



Bloomer Baptist Church

To Know Christ and Make Him Known

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Pastor's Portion

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you from the Rhodes family. I hope and pray that each of you have had an amazing Christmas and have been enjoying your warm homes this past week. As I look toward this next week I find myself greatly looking forward to a new year with new opportunities. I hope you also find yourself looking forward to this new year which is knocking at our front door. However, as this year ends, I realize that the new year with new opportunities may cause fear, confusion, and stress. We fear the unknown and the idea of change to our lives. Believe me, I know what this is like first hand to fear or worry about the future as I have recently moved my family and left everything we have ever known from Ohio to follow God's leading up here to Wisconsin. I would like to give you a piece of advice. Something which I have focused a lot on the past few months. As you look to the future, Focus your attention not just on a new year, new opportunities, and new choices. The fear that this may bring, but instead focus on a new year's God. Allow me to explain. God is the same yesterday, today, and forevermore, I am not meaning that God is going to change, but your understanding of who God is should be what changes. Your commitment to Him should also change. With every day, week, and year we should be trying to understand Him more and look more to Him for how we ought to live. We must realize that we are not alone in this new year. God has equipped us with all we need to follow Him and His will. We are equipped to battle against not just the worldly forces we see, but the spiritual forces of evil as well. We must not fear a new year, but instead we must look to Him in a new deeper way. I would like to remind you of Ephesians 6:10 where we read, "Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might." If you continue your reading and study further in this section of scripture, you will find the armor of God explained. You will be reminded that we will battle much in this world, but you will also find that God is the one we must focus on for strength. In His might and the resources that He gives us. The problem is not the new year, new opportunities, or new choices. The problem is that we try to do too much on our own. God creates us to have a relationship with Him. Wherever you go this next year, whatever you are up against, I encourage you to remember to look to Him and His might. You are not alone. Do not look to yourself, but to the God you serve. To His Might and His strength. Even when the future scares us, we can still trust that God is in FULL control.

God Bless,

Pastor Patrick Rhodes

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Sunday School

January 7th - Sunday School for Kids only

January 14th - All Sunday School resumes to normal

Are you attending a SS class?? If not, we encourage you to take part in the small group time. There are classes for all ages for the kids. The 3 adult classes to choose from are 1. In Depth Bible Study (Worship Center) 2. Empty Nesters (Old Kitchen) or 3. Parents of School Age (Youth Room off Gym).



CBC (Coached By Christ)

CBC Dates to Remember

January 10 - Friend Night

January 18th (Thursday) - Grand Prix Work Night

January 31 - Grand Prix



Sr. High Youth Group

Dear BBC family,

We had a fun Christmas Celebration with our youth, going to Fat Boys Pizza and exchanging gifts! These kids are just a delight and we love being around their energy!

We are looking forward to Districts in early January, I can't wait to fully worship Jesus right alongside of them!! Praising the Lord, arms open wide, abandoned love!

We will bring in the New Year setting goals on how we can better serve HIM and our peers by "walking the walk" not just speaking "Christianese".

God Bless you all and thank you for entrusting your precious gifts to us.

Rebecca Durham

Jr. Hi Youth Group

Jr High youth group continues to be a great group of kids on Wednesday night. In December we were privileged and thankful to have Pastor Patrick as our guest speaker one night. We also had a fun gift exchange and Christmas party. Looking forward to districts coming up soon!

-Culver's and Beal's



Children's Church

1/7 - Beal
1/14 - Bowe
1/21 - Shoebridge
1/28 - Wundrow

January Weekly Cleaning

1/4 - Bowe & Beal
1/11 - J. Gotham & Bruxvoort
1/18 - Clements
1/25 - Sigurdson & Heinze

Nursery

1/7 - Misner/Shoebridge
1/14 - Jones/Wundrow
1/21 - Rohrssen/Bruxvoort
1/28 - Brindle/A. Jacobson

Men's Renewal Breakfast at Main St. Café

**Saturday, January 13th at 8:00
a.m.**



\$7 buffet

Quarterly Business Meeting

January 7th @ 9:45 a.m.

The Deacons recommend Sam &
Cheryl Follendorf as members at
BBC.

SINKS

**Saturday, January 6 @
5:00 p.m. @ BBC**



Snow/Winter Weather Cancellation 2017-2018 Policy

Wednesday ministry night with CBC, youth groups, and Bible studies can be cancelled. If School is canceled or let out early for storms, this will automatically cancel our programs at BBC. A notice will also be put on WWIB 103.7 FM

In the unlikely event that the weather is bad enough that Pastor Patrick cannot make it to church, communication will be sent via email, Facebook and our church website. If you have a responsibility as worship leader, Sunday School teacher, or any duty and cannot make it, please call the office to let us know you cannot make it. We share this because we want you to be safe and make plans accordingly.

Would you like a challenge in 2018? Read through your whole Bible this year! Pick up a Bible Reading Plan from the Welcome Table in the Fireside Room or email Jessica in the office and she will get you one!



January

1st ~ Happy New Year!

3rd ~ Deacon Board Meeting

5th to 7th ~ Youth @ Districts

6th ~ Sinks Potluck

10th ~ CBC Friend Night

11th ~ WIC/Health Dept.

13th ~ Men's Renewal Breakfast

18th ~ Work Night for Grand Prix

31st ~ CBC Grand Prix