

# “Blessed are...”

From that time on Jesus began to preach, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven<sup>1</sup> is near."  
**The Calling of the First Disciples**  
4:18-22pp — Mt 1:16-20; Lk 5:2-11; Jn 1:35-42

As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee,<sup>1</sup> he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter<sup>2</sup> and his brother Andrew.<sup>3</sup> They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen.<sup>4</sup> "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men."<sup>5</sup> At once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John.<sup>6</sup> They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them,<sup>7</sup> and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee,<sup>8</sup> teaching in their synagogues,<sup>9</sup> and sickness among the people.<sup>10</sup> News about him spread all over Syria,<sup>11</sup> and people brought him all who were ill with various diseases, those suffering severe pain, those who were demon-possessed,<sup>12</sup> those having seizures,<sup>13</sup> and the paralyzed,<sup>14</sup> and he healed them.<sup>15</sup> Large crowds from Galilee, the Decapolis,<sup>16</sup> Jerusalem, Judea and the region across the Jordan followed him.

**The Beatitudes**  
5:1-12pp — Lk 6:20-23

Now when he saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them, saying:

- Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
- Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
- Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
- Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.
- Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
- Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God.
- Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and

**Adultery**  
falsely say all kinds of glad,<sup>1</sup> because great is persecuted the prophet

**Salt and Light**  
You are the salt of the earth. If the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It will be thrown out and trampled and trodden by men.  
You are the light of the world. As long as you have the light, you must let it shine before others, so that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.

**The Fulfillment of the Law**  
Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. For I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law, and everything is accomplished. But whoever neglects even the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the Kingdom of heaven. But whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the Kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the Kingdom of heaven.

**Murder**  
You have heard that it was said, "Whoever murders his brother is liable to judgment." Again, anyone who says to his brother, "Raca," is liable to judgment. But anyone who says, "You fool," is liable to the Sanhedrin. But anyone who says, "You fool," is liable to the fire of hell.

Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar, and you remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift. Do not settle matters quickly with your opponent while you are still with him in court, or you may be thrown into prison. I tell you, you will not be able to pay the last penny.

**Adultery**  
You have heard that it was said, "Do not commit adultery." But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

What does Jesus mean by "blessed?"

"Blessed Are . . ."  
Matthew 5-7  
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# SNY

SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH

Sunday Nights | 6:00-8:00

## young at heart

Aug 16 | 10A  
Fireside Room



Guest Speaker - Gabriel David  
Former BCCAnderson Member from Israel  
*All seniors are welcome & invited!*

## BCC kids FAMILY CAMPFIRE NIGHT

for families with kids 6th grade & younger

8/16 | 6-8:30P | BCC BARN

*firepits for s'mores & hotdogs\**

*families bring chairs & chips/dessert*

*(\*hotdogs, buns, drinks, & s'mores supplied by church)*



# THIS WEEK AT BCGGANDERSON

## **TODAY, July 28**

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
Worship
- 10:30 a.m. Sunday School  
Worship

## **MONDAY, July 29**

- 6:30 p.m. Playoff Games for Softball

## **TUESDAY, July 30**

- 6:30 p.m. Playoff Games for Softball

## **WEDNESDAY, July 31**

- 10:00 a.m. Bibles & Bagels Youth Bible Study (7th - 12th)
- 6:30 p.m. Anderson Christian Martial Arts (8 yrs & up)
- 7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study

## **THURSDAY, August 1**

- 6:30 p.m. BCC Coed Softball vs. Mercy Rd @ Bethany

## **FRIDAY, August 2**

## **SATURDAY, August 3**

- 9:00 a.m. Grace Marriage

## **SUNDAY, August 4**

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
Worship
- 10:30 a.m. Sunday School  
Worship
- 12:00 p.m. Youth Volunteer Training

## OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **VBS Food Dishes:** If you brought food to VBS and left your dish behind, please check the table in the Atrium today! We have a few more dishes we would love to get back to their owners. Thank you!
- **BCC Students (7th-12th):** Mark your calendars for Sunday, **August 11!** This will be our Sunday Night Youth Kickoff from 6-8 p.m. Hope to see everyone there!
- **Young At Heart** will be meeting Friday, **August 16**, at 10:00 a.m. in the Fireside Room. Gabriel David, former BCC member from Israel, will be the guest speaker. Please enter through the North Entrance, Door #7.
- **BCC Kids & Family Campfire Night** will be Friday, **August 16**, from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. for families with kids 6th grade and younger. Meet at the BCC Barn & Firepit for s'mores and hot dogs. Hot dogs, buns, drinks, and s'mores will be provided. Families please bring your lawn chairs and either chips or a dessert. If you have any questions contact Rachel Ohmes at the church office.
- **Bethany Will Be Hosting A Blood Drive** on Tuesday, **August 20**, from 2-6 p.m. in the Friendship Room. We hope we can count on you to donate blood! Your lifesaving donation today, can save up to three lives tomorrow. To sign up, go to [bccanderson.org/blooddrive](http://bccanderson.org/blooddrive).
- **Mahoning Valley Camp Mowing Day:** We need volunteers that would be willing to mow the Mahoning Valley Christian Service Camp in Rushville on Saturday, **August 24**. This is where our youth have been going to camp the past few years. There are 20-25 acres to mow, so as many as we can have join the team, the better! You can sign up in the Atrium, or online at [bccanderson.org/mvmowing](http://bccanderson.org/mvmowing).
- **All Church Picnic** will be Sunday, **August 25**, at 4:30 p.m. (eat at 5) at Beulah Park in Alexandria. Bring a side/dessert (or 2) to share and your favorite yard or table game! Bethany will provide fried chicken, water, and dinnerware. Sign up at Connecting Point or online at [bccanderson.org/churchpicnic](http://bccanderson.org/churchpicnic).

### **PRAYER CONCERNS:**

#### **Our Congratulations To:**

Brandon & Vanessa Crawford on the birth of their son, Callan Charles Crawford, on 7/19.

#### **Our Sympathy To:**

Greg (Jill) Stephenson, and Alexa (Chad) Norris on the death of their nephew and cousin, Logan Ingle, on 7/23.



If you are new to Bethany, have a prayer request to share, recently changed contact information, have questions about Jesus, volunteering, or more—***we want to connect with you!*** Simply open your smart phone's camera app and point it here or navigate to [www.bccanderson.org/connect](http://www.bccanderson.org/connect)