



# GOOD NEWS

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## BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

**Sunday Worship  
9:30 AM**



### From the Pastors

As you read this newsletter, we will be attending our synod assembly at Calvary Lutheran Church in Richland Hills, TX. The theme this year is "What happens in the church doesn't stay in the church." Richard and Ingrid Owen are our voting members this year, and we look forward to having a good time with them while doing the church's business.

Unfortunately, all too often what happens in the church DOES stay in the church, though. We have to work to change that mindset if we are going to continue to thrive as a congregation in the years to come. The overwhelming majority of people who visit a church come because a friend invited them. On Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, we are having our next "Invite a Friend" Sunday; invitations will be in the bulletins on April 28<sup>th</sup>, as well as in the narthex. Please invite at least one friend.

How else can we get the word out about the awesome things that our congregation is doing? We welcome your ideas. Currently, we send a mailer to new residents each month, inviting them to join us, but personal invitations are always best. Remember, you can invite friends not only to worship, but also to KEENAGERS and fellowship events. Be sure your friends know about our wonderful food pantry, too – even if they don't need food for themselves, they may know someone who does, or be interested in volunteering to help us stock the shelves or distribute the food.

We also have a Facebook page (just search for Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church – Amarillo) and a web page, [www.beautifulsavioramarillo.org](http://www.beautifulsavioramarillo.org). If you haven't already, take a moment to check them out and let us know what you think.

We need to be more intentional about reaching out to our community in all kinds of ways. We know how precious it is to be loved by God, to know that our sins are forgiven and that Christ has acted once and for all to save us and give us new life; there are people all around us who need to know those things too. Please pray about this and let God point you to people with whom you can share your faith. Thank you for your partnership in loving, growing, and serving.

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## COUNCIL NEWS

### **The Congregational Council met on April 15, 2019.**

**Those in attendance:** Pastor Wendi, Pastor Steve, Linda Allen, Jeff Worley, Phyllis Antle, D'Ann Berry, Keith Rosenthal, Chuck Jacobson and Kendra Massey

**Those not able to attend:** Ingrid Owen, Biff Flatt and Andrea Schmidt

#### **Old Business:**

SEMP: Pastor Steve gave a brief overview of the Strategic Evangelical Mission Planning process and discussed the next step of the process, which includes establishing a task force.

#### **New Business:**

A motion to allocate \$356 choice dollars to the sewing group was seconded and passed.

Harold Reed Bequest - \$2,006.37: A motion to put ½ of the funds designated to Property for a permanent upgrade to the facility and ½ under Endowment (undesigned) passed.

### **Pastors Report -**

Special thanks to Ingrid Owen and the Fellowship team for coordinating the soup and sandwich suppers during Lent and the Easter brunch. Special thanks also to Marsha for getting us two trumpeters for our Easter worship services.

Our Hispanic Ministry subcommittee will meet on Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. Members are Sonia Sanchez, Susan O'Shaughnessy, Karen Herpich, Caroline Kelly, and Jeff Antle. Pastor Steve continues to lead the Monday afternoon Bible Study at the Wesley Center.

On May 5<sup>th</sup>, we will have an "Invite a Friend" Sunday. Bethlehem Christian Families will also be here that Sunday to sell their handmade olive wood products to benefit Christians living in the Holy Land. Please use the invitations that will be in your bulletins April 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> and invite at least one friend to join us!

### **Education and Youth -**

The paid flag service for the 6 holidays was discussed. A motion to pay for the flag service at a cost of \$300 was passed.

**Finance Report:** D'Ann Berry provided an overview of the written report and highlighted that both income and expenses were under budget for March with a net income of \$1,491.

**Property—** Keith reported that a new sign for the food pantry was made. The part of the roof that has bubbled is on the contractor's schedule to be fixed and a new bid to have the roof replaced on the hallway to the gym has been requested. A contract has been signed with Norris for the audio upgrade, but the project will not be started for another 2-3 weeks.

### **Social Concerns—**

- The Food Pantry provided food for 180 people (62 families) in March 2019.
- A 'Frames of Love' presentation will be held in the fellowship hall on May 19 during the coffee hour.
- Several members of our Sewing Group attended the Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast at the HCC Amphitheater on April 11, 2019.

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**FINANCIAL NEWS**
**Treasurer's Report**  
 March 2019

	Actual	Year-to-date Actual	Year-to-date Budget	Percent of Budget Budget
<b>Income</b>				
GENERL FUND	18,453.76	64,747.38	62,499.99	-2,247.39
LOOSE	181.00	443.00	575.01	132.01
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>18,634.76</b>	<b>65,190.38</b>	<b>63,075.00</b>	<b>-2,115.38</b>
<b>OTHER RECEIPTS</b>				
BUILDING USE	682.95	1,032.95	0.00	1,032.95
MISCELLANEOUS	10.00	50.00	99.99	49.99
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>692.95</b>	<b>1,082.95</b>	<b>99.99</b>	<b>-982.96</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>19,327.71</b>	<b>66,273.33</b>	<b>63,174.99</b>	<b>-3,098.34</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>17,836.41</b>	<b>57,900.88</b>	<b>61,066.50</b>	<b>3,165.62</b>
<b>Income Less Expense</b>	<b>1,491.30</b>	<b>8,372.45</b>	<b>2,108.49</b>	<b>-6,263.96</b>



## NOTES

### Together We Pray

If you would like one of the pastors to visit or call you or to put your prayer request into the church's prayers in the weekly bulletin or on the prayer chain, call the church office at 359-9483.

