

## March 2013

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Sunday, March 10

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



# Joy!



## On the Cancer Journey

*"I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever." Ps 89*



**Sunday, March 17**  
**7 p.m.**

Refreshments to follow.

A freewill offering  
will be taken  
supporting  
Breast Cancer  
Embrace Program

Kim Wagner, along with Mary Seiffert, will offer a message of joy, grace and blessing through word and song on this evening. Kim will share her journey as she was diagnosed and treated for stage three breast cancer. Mary will join Kim in music that will touch your heart and encourage you to celebrate the life the Lord has given you. Be sure to bring a friend with you as you come to this special evening.

## Chili Feed and Silent Auction

**Sunday, March 3**  
**5-7 p.m.**

Everyone is invited to our chili feed. Pay just \$4 for an endless chili bowl and sample some of our church family's finest recipes. Desserts will also be available for a small fee. The silent auction ends at 6:30 p.m.



**HOLY WEEK**

## Palm Sunday Party, March 24

1-3 p.m. (See page 7)

## "Christ in the Passover"

Wed., March 27 at 7 p.m.

## Maundy Thursday, March 28

7 p.m. Worship

## Good Friday, March 29

7 p.m. Worship

## Easter Sunday, March 31

8:15, 9:30 & 10:45 a.m. Worship

Easter Breakfast from 8:45 -10:30 a.m.

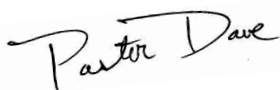
## Sacred Time

By Pastor Dave

We are coming up to the annual time when we celebrate in a special way the temptation, passion, death and resurrection of Jesus at Jerusalem. What Jesus has done impacts and influences us all the time. We speak about it all the time. However, this is a unique time that the Church throughout the ages has set aside to help us grow closer to our God and Savior. As we hear, meditate and sing about the life of Jesus, we are able to be renewed. I pray that you will not pass up this opportunity to once again be encouraged in your faith.

Speaking about time, you will notice we are offering several special events at our church. From the Chili feed to the Palm Sunday party we have things for the youth and which support the youth. From the special presentation by Kim and Mary on Sunday, March 17, to the presentation of Christ in the Passover on March 27, we offer opportunities for you to grow in your faith. While it might not seem that you never have enough time for all that you want to do, I encourage you to set aside some special time for God. I am so grateful that our Savior found the time to come and live among us. He made time to journey to the cross so that we might be forgiven. He didn't finish with His time here on earth until he rose from the dead to show us that we have new life now and forever.

The God who created time has time for us. That makes every moment special.



## Midweek Worship

Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

Soup Suppers: 6-6:45 p.m.



We continue our midweek worship services on the "Good and Perfect Gifts" spoken about in Isaiah 55-66. These gifts are for us as we journey from the cross to the empty tomb during Lent. In the upcoming weeks, we will look at:

- ◆ Enduring Light (Isaiah 60:1)
- ◆ Perfect Beauty (Isaiah 60:9)
- ◆ Powerful Peace (Isaiah 60:17)

## Christ in the Passover" 7 p.m. on March 27

In the Old Testament, there were several festivals that the Israelites were commanded to observe. The Passover was one of them. We are delighted to have Samuel Rood from Jews for Jesus coming to our congregation on at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 27. He will give a presentation of "Christ in the Passover" to show us the link between the ancient Festival of Redemption and Christ as the Lamb of God. Everyone is invited to come!



## Immanuel in Our Place 7 p.m. Tuesdays

Our Tuesday evening Bible study is at 7 p.m. We are finishing up our study as we look at sacred people and sacred time in the Old Testament and see how it points to Christ and relates to us. After this study is over, we will begin a new one. These studies are structured so that you can join at any time.



## Sunday Morning Bible Study

From 9:40- 10:30 a.m.

"Practice Resurrection"  
and "Words of Christ  
from the Cross"

Join us as we look at Paul's letter to the Ephesians and learn what it means to live a new life. Our next study will look at the words of Christ from the cross.

