

WELCOME

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE and we want to help you get connected and grow in your Christian walk. Please visit our Welcome Center to ask for help with various CBC ministries for all ages. A complete listing of our staff, ministries, and Sunday messages can be found at www.cbcpierre.org.


Nursery is provided during both services and Sunday School:

1st service	8:20 – end of service	infant – 3 years
During Sunday School	9:50 – end of class	infant – 3 years
2nd service	10:50 – end of service	infant – 3 years


NURSING MOTHERS are invited to use the Cry Room behind the kitchen in the coffee area.

WHAT WE BELIEVE

~ That Jesus is the Son of God who became a man to die for the sins of the whole world; He was raised from the dead and ascended back to heaven; He is coming again. (1 Cor 15: 1-8)
 ~ That the Bible is the inspired word of God and is the only authority for our faith (what we believe) and practice (how we are to live). (2 Tim 3:16) ~ That every person has worth as a creation of God, but that all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. (Rom 3:23) ~ That forgiveness of sins, the promise of eternal life and an abundant life are available to those who believe that Jesus Christ is Savior and Lord. (Jn 3:16) ~ That those accepting Christ shall repent of sin, confess faith, and be baptized into Him. (Rom 10:9; Acts 2:38) ~ That the Church exists to provide for the spiritual growth of the people and to see that the Gospel is preached to everyone. (Eph 4:1-16) ~ That Jesus Christ will one day return to earth and reign forever as King of kings and Lord of lords. (1 Thess. 4:13-18)

 **CBC has Wi-Fi Internet.** The Welcome Center can provide connection information.

 **CBC provides Assistive Listening Devices.** Check out a receiver at the Welcome Center.

 **2 AEDs available** 1) West of Welcome Center 2) In the gym kitchen on west wall

NEXT SUNDAY'S VOLUNTEERS

Scripture	Pastor Chance Sumner		
1st Ushers	Chris Nelson Greg Brusven	2nd Ushers	Jon Becker
1st Welcome Center		2nd Welcome Center	
1st Greeters	Tom & Laurel Wempe Randy & Roberta Hofeldt	2nd Greeters	
1st Nursery (Walker)	Chelsey Stemberg	2nd Nursery (Walker)	Natalie Hutton
SS Nursery (Walker)	Courtney Kyriss Kathryn Sumner	2nd Nursery (Toddler)	
1st Sound	Paula Huizenga	2nd Sound	Cody Lorenz
1st Graphics	Ron Duvall	2nd Graphics	Roxanne Rice
1st Livestream & Lights	Mark McIntire	2nd Livestream & Lights	

We thank you for your service to Community Bible Church!

December 15, 2024
Worship Times
8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

Gather in Fellowship
 Lighting of the Shepherd's Candle

Erv Nold Family – 1st Service
 Keanan Fischer Family – 2nd Service

Welcome & Announcements
 Choir
 Call to Worship

Pastor Phil Newby
 “God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen”
 Worship Team

Scripture Reading
 Pastoral Prayer

1 Peter 2:9-17 (p.1015)
 Joel Jundt, Elder

Zealous for Good Works
 “God Rest Ye Merry”

Titus 3:1-3 (p.998)
 Pastor Phil Newby

Response in Worship
 Depart in Fellowship

An Elder is available in the Prayer Room at the end of the service to pray & serve.

“MEMBER SPOTLIGHT”

