

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church & Preschool

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



1 Peter 3:21, NRSV

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2023

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 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: Bible Study 1 (Fellowship Hall): A study of Ephesians. **Bible Study 2:** Vicar Hjulberg's Bible Study will not be offered today as he is out of town. Please join Pastor Schultz's Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall.

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

AS WE GATHER

The Lord Jesus Comforts Us with the Preaching of His Resurrection

"The God who ... gives to all mankind life and breath and everything" (Acts 17:24–25) wants all people to seek Him that they might "feel their way toward him and find him" (Acts 17:27). But in our sinful ignorance, we humans turn instead to idols "formed by the art and imagination of man" (Acts 17:29). Therefore, God appointed the Man of Righteousness, Jesus Christ, and "has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead" (Acts 17:31). Because He lives, we also live (John 14:19) in His forgiveness, and thus we love Him and keep His commandments (John 14:15). While the risen Lord prepares us for His ascension, He will not leave us "as orphans" (John 14:18), but He gives "another Helper," the Holy Spirit, to be with us forever (John 14:16) through the preaching of "Jesus and the resurrection" (Acts 17:18). Because He "suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous" (1 Peter 3:18), we "honor Christ the Lord as holy" and are always "prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks" for the reason for our hope (1 Peter 3:15). Our Baptism "now saves" us "as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ" (1 Peter 3:21).

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

Kenneth T. Kosche

PASTORAL GREETING

STEWARDSHIP MINUTE

OPENING ANTHEM

Great is the Lord

adapt. Delancy

Chimes Choir

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

BAPTISM

(Please turn to page 21 for the Baptism liturgy)

(10:45) Lenae Jean Obermueller

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

This Is the Feast

Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9



A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



B Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.
 This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His reign.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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 God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; 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

FIRST READING

Acts 17:16–31

¹⁶While Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. ¹⁷So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews

and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. ¹⁸Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, "What does this babbler wish to say?" Others said, "He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities"—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. ¹⁹And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, "May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? ²⁰For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean." ²¹Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

²²So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: "Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. ²³For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, 'To the unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. ²⁶And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, ²⁷that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, ²⁸for "'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, "'For we are indeed his offspring.' ²⁹Being then God's offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. ³⁰The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

Rejoice This Easter Day

Besig

7th – 12th Sunday School Choir

¹³Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? ¹⁴But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, ¹⁵but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

¹⁸For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, ²⁰because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. ²¹Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL VERSE

Common

John 6:68



C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

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

¹⁵[Jesus said:] "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, ¹⁷even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

¹⁸"I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."

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)*

CONFESSION

P What is Confession?

C **Confession has two parts.**

First, that we confess our sins and

Second that we receive absolution, that is forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.

P What sins should we confess?

C **Before God we should plead guilty of all sins, even those we are not aware of, as we do in the Lord's Prayer; but before the pastor we should confess only those sins which we know and feel in our hearts.**

P Which are these?

C **Consider your place in life according to the Ten Commandments: Are you a father, mother, son, daughter, husband, wife, or worker? Have you been disobedient, unfaithful, or lazy? Have you been hot-tempered, rude, or quarrelsome? Have you hurt someone by your words or deeds? Have you stolen, been negligent, wasted anything, or done any harm?**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Mike Ada

SERMON HYMN

God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It

LSB 594

SERMON

Through the Water

1 Peter 3

Pastor Mike Ada

Stand

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

BLESSING AND SENDING OF OUR HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE GRADUATES

Pastor: Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, it is with joy that we come together today as you are about to begin another step in your lives as Children of God. As you graduate, your family of faith here at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church would like to send you with God's Word. The Apostle Peter wrote, *"let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."* As you go out into the world, you go as witnesses of that faith in Jesus' death and resurrection for our sins and the life of faith that we live.

Pastor: As you leave, your family of faith your congregation would also like you to hear these Words from the Apostle Peter.

Congregation: *“Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in your faith” (1 Peter 5:6-9a).*

Pastor: As you start to make your own path in this world, rest on the promises of God and seek your Savior Jesus in prayer. The congregation would like to give you a gift that can be a great resource for you in your life as a child of God and be a great help to you in your prayer life.

Pastor: Let us pray:
Dear heavenly Father, we give you thanks for the youth of our church and the educational accomplishments they have achieved. We ask that You would bless them as they continue in their educational or vocational endeavors. Continue to strengthen their faith in You and rule their hearts and lives by the working of the Holy Spirit as they continue to faithfully hear Your Word and receive the Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ; through the same Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever, Amen.

