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

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today we mark the 2nd anniversary of our Trusting Hearts Capital Campaign. To prepare for this year's message, I looked at the letter I wrote to the congregation last year marking the one year anniversary of the Trusting Hearts Capital Campaign. In that letter, I reflected on how much the world had changed during our first year of the campaign, yet as a congregation, we were faithfully living out Proverbs 3: 5-6 "5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;6 in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight." I remember thinking at the time how the world we lived in one year ago would be in a much "better" place at the same point in 2021. Well, as is usually the case when I try to predict the future, I was wrong. Sin still plagues the world we live in today and will continue to do so until Jesus comes again. Over the past year, we have lost friends and loved ones – some of whom were members of Beautiful Savior. COVID has impacted us all in a very profound way. Over the past year, we have witnessed political and world events we never would have imagined. Polarizing opinions have created divisions between neighbors and family members. Despite the dark consequences of sin in our world, the Lord has been at work in our world and right here at Beautiful Savior! The landscape of our property has changed dramatically over the past 12 months! I am amazed at the changes that occur on a week to week basis. We are on target to have the fellowship hall completed and ready for use by the end of this year. This will be a welcome addition to our congregation and will allow us to expand our ministry in ways that are beyond our imagination! I am inspired by the maintenance building that has been constructed almost entirely by the hands of our own congregation! None of these amazing achievements would be possible without our Lord and the faith of this congregation in our Lord to persevere and move forward despite what the world may tell us!

At this point last year, we had collected \$1,026,922.50 in Trusting Hearts Capital Campaign contributions. Right now, we are just shy of \$1,600,000 in total contributions! Brothers and Sisters in Christ, this is an incredible achievement! We are just over \$400,000 away from our commitment goal of \$2,030,000 we established in November of 2019! With just 1 year and 3 months left in the Trusting Hearts Capital Campaign, we should easily meet and surpass our goal! It can become very tempting to ease up right before we reach our goal or soon after we cross the goal. I pray that we don't allow these inhibiting mentalities to prevail within our congregation. As was communicated during our voter's meeting in 2019, the cost for the fellowship hall will exceed \$4,000,000. Over two years later, that is still the case. The momentum, excitement, and energy that has been created because of the Trusting Hearts Capital Campaign is undeniable. I would encourage you to not put a limit on what you can do to help our congregation exceed our goal and push overall giving as close to \$4,000,000 as possible. Why put a limit on our stewardship and faithful giving when we have a God that knows no limits? As long as the Lord has placed us in His kingdom, we should engage in "hilarious giving". If you are at or close to meeting 100% of your Trusting Hearts commitment, I would ask you to prayerfully consider running beyond your personal commitment finish line with excitement for the Lord in your heart. If you are new to Beautiful Savior or the Trusting Hearts Capital Campaign, I would ask you to prayerfully consider joining us in collectively running beyond our congregation's finish line. If you have any questions or concerns about your current giving or would like to know how to get started, feel free to contact myself, Kerri Schlef, or Pastor Schultz.

Finally, I look forward to you joining us this Sunday, October 3rd, as we mark the 2nd year anniversary of the Trusting Hearts Capital Campaign. Beautiful Savior member, Beau Campbell, will be giving us his personal stewardship story. I am sure you will find similarities between Beau's story and your story. I am also sure you will hear differences between your story and Beau's story. Take inspiration from this message over the coming third year of our campaign. Also, over the course of the year, you might find insulated coffee cups in your mailbox. Once you achieve 50% giving towards your commitment, the campaign team will give you one of these cups as a token of appreciation. At the 100% mark, you will receive a second cup to match the first. Proudly use these cups as you visit with friends, neighbors, and co-workers. Use as a conversation starter with those around you not currently members of Beautiful Savior. Share with them all the wonderful happenings at Beautiful Savior and invite them to join us in worship and fellowship. Most of all, share with those around you the Word provided to us in **Ephesians 3: 20-21** "²⁰ Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen."

