



THE CONNECTION

**SUMMER
KICKOFF**

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MINISTRY

See what's happening
within BCC ministries
this summer.

**BUFFALO
COVENANT
CHURCH**



BUFFALOCOV.ORG

SUNDAY SERVICES

9 am and 11 am // 9 am Livestream (buffalocov.org/live)
10:10-10:50 am Sunday School for all ages

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 8 am-4 pm
Friday: 8 am-12 pm

BCC APP

We have developed an app specifically for our BCC congregation. Get access to upcoming events, livestream videos, podcasts of sermons and classes, and give online. You'll find the app in your app store under Buffalo Covenant Church.

Point your phone camera at the QR code to download the app.



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SUMMER SERMON SCHEDULE

May 28 – “God’s Warriors” from 2 Samuel 23:13-17 with Grayling Trees

June 4 – “Heart Trouble” from Matthew 15:1-20 with Joel McQueen

June 11 – “Change of Heart” Matthew 15:21-28 with Joel McQueen

June 18 – “Giving Jesus a Fair Chance” John 7:37-51 with Mark Stromberg

TRANSFORMED - This sermon series with Mark Stromberg will focus on individuals in the book of Acts whose lives highlight how Jesus makes all the difference in the world. If God could transform them, why not us?

June 25 – “Peter: A Changed Life”

July 2 – “Barnabas: A Gracious Life”

July 9 – “Stephen: A Spirit-filled Life”

July 16 – “Philip: A Faithful Life”

July 23 – “John Mark: A Redeemed Life”

July 30 – “Paul: A Visionary Life”



Aug 6 – Music & Drama Camp presentation

Aug 13 – Missionary Speaker Damtew Kiflew

MISSIONAL MATTERS SERMON SERIES

Aug 20 – “Marriage Matters” with Joel McQueen

Aug 27 – “Family Matters” with Joel McQueen

Sept 3 – “Prayer Matters” with Joel McQueen

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sundays, June 4-August 13 // 10:10 am // Gym

June 4 – Worship with Annie Grafstrom

June 11 – Jonah with Mark Stromberg

June 25 – Jonah with Jonathan Parker

July 2 – Jonah with Jonathan Parker

July 9 – Story-Runners with Joey & Calli Howell

July 16 – The State of the Covenant with Mark Stromberg

July 23 – Missionary Update with Reitenours

Aug 6 – Montana Camp Recap with youth leaders

Aug 13 – “Experience Africa” with Damtew Kiflew

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, June 11 // Worship Center, 6 pm // Prayer in Youth Room, 5 pm

Come and see how God has been active in and through the ministries of BCC in 2023 - we will share financial and lead pastor search updates and discuss a future building expansion vision.

STURGES PARK IN BUFFALO, MN



Bring a blanket or lawn chair and enjoy a free breakfast at our annual Worship in the Park on **Sunday, June 18** at the **Sturges Park Pavilion**. Invite your friends, family and neighbors to join us as we worship together as a community.

Light Breakfast & Music begin at 9:30 am
Worship Service begins at 10:00 am

Sturges Park: 505 2nd Ave S, Buffalo, MN 55313

*In case of rain, the entire event will take place at Buffalo Covenant Church at 9:00 & 11:00 am



Baptism **SUNDAY**

Sunday, July 30
10 am service on the South Lawn

Join us for this powerful service as we hear testimonies and celebrate with those being baptized as believers in Christ.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE BAPTIZED?

An informational meeting will be held on Monday, July 10 at 6:30 pm. For more information please visit the front desk.

SALT (SENIOR ADULTS LIVING TRIUMPHANTLY)

Tuesday, June 20 // 1:30 pm // Worship Center

Pastor Kevin Doely returns to BCC with his ventriloquism performance, using his skills as a communication tool to teach and entertain. A love offering will be taken for his ministry.

Tuesday, July 18 // 1:30 pm // Youth Room

Bring a craft or art project you've created to share with our group. Some items may be up for sale. We'll have our annual pie social as well.

