

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church & Preschool

Connecting people to Jesus as we gather, grow, and go.

DO NOT BE DECEIVED,
MY BELOVED BROTHERS,

Every Good Gift

AND EVERY PERFECT GIFT IS FROM
ABOVE, COMING DOWN FROM THE
FATHER OF LIGHTS, WITH WHOM
THERE IS NO VARIATION OR SHADOW
DUE TO CHANGE.

JAMES 1:16-17 ESV

First Sunday in Lent

February 18, 2024

8:00am & 10:45am

Welcome to Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church!

We greet you in the name of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ. We are glad you are worshipping with our family of faith and rejoice with you as God comes to us through His Word this day to bring His gift of forgiveness and life in Jesus.

If you have any questions, please seek out one of the ushers who will be happy to assist you.
Pastor Schultz & Pastor Ada look forward to meeting you at the end of the service.

ATTENDANCE REGISTRATION Members and visitors, please scan this QR code and register your attendance with us today. Thanks!



HEARING ASSISTANCE devices are available. Please talk to an usher.

YOUNG CHILDREN We believe that young children need to be brought to Jesus (Mark 10:14); and what better way than to include them in the regular worship life of the congregation! We **DO NOT** have a staffed nursery during church because we **encourage families to worship together**. Children's bulletins and worship activity bags are available to help quietly occupy those children too young to listen to the sermon. Please feel free to use the narthex as a cry room when needed. Monitors and speakers will assist in your participation.

EDUCATION HOUR (9:30-10:30am)

Adult Bible Class: During the 6 Sundays in Lent, we will be studying our Lenten Midweek theme based on Psalm 41: "Be Gracious to Me."

Sunday School: Classes are offered for children who have turned 3 by September 1 through high school. Please ask an usher for assistance in locating classrooms.

Nursery: There is a nursery during education hour located in the lower level, Room 118.

HOLY COMMUNION In Holy Communion we celebrate the real presence of our Lord Jesus Christ as He gives us His true body and blood in and with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of faith. In love for God's Word and in love for God's people, we do not want anyone to receive this blessed gift to their spiritual harm (1 Cor. 11:27-29). **Therefore, anyone who wishes to commune here for the first time and who is not a member of Beautiful Savior or a congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, is asked to speak with Pastor Schultz or Pastor Ada before receiving Holy Communion.** Those not communing are still welcome to come receive a blessing.

Order of Service: Divine Service 2

HYMNS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE: LSB 707, 617, 594, 418, 656

PRAYER AT THE BEGINNING OF WORSHIP

Lord, open now my heart to hear, And through your Word to me draw near;
Preserve that Word in purity That I your child and heir may be. *LW 197:1*

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

PRELUDE

God's Own Child I Gladly Say It
arr. Kosche

PASTORAL GREETING

MEMBER CONNECT

SHARING OF THE LORD'S PEACE

OPENING ANTHEM

When I Survey the Wonderful Cross
Arr. Niedmann
Youth Choir
(A setting of LSB 426)

Stand

✠ THE PREPARATION ✠

INVOCATION

(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of your Baptism.)

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Matthew 28:19b

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

1 John 1:8-9

(A moment of silence to confess our specific sins.)

P Let us together confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy... and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

[John 20:19-23]

✠ THE SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

HYMN OF PRAISE

(During the penitential Season of Lent, the Hymn of Praise is omitted.)

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray:

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

ANTHEM

If You But Trust In God to Guide You

arr. Behnke

Beata Handbells

(This setting of the hymn LSB750 reminds us to trust in our God who is unchanging and will always guard and guide us.)

OLD TESTAMENT

Genesis 22:1–18

¹After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." ²He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." ³So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. ⁴On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. ⁵Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you." ⁶And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering

and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. ⁷And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here am I, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" ⁸Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

⁹When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. ¹¹But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." ¹²He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." ¹³And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴So Abraham called the name of that place, "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

¹⁵And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven ¹⁶and said, "By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, ¹⁸and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 25:1–10; antiphon: v. 14



P The friendship of the LORD is for those who | fear him,*
and he makes known to them his | covenant.

C To you, | O LORD,*
I lift | up my soul.

