



Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

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**Our congregation
celebrates
communion at each
service.**

**Sunday
Worship Schedule**

Beginning 9-11-16

8:30 AM WORSHIP

11:00 AM WORSHIP

God's Beloved People:

Aahhhh.... fall season! Crisp temps (although isn't that pretty much par for the course in the Panhandle?), back-to-school schedules, football season, autumn colors, pumpkin pie and other spicy delicacies, Reformation season, so much to enjoy and allow to bless, feed, and enrich our daily lives and common faith in Christ

A full slate of fall programs restarts or are new-starts. Read the newsletter and bulletin for more info. Here are 2 of them that I look forward to your participation. Please note current start dates:

1)**The Divine Drama: Part II Our Narrative:** This is part two of the Divine Drama course that I began last January. Part 1 (the first 16 weeks of the course) was a survey of the biblical narrative. All participants were enriched by gaining an understanding of how the narratives of both Hebrew and Christian Scriptures formed one epic, exciting narrative of God's sojourn with creation then with humanity, from the creation narratives, through Israel, and how Jesus of Nazareth fulfilled everything that Israel was supposed to be and was not. We learn how God, through Jesus Christ, fulfills his agenda by bringing all people in all things in heaven and earth back into union with Godself and each other through what was accomplished through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection.

The Divine Drama: Our Narrative is a 14-week journey through the biblical basis of core Christian teaching, including baptism, the Lords supper, the Trinity, prayer, the Lord's prayer, our worship traditions, service, and stewardship. Using a combination of at-home preparation, Bible reading, in-class presentation and discussion, PowerPoint illustrations, and video clips, we will see how core Christian teaching is informed by the word of God which is the basis for all things faith and life.

The Divine Drama: Our Narrative will be offered Tuesday mornings, 9:30-11:00 AM, and Wednesday evenings 6:30-8:00 PM., starting September 20th and 21st, 2016. ***You do not have to have taken "The Divine Drama: Part 1 The Biblical Narrative" to enjoy the benefits of "Our Narrative".*** Contact me for materials costs. Just show up, and be ready for an amazing, faith-building encounter with God's Word.

COUNCIL REPORT

THE CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL met on August 15 .

Present: Linda Allen, D'Ann Berry, Spencer Berry, Tanya Berry, Pastor Mark, Greg Hinder, Kevin Krallman, Laurie Dale, Carole Froeschle, Susan O'Shaughnessy and Cheryl Hall

New Business

- After the Labor Day weekend, we will return to the two services, which begin at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
- Cleaning - the north corner of the sanctuary behind the lectern seems to be spewing debris from a vent. Property will investigate.
- Council members need to complete the budget forms for 2017 and bring to the September Council Meeting.

Old Business

- Labyrinth- Greg Hinder reported that the valves for irrigating the labyrinth area are working but a new controller is needed. He also suggested that the existing meter be removed to save money, and that the power to

Education—Education- Rally Day Cookout will be held on September 11th

Evangelism- - Linda Allen met with Andrea Winkelman concerning MOPS. They are starting a second group for moms with older kids. Also, people have contacted MOPS through Facebook.

Fellowship—We continue providing treats and drinks for Sunday morning fellowship hour.

We also planned for the August 21st visit of the new NTNL Bishop Gronberg. We had a lunch with brisket and ribs provided by the church (prepared by Sally Werner and Keith Rosenthal) and a potluck for sides and desserts. Thanks to all who helped with this.

Office—Please help the church office with information on scheduled events to be conveyed to the congregation via; bulletins, email and the newsletter.

Deadline for the Newsletter is on the or around the 20th each month. I send out weekly emails on Thursdays, the Bulletins are printed on Wednesdays. Thanks!

SOCIAL CONCERNS—

In July God fed 308 people through the food pantry. Tyler Resources is closing its doors, this may impact the number of people coming to BSLC for food supplies. We have the financial and food resources to meet an increase in demand.

1 ramp built, the sewing group is taking break for the summer, continued delivery of Meals on Wheels.

We will have a blood drive with Coffee Memorial Blood Bank on November 13.



We know that God is everywhere; but certainly we feel His presence most when His works are on the grandest scale spread before us; and it is in the unclouded night-sky, where His worlds wheel their silent course, that we read clearest His infinitude, His omnipotence, His omnipresence."