In Christ, Trenton Travis, Director of Trusting Hearts Capital Campaign

THANK YOU to all of the amazing volunteers! Please contact Roger Berardi or Keith Gloe for more information on how YOU too can volunteer.









23nd YEAR OF FARMSTEAD NUTS & TREATS FUNDRAISER

Sunday, October 3 we start the LWML annual Farmstead Nuts & Treats fundraiser to benefit our congregation's six students studying for church work careers:

<u>Concordia University Wisconsin</u> (2): Madison Chiappetta (major: Lutheran Secondary Education Social Studies) and Jordan Mahnken (major: Lutheran Elementary Education); <u>Concordia University Chicago</u>: Jesse Schultz (Lutheran Elementary Education) Concordia Seminary (St Louis): Nathan Harkins, Jonah Schultz, and Josiah Schultz

This fundraiser is a significant way that LWML supports our own church members to advance the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, our fundraiser will function at our new normal (no free samples), but the products from Farmstead will be the same high quality and just as fresh and tasty as in past years.

There will be cash and carry items offered this year. Through a Thrivent Action Team, favorite Farmstead Nuts & Treats items will be offered for sale in the narthex on Sunday, October 10 and 17. Order forms will be emailed to the congregation so watch for a pdf link that can be printed in your own home. Print as many as you need to share with a friend or neighbor. Alternatively, there will be a stack of order forms available in the narthex (look for the fall fundraiser table). Order forms will not be placed in every church mailbox this year.

Because we are donating proceeds to six students, we will again offer the option of free delivery if your order or order plus donation total is over \$75.

Fundraiser orders will be collected through October 31 with delivery in early November. To place your order, drop your order form and payment into the decorated box on the fall fundraiser table in the church narthex or send it by mail to the church office with ATTN – LWML on the envelope. At this time, we can only accept checks or cash. Call or text Gloria Peterson with any questions.

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Visitors and Members - please register
your attendance



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

BSLC FALL FEST

We are planning a fellowship event! Saturday, October 16 11:00am – 3:00pm at BSLC Bring a pot of Chili for the Chili Cook-off!



Participate in a pie eating contest!

Bingo and carnival games

Balloon animals and face painting along with a petting zoo!

Events will be outside weather permitting.

Fellowship, food, family, fun!

Don't miss it!

Look for RSVP information in the Attendance link. Questions? Contact Jennifer Mahnken, Fellowship

NURSERY NEEDS HELP OCTOBER 17TH Education hour nursery needs 1 volunteer on October 17th to be fully staffed. There will be another volunteer with you during this time. If you are able to help please contact Stephanie Gardner (email: slhenslee@gmail.com or text 913-980-5515).

OCTOBER IS PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

"Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith." Hebrews 13:7

Through the year, especially during this month, please consider ways you might encourage and honor **Pastor Schultz** (Senior Pastor), **Pastor Ada** (Associate/Youth Pastor), **Vicar Roll** (Student Pastor), and **Rev. Pingel** (Visitation Pastor) for their leadership and service as we partner to "Connect People to Jesus." Perhaps you might verbally thank them for their work among us and in the community, place a note in their mailbox, or mail them a card. Please keep them in your prayers that all that we do together here at Beautiful Savior, and through our outreach, be to the glory of God.

We also have retired Pastors worshiping with us as members. We thank them for their work in His church and continue to keep them in our prayers!

Eric Olson Chair, Board of Elders MISSION UPDATE! We are excited to announce we will begin our work through Mission Southside with Fieldstone Apartments as a "Site Team"! We plan to begin our relationship building with members of that community with a kick-off event Sunday, Oct. 24th from 3-5pm. We will be grilling burgers, providing apple cider donuts, and a gift bag for the families. We will be looking for volunteers for this event to set up and clean up, prep food, and prepare the gift bags. We will also participate in their Trunk or Treat event. There are many ways which we can serve this community. Please look for updates as we progress and plan ways in which to reach out with the love of Christ to our neighbors at Fieldstone!

