

**June 2013**

## Time for Waiting is Still Here

By Pastor Dave



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As I look back over the last few months, I can describe it as a time of waiting. In March, we were waiting for the winter weather to be over. In April, we were still waiting for spring. In addition to waiting for the snow to stop, we wondered if it would ever warm up. Students playing outdoor sports such as baseball, softball, golf and tennis were forced to stay indoors. Then, once the warmer weather arrived, we waited for the rain to come. In fact, much of last year we joined many people in the Midwest hoping for rain to come. Towards the end of May, we finally received rain and warm weather. Both of those things were greatly appreciated.

Looking back over the weather, I wondered, "Is there something that we can learn from this?" My thoughts brought me to the book of James. Listen to what James has to say to us when things are not happening according to our desires. He writes,

"Be patient, then, brothers and sisters, unto the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop and how patient he is for the autumn and spring rains. You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord's coming is near." (James 5:7-8)

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## Kingdom Rock Rocks VBS

6-8:30 p.m. June 9-13



Are you ready for this year's Vacation Bible School? VBS will be held from 6-8:30 p.m. from Sunday, June 9, to Thursday, June 13. Dinner also will be offered from 5:15-5:45 p.m. every night for a cost of \$3 per person. VBS is filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences that kids see, hear, and touch! Bible Point crafts, team-building games and cool Bible songs are just a few of the Kingdom Rock activities that help faith flow into everyday life. All kids from age 4 to sixth grade may attend. Please pre-register your child for this summer adventure!

**Crew Leader Meeting:** All those who have volunteered to be crew leaders for VBS should attend one of two upcoming training sessions from 7-8:15 p.m. on Tuesday, June 4, or Thursday, June 6. Both meetings will be held in Room 101 at church.

## Summer Worship Schedule



Our summer worship schedule begins Sunday, May 26. There will be two worship services at 8:30 and 10 a.m.

Our midweek worship service will start at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 5, and will continue on Wednesdays instead of Thursdays this summer. There will be no Worship June 12 due to Vacation Bible School taking place. Worship will resume on Wednesday, June 19.



Coffee and snacks will be served in the fellowship hall between worship services all summer.

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

## Time for Waiting

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One thing you realize about the weather is this: You are not in control. The recent tornadoes in Oklahoma and other places remind us of that. But when we get down to it, there is much in life that we have no control over. When we experience anger or frustration over what is happening in life, James points us to farmers to remind us that we need to be patient. Farmers realize that part of their job is to wait until the Lord supplies them with what they need. The rains will come. Then, the harvest will follow. The amount of rain and harvest may not be exactly what the farmer desires. Nevertheless, the farmers wait and receive the fruit of the earth with thanksgiving.



The longer I live, the more I experience waiting. While we often want to be in complete control over what is going on, the reality is that we are not in control. Nevertheless, even when trials come our way and things don't go as we would like them, we can be patient because the Lord is in control and because the Lord is a compassionate God.

Being patient doesn't mean that we stand idly by. During our times of waiting we can pray, be a support to others who are waiting, and be an example of a Christ-like love to others. This witness reflects that we who believe that God came in the person of His Son to be our Savior is also the God who is in control of what will ultimately happen in our lives. Therefore, we need not worry. Rather, we live confidently while we wait.

Have a blessed summer!

*Pastor Dave*

## Disaster Relief

### In Minot and Elsewhere

The city of Minot is still trying to recover from the flood. There are still opportunities for you to help people renovate their homes. Hope Village of Minot remains open. To learn more, go to their website: [hopevillagend.org](http://hopevillagend.org).

Disasters have happened in Texas and in Oklahoma this year. Our church body is working in conjunction with other agencies to help those whose lives have been impacted by these storms. Financial donations can be given online at <https://www.lcms.org/givenow/disaster> or mail a check made out to "The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod" with a memo or note designating LCMS Disaster Relief to: The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, PO Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861. To read and learn more about the LCMS Disaster Response ministry, visit [www.lcms.org/disaster](http://www.lcms.org/disaster).



### Discovery Class (New Member Class)

**Mondays at 7 p.m.**

Our discovery class reviews the basic teachings of the Bible. This study provides a great opportunity to grow in understanding who God is, what He does for us and how we are to live in the light of God's grace.

