

# Calendar of Events

## Sunday, October 8

8:00/9:15/10:45am Worship  
 8:30am Library Open  
 9:15am LIJ Discipleship Classes  
 6:00pm High School Youth Night  
 6:30pm Connections Membership Class

## Monday, October 9

9:30am Peace Scrappers Quilt Ministry

## Tuesday, October 10

7:00am Men's Study at Maxim's  
 9:00am Bible Study  
 9:00am Women's Study  
 4:00pm Grief Support  
 6:30pm Stephen Ministry

## Wednesday, October 11

7:15am Men's Study at Maxim's  
 9:00am Library Open  
 9:15am Mom's Connection

12:30pm Women's Study at Dorothy Kunzler's Home

12:30pm Bible Study  
 8:00pm AA Meeting at BLC Parsonage Center

## Thursday, October 12

9:00am Spice Girls Bible Study  
 10:00am SonShine Serniors Bingo & Lunch  
 6:30pm Couples Speakers Series

## Friday, October 13

8:30am Bulletin Collating  
 6:00pm Junior Youth Group

## Saturday, October 14

## Sunday, October 15

8:00/9:15/10:45am Worship/Communion  
 8:30am Library Open  
 9:15am LIJ Discipleship Classes  
 6:30pm Connections Membership Class

**AUGUST 2017 FINANCIAL RESULTS:** Below are the results for the second month of Fiscal Year 2018, which began July 1, 2017. The first column shows the closing month result, and the Year-to-Date (YTD) columns track actual and budgeted results throughout the course of the fiscal year. If you have questions, please contact Executive Director Mark Jaeger at [mjaeger@gobl.org](mailto:mjaeger@gobl.org) or 262-783-4270 x111.

	<b>ACTUAL (August)</b>	<b>ACTUAL (YTD)</b>	<b>BUDGET (YTD)</b>
<b>INCOME:</b>	\$114,098.64	\$255,971.36	\$271,026.00
<b>EXPENSES:</b>	<u>\$145,413.53</u>	<u>\$274,095.04</u>	<u>\$268,312.75</u>
<b>Net Income (Loss):</b>	(\$ 31,314.89)	(\$ 18,123.68)	\$ 2,713.25

## Weekday Discipleship Studies

**Sermon Series** | Tuesdays, 9-10:00 a.m. | LL 6

**Men's Study** | Every other Tuesday, 7:00 a.m. | Maxim's on Capitol

**Women's Study** | Tuesdays, 9-11:00 a.m.

**Sermon Series (Men)** | Wednesdays, 7:15 a.m. | Maxim's on Capitol

**Women's Study "Running on Empty"** | Wednesdays, 12:30-2:00 p.m. | Dorothy Kunzler's Home

**Bible Study** | Wednesdays, 12:30-2:30 p.m. | LL 15

**Spice Girls Study** | Thursdays, 9-11:00 a.m. | LL 15

For information on Weekday Discipleship Studies or Home Group opportunities, please contact Duane Tweeten at [dtweeten@gobl.org](mailto:dtweeten@gobl.org)

# Announcements

October 8, 2017

## Message from Don Schwerin, BLC President | Call Process for Professional Staff

A number of members have asked what the plans are for "next steps" in filling the vacancy on our professional staff. Every Call Process starts with a study of our current ministry needs and an inventory of the passions and gifts of our existing staff. These activities are surrounded with prayer for an understanding and wisdom regarding where and how the Lord wants BLC to go forward in the future. Once we finish those efforts we will have a better picture of the kind of person we need at BLC to support our ministry moving forward. We will also keep an eye on our financial situation and the extent to which it has a bearing on this decision. When it comes time to form a Call Committee, we will follow the direction of our By-Laws which state, "The Call Committee shall be constituted of all members of the Spiritual Life Committee and one member each from those committees listed in these By-Laws in whose areas of responsibility the professional staff member will have major assignments." We'll also have the opportunity to add additional advisory members to the Call Committee from membership-at-large if we so desire. We expect that we will be formalizing a Call Committee after the first of the year and will keep you informed of our progress.

## Missions Information Day | NEXT SUNDAY, Oct. 15

Learn about the BLC Missions Committee's vision and activities next Sunday between worship services. Representatives will be available following each service in the Worship Center hallway to share about the missions we support and how you can get involved.

## Fireside Chat: State of the Church | Sunday, Oct. 29, at noon in the Fellowship Center

Financial and congregational updates will be discussed during regular Fireside Chats with BLC's Executive Director and Treasurer. The first Fireside Chat is scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 29, at noon. The focus will be on the close of the 2017 fiscal year (FY) and the first quarter of FY2018. Subsequent meetings will be scheduled for the last Sunday of each month following the close of a financial quarter; i.e., October, January, April and July. Each meeting will include open questions and discussion.

## BLC Congregational Survey Update

A specially appointed Survey Team analyzed the data and divided it into eight major themes: (1) BLC Culture; (2) Relationships and Connections; (3) Staff Engagement; (4) Discipleship, Education and Service; (5) Music; (6) Worship; (7) Facilities; (8) Other. The Survey Team turned their observations over to the Staff, Board of Directors and their Committees to work out appropriate responses, plans and actions. The Staff, Board and Committee Members recently completed that work and turned it back over to the Survey Team to complete the report for the congregational review. Tentatively, a Congregational Review Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, November 5. Please watch for details as we get closer to that date.