Pastor: Go in Peace and serve the Lord.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the Church, that the Lord would bless and protect His people in a world where many false gods, known and unknown, are worshiped; and that He would give His saints a clear and bold proclamation of Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For patience and endurance in Christ, that we may have the privilege not only of believing in Him but also of suffering for His sake, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this congregation and its baptized angels, who have received the Spirit of truth, that they may not slip into sin and unbelief but always praise God before the world, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the leaders of all nations, that those who seek peace and serve justice would be sustained in their service; and that all who cause evil, violence or oppression would be frustrated, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the gift of mothers who raise their children in all things good, a mirror of God's love, that they may be strengthened in their calling and sustained through weary and difficult times, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the lonely, the destitute and the homeless, that they would rejoice in the presence of the Lord and trust Him for their daily bread; and that the Lord, who has promised not to abandon nor leave them as orphans, would make us messengers of His mercy to reach out to those in need, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the needy, the sick and those who have requested our prayers, [*especially _____,*] let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P *Additional Prayers of Thanksgiving or Intercession*, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all who receive Holy Communion today, that they would know Christ who does not leave us as orphans, but strengthens the faith and equips the love of His penitent children with His very body and blood, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Hear us, heavenly Father, for the sake of Christ Jesus, 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.)

OFFERING PRAYER

✠ 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.**

Psalm 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 602 *The Gifts Christ Freely Gives*

LSB 725 *Children of the Heavenly Father*


LSB 632 *O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee*

Stand

DISMISSAL

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

Thank the Lord



☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what
He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -
joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-
es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -
giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICAMUS/BENEDICTION

☐ Let us bless the Lord.

Psalm 103:1

☑ **Thanks be to God.**

☐ The Lord bless you...and ✠ give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

☑ **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

LSB 590

POSTLUDE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Hermann Grabner

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



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SERVING THE LORD AND US TODAY:

Preaching..... Pastor Mike Ada
Celebrant and Liturgist..... Pastor Joel Schultz
Organist.....Deb Miller
Acolytes.....(8:00) Layla Schepmann & Olivia Travis (10:45) Britta Tripp & TBD
Greeters..... (8:00) Zach & Lisa Bahr (10:45) Brad Keefe
Ushers(8:00) Joel Ada, Zach Bahr, Chad Ronsick, & Robert Welsh
..... (10:45) Carter Clark, Adam Holste, Jim Teig, & Joshua Watt
Altar Guild..... Karen Benz, Carolyn Clarke, & Angela Hodge
Nursery Matt & Nicole Christensen (Helping Hands) Jimmy & Liesl Jensen
Counters.....Ron & Karen Aerni, Trevor Huseman, & Jared Turrel
Altar Flowers.....Jere & Sharon Brandt 43rd Wedding Anniversary
..... Derek Riecher's Baptismal Birthday

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HOLY BAPTISM – Lenae Jean Obermueller, infant daughter of Grant and Lexi Obermueller, will be baptized this morning in the 10:45am service. Lenae’s sponsors are Gordon and Moriah Obermueller. We pray special blessings upon Lenae and her family as she becomes a child of God through the waters of Holy Baptism.

Voice of the Martyrs prayer request

Front-line Workers Warned to Stop Evangelizing - Mexico

Mateo and Elena are church planters in Central Mexico. Their town is in a region known as the “Circle of Silence,” where Christians are routinely opposed by those who follow a syncretistic blend of Catholicism, animism, and the occult. The couple has experienced hostility from their community because of their witness for Christ. Their tires have been slashed, their bank accounts have been hacked, and they recently received a threatening note to stop their evangelistic activities: “First warning. You must leave. You may not preach, you or your wife.” Men on motorcycles also threatened them with guns at their front door. The couple has two young daughters, ages 5 and 3, and their older daughter has been bullied at school because of her Christian faith. Please pray for protection, strength to endure their hardships and that the Holy Spirit guide them through this time.

✠ The Rite of Holy Baptism ✠

Lenae Jean Obermueller

INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

BAPTISMAL PROMISES

ADDRESS TO PARENTS, SPONSORS & CONGREGATION

CONFESSION OF FAITH

- P** Because this child cannot answer for herself, we shall all, together with sponsors, and parents, faithfully speak on her behalf in testimony of the forgiveness of sins and the birth of the life of faith which God our Father bestows in and through Baptism.
- P** Do you renounce the devil?
C **Yes, I renounce him.**
- P** Do you renounce all his works?
C **Yes, I renounce them.**
- P** Do you renounce all his ways?
C **Yes, I renounce them.**
- P** Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty
C **Yes, I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

C **Yes, I believe 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 Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

C **Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life † everlasting.**

THE BAPTISM

P **Lenae Jean Obermueller**, do you desire to be baptized?

