



Connecting To God



Connecting People



Serving Our World

Our Purpose

BWC exists to make disciples and develop leaders of all ages, who love God and love people, are passionate about prayer and purposeful about proclaiming the Good News of Christ through intentional giving and going to all people groups of the world.

Our Statement of Faith

We believe the Bible is the only infallible, inspired and authoritative Word of God. We believe there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. We believe in Christ's sinless life, in His atoning death, in His bodily resurrection, and in His ascension to the right hand of the Father. We believe that the only way for mankind to be saved from sin and hell, is by faith in what Christ has done for us and the repentance of our sin.



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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2026

2026 Theme: "Grow Down"

"Why Should We Be Water Baptized?"

Matthew 28:19-20 Why be baptized in water? Obedience.

//Acts 2:37-38; Mark 16:16

Through water baptism we are making declarations:

- 1.) Declares to the church, "I'm with you!" As baptized believers, we have identified with Christ (**Matthew 3:13-17**). That shared experience binds us together as a family of believers.

//1 Peter 3:21

(See also - Acts 8:12-13; 9:18-20; 10:47-48; 16:15, 33)

- 2.) Declares to the world, "I'm with them!" (followers of Christ)

The act of water baptism is a public declaration of faith

(Galatians 3:27; 2 Corinthians 5:17). It serves as an open announcement to the world that we now belong to God's family. We've changed sides!

- 3.) Declares to ALL that "I'm with Him!" The meaning of water baptism is to identify us with Christ. It's God's identity mark of ownership on our life. Disciples of Jesus in the New Testament church were baptized to proclaim their total allegiance and commitment to Jesus, regardless of consequences. Apostle Paul described water baptism as a union with Christ in His death & resurrection.

//Romans 6:1-4

Today's Worship Set:

- So So Good - Phil Wickham, Brandon Lake
- Nothing But the Blood - Traditional
- Washed - Joshua Holiday, Mitch Wong
- My Testimony - Brandon Lake, Chris Brown
- Just that Good - Kristian Stanfill
- Christ is Enough - Hillsong Worship
- O Praise the Name - Hillsong Worship

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.
The old has passed away; behold, the new has come."

- 2 Corinthians 5:17

UPCOMING EVENTS

Youth Group & Parents BBQ

Tonight | BWC Youth Room | 6:00pm - 8:00pm | Grades 6-12
Youth & their parents / guardians are invited to meet our youth leaders, then stay for a time of food, fellowship, & worship.

Young Adult Group

Mondays | 6:30pm - 8:30pm | Ages 18 - 25

Instagram: @bwc.youngadults (weekly location posted on IG)

Anna's Friends (Widows) Luncheon

Tuesday, September 15th | Fellowship Hall | 11:30am - 1:00pm

Watch & Pray

Wednesdays | BWC Sanctuary | 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Anchored Ladies' Clothing Exchange

Saturday, September 26th | BWC Youth Room | 8:00am - Noon
Clothing donations can be accepted during office hours. See our website calendar or visit a Connect Center for more details!

For more details & information on any Upcoming Events,
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Baptism Testimonies

Kierstyn Mae: (being baptized by Pastor Scott & Grandmother Michele Sanders) There was a point in my life where I felt like I was completely alone and didn't know why. I prayed but my faith wasn't strong. My upbringing wasn't easy. I let it define who I was and with that came a lot of asking "why me". I was angry and never at peace with myself. I had to grow up and become independent much earlier than I should've. I was influenced by the people I chose to surround myself with. I lost touch with my faith but continued to ask the same question. Until I stopped asking why and decided to change it instead. I opened my heart up to the Lord and asked him to guide me. Changing my life entirely. I no longer ask that question anymore. When I begin to feel that I'm on my own, I remember it's okay to feel lonely but I'm never alone. I look back to where I was and now know it's all in the Lord's name. Follow, believe, and live for him.

Kinisyn Rhinehart: (being baptized by Pastor Scott & Grandmother Michele Sanders) Growing up, my family and I didn't go to church much other than an occasional holiday. When I moved to Sheridan, my grandparents were gracious enough to take me in and give me a home as I was expecting my little girl at the time. My grandmother invited me to go to church with her one weekend and I was skeptical at first but went anyways. The service that day was extremely eye opening and I remember thinking about the life I'd give my little one and how I wanted her to grow up knowing God and having a foundation of faith in her life. Since then, he has given me strength through being a mother, motivation when I felt like I had nothing left, and everything I've needed to keep moving forward. When I truly accepted God as my Savior, something inside of me just clicked—it was like a light switch had been turned on. I felt changed in a way I can't fully explain. God has changed my heart, my perspective, and my life for the better. Today, I'm choosing to be baptized as a public declaration of my faith and my decision to follow Jesus. I know I'm not perfect, and I know there will still be hard days, but I know I don't have to face them alone. I'm so grateful for everything God has brought me through, and I'm excited to continue growing in my relationship with Him and raising my daughter in His love. This is the beginning of a new chapter in my life, and I'm choosing to walk it with God.