## Women's Bible Study: Your Strong Suit

Our women's Bible study, "Your Strong Suit," continues to meet at 5 p.m. on Mondays and 8:30 a.m. on Thursdays. February storms have pushed our ending dates back, but we should finish up in early March. Don't forget to register for our new Bible study series called "Bless These Lips." The registration form is in the narthex. Pick the day and time that works best for your schedule. More information is on page three.



## LWML Meeting in March

The next LWML meeting will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 21. The LWML are looking for addresses for family members and friends who are serving in the military. Please get all names and addresses to the church office by March 20. Thank you.

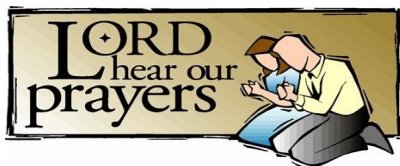


## LWML Prayer Service at BSCL

### 9 a.m. Saturday, March 16

The LWML Prayer Service for the six area LCMS churches will be held at 9 a.m.

Saturday, March 16, at Beautiful Savior. Everyone is invited: men, women children for this time of prayer, Scripture and the song entitled "Joyful, Joyful." There will be a time for fellowship and food following the service.



## Youth serving Easter breakfast between services March 31

In addition to celebrating the risen Christ's Easter victory by receiving His gifts in Word and Sacrament, embrace your Lutheran roots by joining in a fellowship meal. The youth will be serving breakfast on Easter Sunday from in the Fellowship Hall with a menu of rolls, assorted muffins, scrambled eggs with sausage and fruit. A free-will offering will be taken with all proceeds supporting youth planning to attend the National Youth Gathering and other assorted youth events.



## Coupons for the Military

We have been sending clipped store coupons to military families in Germany for their use. Thanks to all of you for your help with this service project. Please continue to clip coupons; now we ask that you sort them by the month that they will expire. Please bring them to the drawer by the LWML kiosk and put them in the correct file by month. Thank you!



## Easter Flowers

Easter is early this year - March 29! Please think about purchasing an Easter lily for \$10 or a mum, begonia, cyclamen or kalanchoe for \$15 to have placed on the altar in honor or memory of a loved one at Easter. Please order these at the table in the hallway by March 22.



## Voters' Meeting

11:45 a.m. Sunday, March 10



Beautiful Savior will hold its spring congregational meeting after the last worship service on March 10. In addition to the regular reports, there will be the election of new officers. If you have any items that you would like to be put on the agenda, contact Brad Cogdill, the chairman of our congregation, at 237-3821.

## Quilting on March 7 and 21

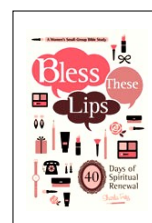
There will be quilting from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please bring a sewing machine or extra material if you can. All ages are welcome.

## New Women's Bible Study

### "Bless These Lips"

A mouth mishap. The words just slipped out, and there is no taking them back. Words are powerful. They can build up, tear down, affirm, teach, criticize or condemn. "Bless These Lips" examines things we say that get in the way of our relationships with God and with others. Each chapter draws on lip product analogies and uses humor, anecdotes and observations to introduce Scripture passages that address common behaviors and attitudes. Each day's reading includes Bible study questions and suggestions for personal reflection.

This eight-week study centers on Scripture, for it is God's word and His Holy Spirit that provides everything needed to develop lovely, God-pleasing lips.





## Baptisms



Feb. 3-Andrew Jeremy Kaste, son of Jeremy Olthoff and Nicole Kaste, born Oct. 5, 2012. His sponsors were Joshua Olthoff and Kari Sullivan.

Feb. 10-Owen Richard Honebrink, son of Justin and Andrea Honebrink, born Jan. 30, 2013. His sponsors were Joshua and Kendra Gilmore and Nicole Helmricks.

