



Spring **Connection Guide**

2024





BEREAN
— BAPTIST CHURCH —

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WELCOME!

We are a community of Christ followers enjoying God together, growing in grace and truth, and taking life in Christ to the heart of Ohio and beyond.

Join us Sundays at 9:15 or 11am

Welcome! We are excited that you want to know more about areas you can connect at Berean. We firmly believe that God wants you planted in a Christian community where you can serve and grow. It's our hope that we can be that community for you. May God bless you as you seek to know Him more! -Pastor Dan

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Get Connected



God calls us to live as disciples in community and we would love to help you connect and take your next steps.

New Here?

We would love to meet you, learn your name, and hear your story.

There are two ways to connect:

- ☐ On any Sunday stop by our Connection Center in the lobby
- ☐ Fill out our online contact card

Connection Lunch

Are you newer to Berean and excited to meet our incredible staff?

Bring your family and join us for pizza at our Connection Lunch on Sunday, April 7 at 12:30pm in the Student Center.

Next Steps Class

If you would like to learn more about taking your next steps with us, we invite you to join us for our upcoming Next Steps Class beginning Sunday, April 14 at 9:15am in room 213.

Join a Group

We believe every person, no matter their stage of life or growth, needs to be part of a group. We have groups for all ages and seasons of life. Some groups meet onsite on Sunday mornings and others meet throughout the week in homes.



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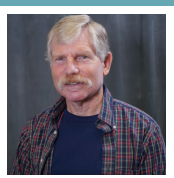
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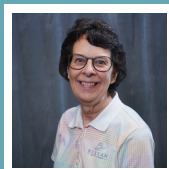
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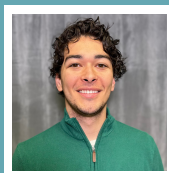
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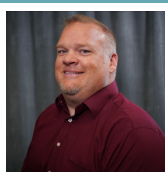
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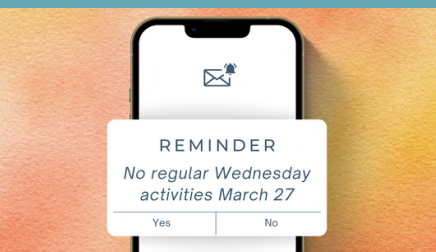
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Events at a glance



Senior Fun & Fellowship

Come join us for an afternoon of games at our Senior Fun & Fellowship.



No Berean Wednesdays

There will be no regular Wednesday activities on March 27 as we prepare for Easter.



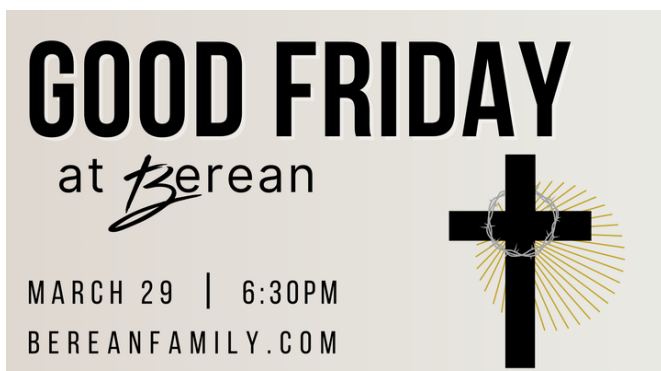
Family Prayer & Worship Night

Join us for a night of prayer and worship.



Berean Students Spring Break Bash

Open to 6th-12th graders.
\$5 per person- pizza included!



Good Friday Communion Service

Join us as we come together as a community and remember the ultimate act of love that was demonstrated on the cross.
Childcare available for pre-k and nursery.

EASTER

at *B*erean



MARCH 31 | 9:15 OR 11AM
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Join us at 9:15 or 11am as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus!
Full Berean Kids available both services.

CONNECTION LUNCH

Sunday, April 7
12:30pm
Student Center



Connection Lunch

Newer to Berean and want to meet some of the pastors and staff?
Bring the family and join us for lunch!



NEXT STEPS

Growth Class

Beginning Sunday, April 14
9:15am
Room 213



Next Steps Class

Want to know more about Berean and your next steps with us?
Join us for this class!

LAST NIGHT OF WEDNESDAYS AT BEREAN

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15



Last Night!

You won't want to miss the last night of Wednesdays at Berean until fall!
End of the Year Parties for Kids & Students! Last night of Life on Mission for adults.



