



THE GATHER, GROW, & GO NEWSLETTER



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

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FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR SCHULTZ

The following is a devotion I recently ran across from *My Devotion Magazine* by Rev. Dr. Dean Nadasdy (vol. 21, no. 8, April 1979).



***Easter people are happy people.
They wear Good News on their faces.
They sing with trumpets and Laugh
the Laughter of a thousand
clowns under the big top tent of
God's Love.
Their song and dance is like that of a
company of smiling saints, angels, and archangels.***

***Easter people are different people.
In deep, dark winter, they say they hear the crocus flowers
whisper beneath the snow.
They smile at funerals and whistle resurrection songs in
cemeteries.
When other people talk about a dull, grey, boring world,
they talk about Jesus painting a smile across the face of
the earth because He was once dead but now is ALIVE
again!***

***You know you have been with Easter people
if, as hard as you try, you cannot frown;
if you want to shout "Alleluia" the first thing in the morn-
ing;
if the sky looks blue to you even though it really isn't.***

***You know you are one of the Easter people
if today when you hear Jesus say,
"Because I live you will live also,"
you are sure that He is talking to you!***

Even though we will be celebrating Easter in a very different way this year, the Lord has made us Easter people through His death and resurrection and the gift of forgiveness and life given in Holy Baptism. May you always live as Easter people!

In Christ's Love and Service,

Pastor Joel Schultz

NEWS & NOTES

For those dealing with long-term illness and health concerns:

- Pastor Joe Rodriguez, St. Stephens, Liberty (cancer)
- Sherri Webb (for continued healing following her stroke)
- Jeff Richards, cousin of Carisa McMullen (metastatic melanoma)
- Karen Blatchford, friend of Amy Freiermuth (brain cancer)
- Denise Johnson, grandmother of Danniell Christensen (pancreatic cancer)
- Aaron Krout, nephew of Bobbi Boxler (bone cancer)
- Steve Martinez, friend of Danny Hundley (cancer)
- Ron Heineke (prostate cancer)
- Joy Rodenberger (cancer)
- Judy Cole, mother of a friend of the McMullen family (CMML, a form of leukemia)
- Ryne Clark, grandson of Judy Landall & great nephew of Ken & Sue Kreissler (cancer)
- Rev. Bryan Drebes, former associate pastor of Bethany Lutheran Church (colon cancer)
- Madi Jenkins, granddaughter of Phil & Georgia Freese (auto immune disease)
- Kim Jenkins, friend of the Martin family (breast cancer)
- Barb Gossen (Renal cancer)
- Brad Alyea, Brenda Bremer's brother (stage 4 lung cancer)
- Marian Gilkerson, Matt Shiever's mother (thyroid cancer)
- Charlotte Golloway, friend of Trish Shiever (pancreatic cancer)
- Steve Shiever, Matt Shiver's father (Prostate cancer)
- Pat Gossen (cancer)
- Maureen Friedel, cousin of Phil & Georgia Freese (liver failure)
- Debbie Newman, (breast cancer)
- Pastor Gerardo, pastor of our partner church in Guatemala (prostate cancer)
- K.C. Gloe (bone cancer)
- Moriah Obermueller (breast cancer)



For Military Service Men and Women:

Serving stateside: STAFF SGT Brandon Seutter (Ft. Knox, Ky.); MAJOR Paul Kassebaum, WO Daniel Kassebaum, SSGT Brady Cox (Ft. Offutt, Omaha Neb.), CPT. Michele Kerns (D.C.) CAPT Stephen Kerns (Ft. Bragg, N.C.), Danny Meyers, STAFF SGT Austin Nichols, and SGT Jacob Mattern

Serving overseas: Dakota Pierson (Germany),

For Our Expectant Mothers: Mary Schultz, Kellie Kanoy, Liesl Jensen, Jordan Shiao, Morgan Riechers, Nicole Christensen, **Alli Bauck**, and all other expectant mothers.

