# January Events

7 Youth Ministry and God's Backyard Team Meetings Shaun Mitchell and Ryan Ouellette will be meeting with their respective teams in the ministry rooms.

## 9-10 Weekly Bible Studies Begin

Tuesdays or Wednesdays, 7-8pm. See Bob Bragdon, Mike Trask or Ray Pouliot for more information.

# 14 Name Tag Sunday

Next Sunday, we will have name tags in the back of the sanctuary for you to wear so we can all get to know one another.

## 20 Ladies' Ministry, 9:15am

If you would like to know more, contact Loni Bragdon, Heather Biron, or one of the other ladies on the ministry team.

### 21 New Members Workshop

If you are interested in learning more about Bedford Road and possibly joining the covenant membership, see Ray Pouliot.

**Lord's Table Devotion Team Meeting, after worship**See Jim MacDuff for more information.

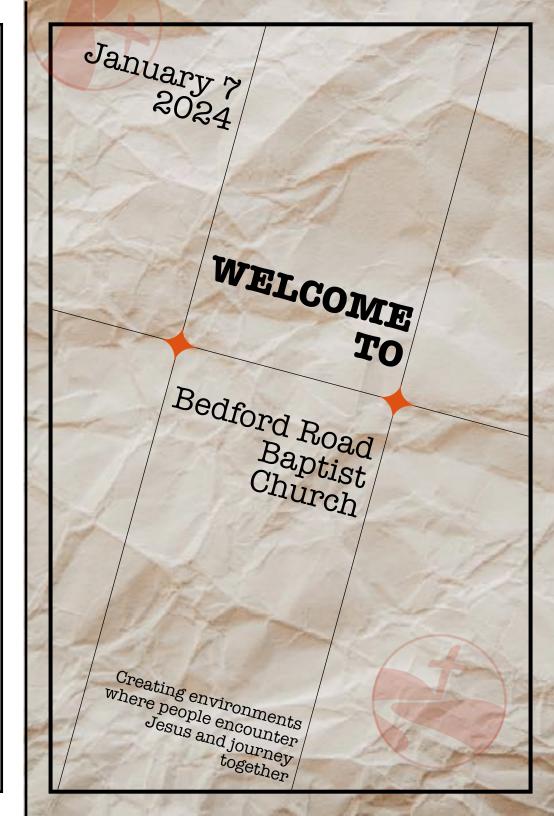
Detailed announcements are available via email. Sign up on the website or by sending us a message at info@bedfordroad.org.

# Financial Summary

**2024 Budget** \$248,545 **Weekly Budget** \$4,780

You can give via the offering box in the back of the sanctuary, via mail, or online at bedfordroad.org/giving.

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# Today's Worship

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- Elder Installation -

"Nobody"

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"Come Jesus Come"

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- Lord's Table -

"Amazing Grace"

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- Exploring the Scriptures Together -

To aid others in worship, we ask that you please silence all electronic devices for the entirety of the gathering.

# Biblical Eldership

This morning, we will be installing Jim MacDuff as an elder in our congregation. This is an important moment because biblically, a community of elders oversees the congregation (1 Tim 3:1-7, 4:14, 5:17–19; Titus 1:5; James 5:14; 1 Pet 5:1-6). We believe church leadership is not for temporal advantage but for spiritual growth and peace, and so we take great care in bringing new elders on board. Jim has shown himself to be a qualified and called leader.

An elder-led congregation functions based on spirit-directed consensus and community rather than organizational hierarchy and structural demands (Acts 1:15–26, 11:29–30, 15:22; 1 Tim 5:17–22). The elders are the shepherds (leaders and caregivers) of the congregation. The teaching pastor is a member of the elder community who the congregation has recognized as called and equipped for vocational ministry. They appoint ministry leaders (Gk. *diakonos*) to handle specific tasks, and they present matters to the congregation for consideration and affirmation.

# Exploring the Scriptures

# "The Last Prophet"

(Matthew 3:3-6)

The Big Idea:		

Nursery is provided 9:45-11:30am for children ages 0-3. God's Backyard, our program for children ages 4-10, is on a holiday break.

# Trust in You

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### **VERSE 1**

Letting go of every single dream I lay each one down at Your feet Every moment of my wondering Never changes what You see

#### VERSE 2

I've tried to win this war I confess
My hands are weary I need Your rest
Mighty warrior King of the fight
No matter what I face You're by my side

#### **CHORUS**

When You don't move the mountains, I'm needing You to move When You don't part the waters, I wish I could walk through When You don't give the answers, As I cry out to You I will trust, I will trust, I will trust in You

#### VERSE 3

Truth is You know what tomorrow brings
There's not a day ahead You have not seen
So in all things be my life and breath
I want what You want Lord and nothing less

### **BRIDGE**

You are my strength and comfort You are my steady hand You are my firm foundation The Rock on which I stand

Your ways are always higher Your plans are always good There's not a place where I'll go You've not already stood

# Nobody

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#### VERSE 1

Why You ever chose me has always been a mystery
All my life I've been told I belong at the end of the line
With all the other Not-Quites
With all the Never-Get-It-Rights
But it turns out they're the ones
You were looking for all this time

#### **CHORUS**

'Cause I'm just a nobody tryin' to tell everybody
Well all about Somebody Who saved my soul
Ever since You rescued me,
You gave my heart a song to sing
I'm living for the world to see nobody but Jesus
I'm living for the world to see nobody but Jesus

## **VERSE 2**

Well Moses had stage fright
And David brought a rock to a sword fight
You picked twelve outsiders nobody would've chosen
And You changed the world
Well the moral of the story is everybody's got a purpose
So when I hear that devil start talking to me saying,
"Who do you think you are?" I say

#### **BRIDGE**

So let me go down down in history
As another blood-bought, faithful member of the family
And if they all forget my name, well that's fine with me
I'm living for the world to see nobody but Jesus

# Come, Jesus, Come

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### **VERSE 1**

Sometimes I fall to my knees and pray Come Jesus come, let today be the day Sometimes I feel like I'm gonna break But I'm holding on to a hope that won't fade

#### **CHORUS**

Come, Jesus, come! We've been waiting so long
For the day You return to heal every hurt
And right every wrong
We need You right now. Come and turn this around
Deep down I know this world isn't home
Come, Jesus, come. Come, Jesus, come

### **VERSE 2**

There'll be no war and there'll be no chains
When Jesus comes let today be the day
He'll come for the weak and the strong just the same
And all will believe in the power of His name

#### VERSE 3

One day He'll come and we'll stand face to face Come and lay it all down 'cause it might be today The time is right now. There's no need to wait. Your past will be washed by rivers of grace

# **Amazing Grace**

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## **VERSE 1**

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now am found
Was blind but now I see

## **VERSE 2**

Twas grace that taught my heart to fear And grace my fears relieved How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed

### **VERSE 3**

The Lord has promised good to me His Word my hope secures He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures

#### **VERSE 4**

Through many dangers toils and snares
I have already come
Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far
And grace will lead me home

#### VERSE 5

Yea when this flesh and heart shall fail And mortal life shall cease I shall possess within the veil A life of joy and peace

#### VERSE 6

When we've been there ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun