



MIDWEEK UPDATE

JANUARY 8, 2026

## A Message From Jeff...

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### A Tradition Worth Trying

We appreciate **Vern & Diana Hackworth** leading the Christmas Card exchange initiative at BCC during the past month. I'd like to share a suggestion I learned years ago from **Shirley Dobson (Focus on the Family)**. Save the Christmas cards you just received and at supper time this year, pull out a card received and pray for the sender. Do a different card each evening. This will be a meaningful meal-time method to remember the sender's kind gesture, as you pause to pray a blessing on the sender, as you pause to thank God for your meal. You may choose to work through your cards then discard them or you may want to cycle through them again. Either way it is a tradition worth trying!

I'm looking forward to our upcoming Message Series on the "Purpose-Driven Life." We will be using the book, by Rick Warren as a companion resource. Softback copies will be available at church this Sunday at our cost (suggested donation \$12.00). If unable to pay, please accept the book as our gift.

[CLICK HERE](#) if you missed last Sunday's message from Philippians 1 on "Bold Living!" On January 11 we will study "**Purpose-Driven Worship: you were planned for God's purpose.**" To prepare you can read in advance I Chronicles 16:23-34, II Chronicles 29:27-31, Nehemiah 8:2,3, 5, 6, James 3:9, 10, and Hebrews 10:25.

Congratulations to **Vergie Sharp** and **Josie Hornberger** who were immersed in obedience to Christ this week! Keep inviting your friends to join you for worship. Your interest and investment in their lives can make an eternal difference as it has for these two ladies!

Love,

Jeff

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## UPCOMING: “PURPOSE-DRIVEN LIFE” Message Series

- Jan. 11     **WORSHIP...you were planned for God’s purpose**  
Jan. 18     **FELLOWSHIP...you were formed for God’s family.**  
Jan. 25     **DISCIPLESHP...you were made to become like Christ.**  
Feb. 1      **MINISTRY...you were shaped for serving God.**  
Feb. 8      **EVANGELISM...you were made for a mission.**

### Recent Message:

If you missed last week’s message on “LIVE BOLDLY!” be sure to click on the link to view it. ([CLICK HERE](#))

### Prayers & Praises:

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the current prayer list.

New Sister in Christ

Congratulations to  
**Vergie Sharp**  
who was baptized on January 5!

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New Sister in Christ

Congratulations to  
**Josie Hornberger**  
who was baptized on January 6!

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### Annual Congregational Meeting

There will be a brief Congregational Meeting at the close of both services on Sunday morning, **January 25**, for the purpose of affirming the 2026 Budget, suggested elder and deacons, and Church Treasurer.

### TRANSITIONING SERVANTS

We wish to acknowledge the following men whose terms as deacons concluded at the end of 2025. Thank you to **George Bley**, **Gary Najmon**, and **Paul Ehrman** for the service at BCC you rendered while you served as deacons. We look forward to you continuing to serve the Lord in other opportunities.

### SUGGESTED FOR SERVING IN 2026

These men have been suggested, screened, and are scheduled to be affirmed by the congregation on January 25.

Elder-**Dick Veach**    Deacon-**Darren Cole**    **Bill Graves**    **Doug Haldeman**    **Brent Fudge**

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## Announcements:

Limited to 30 participants



### Ladies' Tea

February 7, 2026, 1:00 PM

SIGN UP ON THE LIST IN  
THE GATHERING AREA

Childcare provided  
for children 4-10  
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### College Valentine's

We will once again be sending our college students a Valentine surprise. They will receive gift cards inside a Valentine card to remind them that their church family loves and supports them. If you would like to donate a gift card (or money to purchase a gift card) to have sent to the college students, please give directly to **Debbie Mullins** or drop off to **Justin** or **Brittany** in the church office by Sunday, **Feb. 8**. If you have college students in your family, please submit their names and addresses to Debbie Mullins either by text or email by February 8. (812) 363-4857 or [rdbmullins@gmail.com](mailto:rdbmullins@gmail.com).

Together, let's share the love of God with our college students!

### College Age Bible Study

Calling all Seniors in High School through Mid-Twenty year-olds! Join us for our first College Age Bible Study on **Sunday, January 11**. This Bible study will introduce different ways to interact with God and grow deeper in your faith inside of a community of peers, and will be led by **Justin Sutherland** at his house next door. We will have an open dinner starting at 5:40 p.m. followed by Bible study from 6:00-7:00 p.m. If you would like more information, feel free to reach out to Justin Sutherland at (573) 823-8057.

### Men for Christ Rally    **January 12, 2026**

For those able to attend, the next quarterly Men for Christ event is Monday, January 12 at the Centerville Christian Church (111 N. Morton Ave., Centerville, IN).

6:00 p.m. Dinner    7:00 p.m. Worship    Guest Speaker Dr. Greg Robbins

### BCC Game Night

Save the Date for our next BCC Game Night on Friday, **January 16**— 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Snacks will be provided, and Game Night will be located downstairs in the Fellowship Hall.

All are welcome—We hope to see you there!



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