## Weddings

Feb. 23-Michael Peter Wold and Marysa Alayne Sommerfeld.



## BSLC Coffee Club

BSLC members meet at 9 a.m. every Friday at Village Inn on the corner of 32nd Avenue South and 25th Street, Fargo. This time of fellowship is to get to know other Beautiful Savior members and is for both men and women of any age.

## Save Your Used Stamps

Please continue to save your used stamps and place in drawer marked STAMPS by the LWML kiosk. If you have questions, please call Jeanne at 232-6835. This is an easy mission project everyone can do.

## Rent a Youth



Need some extra hands around the house or yard? Rent a youth! The youth at Beautiful Savior are available to help out with various tasks, including snow removal, 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. To rent a youth, please call Pastor Chris at 293-1047 or 893-6995.

## Thank you

To the congregation at Beautiful Savior,

Thank you for the delicious edible arrangement and the gorgeous flowers for Suzie. It meant so much, along with all the get-well cards she received these past two years. Suzie received a card almost daily after her surgery and during her treatment. Every one brought a smile to her face. It was a great support to the entire family and Pastor Chris knowing she was in your thoughts and prayers. She was so pleased to make the trip to Fargo on several occasions to meet many of you. We are so glad you could spare Chris, Jamie and Jacob for visits these past few years, as well as for the funeral. Suzie always looked forward to their visits, and though she missed them when they were not here, she found comfort knowing you were taking good care of them in Fargo.



Yours in Christian fellowship,  
The Suzie Waldvogel family

## Gold Club Lunch and Lent Devotional Noon on Wednesday, March 20

For our Gold Club potluck this month, there will be a short Lenten devotional following our meal. This is open to all BSLC members, especially those who may not like going out in the evenings but would still like to attend a Lenten worship. Lunch will be at noon Wednesday, March 20. Bring a dish to share with others.



## New Member Corner

BSLC welcomes Deb Schimek to our church. Deb moved here from Illinois 1½ years ago. She has a married daughter and four grandchildren that live here in Fargo. She likes the smaller size of our congregation. Her favorite Bible verse is Romans 8:28 because no matter what we go through, all things work together for our good. Focus on Christ. We're glad to have you here, Deb!



# Jesus does a body good as we live in the promise of the resurrection

By Pastor Chris

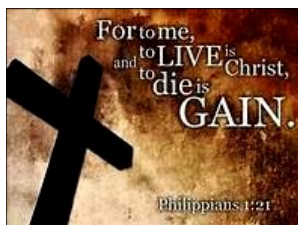


At 11:08 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 19, mom began living by sight, not by faith. It was time to depart from the body and be with the Lord.

Her body didn't see fit to cooperate anymore, anyway. The little things that you and I take for granted – eating, sleeping, going to the bathroom, taking a few short steps – had become a significant chore for her. Even as we lamented the timing, it was time.

Death is always full of contradictions and paradox. In mom's case, we all knew it was coming, yet it came as a surprise. We rejoiced when that day came yet dreaded its arrival; we saw in its sway both God's righteous judgment and His loving deliverance. She herself desired to be with the Lord yet fought for more days with family.

Paul knew this all too well. He wrote to the Church in Philippi: "For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. If I am to go on living in the body, this will mean fruitful labor for me. Yet what shall I choose? I do not know! I am torn between the two. I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far; but it is more necessary for you that I remain in the body," (Philippians 1:21-24).



Mom remained in the body for us a little while after being diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in spring of 2011, a fact that her family – especially her 7-year-old grandson – thinks was necessary. We were not ready to lose her. But it was clear as the disease progressed that we also were not prepared for her to live in a sinful, fallen broken world indefinitely, either.

Because of that, my prayers for her might seem

confusing: I prayed for mom to remain in the body yet for her to be with the Lord, which is better by far, even if it meant she would be far away from me. In the wake of her death, a quote from the Shawshank Redemption came to mind: "I have to remind myself that some birds aren't meant to be caged. Their feathers are just too bright. And when they fly away, the part of you that knows it was a sin to lock them up does rejoice. Still, the place you live in is that much more drab and empty now that they're gone. I guess I just miss my friend."

