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# Lenten Sermon and Bible Class Series

## "O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God."

-Gradual for Lent, based on Hebrews 12:2

When the characters in the Passion narrative look at Jesus, what do they see? In most cases, people misunderstood who He is and what He was doing. In some cases, by faith, people recognized Him rightly. Our Lenten series this year, based on the Gospel according to St. Mark, will examine how the various people around Jesus viewed Him—and how we should view Him. We will "fix our eyes" on what Jesus has done to save us from our sins by His holy, precious blood and innocent sufferings and death, and celebrate what God sees on account of His work: our justification for His sake.

**Ash Wednesday:** We see how, in spite of Jesus' repeated predictions about His upcoming Passion, the disciples with "**Misjudging Eyes**" fail to recognize that soon He would not be with them.

Then on the subsequent Midweek Services we:

- a) March 4 look through Judas's "Betraying Eyes."
- b) March 11 see the "Sleepy Eyes" of Peter, James, and John in the Garden of Gethsemane.
- c) March 18 stare into the "Denying Eyes" of Peter and the other apostles.
- d) March 25 ponder the "Murderous Eyes" of the chief priests and scribes.
- e) April 1 will be sadly dismayed at the "Worldly Eyes" of Pilate, the Jewish leaders, and the Roman soldiers.

**Maundy Thursday (April 9):** We see there is **"More Than Meets the Eye"** to the Lord's Supper and rejoice in the mystery that Jesus, in and with, bread and wine, gives us His body and blood in order to deliver to us the benefits of His Passion.

**Good Friday (April 10):** We look through **"God's Eyes"** to see what is happening during the Passion: the once-for-all atonement for the sin of the whole world and the justification of all sinners on Easter.

Holy Saturday (April 11): We look through "Resting Eyes"—eyes that rested upon the dead Jesus, cared for His body, and buried it.

**Easter Sunday (April 12):** We gaze upon **"Angel Eyes."** The angel in the tomb knows the whole story of Jesus' resurrection. When he sees the women, he proclaims the Gospel to them, shows them where Jesus' body had formerly lain, and tells of the resurrection.

**Eyes on Jesus** will continuously focus our eyes on Jesus Christ and Him crucified, buried, and risen for our justification. This is a vision that will never disappoint, for by trusting in Jesus, He promises that we will gaze upon His beautiful face now by faith and forever in heaven!

In Christ's Love and Service, Pastor Schultz



## **PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES** will be held at 12:00 noon and 7:00pm on Ash Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>. Remaining Wednesday services will be held also at noon and 7:00pm. Look for upcoming information on Holy week services

**BUILDING ALARM** If you are the **LAST** person to leave **BSLC**, you **MUST** set the alarm by using the following procedure:



- 1. Make sure you are the last person in the building by checking to see if there are no cars parked in the lot.
- 2. Go to the red alarm box by the door and Press CMD (Lower Right) and ARM (Upper left) keys.
- 3. The system will say "all systems on" and will start counting down from 60.
- 4. You have 60 seconds to leave the building.

**WIND SYMPHONY (Concordia University Chicago)** announces its Spring Tour Concerts. They are scheduled to be at Beautiful Savior Friday, March



13th at 7:00pm.

**THE SINGING SAINTS** of Saint Paul Lutheran High School, of Concordia, Missouri, will be performing a concert on Thursday, March 12, at 7:00pm

at St. Stephen Lutheran Church, 205 N. Forest Ave, Liberty, MO. The choir is on their annual domestic tour, singing this year in Texas, Oklahoma, and Missouri. The select touring choir is made up of 48 students from the 60-voiced concert choir and they will be performing a varied program that included classic works by J. S. Bach, Anton Bruckner, and Orlando Gibbons, as well as some traditional spirituals, hymns and anthems. They will also be singing two movements from a notyet-published cantata by David von Kampen, which they helped commission this past summer. The award-winning choir is under the direction of Dr. Jerrode Baker Marsh and has sung in nearly all 48 continental states, Canada, and in 2018 they sang a 19-day tour throughout Central Europe. The concert is free, but donations are kindly requested to help cover expenses for their tour. For more information about this concert, please contact St. Stephen Lutheran Church at 816-781-3377.

