

Exploring the Scriptures

“To Swear”

(Matthew 5:33–36)

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The Big Idea:

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Welcome to

BEDFORD ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

Today's Worship

"Amazing Grace" (343)

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"In Christ Alone"

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- Lord's Table -

Followed by "The Doxology"

"My Hope is in the Lord" (540)

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"Blessed Assurance" (572)

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- Exploring the Scriptures Together -

Children's Church will be dismissed before the message.

A Note about Coming Weeks

As our congregation grows, there are always challenges to be faced. Last week, we mentioned that we are moving rooms around in the education wing. Thank you for your patience as we adjust. We should have the nursery relocated in the next week or two, and it should be ready for Resurrection Sunday.

We are averaging around 110–115, but the next two weeks we may have a lot more! With about 200 seats in our sanctuary, our "comfortable capacity" is around 160. (Just think how different a flight feels when there are empty seats around.)

How can you help on Sunday morning? If you're sitting in a row with people you know, slide down to leave the open seats near the aisles. If you usually sit in the back, consider shifting forward a row or two. Consider hanging coats up and storing your things under the seat, rather than on the seat next to you. Most importantly, if someone new or unfamiliar sits near you, be hospitable. If we all work together, we can make everyone feel welcome in our worship gatherings!

Upcoming Events

March

- 17 Class 101, after worship gathering (sign up in the foyer)
- 23 Southern NH Rescue Mission (sign up in the foyer)
- 29 Good Friday Service, 7:00pm
- 31 Resurrection Sunday

April

- 6 Southern NH Rescue Mission (sign up in the foyer)
- 20 Ladies' Ministry, 9:15am
- 27 Southern NH Rescue Mission (sign up in the foyer)

May

- 12 Mother's Day
- 19 Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting, after worship

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

Regular Ministries

Family Ministries:

Nursery: 9:45–11:30am every Sunday (ages 0–3)

Children's Church: Sunday except the 1st (ages 4–10)

Youth Group: Wednesdays, 7–8:30pm (grades 6–12)

Connection and Study Groups

Weekly Bible Studies: Tuesday and Wednesday, 7–8pm

Ladies' Ministry: 3rd Saturday of the month, Sept–April

Men's Breakfast: Next meeting is March 9, 9am

Local Outreach

SNH Rescue Mission: 1st and 4th Saturdays of the month

Women's Prison Ministry: Weekly, see Sandy Misshula

Financial Summary

2024 Budget	\$248,545	Budget to Date	\$47,797
Weekly Budget	\$4,780	Offerings to Date	\$48,570