



The BCC Connection

August
2025

Bancroft Congregational Church
Pastor Todd Evans

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Sunday Worship Hours

Christian Education Hour 9:45 am

Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

There are Nursery and Jr. church programs available for children during our worship service.



Church Picnic and Baptism

August 3

Baptisms and church 'hang out'.

This will be at

Brian and Karla Reed's home.

We will also have a "bring your own lunch/picnic".

Please also bring your own lawn chairs

***Join Isaac and Lexi
celebrate their recent
marriage at a reception
here at BCC.***

***Saturday, August 16, 2025
1 to 4 pm***

***A dessert and punch
reception will be held in
the fellowship room.***





Here in Michigan, we get to experience an amazing thing of God's creation- the fall colors. As the Pure Michigan ad campaigns state, it is like a curtain that is lifted throughout the state for a beautiful picture. It is an annual event that brings people from all over the country to see it happen at different stages from north to south, all at the same time. This natural change is representative for just about everyone's life at this time of year as well. Kids are going into new grades at school, people are getting back into the regular swing of life after summer vacations, and sometimes new jobs or homes.

This also is indicative of our lives until we get to heaven. We experience all sorts of change in all sorts of ways at all sorts of times. But there is something to remember through it all, God never changes. His salvation promise to those who believe never changes. His promise to be there for us never changes.

Here are just a couple of passages that show us that: Hebrews 6:17 *"God also bound himself with an oath, so that those who received the promise could be perfectly sure that He would never change His mind."*; James 1:17 *"Whatever is good and perfect is a gift coming down to us from God our Father, who created all the lights in the heavens. He never changes or casts a shifting shadow."* Numbers 23:19 *"God is not a man, so He does not lie. He is not human so He doesn't change His mind. Has He ever spoken and failed to act? Has He ever promised and not carried it through?"* His character will never change, no matter what happens anywhere. This is to give us great comfort and peace to help us through anything we face in life. We can face down anything the world, or the enemy throws at us because we have the God of the universe- who never changes, carrying us!

So as our lives go into changing yet again with the changing of the season, remember that you can lean on Him through all things. Read Hebrews 6 and James 1 this month and pray about all that it teaches us.

Happy fall!

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Twisted Scripture



Pg 351 Apologetics Bible

1 Kings 7:23

He made the Sea of cast metal, circular in shape, measuring ten cubits from rim to rim and five cubits high. It took a line of thirty cubits to measure around it.

By pointing to the measurements for the circular bath taken from this passage (also see 2 Chronicles 4:2), many skeptics have claimed that the Bible lists an incorrect value for the mathematical constant pi (beginning with numbers 3.14159265...) that is the diameter. According to the numbers given here, the circumference appears to be 3.0. Yet it must be understood that biblical numbers are often rounded, something we still do today. For instance, instead of casually saying that an item at the store costs \$19.53, it might be said that the item is \$20; instead of saying 64,843 attended a football game, we might say there were 65,000 fans and still be considered accurate. When we consider the fact that the commonly stated value 3.14 is actually a rounding down of pi, we see that the Bible should not be faulted for using an approximation to describe a number that is infinitely complex and long.

Pg 513 Apologetics Bible

Job 1:20-21

At this, Job got up and tore his robe and shaved his head. Then he fell to the ground in worship and said: "Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked I will depart. The LORD gave and the LORD has taken away; may the name of the LORD be praised."

The doctrine of reincarnation as taught in Hinduism, Buddhism, and New Age religions is an attractive belief for those who think many lifetimes are needed to reach spiritual perfection. This present passage, along with Ecclesiastes 5:15, is sometimes used in support of belief in reincarnation. Similarly, the "born again" phrase in John 3:3 is sometimes said to refer to reincarnation. However, Hebrews 9:27 says we are given only one life before we face judgment. In this light, we must heed Paul's words in 2 Corinthians 6:2, "Now is the day of salvation." This is why the apostles were so passionate about preaching the good news to those who were lost. There are no next lives in which you can get right with God. Now is your one chance. Thus, Christians ought to have a sense of urgency in telling others about Jesus, for only by faith in Him can we have peace and relationship with God.