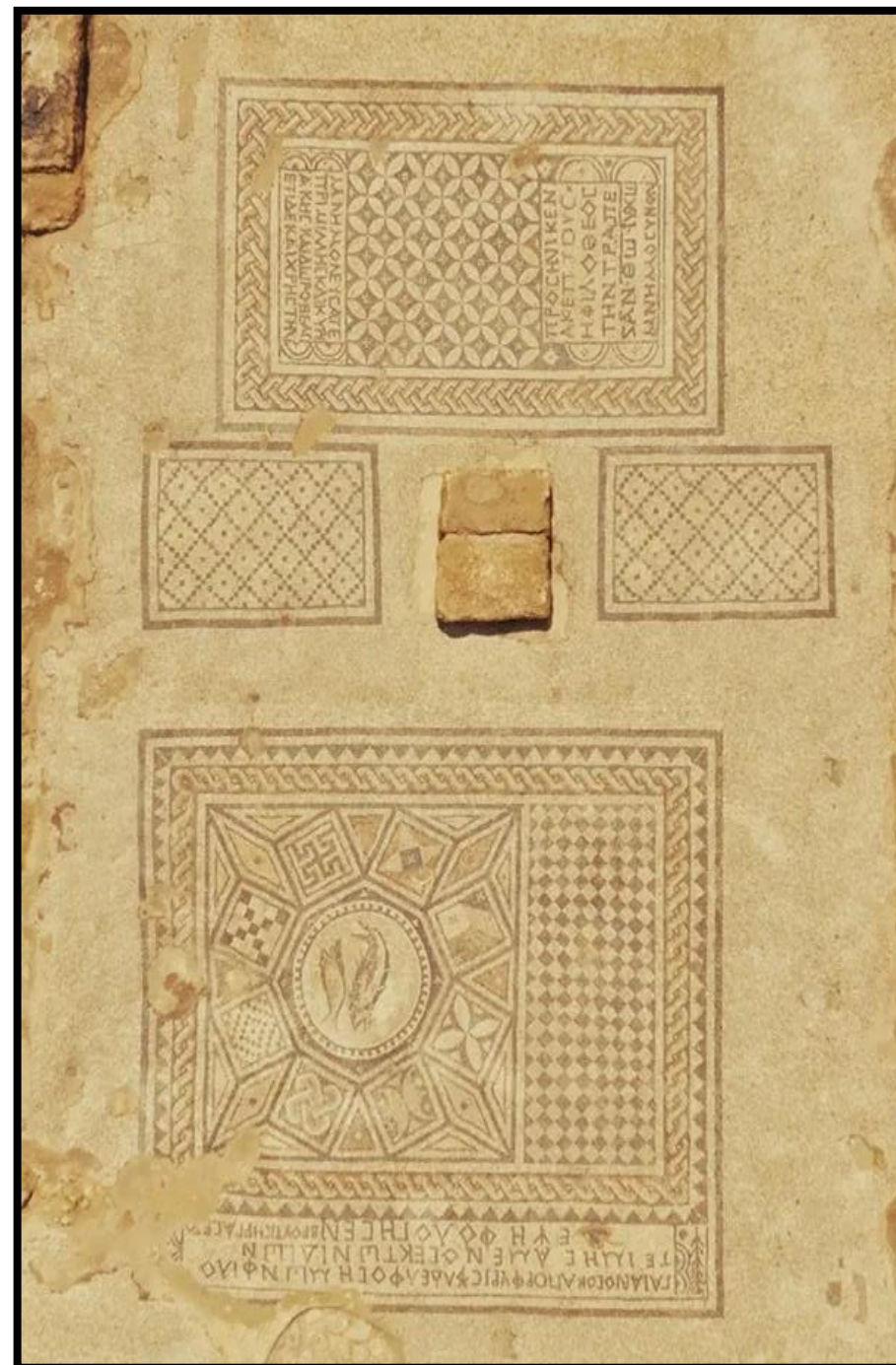
Megiddo Mosaic

What evidence exists outside of the Bible for the early Christian affirmation of Jesus Christ as God? A few weeks ago, I wrote about the “Alexamenos Graffito,” an ancient piece of graffiti that, from a non-Christian perspective, confirms that early Christians held to the deity of Christ. Recently, I’ve learned of another archeological find that, like the Graffito, demonstrates that early Christians believed in Christ as God. This find is called the “Megiddo Mosaic.”

Dating to around the 200s, the Mosaic was discovered near the ancient town Megiddo in Israel, beneath a modern prison. It was part of what is believed to be one of the earliest Christian worship spaces, possibly a church. The mosaic contains inscriptions, including a dedication “to the God Jesus Christ,” offering early evidence of Christian belief in His divinity. This inscription along with the beautiful artwork of the Mosaic shows us that ancient Christians were very much like us: their faith in Christ as God moved them to proclaim that faith.

As a pastor, my burden is to persuade you that the facts support Christianity. Scripture, history, archeology, and whatever else teach that Christ literally came, lived, died, rose from the dead. When it comes to the truth, Christians have nothing to fear and everything to celebrate. During this Advent season, hold firm to your confession of faith, dear brother and sister, that Christ is truly God and man who has fully paid for all our sins and reigns forever. Believe!

Pastor Chance Sumner



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Eve Service! Everyone is invited to come celebrate & worship together at 5:00PM on Tuesday December 24th! We will have the lighting of the final Advent Candle remembering the birth of Jesus, singing songs of praise from our Choir Team, a devotional read by Pastor Chance, & Communion of the Saints.



Gentlemen of Tuesday Men's Bible Study (In room 200)

& Ladies of Tuesday Night BSF: We know a lot of you will be traveling or spending time with your families over Christmas & New Year's. We pray that you have a blessed holiday season. The men will not be meeting on December 24th or 31st. And the women will not be meeting on December 17th, 24th, or the 31st. Both will resume meeting on January 7th, 2025. God bless & safe travels.



