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VOTER'S MEETING – November 21

Dear Friends in Christ,

Our biennial voter's meeting will be held on November 22 at 12:15 pm following Sunday services in the sanctuary. The agenda is as follows:

Opening Prayer – Pastor Schultz

- Review & Approve Minutes of the Previous Voters' Meetings
- Treasurer's Report Brett Stoll, treasurer
- Operating Budget for 2021 Click Here to See a PDF of the 2021 Budget
- Motion From Council for voter's approval: The BSLC Congregation approves Operating Budget for 2021 as presented - Verbal vote on budget
- Phase 1 building expansion update
- Any other business from the floor
- Closing Prayer

Blessings on your day,

George Ledgerwood Congregation President

		Monthly Received	Total Received	Committed to Trusting
#	1 1	Received	Total Received	Hearts
####	December	471,606.03	471,606.03	2,030,000
2020	January	220,523.69	692,129.72	2,030,000
	February	129,140.33	821,270.05	2,030,000
	March	25,717.11	846,987.16	2,030,000
	April	27,203.44	874,190.60	2,030,000
	May	27,479.35	901,669.95	2,030,000
	June	53,165.12	954,835.07	2,030,000
	July	27,090.44	981,925.51	2,030,000
	August	28,479.66	1,010,405.17	2,030,000
	September	16,517.33	1,026,922.50	2,030,000
	October	52,645.00	1,079,567.50	2,030,000
	<i>unding Summary</i> n = \$4,219,730			
BSLC Tru	sting Hearts = \$2,0	30,000		

Trusting Hearts Capital Campaign - Phase 1



A TRUSTING HEARTS CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today we mark the one-year milestone of Beautiful Savior's Trusting Hearts Capital Campaign. To say the world is dramatically different today than it was one year ago is a colossal understatement! It is fair to say our earthly lives have changed dramatically over the last several months. Through all these changes, one thing that has not changed but remains as steadfast as ever, is God's Word and Promises. A year ago, we kicked off the campaign with **Proverbs 3: 5-6 "Trust in the Lord with all your heart…and He will make straight your paths."** This is just as true today as it was a year ago and it will be true tomorrow and forever! It is amazing how we chose this verse to guide us for our capital campaign over a year ago. It was extremely fitting then, is extremely fitting today, and will be extremely fitting tomorrow. God and God's Word and Promises DO NOT change despite the world around us.

Over the last year, there have undoubtedly been circumstances in our lives that would cause us to pause and re-consider the plans to grow Beautiful Savior's mission and ministry. Instead, as a congregation in the body of Christ, we have kept our hearts focused on Proverbs 3: 5-6. On December 8th 2019, we collected \$403,926 against a 3-year pledged goal of \$2,030,000. Today, we have collected **\$1,079,567.50** against a 3-year pledged goal of **\$2,030,000**. I could write several pages about the progress we have made in just one year, but I won't. I will just leave it to one word – AMAZING! We are well on our way to meeting our goal and positioning ourselves for the next chapter in Beautiful Savior's mission and ministry in Olathe. For those that have stayed on course with their 3-year commitment, thank you! Please continue to be steadfast and examine how God has blessed you in the past year. Are there opportunities to give more? Pray about it and **"Trust in the Lord with all your heart"**. For brothers and sisters that have fallen behind due to the circumstance of this world, thank you! As brothers and sisters in Christ, we are thankful for what you have been able to give and know that we love you no matter how much you are able to give and we pray for the storms in your life cease. For those that have joined our congregation over the past year, thank you! We are joyful for your membership in our family and if you are so inclined, please consider how your family can contribute.

Once again, we give praise and thanks for all that has been accomplished over the last year by the grace of God! If you need more blue envelopes for the coming year, there are more attached to the mailboxes on the narthex. If you have questions or concerns about your individual commitment or amount given to date, don't hesitate to contact Pastor Schultz, Kerri Schlef, or myself, Trenton Travis. Peace to you and your family during this season of Thanksgiving and the season of celebrating the coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

Trenton Travis, Trusting Hearts Capital Campaign Director



Advent Devotions from Lutheran Hour Ministries

God with Us

What better news is there than to know that God is always by our side! In *God with Us*, we learn again what God the Father has done—He has kept His promise. In so doing, He has announced that grace and forgiveness are available to all, freely given in the birth of Jesus: God's Son, our Savior. He is Immanuel, "God with us."

The story of God coming to earth as a human child is a profound one. In *God with Us*, we find no aloof divinity who is unconcerned and remote somewhere in the cosmos. Rather, He is deeply involved in all our affairs—our joys as well as our heartaches. He *knows* us for He became one of us. At Christmastime, we celebrate the birth of Jesus, Lord of the universe, Savior of the world, Shepherd of our lives.

Daily Devotions from LHM will help strengthen and encourage your faith as you do the same for others. Have them <u>delivered right to your inbox</u>, <u>podcast the audio devotional</u>, access them on your mobile device through the <u>FREE app</u>, or listen with <u>Spotify</u>, <u>iHeart Radio</u>, <u>Alexa</u>, <u>or Google Home</u>. Seasonal Devotions for <u>Advent</u> and <u>Lent</u> are available here in both <u>English and Spanish</u>, as well as in <u>French</u> from our ministry center in Canada. Perfect for personal reflection or to share with family, friends and congregations, these seasonal meditations will help prepare you to celebrate the true meaning of these seasons.

