

Gather, Grow, & GO

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Connecting people to Jesus as we gather, grow, and go.

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Church Office Hours

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Mission

Connecting children and families to Jesus as we gather, grow, and go.

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FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR SCHULTZ

Returning August 20: Family of Faith Night!

Family of Faith Night begins on Wednesday evening starting August 20. Dinner will be served from 5:30-6:15 pm. And faith enrichment for all ages will be from 6:30-7:30 pm (Confirmation and Pre-confirmation begin at 6 pm). Please feel free to invite guests to be a part of these Family of Faith Nights.

Here is what is being offered this Fall:

1. Pre-K - kindergarten (Meet from 6:30-7:30 pm) (Looking for parent) grandparent for a substitute list)

> Kids will engage in Bible and devotion time, fun and games, mission, and craft projects.

2. 1st to 4th Grade (Meet from 6:30-7:30 pm) (Looking for parent/grandparent for a substitute list)

> Kids will engage in Bible and devotion time, fun and games, mission, and craft projects.

3. 5th & 6th Grade Pre-Confirmation (Meet from 6:00-7:30 pm)

This class, led by Vicar Wilson, will help kids learn the *story* of the Bible by walking through God's plan of salvation in the New Testament.

4. 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation (Meet from 6:00-7:30 pm)

This class, led by Pastor Schultz, will cover the Apostles' Creed, Baptism, Confession, and the Lord's Supper as described in Luther's Small Catechism.

5. High School (Meet from 6:30-7:30 pm)

High School kids, led by Pastor Ada, will meet for devotion, fellowship, and games.

- **6. Adults** (Meet from 6:30-7:30 pm)
 - a. Any Adults, *The Gospel of John*. This Bible Study walks through the Book of John as you will encounter the many "I Am"

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PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH



Please contact the Church office to add a request and when a prayer can be removed.



Serving stateside:

- ★ Lt. Cmdr. Michele Kerns (D.C.)
- ★ SGT, Casin Down-Wilson (KSARNG)
- ★ SGT Jacob Mattern (26th Special Tactics Squadron)
- ★ Caleb Schempp (KS ANG)
- ★ FSG Brandon Seutter (KS Army Recruiter)
- ★ SPC, Nathan Wibe (KSARNG)



For those dealing with long-term illness and health concerns:

- Patty Allen (cancer)
- Brad Alyea (cancer)
- Tonya Baker (cancer)
- Mandy Bender (cancer)
- Jeff Beverstock (cancer)
- Rev. Bryan Drebes (cancer)
- Carroll Dudley (cancer)
- Wanda Fisher (cancer)
- Brad Gellerstedt (cancer)
- Maya Goudy (cancer)
- Matt Griffith (cancer)
- Michelle Held (cancer)
- Michelle Hill (cancer)
- John Huss (brain cancer)
- Levi Hutcheson (birth trauma)
- Brian Jenkins (cancer)
- Beth Johnson (cancer)
- Lauren Kandt (cancer)
- Linda Knight (cancer)
- Stephen Koontz (cancer)
- Marilyn Kucks (cancer)
- Karen Kuhn (cancer)

- Judy Landall (cancer)
- John Mahnken (cancer)
- Bonnie Malloch (cancer)
- Lorette Marsh (cancer)
- Bill Marshall (cancer)
- Susan Mountain (cancer)
- Melissa Nesemeier (cancer)
- Edna Pitts (cancer)
- Lori Russel (cancer)
- Lisa Schaefer (cancer)
- Brian Schissel (cancer)
- Randy Schlueter (cancer)
- Dave Semro (cancer)
- Tom Serafin (cancer)
- Eric Shaffer (heart surgery)
- Tyler Smith (cancer)
- Eydie Taylor (cancer)
- Ted Teuscher (stroke)
- John Turek (cancer)
- Brianna Werkert (heart surgery)
- Cindy Whitney (cancer)
- Kathy Woods (cancer)

For Our Expectant Mothers: Lauren Barrett, Sarah Schultz, Rachel Totten, and all other expectant mothers, and for those who long for God's gift of children.