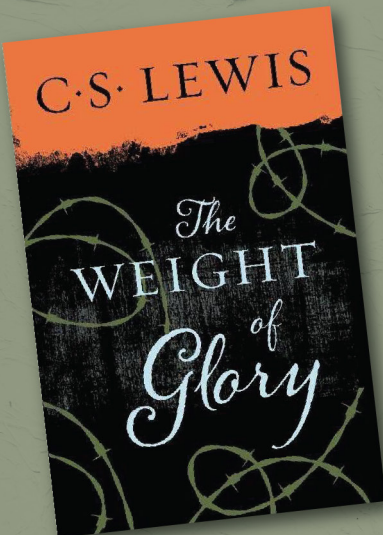
Sunday, August 27 // Hilltop Happenings // Montgomery, MN

We will travel on the church bus for a variety show at Hilltop Happenings.

ENCOUNTER PRAYER NIGHTS

Sundays, May 29, June 25, July 30, Aug 27 // 5-6 pm // Worship Center

Here at BCC, we seek to be a church of prayer – individually and praying as one. When we get together to unite our prayers, we also anticipate powerful results through God's provision. As we join to seek Him through prayer and praise, we hold fast to Jesus' promise: "For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them." (Matthew 18:20)



The WEIGHT of Glory

SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 10:10 AM
Youth Room // July 23 & 30, August 6 & 13

Join us for four Sundays this summer as we explore "The Weight of Glory" based on C.S. Lewis' book. Lewis is much-loved Christian author and theologian and his addresses during World War II gave people much hope and courage in a time of doubt.

Class taught by: Dave Gust

Books: \$10/each | Sign up: Church Office



SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

Show your support by attending their games!
Doubleheader games are on Friday evenings from 7:30-9:30 pm
at Bentfield Mills Park, Buffalo, MN

JUNE 2.....7:30 & 9:30 PM
JUNE 23.....7:30 & 8:30 PM
JUNE 30.....8:30 & 9:30 PM
JULY 7.....6:30 & 8:30 PM

JULY 21.....7:30 & 8:30 PM
JULY 28.....6:30 & 7:30 PM
AUGUST 4 (PLAYOFFS).....TBD

LET'S GO ON A HIKE!

Lake Rebecca Park



bcc women
TUESDAY
JUNE 27* **6 PM**

*meet at Buffalo Perkins in case of rain.

MORE INFO ONLINE: BUFFALOCOV.ORG/ADULTS

PEPPER PICNIC & PONTOON RIDES

Sunday, July 16 // 4:30 pm // Griffing Park on Lake Pulaski, Buffalo, MN

Pepper is a fun fellowship group for BCC friends in their 50s, 60s, and 70s, and anyone else who wants to join us! We'll be getting together in July for a picnic at Griffing Park in the large picnic shelter. We will provide beverages and grilled brats/hot dogs. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share, and your own lawn chair. Pontoon boat rides will be available at no cost, and lawn games will be set up as well. Plan to join us and enjoy a fun time of food, friends, fellowship!



Register as a team
or sign up as a
single, double or
triple and join a
team.

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FOUR PERSON SCRAMBLE

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18 HOLES WITH CART

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buffalocov.org/golf

Women's **game night**

THURSDAY | BCC PATIO
AUG 17 6-8 PM

Want to get a little outdoor fun in? Join our women for some friendly competition on the BCC south lawn - we'll have ladder ball, bocce, giant Jenga and more! Bring a snack to share - beverages provided!





STEADFAST

A GROWING MINISTRY

JULY 29 & AUGUST 26
10-11:30 am

We would love to see you and your family at the BCC Garden on these upcoming family work days as we harvest and deliver boxes of produce.

Know someone battling cancer or chronic illness?
Scan the QR code to send a Steadfast box.



2023 MINISTRY FAIR

Register for classes/ministry for all ages,
sign up for events, and find ways to
volunteer or get connected at BCC!

August 20 & 27
After Both Services // Commons

DIVE DEEPER

a summer of scripture

From the "Greatest Generation" down to "Generation Z," statistics tell us that Bible users by generation have decreased significantly. In 2022, 48% of the Greatest Generation claimed to have regular Bible engagement, 46% of Boomers, 38% of Gen X, 33% of Millennials, and 30% of Gen Z said they have Bible engagement. Let's take a step together this summer to reverse those trends!

