

Good News

A PUBLICATION OF BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

FROM PASTOR LEAH

Animals are a Blessing!

I grew up on a farm in the small community of Altamont, Illinois. The farm belonged to my grandfather. Eventually, my father took over the farming duties. My dad primarily grew corn and soybeans. My mom raised chickens and sold the eggs. We had a dog and a few barn cats. My great uncle had a dairy farm where we would get fresh milk and visit the cows. One of the most memorable moments I experienced when visiting the dairy farm was seeing a calf shortly after it had been born. It was so cute!

I can remember taking trips to the zoo in St. Louis, Sea World in Orlando, Bush Gardens in Tampa. Once I get settled in the parsonage, I would love to foster or adopt a dog. During my visits to members in their homes, I have also enjoyed getting to know their pets. Animals are such an important part of our lives, especially our pets. They provide us with unconditional love and companionship. As God's beloved children, we are called to be stewards of all creation, including animals. They truly are amazing gifts from God!

Francis of Assisi is known as the patron saint of animals and the environment. Many churches will celebrate his feast day, which is on October 4, by holding Blessing of the Animals services. We will be having our own service on Saturday, October 16 at 3 PM. I'm praying for a beautiful, fall day so we can gather outside! Bring your pets and I will bless them. If your pets are not very social, then feel free to bring photo of your pet and I will be happy to bless it! Children are invited to bring a stuffed animal for a blessing! This will be wonderful time to give thanks to God for all of the creatures that bless our lives! Feel free to invite your family, friends and neighbors to this wonderful event!

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Worship

Sundays Mornings
9:30 AM with communion

Office Hours -
Monday - Thursday,
9:00AM-12:00PM, 1:00-3:00PM
(closed during the noon hour)
Friday, 9:00AM- 12:00 PM

Staff:

Leah Lawson, Pastor
Cheryl Hall, Office Manager
Marsha Moller, Music Director



The church council met on September 20.
Those in attendance: Johnny Reinschmidt, Biff Flatt, Kendra Massey, Laurie Dale, Ingrid Owen, Linda Allen, Chuck Jacobson, D'Ann Berry, Kendra Massey,.

Those Absent: Greg Rohloff, Rita DeMar
Guest: Cheryl Hall

Old Business:

A/C & Furnace replacement- Amarillo Air Masters gave a bid of \$8,565.00 for a new A/C & Furnace. A motion to replace the A/C Furnace for the sanctuary was made, seconded and passed.

New Business:

Ring Doorbells for the parsonage front & back doors have been approved and installed .

Pastor's Report:

The Women's Group met on Tuesday, September 14 and will be viewing the Comparative Religion course from The Great Courses. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 28. I think it's going to be very interesting and informative.

So far, we have received 16 responses from the Adult Christian Education survey! Based on the answers from the survey, I'm hoping to offer a class on a particular topic of study, but offer the class at two different times. I'm still working out the details,.

The NT-NL Synod Leadership Convocation will be October 18-20 at Briarwood Leadership Center in Argyle, Texas. The event will be in-person and online. My hope is to attend in person so I can meet more of my colleagues.

Evangelism/Social Concerns:

- ⇒ In August, the BSLC food bank feed 33 people with 17 meals.
- ⇒ In September, two ramps were built.
- ⇒ The home communion team made one visit in August.

Property:

- New telephone system installed at church.
- Discussions continue with Air Masters proposed bid for sanctuary HVAC (\$8565.00).
- Planning to install "Ring" door bells for front and back parsonage doors for security (Prox. \$350.00)
- Fence door replaced on children's playground.
- Continuing bids for tree trimmings.
- Lawn mowing continues.

NOTE: Our property savings fund has been depleted with the replacements of HVAC and water heaters. Thank you for all your past donations to the fund and your continued support is appreciated.

Worship:

The installation of Paster Leah Lawson took place on Saturday, August 7. Area pastors from the synod attended as wall as Bishop's Assistant Kris Totske.

Linda Allen attended the Mission Endowment Fund meeting via Zoom on September 11.

Looking ahead—The Advent Wreath will go up the Saturday after Thanksgiving and the Chrismon Tree & decorating is scheduled for Saturday, December 4.

Church Council:

Chuck Jacobson, President; **Biff Flatt**,; VP, **Laurie Dale**, Secretary; **Kendra Massey**, Education/Youth; **Ingrid Owen**, Fellowship; **Rita De Mar** Evangelism/Social Concerns' **D'Ann Berry**, Treasurer; **Johnny Reinschmidt**, Property; **Greg Rohloff**, Stewardship' **Linda Allen**, Worship

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

Treasurer's Report August of Fiscal Year 2021

	Month	
INCOME	Actual	Budget
OFFERINGS		
GENEAL FUND ENVELOPE	22,429.84	18,750.00
GENERAL FUND LOOSE	13.79	62.50
OTHER RECEIPTS		
BUILDING USE	00.00	83.33
02-MISCELLANEOUS	10.00	20.83
Total Income	22,453.63	18,916.66
EXPENSE		
Total Expense	22,704.78	

BSLC
Treasurer's Summary
September 13, 2021

For the month of August, our income was \$22,453.63 on a budget of \$18,916.66, so we came in above budgeted income by \$3,526.97. Our expenses for August were \$22,704.78 on a budget of \$17,769.72 which was \$4,908.06 above budgeted expenses. Our income for the month was \$251.15 less than expenses. Our property insurance cost increased due to the new additional buy down policy cost and that payment for the annual buy down was \$5350.12 was made in August accounting for the increased total expenses. The Property committee requested funding from the Endowment committee for consideration to cover the cost of the water heaters that wasn't covered by donations for total of \$1050.00. The Endowment committee President has made formal request to the Endowment Committee members for recommendation on this request.

