

## BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CENTER

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### THE LORD'S DAY

October 16, 2016 8:30 AM & 10:15AM

### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Organ Prelude Carol Dammann  
Piano Wendy Baldwin  
Announcements Ron Mock

### MEDITATION

Jonah - opposite page

Hymn 815	"Doxology"	
Prayer and Scripture Reading		Psalm 47
Hymn 372	"Our God Reigns"	
Pastoral Prayer		
Special Music	"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"	Leean Bouchard
Hymn 572	"Blessed Assurance"	
Message	"IT IS FINISHED"	
	John 19:30	Pastor Cal VanderMey
Hymn 329	"There Is Power in the Blood"	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  
Tuesday Precept class with Wendy Baldwin at 6:30pm  
Tuesday Bible study: The book of Jude at 7pm - Pastor Cal  
Wednesday Men's Bible study at 9:00am - Jim O'Rourke  
Thursday precept class on Romans at 9:15am with Margaret Was  
Ladies fellowship and prayer time Thursday at 10am-Elsa Peters  
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 \$30,090  
Missions Corner: Yes: We received another 8620 big tubes of toothpaste!  
288 tubes were delivered to Swaziland, Africa. Glory to God  
Chowder fest and bon fire 6pm Friday October 21<sup>st</sup> Please bring a desert!!!  
October 29<sup>th</sup> Saturday, We will be hosting an E1M Church Service for those  
with special needs and disabilities from 6:30-8pm  
All Are Welcome!!!

"Forthtelling" and "Foretelling"

All of the Minor Prophets deal with sin, warning of judgment, and God's Good News of redemption. This is forthtelling—telling the truth. While we see much that would be considered harsh in the Minor Prophets, let us never lose sight of the irrepressible love of God to sinful men, the perseverance of His grace; His mercies that follow the exile; and the hope of the Savior of mankind.

As for "foretelling, the utterances of the prophets centered around four points of history: their own times moving them toward punishment; the threatened captivities of the Northern Kingdom by Assyria and the Southern Kingdom by Babylon and the eventual restoration back to the land; the coming of the Messiah; and the reign of the Messiah as King. They foretold the future not to satisfy curiosity, but to cause people to repent.

"Jonah's Place as a Prophet"

The traditional view is that Jonah wrote this book about himself. Like Moses and others who recorded events in the third person, Jonah can definitely be the author. The book was written toward the end of Jonah's career around 770 B.C.

The style of Jonah is biographical narrative, similar to the stories of Elijah and Elisha, and Jonah would have followed after them. Hidden in the historical account is a predictive as well as typical purpose. That is shown in the story of Jonah and the great fish.

This prefigured Christ's burial and resurrection—three days in the belly of the whale. Jesus mentions this in Matthew 12:39-41. In the Old Testament, God's people would not have understood this from reading the book—only after the coming of Christ in the New Testament.