— Charlotte Brontë, Jane Eyre

2) **Fit Club.** We will meet Monday evenings, **beginning September 26, from 7 to 8 PM in the fellowship hall fireside room.** Using popular Team Beachbody workout programs, we will, jump, sweat, move and groove, to improve our fitness and enjoy great fellowship. All levels of fitness are welcome! Just come to do your best and forget the rest. Bring sweat towels, bottled water, and be ready to "bring it"!

Let's make it a great fall season, joyfully keeping on keeping on in the ministry God entrusts us with! Please keep in proactive prayer the 2 Call Processes before us: BSLC's and mine.

In Partnership,

Mark Galbraith

Interim Pastor

Online giving A onetime or reoccurring gift can be made at www.beautifulsavioramarillo.org

Cash equivalent asset balance at the end of July is \$182,060 (\$38,460 increase for the year). The value of investments in our Endowment Fund is \$118,490.

July donations to our General Budget were \$14,880 compared to our anticipated amount of \$17,590. Total Year-to-Date income is \$152,920 compared to our anticipated amount of \$200,765. Contributions to Dedicated Accounts were \$1,980. Total receipts for July were \$16,860.

Expenses for July were \$20,050 compared to a budgeted amount of \$25,955. Year-to-date Expenditures from the General Fund are \$166,090 compared to a budget of \$184,520.

Dedicated Accounts expenditures were \$2,010 (\$1,630 Helping Hand, \$230 for Special Benevolences and Miscellaneous, \$100 for flowers).

General Fund expenses for July exceeded income by \$6,195. YTD expenditures exceeded income by \$13,175.

Respectfully submitted,

Erich Drochner
Finance Chair



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Lord, Hear Our Prayer

To start the prayer chain:
Call Marilyn Waugh at
342-0662.

If you would like the pastor to visit or call you or to put your prayer request into the church's prayers in the weekly bulletin, call the church office.

KEENAGERS

will meet Wednesday,
September 7 at 12:00 pm.

KEENAGERS is a fun group of 55 and older who meet the first Wednesday of every month for a pot-luck lunch and fellowship. Anyone 55 or older that wishes to join us, please do so.

Meetings this Month.....

Sewing Group meets Monday nights at 6:30 pm (except Labor Day)

Choir starts back up on Tuesdays beginning Sept. 6

Call Committee - Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm

Ramp Project meets on Saturday, Sept 10 at 8:30 am

MOPS meets 9—11 am on Saturdays, Sept 10 & 24

Martha Circle meets Monday, September 12 at 9:30 am

Book Club meets on Monday, September 19 at 9:30 am

Men's Breakfast meets Saturday, Sept. 17 at 8:30 am

Council meets Monday, September 19 at 7:00 pm

Divine Drama is Tuesdays, starting September 20th
Wednesdays starting Sept. 21

Fit Club starts Monday, September 26

PRAYER & THANKS GIVING

We keep in our prayers.....

We Keep Beautiful Savior's Call Committee in our prayers as they enter the next phase of our search for a new pastor.

*We have much that we
are grateful for,
The blessings of God in our lives
The people that God
Has blessed us with*

Two Adult Sunday School Classes Offered

- 1) New Adult Faith Formation Small Group!
The Parables of Jesus: A Middle Eastern Perspective
Sunday mornings during the Education Hour
Beginning September 18, 2016
Facilitated by Gene Reneau
Location -Fireside

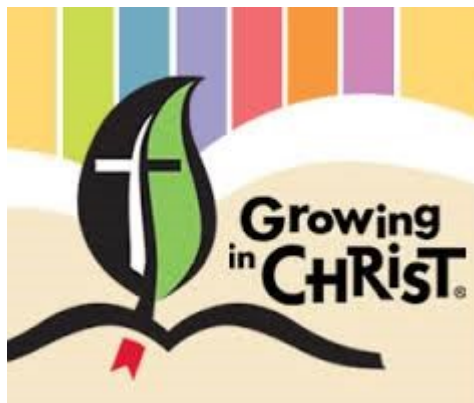
From the Crossways website (www.crossways.org): *"Jesus' parables are timeless, powerful, and profound. Yet there is a dimension to them that can only be appreciated fully when seen through ancient Middle Eastern eyes. Drawing on remarkable cultural and historical insights from renowned New Testament and Middle East scholar Dr. Kenneth Bailey, this course explores how Jesus' audience would have understood eleven of Jesus' parables as recorded in Luke. See these great stories come to life in all their subtlety and import".*

These video teaching sessions are 30 minutes apiece, followed by discussion. Bring your Bibles, yourself, a friend or two, and a readiness to have these timeless teaching of the Kingdom opened up to you in a way never before.

