

Gather, Grow, & GO Newsletter

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Connecting children and
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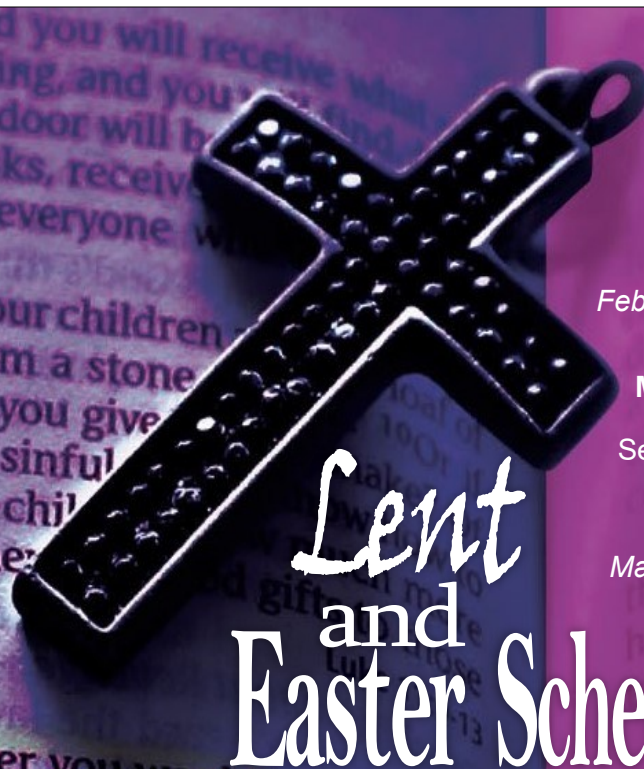
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Lent and Easter Schedule

ASH WEDNESDAY

February 18

Services at 12 pm and 6:45 pm

MIDWEEK LENTEN SUPPER

February 18, 25, March 4, 11, 18, & 25

Served from 5:30 – 6:20 pm

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES

February 25, March 4, 11, & 18

Services at 12:00 pm and *6:45 pm

(*Hymn sing at 6:30 pm)

LESSONS AND CAROLS

March 25 at 6:45 pm (No hymn sing)

HOLY WEEK

PALM SUNDAY – March 29

8:00 am Service with Holy Communion

9:30 am Education Hour

10:45 am Service with Holy Communion

SEDER MEAL – March 31 at 6:30 pm

Advanced reservation is required.

Please email the office@bslcks.org to reserve your spot.

HOLY (MAUNDY) THURSDAY – April 2

Services at 4:45 pm and 6:45 pm

GOOD FRIDAY – April 3

Services at 4:45 pm and 6:45 pm

EASTER EGG HUNT – April 4

9:30 - 11:00 am

EASTER VIGIL – April 4

Service at 6:00 pm

EASTER SUNDAY – April 5

6:30 am Easter Sunrise Service with Holy Communion

7:30 – 10:30 am – Easter Breakfast

8:00 am, 9:30 am, & 11:00 am Easter Holy Service with Holy Communion

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)

Serving overseas:

- ★ **1st Lt Austin Raetzel, KSARNG, deployment to Middle East**

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

- Kathy Alber (cancer)
- Patty Allen (cancer)
- Brad Alyea (cancer)
- Tonya Baker (cancer)
- Mandy Bender (cancer)
- Dr. Gary Bertels (cancer)
- Jeff Beverstock (cancer)
- Jackson Collins (cancer)
- Richard Cooley (cancer)
- Ray Cromer (kidney)
- Rev. Bryan Drebes (cancer)
- Wanda Fisher (cancer)
- Brad Gellerstedt (cancer)
- Maya Goudy (cancer)
- Kevin Grace (C5 palsy)
- Michelle Hill (cancer)
- John Huss (brain cancer)
- Levi Hutcheson (birth trauma)
- Brian Jenkins (cancer)
- Beth Johnson (cancer)
- Lauren Kandt (cancer)
- **Carl King (cancer)**
- Linda Knight (cancer)
- Stephen Koontz (cancer)
- Marilyn Kucks (cancer)
- **Mark Kurz (cancer)**
- Judy Landall (cancer)
- John Mahnken (cancer)
- Bonnie Malloch (cancer)
- Lorette Marsh (cancer)
- Bill Marshall (cancer)
- Holly McFarland (cancer)
- Susan Mountain (cancer)
- Melissa Nesemeier (cancer)
- Pam Ott (cancer)
- Edna Pitts (cancer)
- Brad Reece (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)
- Carol Starnes (cancer)
- Eydie Taylor (cancer)
- Ted Teuscher (stroke)
- John Turek (cancer)
- Brianna Werkert (heart surgery)
- **Tyson Wolfer (cancer)**
- Cindy Whitney (cancer)
- Pam Young (cancer)

For Our Expectant Mothers: Audra Bruschi, Chanel Gloe, Cassie Nichols, 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**.

