# Good News

# **BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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### FROM THE PASTORS

Last year we had a conversation with Rev. Irma Bañales, Director of Evangelical Missions for our synod, about the possibility of starting a Hispanic ministry here at Beautiful Savior. Rev. Bañales asked "why?" Beautiful Savior is doing ministry. We shared our mission of "Loving,

Loving Growing Serving

Growing, and Serving" that is captured beautifully on the banner in the fireside room. She asked us "loving whom?", "growing how?", and "serving whom?". These are great questions and we had no specific answers. Irma suggested we dive deeper and search for "why?" Beautiful Savior ministers.

As Council pondered this question it became clear that

Beautiful Savior needed to enter into mission planning. So, we formed a task force to start the process of the three great listenings – listening to God, listening for our own gifts and talents, and listening to the needs of our neighbors.

The Strategic Evangelical Mission Planning Task Force (Pastor Steve, Pastor Wendi, David Cole, Kyndra Worley, Christine Johnson, Mark Newman, and Kenneth Berg) held its first meeting on June 24<sup>th</sup>. We set a preliminary timeline for this work:

- In July-August, we will update the council on our work in preparation for sharing with the congregation.
- In August-September, we will share our plans with the congregation.
- In October-November, we plan on holding congregational small groups to get members' input.

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## Sunday Worship 9:30 AM

Our congregation celebrates communion at each service.





### COUNCIL NEWS

The Congregational Council met on July 15, 2019.

Those in attendance: Biff Flatt, Jeff Worley, D'Ann Berry, Keith Rosenthal, Chuck Jacobson, Ingrid Owen, Linda Allen and Kendra Massey Those not able to attend: Pastor Wendi, Pastor Steve, Phyllis Antle and Andrea Schmidt

**Old Business-** Church Security: Biff Flatt reported that he spoke with Corporal Jim Hilton of the Amarillo PD who stated that he is available to make a security presentation to the Council. Possible dates were discussed.

#### Pastors Report—

First, the *Strategic Evangelical Mission Planning Task Force* held its first meeting on June 24<sup>th</sup>. We went over the process we will use and set a preliminary timeline for our work:

- In August, we will update the council on our work in preparation for sharing with the congregation.
- In August-September, we will share our plans with the congregation.
- In October-November, we plan on holding congregational small groups to get members' input.
- İn Early 2020, we will bring in community leaders to speak about area needs. We will again hold members' small groups to see where our talents and giftedness might meet these needs (or we could also stretch ourselves into new areas).
- Just before Summer 2020, we would meet as a whole congregation to have discussion, formulate the plan, and set implementation (if formal voting is required it would happen at one of our semi-annual congregational meetings).

The council would have continuing oversight of implementation of the plan.

Second, the Hispanic Sub-Group (along with the Evangelism Committee) has found an opportunity to get to know, and be known by, the local Hispanic population. It is in the form of hosting English As A Second Language (ESL) Classes here at Beautiful Savior. There will be a training for teachers (they only need to speak English) at Paramount Baptist Church, August 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> at a cost of \$20/person or \$25/couple. Currently there are 5 people from BSLC interested in attending (including the two of us). In addition to training the teachers they will also cover how to promote our classes.

**Fellowship**—Upcoming activities including a picnic on August 24<sup>th</sup>, a dance in the courtyard on September 21<sup>st</sup>, and camping in Palo Duro Canyon with a potluck on Saturday afternoon the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in October.

A motion was seconded and passed. to approve the funding of a pergola for the courtyard for up to \$2,500 to be funded by private donations. The property committee will be involved in the planning of the structure.

**Property—** A motion was made and passed to purchase a John Deere X350 riding lawn mower and funds will come out of the property savings account.