For the Sake of the Gospel:

For Vicar Jonah Wilson as he spends his vicarage year with us.

*New additions to the continued prayer list are in **bold**.











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statements of Jesus and study John's emphasis on the Word made Flesh. This class is led by Elder, Brian Olson.

- b. Adults with School Aged Children, The Anxious Generation Bible Study Using the best-selling book The Anxious Generation, we will take a look at the issues facing many generations today as our world has changed from a play-based childhood into a phonebased childhood and beyond. We will look at the hope that we receive in Scripture to encourage us as we experience the effects of anxiety and depression in our world. We will also examine what we can do collectively to support the generations coming up to combat anxiety and depression. This class is for all adults, parents, and grandparents.
- c. For Young Adults, Battle For the Soul? This class will be for young adults College to 30 something. This book will guide participants through Luther's understanding of each Christian's daily battle against sin, using the framework of the seven deadly sins and their contrasting virtues. It will be led by Pastor John Kastner.
- d. **Bell Choir Rehearsal**. This group meets in the sanctuary and prepares music to edify worship on Sundays. **NOTE: Adult choir** also meets in the sanctuary from 7:30-8:30 pm. Both choirs are led by Lauran Delancy.

I am once again excited about this opportunity for our family of faith and hope that you will gladly make Wednesday evenings a time to spend at Beautiful Savior.

In Christ's Love and Service.

Partn Joel Schutz

NEWS & NOTES

25th Ordination Anniversary of Rev. Joel Schultz

On June 29, BSLC hosted one worship service and lunch-

eon for Pastor Schultz in recognition his 25th year in Holy Ministry. Pastor Schultz's sons participated in the worship service. Rev. Jonah





preached and Rev. Josiah Schultz performed the rite Lto R: Pastor Schultz & of recognition of Ordination anniversary. Many gifts



were presented to Pastor Schultz and greetings from Rev. Justin Panzer, Kansas District 🛚 President, via letter and Rev. Dr. Glenn Nielsen from the Concordia Seminary in St. Louis. Also, a video montage of former BSLC Vicars sending greetings and congratulations to Pastor Schultz and BSLC.



NEWS & NOTES



Faith Alive (55+) met on Saturday, July 12, in the Fellowship Hall, with 28 attending. After a potluck with lots of choices of delicious casseroles and desserts, Randy Kanoy led the shar-

ing time. We then broke up into smaller groups for

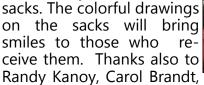




a "Get to know more about you" mixer. We finished the evening assembling **200 sack lunches** that were delivered to Metro Lutheran Ministry in Kansas City.



Special THANKS to Hadley and Henley Holste and some family members who decorated 100 sacks. Helen Claudy and Charlotte Hundley also decorated

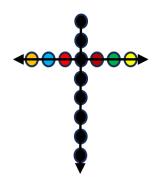




Greg Koontz, and Charlotte Hundley who delivered the lunches to MLM.



start with a potluck so bring your choice of an entrée, side, salad, or dessert, if you'd like. It's a great time to try a new recipe. We are looking forward to having Pastor John Kastner share what is happening at Light of the World Lutheran Church in Desoto and any future plans they have. If we have any extra time, Bible trivia is planned. A reminder will be sent out to those on our email list. If you haven't been before and would like to join us, please contact Randy and Jeanne Kanoy, Brad and Eden Keefe or Charlotte Hundley. We'd love to see you!



MEMBERS IN MINISTRY

"For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." Ephesians 2:10

The Board of Member Engagement and Assimilation will use the Members in Ministry announcements to highlight service opportunities typically on the third Sunday of the month.

We've had a great response to our first three service announcements as summarized below:

- May Mowers and Mulched area weeders five new volunteers to serve
- June Fieldstone Connectors and Welcome Basket seven new volunteers to serve
- July **Altar Guild** signup process in underway with **five new volunteers** to serve already

We will continue highlight opportunities, August **Ushers** and September **Preschool Prayer and Care Emailers Ministry.** If you'd like to serve but missed the signup month no problem you are always welcome. Please see the Directory app "Additional Pages" to for details of the Members in Ministry service opportunities. We are blessed to be part of a family of faith who responds by SERVING.