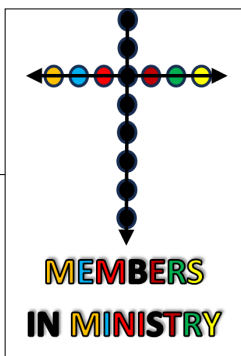


NEWS & NOTES

Don't miss out – God wants a relationship with you.

Give Sunday Morning Bible Study a try. Just show up Sunday at 9:30 am. We have about 120 members in attendance, sitting at tables of 4-8 which supports building relationships.

"So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ." Romans 10:17.



Be a part of
your family of
faith in study-
ing God's

| Adult Bible Study opportunities | | | Jan-2026 |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|-----------------|
| Title | Date | Time | Contact |
| Sunday Morning Bible Study | Sun. | 9:30 am | Pr. Schultz |
| Reading of the Psalms | Mon. | 7:30 am | Pr. Schultz |
| Men's Bible Study | Weds. | 6:30 am | Randy Kanoy |
| Life Light | Weds. | 10:00 am | Pr. Schultz |
| Family of Faith - Adult | Weds. | 6:30 pm | Patrick Delancy |
| Family of Faith - Adult | Weds. | 6:30 pm | Kris Ada |
| Family of Faith - Young Adult | Weds. | 6:30 pm | Pr. Kastner |
| Women's Bible Study | Thurs. | 9:30 am | Jeanne Kanoy |
| Life Light | Thurs. | 6:00 pm | Pr. Schultz |
| Men's Breakfast | 2nd Sat. | 8:00 am | Pr. Schultz |

The Board of Member Engagement and Assimilation is responsible for welcoming visitors to our worship services. We started with hosting monthly visitor coffees since August, but we now want to welcome visitors every week. To do so, we are planning to have a Visitor Host at each worship service. The Host will stand with our Greeters near the entry doors and focus on welcoming any visitors. The Host will then help visitors with the following:

- Offer them a nametag at the visitor desk so our members can identify and welcome them before and after the service.
- Encourage them to provide their contact information on the visitor attendance form or online attendance so BMEA can follow up.
- Offer them a visitor flyer which includes information on our beliefs, Sunday morning schedule, upcoming events, and pastor contact information.
- Introduce them to pastors (if available) and hopefully a member or two in the narthex if time permits.
- Help them find seats in the sanctuary for worship.
- After early service, invite them to join us for coffee and donuts in the Fellowship Hall and stay for Education Hour. Offer to show them where children's classes meet if applicable. Introduce them to members as you have opportunities.
- After late service, thank them for worshipping with us and ask if they have any questions. Invite them to join us again the following week.

Doing these things will be especially helpful for first-time visitors, but will also benefit repeat visitors. Hosts can be individuals or couples. Please contact Bruce Kempin (316-841-6123 or sbkem7@gmail.com) if you are interested in serving as a Host. We plan to have Hosts at each service beginning March 1.

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

NEWS & NOTES

Church Officers and Administrative Boards Openings

The Nominating Committee along with the Board Chairs will compile our 2026 slate of candidates for the April Voters Meeting. See the Church Directory app under "Groups" for the Board descriptions and list of members. Please prayerfully consider serving.

Thank you to those who are serving and those who are rotating off at the end of their term.

"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

Screen shots from the Church Directory app:

Groups

Search Groups

- 0 - Nominating Committee (4)
- 1 - Board of Trustees (10)
- 2 - Board of Engagement & Assimilation (5)
- 3 - Board of Youth Ministry (9)
- 4 - Board of Evangelism & Mission (8)
- 5 - Board of Fellowship (10)
- 6 - Board of Preschool (6)
- 7 - Board of Elders (1)

0 - Nominating Committee

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It is the responsibility of the Nominating Committee to prayerfully select those whose talents and experiences most nearly fit the requirements of each Officer and Administrative Board for annual elections. Pastors serve as Advisory members to the committee. Members who have interest in serving on a Board may reach out to the Nominating Committee Chair or Member, Board Chair or Member and/or a Pastor.

Group Leader

Brandt, Jere

Group Members

Huseman, Trevor
Keefe, Brad
Ziegler, Cameron



The **FAITH ALIVE** (55+) group met the evening of Saturday, January 10, with 46 attending. Bob Brown coordinated the events of the evening. We first enjoyed a delicious, catered dinner. Thank you, Bob, Brenda and all those who helped with that dinner. It was very much appreciated.