**YOUR 2019 OFFERING STATEMENTS** have been emailed to all members last week. If you did not receive the email, or if you would prefer a paper copy talk to John Blakley.

**FLOWER CHART** A new flower chart for 2020 has been posted on the bulletin board by the altar guild room in the narthex. Please sign up for any date and put the occasion for the flowers so it can be listed in the bulletin. There are 2 lines for each Sunday, but you can sign up for as many as you need. Flowers are \$30.00 each. Please use the green envelopes by the church mailboxes and don't forget to include your ENVELOPE NUMBER on the check.

**BE A CENSUS TAKER** Census positions provide the perfect opportunity to earn extra income while helping you community. The results of the 2020 census will help determine your state representatives in Congress as well as how certain funds are spent for schools, hospitals, roads, and more. In addition to supporting your community, census jobs offer great pay every week, flexible hours, and paid training. Applying is easy. Visit **2020census.gov/jobs** to learn more, then click on Apply Now.

#### **TRUSTING HEARTS UPDATE**

Goal - \$2.2 Million Committed – 2.03 Million Received - **\$815,767.** If you need additional Trusting Hearts (blue) offering envelopes, they are available in the acrylic holders by the mailboxes.



#### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** In our Christian education time this week, we study "A Life Restored." Jairus, a synagogue ruler, comes to Jesus, begging Him to heal his critically ill daughter. Along the way, servants come with news of his daughter's death. Taking Peter, James, and John, Jesus ignores the mourners, takes the young girl by the hand, and tells her, "Arise." And rise she does, demonstrating Jesus' power over death itself.

**THE THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** class is looking for a childcare provider. Time, including set up and clean up, is 9:15 - 10:45am, with child care from 9:30 - 10:30am. The pay has been increased to **\$30**. We do not meet when Olathe schools are not in session. Please contact Michelle Wibe at the church office if you are willing to help! Thank you!

**THURSDAY EVENING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** is based on Philippians 4:8-9 entitled "Whatever...Keeping Your Heart In Tune With Whatever Life Brings." All women of the congregation are welcome to join us in this study, even if you are not able to attend every week! The class will take place Thursday nights 7:00 -8:30pm. If you have any questions, contact Lisa Gruhn.

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY



**THE WOMEN'S RETREAT** registration brochure is available. Come "Focus on Connections" with us as we explore visual ways to enhance Prayer, Bible Study, and Devotion time! We are thrilled to have Jenny Long, former member and Visual Faith Coach, presenting along with Eden Keefe,

Visual Faith Coach. The cost is \$50 and covers Friday night fellowship with food and refreshments, Saturday breakfast, a catered lunch, and Saturday sessions with all materials provided. This event is open to nonmembers so invite a friend or family member to join you! If you are only able to attend on Saturday, <u>please</u> <u>note that on your registration</u>. If it is helpful, you may reduce the registration cost for Saturday Only to \$45-\$47. Please return the registration form with cash or a check payable to BSLC in mailbox #90 no later than **Sunday, February 16**. Questions? Contact Eden Keefe at <u>lwmleden@gmail.com</u>.

#### **MISSIONS**

**CELEBRATING THE CHIEFS VICTORY!!!** Thank you for all the food donations during the Super Bowl collection to help "TACKLE HUNGER." With the additional donations from this past week and more food items bought with donations from the Social Missions Gift Fund, we collected approximately 500 items. All of the donations will be divided between the Pioneer Trail Backsnack Program and the Catholic Charities food pantry. *"The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor."* (Prov 22:9)

**GIVE A HUG** to someone in need. We will be collecting **H.U.G.S.** the month of February. Watch for sales of warm **H**ats, **U**nderwear, **G**loves, and **S**ocks for adults. These items will be delivered to a shelter in our Kansas City area. Please place your donations in the large wooden box in the narthex.