The blessing of Community

August



- Day 1: Psalm 133:1
- Day 2: Matthew 7:12
- Day 3: Matthew 18:19-20
- Day 4: Matthew 22:37-39
- Day 5: John 13:34-35
- Day 6: Proverbs 17:17
- Day 7: Proverbs 27:10
- Day 8: Proverbs 27:17
- Day 9: Ecclesiastes 4:9-10
- Day 10: Leviticus 19:18
- Day 11: Acts 2:44-45
- Day 12: Acts 2:46-47
- Day 13: Romans 12:3
- Day 14: Romans 12:4-5
- Day 15: Romans 12:15
- Day 16: 1 Corinthians 1:10
- Day 17: Colossians 3:12-13
- Day 18: Colossians 3:14-15
- Day 19: Galatians 6:2
- Day 20: 1 John 1:7
- Day 21: 1 Thessalonians 5:11
- Day 22: 1 Thessalonians 5:14-15
- Day 23: James 5:14-15
- Day 24: James 5:16
- Day 25: John 15:12-13
- Day 26: Hebrews 10:24-25
- Day 27: 1 Corinthians 12:12
- Day 28: 1 Corinthians 12:13-14
- Day 29: 1 Corinthians 12:20-22
- Day 30: 1 Corinthians 12:23-24
- Day 31: 1 Corinthians 12:25-26

*Pastor's suggested readings:
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that it teaches us.*



Weekly Service Schedule for

Service	3	10	17	24	31
Greeter	Lee Habermehl	Brian Reed	Walt Reed	Tom Wahl	Lee Habermehl
Greeter	Cyndy Habermehl	Karla Reed	Marion Reed		Cyndy Habermehl
Nursery	Laurie Valade	Jenny Habermehl	Patty Hewitt	Layne Valade	Cathy Taber
Nursery	Karla Reed	Paula Wahl	Shana Post	Daphne Valade	Laurie Valade
Sound	Katie Thompson	Sarah Bias	Katie Thompson	Aaron Zander	Sarah Bias
Computer	Wyatt Crego	Maddie Bias	Wyatt Crego	Matthew Zander	Maddie Bias
Call to Worship & Prayer	Carl Cooke	Lee Habermehl	Matt Post	James Huguelet	Layne Valade
Prayer Elder	James Huguelet	Matt Post	Layne Valade	James Huguelet	Layne Valade
Jr. Church Teacher	Diane Lepior	Amber Bias	Paula Wahl	Becky Durling	Amber Bias
Jr. Church Helper	Volunteer	Shana Post	Jenny Habermehl	Cathy Taber	Shana Post
Scripture Reader Message Prayer	No Reader Needed	Sharon Lewis Exodus 31:18	Maddie Bias TBD	Dan Bryant TBD	Sandy Braid Exodus 32:30
Benediction	Pastor Todd	Matt Post	Layne Valade	James Huguelet	Lee Habermehl
Financial Team	Layne Valade	Lee Habermehl	Carl Cooke	James Huguelet	Layne Valade
Financial Team	Tom Wahl	Matt Post	Tom Wahl	Dan Bryant	Lee Habermehl
Communion	Layne Valade				

Please remember if for any reason you are unable to meet your scheduled obligation, **please contact someone from your team to take your place as soon as you know you are unable to fulfill your obligation.**
The changes however, will not be printed in the bulletin.

Thank you for your service to our church!

For God did not send his Son
into the world to condemn the world,
but to save the world through him.

John 3:17

THE PEOPLE OF MATTHEW'S GENEALOGY WORD SEARCH

*Words may be horizontal, vertical, or diagonal,
forward or backward, and may overlap.*

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ABRAHAM
AMMINADAB
BOAZ
DAVID
ELEAZAR

HEZEKIAH
ISAAC
JACOB
JESSE
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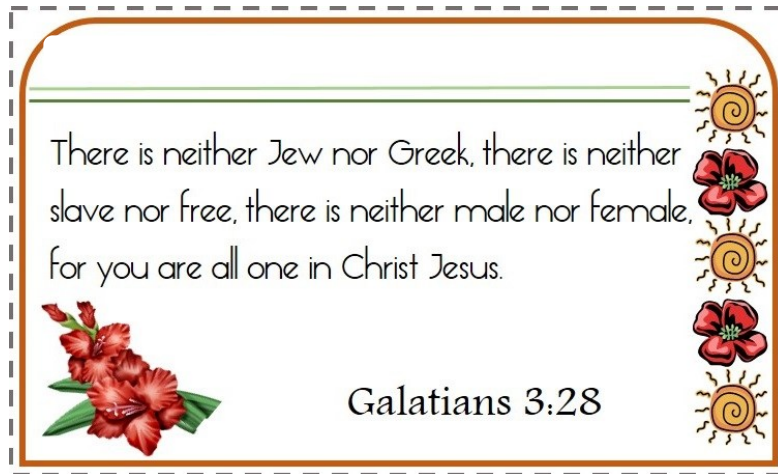
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This Month's Cause for Celebration!



