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PHASE 1 BUILDING UPDATE

Should you desire to come check out the building project in person, ***you must stop by the construction trailer first, for SAFETY purposes, orientation of the activities that currently happening and field and questions or concerns.***

Thomas M. Hawkins, Jr. (Project Manager) will escort you around. He recently retired from Burns McDonald after 19 plus years as an Senior EPC (Engineer Procure Construct) Project Manager and is a member at Bethany Lutheran. Saying he knows his stuff would be an understatement. He'll keep you SAFE and inform you of the details on what's happening at the site. His contact information is in the church directory.

Progress forward...

1. The tree removal, grubbing and sod removal has been completed.
2. The new sewer line rough-in from the City of Olathe manhole to the building is finished (they hammered ALOT of rock out of the ground).
3. The new/rerouted gas line is finished.
4. The new/rerouted power line may be completed by Thanksgiving.
5. NEXT: Waterline was started on Friday, November 20th.
6. NEXT: Mass grading and compaction; which includes filling in the current drainage pond, excavating for the new detention structure, grading for the retaining walls and parking lots, and preparing the building pad.



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT DEVOTIONS from Lutheran Hour Ministries are available in the narthex. Have them [delivered right to your inbox](#), [podcast the audio devotional](#), access them on your mobile device through the [FREE app](#), or listen with [Spotify](#), [iHeart Radio](#), [Alexa](#), or [Google Home](#). 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.

POINSETTA SIGN-UP There is a sign-up sheet posted in the narthex on the wall by the Altar Guild room if you attend in person. Or you can give the office a call to get your name on the list. Cost of the poinsettias are \$15.00. Use the green envelope in the narthex or mail your check to the church. Write poinsettia on the memo line.

AMAZON SMILES You can make an impact while you shop for Black Friday and Christmas shopping. Simply shop at smile.amazon.com/ch/48-1101724 and AmazonSmile will donate .5% of your purchases back to BSLC at no cost to you. The last check we received for the last 3 months was \$183.56!

THIS WEEK IN SUNDAY SCHOOL, we are putting our faith in action by completing a service project. We are making 150 winter kits for the homeless in the metro. Each kit is filled with a new pair of socks, a small bottle of water, a package of peanut butter crackers, hand warmers, chapstick, kleenexes, and most importantly, an encouraging word. Each family is encouraged to take one and distribute it to someone in need. The remaining kits will be taken to Scraps KC, an organization in Kansas City, Missouri that ministers to the homeless. This service project was made possible with a Thrivent action team.

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 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 [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.

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

SIGN UP VIA SIGN UP GENIUS

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4DA9AF22A4FC1-advent7>

for our Advent By Candlelight Zoom on Sunday, December 6 at 6:30pm. This 30 minutes will include a welcome, an Advent devotion/reading, and "Silent Night. The Zoom invitation will be sent out that weekend. You can add your own candlelight! You can forward the Sign up Genius to friends/neighbors/family members if you would like to invite them to join us.

ADVENT MUG SWAP Thanks to everyone who participated in the Advent Mug Swap! We hope you enjoyed connecting with someone this season. If you have any questions, please contact Eden Keefe at lwmleden@gmail.com.

PRESCHOOL NEWS

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

Beautiful Savior Preschool and MDO children celebrated Thanksgiving this week with festive turkey and Indian hats as well as decorative children-made placemats. We used our hats and placemats at snack time each day and gave thanks to God for all of our blessings. We're looking forward to time with our families and then will be returning on November 30th to start our December school activities. The preschool is thankful for Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church for supporting this ministry!

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 is in need of small kitchen appliances, jeans (all sizes) and queen size blankets. If you can donate money, or order via Amazon wish list before Thanksgiving, it would be appreciated.

<https://www.mlmkc.org/donate-christmas-store.html>

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKET NEEDS

We are almost at the end of our collection of sugar, flour and cooking oil for the 120 Christmas Baskets distributed by the Jesus El Buen Pastor Lutheran Church Food Pantry in Kansas City, Mo. These baskets provide a more joyous celebration for families during the Christmas season. During November, we have been collecting a **4 lb. bag of sugar, 5 lb. bag of flour and 48oz. of cooking oil** to add to each basket. As of Nov. 23, our congregation and Preschool have collected enough for 40 baskets. There is a Thrivent Action team project that will cover approximately 40 more baskets. We will need 40 additional sets to cover the remaining baskets. Please consider donating

sugar, flour and oil to help with the remaining items needed. **We will continue collecting through Dec. 7.** Please 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.

CALENDAR:

Sunday, November 29

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 30

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

Tuesday, December 1

8:30am – Preschool
9:30am – Organist Practice
12:15pm – Preschool
1:00pm – Staff Meeting

Wednesday, December 2

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

7:00pm – Mid-week Advent Service

Thursday, December 3

8:30am – Preschool
9:30am – Women's Bible Study via Zoom
12:15pm – Preschool
7:00pm – Women's Bible Study

Friday, December 4

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

Saturday, Dec. 5

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

Sunday, Dec. 6

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
6:30pm – Virtual Advent by Candlelight

Birthdays:

Dec. 1 Debby Serafin, Toni Johnson, Madison Spear
Dec. 2 Ethan Koch, Adam Koch, Adam Stoll,
Dec. 3 Alli Bauck, Trace Wielage
Dec. 5 Ken Kreissler, Rebecca Ludwig, Leo Bartels
Dec. 6 Landon Wagner

Anniversaries:

Dec. 2 John & Mia Schreiner

Our Worship 11-22-20

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| Attendance | 321 |
| Offerings | \$8,680.00 |
| Sunday School | \$55.90 |
| Trusting Hearts | \$2,400.00 |
| <i>Offerings do not include any Electronic Contributions.</i> | |

Stewardship Corner

The four Sundays prior to Christmas are the four Sundays of Advent, which begin the Church year. The purpose of Advent is not only to prepare us to celebrate the birth of Jesus which occurred over two thousand years ago but also to prepare us for His second coming. Jesus, Who came to us in a stable, will come again when the trumpet sounds in glory on the Last Day. The New Testament stresses that Christians must be ready at all times for the second coming. We are to live with joyful expectation. Whether by Jesus' return or our own deaths, we should always be prepared to meet Him. Peter wrote, *"The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers"* (1 Peter 4:7).

DURING ADVENT, WE PREPARE TO CELEBRATE OUR SAVIOR'S BIRTH AND HIS COMING AGAIN.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega" says the Lord God, 'Who is and Who was and Who is to come, the Almighty' (Revelation 1:8).

