

We exist to proclaim the excellencies  
of Jesus Christ in word and deed,  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
for the glory of God the Father



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### **Beacon Connect**

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### **Prelude**

### **Call To Worship**

### **Congregational Worship**

*Christ Our Hope in Life and Death*

Mauflin/Getty/Boswell/Papa/Merl

*We Come O Christ to You*

Clarks

### **Pastoral Reading & Prayer**

### **Parent / Child Dedication**

### **Congregational Worship**

*He Knows My Name*

*Walk*

*How Deep The Father's Love For Us*

*Towne*

### **Offertory**

*Because He Lives*

Gaither/Gaith

### **Sermon**

Pastor Stephen Long

### **Congregational Worship**

*In Christ Alone*

Getty/Towne

### **Benediction**

# leadership

Any of our church leaders stand ready to talk with you or answer your questions! Please feel free to contact any of us with questions, comments, ideas, or feedback. Email: [info@beaconforthecity.org](mailto:info@beaconforthecity.org)

**Elders:** Pastor Stephen Lonetti,  
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Jeremiah Johnson, Ben Olsen, Dave Pederson,  
Michael Pelton, Jonah White  
**Facility Manager:** Ben Olsen  
**Event Administrator:** Brandyn Dykstra

## this week

### Wednesday

Adventure Club 6:30-8:30 pm  
Women's Bible Study 6:30-8:30 pm

### Friday

Friday Night Prayer 6:30 pm

### Saturday

First Responders Training 10 am-2 pm

### Next Sunday

Sunday School/Fellowship Groups 9:00 am  
Worship Service 10:30 am  
Communion  
Deacon's Fund Offering  
Love Feast  
Evening Service 6:00 pm

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# announcements

## TODAY A SEPARATE OFFERING:

Today we will take a separate offering to show our support to the family who lost 4 children in the house fire last week. Please use this opportunity to show we care.

## SUNDAY NIGHT SERIES ON BIBLICAL COUNSELING:

Dave Pederson will help people understand the difference between psychological therapy, psychiatry, Biblical Counseling, and why it matters. He will also explain contemporary counseling models. Join us for a time of teaching and prayer every Sunday at 6:00 pm.

## ATTENTION ABLE-BODIED WOMEN:

Our church has been blessed with growth in the infant and toddler area. This growth has opened up an area of ministry for the women in our church. We NEED 5 additional workers that will enable volunteers to serve only 1x per month. If you are an able-bodied woman, of any age, would you prayerfully consider helping us to fill this NEED. Please see Brigetta Somerville, if you want to serve in this important ministry.

## MARCH FOR LIFE:

The MCCL will hold it's annual March For Life, Monday, January 22, 12:00-1:00 pm, at the Minnesota Capitol. If you're interested in attending with others from Beacon please see Katie Dykstra or Barb Stone.

## FRIDAY NIGHT PRAYER MEETINGS:

For those of you desiring a longer time of prayer, please join us every other Friday night as we gather to pray. Each meeting we call to God for a specific topic, as well as lifting up the needs of each other and those we know. This Friday's meeting will start at 6:30 pm. We meet every other week. Contact Glenn Larson or Sai Tho for more information.

## BEACON FIRST RESPONDERS TRAINING EVENT — EMBRACE the DEFIBRILLATOR:

Start time: 930 am coffee, training 10am - 2pm, Saturday, January 27.

## LOVE FEAST NEXT SUNDAY:

Next SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, will be the first Love Feast of 2024, following the morning service. This is a time for food, fellowship, and fun. Each family is asked to bring enough food for their family and some to share. Beverages are provided.

# sermon notes

## THE SANCTITY OF LIFE

ISAIAH 29:15-16

### I GOD: GIVER & SUSTAINER OF LIFE

### II LIFE BEGINS AT CONCEPTION

### III GOD CARES FOR THE INNOCENT & HELPLESS

### IV. HOPE IS IN THE GOSPEL