**Social Concerns—**The Food Pantry provided food for 293 people (86 families) in June 2019

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

<u>Staff</u>: Steve Brauner, Wendi Gordon, Pastors; Cheryl Hall, Office Manager; Marsha Moller, Music Director;

<u>Church Council:</u> Biff Flatt, President; Chuck Jacobson, VP; Andrea Schmidt, Education/Youth; Ingrid Owen, Fellowship, Kendra Massey, Evangelism; D'Ann Berry, Treasurer; Keith Rosenthal, Property; Linda Allen, Worship; Jeff Worley, Secretary

### Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church Treasurer's Report by Account

June of Fiscal Year 2019

#### Income

OFFERINGS	June Actual	Year-to-date Actual	Year-to-date Budget	Remaining Budget
GENERL FUND ENVELOPE	19,284.48	126,317.61	124,999.98	-1,317.63
GENERAL FUND LOOSE	151.00	880.00	1,150.02	270.02
OTHER RECEIPTS	19,435.48	127,197.61	126,150.00	-1,047.61
BUILDING USE	150.00	1,882.95	0.00	-1,882.95
MISCELLANEOUS	50.00 200.00	170.00 2.052.95	199.98 199.98	29.98 -1.852.97
Total Income	19,635.48	129,250.56	126,349.98	-2,900.58
Expense				
Total Expense	18,262.03	119,959.02	124,629.63	4,670.61
Income Less Expense	1,373.45	9,291.54	1,720.35	-7,571.19

For the month of June our income was \$19,635.48 on a budget of \$21,058.33. Our expenses were \$18,262.03 on a budget of \$19,356.31. Overall our income exceeded our expense leaving us positive by \$1,373.45. For the month of June, expenses were well controlled with cost savings of \$1,094.28 less than budgeted, so again, overall everyone did a great job managing costs in your respective areas. I appreciate you all for remaining committed to keeping your expenses at or below where they need to be to keep our finances well managed!

D'Ann Berry

# SUMMER



Butch and Rochelle Berg are hosting a church picnic at their home (5004 Arden Rd) on August 24 starting at 3:30 pm.



Come for some:



**Fellowship** 

Food

Fun

Sign up in the narthex to sign up in the narthex toppings for bring condiments, toppings bring condiments and buns ided or sides will be provided sloppy joes will be provided.





08/07 Kenneth Berry

08/12 John Krallman

**Audrey Taylor** 

08/18 Janice Gates

08/21 Marsha Moller

08/25 Keith Rosenthal

08/31 Alex Sanchez

**Noah Sanchez** 

A Children's Ministry Planning meeting will be held on August 14 at 7:00 pm.

Anyone interested in this topic is encouraged to attend.



Our sympathies to the Kahn family on the death of Regina Kahn.

Please see our weekly worship bulletin for a complete list of those we are actively praying for.

# **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.



# Vacation Bible School Fun Day Is Approaching!

Saturday, August 3

1:00—5:00 pm

**Ages 4-12** 

at BSLC

**ELCA World Hunger's Vacation Bible School** 

"God saw everything that was made, and indeed, it was very good."

- Genesis 1:31a

"Helping Children Learn About Hunger, hope and the work to which God calls us." Tell your friends and family and have the children come for a great day filled with games, activities, crafts, stories and snacks. All themes are drawn from projects supported by gifts to ELCA World Hunger.

See the sign-up/release form in the church narthex.

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  the plan, and set implementation (if formal voting is required it would happen at one of our semiannual congregational meetings).
- The council would have continuing oversight of the implementation of the plan and congregational updates will continue.

We are excited by the work ahead of us all and we ask that you pray for this process and participate in the discussions and the formulation of the plan. Please talk to Pastor Steve (or Pastor Wendi), the task force members, or to council members if you have any questions.



If you are interested in becoming a volunteer for the "Snack Pak 4 Kids" program you may do the following:

- 1 View their website at: <a href="https://www.sp4k.org/">https://www.sp4k.org/</a>
- 2 Contact Dyron Howell at 806-626-9012, or
- 3. Fill out the "Request a tour" request form on the above website

Beautiful Savior is collecting school supplies or money to purchase supplies for the children of Alice Landergin Elementary School.