May God continue to keep his loving and guiding hand upon Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church and our Members and all those we serve.

I am always open for questions or clarification if needed.

D'Ann Berry
Treasurer

Supplies needed for Child Outreach International

We need things for hygiene kits, and diapers for babies. Hygiene kit supplies needed Include regular size bars of soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, smaller hair brush, razors, used or new face cloths, hand towels or thinner bath towels.

A container marked Child Outreach will be placed for much appreciated donations. We will assemble the kits at a later date.

Call Wanda Garcia at 676-0643 if you have questions. Thank you for walking with us in missions.

KEENAGERS

Wednesday, October 6
at Noon

Fellowship Hall

Hosts:

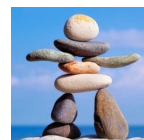
*Deanna Rosenthal, Melinda
Flatt*

*Everyone is asked to bring a
side or dessert.*



- 10/03 Mark Newman
- 10/06 Ruth Holman
Mary Jones
- 10/08 Dainay Hawkins
- 10/09 Kendra Massey
- 10/10 Richard Owen
- 10/15 Audrey Holman
Jan Werner
Jana Kidd
- 10/18 Keith Johnson
- 10/22 Dianne Reinschmidt
David Cole
- 10/27 Cheryl Hall
Randy Heuton
- 10/28 Marjorie Spencer

REMINDER Balance Class



The class will be
10 am—11 am on
Mondays running
thru October 25.



Please keep in your
prayers:

Under Hospice Care
Ruth Holman
Genevieve Miller

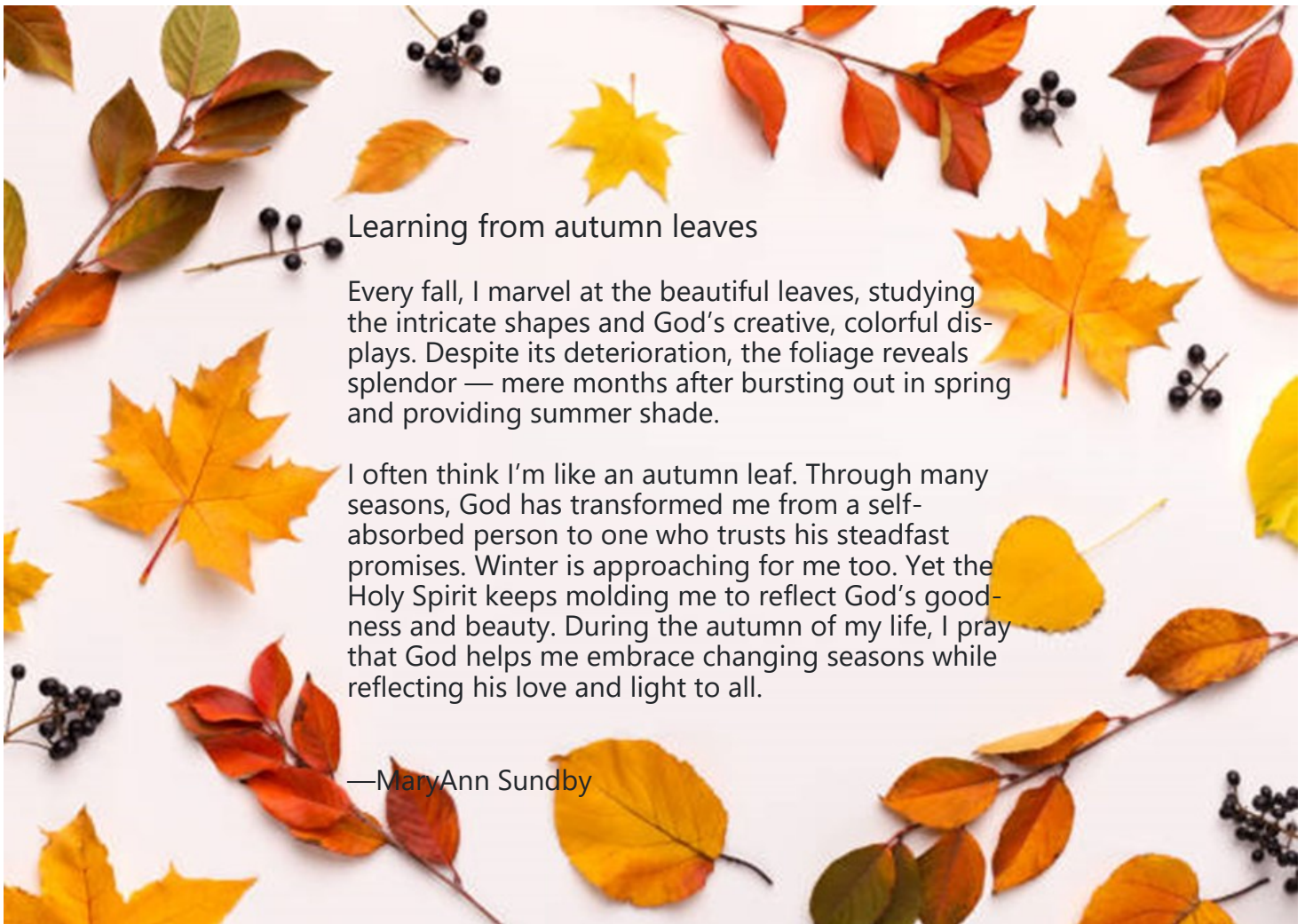
If you need pastoral care of a visit or phone call, contact the church office. Call the church office at 359-9483 (Pastor Leah's office hours are 9 am to 4 pm Monday –Thursday) . To add prayer requests into the church's prayers in the weekly bulletin and/or the prayer chain.

