

# Barneveld Lutheran Church

**April 2023**

*We are called to be Christ's Light...in all things we are committed to seeking & following God's will.*

**Believe it! Live it! Come to it!**

***Christ is Risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!***



## **Holy Week Worship Opportunities**

**Palm Sunday 4/2 Sunday @ 9am**

**Maundy Thursday 4/6 @ 6:15pm**

**Good Friday 4/7 @ 6pm**

**Easter Sunday @ 9am**

**All are welcome! Bring a friend or neighbor!**



### **It's time for First Communion!**

All children third grade and older  
along with their parents  
are invited to come and learn about  
Holy Communion

Saturday, 4/29 from 9-12.

First Communion will be celebrated  
Sunday, 4/30.

Contact the church to sign up!



Alycia Hathaway  
presented Heather  
Schmitz, MS Principal,  
a check for \$1200 on  
behalf of BLC to help  
cover kids school lunch  
accounts!  
Good job Church!



**Faith Friends Coffee Fellowship**  
**April 3rd @ 9:30**

### **Celebration of Confirmation**

**May 7th, 2023**

Faith Statement Rehearsal is April 19th.  
Faith Statement Night is April 26th.  
Confirmation Rehearsal is May 3rd.  
Please pray for these young confirmands!

## Pastor's Pen



Happy Spring Friends!

We made it! You made it! The calendar at least says it's Spring. As I write today, the sun is shining even though it is still cold out. I'll take it. When the sun is bright and shining it instantly changes my attitude—which can get a little gray during the winter...

And with Spring comes Easter! I can remember as a child, getting up when it was still dark outside to get ready for church. At the time it made no sense to me? We were headed to the sunrise service. Just like Mary and her two friends, we came in the dark looking for the risen Lord. And as the sun rose, it was clear the



tomb was empty. And we sang, "Alleluia! Jesus Christ is risen today!"



Our Christian lives are full of light and dark; full of times of worry and joy. The women at the tomb were full of grief, and worried someone had taken the body of Jesus. They couldn't have imagined that Jesus would be risen from the dead? How could they?

And so I wonder...are we able to imagine, to know that the reason the tomb is empty is because our Lord is risen. That our Lord overcame death and the grave. Do we really believe that Jesus gave his life to take away the sin of the world? And 3 days later rose from the grave! All because he loves us.



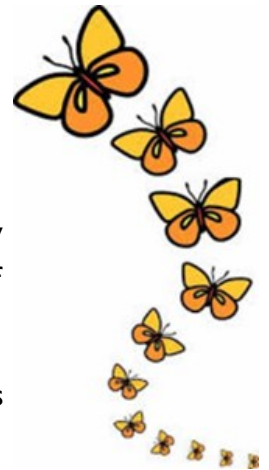
It's a lot to take in. We confess it every time we say the Apostle's Creed. But do we really hear it? Do we really believe it? Will we allow ourselves to believe that God's love is so big and so true? I know I need to be constantly reminded of it. Because it is such good news—it is hard to believe.

Easter makes me think of the butterfly. The transformation that the butterfly goes through is nothing than miraculous. From a furry worm looking caterpillar to a beautiful winged creature, able to fly free.

The caterpillar enters a stage so dormant that it appears lifeless in a tomb-like cocoon. It must remain in there until it is ready to come out. It is a metamorphosis. In the cocoon, it dies to its old way of being and is reborn into something extraordinary.



I sense new life all around here at BLC! My heart was so full when I left church last night after our last Wednesday night Lenten service. A wonderful time of fellowship and worship; a beautiful solo, children assembled to practice singing for Palm Sunday, confirmation kids meeting with mentors and 13 men and women gathered around the table rehearsing the Living Last Supper! So much new life! Lives changing in the name of Jesus.



Our Easter celebration, as well as our lives, are full of *butterfly moments*. Times of transformation, renewal and rebirth! This Easter season may we all be transformed and know *resurrection life* with our Lord Jesus Christ!

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

*Pr. Rhia*



Save the date!

