

**April 2012**

## Taking a good look at Jesus

By Pastor Dave



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It doesn't happen very often, but every once in a while I will do some shopping at West Acres Mall. While shopping, I will not only look for certain items to purchase, but I also will observe the various people walking around the mall. I think it is marvelous how uniquely God has designed each and every one of us. While observing others, it is not uncommon to notice people with a cast on, others who limp when they walk and still others who are in a wheelchair. There is a story behind each of these people. Their lives have been impacted by time, sickness or an accident.

As we approach the observation of Good Friday and the celebration of Easter, there are things that we can observe about Jesus. One obvious thing was that he was scarred. He was whipped and beaten. But the biggest physical scars happened when the soldiers nailed him to the cross and when the soldier thrust a spear into Jesus side.

After Christ's resurrection, one of the first things he did as he appeared to his disciples was to show them his hands, feet and side. (continued on page 2)

### Easter Breakfast

April 8 from 8:45-10:15 a.m.

The youth will serve breakfast at the church on Easter Sunday. A freewill offering will be taken.



**OUR MISSION**  
is to share  
God's message,  
to grow in our faith,  
to love and serve others.

**Maundy Thursday, April 5**  
Worship at 7 p.m.

**Good Friday, April 6**  
Worship at 7 p.m.

**Easter Sunday, April 8**  
Worship at 8:15, 9:30 and 10:45 a.m.

No Sunday school or adult Bible study on  
Easter Sunday.



### Save the Date

All students from preschool to fifth grade should make sure they come to Sunday School on Sunday, April 29, for a Very Big Surprise that Includes special activities. Don't miss out!



## Taking a good look at Jesus (continued from page 1)

This is worth noting. The last time the disciples saw Jesus, they thought those scars were ruining their lives. Pastor Timothy Keller puts it this way, "They thought that they were on a presidential campaign. They thought that their candidate was going to win and they were going to be in the presidential cabinet, and when they saw the nails going into the hands and the feet and the spear going into the side, they believed those wounds had destroyed their lives. And now Jesus is showing them that in his resurrected body his scars are still there."

Why is this important? Because now that they understand the scars, the sight and memory of them will increase the glory and joy of the rest of their lives. Seeing Jesus Christ with his scars reminds them of what he did for them. The scars they thought had ruined their lives actually saved their lives. Remembering those scars also helped the disciples as they faced their own persecutions and death.

Remembering Christ's scars can also help us. As we remember how Christ sacrificed himself and how death could not hold him down, we realize that through faith in him we can have peace, joy and hope: Peace because we have been forgiven, joy because God is for us and hope because we too will live now and forever.

If we take a good look at ourselves, we can see physical, emotional and spiritual scars. We may limp or feel handicapped because of various circumstances in our lives. It is a comfort to know that we have a Savior who experienced trials and temptations. His scars bear witness to this. It is even a greater joy to know that Jesus Christ has conquered sin, death and the power of the devil. Through faith in him we are also victorious. This is the good news that we have as we take a good look at what Jesus did for us on Good Friday and Easter.

Christ lives!

*Pastor Dave*

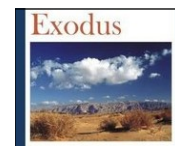
## Results of Voters' Meeting

Annual elections were held at the Voter's Meeting on March 18. Elected as elders were David Anderson, Craig Hashbarger and Adam Tykwinski. Elected as co-directors of education were Denise Doeling and Dawn Thompson. Elected as director of church properties was Scott Simonson. Elected as a board member for the RRLSA was Brad Palmer. Thank you to these members who have committed to supporting BSLC by volunteering their time and talents in these leadership positions.



## Sunday Morning Bible Study

"By the Mighty Hand of God"  
A Look at the book of Exodus  
9:30 a.m.



In April, we will continue to explore portions of Exodus. We will review the dramatic rescue, examine the wilderness provisions and look at God making a covenant with His people. As we examine these events, we will see how God has done similar things for us in the person of Jesus Christ.

## Jesus in His Stories

Tuesday Evening Study on Luke  
Beginning on April 3

While traveling from Galilee to Jerusalem, Jesus takes time to prepare his followers for life in the kingdom of God. The disciples' lives are going to be changed from the inside out. But at the same time they are going to be dealing with the same people, the same routines, the same temptations, the same children and the same parents. Everything will have changed and yet nothing will have changed. Jesus is preparing them and us to live a crucifixion and resurrection life. During this time that Jesus is heading to the cross, he tells stories. We will be looking at these stories from the Gospel of Luke and how they apply to our life. Join us as we look at the neighbor, the friend, the barn builder, manure, table talk, the rascal, the invisible man, the widow and the sinner.

