

Rezound! Handbell Ensemble



Holiday Concert
Sunday, December 8
3:00 PM

Beautiful Savior Lutheran
13145 S. Blackbob Rd., Olathe, KS



Festive Holiday Favorites to Ring in the Season!
Free Admission Donations Accepted

Dec. 6 - Calvary Lutheran, KCMO

Dec. 7 - Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Lee's Summit

Free Admission
rezound.org

816-866-RING (7464)

Trusting Hearts Update

The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Cor 9:6-7

December 8th is "First Fruits Sunday" where our first offerings for our **Trusting Hearts Capital Campaign** will be placed in the offering plate. It is also a day where you have an opportunity to, not only consider this financial gift, but ways you may be called to serve our Lord with your time and talents. There are several ministries here at Beautiful Savior seeking assistance and the December 8th **Connections Fair** can provide you opportunities to serve our Lord within our church and community.

Prayer: Heavenly Father, creator of the universe, all that exists is Yours. We thank You for the countless blessings You provide. Let Your Holy Spirit show us the way to best use all You have provided. Holy Spirit, please help us to be good stewards of the gifts provided to us by showing us how to best use them to glorify the name of our LORD. All we have is a gift from the LORD. Let our hearts be filled with joy as we glorify our LORD's name with what He first gave us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Did you know...

\$1.85 MILLION has been committed to the **Trusting Hearts Capital Campaign!!!**

There's still time to put YOUR commitment card in the offering plate!

Don't forget to bring your **FIRST FRUITS** check **THIS SUNDAY!**

Special thanks to those on the Youth Emphasis Team: Chris Martin, Ann Campbell, Mary Martin, Juan Martinez, Christi Stapf, Jude Stapf, and Cora Schreiner.

Special thanks to those on the Follow-Up Team: Adam Holste, Lisa Bahr, Phil Bertels, Fred Gruhn, and Jordan Klebe.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONNECTIONS FAIR Presented by the Board of Member Engagement. *GET CONNECTED, GET INVOLVED, GET ENGAGED.* December 8 from 9:00 – 9:45am in the narthex.

THE ANNUAL CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM will take place on Sunday, December 15th at 6:00pm. This will take the place of the evening worship service. If you have any questions talk to Amy Schepmann (amyschepmann@hotmail.com).

MERRY CHRISTMAS FOR THE BSLC STAFF! For those who would like to acknowledge our staff this Christmas, the Board of Elders is collecting monetary gifts to be distributed just before Christmas. You may place your gift of cash or check in the envelope provided in your mailbox and drop it in the decorated Christmas gift box located in the narthex by Sunday, December 22. Thank you for your loving generosity!

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS If you would like to provide a poinsettia for our Christmas Services, you can do so by signing up on the sheet in the narthex. The poinsettias will be **\$11.00** this year. You can designate your poinsettia to be in memory of someone, or any other reason. Questions? Call Sharon Kester 913-782-7964.



FAITH ALIVE

December - We will have the opportunity to enjoy favorite carols and festive music from the Rezound! Handbell Ensemble. They will perform at our church on Sunday, Dec. 8 at 3pm. We will **not** meet afterwards as previously planned.

January - We are planning a BINGO Night on Sat., Jan. 11 from 6:30-8:30pm in the fellowship room. Bring snacks to share. Also, bring ideas to plan activities for the new year! For any questions or if you would like to be included, email Danny Hundley (dannyhundley@aol.com) We'd love to have you join us!

COUNTERS NEEDED – Please call Todd Scheumann 916-809-6373 or email afits@aol.com if you are interested in this opportunity.

CALLING ALL SINGERS! A Special Christmas Eve Choir is forming to sing at the 6:00pm and 8:00pm services on Christmas Eve. Rehearsals will be Saturdays December 7, 14, and 21 from 10:30-11:30am. Please plan to attend at least two of these rehearsals. Contact Lauran.Delancy@gmail.com with questions.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

SUNDAY SCHOOL "Homecoming Hopes is the theme for our lesson this week,. King Artaxerses sends Ezra as a priest and scribe to teach and lead the people at the newly repaired temple in Jerusalem. Nehemiah convinces the king to send him to Jerusalem to repair the city wall. Despite opposition from Israel's neighbors, repairs are completed in record time. Nehemiah, Ezra, and the priests lead the people in a joyous rededication of the wall. Discuss together, "What homecoming can we look forward to as God's children?"

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

THE WOMEN'S RETREAT 20/20 THEME IS FOCUS ON CONNECTIONS - our connections with our Savior and one another through Visual Faith practices. We will do that by incorporating visual elements and responses to our Bible study, prayer time, and connections with others. **Save the dates: February 21 & 22!** It will be held at church this year to eliminate travel to an outside venue, with Fellowship and Introductions on Friday evening, home to sleep and then the retreat sessions Saturday morning until 3 p.m. Watch for more information and registration information in the coming weeks! For more information contact Eden Keefe.

MISSIONS

THE LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL OF KANSAS CITY'S LOST AND FOUND THRIFT STORE, located at 12104 Blue Ridge Blvd. in Grandview is in need of volunteers. Volunteers are needed to price and organize donated items; clean donated items; sort incoming items and put out-of-season items back into boxes for storage; assemble display boxes; label bed linens with sizes; measure curtains & label with dimensions; run the cash

register, & much more! To volunteer at the store, contact Gina directly at 913-271-4405, sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0844aeaa28a13-lost>.