This class will not meet on Memorial Day, May 27. We plan to meet on June 3, 10 and 17.

### Perseverance in Hope Look at Jeremiah

**Tuesdays at 7 p.m.**

We are exploring portions of the book of Jeremiah. This study is organized so that you can join in at any time.

When the Book of Jeremiah was first written, it was cut to pieces and burned! It was rewritten and is now a book giving rich reward for the faith and life of every thoughtful reader.

Jeremiah speaks the Word of the Lord to us today. God pronounces judgment against the evil reflected in the social, political, religious and economic arenas of life. Yet God also proclaims a rich message of hope. Come and learn more.

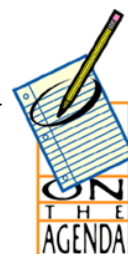
### Voters Meeting

**11 a.m. Sunday, June 9**

Beautiful Savior will hold its next congregational meeting right after the second service on June 9.

Reports will be given by the various boards and pastors of our congregation. There will also be some discussion on our fall worship schedule.

If you have any thing that you would like to be brought up at this meeting, you are encouraged to visit with Brad Cogdill, the chairman of our congregation. You can reach him at 237-3821.



## LWML Wrap-up

The Lutheran Women in Missions met once a month from September 2012 to April 2013 for devotion, gathering mites and planning human care and mission projects. Thank you to everyone who helped with these projects and donated mites for missions and other items. Here is a list of our activities and donations:



- ♦ \$1,105 to mites for mission projects
- ♦ Fundraiser-coffee and muffins, bake sale and silent auction held in December
- ♦ \$750 to Ross Eggers' Campus Ministry at Harvard U
- ♦ \$750 to Lutherans Disaster Response for Hurricane Sandy Relief
- ♦ Pastor appreciation-gifts and cards
- ♦ Sponsor and/or pray for confirmation students
- ♦ Food drive and gift cards for our members in need at Thanksgiving
- ♦ Food pantry for people who stop by church for food
- ♦ Gift cards for Christmas gifts for members in need
- ♦ Sewing pillowcase dresses and T-shirt dresses for girls in Africa (Project 24 orphanages) and Fort Totten
- ♦ Health kits for Project 24 orphanages
- ♦ Poinsettias and Easter lilies for church
- ♦ Christian greeting cards for sale
- ♦ 24 pair of eyeglasses for distribution in Africa
- ♦ Stamps for missions
- ♦ Coupons for military families in Germany
- ♦ Kitchen Circle and Friendship Circle
- ♦ Cradle roll
- ♦ Quilting for missions
- ♦ Gift cards for college students
- ♦ Administrative assistant gift and card
- ♦ Greeting cards to members in the military
- ♦ Hosted area LWML Prayer Service
- ♦ Hosted Zone LWML Planning Meeting
- ♦ \$100 to FirstChoice Clinic-sponsored Tim and Tina Deitemeyer in golf marathon

Please keep putting the postage stamps and cut-out coupons in the drawers by the kiosk.

There will be a "Loose Change Sunday" on June 30 so please bring your mite boxes to church so those coins can be sent on to ND and national projects. The ND Mite Goal is \$67,000. National LWML just paid more than \$1,825,000 to mission grants and will be choosing new mission projects to support at the convention in Pittsburgh in June.



## New Women's Bible Study



A new women's Bible study will begin in July. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex. Please sign up by June 23 if possible so that we order enough books. The cost of the books are \$9 each. There will be two sessions meeting weekly: 5:30 p.m. on Mondays and 8:30 a.m. on Thursdays. Pick the day that works better for you. The starting date will be in the July newsletter and in the weekly announcements.

### Golden Fruit: Living the Fruit of the Spirit Through the Best Times of Your Life

We are called to be daughters and wives, sisters and friends, mothers and grandmas. We are called to be volunteers, employees, citizens, and leaders. And as we fill these various roles, we are to be intuitive, creative, persistent, supportive, and productive.

Is it any wonder that we may also be tired and crabby?

This nine-session Bible study by Julie Maschoff helps the Christian woman put all of these roles, characteristics and emotions into perspective. Each session focuses on one fruit of the Spirit and considers how the lives and stories of nine biblical women convey that characteristic. As you study women like Esther (self-control) and Dorcas (goodness), Ruth (love) and Elizabeth (joy), you'll see how God is at work in your life too and how His promise of salvation and peace through Jesus are fully yours all the time.