## Discovery class

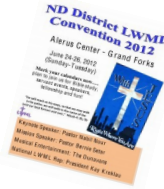
Mondays starting April 9



Our Discovery (new member) class will start at 7 p.m. April 9. This is for anyone who desires to join our church or just review the basic message of the Bible.

## ND District LWML Convention

It's time to register for the 2012 Convention that will be held from June 24-26 at the Alerus Center, Grand Forks. The theme is "With Jesus - Right Where You Are" based on Micah 4:2b, 5b. Ladies are asked to bring quilts, blankets or lap blankets for the procession and dedication. Paulette Huber will be our choir director and Pastor Dave Suelzle will lead the group in singing. Registration forms are available in the LWML Messenger or at [www.ndlwml.org](http://www.ndlwml.org).



## Gold Club Luncheon

Noon on Wednesday, April 18

Calling all over 55 and or retirees—bring a dish to share at our potluck at noon, April 18. We gather for about an hour to enjoy food and fellowship.

## Quilting Time

The ladies will be gathering at 9 a.m. on April 12 and 26 to quilt. Everyone is welcome to help with tying or cutting out squares.



## Share by Sewing



Beautiful Savior members, here's your chance to make pillowcase dresses at home and bring them to the church. There are instructions how to make the dresses in the narthex. You can also use one yard of fabric instead of pillowcases. Cash donations are also welcome if you are not a sewer. The dresses will be distributed in the coming months to Fort Totten, Fort Yates and to Kenya. The more dresses made, the more we can share with those in need. Questions? Call Loretta Swanson at 236-1891. Happy sewing!

## Save Coupons and Postage Stamps

Bring in coupons that you won't use—even expired ones. All can be used by members of our military. Also bring in used postage stamps—the money received for these goes to various missions. Place the coupons and postage stamps in the boxes by the LWML kiosk near the water fountain. Thank you!

## LWML News

The Women's Mission League (LWML) will meet at 7 p.m. Thurs, April 12, for a short planning meeting. Easter lilies, college/military gifts, Cradle Roll graduation and the June convention are some of the topics to be discussed. Other mission and human care project ideas are always welcomed for discussion. We need all women of the congregation to come and be involved. Please join us.

The Thursday morning women's Bible study will meet at 9 a.m. Thursday, April 5, and Thursday, April 19. The Thursday evening Women's Bible study will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 26, and Thursday, May 3. It's not too late to get started in the Bible study "God Is in the Laundry Room" as each lesson is independent of previous lessons. You are welcome to join either group--morning or evening.



## Help Minot - LWML Spring Zone Rally April 14

Pastor Paul Krueger from Our Savior Lutheran Church in Minot will speak at St. Andrew Lutheran Church in West Fargo at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 14, about Minot's recovery from last year's flood, Hope Village and how you can help. This is part of the LWML Spring Zone Rally which begins with Bible study at 9:30 a.m. and a luncheon at noon. Men, women and teens are welcome to attend any or all of the rally. We hope to fill Pastor Krueger's car (and trailer!) with a collection of items to be used in Minot's recovery: toilet paper, shower gel, travel size toothpaste, paper towel, shampoo, conditioner, kleenex, hand soap, laundry soap, small waste basket with trash liners, kitchen size waste basket with trash liners, and twin-size plastic mattress covers. Please bring any of these items into the box near the drinking fountains in the narthex at church.



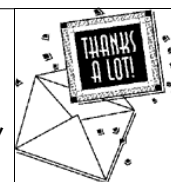
## Baptisms

March 25 - Myla Lynn Croaker, daughter of Jeral and Shawna Croaker, born Dec. 9, 2011. Her sponsors were Jessie Schultz and Ryan Schultz.



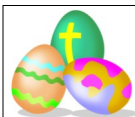
## Thank you.....

