



Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

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Our congregation
celebrates
communion at each
service.

Sunday
Worship Schedule
8:30 AM WORSHIP
11:00 AM WORSHIP



God's Beloved People at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church:

Let's dispel with some of the myths that have grown up around the likes of Luther and others during this tumultuous time known as "The Reformation"...

...Luther never set out to leave the church that he was a loyal son of.

...He never, ever wanted to have a church or movement named after him (*Saying in essence: "Stinking foul bag of maggots I am! Who am I to have a church named after me? I didn't die for the sins of the world!! Jesus Christ did...let us be named after him, and him only!"*)

...To be called a "Lutheran" in those days was not a compliment! It was a political pejorative, much like the kind of toxic invective tossed hither and yonder ad nauseum across political lines today!!

...He would roll in his grave today if he knew there were dozens of churches bearing his name!!

Who was Luther?

...a loyal son of the Church of his day

...he made full use of the then-cutting edge communications technology of the day, the printing press (as revolutionary a communications tool then as the advent of the internet is today), to get the Good Word out like wildfire

...he was a man constantly under siege from both church and state (as many Christians are today around the world). If it weren't for friends in high places, he would've likely been delivered to the Inquisitions, tried for heresy, burnt at the stake, and at best a blip on the historical radar.

...Above all, he was a teacher of the Divine Word who wanted to bring the church of his day back to the core of the Good News (Ephesians 2:1-10: in summary that says, ***"We are dead in sin...but God in his mercy through Jesus Christ made us alive again"***) ...that Jesus didn't come to reform the "reform-able" or improve the "improvable (as opposed to some the stereotypes of "church" as simply a good morals society! I hear this so much!!.... eesshhh!!!!!!)" or make "bad people" into "good people" ...he came to raise the dead to walk in newness of life! Dead sinners can't "make a decision for Jesus"...my repentance or faith doesn't save me. The Faithful One (Galatians 2:16) does! The fact that I can smile and say yes to this incredible Good News is proof that it's already having its miraculous way in me....

COUNCIL REPORT

THE CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL met on September 19, 2016.

Present: Linda Allen, D'Ann Berry, Spencer Berry, Tanya Berry, Pastor Mark, Greg Hinder, Kevin Krallman, Laurie Dale, Carole Froeschle, Erich Drockner, Greg Rohloff, Andrea Schmidt and, Cheryl Hall. Also attending a portion of the meeting were Biff Flatt and Judy Rohloff

NEW BUSINESS

- Biff Flatt provided a brief overview of the Call Committee process to date. Three candidates are still active. The committee is conducting skype interviews and is planning to invite one or possibly two candidates to Amarillo to meet personally with the committee in the near future.
- The council discussed options for the Christmas weekend and New Year's Day worship schedules. After discussion a motion was made and accepted to have Christmas Eve services at 7:30 and 9:30 pm and a Christmas Day service at 9:30 am. On New Year's Day we will have a service of Carols and Readings with no communion at

- Budgets were due at the September meeting on the 19th; however, the deadline has been extended until October 5

OLD BUSINESS -

- Labyrinth- Judy Rohloff presented to the council plans to coordinate landscaping care and maintenance of the church labyrinth. A craft show/art fund raiser is planned for October 28 & 29 to raise funds for the labyrinth.

EDUCATION—Youth Sunday (school with new students and a new curriculum) has started. The curriculum includes take home studies. Confirmation classes have also resumed. We have two adult study groups. One is based on a New Testament Lecture Series from Yale University. The second group, led by Gene Reneau, is a study of the parables of Jesus.

EVANGELISM— A home communion meeting was held on August 28.

FELLOWSHIP— We have continued providing coffee and treats on Sunday mornings after the single service. We hosted a luncheon for the congregation and new Bishop Gronberg on August 21st. We also organized a cookout for Rally Day on Sep-

CHURCH OFFICE—On September 8, I attended an online seminar through The Church Network "The HR Hour.

I am reviewing the forty page 2016 IRS Exempt organizations 501(c) (3) Tax Guide for Churches & Religious Organizations.

I am currently taking an online Excel refresher course. I set my own pace and do lessons as my time permits.

PROPERTY— The fireplace area was sprayed for carpenter ants. The parsonage small bathroom has been completed. Thanks to Wally Herpich for landscaping the southwest corner of the parking lot.

New handicapped signs have been ordered for the parking lot.

SOCIAL CONCERNS— The food pantry continued to serve the community, 1 ramp built, the sewing group is taking the summer off, continued delivery of Meals on Wheels. A committed group continues to provide support to Snack Pack 4 Kids.

We will have a blood drive

WORSHIP - Have received part of the new robes for Assisting Ministers, should have last ones within the next 2 weeks.

Now that we are back to 2 services we are looking for the congregation to sign up for worship duties as they feel they can.