## Vacation Bible School

August 14-18, 9-12pm

Kids K-4  
More info coming soon!

Kids K-8 make sure and  
pick up your BLC T-  
shirts and wear them on  
Wednesday nights!



## Family Faith Nite

April 19th

ALL ARE WELCOME!

5:30-6 Community Supper  
6-6:40 Worship  
6:40-7:00 Christian Education

We will sing some praise songs, hear about  
how much Jesus loves us and celebrate  
holy communion together!

### PARENTS MEETING:

For the 5th-8th parents following the  
April 19th Family Faith Nite.

Ready to take the next step in  
your faith?

Talk with Pr. Rhia about Baptism  
and New Member Orientation!

## GAME DAY

Friday, April 21st, 2023

9:30 a.m. — 12:00 p.m.

Cards, dominoes and light lunch!

Light lunch will be provided:

Mary Feiler

Peggy Jones

### Barneveld Community Food Pantry

The Food Pantry needs volunteers  
to staff it each Wednesday

#### Hours to staff are:

1st Shift: 9:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

2nd Shift: 1:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

#### April 2023

April 5	9:15 a.m.—12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m.—3:30 p.m.	Denise Hummel Peggy Jones
April 12	9:15 a.m.—12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m.—3:30 p.m.	Barneveld U.C.C. Barneveld U.C.C.
April 19	9:15 a.m.—12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m.—3:30 p.m.	Nancy Bilse Nancy Bilse
April 26	9:15 a.m.—12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m.—3:30 p.m.	Deb Piquette Deb Piquette





Faith In Action Team will be showing the movie

"A Man Called Otto"

Where: BLC Sanctuary

When: Sunday, April 16

Time: 1:00 pm

Refreshments will be provided.

Cost is free!



**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

Please plan to join us.

***\*\*This movie includes scenes that may not be appropriate for children under the age of 13.***

## Prayers Concerns

Congregation:

Kyle Thompson  
Joann Rue  
Marie Dimpfl  
Barb Gentz  
Randy Cox



Friends and Family:

Kari Wilson  
Mike K.  
Baby Lennon Grace  
Father Steve Petrica  
Lisa Stenner  
Marilyn Kalhagen  
Jim Reger  
Gina Cox  
Liam Clinche  
Linda Tucker  
Pete Zenz  
Kari Kahl  
Terri Schlingen  
Mike Owens

Family and Friends whom lost love ones:

Hilda Oimoen  
Duane Bowe

## New Pastor Warranty

It has come to our attention that the pastor you received was shipped with a slight defect—  
They are not psychic. Because of this,  
you must observe certain procedures  
to ensure optimum performance.

It is necessary to inform them of any members who are hospitalized. If someone you know is in need of prayer, the pastor must be told or they won't know. If you are in need of a pastoral visit, you will get the best results if you ask for one.

We regret any inconvenience this may cause.

## THANK YOU!

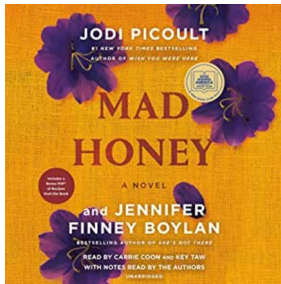
To all of those that assist with worship, Food Pantry, Christian Education, and Family Faith Nite. Thank you to those that help with funerals. Thank you to those who prepare the light lunch for Game Day, who assembled the quilts and to those who made the Soup Suppers during Lent a great success. And to the many other contributions that support our church....

**THANK YOU!**

**Donations will be accepted for  
Personal Care Kits through Easter.  
Plan on helping assemble  
kits after worship on 4/16.  
You are making a difference in this  
world!**



## Join our Faith In Action Team in reading "Mad Honey" by Jodi Picoult



This novel helps us to look and choose what to keep from our past and what to leave behind.

Several books have been ordered.

Books are available following Church services.

Cost is \$15.00

Copies may be available at the Barneveld  
Public Library.