Thank you for all the prayers and concerns, cards and calls for Lynn when he suddenly took ill. He had pulmonary embolism and is now doing very well and on his way to a full recovery.  
Lynn and Arla Strege



## Palm Sunday Party—April 1

Preschoolers to fifth-graders are invited to celebrate the excitement of Jesus entering Jerusalem as Beautiful Savior will host its Palm Sunday Party from noon to 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 1. See the passion story come alive as we illustrate it with "resurrection eggs." Each family will receive a set of these eggs for use in the home. The day also will include a freewill offering lunch between noon and 12:30 p.m. with proceeds going toward mission trips, servant events and the 2013 National Youth Gathering. The party also will feature an Easter Egg Hunt, crafts, treats and prizes. Cost is \$5 per child for materials. Please fill out a form located in the Narthex and return to Pastor Chris.



Many thanks to Dave Scheer for the railing he put up to hold quilts made by the quilters. Also thanks to those who have donated material, batting and money to the quilting fund. If you like one of the quilts, please talk to Loretta Swanson, Karen Mart-Taverna or Donna Ceroll about a cash donation in exchange for the quilt.

Thanks to the people that have been taking care of repairs around the church—especially the bathrooms. Good volunteers like you are very much appreciated!

Thanks to the ladies who keep the kitchen clean and for decorating for all the holidays!

## New Automatic Door at Church

Thanks to everyone who donated funds for our new automatic door. The wiring for it will be finished sometime before Easter. It will be a wonderful asset to our church members and visitors.

## Graduation Plans Needed for our BSCL High School Seniors

Calling all high school seniors! BSCL would like to know your plans after graduation. You can e-mail the church or leave an update in the office no later than April 20. Our congregation will be honoring our seniors on a Sunday in May. We will include your information in our May newsletter.



## Memorials to Beautiful Savior

Dick Tewksbury

Roland and Jeanne Barchinger      Loretta Swiontek  
Donald and Sandra Andersen  
Gerald and Joan Fiechtner

Ursula Wonderlich (Mary Seiffert's mother)

Steve & Maxine Rust      David & Kim Scheer  
Matt & Beth Gustafson

## Rent a Youth

Need some extra hands around the house? Rent a youth! The youth at Beautiful Savior are available to help out with various tasks, including yard work, cleaning and moving assistance, among other jobs. Suggested rate is \$10 an hour per youth. All proceeds will go toward activities such as mission trips and the 2013 LCMS National Youth Gathering.



## BSLC Coffee Club

BSLC members continue to meet at 9 a.m. every Friday. It's a time for fellowship and getting to know other Beautiful Savior members. This is for both men and women of any age. If you are free any Friday, please join us at Village Inn on the corner of 32nd Avenue South and 25th Street, Fargo.





## Easter Flowers 2012

### Flowers placed by:

Dan and Carrie Berglind  
Muff and Linda Brandt

Gerry and Joan Fiechtner

Ruth Greenmyer  
Lloyd Jemtrud  
Rod and Deanna Kensrud  
Carolyn Markle and families  
Jeff, Amy, Zach and Elizabeth Nelson  
Leland Niemann  
Jerry Nordstrom family  
Mark and Kay Osman  
Brad and Pam Palmer  
Joe and Lori Pytlik and boys

Mike and Mardi Schlichtmann  
Mary and Greg Seiffert

Gary Stende Family  
Dave and Kim Scheer  
Shane and Tracy Triepke family  
Pastor Dave and Kim Wagner

### Flowers placed by:

Sonja Amundson

Erin and Todd Blotsky  
And family  
Dennis and Penny Kroshus  
Danny and Diane Lee  
Steve, Maxine, Elliot and Ryan Rust  
Mary and Greg Seiffert

Gordy and Loretta Swanson

### Flowers placed by:

Ed and Carol Herrmann

### In Loving Memory of:

Bud Berglind  
Muff's Dad Ken Brandt  
Linda's Nephew Kurt Krogen  
Our Parents Ole & Lillie; Fred & Selma  
Our Brothers Daylen and Bob  
Family  
Donna Jemtrud  
Parents and Brothers and Sisters  
James Markle  
Leo Kusi- loving father and grandfather  
JoAnne Niemann  
Grandpa Nordstrom  
Kay's Brother Bill  
Grandma Carla Kleppen  
Grandpa Loren Thalman  
Great Grandparents  
Grandpa Paulsrud  
Mary's Mother Ursula Wunderlich  
Mary's Brothers Timmy and Randy Wunderlich  
Sy Stende and Harold Hagen  
David Scheer Jr.  
Dan Phillips Sr. and Carol Triepke  
Randy and Audrey Christianson