In Christ and through Him and by Him and for Him, forgiven in Him, our lives are not meant to be away from the Lord. But even though it's always better to be with the Lord by far, there is still anguish in saying farewell. But the paradox will not last. Yes, there is a time when the Lord will call me to His side. It will be a time of great joy for me, but the same paradox extends to those I leave behind.

The paradox ends as our Lord comes again in glory to cast off death, pain and sin as all the faithful receive new, glorified bodies, much like Jesus' own. On that day, the choice between remaining in the body and being with the Lord are one in the same. In other words, when Jesus returns, not only will we see our loved ones again, but also we will see them in the body again – this time, with a perfect body. That's the promise for all the saints by the power of the cross and the power of the empty tomb.

So, my prayer really is this: come, Lord Jesus. And as my mom's life testifies, in all things, O Christ, you know when it is time. Amen.

*Pastor Chris*

## Thoughts on Stewardship

In March, we will celebrate a "new spring into our steps." On March 20, we will welcome the season of Spring. It is a reminder to us that the days are getting longer, the temperatures are getting warmer and the expectation is for the earth to once again be fruitful.

March 31-Easter Sunday-will put an even greater "spring into our steps." As we join with other Christians in celebrating the resurrection of our Lord, we know that the best is yet to come. Because Jesus lives, we too shall live. Like the rest of nature in the springtime we will also produce Christian fruits. That is what

Christian stewardship is all about—responding to God's love in Christ and bringing forth the fruits of faith.

When we freely and generously give of our time, money and talents we show that our life is about more than having—it is about giving! May the joy and victory of Easter be reflected in your stewardship!

## Grace Lutheran School News

### Faith ~ Love ~ Hope GLS 2013 Auction Fundraiser

5 p.m. Saturday, March 23  
Ramada Plaza-Crystal Ballroom

Tickets are \$45 a person. If you would like to buy tickets, you can talk to Jane Thielman after church on Sundays or call her at 218-330-2989. Tickets can also be purchased at the office at Grace School. Please come to this wonderful fundraiser for Grace School.

### Camp Grace



Are you looking for an active program for your children to spend their summer days? GLS provides licensed, summer care for children ages 4-12 and is open to the public. Spots are starting to fill up. Current GLS teachers run this program. Students will participate in lots of activities. Breakfast and lunch are provided. Half-day and full-day spots are available! Call 232-7747 for more information or to sign up.

### Time to Enroll



Enrollment has begun for the next school year at Grace Lutheran School. We at Grace Lutheran School are proud of our commitment to Christ-centered education for pre-kindergarten through eighth grade. We have small class sizes, an outstanding teaching staff, current technology, extracurricular activities, and most importantly, a faith-based curriculum. You are able to save some money through our early enrollment policy. We would be happy to answer your questions and to give you a campus tour. Call 232-7747 or go online at: [www.gracelutheranschool.org](http://www.gracelutheranschool.org) to find out more. Scholarships are available through Grace Lutheran School as well as through Beautiful Savior.

### Tuition Assistance for Children attending Grace Lutheran School

Beautiful Savior has set aside a certain amount of money to help parents send their children to Grace Lutheran School. Assistant forms are available from the church office. Those requesting assistance are asked to sign a covenant agreement. If you have any questions, please visit with one of our pastors. The deadline for submitting the application for assistance is at the end of March.



### Plan Now to Attend Summer Bible Camps

Check out the following exciting summer camp opportunities available at Lutheran Island Camp and Shepherd's Hill at the Crossroads. Current brochures for the upcoming season are available at the church or you can check out their websites.



Check LIC at: [www.islandcamp.org](http://www.islandcamp.org)



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

Many different camping experiences are available for children of all ages, youth and families too. Plan ahead and attend camp this summer! Most camps offer an early registration discount.

