

THREATS FACING BEREAN

"LOVELESS
CORRECTNESS"



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!



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: Lead Me To The Cross, Great I Am, I Go The Rock (choir), No One Higher

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 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

CONNECT



JOIN US AT THESE WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

TUESDAY:

9:30 a.m. Scripture Fellowship

WEDNESDAY:

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



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 Lobby to pass out!

CONNECT



Sunday, October 27

Interested in having your child dedicated but missed the meeting?

Please email Kelly by Tuesday, October 22nd. kcanfield@bereanfamily.com



6-12th Grade







Stay Connected! Follow @WeBeSURGE

Sign up on line
For the Jr. High Fall Advance
JUNIOR HIGH
FALL ADVANCE

November 1st through 3rd bereanfamily.com/surge

Student Gatherings

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



OCTOBER 30th—
ALL SMALL
GROUP NIGHT

Contact your leaders to find out what's in store!

Parents—Have you filled out your students consent form online yet? Form available online at bereanfamily.com/surge

CONNECT



Facebook: Women's Ministry - Berean Baptist Church

Instagram: bereanwomensministry





LADIES, READ ABOUT THE LATEST WOMEN'S MINISTRY NEWS AND EVENTS IN OUR **REAL LIFE NEWSLETTER**.

Pick up a copy of the September/October issue (at the entrances and in the lobby) or read it online at bereanfamily.com/ministries/adult-ministries/. You can also follow us on Facebook (@bereanbaptistwomen) and Instagram (@bereanwomensministry).

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Infants-5th Grade

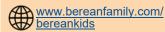
Sunday Morning

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!





Kelly Canfield, Berean Kids Director kcanfield@Bereanfamily.com

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 Lobby to sign-up!



SERVE



Facebook: Women's Ministry - Berean Baptist Church

LADIES—HELP MAKE CRAFTS TO DECORATE FOR THE CHRISTMAS TEA

For those women who enjoy crafting and/or DIY decorating, we are holding two ladies' craft events during which we will be creating "Deliverer"-themed decorations for the Christmas Tea.

The craft night event will take place on Tuesday, October 22 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Community Room.

Whether you're a beginner or expert crafter, we have a project for you and would appreciate your help in enhancing the atmosphere of this special evening.



GOIS A Kids

PICK UP A BANK IN THE LOBBY TODAY AND START COLLECTING YOUR "COINS FOR KIDS!"

Your participation will help Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF) reach children in our neighborhoods, public schools and area events. Please return your coin can with your cash or check donation (made payable to CEF of M A R C K) by Sunday, Nov. 17th.

USHERS NEEDED DURING FIRST AND SECOND SERVICE

Email <u>info@bereanfamily.com</u> or call the church at 419.756.3300 and ask for Diana.



CONNECT GROUP QUESTIONS

Revelation 2: 1-7 October 20, 2019

- Who is the primary player in the book of Revelation?
 Revelation 1
- To whom is a blessing promised and what are the prerequisites to receiving it? Revelation 1:3
- What and where were the seven churches? Revelation 1:4 & 11
- What do the seven stars and seven lamp stands represent?
 Revelation 1:20
- Who are "the angels of the seven churches"?

When seeking to interpret the apocalyptic, highly symbolic, writing style of Revelation there are often different conclusions. These various conclusions are by credible conservative scholars who love the Lord and have a very high view of Scripture. Therefore it is wise to hold one's interpretations with an open hand and a grace filled heart.

Pastor Mike gave two possibilities: an actual angel (messenger), or the actual pastor. He thinks the reference is to the pastor. What do you think and why?

What does the fact that Jesus knows "your deeds" tell us?
 Revelation 2:2

What difference should it make in how we live and do church?

 What were the positive/commendable qualities of the church at Ephesus? Revelation 2:2-3 & 6

- What would this positive behavior look like today here at Berean in Mansfield?
- What would "forsaken your first love" look like? Revelation 2:4
 First, you must answer love for who?
- Unwrap what the anecdote to their problem might look like?
 Revelation 2:5
- We do not know for certain what the Nicolaitians believed and practiced. We do know their beliefs and resultant practices were heretical. Therefore it is clear that the Lord applauds the evaluation of the beliefs of someone else. How can we reconcile this with the strong current cultural value of being tolerant and non-judgmental? Mark 7: 6-8
- What is the warning given in Revelation 2:5? What might this mean?
- What is the promise in Revelation 2:7? To whom is the promise made? What does it mean to overcome? What and where is the Tree of Life? Revelation 22:1-2
- How would you summarize the threat that this passage addresses relative to Berean today?

FAMILY NEWS

Congratulations to Pastor Bill and Julie Heaton in the birth of their grandson Theo William Trapp on Thursday, October 17, 2019 to parents Will and Beth Trapp. This precious bundle of joy weighed 6lb. 15 oz. and was 19 1/4" long.

Our sincere condolences to

Susanna and Dave Beach in the passing of her father,
 John Dantuma, on Friday, October 11, 2019

NOTES AND REFLECTIONS

SEVEN THREATS FACING BEREAN "Loveless Correctness"

Pastor Mike Wells Revelation 2:1-7 Part 1 of 7

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Γŀ	ne Church at Ephesus
•	Commendation: Revelation 2:2-3 & 6
	Correctness — Orthodoxy
	Titus 2:1
	"You must teach what is in accord with sound doctrine"
	Perseverance
	1 Timothy 4:16
	"Watch your life and doctrine closely. Persevere in them,
	because if you do, you will save yourself and your hearers."
•	Complaint: Revelation 2:4-5
	Forsaken your first
	John 13:35
	"By this all men will know that you are my disciples,
	if you love one anther."
•	Correction: Revelation 2:4-5
	Remember—Repent—
	1 John 3:18
	"Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but
	with actions and in truth."
	Warning & Promise: Matthew 2:5 & 7

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