- 2) Sunday School Discussion sessions for adults resumes September 18 in the library during the education hour. We will begin with Peter Marty's column titled "Hope." Bring ideas for study topics (perhaps up-coming 500th anniversary).



The Confirmation Class/Affirmation of Baptism resumes Sunday, September 18 in the youth room during the education hour. This experience is for any youth as well as adults who wish to affirm their baptism on Reformation Sunday, October 30. See Pastor Mark for further details.



Rally Day Regathers Sunday School on Sunday, September 11.

Its time for reunion and renewal. Its time for getting back together to help each other in our growing disciple ship of Jesus.

To help kick-start the new Sunday school year we will also have a cook-out. Look for more information in your Sunday, bulletin.

Snack Pak 4 Kids is on a mission.

To end weekend hunger for children living in the Texas Panhandle by providing a backpack filled with kid-friendly snacks each Friday of the school year.

-Pack Bags for Backpacks

Every other Tuesday night at 5:45pm, as many as 150 volunteers gather to pack more than 4,300 bags. Our warehouse is located in Amarillo at 2406 SW 3rd.

Packing Dates:

2016 - August 23, September 6 & 20, October 4 & 18, November 1, 15, & 29, and December 13



2017 - January 10 & 24, February 7 & 21, March 7 & 21, April 4 & 18, and May 2 & 16

Click on VolunteerSpot below to sign up. Thank you!

- See more at: <http://snackpak4kids.org/volunteer#sthash.RdF2HIOS.dpuf>



CHURCH WOMEN UNITED is for Christian women around the world who "Agree to Differ, Resolve to Love, Unite to Serve" and meets in Amarillo about six times per year.

Their Friday, September 2nd meeting will be at St. Laurence Catholic Church 10:00 a.m. Contact Audrey Taylor 655-22387 for further details.

Birthdays

09-01 Rochelle Berg

09/03 Blair Berg

Brian Harlow

09/04 Lori Luikart

09/06 Ashley Jenkins

Anthony Tuttle

09/08 Jed Winkleman

09/09 Konni Meyer

09/11 Jacob Hall

09/20 Courtney Johnson

09/27 Marian Cole

Celebrate the life that God has given you by sharing your joy with others and by spreading His message of love to everyone. Happy birthday!

Don't You Just Love Reading a Good Book?

Book Club resumes on Monday, September 19. Come share what you have been reading this summer and join the discussion. We will also make plans for 2016-2017.

The Book Club meets the 3rd Monday each month (Sept.-May) at 9:30 am in the church library. Hope to see you there?



Acts of Service, Acts of Love

Beautiful Savior has many hearts and hands that work for the love of God, our church and its ministries. Here are just a few. Look for more examples in the coming months.



Thanks Dorothy for your leadership keeping the courtyard colorful and well kept all summer. Also thanks to Gene Reneau, Sheryl Habberger and Dorothy's grandson.



Many **S. M. I. L. E.S** and thanks to all who volunteered keeping the church grounds mowed, this summer.



Next time you drive through the church parking lot, check out the new garden bed on the southwest side. Pictured working on it (left) are Wally Herpich and Brian O'Shaughnessy . The bed was funded through memorial gifts given in memory of Wally's mother, Muriel.

Partners in ministry at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church Congregation:

In case you were not in attendance in worship August 14th and heard my announcement., I'm writing to update you on the latest all things hip replacement.

As you may have known or heard, I have been under medical guidance in regards to arthritis in my left hip that was diagnosed over 2 years ago, that had degenerated to bone-on-bone condition. In my seeking medical guidance with my health care professionals, my second opinion suggested that, while I am at a crossroads, given the condition of my arthritis, it was possible that I could wait a little longer. Were I in a longer-term call here at Beautiful Savior church, I would have likely done so. However, given that I am in flux and not long-term, not knowing when/where my next setting will be and what my options would be in said setting, as well as the strong advice of my primary care physician, I decided to get the surgery done, as I have planned all along. I had been experiencing more increased, noticeable pain and discomfort this summer past, and I wanted to get this done before became a bigger problem and a longer treatment issue. The surgery took place August 30 at BSA hospital. It was simply time.

The surgeon doing the procedure told me the typical and likely scenario is hospitalization for two or three days, and then after a couple weeks of the surgery I will have the staples removed, and likely (and hopefully!) will be off the walker and the cane by then. He performed the less invasive method, which likely means a much quicker, expeditious recovery. I expect to continue to work from home as well as hobble to the office, as and during recovery, PT, as my surgeon and physical therapist allows and guides.