WE ARE ALL AT DIFFERENT STAGES IN OUR BIBLE READING. HOW DO YOU ENGAGE WITH SCRIPTURE?

DO YOU

- Never read the Bible
- Read the Bible 1-3 times per week
- Read the Bible 4-6 times per week
- Read the Bible every day of the week

DO YOU TEND TO

- Read a couple verses
- Read a couple verses along with a devotional
- Read several verses
- Read and study several verses or a passage
- Read and study Scripture and mentor/disciple others in the Word

IMAGINE

- What your life might look like if you took one step deeper in your Bible reading!
- The impact the Lord would make in our community if hundreds of people were taking one step deeper in their Bible reading!
- The joyous praises of the heavens as God's people join together to seek Him through His Word, just one step deeper!

This summer join with our entire church family to take your Bible reading one step deeper. Starting [May 28](#), [pick up your Summer Step Deeper into Scripture packet](#) and see how God transforms you this summer!

THANK YOU!

On June 1, Marlys Wilson and Gloria Bakken will be stepping down from their roles as BCC Funeral Luncheon Coordinators. For years they have scheduled servers, set tables, assembled and served food and beverages, packaged left over food for the family and cleaned up afterwards. It is a big responsibility that they have made look easy. We are thankful for their many years of service to our church family in this ministry to grieving families. Please thank them when you see them.



MARCH FOOD SHARE MONTH WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!

A big thank you from the Buffalo Food Shelf for the HUGE food donation during our food drive in March. Buffalo Covenant donated a grand total of 2971 pounds of food as well as \$1081.41. Our BCC youth and Impact Christian Academy both had contests for the biggest donations. It was a record breaking year for BCC food donations, but the biggest winner is the abundance of food made available for families in need in our community. Thank you for your continued generosity!



NOURISHING HOPE PRODUCE DISTRIBUTION

June 12, July 10, August 14 // BCC Parking Lot

Our monthly produce distribution is a great way to serve our local community by giving out boxes of food and offering to pray for people's needs as they come through the line. We have an amazing team of people who faithfully commit to the second Monday of each month, however as this ministry continues to grow, so does the need for help. We need people who can move boxes of food, pull trailers with their truck, pack boxes and who are willing to visit and pray with people. Would you consider being a part of our team? Please contact reid@buffalocov.org or terri@buffalocov.org for details. Thank you!

MISSIONS MINISTRY

MISSIONARY VISITS

We have an exciting lineup of BCC supported missionaries coming this summer! This is our opportunity to catch a glimpse into the amazing things God is doing and the role BCC plays in each of their ministries.

May 28 – Grayling Trees

July 23 – Nick & Stephanie Reitenour

July 9 – Joey & Calli Howell

Aug 13 – Damtew Kifelew



Pineville,
West Virginia

August 4-12
Registration deadline: June 15

WHO CAN GO
Anyone who has a heart for serving. This is a great opportunity for families! Families with kids over the age of eight (accompanied by a parent) are encouraged to join us.

COST & EXPENSES
\$800 (includes travel). Scholarships are available.



SEPTEMBER 27 - OCTOBER 8
KENYA
MISSION TRIP

REACH THE *unreachable*
TOUCH THE *untouchable*

WHO CAN GO
Open to adults of all ages and teens who are accompanied by a parent/guardian.

COST & EXPENSES
\$2,800 (includes travel).
Scholarships are available.