### In Honor of:

Husband Rick Amundson  
Mother-in-law Janice Amundson  
Grandma Pearl Rud  
Grandpa Thomas Rud  
Our grandchildren-Ace and Arrington  
Mom Arline Knutson's 90th birthday  
Morris Yagow's Easter Birthday  
Mary's Dad Don Wunderlich  
Greg's Parents Garn and Jackie  
Our grandson PJ

### In Thanksgiving of:

Our Family

## Come Fly with Us at VBS

The "Sky" might be the limit, but how do we keep our faith grounded in God's love in Jesus Christ? This year's Vacation Bible School helps us to see how high and wide God's love is for us in. VBS will be held from 6-8:30 p.m. from Sunday, June 10, to Thursday, June 14. We will be serving supper before VBS for your convenience at a small fee. VBS will include Bible-learning experiences that kids see, hear and touch! Bible point crafts and experiments, team-building games and Bible songs are just a few of the activities for this year's adventure. All those from age 4 to sixth grade may attend. Please pre-register your children and encourage them to bring friends! In addition, we are always in need of volunteers. If you would like to help, please see Denise Doeling, Dawn Thompson or Pastor Chris.



## BSLC Cabaret Rescheduled

7 p.m. on Saturday, May 5

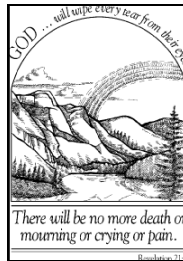
Our BSLC Cabaret has been rescheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday, May 5. Join us as we celebrate 10 years of our Beautiful Savior cabaret. The Beautiful Savior praise team will take a journey back in time to perform some of their favorite selections from cabarets past, as well as roll out some new selections. Plan to have a fun time at 7 p.m. Saturday, May 5.

## Dogs and cats in heaven? Our focus will be on The Lamb

By Pastor Chris



One of the frequent questions I am asked is if the family pet will make it to heaven. Luther's own daughter asked about animals in heaven, and the reformer adroitly told her that if God deemed it necessary for her happiness that animals must be there, that's what will happen. In a sense, Luther avoided answering the question while still pointing to the reality of her future in the presence of God, where there will be no more death, mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things have passed away, (Rev. 21:4).



The Bible clearly portrays Christ's mission of suffering, dying and rising to life again as a mission for people, not animals. But there is also no doubt that God created the world good, and animals are part of that world. In addition, the picture of the new heavens and new earth painted in Scripture includes animals that live in harmony with each other and with humans. Theologians, however, have debated just how much the new heavens and new earth will feature particular animals, such as family pets. (Another quote attributed to Luther: "Be thou comforted, little dog, Thou too in the Resurrection shall have a little *golden tail*.")

Much like Luther, I may try to steer the question in another direction. Although we can look forward to blessings in heaven such as being reunited with love

ones, when we reach the very presence of God, all idolatries will fade; His glory, goodness, love and splendor will be completely apparent. As we see God as our greatest blessing by sight and not by faith, God will be enough for us – because that's when we realize without remainder – that God's love, compassion and providence far outweigh anything we receive from any created person or thing. Fido, Fluffy and everything else in all creation cannot fulfill our need like the almighty living God.

As we look at Revelation, we see the bliss of heaven comes from being in God's presence and from his removing the effects of sin and death. John's apocalypse also makes it clear that the source of heavenly joy comes from God and nowhere else: "They are before the throne of God and serve Him day and night in His temple; and he who sits on the throne will spread His tent over them. Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat upon them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; he will lead them to springs of living water. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes," (Rev. 7:15-17).

Dogs and cats in heaven? Not to sound trite, but it doesn't really matter; our focus will be on The Lamb, Jesus Christ. He – along with Father and Holy Spirit - will be our peace and happiness for all eternity.

*Pastor Chris*

## Grace Lutheran School News

Grace Lutheran School offers so much for your children. If you have any questions on the following events, please visit our website: [gracelutheranschool.org](http://gracelutheranschool.org) or call 232-7747.



There will be a **Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Open House** for 4-and 5-year olds and their parents from 4:30-6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 17.

"Reflecting God's Glory" was the theme for the GLS Auction held in February. We are pleased to report \$52,200 (after expenses) was

raised. Thank you to all those who participated in this event. The money raised will go to fund technology at the school as well as other expenses.

All students in grades 6 to 8 are invited to Grace Lutheran School for a middle school dance from 7-9 p.m. on Friday, April 20. Mr. J, our music teacher, will provide tons of fun with appropriate music and lights. Friends are welcome! The cost is \$2 per person.

