



# THE GATHER, GROW, & GO NEWSLETTER



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## FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR SCHULTZ

### Return to the Lord: Lent/Easter Worship Series

In the Book of Joel, the prophet paints a vivid picture of the coming judgment of God, the Day of the Lord. The imagery is bold and terrifying: hordes of locusts swarming over the land and decimating everything. Joel's prophecy has teeth even today as wars rage, natural disasters threaten and destroy, and our culture seems to be unraveling. But right in the middle of this frightening portent, we find a tender invitation from the Lord: "Return to the Lord your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and He relents over disaster" (Joel 2:13).



God's invitation and promise finds its fullness in Jesus Christ, who personifies and accomplishes all that God declares. During this season of Lent, we will consider the theme "Return to the Lord" and examine how the call to return played out in practical ways for the people who walked alongside Christ as He demonstrated and carried out God's grace and mercy on our behalf, taking God's wrath upon Himself, setting the stage for God to "turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind Him" (Joel 2:14).

Each sermon in this series focuses on a particular event in the Passion, with a special focus on the people involved in the event. Studying the events and people helps to connect the hearers with their own sinful nature, to emphasize how we have turned away from the Lord, and to reinforce and rejoice in God's call for us to return to Him with all our heart.

- Ash Wednesday:** "A Call to Return"
- Wednesday of Lent 1:** "Return to Prayer"
- Wednesday of Lent 2:** "Return from Betrayal"
- Wednesday of Lent 3:** "Return from False Witness"
- Wednesday of Lent 4:** "Return from Denial"
- Wednesday of Lent 5:** "Return to the Kingdom of God"
- Holy (Maundy) Thursday:** "Return to the Table"
- Good Friday:** "Return to Truth"
- Easter Sunday:** "Return and See"

I pray that this series will be a blessing to you this Lenten season.

In Christ's Service,

## NEWS & NOTES

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

- Joy Rodenberger (cancer)
- Moriah Obermueller (breast cancer)
- Barb Gossen (renal cancer)
- Pat Gossen (cancer)
- Sherri Webb (for continued healing following her stroke & foot surgery)
- Karen Blatchford, friend of Amy Freiermuth (brain & bone cancer- stable for now))
- Jeff Richards, cousin of Carisa McMullen (Metastatic Melanoma-terminal)
- Maureen Friedel, cousin of Phil & Georgia Freese, liver failure
- Larry Barstad, Brenda Brown's brother (Glioblastoma brain cancer)
- Ted Teuscher (cancer)
- Ashley Hung, granddaughter of a close friend of Ken Knese (Stage 4 brain cancer)
- Brooklyn Peterman, neighbor of Enserros (Leukemia).
- Megan Herrmann, Nicole Christensen's sister (Hodkins Lymphoma- 3 rounds of chemo to go)
- Jen Degner, Gail Mattern's mother (in hospice with Stage 4 cancer)
- Jenni Patience, granddaughter of Marian Schulteis (Lymphoma)
- Brandon Ryan, friend of McMullin family (Osteosarcoma tumor near spine - removal planned for spring)
- Steve Martinez, friend of Danny Hundley (cancer-thyroid was removed, still has two other forms of cancer)
- Brad Alyea, Brenda Bremer's brother (Stage 4 lung cancer-tumor has shrunk to about half the size)
- **Rick Ellis, friend of the Martinez family (cancer)**
- **David Kihn, brother-in-law of Brad & Cindy Cornell (Leukemia)**



### 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 Brown [Kerns] (D.C.) CAPT Stephen Kerns (Ft. Bragg, N.C.), Caleb Schempp (KS Air Natl. Guard) and SGT Jacob Mattern (26th Special Tactics Squadron)

*Serving overseas:* Dakota Pierson (Germany)

**For Our Expectant Mothers:** Amber Cornell, Julie Flores, and all other expectant mothers and also for those who long for God's gift of children.

