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## **Summary of Tom Hawkins's (Project Manager) October 2020 Recap submitted to Building Committee:**

October brought the first signs of activity of Phase 1 construction beginning, including sediment control to protect the work area and storm drainage inlets. The work was completed by Gordon Energy & Drainage. Cohorst Enterprises is ready to begin the land disturbance activities once the Special Storm water Facility Bond and maintenance agreement are completed through the City of Olathe. We expect this to be completed on November 3rd. Finalizing the submission and uploading to the AHJ's system will be completed and hopefully will be in hand by mid-November.

Retired civil engineer and BSLC member, Ron Graybeal, volunteered to construct the entrance stoop and an interior partition inside the job trailer to create a work area and meeting room. Ron will be working with Tom by reviewing construction documents and assuring quality as the construction begins.

Utility companies who serve this site were contacted, met at the site, and determined the desired paths forward for the relocation of new services in accordance with the designs created by PEI Engineering, Inc. and Scharhag Architect. At this point of the project, Evergy has supplied their plan. Google Fiber has provided their routing; which will be executed by Electrical Associates (electrical contractor). Northern Pipeline will be re-routing the gas line and we are in the final negotiations on that effort. Water and sewer service underground will be installed by Cohorst, the building's plumbing and HVAC will be performed by Mission PHC.

The steel beam has been contracted. The retaining wall supply and install contract is in process, hoping to be awarded in early of November.

**RECAP: We are moving forward every day. The Land Disturbance work, tree removal, sod removal, sewer line, water line and utility work should begin early November weather, availability and with the grace and benevolence of God our Father.**

## **CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS**

It has been a tradition at BSLC to provide sugar, flour and cooking oil to the Jesus El Buen Pastor Lutheran Church Food Pantry in Kansas City, Mo., for their Christmas baskets. These baskets are a wonderful gift given to families during the Christmas season. This small church (50+ active members) prepares and distributes 120 of these baskets to provide a more joyous celebration during the Christmas season.

During November, please donate **4 lb. bag of sugar, 5 lb. bag of flour and 28oz. of cooking oil.** These sizes fit well in the baskets with the other items that are included. Put your donations in the large wooden box in the narthex. (Be aware that these items need special handling.) If you would like to donate but don't feel comfortable putting items in the donation box in the church, contact Charlotte Hundley. We can make special arrangements to get your donations. Thank you for your generosity to bring joy to others.

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FACE MASKS REQUIRED** In light of the rising number of COVID cases and the [Governor's Executive order \(20-52\)](#) requiring face-masks and other coverings while in public regardless of social distancing, the Board of Elders (with support from the pastors) voted on and approved the requirement that face masks or other face coverings must be worn during the entirety of in-person worship services and Bible study at BSLC until the Governor's Executive order is lifted.

### WORSHIP RESOURCES

#### Lectionary Images for Nov. 8

[https://www.bslcks.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Nov-8\\_Lectionary-Images.pdf](https://www.bslcks.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Nov-8_Lectionary-Images.pdf)

#### Children's Worship Notes Nov. 8

[https://www.bslcks.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Nov-8\\_Children\\_Worship-Notes.pdf](https://www.bslcks.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Nov-8_Children_Worship-Notes.pdf)

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** As we gather today, we will study "A Family Reunites," as God helps Joseph forgive. Joseph's siblings journey to Egypt hoping to find food for their family. Failing to recognize Joseph, the brothers head home with sustenance and supplies. Heeding Joseph's early warning, the brothers bring Benjamin when returning to Egypt for food. After testing and trying his brothers, Joseph finally reveals himself to his astonished siblings. Joseph relocates all of Jacob's family to Egypt, promising care for them.

**WOMEN'S THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY** are doing a study entitled "Called – A Nurturing Your Faith Study" by Dr. Michael Zeigler. If you are interested in joining this group please contact Lisa Gruhn ([church directory](#)).

**ONLINE BIBLE STUDY** Tuesday evenings, Bible study author, Donna (Pyle) Snow will be presenting live from her study "Your Strong Suit" on the Lutheran Women in Mission - LWML Facebook page. It starts at 8:00pm. She is an excellent presenter. Whether you have already done the study or have never heard of the study, you will be blessed if you join us. It lasts about an hour and will be an eight-week session that started

on October 6. If you can't join live, it will be posted on the LWML FB page and YouTube.

### THURSDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The group will continue with stand-alone Bible studies from the *Lutheran Woman's Quarterly* on Thursday mornings 9:30 – 10:30am via Zoom through November 19. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Eden Keefe for a Zoom invitation. We have added a few recently and glad to have you!

**CALVARY LUTHERAN SCHOOL** We're super excited to announce that our online silent auction is now live! Check out the link to browse the [CATALOG](#). You WILL need to set up an account if you do not have one already. And be sure to choose a creative "online handle", which you will find under "Account". Please email the school at [auction+calvarykc.com@praxischool.com](mailto:auction+calvarykc.com@praxischool.com) if you have questions or any issues.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

**NOVEMBER LWML ZOOM MEETING** will be held on Monday, November 16 at 6:30pm and will have a theme of blessings received and thanks being given to God!

**CHRISTMAS MUG SWAP** Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) is planning a Christmas mug swap. A SignUp Genius will go out the first of November for the mug swap. The idea is to purchase a Christmas/Winter mug (approx \$10) and deliver via a porch drop, at church, or mail to your recipient by the end of November. A small favor or treat can accompany the mug, but that is optional. This will be a way to creatively connect with someone at church this Advent. The SignUp Genius is available at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4DA9AF22A4FC1-christmas>. Maybe you will want to use it during our Virtual Advent By Candlelight.



### VIRTUAL ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT PLANS

Arrangements are being made for an Advent devotion via Zoom the evening of December 6. More information to come. It will be open to all women and last about 20-30 minutes. We plan to include at least

one hymn and you can provide the candlelight at home!

**NEWEST LWML SONSHINE NEWSLETTER IS AVAILABLE!** It contains information from our new committees and newly-elected officers, the application for Young Woman Representative for the 2022 LWML national convention in Lexington, Kentucky, lots of photos (lots!), and helpful links. Check it out!

<https://www.kansaslwml.org/uploads/1/2/3/6/123633172/kslwml-fall2020-sonshinev3.pdf>.

### PRESCHOOL NEWS

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**PRESCHOOL FAMILIES** are participating with BSLC in our food drive for the Back Snack program at Pioneer Trail Middle School and for the Jesus El Buen Pastor Lutheran Church's Christmas Food Baskets. This week we filled the wooden bin in the narthex with cereal, soup, flour, sugar, and oil. Last week the children heard the puppet show from our pastors and vicar about Moolie the Cow and Scratchy the Chicken and how Moolie shared his food because Scratchy was hungry. One of our classes also spent a beautiful sunny afternoon enjoying our picnic tables for snack and checking out the equipment that will soon be busy with construction. We're excited to have a front row view of this project!

### MISSIONS

#### PIONEER TRAIL BACKSNACK REMINDER

There are approximately 35 students participating in the Pioneer Trail Backsnack program this school year. Our donations provide a portion of the items that they take home on the weekends. The monthly need for each student is: 2 boxes CEREAL (12-15oz size fits in a backpack), 4 cans HEARTY SOUP (approx. 18-19oz size), 4 FRUIT CUPS. Please consider sponsoring a student and providing these items each month. Donations can be put in the large wooden box in the narthex. Thank you for your generosity.

**MLM CHRISTMAS STORE** Rebecka Noel, the Events Manager and Volunteer Coordinator at Metropolitan Lutheran Ministries (MLM) shares that they are seeking

volunteers to work "behind the scenes" for the Christmas Store November 20 – December 4, which will be held out of their Central location and done in a contact-free way to protect both clients and workers. For more information, email Rebecka at [rebeckanoel@mlmkc.org](mailto:rebeckanoel@mlmkc.org). She also said that the top five kitchen appliances for the Christmas Store are: crockpots, toaster ovens, coffee pots, electric griddles, and electric skillets. Other much-needed items are jeans (all sizes), blankets (queen or king – people prefer the larger size so they can double up or cut in half to make two), and \$20 Walmart or Target gift cards for teen gifts. She reiterated that the Amazon wish list is a way to shop and have it shipped directly to MLM.

### COMMUNITY NEWS

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** Christ Lutheran Church is having packing party! Come help pack 1,500 shoeboxes for children all around the world! This event takes place on Saturday, November 14 from 9:30am – 1:30pm. Come when you can, and leave when you must. Christ Lutheran is located at 11720 Nieman Rd. in Overland Park.



**YOU ARE NEEDED NOW MORE THAN EVER!** Villa St. Francis has received approval to begin opening to family and friends, however safety is the primary concern. We need you to volunteer to ensure the health and care of our residents. This position is a privilege only reserved for our loyal volunteers. There are two ways you can help.