## Holy Week Reading Plan

April 2: Palm Sunday/Holy Week  
April 3: Matthew 26: 31-56  
April 4: Matthew 26: 57-75  
April 5: Matthew 27: 1-23  
April 6: Matthew 27: 24-44  
Good Friday: Matthew 27: 45-66  
April 8: Matthew 28  
Easter: Mark 16: 1-8; Luke 24: 1-12  
John 20: 1-18



**Save the Date!**  
**Friday June 30th**

## PARTY IN THE PINES

Enjoy Cocktails, Dinner,  
and

Fellowship right on the church grounds!

Thanks to all who donated and  
helped with this year's Lenten  
Soup Suppers!

## Free Blood Pressure Checks

Every 2nd Sunday  
after Worship!  
Thank you Care  
Team!



# Church News

## Easter Plants In Memory of and/or In Honor of

In memory of Bud & Delia Rickey  
By The Rickey Family

In memory of Jean & Cub Bronsdon  
By Jen Bronsdon

In memory of Harvey & Lenice Doescher and Jack & Alpha Johnson  
By Doug & Judy Johnson and family

In memory of Finley Watkins  
By Jim & Cheryl Watkins

In memory of Gordon Dimpfl  
By Pauline Dimpfl

In memory of Wayne & Phyllis Schuelke, Rita Schuelke, Jim Nelson,  
Judy Busser, and Agnes Matthison  
By Ann & Ron Mason family

In memory of Wyatt Hamlin  
By Terry & Otis Nelson

In memory of Verna Hackbart, Annette Ziegler, Freddy, Tammy,  
and Patty Nechkash  
By The Ziegler's

In memory of Those that have gone too soon  
By Dan & Ronda Bowe

In memory of Emmett Huston, Edward & Clara Schwoerer, and  
Sarah Schmid  
By Lois Herfel

In memory of Benjamin Kuhrasch  
By Frank & Cindy Kuhrasch

In memory of Jesse Escobar  
By Tom & Earlene Laudin

In memory of Dan & Mae Piquette  
By Deb Piquette

In memory of Leonard & Millie Swedlund,  
By Paul & Delores Swedlund

In memory of Victor & Irene Valstad,  
By Paul & Delores Swedlund

In memory of Tom Ludlum & Dennis Valstad,  
By Paul & Delores Swedlund

In honor of Charlie, Caleb, and Calvin Swedlund, and  
Miriam Swedlund-Twiton  
By Paul & Delores Swedlund

In honor of Good Friends  
By Marcia Roum Brue

In honor of Linda Tucker  
By Denny & Peggy Bilse

In honor of Macklin, Everlee & Leif Shea and Henry Shirlock  
By Kevin & Kristen Shea

Glory of God  
By Rick Mueller & Jan Attlessey and Mueller Graphics

Glory of God  
By Sandry Family

## Building Usage

The BLC Building Usage Fee Guide has been updated.  
The rates have been increased to be compatible with other churches.  
Rates go into effect April 1st, 2023.



## Spring Cleaning

April 22nd, 2023

BLC

Starting at 9:00 am

Outside and inside cleaners  
are needed!

More hands less work!

Contact Otis Nelson at 608-574-0239  
for more information.

## Lawn Coordinators are needed!

For the months of June, July, and August.



If interested, in becoming a  
Lawn Coordinator or helping  
mow and/or trim in the  
month of May contact  
Otis Nelson at 608-574-0239.

## Musicians Wanted...

Do you know  
someone who would enjoy playing  
for our Sunday Worship?

**If you do...**

Contact Pastor Rhia  
at 608-341-5034  
or the church office.





# Stewardship

*Giving of our time, our talents, our treasure*



## February Financial Snapshot

Comparing MTD, YTD and Prior YTD Information

### INCOME

#### February 2023

**\$19,376.77**

#### 2023 YTD

**\$32,259.95**

#### February 2022

**\$10,388.93**

#### 2022 PYTD

**\$30,229.48**



### EXPENSE

#### February 2023

**\$18,976.69**

#### 2023 YTD

**\$37,304.18**

#### February 2022

**\$16,175.37**

#### 2022 PTYD

**\$34,348.18**

**Checking Account Balance as of February 28th: \$28,390.67**

You are making a difference in someone's life and someone's faith!  
Your giving makes all BLC's ministries possible and helps us change lives through the  
Good News of Jesus Christ!