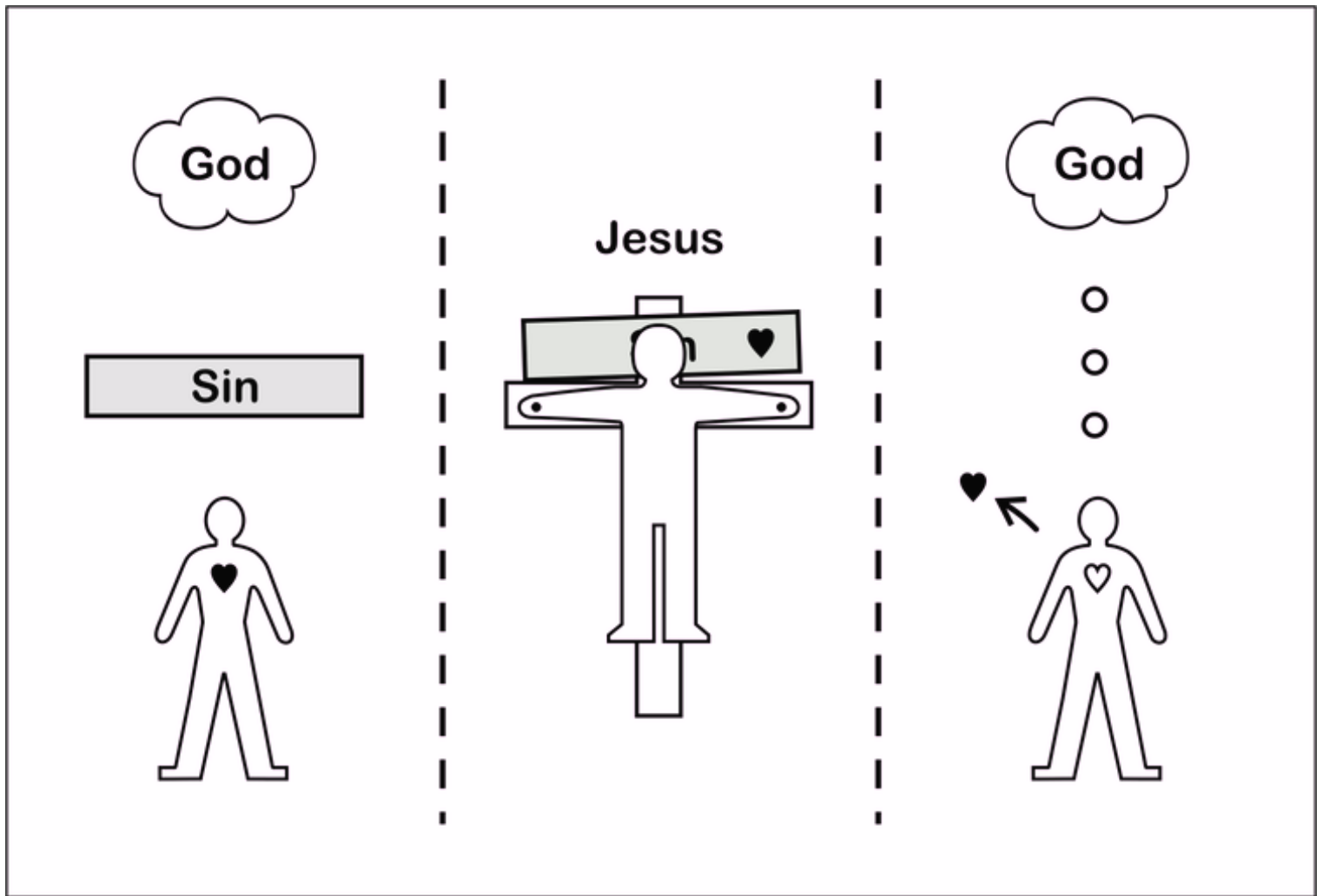
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BRYANT	DAN	7-Aug
EVANS	WANDA	9-Aug
POST	MATT	20-Aug
ZANDER	AARON	20-Aug
ZIEBA	VICKI	21-Aug
SIDDENS	SEAN	27-Aug
VALADE,	DAPHNE	30-Aug



1	Mike & Jackie	McDonald
5	Jon & Gail	Love
6	David & Tracie	Zander
7	Dennis & Linda	Malloy
11	Cevin & Laurie	Valade
11	James & Karen	Huguelet



Kids Corner



1. **Our problem** - Our sin separates us from God ([Isaiah 59:2](#)).
2. **God's solution** - God laid our sin on Jesus ([Isaiah 53:6](#)). Jesus died for our sin and took the punishment for it.
3. **Applying the solution** - When you ask God to forgive you, He takes away every sin and makes your heart clean ([Psalm 103:12](#)).

As a child of God, you can talk to Him anywhere, anytime. God will speak to you through the Bible and the Holy Spirit who lives in you.

