

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

**TODAY** *Welcome Visitors. We are glad that you chose to join us for today's worship service. Please let us know if we can pray for you or be a help in any way.*

### **Sunday School Classes—**

Sunday School classes for all ages begin today 11 AM-noon. Toddlers and elementary students are in the classrooms. Youth will meet downstairs. Adults will meet in fellowship hall with Pastor Jim.

### **Father-Son Canoe Hike—**

Dads and sons, we've got an outing for you today, 1-4 PM. We'll eat here and then carpool to the nearby Fawn River for a 2 hour canoe adventure. See Pastor Jim if you are interested.

### **BOLD Faith is Back—**

If you haven't picked up a wrist band and the devotional yet, they are available in the lobby after church. [Bold Faith devotional](#) is also available on the [BGCC webpage](#).

### **THIS WEEK Small Groups—**

Bold faith groups are happening this week. See the insert for group times and meeting places.

### **NEXT WEEK Potluck—**

Next Sunday we'll have our first Communion and Potluck Sunday for the Fall. Bring a dish to share and plan now to participate.

### **BOLD Faith Rally—**

Join Christians from across the county for a praise and testimony service next Sunday, 5 PM at the Coldwater Church of the Nazarene.

### **COMING SOON Franklin Graham Prayer Gathering—**

Sign up in the lobby to be a part of the statewide prayer gathering, Tuesday Oct. 4, Noon at the Capital Building in Lansing. We will carpool from the church.

### **“20 Years in the Making”—**

Take a moment to look at the photos in the foyer. Help us to tell “God's Story” by sending in photos or even sharing important stories.

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## SEPTEMBER 25, 2016

SERVICE: 9:35 AM

JUNIOR CHURCH: 10:10 AM

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 11 AM

ADULT ED CLASSES: 11 AM

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GILEAD**  
COMMUNITY  
CHURCH



## MISSION STATEMENT

“WE HONOR GOD THROUGH REGULARLY ASSEMBLING TOGETHER TO WORSHIP HIM AS LORD, STUDY AND OBEY HIS WORD, AND ATTEND TO THE NEEDS OF HIS PEOPLE. WHEN WE LEAVE, WE GO OUT COMMISSIONED AS CHRIST’S REPRESENTATIVES TO A NEEDY WORLD.”

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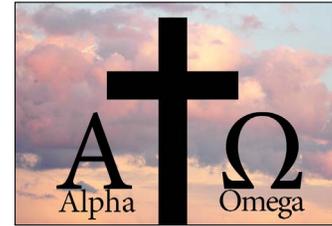
# SEPTEMBER 25, 2016

OFFERING PRAYER ..... Frank Cabrera  
GREETERS ..... Lee and Mary Jo Evans  
NURSERY (CHURCH)..... Bridget Mayer, Shanda Carpenter  
JUNIOR CHURCH ..... David Minard, Brian DeBolt  
TODDLERS ..... Bethany Falknor, Sharon McMeen  
SOUND ROOM..... Frank Cabrera

## ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE

WELCOME ..... David Minard  
OPENING WORSHIP ..... Tim Butters  
    *Amazing Grace* ..... Hymn 202  
    *I Love to Tell the Story*..... Hymn 297  
    *A Child of the King*..... Hymn 352  
    *So I Send You* ..... Hymn 310  
    *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*..... Hymn 335  
OFFERING ..... Frank Cabrera  
    SPECIAL MUSIC ..... Kendra Russell  
    JUNIOR CHURCH (TODDLERS-GRADE 5)..... Dismissal  
MESSAGE..... Jim Erwin  
    *Stand Up for Jesus*..... Hymn 477

*Dear God,  
You are the God who rewards those who earnestly seek you.  
And you are pleased by my faith.  
So I ask you: strengthen my faith, make me bold for your kingdom  
cause, and use me today in my church and in my community.  
I boldly ask these things  
in the name of your Son, my Savior, Jesus Christ.  
Amen*



**BOLD FAITH**

[HEBREWS 11:6](#)

[GIDEON](#)

### INTRODUCTION:

Review: ([Judges 6](#)) The Situation and the Solution  
Today: ([Judges 7](#)) The Strategy

- I. “SCALING DOWN” FOR VICTORY ([Judges 7:1-8](#))
  - Let us throw off everything that hinders ([Hebrews 12:1](#))
  - “When less is more.”
- II. SCOUTING OUT THE OPPOSITION ([Judges 7:9-14](#))
  - Tactics of War -- #1 Know your enemy  
[\(1 Peter 5:8, 2 Corinthians 2:11, John 10:10\)](#)
- III. STANDING DOWN THE ENEMY ([Judges 7:15-25](#))
  - Torches and Trumpets (Sight and Sound)
  - Show and Tell (Demonstration and proclamation)  
[\(Judges 7:20\)](#) “The Sword of the Lord and of Gideon”

### APPLICATION:

1. *Do you have “too much or too many” to be effective for God?*
2. *How well do you know your enemy and his tactics?*
3. *Do others see and hear your faith?*



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