This Bible study includes questions that dig deep into Scripture and make personal applications of Jesus' Gospel to your life.

## Baptisms

May 5-Hazel Deb Horsager, daughter of Clay and Lori Horsager, born Jan. 13, 2013. Her sponsors were Rodney and Jolene Balvitsch.



May 18-Parker Laurence Hoesel, son of Jeremy and Nicole Hoesel, born April 6, 2013. His sponsors were Ryan Petersen, Shelby Finch and Chad Finch.

May 19-Jordyn Anne Knudson, daughter of Jayson and Stacy Knudson, born Feb. 26, 2013. Her sponsors were Jesse Rasmusson and Toni Rasmusson.

May 19-Asa Keith Burck Jr., son of Asa and Jennifer Burck, born March 8, 2013. His sponsors were Allison Lybeck, Tom Lybeck, Brad Buth and Wendy Buth.

## Weddings

May 11-Clarence Louis Zimmel and Kimberly Elisabeth Marie Hall.



## BSLC Coffee Club

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

## 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 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. To rent a youth, please call Pastor Chris at 293-1047 or 893-6995.



## Thank you to...

A big thank you to all our Sunday School teachers and helpers who gave their time and talents to work with our children. You are valued so much. May God bless your summer. We look forward to you volunteering again next fall.

Thank you to all the volunteers and to the youth who are cleaning our church each week to get it ready for Sunday worship. You are very much appreciated!

Thank you to our organists, praise band, youth praise band, choir and anyone who is involved with the music at BSLC. What a joy it is to have such talented people to lead us in praise to our God.



## Quilting in June

A quilting day is planned from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursday, June 20. Watch the announcements to be sure of the date. Bring a sewing machine and material if you can. All ages are welcome.

## Gold Club Lunch

Noon on Wednesday, June 19



Don't miss coming to our delicious potluck lunch at noon on Wednesday, June 19. This is for anyone age 55 and older and/or retired. Bring your favorite dish to share. It's a great way to stay in touch with other BSLC members.

## Memorials to BSLC



In Memory of Wallace Wien  
Fern Wien  
Gerry and Joan Fiechtner  
Steve and Maxine Rust

## Harlan and Esther Wallum Scholarship Fund



Are you thinking about where you or your children may go for college? Consider one of our LCMS universities. Grants are available to assist youth and adults who wish to begin, continue or advance their education from an LCMS university or seminary. Applications are available in the church office.

## Oh, The Expense ...

One of the deadliest storms in U.S. history ripped through Oklahoma City this week, leaving a trail of destruction and broken lives in its wake. At this writing, total deaths had not been tabulated, nor had damage to the area been calculated. Preliminary pictures, however, brought to mind the destruction in Joplin, the Missouri town torn by a tornado that claimed 158 lives and caused \$2.8 billion in damage. Yes. That total is with a B.

Oh, the expense...

In the aftermath of natural disasters in Oklahoma City, Joplin – and still in our own backyard in Minot – our hearts ache because these disasters come at a steep price with loss of life, loss of property and loss of security. It boggles the mind.

You don't need to be a pastor or theologian to notice this world's extreme brokenness. At times, it seems we never can keep up with the "storms" around us – not just the natural ones, but the ones brought on by senseless killing and other human sin. Yet God, at considerable expense, set himself on a course in which He did not withdraw from human history or turn His face from human suffering, but instead, descended right into it.

At considerable expense, God became one of us, born as a babe in Bethlehem in the person of Jesus. As wise men sought the Christ, King Herod plotted the Christ's death. In a monstrous attempt to retain his throne, Herod murdered all males 2 and younger in the vicinity so that the young babe called "King of the Jews" would not usurp his wretched rule. The Christ's family fled for refuge in Egypt. But the loss of life was staggering.

With such a tragedy, most would demand this baby had better live a good life, considering the expense. Jesus delivered, living not only a good life, but a perfect one. Town by town, bit by bit, Jesus taught, healed and proclaimed the good news that God's



Pastor Chris

promises were true in Him. He calmed the storm, walked on water, fasted in the desert for 40 days in the wilderness with the wild animals. He healed the sick, tended to the poor, visited with the outcast. He restored all things and – if that were not enough – promised a day when He would return, a day in which those who believe in Him would dwell amid a new heavens and new earth without storms of any kind.