The supplies will be given to the teachers at a luncheon on August 5 to give to children in need in their classrooms throughout the school year. Thanks!

Notice: Church nursery **volunteers are needed**. If you are interested please I contact the church office.

# Yearning to Foster Wellness

Continuing with our new Stewardship program "Holy Currencies," this month we will consider the Currency of Wellness. We need to begin with naming the truth of the unwellness in our lives and communities in order to move into wellness. Seeking wellness then becomes our ministry. First, wellness includes taking good care of ourselves (exercise, relationships, reading, resting, playing, praying, etc.). Second, it includes fostering wellness in our church community (eating together, prayer groups, Bible studies, etc.). Third, it includes fostering wellness in the people of our church's neighborhood (block parties, health fairs, community gardens, etc.). And forth, it includes fostering wellness for the earth (planting trees, clean ups, recycling, etc.). Below is the pledge card for the Currency of Wellness (for your own use and not turned in this year).

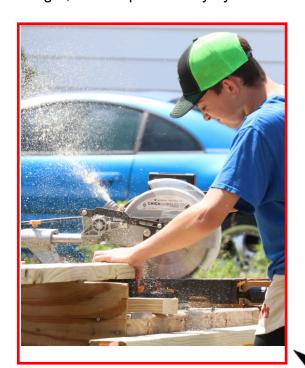
Pledge	Card for the Currency of Wellness					
I commit to take part in						
I commit to take part in and people in my church community.	(name activity) in order to increase the physical, social, and spiritual wellness of my family, friends,					
I commit to take part in my neighborhood.	(name activity) in order to increase the physical, social, and spiritual wellness of the people living in					
I commit to take part in country.	(name activity) in order to enhance the ecological wellness of my neighborhood, my city, and my					
My name:	My Accountable person:					
Signature	Signature					
Date:						

The **Texas Ramp Project** has an incredible vision that no Texan shall be denied safe access to his or her home because of financial limitations. This vision has attracted a dedicated and gifted group of individuals and volunteers working year-round by building ramps for these vulnerable people. Volunteers are currently building nearly 2,000 ramps annually.

#### Here's the But:

We are receiving 5,000 requests for ramps every year. That's more than double the number of ramps we are building on an annual basis. With this in mind, the board has agreed that a long-range plan will help us grow our organization with the goal of building 5,000 ramps annually by 2025.





Pictured here are some of Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church volunteers on a recent ramp building day.





# August 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
am gentle a	nd humble in	and learn from heart, and yeart, and yeart, and yearthians 4:	ou will find	1	2	VBS 1-5 pm 7:00 pm Spirituality Gathering
9:30 Worship 10;45 Fellowship	5	6	7 Food Pantry KEENAGERS 12 pm	8	9	10 8:30 am Ramp Project
9:30 Worship 10;45 Fellowship	7:00 pm Property	13	14 Food Pantry 7:00 pm Children's Christian Ministry	15	16	7:00 pm Spirituality Gathering
9:30 Worship 10;45 Fellowship	7:00 pm Council	20	21 Food Pantry	22	23	24 3:30 pm Picnic at the Bergs
9:30 Worship 10;45 Fellowship	26	7:00 pm Mutual Ministry	28 Food Pantry	29	30	31

# Mental Health and Faith Fall Panhandle Conference 2019 September 28th, 2019 Shepherd King Lutheran Church



9:30am - Registration / Arrival

10am - Opening Worship

11am - Break

11:15am - Session: NAMI

11:50am - Lunch

12:50pm - Panhandle Conference Business Meeting

1:30pm - Session: Suicide

2:00pm - Break

2:15pm - Session: Depression

2:45pm - Wrapping up

3:00pm - On our way rejoicing

### **NAMI Texas Mission Statement**

NAMI Texas is dedicated to improving the quality of life of all individuals living with mental illness and their families.

For more information, please contact Pr. Jeremy Ullrich ---- Shepherd King Lutheran Church Address: 2122 18th St, Lubbock, TX 79401

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