To join the prayer chain by email, contact the church office.

### KEENAGERS

Wednesday,  
May 1  
At 12:00 pm

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

Hosts: Gene Reneau  
and Butch & Sheryl  
Habeger



- 05/01** Chancie Coberley  
Kyndra Worley
- 05/04** Genevieve Miller (100 years)
- 05/09** Lorryne Vogel
- 05/13** Nancy Beatty
- 05/25** Karen Herpich  
Tammie Woolsey  
Kelsey Worley
- 05/29** Eldon Kirkeeng



The family of **Ada Oltman** who passed away in April.

Thanks are expressed to the congregation for sharing their stories and warm remembrances of Ada & Don Oltman during the fellowship hour on Sunday, April 14.

# Bethlehem Christian Families



On Sunday, May 5, 2019 we will have a special opportunity to view products and creations in wood created by the hands of Christian artisans in and around the Holy Land region. The Rishmawi Family has been designated as the representative for these wonderful Christian artisans and has been authorized to show their olive wood carvings.

The tradition of Olive wood carvings in the Holy Land has been handed down from father to son since the 12th century. Due to the difficulties the last few years in the Middle East, tourism has been dramatically reduced and these folks have suffered greatly. This is causing the Christian community to immigrate to different countries leaving the Christian population at 2% today from 25% fifteen years ago.

We invite you to visit their display tables and view some of the finest handcrafts available from the Holy Land. This Family strives to bring these fine carvings to our church.

**You can view these beautiful items On-Line @ <http://www.bethlehem-art.com/>**

*"We call on our churches worldwide to recognize that the very presence of the Christian communities in the Holy Land is threatened by the severity of the present conflict and by the economic devastation the conflict has caused. When the Mother Church is endangered, the entire Churches must be involved "*



## Invite a Friend on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

Of course, we hope you invite a friend every Sunday, but we are having another Invite A Friend Sunday on May 5<sup>th</sup>. Look for invitations in the narthex on the two Sundays prior to that date (April 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>), and take some to hand out to anyone you know (or, if you're really brave, the person in line behind you at the store or bank).



This is a great Sunday to invite friends and family because in addition to a great worship experience, Bethlehem Christian Families will have handmade olive wood gifts from the Holy Land for sale in the fellowship hall after the service.

Mark your calendars now and let's have a friendly competition to see who can invite the most people!

## Derby Day Gathering

May 4 at 4:00 pm

AT THE HOME OF

David & Paula Cole, 3606 Doris.



**Bring snacks to share Standard drinks will be provided or you are welcome to bring your own beverage.**

**Wear a derby hat, either bought or homemade. We will vote on the best one. We will also have a silent auction. See you there!**



A FREE weekend camp for children and teens, ages 7—17, grieving the death of a loved one.

June 21-June 23, 2019

Ceta Canyon

37201 FM1721, Happy, TX 79042

To learn more, please contact Donna Cecil at 806-236-9048 or via email: [Donna.Cecil@kindredhospicecare.com](mailto:Donna.Cecil@kindredhospicecare.com)

**Book Club** will meet on Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. in the church library.

Please bring a book review or article of interest to discuss with the group.

**Martha's Circle** welcomes all women interested in sharing a Christian education study. We will meet Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. in the church library or one of the rooms in the education wing.

Pastor Wendi will lead a discussion on what happens after death.

## Giving Our Time and Supporting the Places of Ministry

Continuing with our new Stewardship program "Holy Currencies," this month we will consider the Currencies of Time and Place. The "Holy Currencies" program expands our understandings of time (the time we commit to the ministries of our church) to include ministries outside of our church, because fostering wellness in our neighborhood creates a more sustainable community. We also get to invite those outside our church to volunteer time for worthy ministries. The Currency of Place is not only about renovating/beautification/refurbishing our church, but it is also about adding places we own, or have access to, as places for ministry. Next month you will have the opportunity to pledge the Currencies of Time and Place for your own growth in these areas.

# May 2019

Sunday Worship 9:30 am

Sunday School 8:30 & 11:00 am

Fellowship 10:30 am

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

## Psalm 23:3

He restores my soul; He guides me in the paths of righteousness For His name's sake.



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**Food Pantry**

**KEENAGERS**

**12 pm**

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**Derby Day**  
**4 pm**

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**Worship/SS**  
**Fellowship**

6

**9:30 Martha's**  
**Circle**

**4-6:30 Sewing**

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**Food Pantry**

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**8:30 Ramp**  
**Project**

12

**Worship/SS**  
**Fellowship**

13

**9:30 Book Club**  
**4-6:30 Sewing**

**7 pm**  
**Property**

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**Food Pantry**

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**18 8:30 Men's**  
**Breakfast**  
**11 am**  
**Evangelism**  
**7 pm**  
**Spirituality**  
**Gathering**

19

**Worship/SS**  
**Fellowship**  
**10:45 Frames**  
**of Love**  
**Presentation**

20

**4-6:30 Sewing**

**7 pm Council**

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**Food Pantry**

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**Worship/SS**  
**Fellowship**

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**Office**  
**Closed**

**4-6:30 Sewing**

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**Food Pantry**

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