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ADVENT & CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17

Advent Supper – Fellowship Hall 5:30pm – 6:15pm

Lessons and Carols Worship Service – **6:45pm**

This service of Lessons and Carols focuses on the prophecy and fulfillment of the coming Christ in Scripture and song.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

Fourth Sunday of Advent Service w/Communion – 8:00am and 10:45am

Education Hour – 9:30am – 10:30am

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services – 4:00pm, 6:00pm and 8:00pm

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25

Christmas Day Service w/Communion – 9:00am

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28

First Sunday after Christmas Service w/Communion – 8:00am and 10:45am

Family Education Hour – 9:30am – 10:30am

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31

New Year's Eve Service – 6:00pm



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO THE BSLC STAFF!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As the joyous celebration of the birth of our Lord and Savior draws near, please consider the staff at BSLC when creating your shopping list. Each year the Board of Elders collects monetary gifts for distribution prior to Christmas day. This year we will collect until Sunday, December 21st, and we utilize three options for giving: You may place your gift of cash or check in the wooden Christmas gift box located in the narthex, you can give through the Vanco mobile app, or contribute via Venmo (@BSLC-StaffGift). Thank you for your loving generosity! Feel free to call or text Jeff McDonald with any questions at 913.961.5602.

Jeff McDonald – Board of Elders

2026 ALTAR FLOWERS SIGN UP

A new flower chart has been posted for 2026. It is posted on the wall by the altar guild room. **The cost is TBD** as waiting on a cost per arrangement from the florist. Last year, the cost was \$40 per arrangement. Please sign up and list the occasion for the flowers. Thank you for adorning the altar with flowers!



STAINED GLASS WINDOW SCRAPBOOK



In 2001, numerous BSLC families contributed to crafting the 16 small stained-glass windows in our sanctuary. A 12x12" scrapbook was created to document this project, featuring photos of the families, the windows, and background information. Unfortunately, it has gone missing, possibly during recent flood repairs or construction. We would greatly appreciate your assistance in finding this important piece of our history. Please contact Pamela Wellons.



FAMILY OF FAITH DINNERS

Thank you to all the BSLC members who have donated Thrivent Action Team Cards to help fund our Family of Faith Night Dinners in 2025! Last year we had **28 Wednesday night meals** that were mostly funded by the action teams and our Red Cross Blood Drives to make these meals completely free to our families.

In looking ahead to 2026, we will have **10 meals** starting in January that you can sponsor as a Thrivent member. Please email Amy Schultz at amy.schultz@bslcks.org and she will assign a date for you. Every Thrivent member is eligible to use two action teams per calendar year. Thank you for allowing us to feed our family of faith while we gather to grow together each week!



BMEA THANK YOU



Thank you for responding to our 2025 service opportunity announcements

Thank you to everyone who serves in numerous ways
Maybe the timing was not right – it's not too late
See the Directory App, Additional Pages for an overview of service opportunities
We are blessed to be part of a family of faith who responds by serving

"For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." Ephesians 2:10

SUNDAY SCHOOL

This Sunday, 3-year-olds thru 7th grade will meet in Room 114 for music and a movie. For the high school youth, they will meet as usual in the Youth Room 140.

WORSHIP RESOURCES

Lectionary Images for December 14th

<https://www.bslcks.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/2025.12.14-Lectionary-Images.pdf>

My Worship Notes for December 14th

<https://www.bslcks.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/2025.12.14-My-Worship-Notes.pdf>

HEALTH MINISTRY

GRIEFSHARE CLASS JANUARY 2026

You are invited to join our upcoming GriefShare seminars, a 12 session series designed to help you heal from the pain of grief due to the death of a loved one. This is open to the community.



The sessions will begin on **Saturday the 10th of January**, from **2 to 4 p.m.** in the Narthex Conference Room and conclude on Saturday March 28th.

You may register for the series and purchase a workbook on the [Griefshare.org](https://www.griefshare.org) website under Find a GriefShare support group. Please contact Jere Brandt for additional info or insight.

FIELDSTONE

FIELDSTONE MINISTRY – HYGIENE ITEMS

We are adding some tags to our Christmas Tree displays in the narthex and breezeway for hygiene items. We would like to include these items in the food boxes we deliver to our neighbors. We currently serve 29 households totaling 95 persons! The quantity on the tag is a suggestion, purchase what you are comfortable with. Please place the items in the wood mission box in the narthex. Thank you for your generosity and showing love to our neighbors in this way! Any questions, ask Vicar Wilson or Ann Campbell.



