



**BEREAN**

*Loving God, Loving People*

—The—

**PARABLES**

—of *Jesus*

**"LOST PEOPLE  
MATTER TO GOD**

**WORSHIP GUIDE**

**OCTOBER 6, 2019**



# WHO WE ARE

## WELCOME!

We are so glad you are here!

No matter your story we believe that God wants to be part of it and we hope that we can help you on your journey.

Berean's purpose is simple: **we exist to glorify God by growing disciples who follow Christ and love others.** We hope that you can be part of making this vision a reality as we seek to impact central Ohio.

## NEW HERE?

If this is your first time, please stop by the Welcome Center in the Lobby. We'd love to meet you, hear your story, and give you a gift.

If you would like to join a connect group, have someone follow-up with you, or just share a prayer need, please fill out a "Connect Card" from the slot in a seat in front of you and drop it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher.

Again, we are glad you are here and pray this morning is meaningful to you!



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# WHAT TO EXPECT TODAY

## Singing

Feel free to participate however you feel led or comfortable, whether standing with your hands raised or sitting and quietly reflecting on who God is.

**Today's Songs:** *One Things Remains, Good Good Father, O Come To The Alter, Who You Say I Am*

## Giving

We receive an offering every service. If you are a guest please don't feel obligated in any way to participate, we are just thankful you are here! You can also give online at [bereanfamily.com/give](http://bereanfamily.com/give) or through the "FellowshipOne Giving" app.



## Message

You can follow along and take notes from the sermon on the back of this worship guide.

## Sunday School Classes

We have Sunday School Classes for all ages (programming for birth through 5th grade is available during both services). Feel free to pick-up a handout in the lobby that lists all the various classes we offer.



Join us every Sunday between services downstairs in the gym for coffee, food, and fellowship!

**WiFi Password: HolySpirit**

# GIVE

*We will receive a Deacon Fund retiring offering at the conclusion of the service. This offering is used to help those in our congregation with special financial needs.*

# CONNECT



COMPLETE LIST OF EVENTS AT  
[WWW.BEREANFAMILY.COM](http://WWW.BEREANFAMILY.COM)



## **WE WELCOME ARGENIS TAVERAS TO BEREAN THIS MORNING.**

Argenis is the high school principal at Fountain of Life Christian School in the Dominican Republic. He will be in the lobby before and after services. Stop by to say hello, or to pick up information about sponsoring a student at the school!

## **JOIN US FOR THESE WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

### **TUESDAY:**

9:30 a.m. Scripture Fellowship

### **WEDNESDAY:**

3:30 p.m. Grief Share/Healing Hearts—meets in room 215 (Library)

6:30 p.m. Berean Kids Adventure Club—meets downstairs

SURGE Student Gatherings—meets in the SURGE Student Center

Women's D-Groups—meets in their small group rooms

Men's Bible Study, Theology for Life—meets in the Chapel

Prayer Gathering—meets in room 212

### **THURSDAY:**

9:30 a.m. Women's D-Groups—meets in their small group rooms

# CONNECT



## INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF BEREAN?

We'd love to have you join us in a journey of discovering what is church membership and who is Berean! This three week class begins next Sunday, October 13th at 9 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. in room 213. Sign up in the Lobby TODAY or email [info@bereanfamily.com](mailto:info@bereanfamily.com). (You must be a member of Berean to vote at business meetings.)

*You are cordial invited to the  
commissioning of*

**PASTOR STEVE AND BECKY STORKEL**

Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m. or 10:45 a.m.

Berean Baptist Church  
Worship Center



Special Guest Speakers:

Pastor David J. Pound and Jephthe Lucien,  
President at Mission Baptist Jerusalem, D'Haiti

Join us in between services and  
after second service for a reception in the gym.

We'd like to encourage you to bring a note of  
encouragement or a memory of your time with  
the Storkels to give to them at the reception.



## MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Saturday, October 12

8:00 am to 9:30 am.