Darren Wheeler: (being baptized by Pastors Scott & Chandler) I grew up in a small Arizona copper mining town. I barely remember my mom taking my sister and I to church. But I do remember one day when I went with the Sunday school class, and the teacher scared me to death with going to hell. After that I associated church with fear and never went back. I've had a very blessed life and always thought I was quite lucky overall. When my wife and I began going to church, I still had a sense of fear in the back of my mind. The first time we went to our church in Colorado our Pastor held out the Bible and said, "this is not a book of rules; it's a love story". My wife fell in love with this description of what the Bible represents. As time went on God's presence in our life became part of the daily conversations in our home. Since I've retired I've made time to read the New Testament and parts of the Old Testament (that is a little harder to read). I've also focused more on prayer in my daily life. In January when we started virtually attending BWC and in February attending in person, both my wife and I knew that we found our church home in Sheridan. We've never felt more at home in a church and we both have felt growth in our relationship with Jesus. Now I realize that what I associated with luck was actually God's work and presence in my life. This realization combined with a heartfelt desire to declare Jesus Christ as my savior is what led me to the decision to get Baptized.

Rea Saeler: (being baptized by Pastors Scott & Chandler) I can't possibly count all my blessings. I grew up in a Christian home and I have believed since I was a child, but it wasn't until I was older that I fully surrendered my entire life to Christ. If I hadn't grown up in a Christian home, I don't know where I would be today. Two years ago, I met some incredible new friends. We would study the Bible together and pray for each other. They were all so encouraging and supportive to me, and I am so grateful for them and their impact on my life and faith. I have grown a lot in my faith over the last 3 years, I have been studying my bible more. I am so grateful for God's promises and plans for my life.

Seth Harper: (being baptized by Pastor Scott & Mentor: Wendell Smith) Growing up in a Christian household, you might think life would be easier or better than it is for families without faith, but you would be surprised. Even though I knew who Christ was, I never took the time to truly explore a relationship with Him. Then came middle school, and I quickly realized how much influence I had - and how Satan wanted to use it. Suddenly, I was surrounded by people with different beliefs, attitudes, and intentions all pulling me in different directions. If you saw me walking through the school halls back then, you would have thought everything was fine, but inside, a real war was going on. I naturally gravitated toward the popular crowd. One December, I even started wearing full Santa suits to school just to spread Holiday cheer. That stunt put me on everyone's radar. Soon, I was managing the girls' basketball team and playing football, basketball, and track. I built strong friendships with my teammates, but none of it actually satisfied me. In sports, I felt like I was never good enough, strong enough, or fast enough. That constant pressure pulled me into deep struggles with lust, anger, and depression. Things became even harder as I watched family members battle the same struggles. Through all of it, the one constant was Jesus. He was right there after every failure, every temptation, every outburst, and every shed tear. What the enemy intended for harm, God turned into something good. My relationship with Him began to grow and my heart shifted. I found myself drawing closer to the church community and to the people who felt like outcasts. A heart that was once hardened began yearning to see the lost and hurting restored to Christ. Looking back on those difficult moments today, I can truly say they were good for me. Those trials produced in me a deep love for God's people and an unbroken dedication to Him. I know He can do the exact same thing for anyone who believes.

John Sanders: (being baptized by Pastor Scott & Wife: Michele Sanders) I didn't realize how empty my life was before I accepted Jesus Christ as my Lord and savior. I always thought of myself as a Christian but really didn't know what that meant. My wife continued to pray for me for 35 years. One day I woke up and told her I was going to church with her. It was a huge turning point for me. I was instantly connected to the message of the gospel and how Pastor Scott delivered that message so that I understood the meaning. Every week I felt closer to God and the Holy Spirit. I have since been diagnosed with Cancer and my whole life changed. This is when I truly accepted Jesus Christ as my Savior. I have a whole congregation praying for me. I feel those prayers in my heart. I decided it was time to come forward and be saved. This was a huge turning point in my faith and my church. My wife and family along with Pastor Scott have been a huge part of my life with Christ. Getting baptized is the next step in my journey of faith.

Attica Van Buggenum: (being baptized by Pastor Scott & Father: Levi Van Buggenum) Before I asked Jesus into my life, I didn't feel loved. I wanted to have confidence in my life like my grandma and my parents have and wanted to have prayers that I know God hears and talks with me. I asked Christ into my heart, and I now have a peace and comfort that Christ loves me and walks with me every day.

Solomon Van Buggenum: (being baptized by Pastor Scott & Father: Levi Van Buggenum) I wanted to be bold and not to be scared of people, or things in life that can make me feel alone. When I accepted Jesus in my heart, he made me feel like I am not alone.