DECEMBER FIELDSTONE FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Beautiful Savior is in partnership with Mission Southside to distribute food to families at Fieldstone Apartments here in Olathe. We meet every Friday at 2:45pm at Mission Southside 514 S. Kansas Ave. in Olathe to box groceries and then drive to Fieldstone Apartments where we deliver them to our families at their apartments. We are usually done by 4:15pm. If you would like to be part of this important ministry, please click on the link below to sign up. Thank You!



[Congregation: Fieldstone Food Distribution \(signupgenius.com\)](https://www.signupgenius.com)

MISSIONS

BACKSNACK PROGRAM

We are continuing this school year to support the Pioneer Trail Middle School Backsnack program. We need:



- Cereal (regular-size, not family-size boxes)
- Fruit cups (not applesauce)
- Granola/breakfast bars

Please watch for far-from-expiration dates since they cannot distribute expired items. You may put your donations in the large, wooden donation box in the narthex. Pioneer Trail is very thankful that we continue to support them through the years. If you have any questions, please contact Charlotte Hundley.

HEALTH MINISTRY

INVITE TO SAFETY TRAINING MEETING 2026

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
You are invited to attend one of the upcoming safety training sessions at BSLC. The goal is for you to have information and training to respond to an emergency at BSLC until EMS can arrive. You are the bridge to best outcomes for our members and visitors. If you are present at church on a regular basis this class is for you! (That should be all members☺)

The sessions are expected to be 45min to an hour depending on questions and discussions. This is not a class to obtain certification in CPR or 1st Aid, but rather a refresher and information on location and use of supportive measures at BSLC.

Planned topics to cover include:

1. Location and use of AED's in our church, with brief CPR / Choking overview
2. Location and use of Naloxone (Narcan) for drug overdose
3. Location and use of "stop the bleed" kits
4. Location of First Aid supplies/ what supplies are included and available/ wheelchair and blankets
5. Fire safety and evacuation procedures
6. Location of tornado shelters and tornado kits/ building exits

7. Management of events/ communication (ie making sure 911 is called, crowd control, identifying victim/family)

Please prayerfully consider attending on Sunday Jan 4th after late service or Monday Jan 5th at 6 pm. Looking forward to meeting with you all!

In His Service,
Pastors, President of Congregation, and Char

FAITH ALIVE

SAVE THE DATE – DEC. 13, 2025 – FAITH ALIVE

Faith Alive (55+) is planning a special Christmas evening on Dec. 13, at 4:30p.m., in the Fellowship Hall. Come and enjoy an evening to RELAX and have some FUN! We will be having a devotion and a special CATERED DINNER. RELAX = CATERED dinner = No cooking! After dinner we will have some crazy FUN with a "White Elephant, Yankee Swap, Dirty Santa GIFT EXCHANGE." Randy Kanoy has an email with more detailed information about the gift exchange and events of the evening. Contact him with your interest and RSVP. RSVPs are needed to plan for how much food we will need. We always encourage new seniors to come and join us. If you have any questions, contact Randy Kanoy, Brad Keefe or Charlotte Hundley.

YOUNG ADULTS

YA CHRISTMAS PARTY

Join us for the Young Adult Christmas Party as we celebrate the season with food, games, music, and fellowship. The party will be December 14 at 6:00pm at the Ohlman's house. Bring small gift under \$20 for our gift exchange and come ready to enjoy a joyful evening together!



YOUTH BOARD

FAMILY CHRISTMAS CAROLING

Congregation members are invited to join youth of all ages and their families to go Christmas caroling on Dec. 14th. The youth board is hosting a soup and sandwich lunch following the late service, followed by singing and delivering cookies to members of the congregation that are home-bound or in need. Youth will decorate cookies during the Sunday School hour.

Everyone is welcome to come spread some holiday cheer!

Confirmation students can count this as a family service project as well!

JOURNEY IN JANUARY AT CAMP LUTHERHOMA

Senior Youth (9-12) are invited to attend *Journey in January* at Camp Lutherhoma in Tahlequah, OK from Jan. 16-18th, 2026. *Journey in January* is a high school winter weekend retreat planned and led by a high school leadership committee. The weekend is full of Christian growth, fellowship, fun, food, and friends. We will arrive Friday night between 8 & 9pm and depart Sunday morning at 11. Watch your email for the registration form. Cost for BSLC youth is \$100. Registration and payment are due to Pastor Ada by Dec. 21st. Questions can be directed to Michelle McKay or Pastor Ada.



PRESCHOOL

THIS WEEK

Our building is buzzing with excitement for our Preschool Christmas Programs on Tuesday night, December 16th at 6:00 and 7:15 pm! We've been practicing since November, and the children are ready to share the story of Jesus' birth with their families. Mrs. Batten has once again done an outstanding job of preparing the children by teaching them the songs. Following the program, we have a cookie reception along with a special Nativity photo spot for the families. At the end of this week, our classes will have Christmas parties courtesy of our parent volunteers. Our teaching team will also be celebrating the end of our first semester of school with a staff Christmas party. We thank God for the gift of Jesus, as connect our families to Him during this Christmas season!



LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS MUSIC CONCERT

Lutheran High School of Kansas city invites you to join us for our Christmas Music Concert, featuring the Concert Choir, Concert Band, and The Resounding Joy

Bell Choir. It will be held Sunday, December 14th, 2025 at 7:00pm at the Lutheran High School of Kansas City in the gym.

THIS WEEK

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Sunday, December 14th

8:00am – Worship w/ Comm. with live stream
 9:30am – Education Hour with live stream
 10:45am – Worship w/Communion
 12:30pm – Music Prep and recording
 12:30pm – Christmas Day Bells Rehearsal
 2:15pm – Laudate Ringers Rehearsal
 3:00pm – Intermezzo Ringers Rehearsal
 4:00pm – Youth Choir Rehearsal
 4:45pm – Beata Handbells Rehearsal

Monday, December 15th

7:30am – Monday Mornings with Psalms
 8:15am – BSLP
 8:30am – BSLP Chapel and/or Music
 12:15pm – BSLP
 4:00pm – Organist practice

Tuesday, December 16th

8:15am – BSLP
 8:15am – BSLP Movement Class
 8:30am – BSLP Chapel and/or Music
 12:15pm – BSLP
 12:15pm – BSLP Chapel and/or Music
 12:20pm – BSLP Movement Class
 6:00pm – BSLP Christmas Program
 7:15pm – BSLP Christmas Program

Wednesday, December 17th

6:30am – Men's Bible Study
 8:15am – BSLP
 8:15am – BSLP Movement Class
 8:30am – BSLP Chapel and/or Music
 12:15pm – BSLP
 12:20pm – BSLP Movement Class
 4:30pm – Lessons and Carols Music Warmup
 5:30pm – Midweek Advent Supper
 6:45pm – Midweek Advent Lessons and Carols

Thursday, December 18th

8:15am – BSLP
 8:30am – BSLP Chapel and/or Music
 12:15pm – BSLP
 12:15pm – BSLP Chapel and/or Music
 4:00pm – Organist practice

Friday, December 19th

8:15am – BSLP
 8:15am – BSLP Movement Class
 12:15pm – BSLP

Saturday, December 20th

8:30am – Altar Guild Sunday Prep

Sunday, December 21st

8:00am – Worship w/ Comm. with live stream
 9:00am – Visitors Coffee Hour
 9:30am – Education Hour with live stream
 10:45am – Worship w/Communion
 12:30pm – Music Prep and recording
 12:30pm – Christmas Day Bells Rehearsal



BIRTHDAYS:

Dec 15 Christopher Chapa, Sheila Huseman, Rev.

Richard Pingel, Paul Stapf, & Nick Grams

Dec 16 Christi Schreiner & Noah Denker

Dec 17 Evan Herra & Kevin Brumley

Dec 18 Natasha Zarnstorff, Kellan Mahnken, Jeanne Sumstine, & Anita Mariani, Alaina Booth, & George Ledgerwood

Dec 19 Cooper Olson

Dec 20 Michael Butler



ANNIVERSARIES:

Dec 14 Grant & Lexi Obermueller 6 years

Dec 17 Richard & Becky Hainje 48 years



STEWARDSHIP

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

During advent as we prepare our minds and hearts for the birth of Jesus, we are reminded of how John the Baptist prepared the people for the coming of Christ. John the Baptist, who lived during the time of Jesus, was God's special messenger. When people were questioning who he was, he said, *"I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord'"* (John 1:23). In his ministry, John the Baptist warned people about being greedy. Greed will keep us from sharing our clothes, food, and money with people in need. Jesus shared the same message when He said, *"Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions"* (Luke 12:15).

BECAUSE OF GOD'S LOVE FOR US IN CHRIST, WE DESIRE TO BE FAITHFUL, WISE, AND FRUITFUL STEWARDS OF THE BLESSINGS THAT HE ENTRUSTS TO US.



"It is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy" (1 Corinthians 4:2).

Our Worship for 12-07-25

8:00 am	215
10:45am	170
Online	26
Total	410
Offerings	\$29,464

Sunday School in person	
Children	75
Adults	133
Total	208

SS Offerings	\$94
SS Offerings Recipient	Orphan Grain Train

Offerings do not include any electronic contributions.

MEMORY VERSE



**The Lord your God
is in your midst, a
mighty one who
will save; he will
rejoice over you
with gladness;
he will quiet you
by his love; he will
exult over you
with loud singing.**

ZEPHANIAH 3:17

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