Find news and registration information online at [www.brookfieldlutheran.org](http://www.brookfieldlutheran.org)

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## BLC Property Update

Please contact Mark Jaeger or Gary Kilvinger if you have questions on the following updates. If you would like to make a special gift toward the purchase of Lot 6, in addition to your regular giving, please contact the church office or designate your gift to BLC's Capital Campaign fund.

- **Lot 6:** In July BLC approved the purchase of Lot 6, and in August BLC signed an Offer to Purchase that was accepted by the owner. At the end of November BLC is scheduled to close on the purchase. We are in the process of completing the final documentation for our already approved loan for Lutheran Church Extension Fund to fund the purchase.
- **Mitchell Property:** In June, the developer of the property received approval subject to City of Brookfield Engineering feedback to begin their grading and development of the required containment pond/landscaping on the property. Following some delays in getting that feedback, the work still remains on schedule to complete this year. Upon completion, BLC will have space for additional activity areas in support of our ministries.

## Home Group Opportunity | New Groups beginning soon!

New home groups will begin meeting in November. If you are not currently in a home group, you are invited to launch a new home group right along with those currently attending our Connections new member class. Contact Tony Cizel or Duane Tweeten for more information.

## Comfort Dog Ministry | Primary Caregiver Needed

We are eagerly awaiting the arrival of our Comfort Dog. In preparation for its arrival, the Comfort Dog Ministry team is still looking for a PRIMARY CAREGIVER. The Primary Caregiver will provide the home where our Comfort Dog stays and is cared for when it is not working. As backup to the Primary Caregiver, we already have committed "secondary caregivers." For more information, please contact Becky Kilvinger at comfortdog@gobl.org.

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## Annual Thanksgiving Baskets Program—your help is needed!

Once again, BLC will assemble and deliver Thanksgiving baskets to Milwaukee families experiencing financial difficulties. Delivery this year will take place on Saturday, Nov. 18, but there is a great deal of service and support required before we get to that day. There are several opportunities to help including assembling and/or decorating boxes, packing meal contents, delivering baskets and providing financial support. Stop at the ConnectDesk today to learn more and sign up to serve. Contact Duane Tweeten at dtweeten@gobl.org for more information.

## BINGO & White Elephant Event, Lunch & Speaker (this week!) | Thursday, Oct 12, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Favorite annual event sponsored by our SonShine Seniors. BINGO first, then enjoy the sandwich and sides bar catered by Bunzel's. Following lunch, Certified Senior Advisor John Becwar will talk about "Assisted Living Resources." Only \$7 per person. Please pick up your registration form at the ConnectDesk and return it by TOMORROW (Oct. 9).

## Marriage Speaker Series | Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. | Oct. 12–Nov. 2

BLC Couples Ministry has planned a weekly marriage speaker series that is relevant to all couples, whether married one year or many years. The four-week series begins Thursday, Oct. 12, and features expert speakers who focus on Christ as the center of a successful marriage. Topics include communication led by Pastor Steve and Colleen Sonderman; conflict resolution and intimacy led by Pastor Brian and Melissa Hofmeister. Each session is \$10 per couple. Register at brookfieldlutheran.org.

## FAITH LEGACY Class Schedule | November and December

Our Faith Legacy program is designed to help families grow spiritually in the home and to help parents nurture discipleship in their children. Contact **Becky Schrotenboer** at blcfaithlegacy@gmail.com with questions. The following Faith Legacy classes have been scheduled for October and November:

- Parents of 4-year-olds: Sundays, 9:15 a.m. in LL 15 Oct. 8, 15, 22
- Parents of 2-year-olds: Sundays, 9:15 a.m. in LL 15 Oct. 29, Nov. 5
- 7th–8th grade students with Parents: Friday, Nov. 10, 5:30 p.m.

## LIFE in JESUS - Kids & Youth | Sundays 9:15-10:30 a.m.

### LIFE in JESUS KIDS

Preschool | UL 109 - Kindergarten | UL 117  
Grades 1 - 4 | UL 105 to begin each Sunday

### LIFE in JESUS YOUTH

Grades 5&6 | Life in the Word | LL 10  
Grades 7&8 | Life in Service | LL 06  
Grades 9&10 | Life in the Cross | AC (upper level)  
Grades 11&12 | Life in Mission | AC (lower level)

\*For news and updates, text one of the codes below to 81010

Grades 1-4: @LIJKIDS      Grades 9-10: @LIJCROSS  
Grades 5-6: @LIJWORD    Grades 11-12: @LIJMISSION  
Grades 7-8: @LIJSERVICE

AC=Activity Center | LL=Lower Level Education Wing | UL=Upper Level Education Wing

## LIFE in JESUS - Adults | Sundays 9:15-10:30 a.m.

### LIFE in JESUS ADULTS

Crossways, led by Bob Gleason | LL 02/04  
Faith Legacy, led by Becky Schrotenboer | LL 15  
James, led by Lutheran HS Teachers | Fellowship Center

For information on Life in Jesus opportunities, contact Mary Stafford-Nunez at mstafford@gobl.org

