

## NEW TO BIBLE CENTER?

### Welcome!

If you have any questions, see Jane at the Connect Table beside the fireplace after services.



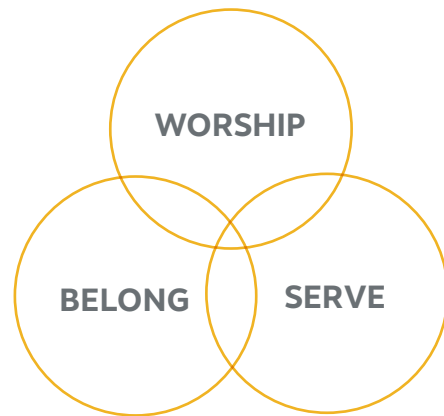
### We'd Love to Pray With You!

Men and women are available in the prayer room for anyone wanting prayer or counsel at the end of services. Located at the back right of the Auditorium.

### Sign Up for the Weekly Newsletter

Enter your email at the bottom of our website, [BibleCenterChurch.com](http://BibleCenterChurch.com).

Sunday Morning Services	Times
• Multigenerational Service	9
• Modern Service	11
• High School, Rm. 2104	9
• Middle School, Rm. 1105	9, 11
• Special Needs Ministry, Rm. 1106	9, 11
• Nursery & Kids (up to 5th Grade, Level 1)	9, 11



#### Find your fit in a group!

For prayer, study, or just doing life together. [BibleCenterChurch.com/groups](http://BibleCenterChurch.com/groups)

#### Middle & High School Teens:

[BibleCenterChurch.com/students](http://BibleCenterChurch.com/students)

#### Find your fit on a volunteer team!

Opportunities for people of all ages to make an impact for eternity!

[BibleCenterChurch.com/serve](http://BibleCenterChurch.com/serve)

## WAYS TO GIVE

- Text **BCCWV** to 77977
- On the BCC app
- Boxes beside the fireplace
- Online
- Offering basket
- By mail

## Family

### 1 CORINTHIANS 11:17-34

Fourth in a series titled: *We Value...*  
Pastor Matt Friend — August 18, 2019

Church is not a building we go to. It's a family we belong to.

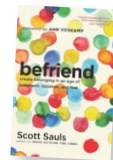
Why does God want us to believe this? Because...

1. Families teach us to value love over location. (vv. 17-18; 1 Corinthians 1:1-4:21; 13:1-13; cf. Genesis 2:24; Psalm 127:3-5)
2. Healthy, secure, strong families are where we best learn to value unity amidst diversity. (v. 19; 1 Corinthians 12:1-31; cf. Matthew 28:18-20; Galatians 3:28; Romans 14-16; 1 Timothy 1:3-6; 6:2-5; 2 Timothy 2:14-16, 23; Revelation 5:9; 7:9)
3. Families take care of their own. (vv. 20-22; 1 Corinthians 8:1-9:23; 10:23-33; 14:1-33; cf. Acts 2:42-47; 4:32; Romans 12:16; Ephesians 4:11-16; Philippians 2:1-4)
4. Our biological family is temporary, but Jesus' family is eternal. (vv. 23-26; cf. Matthew 12:46-50; John 17:20-23; 1 Corinthians 15:1-58; Ephesians 4:1-6)

What does Jesus invite us to do today?

Celebrate communion as our commitment to preserve the unity of our church family at all costs.

(vv. 27-34; Ex. 12:1-28; Isaiah 25:6-8; Matthew 26:29; Mark 14:25; Luke 22:16-18; Galatians 3:28-29; Revelation 19:6-9)



## THIS WEEK'S RECOMMENDATION

*Befriend* by Scott Sauls  
Copies available in the lobby (\$10)

# WE VALUE...

Gospel Learning

City Family Generosity

Innovation Growth



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Dear Friends,

Welcome to church!

When you hear the word "family," what comes to mind... Children, parents, brothers and sisters? Cousins, aunts and uncles? Happy memories? Painful memories? A little of both?

Today, as we continue our *We Value...* series, we'll explore the value of **Family**; not in the sense of blood relatives (in which healthy relationships are extremely important), but with the understanding that all believers are God's children—brothers and sisters in Christ—and share the same Father.

One of Jesus' disciples recorded the following event for us, "While Jesus was still talking to the crowd, his mother and brothers stood outside, wanting to speak to him. Someone told him, 'Your mother and brothers are standing outside, wanting to speak to you.' He replied to him, 'Who is my mother, and who are my brothers?' **Pointing to his disciples, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers. For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother'**" (Matthew 12:46-50 NIV).

To celebrate God's grace and being part of His family, we'll celebrate communion together at the end of this morning's service. (If you're new to Bible Center, don't worry. We'll explain everything.)

As you enjoy communion, take a moment to reflect on the millions of other Jesus-followers meeting in hamlets and high-rises all over the world doing the same thing. We are a small (but significant) generation in a long lineage of grace.

Sarah and I are thankful for our church family!