YOUTH - In October the youth is considering having a Halloween Carnival. Reformation Sunday, October 30 will be confirmation/affirmation for the current class of six. Sunday school officially kicked off on Sunday, September 18.



2016 NT-NL SWO Convention

Join us in Waco this fall for the NT-NL Synodical Convention!

It will be a weekend of faith renewal and commitment. It's a wonderful chance to meet more Christian women and to renew old friendships.



FINANCIAL NEWS

Cash equivalent asset balance at the end of August is \$143,265 (\$335 decrease for the year). The value of investments in our Endowment Fund is \$155,530 (\$40,530 increase for the year). The changes are the result of transferring \$37,040 from the Dedicated Accounts to the Endowment Fund.

August donations to our General Budget were \$16,775 compared to our anticipated amount of \$23,810. Other receipts were \$330 compared to an anticipated amount of \$140.

Contributions to Dedicated Accounts were \$2,510. Total receipts for August were \$19,615.

Expenses for August were \$20,195 compared to a budgeted amount of \$21,705.

Year-to-date Expenditures from the General Fund are \$186,285 compared to a budget of \$206,225. That \$20,000 lower expense offsets most of the \$25,000 shortfall in anticipated donations.

Dedicated Accounts expenditures were \$1,765 (\$495 Helping Hand, \$100 for Special Miscellaneous, \$100 for flowers, \$1,035 Altar Guild Savings).

General Fund expenses for August exceeded income by \$3,090. YTD expenditures exceeded income by \$16,265.

Respectfully submitted,

Erich Drochner
Finance Chair



Pray together

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

If you would like the pas-
tor 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

Wednesday
October 5

This 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.

Sewing Group meets Monday nights at 6:30 pm.

Call Committee - Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm.

Ramp Project meets on Saturday, October 8 at 8:30 am.

MOPS meets 9—11 am on Saturdays, October 8 & 22.

Martha Circle meets Monday, October 10 at 9:30 am.

Book Club meets on Monday, October 17 at 9:30 am.

Men's Breakfast meets Saturday, October 15 at 8:30 am.

Council meets Monday, October 17 at 6:30 pm.

**Altar Guild Meeting—October 23 at 9:45 am in 1st Sunday
school room (across from Nursery) If it is use, we will
meet in the Sanctuary.**

Divine Drama is Tuesday mornings from 9:30 –11:00 am
Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:30 pm

Fit Club is on Mondays at 7:00 pm starting October 24.

PRAYER & THANKS GIVING

We keep in our prayers.....

We Keep Beautiful Savior's Call Committee in our prayers as they
continue our search for a new pastor.

*Eternal God! Grant us gratitude enough to look
backward and be thankful;
courage enough to look forward and be hopeful;
faith enough to look upward and be humble;
kindness enough to look outward and be helpful.*

Program News Flash: As we do celebrate Reformation Sunday this month, on **October 16 and 23, during the Education Hour in the Fireside Room**, the "Affirmation of Baptism" and "Parables" classes will be watching the newer cinematic version of Luther's life, "**Luther**", featuring a stellar cast (Joseph Fiennes, Sir Peter Ustinov, Alfred Molina). Everyone is invited, and bring your fave movie snack to share. **It will start promptly at 9:45 am both Sundays**, so don't be late!

Happy Halloween, too! Be safe and smart in your celebrations!

In Partnership,

Pastor Mark



Start Your Christmas Shopping Early!

Come and check out hand crafts and art from individuals throughout the Amarillo area at Beautiful Savior's Craft/Art Fair. Buy a raffle ticket for a homemade quilt.

Friday, October 28 from 10:00 am until 6:00 pm

Saturday, October 29 from 9:00 am until 7:00 pm

Call Committee News

As we say goodbye to the long, warm days of summer, the committee is well into the second step of the Call Process. We have had several skype interviews with potential pastor candidates and we are anticipating personal visits.

Please continue to pray for the committee's journey of discernment in this process of finding the right partner in mission and worship for Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church.

Call Committee

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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 - 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

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

Birthdays

10/03	Mark Newman
10/04	Brian O'Shaughnessy
10/06	Ruth Holman
10/08	Dainay Hawkins
10/09	Kendra Berry
10/10	Richard Owen
10/14	George Sell
10/15	Audrey Holman
	Jana Kidd
	Jan Werner
10/18	Keith Johnson
10/22	David Cole
	Dianne Reinschmidt
10/24	Erich Drochner
10/27	Cheryl Hall
	Randy Heuton
10/28	Christine Edler
	Marjorie Spencer



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God's work. Our hands.