Lizzy Collins: (being baptized by Pastors Scott Lee & Chandler Lee) My family and I didn't grow up religious in any way. I always knew the Lord was there, but never knew why I needed to believe or put my faith in Him. School & Dance things got really hard for me. I started getting really stressed and anxious to the point where I was washing my hands out of stress to where they would bleed. I found my way to the Lord through a great friend named Mandy. She invited me to church one Sunday, & that changed everything for me. I even went through hard times after finding Christ, but He pushed me to get through them & is pushing me now to be a great human. My dad, Korby, and mom, Carol, come to church with me & nothing has ever made me feel more alive and heard than being in the presence of God in this amazing church.

Jandi Laffitte: (being baptized by Pastor Scott & Husband: Austin Laffitte) I was born and raised in the Mormon church, as such, I was baptized at 8 years old. As a young adult I left the Mormon church, but I went into a life full of sin and selfishness. God called me out of that lifestyle and was so merciful. He sent my husband to help lead me back to Him and He blessed us with a beautiful family. Yahweh has been revealing His true self to me over the last 16 years. The last 3 years my relationship with Jesus Christ has deepened my understanding of who He is and what He did for me on the cross. Galatians 3:26-27 says "for through faith you are all children of God in Christ Jesus. For those of you who were baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ." My faith that Jesus Christ saved and redeemed me so that I am now an adopted child of God. Now I want to get baptized as an outward sign of that faith, commitment to do my best to follow Christ, and to be clothed with Christ.

Violet Johlman: (being baptized by Pastor Scott, & Parents: Megan & Daniel Johlman) I want to get baptized because I love Jesus and I want to be an example for other people to love and follow Jesus.

Nora O'Dea: (being baptized by Scott Lee, & Father: Cody O'Dea) I want to follow Jesus and stay away from evil. I know Jesus gives eternal life and I will see Him in Heaven with all of the angels and also my cousin June. I want to thank my brother Logan for helping me and my dad to follow Jesus and now my dad is helping my mom follow Jesus. Jesus has helped me feel safe and loved and has made me want to help and love other people more. I believe now that all pets will go to Heaven which makes me feel happy because I know all my old animals are happy and not scared. We have an amazing pastor at this church and it is becoming a bigger church family. I love my cat, my two dogs, my family, my school, my 4th grade teacher, my church, and Jesus!

Shannon O'Dea: (being baptized by Pastors Scott Lee & Chandler Lee) When I was a child and throughout my early teens we went to church. When I was a little bit older, around 15 I started to get into trouble. It seemed like everyone did, all my friends even the church friends. I moved to California at 17 to visit my father I ended up wanting to stay because I resented the move from California in the 4th grade and always wanted to be back there. , My father was a Catholic but we didn't go to church. My stepmother was the wild type and took me to her friend's house where every weekend was a party. I met my friend group there and of course we all did the wrong thing. Not being around the right people my whole life I realized is what got me into trouble. I tried drugs, then risky behavior, all while claiming Christ but because he wasn't surrounding me I let the things of the world become normal and felt like it wasn't a big deal. I met the wrong man and moved to Missouri. Things got really bad. My mom had passed away so her influence was gone. I started to normalize his abusive behavior until I got a kick in the butt by God. I realized I needed to surround myself with the type of people I wanted to be like to keep my focus on the right things in life. So I moved back to Wyoming and wanted to attend church but took a job that didn't allow me to because I worked every Sunday morning and because of health problems I couldn't do evenings. With more time after no longer being at that job I got the invite to Nora's baptism and decided it was the best time for me to be rebaptized.

Isaac Harbour: (being baptized by Pastors Scott Lee & Chandler Lee) I view my life without Christ as a life devoid of any real fulfillment. Yes, there are earthly pleasures that temporarily satisfy me or serve as effective distractions from true purpose, but without a connection to God, it is all meaningless. I remember being 13 or 14 years old and returning home from Camp Bethel with my dad, David, and stepmom, Kristl. During the drive back, they asked me what the experience had been like and if I felt any different. I told them the camp had been a great time and that I had made the decision not only to accept Christ into my heart, but also to ask Him to always be a part of my life. I still remember Kristl's tearful reaction as she told me how proud she was of me and how excited she was at the prospect of me building a stronger relationship with God. As I found my way through my teenage years and early twenties, there were many times when I did not put God first or honor the commitment I had made to Him. Yet, through all my youthful ignorance and naivety, Christ always found a way to guide me if I was willing to meet Him. I credit my incredible parents for always setting a strong example of what it means to honor God and live a good life. Without their wisdom and character, I do not believe the path toward having a relationship with our Savior would have been so clear. Christ, in my life, is my sense of truth. He holds me accountable for what is right and what is wrong. He gives me true purpose and the strength to overcome the hardships we all face in life. He has never given up on me, and through baptism, I am choosing to live with greater commitment to Him.