- P** O my God, in you I trust; let me not be | put to shame;*
let not my enemies exult | over me.
- C** Indeed, none who wait for you shall be | put to shame;*
they shall be ashamed who are wantonly | treacherous.
- P** Make me to know your ways, | O LORD;*
teach me | your paths.
- C** Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my sal- | vation;*
for you I wait all the | day long.
- P** Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your | steadfast love,*
for they have been | from of old.
- C** Remember not the sins of my youth or my trans- | gressions;*
according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness,
| O LORD!
- P** Good and upright | is the LORD;*
therefore he instructs sinners | in the way.
- C** He leads the humble in | what is right,*
and teaches the humble | his way.
- P** All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and | faithfulness,*
for those who keep his covenant and his testi- | monies.
- A** **Glory be to the Father and | to the Son***
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
- P** The friendship of the LORD is for those who | fear him,*
and he makes known to them his | covenant.

EPISTLE

James 1:12–18

¹²Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. ¹³Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. ¹⁴But each person is tempted when

he is lured and enticed by his own desire. ¹⁵Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

¹⁶Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. ¹⁷Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

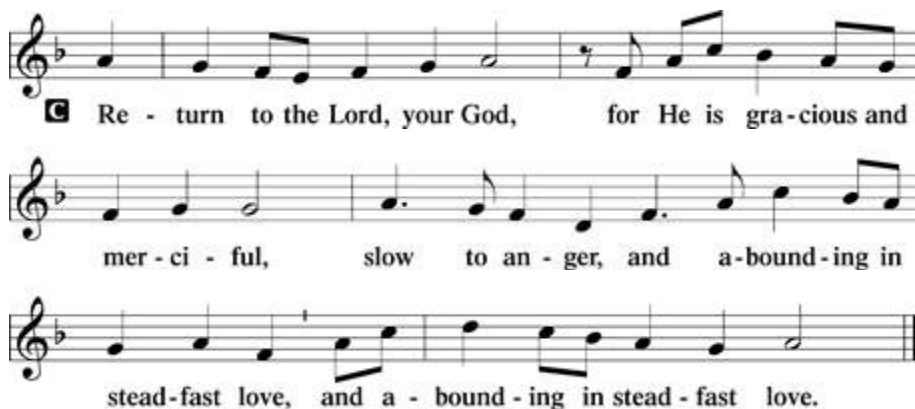
C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

GOSPEL VERSE

Lent

Joel 2:13



C Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra-cious and
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a-bound-ing in
stead-fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 1:9–15

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

¹²The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sit

READING THE FAITH *(as drawn from Luther's Small Catechism)*

P THE APOSTLES' CREED: SECOND ARTICLE

C **And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

P What does this mean?

C **I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.**

This is most certainly true.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Vicar Nathan Harkins

SERMON HYMN

Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways

LSB 707

SERMON

Be Not Deceived

James 1

Vicar Nathan Harkins

Stand

NICENE CREED *(located on the inside back cover of the hymnal)*

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

- P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P** O Lord, in the midst of this life we are beset by many temptations. Fix our eyes on our Lord Jesus, who bore temptation for us and resisted to the point of death, and bring us through the evils of this fallen world to dwell with You forever. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord God, You placed the wood of the cross on the back of Your only begotten Son, that as the promised offspring of Abraham He might possess the gates of hell. Bless, we pray, His Church and all those called to preach and teach within her. Give them certainty that hell cannot prevail against them, and so embolden them in faith to trample every power of the enemy underfoot. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** Almighty God, preserve all catechumens and their teachers, all children and their parents, and every Christian home from the assaults of the evil one. As Your Son overcame Satan in the desert by the Word of God, so also give us the victory through Christ and His Word. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**

P Father of lights, from whom every good and perfect gift comes down to us from above, keep us from being enticed by our own desires to misuse Your gifts. Help us use them rightly in service to You and our neighbor. Bless Joseph and all our leaders, that we may be governed wisely and justly for the good of this present generation and those to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Most High God, our refuge in every trouble, You have promised to hear when we call to You. Command Your angels to guard our brothers and sisters and all who suffer in our midst [*especially _____*]. Keep them from every evil that can befall the body, mind or soul. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P *Additional Prayers of Thanksgiving or Intercession*, Lord, in Your mercy:

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord God, the time is fulfilled and Your kingdom is at hand as Your beloved Son comes to us here at the altar. By Your Spirit, grant that we receive Him in repentance and believe the Gospel proclaimed in His body given and His blood shed for us. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord God, heavenly Father, see how the adversary continually afflicts us and walks about as a roaring lion seeking to devour us. We implore You for the sake of the suffering and death of Your Son, Jesus Christ, to help us by the grace of the Holy Spirit and to strengthen our hearts by Your Word, that our enemy would not prevail over us, but instead that we may abide evermore in Your grace and be preserved to life everlasting; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

OFFERING

(Our offerings are collected at the door and brought forward and presented in thanksgiving to the Lord. If you missed this opportunity, your offering can be placed in the plate at the door as you leave.)

OFFERTORY

LSB 192



C Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

✠ THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

2 Timothy 4:22

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

[Colossians 3:1]

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Psalms 136

PROPER PREFACE

P It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS~~(Latin: Holy, Holy, Holy)

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-11

- P** Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C** **Our Father who art in heaven,**
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24;
Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

PAX DOMINI~~(Latin: Peace of the Lord)

John 20:19

(The pastor here makes a **declaration** of the peace we have with the Lord through the forgiveness offered in this Sacrament. Therefore, we boldly respond **AMEN!** – which means "Yes, yes, this is so!")

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen!

AGNUS DEI~~(Latin: Lamb of God)

John 1:29



C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the



sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of



God, You take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

INVITATION

P Welcome to the table of our Lord.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

VISITORS, please read the statement concerning Holy Communion on page 2.

Personal Examination Before Communing

1. Do I believe I am a sinner and am I sorry for my sins?
2. Do I believe Christ's true body and blood to be present in the Lord's Supper for the forgiveness of sins?
3. Do I earnestly intend with the help of the Holy Spirit to amend my sinful life?

(For a longer examination see pages 329-330 of the hymnal.

Communion Prayers are located inside the front cover of the hymnal.)

Instructions for Communing

We use continuous kneeling tables for Holy Communion. The congregation will be ushered forward to kneel. You will receive the Body of Jesus from the Pastors and then the Blood of Jesus from the Elder/Vicar. You may receive either from the common cup or the individual cup. When you have sufficiently meditated, stand, reverence the altar, and return to your seat. Those not communing will receive a blessing from the pastor.

Non-alcoholic white wine is located in the center of each tray and should only be used by those with medical conditions prohibiting the use of wine.

Gluten-free wafers are available from the pastor when you come forward.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB 617 *O Lord, We Praise Thee*

LSB 594 *God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It*

LSB 418 *O Lord, throughout These Forty Days*

Stand

DISMISSAL

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

Nunc Dimittis

Psalm 51:10-12

LSB 182



C Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful-



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre-



pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -



veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICAMUS/BENEDICTION

P Let us bless the Lord.

Psalm 103:1

C Thanks be to God.

P The Lord bless you...and ☩ give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

A Mighty Fortress Is Our Lord

LSB 656

POSTLUDE

O Lord, throughout These Forty Days

arr. Wold

**Before you go:
Visitors and Members –
please register your attendance.**



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SERVING THE LORD AND US TODAY:

Preaching..... Vicar Nathan Harkins
Celebrant..... Pastor Joel Schultz
Liturgist..... Pastor Joel Schultz
Organist..... Lauran Delancy
Acolytes..... (8:00) George Delancy & Isla Delancy (10:45) TBD
Greeters..... (8:00) Chris & Michelle Wibe (10:45) Brad Keefe
Ushers (8:00) Tom Bremer, Shannon Buckendahl, Jim DeLaney,
..... George Ledgerwood, & Terry West
..... (10:45) Colton Clark, John Koetting, & Rick Vaughn
Altar Guild..... Nancy & Jim DeLaney, Debbie Johnson, & Gina & Tim Stoehr
NurseryMatt & Nicole Christensen (Helping Hands – Jason & Alli Bauck)
Counters..... Brian Olson & Paul Peterson
Altar Flowers..... TBD

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VOICE OF THE MARTYRS PRAYER REQUEST