THURSDAY EVENING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY is starting a new book - Joy: The Study of Philippians by Deb Berma. This women's Bible study on the Book of Philippians, the "letter of joy," unpacks messages of contentment, confidence, humility, and hope - all found in Christ and infused with joy - in the mountaintop moments and in the mundane. You can order the study through Amazon. The group meets from 7 to 8 pm with in-person and Zoom options. Please contact Lisa Gruhn if you are interested in joining.

FAITH ALIVE We are planning for the 55 and older group, Faith Alive, to get together again for devotions and fellowship. It's been a long time! The outdoor event will be at the church entrance on Saturday, October 9, at 4 p.m. Games of BINGO are being planned. Any "prizes" you'd like to bring, would be appreciated. Also, if you'd like, bring your lawn chair and your favorite beverage. We will provide bottles of water, sandwiches, and individual bags of snacks. Being outside and with some distancing, we are hoping all will feel comfortable to get together in this setting. (If the weather doesn't cooperate, we will meet inside.) Anyone who is close to 50 is welcome to join us. We won't check your ID. We are looking forward to seeing you there. If you have any questions, please contact Danny or Charlotte Hundley.

THIS WEEK IN SUNDAY SCHOOL in Today's lesson, "His Father's House," Jesus' parents travel to Jerusalem as they do each year for the Passover. Returning home, Mary and Joseph notice Jesus' absence, yet they assume He is among the others in their traveling group.

When He doesn't appear, they return to Jerusalem, searching desperately for three days. They finally find Jesus in the temple, talking with the teachers, who are amazed at His understanding. Despite being in His "Father's house" (Luke 2:49), Jesus honors His earthly parents and returns to Nazareth with them.

WORSHIP RESOURCES

Lectionary Images for October 3

https://www.bslcks.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/2021-10-03_lectionary-images.pdf

Children's Worship Notes October 3

https://www.bslcks.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/2021-10-03_childrens-worship-notes.pdf

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION Today we are celebrating LWML Sunday! Lutheran Women in Mission is an official auxiliary of the Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod and focuses on joyfully proclaiming Christ, supporting missions, and equipping women to honor God by serving others. Here at Beautiful Savior, we meet throughout the year to plan events, support the social ministry committee and our LWML mission grants, share in Bible study or devotions, network about district and national news, and have fun and fellowship! If you would like to receive monthly information about LWML, please send Eden Keefe (lwmleden@gmail.com) your email address.

FALL MUG SWAP Watch for information about a Fall Mug Swap here at Beautiful Savior! We did an Advent Mug Swap last year, and decided to start it a little earlier this year. Stay tuned!



GIFTS OF LOVE MINISTRY A builder needs the right tool to perform his work. God's people need the right tools to make the right gifts, the right way, from their estates to family and ministry. A gift of IRA funds, or other retirement assets, to family as a lump sum will create a large lump sum taxable event. A charitable remainder trust can invest that money, spreading inheritance over years AND create a sizable gift to ministry in the future. Your LWML Gift Planning

Counselor can lead you through a process to plan what you want to do, and how to do it. Contact Carol von Soosten, <u>Carol.vonSoosten@lfnd.org</u>, Phone: 800-741-4138, <u>lwmlgiftplan.org</u>

CHRISTIAN LIFE RETREAT Mark your calendars for November 12-13, 2021, as we welcome LWML past president Patti Ross as the speaker! This women's retreat will begin Friday evening and end Saturday afternoon. It will be held at the DoubleTree Hilton in Wichita, Kansas. Early registration is now OCTOBER 4! Can Get more information by clicking on this link: *November 2021 Christian Life Retreat*. We hope you will consider coming!

MISSIONS

PIONEER TRAIL BACKSNACK PROGRAM

The Backsnack program at Pioneer Trail Middle School is resuming for the 2021-22 school year. Many families depend on the nutritious meals provided at schools for their children. The Backsnack program provides extra food for the weekends. This year 45 students have signed up. Beautiful Savior has participated in this program for many years. We would like to continue our support for these students this school year. Each month we will need to provide these items for each of the 45 students:

2 boxes Cereal (size that will fit in a backpack)1 box Breakfast Bars (at least 4 count)(any type granola bars, protein bars, etc.)

