

THE DIFFERENCE

JESUS

MAKES



Bridgetown Church of Christ exists to love our community and invite them into a life-changing relationship with Jesus



First Time Here?

We're so glad you joined us!

So we can **connect** with you, please fill out a Connect Card found in the seat right in front of you. Just drop it in the offering bag or turn it in at the Gateway Cafe for a special gift.

We believe in **prayer**. You are welcome to pray with someone today, submit a prayer request via our app, or fill out a prayer card in the seat in front of you and drop it in the offering bag.

We believe the Word of God, the **Bible**, has the power to change lives. There's a Bible under the seat in front of you and you're welcome to take it as a gift. It's our hope you find today **life-changing!**



Jesus stands in a league of his own. His words are captivating; His heart is enthralling; He does some pretty amazing stuff; and just when we think we have him figured out, he surprises us all over again. This is no ordinary man. Once you meet Jesus, you will never be the same. Join us as we look at some of his most memorable moments and consider what they mean for us today.

Current Events

PAJAMA JAM!

Wish you could skip getting the kids dressed & ready for church? Then Pajama Jam's for you! Bring your kids in their PJ's on Sunday, March 11 at 9:45 am and enjoy a not-so-balanced breakfast of pretty much every sugary cereal available, then let them run off that sugar in BTK while you worship.

BCC BASICS

If you would like to know more about this church, you are invited to BCC Basics. Senior Minister, Nathan Hardesty, will share the "basics" of our church history and mission next week, March 4, immediately following service. Lunch and childcare are provided- just meet at the sign in the lobby.

For more information on any of these events:

- download the BCC app for Android or iOS
- visit bridgetownchurch.com
- like us on Facebook



SuperStart!

Over the weekend of March 16 & 17, Bridgetown Kids will be taking 4th & 5th grade students to CIY SuperStart! right here in Cincinnati. The deadline for payment is TODAY! It costs \$80 to go. Check out the info packets at the Gateway Cafe for more info.

MISSION ADVANCE

Get out your calendar and mark May 20th right now because you are going to want to be here as we celebrate the end of our Mission Advance campaign with food and festivities. Also, let us know how you want to celebrate on the suggestion cards.

By the Numbers

January Average Attendance	228
General Fund Weekly Need	\$6,876.82
January Avg. Weekly Offering	\$6,901.87
General Fund Giving YTD	\$33,832.46
Mission Advance Balance	\$57,571.77

Your children are invited to attend Bridgetown Kids, our ministry to children birth through 5th grade, where they will receive age-appropriate instruction and have a great time, too.

This week in BTK

Lesson: Jesus Changes Sinners

Fighter Verse: "This is because the Lord protects the righteous. But the wicked will be destroyed."

(Psalm 1:6, ICB)



BCSM is our ministry to students in 6th through 12th grade. There is programming for Middle School students Sunday morning and Small Groups for High School students during the week.

Check out our website and calendar for more resources and events.



In 2012, BCC embarked on a project to modernize and restore our building's infrastructure and aesthetic so we could continue to minister in this community. The project would end up costing \$1.2 million in total. Through our Mission>Forward and Mission>>Advance finance campaigns we are on the cusp of fully eliminating that debt in only six years and further establishing a lasting ministry in this place. Mission>>Advance ends May 20th.

Jesus Changes Sinners

February 25, 2018 - Nathan Hardesty

Christians have the best stories.

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Jesus _____ sinners.

Mark 5:1-5

-Jesus did not run from _____.

-God is not scared of our _____.

Mark 5:6-10

-Jesus allows the demons to _____.

-God is not ready to remove _____.

Mark 5:11-13

-Satan destroys _____ he can get his hands on.

-Satan wants to _____ our lives.

Mark 5:14-17

-Jesus does not _____ into our lives.

-God does not _____ on anyone.

Mark 5:18-20

-Jesus sent the man to witness _____ and with his old identity.

-God sends us with _____.

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF 2/25/18

1. Read Mark 5:1-20. What stands out to you? What questions do you have?

2. Rather than additional questions, we are giving you a project to work on for the rest of your Small Group time. This story concludes with Jesus telling this man to "Go home to your friends and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you."

You are going to take time thinking through and writing out your story. The traditional term for this is your "testimony." It's a declaration of 1) What your life was like before Jesus and 2) What your life is like now. *(Note: we understand that not everybody who is in a group is a Christian. You can still share what God is showing you and teaching you since you joined a group.)

On your own, answer the following questions: What was your life like without Christ as Savior and Lord? (See Ephesians 2:1-10)

When and how did you realize your need for the grace Christ offers and His demand for allegiance? (i.e. a certain place, date, time, etc.)

Were there any special or interesting circumstances surrounding your decision to trust and submit to Christ? (i.e. medical condition, family crisis, unique place or time, something interesting that God showed you, etc.)

How is your life different now? List some specific changes in your character, attitude and perspective on life? What motivates you now? What do you live for now? Even though your life still isn't perfect, how does knowing Christ help you deal with that fact?

Now that you've thought through your answers to the questions, take time to combine them into a simple paragraph. It does not need not to be long. Simply tell your story and share how God's grace has changed your life. As you write your story be sure to give God all the credit and that he is the only hero in your story.

As a group, take turns telling your story.

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