To secure this future, the Christ underwent horror and sin done to Him in harsh measure. Beaten and rejected by His own people, flogged by Roman rulers, proclaimed innocent, He still was sentenced to death. Then, nailed to a cross, He took scorn and shame of every shape -- from Jews, from Gentiles, from criminals and high priests, from soldiers and citizens. He then took all that sin, their sin, my sin, your sin and made it His. He took God's wrath reserved for sinners and made it His. He took the wages of sin in death and made it His.

Think of the expense. That the Lord of all eternity, the perfect Son, God in the flesh, should endure all this to spill His holy blood for you and for me. Now risen in glory and power, He does not resent us for the storms our sin caused. Instead, He is God for us and with us. He is there to bring us through the worst storms into an eternity of peace.



As the Psalmist writes: "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore, we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling," (Psalm 46:1-3).

Jesus has overcome. He has prepared a place where all storms have ceased. As His promises give you hope amid the storms in your life, be still, knowing that He is God who paid for the sins of the whole world.

*Pastor Chris*

## FirstChoice Clinic Golf Marathon

FirstChoice Clinic's annual golf marathon is Tuesday, June 4, at Rose Creek Golf Course. Tim and Tina Deitemeyer are teaming up to golf 100 holes in one day! Sponsors in the past have given as little as \$5 and as much as \$500. Please talk with Tim and/or Tina, call Tim at (701) 793-2220 or e-mail [tim.deitemeyer@hotmail.com](mailto:tim.deitemeyer@hotmail.com) and let them know how much you want to sponsor. After the event, FirstChoice clinic will send an invoice, envelope and charitable receipt. Thank you for your support!



## Grace Lutheran School News

**Camp Grace is the place-**Don't let your children become couch potatoes over the summer! Miss Boelter and Mrs. Antonson will keep students active with reading, outside play, field trips, swimming, crafts and much more. Hours are 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. and includes snacks, breakfast and lunch. This program is open to the public. Call 232-7747 or go to our website: [www.gracelutheranschool.org](http://www.gracelutheranschool.org).

**Eighth Grade Graduates Soar-**It's time to say "Goodbye" to our graduating eighth graders-Emily Berglind, Shelby Funfar, Emily Hao, Christian Klemz, Christian Larson, Jace Pulst and Alexandra Rezac. It is hard to see them go, but we trust God has an amazing plan in store for each one of these young people. What a joy it is to know He has prepared them spiritually, academically, and socially during their years at Grace. Now it is their time to move onto high school and make a positive, Christian impact in the world. God bless you!

**New Marketing Director-**We are excited to welcome Kari Lugo to the staff of GLS as the new marketing director. Kari grew up in Fargo and attended Grace Lutheran School from kindergarten through eighth grade. She is thrilled to put her marketing skills to use to promote GLS in the community. Kari has worked in advertising over the last seven years in both Fargo and Los Angeles, CA. Her focus at Grace will be to market the school, work with admissions and retention, and increase enrollment. Office hours for Kari will be from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday-Friday, and her office is located upstairs next to the accountant's office. Stop by and introduce yourself! Kari can be reached through e-mail at [marketing@gracels.com](mailto:marketing@gracels.com).

**Enroll your child for the 2013-2014 School Year-**There's still time to enroll for the next school year at Grace Lutheran School. Our school is 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 and extracurricular activities. For more information, call 232-7747 or go to our website: [www.gracelutheranschool.org](http://www.gracelutheranschool.org). Scholarships are also available through Grace Lutheran School.

## Bus Driver Needed at Camp Grace

Camp Grace at Grace Lutheran School is in need of a bus driver this summer. If you are a licensed bus driver and would like to help out, please talk to Brad Palmer at 701-412-6085 or Jane Thielman at 293-7933 for more information.



## Needed: Two Laptop Computers

Do you have an old laptop computer that is in good working condition? If you have no use for it, please let the church office know. The Sudanese would like a couple of laptops for their use. Thank you.