1 - 4-pack fruit cups

(Larger count packages of bars and fruit cups are okay.) There are more students needing this additional food this year. Please consider donating what you can or "adopt" a student by providing food each month. Any questions, contact Charlotte Hundley.

PRESCHOOL NEWS

Our Preschool and MDO children were all smiles this week during our school pictures with Lil' Angels Photographers. We're excited to see their pictures and class pictures soon! October themes are coming soon with pumpkins, leaves, spiders, and fall. Parent/Teacher Conferences will be the second week in October and then we'll welcome our Accreditation Visit Team October 17-19. Our reaccreditation visit was rescheduled from our original March 30, 2020 date.

National Lutheran Schools Accreditation is a 5 year process, and this will be our third visit after our initial accreditation in 2007. We are thankful for our church, preschool board, staff, and parents who all worked hard to accomplish our self-study. We look forward to hearing from our visit team and then establishing new goals based on their recommendations!

COMMUNITY NEWS

CHILI AND HOT DOG LUNCHEON FUNDRAISER-The

Lutheran High School of Kansas City Marine Biology class is hosting a chili and hot dog luncheon fundraiser on Sun. Oct 24th. This is a fundraiser raising money to help send our students to Monterey, CA in January 2022 to study Marine Biology. We will have an in person



luncheon as well as to go chili and hot dogs for those that prefer to take theirs home and heat up. We hope to see you all there and we thank you for your support!

FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT A sophomore boy from South Korea, now attending Lutheran High School, is in need of a host family for the remainder of this school year. Kevin Kang is friendly, thoughtful, warm, caring, well-behaved, mature, and positive. He began his US educational journey as an 8th grader at Calvary Lutheran School. Some of his favorite activities include fishing and playing soccer, basketball, and baseball. He makes friends easily and likes to laugh a lot. His favorite subjects are Physical Education and Mathematics. What better way to discover the world than to do so by welcoming an exchange student into your home. Experience the convenience of learning in your living room. In return, share America with an exchange student and make a difference globally! If interested, please call the LHS school office at 816-241-5478 or email Paula Meier at pmeier@lhskc.com.

LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL'S THRIFT STORE The Lost and Found Thrift Store in Grandview desperately needs some volunteers to work 2-4 hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays every week to organize departments, put up pictures, and tag clothing to be hung up. We would



love to have you come out and volunteer in the store's relaxed and upbeat environment. Call Lohren Meier at the store 816673-1099 or 816-309-7856 to sign up. The store is located at 12104 Blue Ridge Blvd in Grandview. We are open Tuesdays-Fridays 10am-5pm and Saturdays 10am-3pm.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR LLL DISTRICT **CONVENTION** Ninety-one years ago, October 1930, the course of Christian broadcast history was changed when Dr. Walter A. Maier stepped behind the microphone to launch The Lutheran Hour®. Families gathered in their living rooms each week to hear the hopeful message of the Gospel provided by the radio broadcast. You are invited to join us to learn from Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler, Speaker of the Lutheran Hour®, about spiritually vibrant households, especially in these difficult times. Join us on Saturday, November 6 at the 81st Kansas LLL District Convention at Risen Savior Lutheran Church, 14700 Leavenworth Rd., Basehor. The doors open at 9:00 a.m. with the convention beginning at 10:30 a.m. and concluding at 4:00 p.m.

