

## UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION

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### EASTER AT BUFFALO COVENANT CHURCH

Reservations: Starts tomorrow // 12 pm // [buffalocov.org/easter](http://buffalocov.org/easter)  
Service Times: April 9 // 8, 9:30 and 11 am // Livestream at 9:30 am  
Come to the Cross, a Good Friday Service: April 6 // 7 pm

### DISCOVER BCC

**Sunday, April 2, 12:15 pm // Youth Room**

Join our Discover BCC class to learn more about our church family or to explore what it means to be a member of Buffalo Covenant Church. You will have a chance to learn about our church's mission, values and history. Lunch is included. For more information and to sign up visit [buffalocov.org/membership](http://buffalocov.org/membership).

### BINGO & BROWNIES

**Wednesday, April 5, 6-7:30 pm // Gym**

Fun! Prizes! Bingo! Brownies! Come join us for a family-friendly event in the BCC gym. We'll provide the bingo and brownies - you provide the family of any age and stage! Please note that there will NOT be dinner this evening.

### FULLY ALIVE BOOK STUDY

**Starts Tuesday, April 18, 6-8 pm, Room 201**

What does a flourishing life look like? It starts by not ignoring mental and/or emotional symptoms trying to get our attention. Join us as we explore Susie Larson's book, Fully Alive, and get a fresh vision of how intertwined our emotional, spiritual and physical health are. Susie shares practical, biblical ways to replace defeating thoughts, overcome stress and trade unhealthy habits for new life-giving practices. Julie Lingo will facilitate this five-week study. Cost is \$8 for the book and you can sign up at the church office or online at [buffalocov.org/women](http://buffalocov.org/women).

### MEMBERSHIP SERIES

**Mondays, April 24, May 1 & 8, 6:30 pm // Room 108**

The first class of the Membership Series starts Monday, April 24. This is a set of three separate classes that are required in order to become eligible for membership at Buffalo Covenant Church. The classes are taught by Pastor Joel McQueen and Dave Macalena. Visit [buffalocov.org/membership](http://buffalocov.org/membership) to sign up and for more information.

### COMING THIS WEEK

**Men's Breakfast:** Saturday, April 1, 8 am, Gym



## RESCUED

Pastor Joel McQueen

### *2 Timothy: Chapter 4:16-18*

The neat little details at the end of 2 Timothy help us to reconstruct a historically probable end to the Apostle Paul's life.

The Apostle Paul says, just prior to being martyred, that the Lord rescued him and will rescue him. Do you need a rescue from the Lord today?

#### **WHAT DOES PAUL MEAN BY 'THE LORD RESCUED HIM AND WILL RESCUE HIM?' (2 Timothy 4:16-18)**

Paul clearly does NOT mean that God spares him suffering and trials.

The repeated command of the letter is to co-suffer. (2 Tim 1:8; 2:3)

Everyone who pursues godliness will be persecuted. (2 Tim 3:12)

Paul means God was WITH him in his trials. (2 Tim 4:16-17)

Even if you are standing alone, God is by your side!

God never, ever leaves us and what we need is more of His presence. (Rom 8)

Paul means that God gives him strength through his trials. (2 Tim 4:17)

God gave Paul the courage and strength to complete his ministry to the Gentiles.

Phil. 4:13 – in context it means: God gives me strength to be content and trust in Him no matter what I am facing.

Daniel and the lion's den – Paul sees it as a MIRACLE of protection that he is still alive after his initial hearing!

God still does miracles today! Do you need a miracle? Ask Him!

Paul means by rescue is that he is going to see Jesus face to face! (2 Tim 4:18)

Bonhoeffer said at the end of his life: "May God in His mercy lead us through these times, but above all, may He lead us to Himself!"

My spiritual mentor ultimately died of cancer. It wasn't that God didn't answer our prayers for rescue. Through treatment God never left her side. God gave her strength to witness to doctors and nurses all over Mayo clinic. And ultimately, God brought her safely home to Heaven.

#### BIG IDEA

Rescue doesn't mean no pain; it means you gain Jesus.

# welcome

## TO BUFFALO COVENANT

#### 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](http://buffalocov.org/give).

## sunday, march 26

### WORSHIP WITH US

**TODAY** The Good Fight (2 Timothy): Chapter 4: Rescued

**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 SPOTLIGHT** Held in the BCC gym at 10:10 am  
March 19 - April 16 - Engaging the Culture for Christ with Bill Everett

**UPCOMING SUNDAY SERMONS** **PALM SUNDAY** with Pastor Mark Stromberg  
April 2 - What Christ Expects

**EASTER SERVICE** with Pastor Mark Stromberg  
April 9 - Easter Discoveries



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