

UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION

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EASTER AT BUFFALO COVENANT CHURCH

Reservations: Now open // Online // buffalocov.org/easter

Service Times: April 9 // 8, 9:30 and 11 am // Livestream at 9:30 am

DISCOVER BCC

TODAY, 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.

THE PREACHER'S DAUGHTERS

Sunday, April 16, 2:30-4 pm // Worship Center

Join us for an afternoon with the vocal duo known as The Preacher's Daughters. Acclaimed singers Amanda Ellison and Korissa Olson will provide a powerful performance that includes landmark hymns, heartwarming stories, cello, testimonies of faith, audience participation and laughs. This event is hosted by SALT and is open to all of BCC and the community. Feel free to invite a friend!

WOMEN'S TEA

Saturday, April 22, 9:30-11:30 am // Gym

Come enjoy a relaxing morning with the women of BCC! You can sample a variety of loose-leaf teas and delicious hand-baked treats, enjoy conversation around individually-decorated tables, and hear an encouraging message from Ash Walz on "The Beauty of Rest in a Restless World." We are confident the morning will inspire you and strengthen your walk with the Lord.

Wear a hat (if you have one) and join us as we transform the gym into a tea party! Prizes will be awarded for the "best" hat – we'll welcome fascinators, bonnets, etc. Registration is now open for age 15+ online. Space is limited so please register as soon as possible. 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 to sign up and for more information.

COMING THIS WEEK

Bingo & Brownies: Wednesday, April 5, 6-7:30 pm, Gym

Come to the Cross, a Good Friday Service: Friday, April 6, 7 pm, Worship Center

PALM SUNDAY

COME TO SEE THE KING


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WHAT CHRIST EXPECTS

Pastor Mark Stromberg

MARK 11:1-11

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly.'"

They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, some people standing there asked, "What are you doing, untying that colt?" They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go. When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

Jesus entered Jerusalem and went into the temple courts. He looked around at everything, but since it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the Twelve.

MARK 11:15-17

"On reaching Jerusalem, Jesus entered the temple courts and began driving out those who were buying and selling there. He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves, and would not allow anyone to carry merchandise through the temple courts. And as he taught them, he said, "Is it not written: 'My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations'? But you have made it 'a den of robbers.'"

WHAT WAS THEIR FAILURE IN THE RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY...IN THE TEMPLE?

WHAT DOES JESUS CHRIST EXPECT OF HIS CHURCH, OF US, TODAY?

1. Our Lord looks for reverence among His people.

*Reverence is a 'flower of the spirit' and when the spirit is right, it grows everywhere.
But when the spirit is wrong, it grows nowhere.*

2. Our Lord looks for the use of Scripture among His people.

"A father had as well bury his son as neglect his instruction." -Rabbinic Saying

PROVERBS 29:18

"Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he." (KJV)

"Where there is no revelation, people cast off restraint; but blessed is the one who heeds wisdom's instruction." (NIV)

3. Our Lord looks for the presence of prayer among His people.

"When we look back on what the masters of the spiritual life have written and said, it's hard to escape the conclusion that we have been the victim of a confidence trick in our century. Over the past few decades, the Evangelical Church has been gripped by a series of issues and concerns that have primarily been marginal, or at best of secondary importance.

Conferences, seminars, and books on a whole series of 'vital concerns' have dominated center stage and determined the agenda in many churches and for many individual Christians. But strikingly absent has been concentration on God himself. Indeed, on the rare occasions when this absence has not been the case, we have sat up to take notice as though something out of the ordinary were being said!" -Sinclair Ferguson

4. Our Lord looks for a world-vision among His people.

"In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north, but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth."

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.

sunday, april 2 WORSHIP WITH US

TODAY Palm Sunday - What Christ Expects

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
TODAY - April 16 - Engaging the Culture for Christ with Bill Everett

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

THE FITNESS OF THE CROSS
April 16 with Pastor Mark Stromberg



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