*Pastor Matt*

Matt Friend, Senior Pastor



**EVENT REGISTRATION**

- Go to [BibleCenterChurch.com/events](http://BibleCenterChurch.com/events)
- Use the Bible Center app
- Call (304) 346-0431



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**GROUP LEADERSHIP SUMMIT**

August 24 • 9 AM-1 PM • Free • All BCC group leaders and interested individuals are required to come to this yearly leader training. Learn how best to shepherd your group, as well as relax and be with others who share similar responsibilities. Registration is necessary to prepare for breakfast and lunch. Contact Pastor Mike ([mgraham@BibleCenterChurch.com](mailto:mgraham@BibleCenterChurch.com)) or Sheri ([sskidmore@BibleCenterChurch.com](mailto:sskidmore@BibleCenterChurch.com)) if you have questions.

Led by: Mike Graham, Pastor of Community Life



**CHURCH LIFE**

**Outdoor Baptism is September 8**

2:30 PM • Davis Creek • See the website, app, or pick up a baptism packet at the Info Desk; or contact Jane ([jjackson@BibleCenterChurch.com](mailto:jjackson@BibleCenterChurch.com)).

**Bible Center School Employment Opportunities**

Email Principal Stephanie Schafer ([sschafer@BibleCenterSchool.com](mailto:sschafer@BibleCenterSchool.com)) or Preschool Director Machel Huffman ([mhuffman@BibleCenterSchool.com](mailto:mhuffman@BibleCenterSchool.com)) to apply for the following positions: Preschool Aide, Preschool Cook/Aide, Aftercare Coordinator, and Aftercare Attendant.

**Core Class: The Holy Spirit & the Church**

Thursdays • September 5-26 • 6:15 AM, Noon, or 6:15 PM • Rm. 3105/06 • \$5 • The Holy Spirit is real, active, and fully God. What is His role in creation, conviction, Christian growth, and the church? Registration preferred.

**Financial Peace University**

Sundays at 6:00-7:30 PM • September 15-November 10 • Rm. 3101/02 • Struggling to keep your finances in check? Spending more than you make? Want to learn how to save and invest? Plan for retirement? Register now.

**KIDS & STUDENTS**

**Move Up Day is Today**

High School: 9 AM • Middle School: 9 & 11 AM  
**Wednesdays (Fall Kick-Off):** High School & Middle School: 6-7 PM Auditorium, 7-7:45 PM Small Groups • K-5th Grade (AWANA Clubs): 6-7:30 PM

**HSM PRTY!**

(High School)

Tonight • 6-8 PM • Every 3rd Sunday • A party for just the high school students. At the home of Heather & Mitri Ghareeb (110 WIndon Way, Dunbar). Questions? Pastor Matt Garrison ([mgarrison@BibleCenterChurch.com](mailto:mgarrison@BibleCenterChurch.com)).

**BELONG**

**Celebrate Recovery In-Depth 12-Step Study**

Through this confidential, intensive study, the truth of God's Word will transform you, freeing you from addictions, dysfunction, and compulsive behaviors. Meets weekly for 10-12 months.

**Men:** Tuesdays beginning September 10 • 7-9 PM.

**Women:** Sundays beginning September 8 • 6-8 PM

Thursdays beginning September 12 • 10 AM-Noon

Info available at weekly CR meetings (every Tuesday at 7 PM) or contact "Poozie" Null (304-747-8836). [BibleCenterChurch.com/CR](http://BibleCenterChurch.com/CR)

**Fall Event: How to Be a NOT SO Secret Agent of Grace (Women)**

Fri., September 13 (7:00-9:30 PM) & Sat., September 14 (9 AM-Noon) • Speaker: Becky McDonald, Musical Guest: Unspoken • Purchase tickets in the Lobby today or online (\$30-\$50).

**OWLS Fall Picnic and Hay Ride**

(Adults 55+)

Friday, September 6 • 5:30 • North Woods • \$5 • Food, hayride, and yard games. Register online or email Judy ([jmercerc@BibleCenterChurch.com](mailto:jmercerc@BibleCenterChurch.com)).

**SERVE**

**Serve in the Special Needs Ministry**

We are growing! Additional buddies and leaders are needed. Serve on Sundays (9 or 11 AM) or Wednesdays (6-7:30 PM); no experience required. Contact Emily King ([eking@BibleCenterChurch.com](mailto:eking@BibleCenterChurch.com)) or stop by Rm. 1106 ("The Lodge" on Level 1) after the service. Background check required.

**City Ministry Opportunities**

Visit [BibleCenterChurch.com/city](http://BibleCenterChurch.com/city) (or check the app) for several ways you can serve the city  
 concessions at local football games  
 serve at the Charleston Addiction Awareness Glo Run 5k • Sept 21 at 5 pm

**Join the Choir: Choir Kick-Off**

Looking for somewhere to serve? Love to sing? Join the choir! The Choir Kick-Off will be on Wednesday, August 28 at 6:30 PM. Contact Mary Beth Malcolm ([mmalcolm@BibleCenterChurch.com](mailto:mmalcolm@BibleCenterChurch.com)) to find out more or just show up!