Our special guest sharing his testimony is  
**William Keim**, a fellow brother in Christ at  
Berean Baptist.

# CONNECT

## LADIES SUNDAY SCHOOL

In the midst of hardship, tragedy and unanswered questions, it's difficult to glimpse God at work. How do we hold onto our faith during these times? How do we trust God is working all things for our good and His glory?

Ladies, we invite you to join the **Passages Class** as we explore the life of Joseph and answer these questions in a study entitled "Finding God Faithful" by Kelly Minter. This 8-week video driven study will begin next Sunday, October 13th, 10:30 a.m. in Room 216. Workbooks are optional but are available for a cost of \$14 each.

Contact Rochelle Baughman (419-756-5698) with questions or to order a workbook.



6-12th Grade



Stay Connected! Follow @WeBeSURGE



*Sign up on line  
For the Jr. High Fall Advance  
November 1st through 3rd  
[bereanfamily.com/surge](http://bereanfamily.com/surge)  
SAVE \$ IF YOU REGISTER  
BEFORE OCTOBER 9th!*

## Student Gatherings

- **Sunday—10:45am**  
in the SURGE Center
- **Wednesday—6:30pm**  
in the SURGE Center

**CONTERFEIT GODS**  
CURRENT WEDNESDAY  
SERMON SERIES

*Parents—Have you filled out your students consent form online yet? Form available online at [bereanfamily.com/surge](http://bereanfamily.com/surge)*



# CONNECT

# Child

## DEDICATION

Sunday, October 27

Interested in having your child dedicated?  
Please plan to attend a meeting on  
Sunday, October 13 at 10:15am in the  
community room for more information.



WEDNESDAY,  
OCTOBER 30TH  
6:30-8:00 P.M.

**JOIN US FOR TRICK-OR-TREATING  
THROUGH THE HALLS, BOUNCE  
HOUSES, FOOD, GAMES  
AND MUCH MORE!!**

*Don't forget...*

- No nursery or regular childcare available that night
- Wear your costume!  
(No scary costumes please)
- Children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult
- Bring your carved pumpkin for a Jack O' Lantern contest

Invite your family and friends to come!  
Flyers are available in the foyer to pass out!

# SERVE



Infants-5th Grade

## Sunday Morning

Kid's Church @ 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School @ 10:45 a.m.

Wednesday Evening  
Adventure Club  
6:30-8:00 p.m.

Nursery (birth-2 years old)  
available Sunday mornings  
and Wednesday evenings

## CONNECT WITH US!



[www.bereanfamily.com/  
bereankids](http://www.bereanfamily.com/bereankids)



[Facebook.com/  
bereanchildren](https://www.facebook.com/bereanchildren)



Kelly Canfield,  
Berean Kids Director  
[kcanfield@Bereanfamily.com](mailto:kcanfield@Bereanfamily.com)

## JOIN OUR ADVENTURE!

### YOU COULD SERVE:

- Sunday mornings during 1<sup>st</sup> service or 2<sup>nd</sup> service
- Wednesday Night Adventure Club
- Substitute on Sundays or Wednesdays

### YOU COULD SERVE WITH:

- Nursery
- Preschool
- Elementary

*We would love to have you join our team!*

Talk to Kelly Canfield or Sonya Lieb if you're interested.

## HELP WITH THE FALL FESTIVAL!

Wednesday, October 30th

6:30-8:00 p.m.

- Decorate a door and pass out candy for "trick-or-treating"
- Help tear-down
- Help with games
- Help with food
- Help with security
- Get dunked in the dunk tank

*Stop by the table in  
the foyer to sign-up!*



Looking for somewhere to serve in your church?

## BE AN USHER!

Ushers needed during first and second service.  
Email [info@bereanfamily.com](mailto:info@bereanfamily.com) or call the church  
at 419.756.3300 and ask for Diana.