### For the Sake of the Gospel:

- Vicar Luke Elowsky as he serves 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.\*



During the winter season, please take note of the following guidelines in the event of closings due to weather: **Check with the church office.** If church or activities are cancelled, every attempt will be made to leave that message on the church answering machine. **Always check the church website at [www.bslcks.org](http://www.bslcks.org).** This is probably the best resource. *Please keep in mind that our driveway sometimes becomes very dangerous in snow and ice.*

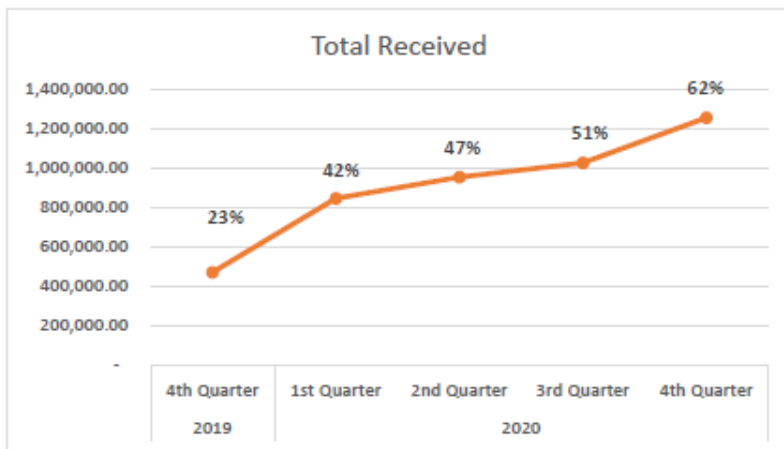


# NEWS & NOTES



## Trusting Hearts Capital Campaign - Phase 1

		Monthly Received	Total Received	Committed to Trusting Hearts
###	4th Quarter	471,606.03	471,606.03	2,030,000
2020	1st Quarter	375,381.13	846,987.16	2,030,000
	2nd Quarter	107,847.91	954,835.07	2,030,000
	3rd Quarter	72,087.43	1,026,922.50	2,030,000
	4th Quarter	229,609.50	1,256,532.00	2,030,000
<b>Project Funding Summary</b>				
LCEF Loan = \$4,219,730				
BSLC Trusting Hearts = \$2,030,000				



## MISSIONS



Board of Evangelism & Missions

Evangelism and Mission Board distributed funds to the following organizations in 2020 on behalf of Beautiful Savior. Questions about the organizations should be directed to Pastor Ada or Kerri Schlef.

- Adopt a Student at Seminary Advice & Aid
- Alaska Mission for Christ
- Kansas District
- LLL
- Lutheran High of Kansas City
- Lutheran Hour
- Lutheran World Relief and Human Care
- Olathe Salvation Army
- New Hope Pantry
- People of the Book Lutheran Outreach - POB-LO
- El Divino Salvado (School in Guatemala)



## MISSIONS



**SOUPER BOWL**

**CAN** we do it?

**YES** we can!

**GAME DAY** is **FEB. 7, 2021**

**CHIEFS** vs **BUCCANEERS**

Here is our **GAME PLAN!**

Let's **KICK OFF** this game with the **BEST PLAY** ever!

to support our **CHIEFS** in the **SOUPER BOWL,**

bring cans of chicken, tuna, and hearty soup (18 oz.)

to help **TACKLE HUNGER.** Let's match the

**TOTAL YARDS** of both teams with **CANNED GOODS** that

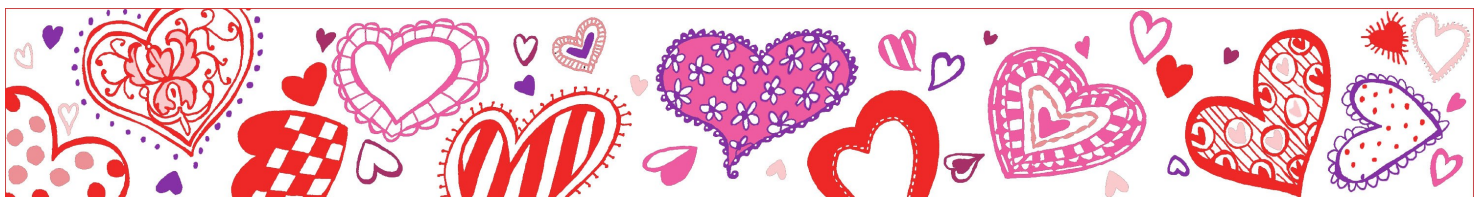
will **SCORE** a **VICTORY** for our **CHIEFS FANS**