Christmas Party for One2One Youth! Join us at Tim & Holly Carey's House (1312 W Capital Ave. Pierre) from 6:00–8:00PM December 22nd. There will be lots of food, games, & fun fellowship. Also please bring a gift for the White Elephant Exchange. (Gift Limit Five Dollars)



Showers of Blessings! We would like to welcome to our congregation: *Gordon Will Schuetzle*, son of Graham & Samantha, & brother of Savage, Gray, & Susanna. Please help us welcome him by placing any cards or gifts on the umbrella shower table.



Showers of Blessings! We would like to welcome to our congregation: *Joy Joanna Nordquist*, daughter of Caleb & Dawn, & sister of Grace, Benaiah, Elijah, & Levi. Please help us welcome her by placing any cards or gifts on the umbrella shower table.



Mission opportunity for everyone – right here in Pierre! Tonight at 5:30PM in the Fellowship Hall we will assemble bags for the Women's prison. Please come and join us with a serving heart. This is a fun time of fellowship & a way for us to share Christ's love with these ladies! If you have questions, contact either Melanie Schumacher or LuAnne Beckwith.



HEY MEN! Start the year off with a great bible study & group! One of the Tuesday groups that meet at 6:00AM (both on-line via Zoom, & at a home). On Tuesday January 7th we will begin studying Scripture & an excellent book on essential Christian beliefs. It is written by the renowned Dr. Wayne Grudem, who is best known for his work on Systematic Theology. The book is titled "*Christian Beliefs - 20 Basics Every Christian Should Know*". Whether you are a young believer or seasoned saint, this study will leave you built-up, encouraged, refocused & not confused! Contact either John Strohmman 605-280-2780 or Brent Dowling 605-280-6564 for more details.



Jenna (Hall) Han & her husband, Samuel, will be in attendance with us at church on December 22nd, next Sunday. From 9:30–10:00AM, we will have a time of sharing & fellowship with the Hans to hear what the Lord is doing in them & through them. Join us!



THIS WEEK AT CBC

Sunday – 15th

- 8:30 AM Worship service
- 10:00 AM Bible Hour: 3 yrs.–5th grade meet in classrooms (Welcome Center has a map)
 - Middle School (6th–8th grades) – Room 300 (upstairs in gym)
 - High School (9th–12th grades) – Youth Room (NW upstairs corner of gym)
 - Adults – Room 200 (Next to Gym Kitchen) – Ray Vander Laan's Discipleship Study
 - Adults – Room 201 (Next to Gym doors) – Ephesians
- 11:00 AM Worship Service.
- 2:00 PM GriefShare support group – Room 200
- 4:00 PM Women's Prayer Meeting Sanctuary Prayer Room
- 5:30 PM Christmas Choir Practice
- 6:00 PM One2One Youth (6th–12th grades)

Monday – 16th

- 6:00 PM Men's Bible study – Room 200 – Contact Mark Anderson (605-281-1263)

Tuesday – 17th

- 6:00 AM Men's Bible study – Room 200 – Studying "Forever" by Paul Tripp
 - Contact Rick Vallery (605-222-8045)
- 6:00 AM Men's Bible study in person @ 318 N Jefferson or via Zoom
 - Contact Brent Dowling (605-280-6564) or John Strohmman (605-280-2780)
- 11:30 AM Greek 101 in class Room 201 in GYM – Contact Pastor Chance Sumner
- 6:30 PM Elder meeting in room 202 – Contact Joel Jundt to be added to the agenda
- 7:00 PM Deacon meeting in room 201 – Contact a Colin Ogan to be added to the agenda

Wednesday – 18th

- 6:30 PM AWANA: Birthday Party For Jesus
 - Pre-K through High School Kids Ministry – cbcpierre.org/awana

Thursday – 19th

- 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study – Room 400 – Contact Pastor Chance Sumner
- 6:30 PM Worship Team rehearsal in sanctuary – Contact Pastor Phil Newby
- 7:00 PM Community Inc. 12:5 for college and career young adults – 811 N Madison Ave
 - Contact Gaye Granville with questions. (402-319-3171)

Friday – 20th

- 6:00 AM Men's Bible study – Room 200 – Contact Scott Granville (605-280-3330)

Looking Ahead

- Dec. 24th 5:00PM – Christmas Eve Service
- Dec. 29th Attention parents of young children:
 - Neither nursery will be staffed with volunteers on this day!