# 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 continue today from 11 AM-noon. Toddlers and elementary students are in the classrooms. Youth will meet downstairs. Adults will meet in fellowship hall with Pastor Jim.

#### Potluck—

Today we are having our first Communion and Potluck Sunday for the Fall. Plan now to join the crowd in the Fellowship Hall after worship and Sunday school.

# **BOLD Faith Rally—**

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

#### THIS WEEK

# Small Groups—

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

# 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 of Christ in Bronson.

#### NEXT WEEK

# **Beginning Care for Life—**

The annual banquet is Thursday, Oct. 13 at the Dearth Center. See Ronda Falknor if you'd like to attend.

#### COMING SOON

# Havride—

Mark your calendar for Saturday October 22 and plan now to join the fun. More information is coming soon.

## Pastor Appreciation Month—

Together in faith, let's expect God to do great things this month to affirm and appreciate the pastors and spouses of BGCC. Designated cards are available in the foyer.

# **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Associate Pastor David Minard

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# **OCTOBER 2, 2016**

SERVICE: 9:35 AM

**JUNIOR CHURCH: 10:10 AM** 

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 11 AM

**ADULT ED CLASSES: 11 AM** 



## MISSION STATEMENT

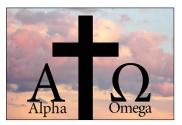
"WE HONOR GOD THROUGH REGULARLY ASSEMBLING TOGETHER TO WORSHIP HIM AS LORD, STUDY AND OBEY HIS WORD, AND ATTEND TO THE NEEDS OF HIS PEOPLE. WHEN WE LEAVE, WE GO OUT COMMISSIONED AS CHRIST'S REPRESENTATIVES TO A NEEDY WORLD."

# **OCTOBER 2, 2016**

OFFERING PRAYER	Jim Wickey
GREETERS	Tim and Julie McKinley
NURSERY (CHURCH)	Linda Penn, Sherry Neesley
JUNIOR CHURCH	David Minard, Brian DeBolt
TODDLERS	Bethany Falknor, Sharon McMeen
SOUND ROOM	Brian Eley

# ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE

WELCOME	David Minard
OPENING WORSHIP	Jim Erwin
Spirit Song	Chorus
Spirit of the Living God	Hymn 247
COMMUNION	Jim Erwin
Create in Me a Clean Heart	Hymn 51
We Worship and Adore You	Hymn 19
Holy, Holy, Holy	Hymn 262
We Exalt You.	Chorus
OFFERING	Frank Cabrera
SPECIAL MUSIC	Sharon McMeen
JUNIOR CHURCH (TODDLERS-GRADE 5)	Dismissal
MESSAGE	Jim Erwin
We Worship and Adore You (reprise)	Hymn 19



#### **BOLD FAITH**

JUDGES 8

#### **GIDEON**

**INTRODUCTION:** Finishing Strong!!!

# I. INTERNAL STRIFE (Judges 8:1-17)

• The cancer of complacency, criticism and complaints

Judges 8:1 Ephraimites

Judges 8:6 Sukkoth

Judges 8:8 Peniel

• Church Conflicts (1 Cor. 1:10-11; Philippians 4:2)

## II. FINAL RETRIBUTION (Judges8:18-21)

"Those who live by the sword will die by the sword" (Matthew 15:5)

• Sword and the State (Romans 13:1-5)

#### III. FINISHING WEAK! (Judges 8:22-27)

- The Ephod (Judges 8:27)
- Snares and stumbling blocks

Make up your mind not to put any stumbling block or obstacle in the way of a brother (*Romans 14:13*).

Be careful that the exercise of your freedom does not become a stumbling block to the weak (1 Corinthians 8:9)

#### APPLICATION:

- 1. The way things are going today, are you more likely to finish strong or weak?
- 2. Does your lifestyle present any obstacles or stumbling blocks for other Christians around you?
- 3. Have you ever been the source of internal strife (criticism, complaining or complacency)?
- 4. Like Gideon, is God calling you to step up and take action for his name sake?





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