If you need a hotel in the area, participants can make a reservation at Country Inn & Suites by Radisson, 1805 N. 110th St., Kansas City, KS. There is a group rate of \$99 per night. Call 913-299-4700 to make your reservation and mention the Lutheran Laymen League to receive the group rate. Whether or not you are staying at the hotel, please join us for a Meet & Greet at the Country Inn & Suites on Friday, November 5 from 7 – 9 pm. Register today for both the Meet & Greet and Convention! For more information https://www.lhm-ks.org/ or contact Fred Gruhn, 2021 KS Convention Chairman bν email fred.gruhn@gmail.com. Registration fee for the convention is \$15 per person and includes the noon meal. If you are an ambassador in the Kansas LLL District and this is your first time attending a convention, the KS LLL District will pick up your registration fee, hotel (if needed) and mileage to the convention. The first 50 participants to register will receive a free shirt with the LLL logo. Mark the registration form accordingly and send to Fred Gruhn,

12121 S Rene St., Olathe, KS 66062. Registration deadline is October 25, 2021.



CALENDAR:

Sunday, October 3

8:00am - Worship w/ Comm. with live-stream

9:30am - Education Hour live and streamed

10:45am - Worship w/ Communion

3:00pm – Laudate Ringers until 3:45pm

4:00pm - Youth Choir until 4:45pm

5:00pm - Beata Handbells until 5:45pm

6:00pm – Evening worship w/ Communion (masks)

Monday, October 4

8:15am - Preschool

12:15pm - Preschool

6:00pm - Saving Grace

6:30pm – Preschool Board (conference room)

Tuesday, October 5

8:15am - Preschool

9:00am – Organist Practice

12:15pm - Preschool

6:30pm – 4H Club (Conference Room)

6:30 pm – Board of Elders

Wednesday, October 6

6:30am - Men's Bible Study until 7:30am

8:15am – Preschool

9:00am - Organist Practice

10:00am - LifeLight

12:15pm - Preschool

6:00pm - Chimes Choir until 6:30pm

6:00pm – Confirmation

6:00pm – Pre-Confirmation

6:30pm - Adult Bells until 7:30

7:30pm - Adult Choir until 8:30

Thursday. October 7

8:15am - Preschool

9:30am – Women's Bible Study via Zoom

12:15pm - Preschool

6:00pm - LifeLight

7:30pm – Women's Bible Study

Friday, October 8

8:15am - Preschool

12:15pm - Preschool

Saturday, October 9

8:30am – Altar Guild Prep until 9:30am

4:00pm – Faith Live Mtg. and Bingo

Sunday, October 10

8:00am - Worship w/ Comm. & live streamed

9:30am - Education Hour & Live streamed

10:45am – Worship w/Communion

3:00pm - Laudate Ringers until 3:45

4:00pm - Youth Choir until 4:45

5:00pm - Beata Handbells until 5:45

6:00pm – Evening worship w/ Communion (masks)

Birthdays:

Oct. 3	Judy Landall, Wanda Freeman, Nicholas Chiappetta
Oct. 4	Zach Lassman
Oct. 6	Jeanette Claunch, Matthew Christensen,
	Jace Wiederholt
Oct. 7	Earl Herren, Eric Olson, Jaime Theisen,
	Shelby Waldman
Oct. 8	Phillip Frusti, Kyle Braden
Oct. 9	Tobias Holle

Anniversaries

Oct. 4	Rob & Courtney Werling
Oct. 5	Ken & Susan Kreissler
Oct. 6	Connor & Sara Stremel
	Andrew & Laura Hefte
Oct. 8	Tom & Brenda Bremer

Our Worship for 9-26-21		
8:00am	156	
10:45am	141	
6:00pm	12	
You-Tube streaming	72	
Total	381	
Offerings	\$15,746.00	
Sunday	\$100.40	
Sunday School Attendance (in person)	109	
Children	69	
Trusting Hearts	\$3,172.00	
Offerings do not include any Electronic Contributions.		

Stewardship Corner

Giving generously isn't easy because our sinful nature isn't generous. We love to have rather than to give, and we are always looking out for number 1. Only because God makes His grace abound in our lives can we give generously and cheerfully. Through faith, we begin to realize the depth of the generosity of Christ Who holds nothing back from us. Knowing that God entrusts to us time, money, and abilities, we are enabled to give, not under compulsion, but as God has freely given to us. "Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not

reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7).



GIVING IS AN ACT OF WORSHIP WHICH PLEASES OUR HEAVENLY FATHER.

SUNDAY CHUCKLES