As far supply preaching, on **September 4 Pastor Scott Willis** will supply. Neither he or Pastor Mike Holmes were available for September 11. I did call the Mission Area office and got the phone number name of our new **Assistant to the Bishop, Pr. Kris Totzke**. She will be beginning her new ministry on September 1, and told me she would be available to supply here at Beautiful Savior on **September 11**.

In our conversation, she and I speculated that likely she could assume Beautiful Savior's call process as part of her duties. With her availability on September 11, I think it is rather fortuitous (or "God-incidence, rather? ;)) that things have come down this way. This will be a good contact and connection for her to make with the congregation, call committee, and leadership that Sunday. One of my tasks as Interim Pastor is to help foster good relationships between the Mission Area, Bishop, staff and BSLC, and I have been so happy to do my part in that with our new Bishop and Staff.

Please give Prs. Scott and Kris a hearty BSLC welcome, and I will be grateful for your prayers for healing!

Pastor Mark Galbraith

During September, the Landergin Angels of Trinity United Methodist Church will continue to collect school supplies and monetary donations for Alice Landergin Elementary School.

Additionally, BSLC is being asked to do the same and help support the teachers by writing notes of encouragement to the Landergin teachers. Supplies, goodies and the notes will be placed in a basket in the teachers' lounge during October.

The Angels recruit for the school's Lunch Buddies program. If you would like to join this outreach, contact Judy Rohloff or Jane Roulston. Your support is greatly appreciated for helping students succeed.



Christ says, "Give me all. ... No half-measures are any good. ... Hand over the whole natural self, all the desires which you think innocent as well as the ones you think wicked — the whole outfit. I will give you a new self instead. In fact, I will give you Myself: my own will shall become yours."

—C.S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*

Call Committee News

Sunday, August 21, BSLC welcomed Bishop Erik Gronberg. After worship, get acquainted time, and lunch, the Call Committee met with the bishop.

We were pleased to receive three recommended candidates and their printed mobility information. We are now able to enter the second step of the call process; "Conversation", a time of interaction. The list of three candidates includes one male and two female candidates from different parts of the country. The Synod office will continue the search for candidates until the committee is ready to recommend a candidate to Council

Call Committee

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HEY THERE, FRIEND!

Looking for mom friends?
MOPS IS JUST WHAT YOU NEED!

MOPS
Mothers of Preschoolers

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2nd & 4th Saturdays

September—May

9:00—11:00 AM

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**2016
2017**

September 10th & 24th

October 8th & 22nd

November 12th

December 10th

January 14th & 28th

February 11th & 25th

March 11th & 25th

April 8th & 22nd

May 13th



What is MOPS?



MOPS stands for Mothers of Preschoolers, and by preschoolers we mean kiddos from birth through kindergarten. MOMSNext is the next step with

school-aged kids. It's a place for friendship, community, support, and growth—because

Better Moms Make a Better World.

What to Expect



COFFEE and **BREAKFAST** to start your day right

FELLOWSHIP to relate with other moms and make friends

CRAFTS to embrace your creative side or try something new

CHILDCARE to give you time to relax



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4 Worship 9:30	5 Office Closed	6 6:30 Choir	7 10-12 pm Food Pantry KEENAGERS 7:00 Call Committee	8	9	10 8:30 Ramp Project 9-11 MOPS
11 Rally Day Worship 8:30/11:00 9:45 Confir- mation 12:00 Cookout	12 9:30 Martha's Circle 6:30 Sewing 7:00 Property	13 6:30 Choir	14 10-12 pm Food Pantry 7:00 Call Committee	15	16	17 8:30 Men's Breakfast
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Friday, 9:00AM- 12:00 PM

Sunday Schedule - 8:30 and 11:00 AM Worship Services with Holy Communion

9:45 Sunday School for all ages **Staff**, **Mark Galbraith**, Interim Pastor, **Cheryl Hall**, Office Manager; **Marsha Moller**, Music Director;

Church Council: **Kevin Krallman**, President; **D'Ann Berry**, VP; **Tanya Berry**, Education; **Linda Allen**, Evangelism; **Spencer Berry**, Fellowship; **Erich Drochner**, Finance; **Greg Rohloff**, Stewardship; **Greg Hinders** Social Concerns; **Carol Stovall**, Property; **Andrea Schmidt**, Youth; **Laurie Dale**, Worship; **Susan O'Shaughnessy**, Secretary

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