QUESTIONS/REGISTER
Contact the church office:
office@buffalocov.org

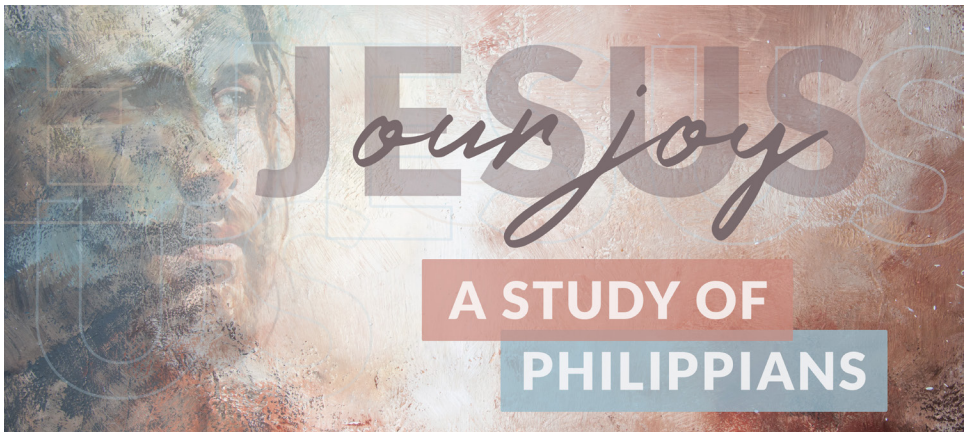
LOVE FOR KENYA



HANG TIME (GRADES 6-8)

Wednesdays, June 28 at the Gilbert Farm, July 12 at the Lingo Ranch, July 26 at BCC, August 2 at BCC // 6:30-8:30 pm

Jesus gave his followers a mission that would change the world, but he made it clear we couldn't do it alone. This summer, we'll learn that Jesus sends us us on a mission — a mission that can bring healing, that can only be accomplished together, and that we can boldly choose to be a part of.



CHILL OUT (GRADES 9-12)

Sundays, June 25 at BCC, July 9 at the Lingo Ranch, July 23 at Pietigs, July 30 at BCC // 6:30-9 pm // Youth Room

It's easy to be happy when things go well for you. But what would it be like to have a sense of joy that continued even in times of trouble? Such was the deep joy that the apostle Paul experienced, even in prison. His contentment was neither dependent on circumstances nor changed by difficulty. This summer in our study on Philippians, we'll see how to live joyfully in every situation.



MUUUCE - MIDDLE SCHOOL OUTREACH EVENT

August 10-12 // BCC

MUUUCE stands for “The Most Unbelievable, Ultimate, Urban, Camping Experience.” This high-energy, fast-moving, multi-day event is designed to give students a chance to connect with Christ and their peers. Middle schoolers from across the Northwest Conference will be invited to spend the weekend at BCC for three days of crazy fun, woven with worship experiences, challenging talks, and small group conversations! This event is for students going into grades 6-8 in the fall of 2023. Cost for BCC students will be \$50. We’re excited to host this event and participate in the outreach to win souls for Jesus. More details will be coming soon!

Join us in congratulating our BCC youth!

2023 BCC GRADUATES

Tommy Chiavetta
Mikayla Corbin
Gracie Crowell
Caleb Fogelquist
Luke Huss
Ella Kabe
Sam King
Jonah Kruger
Andy McDonnell

Aidan McNelis
Grayson Mills
Braden Moseley
Max Mueller
Broc Mutterer
Faith Mutterer
Hannah Nord
Quinn Ohlemacher-
Lonetti

Nicholas Olmscheid
Hattie Pool
Dani Rodenwald
Aubrey Sands
Amelia Schmidt
Mylie Wall
Karina Wallenta
Aidan Wilson

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2023 9TH GRADE CONFIRMANDS

Jack Anderson
Wyatt Anderson
Simon Badowski
Morgan Baer
Avery Bjorklund
Wyatt Breimon
Maren Brockopp
Kaelynn Conklin
Caden Corbin
Josiah Crawford
Greta Crowell
Rebeca de Oliveira
Tabitha Gallus
Lexi Hanzlik
Cayden Hoosier

Isabella Johnson
Ben Leintz
Tristan Lenton
Christian Melvie
Nolan Mueller
Mathew Ness
Gwen Niskanen
Kalah Nord
Cedar Otto
Hans Pederson
Preston Pool
Hannah Price
Alison Quale
Saul Rhodes
Annie Robinson

Brandon Rodenwald
Charlie Rosso
Brevan Schauer
Ella Schrick
Lydia Sollom
Zoe Strasser
Gemma Wall
Caden Walstad
Melora Walz
Emme Wardrip
Evah Wardrip
Michaela Warner

Buffalo Disc Golf Tournament

Individual tournament for all skill levels

Beginner category: 9 holes at **West Pulaski Park** \$15
Open category: 18 holes at **Buffalo Covenant** \$25
Men's and Women's division in each category

June 17th
10am

Scan here
to register
and for more
information.