Our special speaker of the evening was Glenn Stockton from Stockton & Kandt, LLC. He stressed the importance of having a will/trust in place and what the differences are with each. Their firm offers Estate Planning with a strong focus on helping seniors protect their assets and wishes. He offered to review wills and trusts of those who already have their plans made – not for more business, but to see if their wishes are really protected. He shared a personal example of how things we don't anticipate can happen that can change our wishes. We thank Glenn for sharing the information and answering our questions. It was a very enjoyable and informative evening.



Faith Alive (55+) will meet on Valentines Day, Saturday, February 14, at 4:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. *Save the Date* for a special evening. We will be having a potluck. More information will be coming to those on our email list. If you would like to be added, contact Randy Kanoy or the church office.



MISSIONS



We received many HUGS from our recent collection. Thank you for all the hats, underwear, gloves and socks. These will be so appreciated by our friends at Fieldstone and a local organization that helps care for those in our community.



**One Can, Two Can
WHO Can? YOU Can!
Help Us Feed the Hungry!**

**SOUPER
BOWL**

During the Super Bowl this year, we will be filling **Super Large Bowls** with cans of **Hearty SOUP!** The display will be set up in the narthex on **Sunday, February 8.** Watch for sales of hearty soups! You can be on the winning team that helps feed those who are hungry!



Dear Friends of the Fieldstone Ministry,

Here a few highlights and prayer requests for our neighbors from the past month. Thank you for your prayers, offerings, and all the support you show as the church of Christ!

- We provide diapers once a month to families with babies through donations at Mission Southside. We can also provide formula sometimes as needed. One single mother of twins, in particular, is very grateful for this help.
- We have planned Bible story discussion times through May. We will meet January 24 and 31 at 9:30 am at BSLC! Please pray that neighbors respond

when they are invited and pray that their ears are open to hearing the good news of their Savior, Jesus. A big thank you to Karen Siegel who is going to help out by providing the crafts for our Bible time.

- We helped two neighbors with rent in December - one through Mission Southside and BSLC helped the other.
- Please continue to pray for those who find it hard to make ends meet, especially young mothers with children and those with disabilities.
- Please pray for Veronica who is pregnant that she may get the hours she needs at work and that she has a healthy pregnancy.
- A prayer of thanks for Sandy who got a part-time job at Pizza Hut.
- A prayer of thanks for Carlita who just got an internship. Pray that God would grant her the ability to keep her part-time job while interning and to keep up with homework and her two high-school age children.
- Please pray for Erin to be able to move to a house soon.
- Please pray for Khatira, not a Fieldstone resident but an ESL student at MSS, we have grown to know. She is having a hard time as an immigrant adjusting and so is her husband.
- Mission Southside hosted an event on January 23 - Subaru of Olathe provided coats and shoes for children. Lots of our Fieldstone neighbors were able to take advantage of this opportunity. Also, thankful that two of our teen girls from Fieldstone who have been attending Service & Discovery at MSS were there for this event helping at registration.
- We delivered two basketfuls of HUGS (Hats, Underwear, Gloves, Scarves) to the Fieldstone office for distribution right before the weekend of the big snow and frigid temps.
- We helped a single dad with rent and avoided eviction.
- We know of two families who need a used car - please let Vicar know if you have or know of a

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- vehicle for sale.
- We are trying to help a fairly new immigrant from Algeria to feel more comfortable behind the wheel of a car.
- We delivered 12 welcome baskets for the month of January.



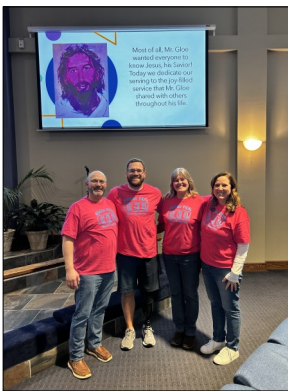
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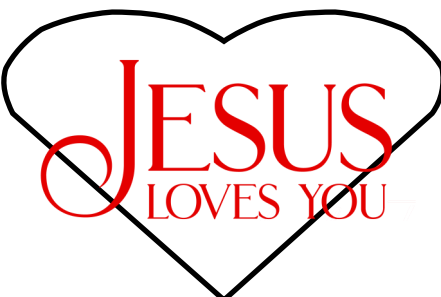
This year's theme for National Lutheran Schools Week was "Let's Make a Joyful Noise" from Psalm 98:4. Our children made tambourines and cards for the nursing home on Monday and Tuesday. On Wednesday and Thursday, Mrs. Delancy, Nathan, and Isla shared music with the children by singing, and playing handbells, piano, and organ. Then we had a joyful parade with songs and tambourines.

