

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

TODAY *Welcome Visitors. We are glad that you chose to join us as we worship together our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Please let us know if we can pray for you or how we might help you.*

Roller skating —

Get some exercise and join the youth for an outing at [Skate Ranch](#), just south of Coldwater on Angola Rd. today, 2-4 PM.

THIS WEEK Pat Neesley Memorial—

[Pat Neesley](#) died this week. Her funeral is noon Tuesday here at church. Continue to remember Bill, Sherry and family members during this time of bereavement.

Call to Prayer —

You are welcome to join us during this season of Lent for a time of prayer. We will be praying for the church and needs of others, each Saturday here in the sanctuary, starting at 7:30 PM.

Small Groups —

Monday 7pm, BRONSON B; Host-Tim and Melissa Houtz, Contact-Scott Carpenter (517) 278-3376

Wednesday 6pm, Tijuana Missions; Host-Salano and Jennie deAraujo, Contact-Frank Cabrera (517) 369-9783

Thursday 6:30pm, Bethel Gilead; Church Fellowship Hall-kid friendly, Contact- Brandon Carpenter 989-277-5988

Thursday 6:30pm;BRONSON A; Host-Jim and Anna Mae Wickey, Contact-Jim & Dee Eley (517) 369-6695

COMING SOON Focus on Life —

2016 Annual Bennefit Dinner is March 29, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Bronson, 6 PM.

WAYS TO SERVE Love. Grow. Serve — Next Sunday (March 6)

- Worship Leader - Jim Erwin
- Special Music- Joanna Erwin & Melissa Houtz
- Chancel - Frank Cabrera
- Greeters - Kerry and Elise Skinner
- Church Nursery - Bridget Mayer, Anna Mae Wickey
- Sunday Hr. Nursery - Lorinda Ratkowski
- Sound Room - Scott Carpenter, Kenny Bennett

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FEBRUARY 28, 2016

SERVICE: 9:35 AM

JUNIOR CHURCH: 10:10 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 11 AM

ADULT EDUCATION: 11 AM

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MISSION STATEMENT

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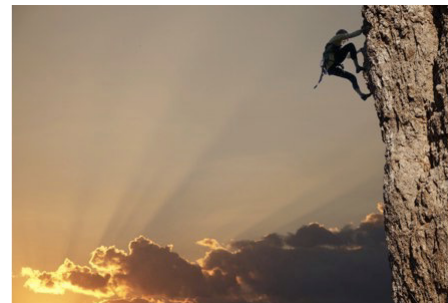
OFFERING PRAYER Salano deAraujo
GREETERS Aaron & Patricia Leggett
NURSERY (CHURCH) Bridget Mayer, Anna Mae Wickey
(SUNDAY SCHOOL)..... Lorinda Ratkowski
SOUND ROOM..... Scott Carpenter, Kenny Bennett

ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE

WELCOME David Minard
OPENING WORSHIP Rick Hollister
We Worship and Adore You..... Hymn 19
In My Heart There Rings a Melody Hymn 514
Victory in Jesus..... Hymn 473
O, How He Loves You and Me..... Hymn 513
OFFERING Salano deAraujo
Special Music..... Grace & Gloria Stutzman
JUNIOR CHURCH (TODDLERS-GRADE 5)..... Dismissal
MESSAGE..... Jim Erwin
Open My Eyes Lord Hymn 383

CHRISTIAN ED.

ADULT ED. Three Classes (see bulletin)
TODDLERS Lisa Franks
GRADES 1-2..... Brian DeBolt
GRADES 3-5 Brian DeBolt
YOUTH (6TH-12TH GRADES)..... Danielle Tucker



BE THOU MY VISION

ACTS

“DREAMS
AND VISIONS”

INTRODUCTION:

“I will pour out my Spirit on all people...your old men will dream dreams and your young men will see visions,” Joel 2:28.

I. VISION BIRTHED IN PRAYER

[Acts 2:1](#), Pentecost [Acts 13:1-3](#), Missions
[Acts 4:31](#), Boldness [Acts 16:9](#), Macedonia
[Acts 10:9-16](#), A Breakthrough [Acts 16:25](#), Revival in Philippi
[Acts 12:12](#), A Miraculous Escape [Acts 23:4](#), Reassurance

II PRAYING FOR VISION ([2 Kings 6:17](#), [Eph. 1:18](#))

- “Show me your ways O Lord,” [Ps. 25:4-5](#).
- “Call to me and I will tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.” [Jer. 33:3](#).
- Personal Prayers: daily devotions, spontaneous prayer
- Congregational Prayer: Sundays, Small Groups, Prayer Chain
- Community Prayers: Friday Moms group, Second Saturday in Coldwater, The Bold Faith Initiative

III. THE POWER OF CORPORATE PRAYING

- The Goal = Mobilize Organized Prayer
- Unity— [John 17:20-21](#)
- Focus—[Matt. 9:38](#)
- Impact—[2 Chron. 7:14](#)

APPLICATION

1. Do you believe God speaks to people through prayer?
2. Have you asked God to give you a vision for your life and future yet?
3. What is God showing you?
4. And what is God showing us as a congregation?



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- [Nancy Beck](#) fell and is recovery slowly from a cracked tailbone.
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- [Sue Craft](#) is home recovering from back surgery.
- [Marjorie Keeslar](#) is recovering from a fall. She is at [Maple Lawn Medical Care Facility](#), Coldwater and is receiving visitors.
- [Shirley Bogen](#) is at Drews Place room #17. She continues to improve.
- [Earl Bower](#)-health concerns
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- [Rick Wilcox](#) - Alzheimer, health is failing
- [Randy Dudley](#) - improved health
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Worship:

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Discipleship:

We take seriously Christ's commission to make disciples. In obedience to His command, we teach His word and train people to more effectively serve Him. We also involve our members in small groups, which provide nurturing, growth, and accountability.

Fellowship:

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