## Plan Now to Attend Summer Bible Camps

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



Lutheran Island  
[www.islandcamp.org](http://www.islandcamp.org)

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



## Guys-Reserve the Date



Summer is coming! Make fishing memories by going with a group of fellow Christian men on a Canadian fly in fishing trip July 7-13. The "secret" lake is teeming with lots of master angler walleyes, jumbo perch and huge northern pike. The rustic-looking cabins have all the modern conveniences of hot and cold water, indoor showers and restrooms. Your guide has 14 years of fishing experience at Shining Falls. The all-inclusive rate is a great bargain. For more information or to reserve your seat in the boat, call Gordy Swanson at 218-790-1738 or e-mail [gordon@702com.net](mailto:gordon@702com.net). Passports are required! Enjoy a week in God's great outdoors!

## VBS Donations Needed

Donations of items for our VBS program are always welcome.



Some of the items that are still needed are listed below. Please let the church office know what you will donate so that it can be checked off and we don't end up with too many of one item. Please bring to the church by June. 9. Thanks for your support!

Mini fruit cups	Bag of shredded cheese
Flour tortillas	Bags of shredded lettuce
Relish	Mini chocolate chip
3 pounds butter	Ripple Potato Chips
Taco shells	Tubs of whipped Topping
Taco sauce	Grocery gift cards for meat
Tomatoes	Ream of Card Stock
Cans of stewed tomatoes	
Small boxes of animal crackers	
Chocolate Pudding-Institutional size	
Granola bars (no peanut butter/nuts)	
family sized bag of frozen whole kernel corn	

## National Youth Gathering News

Thanks to everyone at Beautiful Savior for your support of our fund-raisers. 10 BSLC youth are planning to attend the gathering in San Antonio. Please remember these young people in your prayers as they travel and take part in this exciting event. Pray also for wisdom and guidance for our youth leaders.

Megan Barth	Michael Bartz	Dylan Berard
Jesse Deitemeyer	Tyler Deitemeyer	Damien Gehler
Angella Osinde	Daniele Haekenkamp	
Christina Smith	Adam Schlichtmann	

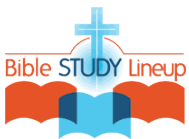
The adult leaders will be Dawn Barth and Pastor Chris.

## Please Consider Sponsoring a Participant for the Gathering

As we get closer to the National Youth Gathering, we are asking that our congregation "sponsor a participant." For a sponsorship of \$100, you will get an appreciation lunch in August. You will also receive a bookmark with your sponsored participant on it. We are also asking that you pray for the participants as they attend the Gathering, which is from June 28 to July 5. We need 12 sponsors to help defray the cost of the National Youth Gathering.

## June Youth Events

### Upcoming Bible Study Opportunities



Sunday, June 2-from 12:45-3 p.m.-Live Loved Bible Study 1 and day at Thunder Road  
Wednesday, June 5, from 8-9 p.m.-Live Loved Bible Study 2  
Wednesday, June 19, from 8-9 p.m.-Live Loved Bible Study 3  
Wednesday, June 26, from 8-9 p.m.-Live Loved Bible Study 4

### Upcoming Fellowship Events

**Sunday, June 2: Day at Thunder Road.** All senior high are invited from 12:45 to 3 p.m. for a day at Thunder Road. Bring \$10 for attractions and more if you want to buy food and pop. We will have a formal Bible study from 2-3 p.m. For more information, please see Pastor Chris.

**Sunday, June 23: Youth Group Paintball.** All kids in sixth through 12th grades and their family and friends are invited for a day of paintball from 1-6 p.m. at Valley Paintball. We will meet at BSLC at 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$15 if you have equipment and \$45 without equipment. The church will provide drinks but you can bring your own snacks and beverages. You **MUST** fill out a waiver and permission form to attend this event. For more information, please see Pastor Chris.



### Ongoing Servant Events

Be sure to help from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the hot dog stand at SunMart on 13th Ave. in West Fargo on **Monday, June 17, and Tuesday, June 18.** We will be serving hot dogs, hamburgers, brats and sweet treats to support our trip to the National Youth Gathering. This is one of our last fund-raisers, so please make sure you work.



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## Office Hours

9 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday-Thursday

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

## Summer Worship Schedule

8:30 and 10 a.m. Worship

## Evening Worship Schedule

7 p.m. Worship starting June 5  
(no worship on June 12 due to VBS)

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

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*Elders are assigned families based on last name*

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