### Attention Fisherman!

Is a fly-in Canadian fishing trip on your "bucket list"? Are you apprehensive to go because of the costs or logistical questions involved? Why not join a group of guys for a fantastic week of great Christian fellowship, enjoy God's Canadian wilderness and catch lots of fish every day! The dates and the all-inclusive cost are set and the reservations are made. We leave Fargo Sunday, July 7, and return the following Saturday. If interested, contact Gordy Swanson at [Gordon@702com.net](mailto:Gordon@702com.net). Passports are required!

## Palm Sunday Party

1-3 p.m. Sunday, March 24

All children from preschool to fifth grade are invited to a Palm Sunday party from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, March 24. See the Palm Sunday story come alive as the crowds welcome the Messiah Jesus. The party will also include crafts, an Easter egg hunt, prizes and treats. Cost is \$3 for materials. Please fill out a form located in the narthex.



## Youth Praise Band

The Youth Praise Band will play for worship on March 3. Thank you for playing for BSLC! Practice will be at 6:30 p.m. Sundays, March 10 and 24. If you have any questions or would like to join the band, please call Ramsey at 866-5403.

## March Youth Events

### Upcoming Bible Study Opportunities

**Wednesday, March 6** – from 7:45 to 9 p.m.-Worldliness Bible Study

**Wednesday, March 13** – from 7:45 to 9 p.m.-Worldliness Bible Study

**Wednesday, March 20** – from 7:45 to 9 p.m.-Worldliness Bible Study

**Wednesday, March 27** – from 6:15 to 8:15 p.m.-Special speaker on “Christ in the Passover”



### Upcoming Fellowship Events

**Friday, March 1 – YMCA Night for Junior High.** All junior high students are invited for a night of fun at the downtown YMCA from 7:15 p.m. to 1 a.m. The evening will include a Bible study, games, a pizza supper and, of course, fun at the YMCA. The evening will begin at Grace Lutheran Church, 821 Fifth Ave. S. Please bring appropriate clothes and shoes and swim gear if you plan to use the pool. The cost is \$8 per person. Fill out a form and return to Pastor Chris.



**Sunday, March 3 – Chili Feed and Auction:** All members of Beautiful Savior are invited to Beautiful Savior's first chili feed and silent auction from 5-7 p.m. Just \$4 buys an endless chili bowl to sample different recipes. Treats also will be served for a small fee.

**Friday, March 8, and Saturday, March 9: Youth Fellowship Spring Retreat.** All students in grades eight through 12 can get refreshed in their faith during the ND District Youth Fellowship Spring Retreat in Carrington. Sessions focus on faith questions answered by author Brad Alles. We will leave around 3 p.m. on Friday and return around 8:30 p.m. on Saturday. Activities include teen-led growth sessions, devotions, concerts, a junk food buffet and some meals. Cost is \$75. Please also bring enough money for dinner on Friday and Saturday. Please fill out a form and turn into Pastor Chris.



**Sunday, March 31 – Easter Breakfast.** Join the youth in helping to serve rolls, assorted muffins, scrambled eggs with sausage and fruit to our congregation between 8:45 and 10:30 a.m. All proceeds go toward our Youth Group.

### Ongoing Servant Events

**Ongoing – Meals/Snacks at Gladys Ray Shelter:** All junior and senior high youth and their families can help battle homelessness and its effects in the F-M area. We need volunteers to prepare snacks and meals for residents at the Gladys Ray Shelter, 1519 First Ave. N in Fargo. On the third Sunday of the month, a few families should coordinate to make a meal for the residents. Every other week, we would like two families to make two dozen bars for the residents. All food should be dropped off by 5:30 p.m. Sign up on the bulletin board or see Pastor Chris for more information.



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9 a.m. - noon Friday

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

## Worship Schedule on Sunday

8:15 and 9:30 a.m. Praise Worship  
10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship

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