There will also be printed copies available in the narthex.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP RESOURCES Lectionary Images for Nov. 15

https://www.bslcks.org/wpcontent/uploads/2020/11/Nov-15_Lectionary-Images.pdf

Children's Worship Notes Nov. 15 https://www.bslcks.org/wp-

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SUNDAY SCHOOL "A Basket of Hope" is today's lesson in which participants explore the birth of Moses. There hundred years after the death of Joseph, Egypt's new pharaoh despises the Hebrews. Pharaoh demands greater work output from the Hebrew slaves while seeking to reduce their population through infanticide. Moses' mother manages to hide baby Moses until he is three months old, when she finally sets him afloat in a basket. Discovered by Pharaoh's daughter, Moses enters a life of privilege.

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 (<u>church</u> <u>directory</u>).

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 run through Nov. 24. If you can't join live, it will be posted on the LWML FB page and YouTube.

THURSDAY MORNING ZOOM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will break from Bible studies after November 19 until January.

FACE MASKS REQUIRED In light of the rising number of COVID cases and the <u>Governor's Executive order</u>

(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.

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! Contact Eden Keefe for the Zoom invitation.

CHRISTMAS MUG SWAP Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) is planning a Christmas mug swap. Women will be paired up and each will purchase a Christmas or Winter mug and deliver via a porch drop, at church, or mail 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 here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4DA9AF22A

<u>4FC1-christmas</u>. 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/1/2/3/6/123633 172/kslwml-fall2020-sonshinev3.pdf

PRESCHOOL NEWS

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

The Preschool children are enjoying some new excitement next to the playground this week with the beginning of construction of our new building. They have been glued to the fence watching the construction vehicles at work. It's going to be a fun year of having a front row seat to this process. Next week we're looking forward to Crazy Hair Days on Monday and Tuesday and our November Spirit days.

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. information, email Rebecka For more at 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.

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 48oz. 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.

COMMUNITY NEWS

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.

CELEBRATE ADOPTION Each year, Metro Voice partners with area ministries that serve the needs surrounding adoption and foster care. We work to raise awareness in the church about these Christian organizations and the Biblical mandate that there is no greater love than to care for orphans in their distress (James 1:27). Go to: https://metrovoicenews.com/category/adoptionfostering-guide/ for more information about their services.



CALENDAR:

Sunday, November 15 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 7:00pm – Church Council Monday, November 16 8:30am – Preschool 12:15pm – Preschool 6:30pm – LWML Meeting **Tuesday, November 17** 8:30am – Preschool 9:30am – Organist Practice 12:15pm - Preschool 1:00pm – Staff Meeting 7:00pm – 4H Club Wednesday, November 18 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 19 8:30am - Preschool 9:30am – Women's Bible Study via Zoom 12:15pm – Preschool 7:00pm – Women's Bible Study Friday, November 20 8:30am – Preschool 12:15pm - Preschool Saturday, November 21 8:30am – Altar Guild Prep until 9:30am 9:00 am - Kansas Dist. Youth Gathering thru 8:45pm 1:00pm – 4H meeting Sunday, November 22 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

Birthdays:

Nov. 15	Sharon Cahill
Nov. 16	Sharon Kester
Nov. 18	Dave Mattern, Stephanie Tolman,
	Matthew Tripp
Nov. 19	Carol Vandenberg, McKenzie Marston,
	Matt Wilkinson, Emilee Voigt
Nov. 20	Jeff Hiller, Pam Wellons,
	Patricia Bohnert
Nov. 21	Greg Knoles, Amy Freiermuth,
	Adam Holste

Anniversaries:

Nov.16	Eric & Tricia Domsch
Nov. 17	Gordon & Moriah Obermueller,
	Kevin & Kathy Gunning
Nov. 20	Todd & Traci Scheumann

Our Worship 11-08-20

Attendance (11/08/2020) Offerings	345 \$14,264.77			
Sunday School	\$105.10			
Trusting Hearts	\$10,821.00			
Offerings do not include any Electronic Contributions.				

Stewardship Corner

God seeks a relationship with each of us. He wants to spend time with us, and He wants us to get to know Him better. Spending time with Him helps us realize how much He loves us and wants His best for us. Martin Luther wrote, "The life of Christianity consists in its possessive pronouns. It is one thing to say, 'Christ is a Savior'; it is guite another thing to say, 'He is my Savior and my Lord.' The devil can say the first; the true Christian alone can say the second." As our relationship grows with God, we will in turn be useful in helping others experience the happiness and joy that come from a relationship with Him. We will be compelled to tell others about God's love and grace.

THE LOVE OF MONEY AND WHAT IT CAN BUY REPRESENT A WRONG **ALTERNATIVE TO GOD IN YOUR** HEART.

"No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love



the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money" (Matthew 6:24).