More event details here



Berean Kids VBS

Your kids will take part in an epic adventure through the Bible, discover its truth, and learn to connect it to their life.

Churchwide



MARCH

Family Prayer & Worship Night

Sunday, March 3, 6:30pm
Chapel

Senior Fun & Fellowship

Thursday, March 7 & 21, 1:00pm
Cafe

No Regular Wednesday Activities

Wednesday, March 27

Berean Students Spring Break Bash

Wednesday, March 27
6:30pm

Good Friday Service

Friday, March 29, 6:30pm
Sanctuary

Easter at Berean

Sunday, March 31
9:15 & 11am



More event details [here](#)



APRIL

Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, April 2
Gym

Connection Lunch

Sunday, April 7, 12:30pm
Student Center

The Gospel of Mark

New Sermon Series
Beginning April 7

Next Steps Class

Beginning Sunday, April 14, 9:15am
Room 213

5th & 6th Grade Game Night

Friday, April 19, 6:30pm
Student Center



MAY

Berean Students End of the Year Party

Wednesday, May 15, 6:30pm
Student Center

Berean Kids End of the Year Party

Wednesday, May 15, 6:30pm
Berean Kids Area

Last Wednesday at Berean

(Until fall)
Wednesday, May 15, 6:30pm

Quarterly Business Meeting

Sunday, May 19, 6:30pm

Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, May 28



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B BEREAN KIDS

Birth-5th Grade

Sundays at 9:15 & 11am

Wednesdays at 6:30pm



Berean Kids exists to partner with your family in discipling the next generation of Jesus-followers. We gather for kids to enjoy God together, grow in grace and truth, and to tell others about life in Christ.



Adventure Club -

"Glow in the Dark"

February 28, March 6, 13 & 20

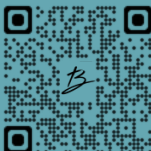
When the world was in darkness, Jesus came to be the light of the world! In this four-week series through the Gospels, we'll follow Jesus' life leading up to Easter to see how He can shine His light in our lives. With blacklight games, glow giveaways and other surprises, your kids won't want to miss it!

Adventure Club - Small Group Night

April 17

Small group...big fun!

Kids will spend the evening in their grade-level small groups for prayer, games, activities and much more.



Full Berean Kids details here



5th & 6th Grade Game Night Friday, April 19

Join us for this night of fun and games for 5th & 6th graders ONLY! This is a great night for 5th graders to begin connecting with Berean Students and a great time for all of our youngest students to connect!

Adventure Club - End of the Year Party May 15

Let's end the year in style! We will celebrate all God has done this year in Adventure Club. Challenge games, prize drawings, party snacks and a special large group teaching time will make this a night your kids will love! Don't miss it!



Berean Kids VBS June 17-20

Grab your binoculars and put on a life vest! We are heading out on a cruise through the jungle! Your kids will take part in an epic adventure through the Bible, discover its truth, and learn to connect it to their life. Clear your calendar and tell your friends!



STUDENTS

6th-12th Grade

Sundays at 9:15

Wednesdays at 6:30pm

Leader Meeting Sunday, March 10

For all Berean Student leaders. Lunch provided!

Spring Break Bash! March 27, 6-9pm

You are not going to want to miss our SPRING BREAK BASH!! We'll be having a 5v5 basketball tournament, Smash Bros tournament, pizza, nerf war, board games, and some great giveaways! Put it on your calendars, invite your friends, it's going to be a great night! \$5 entry (pizza included)!



5th & 6th Grade Game Night Friday, April 19

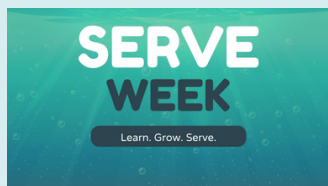
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Senior Night Wednesday, May 8

Seniors, don't miss this night of celebration of the class of 2024!

**End of the Year Party
May 15**

Mark your calendars!



Serve Week June 17-20

Join our VBS serve team and have an amazing week of ministry as we help lead our Berean Kids VBS.

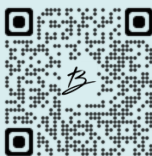
Student Camp July 21-26

This summer we are going back to Camp Otyokwah for a week of fun, friends, and discipleship. This week is open to all 6-12th graders and will be a week you will not want to miss!



GROW. GATHER. GO.

We GATHER together to enjoy God together, we GROW in grace and truth through the study of the Word and small group time, and GO into the world to be a light in the heart of Ohio and beyond.