1. Reply to this email to begin the process of volunteering as a Resident Care Assistant.
2. Commit to taking shifts as often as you are able.

The building will not be open to volunteers unless they are scheduled with Amanda. Please email or call 913-747-0260. Job Title: **Resident Care Assistant** - Duties: Assisting residents to and from their visit location, Assisting family members to and from visit location, monitoring visits while providing safe distance and privacy, making sure the families are going only to their assigned designated location. Qualifications: Must be able to push residents in wheelchairs. Must be 18 years or older.

**CALENDAR:**

**Sunday, November 8**

- 8:00am - Worship w/ Comm. & live streamed
- 9:00am – Education Hour live and streamed
- 10:15am – Communion Service – front parking lot
- 11:00am – Worship w/ Communion
- 1:00pm – Music Prep. & recording until 3:00pm
- 3:30pm – Laudate Ringers until 4:15pm
- 4:30pm – Youth Choir until 5:15pm
- 5:30pm – Beata Handbells until 6:15pm
- 6:30pm – Music recording until 7:30pm

**Monday, November 9**

- 8:30am – Preschool
- 12:15pm – Preschool
- 7:00pm – M.O.P.S. in sanctuary

**Tuesday, November 10**

- 8:30am – Preschool
- 9:30am – Organist Practice
- 12:15pm – Preschool

**Wednesday, November 11**

- 7:00am – Men’s Bible Study
- 8:30am – Preschool
- 9:30am – Organist practice
- 12:15pm – Preschool
- 5:30pm – Chimes until 6:00pm
- 6:00pm – Confirmation
- 6:00pm – Pre-Confirmation

**Thursday, November 12**

- 8:30am – Preschool
- 9:30am – Women’s Bible Study via Zoom
- 12:15pm – Preschool
- 6:30pm – Trustees Mtg.
- 7:00pm – Women’s Bible Study

**Friday, November 13**

- 8:30am – Preschool
- 12:15pm - Preschool

**Saturday, November 14**

- 8:30am – Altar Guild Prep until 9:30am
- 9:00am – Lead-a-child meeting in Fellowship Rm.
- 4:00pm – Adult Choir Recording until 5:30pm

**Sunday, November 15**

- 8:00am – Worship w/ Comm. & live streamed
- 9:00am – Educ. Hour in person & Live Streamed
- 10:15am – Communion Service – front parking lot
- 11:00am – Worship w/ Communion
- 1:00pm – Music Prep & recording until 3:00pm
- 3:30pm – Laudate Ringers until 4:15pm
- 4:30pm – Youth Choir until 5:15pm
- 5:30pm – Beata Handbells until 6:15pm
- 6:30pm – Music recording until 7:30pm
- 7:00pm – Church Council

**Birthdays:**

- Nov. 8 Charlotte Hundley
- Nov. 9 Kerri Haghi, Michelle Giangrosso
- Nov. 10 Kent Thompson, Philip Bertels, Chris Wibe, Gordon Obermueller III
- Nov. 11 Gordon Obermueller
- Nov. 13 Archie Palmer, Suzanne Spear, Marcus Schuller
- Nov. 14 Sandy Wachter, Joseph Fees

**Anniversaries:**

- Nov.8 Fred & Lisa Gruhn
- Nov. 11 Keith & Jeri Gloe
- Nov. 12 Kenneth & Charlene Ludwig

**Our Worship 11-01-20**

<b>Attendance (11/01/2020)</b>	<b>337</b>
<b>Offerings</b>	<b>\$18,165.56</b>
<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>\$79.80</b>
<b>Trusting Hearts</b>	<b>\$7,118.63</b>

***Offerings do not include any Electronic Contributions.***

**Stewardship Corner**

When we give our offerings to God through our churches, it is not because God is in need. We can't give anything that He doesn't already own. *"For every beast of the forest is Mine, the cattle on a thousand hills. I know all the birds of the hills, and all that moves in the field is Mine"* (Psalm 50:10-11). What God really desires is our hearts. The offerings of our gifts to Him serve as an outward indicator of the condition of our hearts, hearts that are filled with love for our Savior. As we allow God to work the grace of giving in our hearts, we will make giving a priority, and we will give generously and proportionately.

**WHAT YOU DO WITH YOUR MONEY SIGNALS WHERE YOUR HEART IS.**

*"Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also"* (Matthew 6:21).