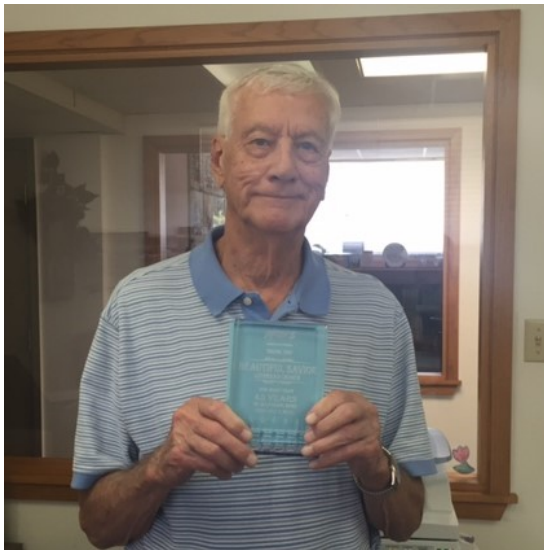
The next gathering of the Panhandle Conference will be held on Saturday, October 8 at St. Paul in Levelland. We will begin to gather at 9:30 AM with worship beginning at 10:00 AM. We are very blessed that during our worship, Joel David Ullrich, son of Prs. Jeremy and Amanda Ullrich, will be baptized.

Following worship we will enjoy a 2-part workshop entitled, "Living Out Our Baptismal Vocation," led by our special guest, Dr. Susan Schnelle (Pr. Amanda's mom!!). A short business meeting will end the afternoon with plans to be "On Our Way Rejoicing" by 3:00 PM. Lunch will be served

MARTHA CIRCLE will meet in the library 9:30 a.m. Monday 10/10 to discuss "When God Forgives the Guilty" from the October issue of gather magazine. ALL ARE WELCOME

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED is an ecumenical ladies group from Amarillo churches. They meet the first Friday each month of September through May. On October 7th they will conduct a mission tour of two area agencies supported by the organization: Heal the City, and CareNet Pregnancy Center. Ask Audrey Taylor (655-2387) for further details.

The BOOK CLUB will meet on Monday, October 17 in the church library. We'll discuss the book "*Two Dogs and a Parrot :What Our Animal Friends Can Teach Us About Life*" by Joan Chittister. An excerpt from this book is included in the October 2016 issue of the Gather magazine. Please join us.



On Wednesday, September 21, 2016 "Meals On Wheels" in Amarillo honored Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church for 45 years of delivering more than just a meal.

Meals on Wheels of Amarillo is a private, non-profit organization which delivers hot, nutritious meals to the homebound elderly and severely disabled who are unable to prepare adequate meals for themselves. Meals On Wheels helps the elderly remain in their own homes under the watchful eye of volunteers who care.

Beautiful Savior's current volunteers include, Wally Herpich, Johnny Reinschmidt, Biff Flatt, Gene Reneau and Bill Tietgens (pictured).

Good job gentleman as well as to all who came before you on behalf of Beautiful Savior.



Beautiful Savior's Food Pantry welcomes Marian Cole (pictured left with Betty Ann Hopper) as a volunteer. Thank you Marian. Thank you Betty Ann.

This particular day, Wednesday, Sept. 21, these two handed out food for 94 people. Our

My Conscious is Captive to the Word of God

On Reformation Day, October 31, Protestants remember Martin Luther, the great reformer and his teachings. Luther wrote about the hope of Christians, through Christ, in these words:

"Let us thank God, therefore, that we have been delivered from this monster of uncertainty and that now we can believe for a certainty that the Holy Spirit is crying and issuing that sigh too deep for words in our hearts. And this is our foundation: The Gospel commands us to look, not at our own good deeds or perfection, but at God himself as he promises, and at Christ himself the Mediator. [God] says: 'I am giving my own Son into death, so that by his blood he might redeem you from sin and death.'

"Here I cannot have any doubts unless I want to deny God altogether. And this is why our theology is certain: It snatches us away from ourselves ... so that we do not depend on our own strength, conscience, experience, person or works but depend ... on the promise and truth of God, which cannot deceive."

-Luther's Works, Volume 26

Pillars of Faith

Because Martin Luther nailed his 95 theses, or thoughts, to a church door in Wittenberg, Germany, on October 31, 1517, we remember that day and the major changes, or Reformation, that resulted.

Luther's theses contained three main pillars, which have stood for almost 500 years:

1. Sola Scriptura (Scripture Alone) - The Bible is the sole authority in matters of faith, life and conduct. "All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness" (2 Timothy 3:16, NRSV).



2. Sola Fide (Faith Alone) - Christians are justified, or declared righteous, only through believing in Jesus Christ as Savior. Although morality and good works are important, they alone cannot lead to salvation. "A person is justified not by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ" (Galatians 2:16, NRSV).

3. Sola Gratia (Grace Alone) - Grace is God's unmerited, or undeserved, favor. Salvation is a free gift from our gracious God. "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your

October 2016

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⁶ So we say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?"						1
⁷ Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. ⁸ Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. <u>Hebrews 13:6-8</u>						
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³⁰ Worship Reformation Sunday 8:30/11:00	³¹ 6:30 Sewing	<u>Psalms 119:105</u> <i>Your word is a lamp to my feet, and a light to my path.</i>				



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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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