Wisdom Needed in Online Communications - Cuba

The atheistic Communist government in Cuba has enacted a new law intended to control the online spread of misinformation, especially that which is related to the country's reputation, national security, revolution, government leaders and ideology. Christians in Cuba have reported concerns about the law's enforcement as the government has defined "misinformation" broadly and indicated that it will prosecute violators with heavy scrutiny. Some have reported instances of government prosecution simply for sharing Bible verses in social media posts, which the government then interpreted as a threat to the regime. After a recent meeting with Cuban front-line workers, VOM President Cole Richards urged, "Let's pray that Christians in Cuba will be both wise and bold — and may we do likewise! Like them, we can be careful while sharing online, especially on social media, while not shrinking back in fear of retaliation against the message of our hope in Christ."

PRAYERS REQUESTED THIS WEEK

For **Gerald and Barbara Skiles**, Cindy Chain's parents, who celebrated their 74th wedding anniversary on Feb 12th.

For **Elizabeth Berube**, Brad and Cindy Cornell's daughter, who is in Kenya for a medical mission's trip.

For **Kathy Woods**, Brian Olson's aunt, who was diagnosed with lymphoma and began treatments on Feb. 15th.

For **Jeri Gloe**, who is recovering at home after passing out in church last Sunday.

For **Stephanie Gardner**, who is recovering from sinus surgery.

For **Brett Clark**, who is awaiting test results to determine the cause of his sudden drop in blood pressure.

For **Jane Dieckhoff**, who is in the hospital with medical issues.

For **Dorothy Seitz**, Sharon Obermueller's mom, who has moved to hospice care.

For **those at the KC Chiefs parade and rally**, who were affected by the shooting.

For the **family of Lori Betten**, former BSLC members, as they prepare to remove her from life support.

For **Seminarian Jonah and Mary Schultz and Pastor and Amy Schultz**, as they grieve the death of their unborn child/grandchild.

For the **family of Elizabeth (Beth) Lovejoy**, Mark Chapin's aunt, who passed away last week.

For the **family of Adam Smith**, a friend of Jason Bauck, who died suddenly on February 1st.

For **God to bring about peace in the war between Israel and Palestine.**

For **God to bring about peace in the war between Ukraine and Russia.**

For **The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Ukraine**, our LCMS partner church, for their safety and love as they care for the people still caught in the conflict.

CONTINUED PRAYERS

For **Zach and Alaina Booth**, as they celebrate the birth of their daughter Hannah Louise on February 1st.

For **Michael and Julie Richards**, on the birth of their son Cooper Lee.

For **Grant and Lexi Obermueller**, who are expecting their second child.

For the **Hoffman Family**, a BSLP family, as they mourn the death of their 2 ½ year old son Miles

For **Dale Brandt**, who is home recovering and trying to build strength.

For **Karen Rinne**, who continues to recover at home from bile duct surgery.

For **Charlotte Hundley**, who has breast cancer and recovering from surgery.

For **Karen Kuhn**, who is having chemotherapy for stage 4 pancreatic cancer.

For **our expectant mothers: Elise Christensen, Michelle Giangrosso, Marissa Lippe, Charisse Meier, Cassie Nichols, Lexi Obermueller, Amy Oestmann, Hannah Schultz, and Sarah Walsh** for their unborn children, and for those who long for God's gift of children.

For **those undergoing cancer treatment: Mandy Bender, Dale Brandt, Dani Chapin, Mary Lou Denny, Jordan Ebach, Karen Feldes, Brad Gellerstedt, Garth Gonseth, Charlotte Hundley, John Huss, Brian Jenkins, Linda Knight, Mikaela Koch, Karen Kuhn, Judy Landall, Jessica Luck, John Mahnken, Bonnie Malloch, Lorette Marsh, Milroy Moses, Susan Mountain, Melissa Nesemeier, Bert Potter, Lori Russel, Lisa Schaefer, Randy Schlueter, Tyler Smith, Eydie Taylor, and Neal Wurth.**

For **our partner church in Zacapa, Guatemala:** Pray that God would bless this congregation with church members and the community that they would be strengthened and encouraged in His faith.

For **all those who are unemployed or under-employed**, that the Lord would provide for all their needs and lead them to jobs soon. For those who have secured jobs, we offer prayers of thanksgiving.