### August 2013

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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.

## "Showing God's Love in Different Ways" **Pastor Dave**

In the middle of July, I went with Mike Schlichtmann and Chuck Hoge up to Minot to help with the flood recovery effort. We stayed at Hope Village. It was a great experience and the three of us appreciated being able to give help to a kind and caring person. His name was Jerry. The waters from the flood reached to about one foot from the ceiling on the first floor of his home. He has no second floor. His house had been cleaned out. However, he had



**Pastor Dave** 

I personally enjoyed using the carpentry skills I have to prepare a house to be lived in again. It was also a great change of pace for

be fixed. Our work addressed those structural needs.

Chuck

me. When I go to work at the church or visit someone in the hospital, I don't bring along with me a hammer, nails, drill, screws and saws to get my work done. There are other tools I use. God has given me the ability to help out people in a variety of ways. I believe the same thing is true of you.

not even begun to rebuild and there were some structural issues that needed to

Most everyone has a been given a variety of experiences, skills and knowledge in life. God desires that we use what He has given to us to provide for ourselves and our families. However, our lives were never meant to be focused only on us. Jesus said that we should love one another as we love ourselves. There are many different ways and places where we can let our love show itself.



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Mike

# Stewardship and **Evangelism Meeting**

Sunday, Aug. 4, at 7 p.m.

The stewardship and evangelism boards of our congregation are gathering to discuss the ministry of our congregation and to plan how we might continue to carry out God's mission among us. If you are interested in helping out in the area of stewardship or evangelism, we encourage you to come to the meeting. You may also contact Mike Schlichtmann (235-6383) or Tim Deitemeyer (793-2220) for more information.

# Sunday School Help and Registration

We are excited about our Sunday School program starting back up on Sept. 8. Registration forms can be found in the narthex. You may also fill out the form on page 7 and return it to the office. In addition to getting families to enroll their children in Sunday School, we also need volunteers to help with our Sunday School program.

## "Loving in Many Different Ways" Continued from page 1

We show our love through our words and actions. Where this love is to be shown is in our homes, at work and school, in our community and in our church family. Loving others is not something that we do to earn God's favor. Rather, it is something that is a response to His compassion on us.

St. Paul writes in 2 Corinthians 5:14-15, "For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again."

I appreciate these words of St. Paul. There are times that I might not feel like helping out other people. However, by the prompting of the Holy Spirit, I realize that God can use me to help others. I need to just do it. How can I not respond after seeing what Jesus has done for me?

Traveling up to Minot enabled the three of us to have the opportunity to make a difference for Jerry. There were others who helped him out before. Still others would be needed in order for Jerry to be able to move back into his house. Working together helped make a big difference.

The same thing is true of Beautiful Savior. Working together with the various gifts, abilities and skills that we all have makes a big impact in God's ministry here. I encourage you to consider how you may put your love in action here at beautiful Savior so that our congregation may continued to be built up in love. There are ways you can help with our Sunday School, worship services, stewardship, evangelism and maintenance of our building. In the coming weeks, we plan to let our members know some specific areas where you can serve as we fill out our fall schedule. You can start now by becoming involved in our Sunday School program (see sign up sheet on page 7) or by attending our stewardship/evangelism meeting on Aug. 4.

In Christ,



# Remember Your Pledge This Summer

As you enjoy the summer and take time to relax and travel, we ask you to



remember honoring the Lord through your weekly offerings for the support of our ministry. As always, there is a need as we continue to carry on our Lord's mission and your gifts of money are appreciated. If you are not able to make it to worship on Sunday, we encourage you to mail or drop off your offering to the church office.

"Honor the Lord with your substance and with the first fruits of all your income."

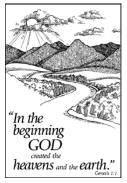
(Proverbs 3:9)

# Look at Some Shorter Letters in the New Testament

#### Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

On Tuesday evenings, we will look at some of the shorter letters which are found in the New Testament. Although those letters (like 2 Peter) are not as long as Romans or 1 Corinthians, they were addressed to Christians to help them in their Christian faith and life. We continue to learn from them today. We invite you to join for these studies. They are taught in such a way that you can start

attending this class at any time. Our Bible Study will meet Aug. 6 and 20 (not Aug. 13 because of the Redhawks game.) Then, we will take a short break before we begin again in September.