For the Sake of the Gospel:

- Vicar Aaron Reseburg and his wife, Martha, as they serve with us for his vicarage year.
- Pastor Richard Pingel as he ministers to those in local nursing homes.

*New additions to the continued prayer list are in red.

Please contact the Church office when a prayer can be removed.



NEWS & NOTES



Please log into the online directory (members.instantchurchdirectory.com) for these contact changes:

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: **Jeff & Rebecca McDonald**

CHANGE OF E-MAIL ADDRESS: **Kristina Tripp, Moriah Obermueller, and Sharlene Sears**

CHANGE OF PHONE NUMBER: **Greg & Pam Enserro (removed landline)**



HOLY WEEK



Holy Week services will be live-streamed and you may watch them on our YouTube channel.

[BSLC YouTube Channel](#)

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

April 9, Maundy Thursday

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. Service will be live streamed at 7:00 pm. (No Communion)

April 10, Good Friday

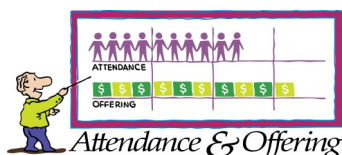
God's Eyes to see what is happening during the Passion. Good Friday will be live-streamed at 7:00 pm

April 12, Easter Sunday

Angel Eyes: The angel in the tomb knows the whole story of Jesus' resurrection. Easter Service will be live streamed at 8:00 am.

Communion Service at 9:30 & 10:30 am – parking lot.

Please sign-up on the SignUpGenius that will be emailed to you.



Attendance & Offering

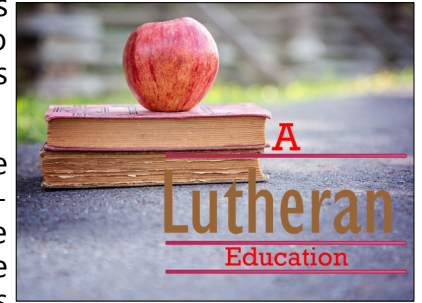
Please register your attendance on the SignUpGenius that you will receive by email. You may also email the church office (office@bslcks.org.) Please indicate all family members that are in attendance with you. There are three options for giving your offering: (1) There will be an offering plate under the canopy where you can place your offering when you get out of your car for Holy Communion. (2) You can also mail your offering to BSLC. (3) You can even put the **Give+** app on your phone and give from there (search for Give+ in your phone's app store).

NEWS & NOTES

Lutheran Education Scholarships and Assistance

As you know, I am a big fan of Lutheran education. Our Lutheran schools from our own preschool at BSLC to the area Lutheran grade schools to our Lutheran High School to our Lutheran Universities are tremendous blessings from God providing quality education and "Jesus every day."

Christian education can entail a significant financial commitment by the family. So, I want to take this opportunity to let you know about assistance that is offered for Lutheran grade school, high school, and college if that is a place for your kids. To ease the financial considerations in the decision making process, Beautiful Savior has taken a number of steps to assist our families.



1. Our congregation has made a financial commitment through our budget process to become an association member of The Lutheran High School of Kansas City in order to actively support the mission and ministry of this school.

LHSC is a dynamic school with much to offer every child. From dual credit university courses to business and tech/trade courses, Lutheran High students are achieving at a high level. Facility, faculty, leadership opportunities, spiritual growth, and positive environment are all reasons to consider LHSC. -- A BSLC Member and former LHSC parent

2. Tuition Assistance – Our congregation also provides tuition assistance to our members who attend an area Lutheran grade school or our Lutheran High school. This assistance is to help with the difference between member and non-member tuition rates. If interested, contact Pastor Schultz or Eric Olson (Elder Chair).
3. BSLC Scholarship – A special, needs-based scholarship has been set up at Beautiful Savior through private donations for members attending the Lutheran High School of KC. For an application, contact Pastor Ada.
4. College Tuition Assistance – We take great joy in helping to send out workers into the harvest field of the Lord. To that end, BSLC assists with college tuition for members who attend one of our Concordia Universities or Seminaries with the intent to enter into full-time church work. Contact Pastor Schultz or Eric Olson (Elder Chair).