On Friday, Jeri and KC Gloe came to help us celebrate our last theme of Joy in Community. The children were given "Glow for God - Gloe's Giving Day" pink t-shirts in memory of BSLC member, Keith Gloe. KC told the children all about how his dad loved to volunteer at church, at our school, at other Lutheran schools in the community, and even in his neighborhood.

Later that morning, the Pre-K students went to a senior living center and sang and handed out cards to the residents. We had a wonderful Lutheran Schools Week and thank God for the gift of Beautiful Savior Lutheran Preschool!



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

| FEBRUARY | | February 1 | February 8 | February 15 | February 22 |
|--|--|---|--|---|---|
| Acolytes: | 8:00 am | Greyson Huseman Caleb Bahr | Isla Delancy Greyson Huseman | Jack McDonald Henry McDonald <i>Crucifer:</i> Ethan Wolff | Charlotte Gardner Emmett Gruhn |
| | 10:45 am | Camden McKay TBD | Maya Hughey Connor Hughey | TBD TBD <i>Crucifer:</i> TBD | Rowen Clark Brynlee Vogt |
| Greeters: | 8:00 am | Zach Bahr | George & Karen Ledgerwood | Tom & Brenda Bremer | Doris Baker |
| | 10:45 am | Paul Peterson | Steve & Laurie Cichon | Scott & Denise Behrman | Jere & Sharon Brandt |
| Altar Guild | | Scott & Denise Behrman, Carol Brandt, Cindy Chain, and Rebecca McDonald | Carol Brandt, Keith & Carolyn Clarke, Deb Hodnik, Sam Mohr, & Mary Jane Rees | Carol Brandt, Dana & Deb Froelich, & Gary & Barb Levan | Jim & Nancy DeLaney, Angela Hodge, Debbie Johnson, & Gina Stoehr |
| Education Hour Nursery: | | Ashley & Adam Stoll <i>Helping Hands:</i> Sheila & Aubrey Huseman | Kyle & Jessie Tsai <i>Helping Hands:</i> Andrew & Marissa Lippe | Matt & Morgan Riechers <i>Helping Hands:</i> Zach & Alaina Booth | Adam & Chelsie Holste <i>Helping Hands:</i> Michelle & Shayla McKay |
| Counters: | | Randy & Jeanne Kanoy | George Ledgerwood & Todd Scheumann | Eric Domsch, Todd Scheumann, & Bob Welsh | Roger Berardi & John Blakley |
| Altar Flowers: | | <i>Rowen & Bobbie Clark's Birthdays</i> | <i>Henley Holste's Baptism Birthday</i> | <i>TBD</i> | <i>Hannah Booth's Baptism Birthday</i> |
| | | <i>TBD</i> | <i>TBD</i> | <i>TBD</i> | <i>Hadley Fees' 1st Birthday</i> |
| Ushers | 8:00 am | | | 10:45 am | |
| | Matt Barrett, Tom Bremer, Nathan Delancy, Jim DeLaney, George Ledgerwood, & Terry West | | | Shannon Buckendahl, John Koetting, & Rick Vaughn | |
| Acolytes for Midweek Lenten Services at 6:45 pm | Ashe Wednesday, February 18 | | February 25 |  | |
| | TBD Adam Stoll | | Isla Delancy Christopher Chapa | | |
| Alter Guild for Ash Wednesday | Carol Brandt, Cindy Chain, Angela Hodge, Deb Hodnik, & Gina Stoehr | | | | |



ATTENDANCE

| Date | Attendance |
|-----------|------------|
| 1/4/2026 | 421 |
| 1/11/2026 | 417 |
| 1/18/2026 | 430 |
| 1/25/2026 | *279 |

*inclement weather:
one service held

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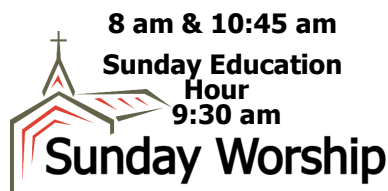
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SUNDAY FUNNIES

Words. Words. Words.

Submitted by Gary Olson

Fantastic toys for the brain. I always loved playing with them, especially on how they have different meanings depending on how they are used. Choosing the right words in a story or finding words that rhyme in a limerick is always a challenge, but it's fun when they do work together. Watch the newsletter each month for a new church-related limerick.

Here's one I wrote after our Pastor in Indianapolis, just back from a month-long study of church growth, characterized how difficult it was during the 1970s.

ON GROWTH

Returning from sabbatical leave,

A Pastor said I believe

That as a father of four

To grow the flock more,

"If you can't convert, then conceive."

BSLC WOMEN'S RETREAT

February 20 & 21, 2026
Timber Lakes Camp and Retreat Center
Williamsburg, KS

Sign up:

Questions? Contact Pam Wellons, Liesl Jensen or Amy Schultz



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