who may need a **HAND UP** when times are **TIGHT.**


Let's hear "**TOUCHDOWN!!**" for our **CHIEFS!**

The game is **BIG!**

Our Mission is **BIGGER!**



# WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

		February 7	February 14	February 21	February 28
<b>Acolytes:</b>	8:00 am	Cora Delancy & George Delancy	Maksim Schlef <i>Crucifer:</i> Timothy Schlef	Cora Schreiner & Katie Circle	Kaylee Bahr & Timothy Schlef
	10:30 am	TBD	Kelsey Teply <i>Crucifer:</i> TBD	Anna Herrs	Evan Domsch
<b>Altar Guild:</b>		Deb Hodnik, Nancy DeLaney, Dale & Carol Brandt	Debbie Johnson, Karen Benz, Shirley Knese, Dale & Carol Brandt	Alaina Booth, Karen Kuhn, Dale & Carol Brandt	Carolyn Clarke, Nancy DeLaney, Dale & Carol Brandt
<b>Counters:</b>		Randy & Jeanne Kanoy	Keith Gloe & John Blakley	Todd Scheumann, George Ledgerwood, Juan Martinez, Debbie Johnson	Todd Scheumann, Bob Welsh, Eric Domsch
<b>Altar Flowers:</b>		<i>OPEN</i>	Karen Benz <i>Her birthday</i>	<i>OPEN</i>	<i>OPEN</i>
<b>Lent Midweek Services</b>		<i>February 17 @ 7 pm</i>	<i>February 24 @ 7 pm</i>		
		<b>Acolytes</b> Olivia Travis & Walter Schlef  <b>Altar Guild</b> Deb Hodnik, Nancy DeLaney, Dale & Carol Brandt	<b>Acolytes</b> Maksim Schlef & Walter Schlef		

## Save the Date



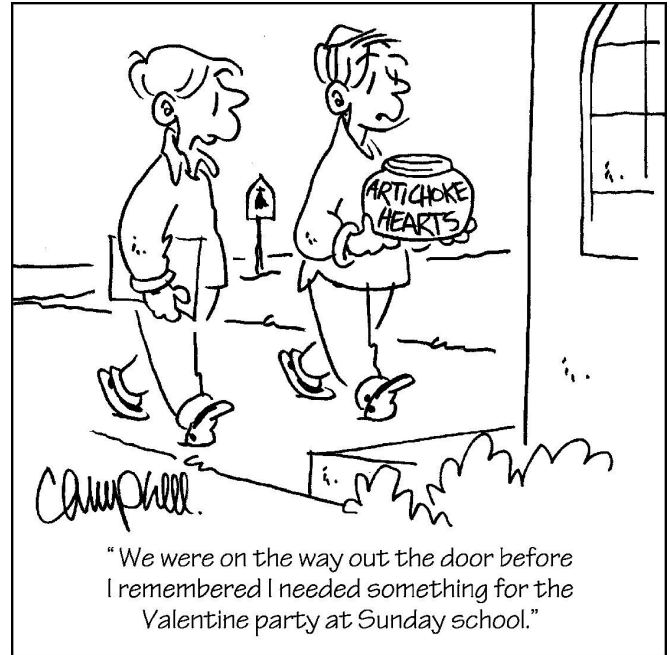
**VBS 2021**

# BSLC

# June 7-10

# 9:00 am

**SUNDAY FUNNIES**



**ATTENDANCE**

Date	Attendance
1/3/21	306
1/10/21	332
1/17/21	352
1/24/21	314



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](http://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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**Sunday Worship**  
8 am, 10:30 am,  
**Drive-Thru Communion**  
11:45 am

**Sunday Education Hour**  
9:15 am

**Preschool Office Hours**

**Monday — Friday**  
8:30 am to 4:00 pm  
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**Amy Schultz**



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and MOTHER'S DAY OUT

**Mission**

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