Below is contact information for our area Lutheran schools in order to request more information or to schedule a tour.

- The Lutheran High school of Kansas City: **816-241-5478** or visit online at lhskc.com
- Hope Lutheran School (K-8th): **913-631-6940** or visit online at hopeschoolkc.org
- Bethany Lutheran School (K-8th): **913-648-2228** or visit online at bethanyschool.net
- Christ Lutheran School (K-8th): **913-754-5888** or visit online at clsop.org



WOMEN'S MINISTRY



Thanks for your donations of mites for the LWML mission grants. Below are two of the current featured grants.

Lights for Christ Scholarships in Guatemala 2019-2021 Mission Grant 8 — \$95,000



The Lights for Christ program developed by Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Wichita, Kansas and Divine Savior Lutheran Church in Zacapa, Guatemala will impact 12 impoverished Guatemalan children and their families who live in the Zacapa garbage dump by offering the life-saving Gospel of Christ, food and clothing, health and sanitation care, and school transportation to 'the poorest of the poor' with scholarships to attend Divine Savior Lutheran School. This education program covers most of their basic needs and equips these children in grades 7-12 to reach out into their community with the gospel. This request funds 90% of the projected costs for these youth to continue their education through high school. Since this scholarship program began, Guatemalan children and their families are worshipping at Divine Savior on a regular basis.

Wind River Indian Reservation Transportation at Fort Washakie in Wyoming Wind River Lutheran Mission 2019-2021 Mission Grant 9 — \$40,000

Wind River Lutheran Mission (WRLM) works with the Shoshone and Arapaho tribes and is currently the only existing full-time mission with a pastor living on site. In this high poverty area of Native Americans, children receive little or no support when it comes to Christian education. A large part of this ministry focuses on outreach to the children of the Wind River Reservation. Very few children can acquire transportation to attend bible classes at Fort Washakie and Crowheart. Parents allow WRLM staff to pick up their children and take them to Sunday school or VBS. In most instances this is the only opportunity to share the Gospel of Christ with children living on the reservation. With a suitable vehicle purchased with this grant money, children will be able to continue the approximately eighty-eight mile round trip for Sunday school at Fort Washakie and the sixty mile round trip for "Monday" school at Crowheart.

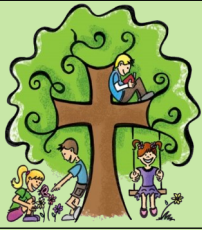


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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Preschool News



Preschool and MDO Families enjoyed a Camp Out Open House on Tuesday, March 10. Children read under the stars with their parents, fished in ponds, went on a bear hunt, made light up fireflies and cricket instruments, and experienced the outdoors with their hands in nature sensory bins. More than 150 children, staff, and parents gathered for this annual event this year.



Camp Out Open House



Out of extreme caution for the safety and well-being of our children, families, and staff, BSLP is now closed for the remainder of the school year. Our staff are continuing to connect with our families through a private page on Facebook where the staff can share videos, ideas, resources, smiles, and warm wishes. We are all saddened by the shortened school year and pray that we will be back together again soon. Watch for more details on Summer Camps and our new school year as more information comes forward from the CDC. In the meantime, we will continue to pray for all of our children and families of our Family of Faith!

YOUTH



What a crazy time we are living in now. On Sunday March 15 the Sr. Youth went to powder creek and practiced our shooting skills blasting clay pigeons out of the sky. It was cold but we still had a great time filled with fun and fellowship. All this was made even better by Terry West's barbequed pulled pork sandwiches and time in God's Word. What a difference a couple weeks make. Now we are "Sheltering at home", doing online school, and social distancing. All of these changes are also affecting the church as well, we are doing drive-thru communion and online church and Sunday School.



With all these seemingly constant changes going on in our lives it's easy to get overwhelmed. We need something constant, we need God's unchanging Word. As long as it is needed we are going to continue doing Church and Sunday School online and in addition Pastor Ada will be doing online video devotions on Mondays and Fridays. The links for these devotions will be emailed to the Sr. Youth and their parents on these days.