Awards for top
three men and
women in each
category!

Free player pack
with every entry!
Food at BCC
during the
18-hole event.

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 12-16

9 AM-12 PM
(11:45 pickup for preschool)

Vacation Bible School is for ages 4-completed grade 4. Ages 0-3 can be in the nursery or little VBS if you are a volunteer.

Registration now open on the buffalocov.org webpage, under children's, special events. Registration bags will be available for those who have registered. Registration will be closed from Friday, June 9 at noon, until Monday, June 12 at the door.



AWANA T&T BOOK COMPLETERS DAY OUT

Thursday, June 22, 10 am - 10 pm // Lingo Ranch

Did your child complete a T&T book this year? Then mark your calendar because they are invited to the Awana T&T Book Completers Day Out! Each book completer will receive an official invitation, with more details, to the event.

FIFTH GRADE MILESTONE - SERVICE & MISSION

If you missed Part One of the Milestone on April 30, contact Pastor Janine to get signed up for Service & Mission Projects through the months of May and June! The final Fifth Grade Milestone Celebration will be on Sunday, June 25 at 10:10 am.

LAKE BEAUTY CAMP OPPORTUNITIES

Lake Beauty has been providing excellent Christ-centered camp experiences to boys and girls for many years! Trailblazer camp for grades 3, 4, & 5 is July 16-20 (BCC is in the Crow River District.) Frontier Kids camp for grades 1, 2, & 3 is a shorter, 2 night-3 day, camp from July 5-7. You must register through www.lbbc.com. Transportation is not provided by BCC.



tryouts JUNE 20
camp JULY 31-AUGUST 4

musical presentaion AUGUST 4-6

Calling all singers
and actors in
completed grades
2-5 to join in the
work and fun as we
put together a
Worship Musical.



For more information
or to register visit
[buffalocov.org/children/
special-events/](http://buffalocov.org/children/special-events/)
or scan the QR code.

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BCC VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Children's, Youth & Access Ministries

Sunday, August 27
12:15 pm

(lunch and childcare provided)

OR

Thursday, August 31
6 pm

(no food or child care)

Do you volunteer with kids, students or Access participants at BCC? Join us for a free lunch at our annual Volunteer Training! The training is REQUIRED for all volunteers as we'll be reviewing BCC policies and other information our insurance requires. Sign up for one of the two options by scanning the QR code.



Kahoot!

and Kookies

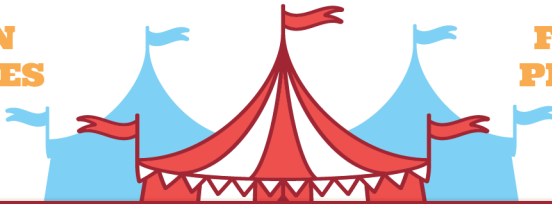
JUNE 19

6-7:30 pm
Youth Room

BCC Church Family, you are invited to join Access Families for a family friendly competition of Kahoot. This will be a fun opportunity to get to know each other better, enjoy cookies together, and a chance to win prizes. This is a family event, so a parent/guardian must attend.

2ND ANNUAL
ACCESS CARNIVAL

**FUN
GAMES**



**FOOD
PRIZES**



JULY 17 | 6-8 PM | BCC PATIO



The second Annual Access Carnival will be on BCC's patio and south lawn. Access families, please bring a potluck dish to share. Get ready for carnival games and fun for the young and young at heart. Access participants must attend with a parent or guardian.

join us for

ConnectAbilities Family Camp

Sept 29-Oct 1, 2023

Friday 5:00 pm-Sunday 11:00 am

Family Camp is designed for families with kids of all ages and abilities levels the chance to enjoy a weekend of fun! Program content is designed to connect with God and others through outdoor activities, STEM activities, crafts, family time, and indoor sensory space.

Cost: \$180/adult; \$130/youth (ages 4-17).
Scholarships are available.

Ironwood Springs
CHRISTIAN RANCH



Ironwoods Springs Christian Ranch
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Stewartville, MN 55976



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