You can still enroll your child (ages 4-12) in Camp Grace. Led by teachers from the school (Miss

Boelter and Mrs. Antonson), students will be kept active on field trips, outside play, reading, crafts, swimming and much more. Hours are 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Breakfast is being added this year, in addition to our hot-lunch option. Full and half time spots are available, but are limited to 40 total. Bring your friends – this program is open to the public.

Finally, enrollment for the 2012-2013 school year continues.

Scholarships for K-8 are available through Grace Lutheran School. Get your enrollment packet now.



## Youth Praise Band

April 1, 15 and 19

The Youth Praise Band will practice at 6:30 p.m. on the first, third and fifth Sunday of the month. If you have any questions, please call Ramsey at 866-5403.

## Plan Now to Attend Summer Camps

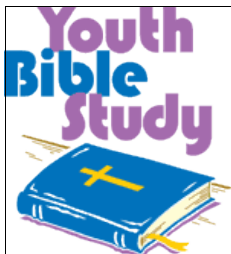
Check out the following exciting summer camp opportunities available at Lutheran Island Camp and Shepherd's Hill at the Crossroads. There are brochures at the church or you can go on their websites. These camps offer children, youth and families a wonderful opportunity to grow in faith and have a lot of fun! A limited number of camp scholarships are available through the church. If you have questions, please talk to Pastor Chris.



Visit Island Camp at:  
[www.islandcamp.org](http://www.islandcamp.org)



Visit Shepherd's Hill:  
[www.shretreat.org](http://www.shretreat.org)



## April Youth Events

### Upcoming Bible Study Opportunities

- Wednesday, April 4 – from 7:45 to 9 p.m. Youth Group for grades 7-12
- Wednesday, April 11 – from 7:45 to 9 p.m. Destination Unknown for grades 7-12
- Wednesday, April 18 – from 7:45 to 9 p.m. Youth Group for grades 7-12
- Wednesday, April 25 – from 7:45 to 9 p.m. Destination Unknown for grades 7-12

### Upcoming Fellowship Events

**Sunday, April 15 – Progressive Supper.** The senior high youth are invited for a three-course meal with several stops from 4-6 p.m. Sunday, April 15. We will have an appetizer course, soup or salad course, main dish and dessert. Join us for this annual fun event!



**Saturday, April 28 – Prom alternative activity night.** All seventh- through twelfth-graders are invited for a night of surprises at our prom alternative activity night at the church from 6 to midnight. The night will include games, Bible study dart tag, a special concert by Captive Free and much, much more. Cost is \$10.

### Upcoming Servant/Fund-Raising Events

**Ongoing snack service at Homeless Shelter --** Jesus calls us to have mercy on those suffering around us, and Beautiful Savior is sponsoring a unique opportunity for acts of mercy in our community. All families can help battle homelessness and its effects in the F-M area. On Sunday, many community resources are closed, and hunger becomes an issue. We need volunteers to prepare snacks and meals for residents at the Gladys Ray Shelter, 1519 First Ave. N in Fargo. Every week, we would like to provide – at minimum – one snack for the 36 residents of the shelter. If you would like to provide more in terms of a full meal, that also is encouraged. All food should be dropped off at 5:30 p.m. at the shelter or can be dropped off Sunday morning at the church. Sign up on the bulletin board located by the nursery or see Pastor Chris for more information.



**Sunday, April 8: Easter Breakfast.** Join us for our annual Easter breakfast from 8:45-10:15 a.m. Sunday, April 8, in the Fellowship Hall. Avoid the crowds and long lines at local restaurants and eateries while supporting our youth. Breakfast will include pancakes, sausage, fresh fruit and other assorted items. There is no cost, but a freewill offering will be taken to help raise money for servant events, mission trips and the 2013 National Youth Gathering. Thank you for your continued support!

**Friday, May 18 to Saturday, May 19: Spring clean-up weekend at Shepherd's Hill.** Save the date for this weekend near the Turtle Mountains. All youth and their families are invited for a free weekend at our district camp to help with spring cleaning projects, such as picking up trash, removing dead branches and trees, and other tasks. We will be leaving at 4 p.m. on Friday and returning late Saturday evening.



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## Office Hours

9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Monday - Thursday  
9 a.m. - noon Friday

Additionally, Pastor Dave and Pastor Chris  
are available by appointment.

## Sunday Schedule

8:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship  
9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship  
10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship  
Sunday School and Bible Study  
is held from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

**Holy Communion** is celebrated on the first and  
third Sundays of each month.

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