LUMA FOOD COLLECTION For the month of December, we will be collecting food for the Jesus El Buen Pastor Food Pantry that is sponsored by LUMA (Lutheran Urban Mission Agency). The pantry has a great need for food that has a pop tab for opening the can. Many in the homeless community do not have access to a fridge or stove. The pantry would like the 19 oz. size cans of soup; cans of vienna sausages, spam, etc. Please make sure the food you buy has this type of opening. Aldi has a nice selection of different kinds of soup. Contact Charlotte Hundley (322-0042) with any questions.

MLM CHRISTMAS STORE To make Christmas more joyful for 900 families, it takes a lot of volunteers!! The Christmas Store is located at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1700 Westport Rd., in Missouri. These volunteers sort and set up the store Sunday, December 7, from 12:00 – 3:00pm. MLM's Special Events and Volunteer Coordinator, Rebecka Noel, has asked us to share their volunteer opportunities. If you would like to help with either setting up or providing food for the volunteers, there are two places to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805084da9af2cabfc1-meals> and <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805084da9af2cabfc1-christmas1> Please check these out. Other information can be found at www.mlmkc.org

PRESCHOOL NEWS

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

PRESCHOOL DOORS are all decked out for Christmas thanks to our awesome parent volunteers! Preschool Board members judged our doors on Thursday and awarded each class a certificate. Be sure to check out our festive and Christ-centered doors downstairs. The church office staff even joined in our fun this year!

PRESCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS will be Monday, December 16th at 6:00 and 7:15 pm. Cookie donations are welcome if you'd like to share with our preschool families. The children are excited to share

Starry Starry Night with their families this year. Church members are welcome to come and hear our sweet children share the message of Jesus' birth!

COMMUNITY NEWS

TEACHER ASSISTANT (PART-TIME) We are currently looking for a friendly and competent Teacher Assistant to join our team. If interested, please contact Mrs. Nancy Jankowski at jankowski@hopelutheran.org or call 913-631-6940.

SPECIAL SERVICES & PROGRAMS

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT w/ Communion

Sunday, December 8, 8:00 & 10:45 am, 6:00pm

SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

Wednesday, December 11 @ 6:30pm

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT w/ Communion

Sunday, December 15, @ 8:00 & 10:45am

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Sunday, December 15 @ 6:00pm

PRESCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS

Monday, December 16, @ 6:00 & 7:15pm

MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICE, "O ANTIPHONS"

Wednesday, December 18 @ 7:00pm

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT w/ Communion

December 22, 8:00 & 10:45am, 6:00pm

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES w/ Communion

Tuesday, December 24, 4:00, 6:00, & 8:00pm

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE w/ Communion

Wednesday, December 25, 9:00am

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS w/Communion

Sunday, December 29, 8:00 & 10:45am, 6:00pm

NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE w/ Communion,

Tuesday, December 31, 6:00pm



CALENDAR:

Sunday, December 8 In-Gathering for Pledge Drive

8:00am – Worship w/ Communion
 9:00am – Connections Fair until 9:45am
 9:30am – Education hour
 10:45am – Worship w/ Communion
 3:00pm – **REZOND CONCERT**
 5:00pm – MOPS set-up
 6:00pm – Evening Worship w/Comm./Standfuss
 Baptism

Monday, December 9

8:30am – Preschool Music Practice until 1:30pm
 8:45am MOPS

Tuesday, December 10

9:30am – Organist Practice
 1:00pm – Staff Meeting

Wednesday, December 11

6:30am – Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
 9:30am – Organist Practice
 6:00pm – Youth Group Advent Devotion
 6:30pm – Service of Lessons & Carols

Thursday, December 5

8:30am – Preschool Music Practice until 1:30pm
 7:00pm – Women's Bible Study

Saturday, December 14

8:30am – Altar Guild Sunday Prep until 9:30am
 9:30am – Christmas Bells Rehearsal
 10:30am – Christmas Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, December 15

8:00am – Worship w/ Communion & Booth Baptism
 9:30am – Education hour
 10:45am – Worship w/ Communion & Holle Bapt.
 12:00pm – Booth Baptism Dinner (Fellowship Room)
 12:00pm Christmas Caroling until 3:00pm
 4:00pm – Beata Ringers Rehearsal
 6:00pm – **Children's Christmas Program**
 7:00pm – Church Council

Birthdays:

December 9 Melvin Bockelman
 Chad Ronsick
 December 10 Doug Mahnken
 Logan Shiao
 December 11 Ryan Fee
 Eric Hartwell
 Scott Wielage
 December 12 Marc Wachter
 December 13 Trenton Wielage
 December 14 Judd Claussen

Anniversaries:

December 11 Victor & Susan Chapa

Our Worship 12/1/19

Offerings **\$16,556.20**

Trusting Hearts **\$27,638.33**

Worship **319**

Thanksgiving Eve **181**

Sunday School

Offering **\$62.25**

Attendance **181**

Stewardship Corner

God blesses us as we faithfully give to and serve others. *"One gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and suffers want. Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered"* (Proverbs 11:24-25). We not only share God's love by helping those whom we serve, but we are blessed in the process. Our motivation to give and to serve is the love we have from Christ and for Him, rather than to receive the blessings that come from serving. However, God has ordained that blessings will come from faithful acts of generosity and service.

ABUNDANT LIVES HERE AND IN HEAVEN.

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they have life and have it abundantly" (John 10:10).