Mission News!

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The Mission Team has added the missionaries Mark and Kim Dalman to our support. The mission team met with them for lunch and got to know them and about their mission. They utilize sports to advance the Gospel and planting churches through Live global partnerships around the world.

We hope you'll support them in prayer with us. They are still working on reaching their full support.

Following is more about them from their web site...

Who We Are: We are Mark and Kim, and we are excited to invite the North American church to share their lives and resources with ministries around the globe for maximum gospel impact in their countries and beyond.

We serve on the Live Global sports ministry team and will be using our love of sports to make disciples worldwide. Using sports, we are a link between the North American church and national partners to plant churches and spread the gospel of Jesus Christ.

About Mark and Kim

Mark and Kim met in 1997 and were married in 1997. Prior to Live Global, Mark worked in the mortgage industry for over 20 years. Kim has been a stay-at-home mom to our 6 kids, as well as a part-time piano and voice teacher. Mark and Kim both grew up playing sports and loved being sports parents. We enjoy cheering on our Michigan State Spartans-GO GREEN! as well as our beloved Detroit Lions!

God started to expand our worldview through short-term trips with our church starting in 2014. We were captivated when we met national partners and saw how the gospel was being advanced by ordinary people who just believed that God is who He says He is in the Bible. We learned how these national partners used their God-given gifts and passions to share the gospel and multiply disciples.

Ways to help our Missionaries

You can pray for our missionaries!

You can give to missionaries on your regular envelope by adding the amount in the offering area, and write 'missions', and how much will go toward missions.

You can serve on short mission trips and serve in your own church in different areas. Join our mission team!



Grandma's Kitchen



LEAN & GREEN

CAULIFLOWER CRUST PEPPERONI PIZZA

YIELD: SERVES 2 (HALF PIZZA PER SERVING)

PER SERVING: 1 LEAN | 3 GREEN | 3 CONDIMENTS

TOTAL TIME: 45 MINUTES

INGREDIENTS:

- ☐ 2 cups riced cauliflower
- ☐ 1-1/3 cup reduced-fat, shredded mozzarella cheese, divided
- ☐ 1/4 cup grated parmesan cheese
- ☐ 1 egg
- ☐ 1/2 tsp Italian seasoning
- ☐ 1/8 tsp salt
- ☐ 1/2 cup no sugar added tomato sauce (such as Rao's Homemade®)
- ☐ 10 slices turkey pepperoni

DIRECTIONS:

1. Preheat oven to 425 °F.
2. Place riced cauliflower in a microwave safe dish, uncovered. Microwave for 10 minutes, stirring halfway through. Let cool, and then mix in 1/3 cup mozzarella, parmesan, egg, Italian seasoning, and salt.
3. Form cauliflower mixture into a circle, about 1/4-inch thick, onto a parchment-lined baking sheet.*
4. Bake until edges are browned, about 20 minutes.
5. Top crust with tomato sauce, remaining mozzarella, and pepperoni slices.
6. Bake until cheese is melted, about 7 to 10 minutes.



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Healthy Chicken Parmesan

YIELD: 3 Serving

PER SERVING: 1 Leaner, 1 Green, 1 Healthy Fat & 3 Condiments

INGREDIENTS:

- 2 tsp olive oil
- 1 tsp chopped thyme
- 1 tsp chopped rosemary
- 1 tsp chopped Italian parsley
- 3 chicken cutlets (about 4 ounces cooked each)
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 1/2 tsp pepper
- 3/4 cup Rao's marinara sauce
- 1 cup shredded part-skim mozzarella
- 8 tsp grated reduced-fat parmesan
- 1/2 Tbsp unsalted butter, cut into pieces

DIRECTIONS:

Preheat oven to 500°F.

In a bowl, stir oil, thyme, rosemary, and parsley. Brush both sides of chicken w/herb oil and sprinkle w/salt and pepper.




Heat a large, heavy ovenproof skillet over high heat. Add chicken cook just until browned, 1 minute per side. Remove from the heat.

Spoon marinara sauce over and around the cutlets. Sprinkle w/mozzarella, 2.6 tsp of Parmesan. Dot tops w/butter pieces bake until cheese melts and chicken is cooked 5 minutes.

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*Call ahead please,
 most days the office works offsite*
Tuesdays by appointment
Please use the church phone or Facebook

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3  Baptisms and church hang out Brian and Kara Reed's home	4	5	6	7	8	9 8 am  Men's Prayer Breakfast
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 Pantry 10—Noon  Zander Wedding Reception 1-4pm
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 31	25	26	27	28	29	30



I sought the Lord,
and he heard me,
and delivered me
from all my fears.

Psalm 34:4 KJV



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