

## **BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CENTER**

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### **THE LORD'S DAY**

August 28, 2016 8:30 AM & 10:15 AM

#### **PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

Organ Prelude Carol Dammann  
Piano Wendy Baldwin  
Announcements Ron Mock

#### **MEDITATION**

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"Glory Be to the Father"

Hymn 813

Scripture Reading and Prayer

Psalm 24 & 25

Hymn 11 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Pastoral Prayer

Hymns 87, 88 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

Message Jesus Is Always Sovereign

John 18:1-11

Pastor Cal VanderMey

Hymn 526

"The Solid Rock"

Benediction

#### **THE MINISTRY OF MISSION**

For the glory of God, Bible Fellowship Center is committed to spreading the Good News of salvation, equipping the believers, that they might become more Christ-like, worship God and enjoy Him forever.

#### **THIS WEEK'S EVENTS**

Youth Group Monday 6:30-8pm. Ages 8 and up

Hour of Prayer beginning Next Monday 7pm

No Precept class on Tuesday with Wendy Baldwin at 6:30pm

Adult Bible study Friday at 7pm - John Woodell leading

Sunday messages are available online, CD or e-mail. See Bill Schultz

\*The offering box is located in the back of the sanctuary\*

BFC Multipurpose/Utility Building \$31,400 to complete-received \$27,575

Missions Corner: Collecting School Supplies for children in Niagara Falls

Thank you to all our VBS workers!!!

Thank you to all for a wonderful church picnic!!!

We rejoice with those who were baptized last Sunday!!!

Gail Morris

Lori A. Smith

Sienna Potenza

Kristina Potenza

Vanessa Smith

Michael Sole

Ava Sole

Eric Bisantz

Mike Boerschig

Ephesians 6:10-11

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

I find comfort in the fact that the words "Be strong" are in the Passive Voice in Greek and would thus better be translated: Be made strong. It is a comfort because it is a recognition that we cannot do it ourselves. That understanding is amplified in the next verse where Paul says that the whole armor of God is the believer's protection against evil and the Evil One. Paul will discuss each aspect of the armor in this chapter, and go through them according to the order in which the various pieces were put on.

Satan's subtle tricks to derail believers from growth in the Christian life are called the "wiles of the devil." This reminds us of the section in II Corinthians 10-11 that speaks of the warfare that we face with the devil. The devil tells you to think over your commitment to Christ, the devil tells you that you need all your money, and the devil discourages you from witnessing for Christ. Stand strong in the face of the wiles of the devil with the strength that only God can impart through the spiritual armor.