To join the prayer chain by email, contact the church office at beautifulsavioramarillo@gmail.com

Trust in the LORD
with all your heart,
and do not lean
on your own
understanding.

Proverbs 3:5





Learning from autumn leaves

Every fall, I marvel at the beautiful leaves, studying the intricate shapes and God's creative, colorful displays. Despite its deterioration, the foliage reveals splendor — mere months after bursting out in spring and providing summer shade.

I often think I'm like an autumn leaf. Through many seasons, God has transformed me from a self-absorbed person to one who trusts his steadfast promises. Winter is approaching for me too. Yet the Holy Spirit keeps molding me to reflect God's goodness and beauty. During the autumn of my life, I pray that God helps me embrace changing seasons while reflecting his love and light to all.

—MaryAnn Sundby

Martha's Circle

Women's Study Group

The Women's Study Group met on Tuesday, September 14 to discuss various topics for study. Pr. Leah presented a few options and it was decided to do a study on comparative religion from "The Great Courses."

The group will meet ever other Tuesday at 10:00 AM. All women of the congregation are invited to join us for this learning and fellowship opportunity!

Tuesday,
October 12 & 26
at 10am



I shall not *need*

Despite the traditional wording (“The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want”), Psalm 23 declares that God provides everything we *need* — not everything we desire.

“He makes me lie down ...

” Sometimes our busyness is useful; other times it’s how we feel in control or superior to others. God knows we need to rest and sometimes must make us do so!

“He leads me beside still waters ... ” Although we often prefer noisy distractions, God

knows we need quiet to hear him and have our souls restored.

“You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.” Rather than a boast (“Ha! See how God spreads a banquet in my honor while others look on!”), this is a reminder that God wants us to dine with our enemies. We might not be able to stand those people, but God pursues reconciliation.



Collecting Memories

September 2022 we will be celebrating our 75th Anniversary. Preparations are being discussed. For the 75th booklet we are asking members to share special memories, antidotes, interesting pictures, etc., from the life and the people connected to the church these past seventy-five years. Collect them, write them down and bring them to the church office. The office will then pass them along to the Anniversary Committee.

Also, we need the names and addresses of former members and friends so we can add them to our growing invitation list.

October 2021

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

Creator, I rest in your strength that never wearies; I trust in your understanding that reaches beyond all my searching. (Based on Isaiah 40:28.)

1

2

3

9:30 am
Worship
10:45 Choir

4

10 am Balance
Class

5

6 10-12 pm
Food
Pantry
12 PM
KEENAGERS

7

8

9

10

9:30 am
Worship
10:45 Choir
10:45
Fellowship

11

10 am Balance
Class
7 pm
Property

12

10 am
Women's Study

13

10-12 pm
Food Pantry

14

15

16

3 pm Blessing
of the Pets

17

9:30 am
Worship
10:30 Choir
10:45 Fellowship

18

10 am Balance
Class
7 pm Council

19

20

10-12 pm
Food Pantry

21

22

23

24

9:30 am
Worship
10:45 Choir

25

10 am Balance
Class

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10 am
Women's Study

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10-12 pm
Food Pantry

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9:30 am
Worship
10:45 Choir

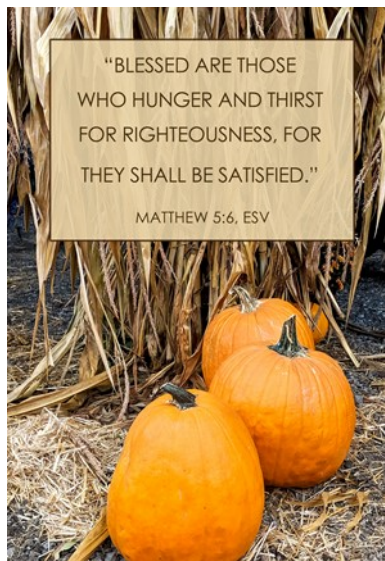




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