*Worship, music, home communion, Wednesday School, Confirmation, Baptism, Baptismal quilts, Helping Hands, Wednesday night meals, Bibles, Griefshare, Christ in Our Home, bulletins, online streaming, newsletters and much more!*

**Giving has never been easier!** Scan this QR code with your smart phone and give a one time offering to Barneveld Lutheran Church. You can also sign up for automatic giving. Every gift is important and greatly appreciated! If 25 new people enrolled into automatic giving and give just \$25 a month, it would make a huge impact. Thank you for your generosity!



# April Serving Calendar



	April 2 Palm Sunday	April 6 Maundy Thursday	April 7 Good Friday	April 9 Easter	April 16	April 23	April 30
<b>Usher</b>	Aaron & Aurora Halvorson	Otis & Terry Nelson	Amanda Worrall & Danielle Bartow	David & Isaac Baumgarten	David & Joyce Baumgarten	David Baumgarten & Aaron Halvorson	David & Isaac Baumgarten
<b>Accompanist</b>	Karen Erickson		Dawn Lingard	Jen Clayton Lougeflower	Karen Erickson	Shekinah King	Karen Erickson
<b>Assisting Minister</b>	Earlene Laudin	N/A		Deb Piquette	Dianne Roelke	Becky Stauffer	Cindy Reeson
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Denise Hummel and Peggy Bilse						

**Volunteers** are always **NEEDED** - call the church office to sign up  
608-924-8621

# April Church Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 9:00 am Worship Service (Palm Sunday)	3 Faith Friends Coffee & Fellowship 9:30 am Hand Bells 6:30 pm	4	5 Food Pantry 9:30-3:30 No Worship or Christian Education Dress rehearsal for Living Last Supper 6:00 pm	6 Maundy Thursday Worship Service Living Last Supper 6:15 pm	7 Good Friday Worship Service 6:00 pm	8
9 9:00 am Worship Service (Easter Sunday)	10 Hand Bells 6:30 pm	11	12 Food Pantry 9:30-3:30 Christian Education 6:00-7:00 pm	13	14 Pastor's Day Off Office Closed	15
16 9:00 am Worship Service Jett Langdon Baptism Assemble Personal Care Kits Council Meeting 4H Club 6:30 pm Education Meeting 6:00-7:00 pm	17 Hand Bells 6:30 pm	18 Stewardship Meeting 5:30 pm	19 Food Pantry 9:30-3:30 Family Faith Nite 5:30-7:00 pm Faith Statement Rehearsal	20	21 Pastor's Day Off Office Closed  Game Day	22
23 9:00 am Worship Service	24 Hand Bells 6:30 pm	25	26 Food Pantry 9:30-3:30 Christian Education 6:00-7:00 pm Faith Statement Night	27	28 Pastor's Day Off Office Closed	29 First Communion Workshop 9:00-12:00
30 9:00 am Worship Service First Communion						



# #BeingBLC





Barneveld Lutheran Church  
 505 Swiss Lane  
 Barneveld, WI 53507

## ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Time Dated Material:

March 31, 2023



### **Barneveld Lutheran Church**

Join us for Worship on Sundays at 9:00am

**Office Phone:** 608-924-8621

*Tuesdays 9:00am - 4:00pm*

*Wednesdays 9:00am - 4:00pm*

*Thursdays 9:00am - 11:30pm*

*or as needed.*

**barneveldlutheran505@gmail.com**

**Pastor Rhia Strohm**

**Email:** rstrohm61@gmail.com

**Cell:** 608-341-5034

BLC LIVE streams Sunday Worship Services at 9:00 am through our Facebook page. You can see the most recent service as well as weekday videos using this link (no account needed to view videos):

<https://www.facebook.com/BarneveldLutheranChurch/>