R *(Parents)* **Yes, I Do**

P **Lenae Jean Obermueller**, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

THE BLESSING

THE RECEIVING OF THE BAPTISM CANDLE

PRAYER

P Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God and Father, we thank and praise You that You graciously preserve and enlarge Your family and have granted Lenae Jean Obermueller the new birth in Holy Baptism and made her a member of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir of Your heavenly kingdom. We humbly implore You that, as she has now become Your child, You would keep her in her baptismal

grace, that according to Your good pleasure she may faithfully grow to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Your holy name and finally, with all Your saints, obtain the promised inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

WORDS OF WELCOME

L In Holy Baptism God the Father has made you a member of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir with us of all the treasures of heaven.

C **We welcome you into the Lord's family and receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ that together we might hear His Word, receive His gifts, and proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous Light. Amen.**

Baptismal Party may return to their seats.

PRAYERS REQUESTED THIS WEEK

For those in the 2023 graduating class, High School: **Rebekah Brumley, Evan Herrs, Paul Stapf, Nicholas Theisen, Lauren Tolman, Madeline Travis, Trace Wielage, Trenton Wielage, and Makenna Wolgast.** College: **Kendall Batten, Hannah Behrman, Madison Chiappettia, Rebecca Ludwig, Ryan Martin, Jesse Schultz, and Jude Stapf.**

For **Lenae Jean Obermueller**, infant daughter of Grant and Lexi Obermueller and granddaughter of Gordon and Sharon Obermueller, who will be baptized into the faith at the 10:45am service.

For **David and Diane Curtin**, proud grandparents as they celebrate the birth of their grandson Nolan Richard Curtin on May 3rd to their son and daughter-in-law, Michael and Amanda Curtin.

For **Caleb Schempp**, who has returned from deployment in Qatar for the Kansas Air National Guard.

For **John Hopkins**, Anne Yarnell's uncle and godfather, who is suffering from extreme back pain and cannot move.

For **Lindsey Hanson**, who is having surgery on the 22nd to remove a kidney stone.

For **Gary Olson**, who will be hospitalized and receive treatment for Atrial Fibrillation beginning May 15th.

For **Margaret Brandis**, Sage Shepherd's grandmother who is recovering from hand surgery this week.

For **Rachel**, a co-worker of Cathy Merchant who is having complications from a hysterectomy which adds to the already short staff grooming salon where they work.

For **Danny Hundley**, who is recovering from bile duct surgery for an infection and began his chemotherapy on Friday.

For **Ava Hodge**, who is recovering from surgery.

For **Payton Clause**, Janette Copeland's granddaughter as she goes through difficult times.

For **Suzee Dittberner**, Abby Bean's friend who is recovering from surgery.

For **Lyle Claudy**, Helen Claudy's ex-husband, who is in assisted living for liver cancer treatment.

For **western Kansas and Nebraska**, as farmers are desperate for rain.

For **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 **Bob and Debbie Newman**, as they mourn the death of Debbie's mom, Ruby Krahn.

For **Stacy Martinez**, who is awaiting test results and dealing with other medical issues.

For **Sharon Kirchner**, Tara Wolff's mom, who is hospitalized due to multiple medical issues.

For **Marian Schulteis**, is recovering at home from a broken knee cap.

For **Karen Rinne**, as she recovers from surgery at home.

For **Ivan Rees**, continued prayers as he recovers from health issues.

For **our expectant mothers: Kaylyn Bartels, Charisse Meier, Allie Melton, and Stephanie (Seutter) Thomas** for their unborn children, and for those who long for God's gift of children.

For **those undergoing cancer treatment: Gwen Anrico, Leslie Beller, Mandy Bender, Heather Delaney, Karen Feldes, Paul Hennegan, Brian Jenkins, Mikaela Koch, John Mahnken, Bonnie Malloch, Geordie McGuire, Milroy Moses, Melissa Nesemeier, Randy Schlueter, Rev. Dr. Mark Schulz, Eydie Taylor, and William Wolgast.**

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.

For **our neighbors at Fieldstone Apartments**, that the Lord would continue to bless them and keep them in His care and that the Lord would turn their eyes toward Jesus. Fieldstone Apartments is a mission outreach project of BSLC.