Also don't forget that we are still taking attendance for Sunday School. Check your emails often so that you don't miss the links and attendance requests. If you missed the first couple devotions and Sunday School lessons, you can go to Beautiful Savior's [YouTube](#) page and look in the Youth Videos folder so that you can catch up. If you have any questions for Pastor Ada please feel free to email him at pastorada@bslcks.org.



Puzzles

Jesus gives us life

Through his death and resurrection, Jesus offers the free gift of eternal life.

Directions: Match each clue from Holy Week with the correct image. If you get stuck, look up the Bible verses.

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| People spread these on the road for Jesus. (Matthew 21:8) | |
| Mary pours this on Jesus' feet. (John 12:3) | |
| Jesus shares this with his disciples. (Matthew 26:26) | |
| This is placed on Jesus' head. (John 19:2) | |
| Soldiers may have used these to compete for Jesus' coat. (John 19:23-24) | |
| Jesus carries this himself for a while. (John 19:17) | |
| Marks caused by these help Thomas identify Jesus. (John 20:25) | |
| While on the cross, Jesus is thirsty and is given this. (John 19:28-29) | |
| This is rolled away from Jesus' tomb. (John 20:1) | |
| These are used to prepare Jesus' body for burial. (Luke 23:55-56) | |
| These remain in the tomb after Jesus rises. (John 20:6-7) | |
| Judas betrays Jesus for this. (Matthew 26:14-15) | |

Answer: palm branches, perfume, bread, crown of thorns, dice, cross, nails, vinegar on a sponge, stone, spices, linens, silver coins

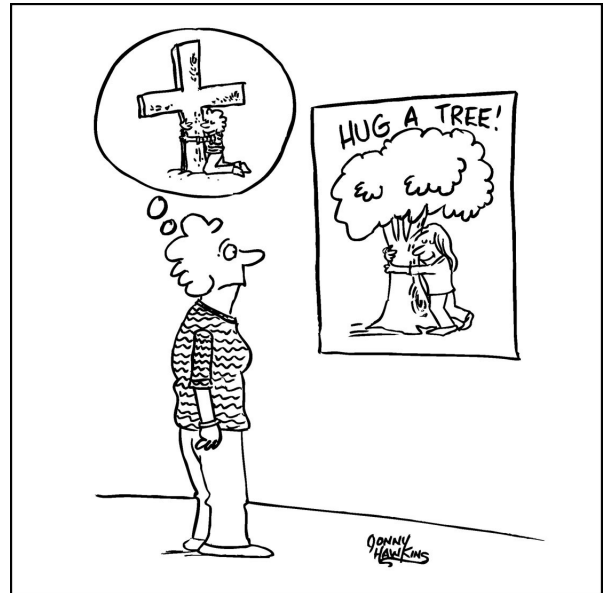
Puzzle!

Follow the arrows and fill in the blanks to discover what the women found at Jesus' tomb on Easter morning.

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Answer: The stone was rolled away from the door. An angel said to them, "He is not here; he has risen!" (See Luke 24:1-8.)

SUNDAY FUNNIES



ATTENDANCE

| Date | Attendance |
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| 3/1/20 | 374 |
| 3/8/20 | 376 |
| 3/15/20 | 261 |
| 3/22/20 | 316 |
| 3/29/20 | TBA |



The Lutheran Hour® can be heard on the local radio stations below. It can also be heard any time on the Internet at www.lutheranhour.org. Audio daily devotions can also be downloaded to provide a refreshing meditation on God's Word.

| Broadcast Area | Station | Sunday Broadcast Time |
|-------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Kansas City Metro | 710 AM – KCMO | 8:00 am |
| | 580 AM – WIBW | 7:30 am |
| Topeka | 89.5 FM KAWZ | 9:00 am |



Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday

8 am to 4 pm

Friday

8 am to 12 pm

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& 6 pm

Sunday Education Hour
9:30 am

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8:30 am to 4:00 pm

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