony strong in the face of social changes, media influences, and political messaging that can distort our understanding of the Gospel. Lawyer and teacher Bill Everett leads this quest to understand the "culture war" and to find Christ's answers on how to engage others. This class will take a stimulating look at topics such as history, politics, ethics, theology and evangelism.

#### **SOUP & PRAYER**

## February 19, 12:15 pm // Room 201

Join us for a simple meal and a time of prayer. We'll focus on praying for the people and needs of our congregation, prayer requests we've received, as well as for our church ministries, our community and our nation. All ages are welcome and families are encouraged to come!

#### PEPPER: APPETIZER/DESSERT POTLUCK

## February 24, 6 pm // Youth Room

The PEPPERs (ages 50+) are planning a sweet event to relieve the winter doldrums. Bring either an appetizer and or a dessert to share for a potluck in the Youth Room. We'll play a few games and have plenty of time to visit.

#### **DAREN STREBLOW - COMEDY NIGHT**

## March 3 // Dinner at 5:30 pm, Show at 7 pm // BCC

Grab your sense of humor and come dine and laugh! This is a clean show, designed for teens and older. The River Inn will be serving their famous half-rack of ribs and gluten free options will be available. All seats are general admission and doors will open at 6:15 pm. Pricing: \$10 Show, \$25 Dinner/Show. Tickets can be purchased with check or cash at the church office and in the Commons on Sunday mornings.

#### **COMING THIS WEEK**

**Produce Distribution:** Monday, February 13, 4 pm, BCC Parking Lot

No Wednesday Night Activities: Wednesday, February 15



BUFFALO COVENANT

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# THE CALL OF CHRIST: THE FACT OF ANONYMITY

**Pastor Mark Stromberg** 

#### Matthew 9:35-10:8

35 "Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. 36 When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. 37 Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. 38 Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

10 Jesus called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out impure spirits and to heal every disease and sickness.

2 These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James, son of Zebedee, and his brother John; 3 Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James, son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; 4 Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

5 These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Do not go among the Gentiles or enter any town of the Samaritans. 6 Go rather to the lost sheep of Israel. 7 As you go, proclaim this message: 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' 8 Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give."

### Luke 10:17-20

17 "The seventy-two returned with joy and said, "Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name."

18 He replied, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. 19 I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you. 20 However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

#### WHO IS THE WORKER FOR THE KINGDOM OF GOD?

"Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his Name." John 20:30-31

"He (Jesus) must become greater, and I must become less." John the Baptist

#### WHAT IS THE WORK?

"For in religious faith (Christianity) all people are equal, as all pennies are equal, because the only value in any of them is that they bear the image of the king." G. K. Chesterton

#### WHY IS IT THAT SO OFTEN THE WORKER IS FORGOTTEN?

"What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight; Build anyway. If you find serenity and happiness, they may be jealous; Be happy anyway. The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow; Do good anyway. Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough; Give the world the best you've got anyway. You see, in the final analysis, it is between you and God; It was never between you and them anyway." Mother Teresa of Calcutta

#### WHERE WILL THE WORKER BE REMEMBERED?

'Here rests in honored glory an American soldier known but to God.' Tomb of the Unknowns

"The wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve Apostles of the Lamb." Revelation 21:14



#### **NEW TO BCC?**

Here at Buffalo Covenant, you can learn, grow and connect in an authentic and biblically-based community. If you want to know more about us, or have questions on how to get connected, please stop in at the Welcome Center.

#### **PRAYER**

For prayer requests, contact the Church Office or fill out the prayer section on the Get Connected card and return to the Welcome Center.

#### **CHILD CARE**

Child care is provided for infants through age five (pre-k) during both 9 am and 11 am services.

#### **COFFEE & PASTRIES**

Grab a free coffee. Purchase a \$1 pastry from the BCC youth fundraiser in the Commons.

#### GIVE

Offering boxes are in the back of the Worship Center or you can give at buffalocov.org/give.

## sunday, february 12 WORSHIP WITH US

**TODAY** The Fact of Anonymity with Mark Stromberg

**CHILDCARE** Available at 9 am and 11 am service (ages 0-5)

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** Classes available for all ages from 10:10-10:50 am

MINISTRY Held in the BCC gym at 10:10 am
SPOTLIGHT TODAY - Men's Ministry

Feb 19 - April 16 - Engaging the Culture for Christ

with Bill Everett

**UPCOMING SUNDAY** BAPTISM SERVICE

**SERMONS** February 19 - Morning Services

THE GOOD FIGHT (2 Timothy)

February 26 - Not Ashamed with Pastor Joel McQueen