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NEWS & NOTES

Monthly Visitor Coffee Starting in August

The Board of Member Engagement and Assimilation will begin hosting a monthly coffee time for our BSLC visitors on the third Sunday of each month. We will be available in the Narthex Conference Room after the 8:00 am Worship Service until 9:30 am and also from 10:25 am until 10:45 am. We will personally invite visitors from previous weeks to join us. We have the following goals:

- Welcome visitors and let them know they are appreciated
- Share a flyer with information about BSLC and upcoming events
- Answer questions from visitors about BSLC and our various ministry opportunities
- Arrange for follow-up with visitors as requested
- Share information with BSLC staff and boards to help with visitor assimilation and potential membership

Romans 15:7 tells us to "Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." Please look for visitors on Sunday morning and take a moment to introduce yourself and welcome them. Please also wear your nametag so our returning visitors can begin to make connections. May the Holy Spirit move us to joyfully welcome our visitors for the glory of God!



On behalf of the Youth Board and all the youth and adults that were able to attend this year's LCMS Youth Gathering in New Orleans, we would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the congregation for their generous support of our youth ministry. Be-2025 LCMS YOUTH GATHERING



ticipation in our many fundraisers, BSLC was able to send 19 high school youth and 5 adult leaders to the gathering. While there, we engaged in educational sessions on a variety of topics related to our faith, attended mass events with all 20,000 attendees during which we sang praises to Jesus and

listened to messages about our theme verse (Hebrews 12:1-3), participated in a service event during which we learned about homelessness and helped pack hygiene kits for a local shelter, and attended a worship service during which we communed with all 20,000 participants to close out our week. It was an incredible experience for our youth. Many of them expressed amazement over finding themselves amongst so many others that share their faith. We pray that you will continue your generous support of our youth ministry so our youth can continue to participate in events and activities that strengthen their faith and deepen their understanding of God's word.



MISSIONS



We have been meeting new neighbors and keeping in touch with all those we've come to know. We are now in touch with and delivering a weekly food box to 30 families – 108 family members!

Seven families were blessed to send their kids (eight total) to Eagle Lake Day Camp hosted by Mission Southside the week of July 14. All had such a great experience and heard about their Savior Jesus! The cost to these families was only \$25 for the

whole week and Mission Southside provided

scholarships those who could not pay.

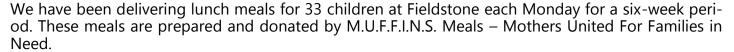




We are excited and enthused about our monthly Bible story discussions! We had 14 neighbors attend July 21 - a good turnout and good discussion about God's creation! Praise the Lord for the opportunity to proclaim the good news of Jesus! And the kids made some really neat things out of clay after the story.

We are wrapping up our school supply drive

and appreciate all the donations. We are providing supplies for 38 students this year! If you would like to give a monetary gift to help offset our costs, that would be welcomed - just notate "Fieldstone Ministry/School Supplies" on your donation.



If you have questions or would like to join with us in serving our neighbors, please contact Vicar Wil-

Prayer Requests & Thanksgiving

- Thanksgiving for Johanna's new grandson and prayers that his jaundice clears up soon.
- That the ablation procedure Vicky had on her back is successful in bringing her relief.
- For energy, strength and patience for Lynn as she cares for her four grandchildren she has custody of.
- Catalina who is awaiting surgery.
- Fawzia and her two children that God would provide a solution for living arrangements.
- Carlita whose new job start date has been delayed and, alternately, that she finds good employment that starts sooner and, meanwhile, that the Lord would provide the the means to make ends meet for her and her two teenagers.
- Continue to pray for our monthly Bible story discussions.
- Candice who is on dialysis and weakened by the treatments. She lives alone and is in a wheelchair.
- Pray for all teens struggling to find their place and their identity, that the Holy Spirit would work in their lives and open their hearts to know Jesus in whom we find our true identity.
- Prayers for families new to the U.S. that the Lord would provide in various ways and that they may see Jesus in the helping hand and warm welcomes they receive.
- Thankful for willing volunteers at BSLC who pray, who pitch in when a sofa needs delivered, or connections need to be made, or Welcome Baskets need to be delivered, or school supplies need to be donated. You are all awesome and appreciated! The Holy Spirit can use all these small acts of service to give glory to God!





WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

		August 3	August 10	August 17	August 24	August 31
Acolytes:	8:00 am	Caleb Bahr Emmett Gruhn	Jack Gruhn TBD	Greyson Huseman Adam Stoll	Jack McDonald Henry McDonald	TBD TBD
	10:45 am	TBD TBD	Sophia Teply Brynlee Vogt	TBD TBD	TBD TBD	Hadley Holste Corrine Jensen
Greeters:	8:00 am	Roger Berardi & Chuck Tuttle	Riechers Family	Kent & Paula Thompson	Mary Jane Rees & Bob Welsh	Nichols Family
	10:45 am	Lois Clendening	Ken & Shirley Knese	Williams Family	Lewallen Family	Jere & Sharon Brandt
Altar Guild	TBA		TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Education Hour Nursery:	Andrew & Marissa Lippe <i>Helping Hands:</i> Kyle & Jessie Tsai		Michelle & Shayla/Kaylee McKay <i>Helping Hands:</i> Andrew & Cassie Nichols	Matt & Morgan Riechers <i>Helping Hands:</i> Zach & Alaina Booth	Kyle & Jessie Tsai <i>Helping Hands:</i> Andrew & Marissa Lippe	Ashley & Adam Stoll <i>Helping Hands:</i> Andrew & Cassie Nichols
Counters:	Eric Domsch Todd Scheumann Bob Welsh		Jym Fees Chuck Tuttle	Brian Olson Paul Peterson	Ron & Karen Aerni Trevor Huseman	Randy & Jeanne Kanoy
Altar Flowers:	Bob & Debra Newman 51st Wedding Anniversary		Lauran Delancy's Birthday	Sara Zarnstorff's Birthday	Joe Hodnick's 66th Birthday	Jim & Connie Teig 52nd Wedding Anniversary
	Jere & Sharon Brandt's Birthdays		TBD	TBD	Barbara Gossen In memory of Patrick Gossen	Lance & Lori Hughey <i>19th Wedding</i> <i>Anniversary</i>
Ushers	8:00 am			10:45 am		
	Matt Barrett, Tom Bremer, Nathan Delancy, Jim DeLaney, George Ledgerwood, and Terry West			Shannon Buckendahl, Colton Clark, John Koetting, and Rick Vaughn		



Kansas LLL Convention Saturday, November 1, 2025

10 am to 3 pm (Lunch Provided)

Keynote Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, Speaker of The Lutheran Hour

ATTENDANCE

Date	Attendance			
7/6/2025	349			
7/13/2025	447			
7/20/2025	354			
7/27/2025	TBA			

PASTORAL STAFF

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Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church and Preschool



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Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

8 am & 10:45 am Sunday Education 9:30 am Sunday Worship

MISSIONS

TRAVEL TOILETRIES

It's a great time to do some traveling and enjoy time with family and friends. During your travels, please donate any unused toiletries (soap, shampoo, conditioner, lotion, etc.) from your hotel stays. These items



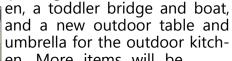
work well to make small hygiene kits. In the past these kits have been given to homeless shelters and the Ronald McDonald House.

Please place the unused travel toiletries in the large wooden box in the narthex. These can be donated throughout the year. Thank you. Happy traveling!

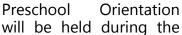
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



Beautiful Savior Lutheran Preschool was blessed with a grant for playground improvements. In all, the preschool was able to add one ton of rubberized mulch and purchase eight different items to add to our space. So far, we've had help from Mike Johnson to put together an outdoor kitch-



en. More items will be put together and added to the playground soon, so be sure to be on the lookout in the next few weeks for these additions!





week of August 11 – 15. We'll have a Parent Night and two Meet the Teacher mornings for children to come in and check out their new classrooms and meet their teachers. We're excited for the 2025-2026 school year to begin on Monday, August 18!



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