# SERVE



## KidZone AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING PROGRAM

We will begin our 13th year of KidZone the week of October 7th at 3:00 p.m. Herb Ross and Pastor Bill Heaton have met with Mr. Tom Hager, Principal of Malabar Intermediate School. He is excited and grateful we are coming back. He has lined up school busing to take our students home each night. That is a huge help for us and our students' families. Here is what we need:

- 15 students each day, Monday to Thursday from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
- 15 Tutors each day from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m., 60 total for each week. This is a huge need. Just think, a public school is asking us to come!
- We are asking for ONE HOUR, ONE DAY a week.

### ***Would you give an hour to help a child in need?***

Sign-up in the Lobby today before and after Sunday morning services or by calling Pastor Bill Heaton at 419-756-3300 or email [bheaton@bereanfamily.com](mailto:bheaton@bereanfamily.com). Mr. Herb Ross will be directing our program again this year. *Yay Mr. Ross!*



## SANTISUK ENGLISH SCHOOL Bangkok, Thailand

If you can speak English they will train you in how to teach English in their program. Berean has had people going for the past 13 years. Each session is one month long. They have sessions every month for you to choose from. Berean will help you with all the arrangements and 50% of the cost for members and 25% for non-members. (Your cost would be about \$1,000 to \$1,500.)

Interested? Contact Pastor Bill Heaton at 419-756-3300 or email [bheaton@bereanfamily.com](mailto:bheaton@bereanfamily.com).

# PRAY

Please be in prayer for our Search Team as they continue to diligently seek our next Lead Pastor. The Search Team is reviewing a second round of Lead Pastor applicants from Vanderbloemen. Be in prayer for them as they discern who it is God would have lead our church.

## CONNECT GROUP QUESTIONS

Luke 15:1-32

1. What was the criticism of the religious leaders of Jesus?  
Luke 15:1 & 2
2. What does it mean to be lost in this context?
3. What did each individual who lost something feel about the loss?  
How can we know?
4. Notice this is one parable with 3 “chapters”. “This parable” 15:3; “or” 15:8; “Jesus continues” 15:11 This leads us to conclude that the main point of each “chapter” is the same.  
What is the main point?
5. Pastor Mike quoted Warren Wiersbe when he said the sheep represent something lost due to foolishness; the coin represents

carelessness; and the son represents willfulness. Other than someone stealing something are there other ways something could be lost? In your life what is the relevance of this idea? What has been the root cause of something that you greatly value being lost to you? What if any difference does it make? How does the attitude and resultant behavior of the 3 individuals who lost something help us understand God's feelings and response to our being lost to him?

6. Think about the role of repentance when it comes to humans and willful rejection. Why do you think repentance has become a seldom mentioned topic in contemporary American churches? What might be some of the consequences of this neglect? What has been your experience with personal repentance? What can you learn from the heart attitude and plan of the wayward son?
  
7. Who does the individual who lost something represent in all three "chapters"?  
Who does the lost items represent?  
Who does the older brother represent?
  
8. How do you relate to the younger brother?  
How do you relate to the older brother?  
How do you relate to the father?
  
9. What are some of the possible implications of this parable to Berean today?

# MESSAGE GUIDE

## “LOST PEOPLE MATTER TO GOD”

The Parables of Jesus

Part 7 of 7

Luke 15:1-32

Pastor Mike Wells

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the lost. Luke 15:4, 8 & 24  
“For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost.”  
Luke 19:10
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the find. Luke 15:7, 10, & 23
3. The necessity of \_\_\_\_\_. Luke 15:18  
“ . . . I [Paul] preached that they should repent and turn to  
God and prove their repentance by their deeds.”  
Acts 26:20
4. The invitation to \_\_\_\_\_. Luke 15:32

## CONTACT US

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**SERVICE TIMES:**  
SUNDAYS AT 9 A.M.  
AND 10:45 A.M.  
WEDNESDAYS  
6:30 P.M.