Full Berean Student details here

B ADULTS

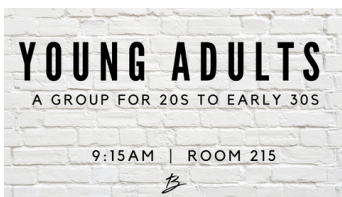


Groups

Doing life in Christ together

God calls us to live as disciples in community and we would love to help you find a group that is right for you! We believe every person, no matter their stage of life or growth, needs to be part of a group. We have groups for all ages and seasons of life. Some groups meet onsite on Sunday mornings and others meet throughout the week in homes.

Here are a few of our onsite Groups:



Young Adults **Sundays at 9:15am**

Our aim is to foster a community of like-minded individuals, sharing in fellowship and growing together in grace and truth.

SonRisers **Sundays at 8:00am**

Join us for an engaging Bible study and discussion over coffee, where we explore timeless truths and exchange insights on faith.

Scripture Fellowship **Wednesdays at 9:30am**

Join this Group of senior adults as they study God's Word together.

The Power of Prayer **Wednesdays at 6:30pm**

For anointing, please arrive at 6:10pm.

You can check out all of our Groups through our Group Finder with the QR code or we can personally help you through the process! Reach out to us at info@bereanfamily.com or stop by the Connection Corner in the lobby on Sundays.

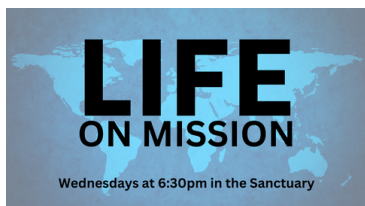


We were made for
community



Growth Classes

Learning and growing together



Life on Mission

**Wednesdays at 6:30pm
(through May 15)**

Dive deeper into your faith journey with our "Life on Mission" growth class and be equipped and encouraged to live a Great Commission Life.

Next Steps Class

Beginning Sunday, April 14

If you're newer to Berean and would like to learn more about taking your next steps with us, we invite you to join us!

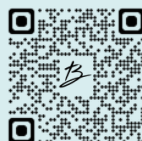


Grief Share

Wednesdays at 4:30pm

This GriefShare support group is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief.

We offer both Groups and Growth Classes for adults to experience community and life transformation.



SERVE with us



The healthiest church is an every member functioning church.

From loving and teaching children in Berean Kids, to visiting a widow or shut-in, to using your musical ability to lead the church in worship we have a spot for you. Explore these opportunities below!

Berean Kids & Students

Want to have an impact on the next generation of the Church? Serve with Berean Kids or Students! From nursery to high school, teachers, helpers or small group leaders, there is an opportunity for you to serve!



Hospitality

There are lots of opportunities to serve with hospitality! Connection Center, greeters, cafe, safety team, shut-in visitation and more!

Foster Care

Berean is committed to supporting the foster families within our congregation. These teams help provide meals, childcare, transportation and other opportunities as they arise.

Worship

From vocals to band members, camera operator to video or photography, we would love for you to use your gifts on the worship team!



[More details here](#)





WHO WE ARE

We are a community of Christ followers enjoying God together, growing in grace and truth, and taking life in Christ to the heart of Ohio and beyond.

DIG DEEPER INTO OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Enjoying God

We believe that the most important thing in life, the chief end of man, is to glorify God by enjoying Him forever. As a community of Christ followers we long to enjoy God together. We do this through a personal pursuit of Jesus everyday of our lives as we seek to grow closer to our Savior. We also enjoy God through our corporate gatherings on Sunday.

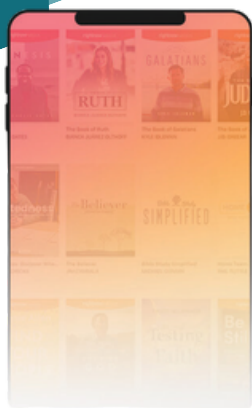
Growing in Grace and Truth

Healthy communities find an important tension between both grace and truth. We are inviting and welcoming, knowing that the ground is level at the foot of the cross. Every single one of us, no matter our story, is in need of God's grace found in Jesus. God calls us to speak the truth in love to one another, and this is the primary way we are built up to become more like Christ. The best environment for this is a smaller group where you can be known and loved and build a relationship where the truth can be spoken with grace.

Taking Life in Christ to the Heart of Ohio and Beyond

The Church is a sent people. We are not called to keep the good news of Jesus to ourselves but to share it with the world. Every believer is called to serve in and outside of the Church to show and share Jesus.





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