## **PRESCHOOL NEWS**

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

**VALENTINE PARTIES** Our preschool classes enjoyed Valentine's parties this week thanks to the parent volunteers. Despite the cold and snow, we had "Spring" pictures by Lil' Angels photographers on Tuesday and Wednesday. We were off school on Thursday and Friday for Parent/Teacher conferences. Our staff is

blessed by the supportive parents to partner with during our conferences. The preschool will be closed on Monday for President's Day.



ACCREDITATION UPDATE: All writing and evidence has been approved and submitted to our visiting team of 5 Early Childhood Directors from Nebraska and Kansas. We are looking forward to having them here at Beautiful Savior on March 29-31 for their validation team visit. We are looking for hotel accommodations for the 3 team members who are not local if anyone has recommendations or contacts with any nearby hotels. If you are interested in volunteering with this or to help with snacks, meals, or general hospitality during their time here, please contact Amy Schultz in the preschool 913-780-6889 office at or email her at preschool@bslcks.org. Thank you!

## CALENDAR:

## Sunday, February 16 8:00am – Worship w/ Communion 9:30am - Education hour 10:45am – Worship w/ Communion 2:00pm - Secret Sister Reveal Party 3:00pm – Venite Ringers Rehearsal 4:00pm – Laudate Ringers Rehearsal 5:00pm – Beata Handbells Rehearsal 6:00pm - Evening Worship w/ Communion 7:00pm – Church Council Monday, Feb. 17 President's Day Church office closed No Preschool Classes Tuesday, Feb. 18 9:30am - Organist Practice 1:00pm – Staff Meeting 7:00pm – Happy Helper 4H Club Wednesday, Feb. 19 6:30am - Men's Breakfast & Bible Study 9:30am - Organist practice 10:00am – LifeLight 5:25pm – Youth Choir Rehearsal 6:00pm - Confirmation 6:00pm - Pre-Confirmation 6:00pm – Jubilate Chimes Choir 6:30pm – Sanctus Bell Rehearsal 7:30pm – Adult Choir Rehearsal Thursday, Feb. 20 9:30am – Women's Bible Study 6:00pm – LifeLight 7:00pm – Women's Bible Study Friday, Feb. 21 6:00pm – Women's Retreat Saturday, Feb. 22 8:00am – Women's retreat 8:30pm – Altar Guild Prep until 9:30 am 3:00pm – Scouting Event until 9:00pm Sunday, February 23 8:00am – Worship w/ Communion 9:30am – Education hour 10:45am – Worship w/ Communion 3:00pm - MOPS set-up 3:00pm – Venite Ringers Rehearsal 4:00pm – Laudate Ringers Rehearsal 5:00pm - Beta Ringers Rehearsal 6:00pm – Evening Worship w/ Communion

### **Birthdays:**

| Feb. 16 | Charlotte Hefte, Melissa Ragland      |
|---------|---------------------------------------|
| Feb. 17 | Laura Bodenstab, Emmett Gruhn         |
| Feb. 18 | Hadley Holste                         |
| Feb. 19 | Britta Tripp, Grant Obermueller,      |
|         | Emmerson Meier                        |
| Feb. 20 | Kristin Smalling, Patti Brockschmidt, |
|         | Dale Harnisch, Robert Schmoekel,      |
|         | Amanda Gripka                         |
| Feb. 21 | Julie Flores                          |
| Feb. 22 | Jaleel Counts                         |

## Anniversaries:

Feb. 17 Chris & Michelle Wibe

| Our Worship 2/9/2020  |               |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| Offerings             | \$16,594.75   |
| Trusting Hearts       | \$ 117,850.00 |
| Worship               | 364           |
| S <u>unday School</u> |               |
| Offering              | \$121.70      |
| Attendance            | 189           |

# **Stewardship Corner**

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us" (Hebrews 12:1). As we think of the faithful saints who have gone before us and who preserved for the Church a true and correct doctrine of the Holy Scriptures, we are encouraged by what they accomplished for the Kingdom of God through their dedicated concern for the mission of the Church. We, then, are motivated to follow their example and to continue what they have begun, in grateful response to God's love and provision for us.



# GOD MADE US IN HIS IMAGE. ABOVE ALL CREATION, HUMAN BEINGS ARE TREASURED.

"I praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made" (Psalm 139:14).