SERVE ONE

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## Golden Fruit Women's Bible Study

Women, feel free to join us at our Bible study. Each lesson is individual so you can come once or every week and still follow our study. Our evening group meets at 5:30 p.m. on Mondays and our morning

group meets at 8:30 a.m. Thursdays. Pick the day that works for you.



## Fall Worship Schedule Discussion

(Decision for now to go back to two worship services for fall)



Members and leaders of our congregation have been discussing for the last few months what we should do about the times of worship services this fall. About 2 1/2 years ago, we moved to having three worship services on Sunday morning. They were held at 8:15, 9:30 and 10:45 a.m. There were a variety of reasons why we decided to do this. There were some good things about having three services on Sunday but some other things actually put a strain on us as a congregation with three services.

We gave our worshippers a survey last April and asked them about their preferences regarding worship. A little over fifty percent thought that we should keep three services. A little under fifty percent said that we should go back to two services. With such an evenly divided survey, there were good arguments about keeping three services as well as good arguments about going back to two services.

More discussion on this was given at the last voters' meeting in June. Afterwards the elders, the church council and the pastors thought that it might be best to go back to having two services on Sunday morning in the fall. But we realize that there are things in the future that might make us change once again the number of worship services we have on Sunday or even make us add another worship service during the week throughout the year.

More information about this will be given in our September newsletter. We appreciate all the input that our members gave. We encourage you to visit with the pastors, the elders or other members of the church council if you have any questions or concerns about this or any other topic. The names and phone numbers of the elders and church council can be found on the back page of this newsletter.

#### Redhawks Game

Enjoy time with fellow church members while cheering on the Redhawks on Tuesday, Aug. 13. An \$8 ticket gets you into the game and reserves your spot for a picnic before the game. Food is served at 5:30 p.m. with first pitch at 7:02 p.m. Turn in the checks made payable to F-M Redhawks to Pastor Chris by today if you would like to go.

#### Cradle Roll

This is a reminder to all parents of children ages three and under. Each month the cradle roll hanging in the narthex is updated with special cards and newsletters for you to take home for your

baptized child.

# 7 p.m. Wednesday Evening Worship Service

Now that August is here, we hurry to enjoy the last free, warm days of summer. Many



times our plans end up on weekends so you may miss church. Keep Christ in your life each week by attending our 7 p.m. worship Wednesdays, Aug. 7, 14 and 21. There will be no worship Wed., Aug. 28.

## Ministerial Recruitment Visit

Have you ever considered being a pastor or deaconess? If so, Rev. Kyle Castens from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, would like to meet with you at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church on Wednesday, Sept. 11, anytime between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Rev. Castens is interested in meeting with prospective students of all ages-elementary school through adults who are already employed in another vocation. Conferences are individual and informal. Family and friends are welcome. Reservations are not necessary but strongly encouraged. If you are interested in scheduling a specific conference time, please call Rev. Castens at 314-505-7224 or e-mail him at castensk@csl.edu to schedule an appointment.

## **Baptisms**

July 28—Don Michael Brandenburg, son of Derek and Nicole Brandenburg, born June 27, 2013. His sponsors were Justin and Melissa Huber.



#### **Deaths**

Curtis Zahrt passed away on July 1, 2013. He leaves behind his wife, Barb, a son, Shane, three brothers and a sister. His funeral was held at Beautiful Savior on July 8.



Gordon Swanson passed away on July 21, 2013. He leaves his wife Loretta, two sons: Dennis (Patty) and Joel; one daughter LeAnn Jaksha; three stepdaughters Shanna (Wayne) McArthur, Heather Burns (fiancé Todd Persinger, and Nichole (Jim) Anderson; 10 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, his mother Ella, a sister and a brother. His funeral was held at Trinity Lutheran Church, Moorhead, with Pastor Dave officiating. Interment was at Concordia Lutheran Cemetery in rural Glyndon, MN.

# Please Save Coupons for the Military and Used Stamps

Please clip coupons and sort them by the month that they will expire. Bring them to the drawer by the LWML kiosk and put them in the correct file by month.

Please bring in your used stamps -don't cut them off but bring in the envelopes and place in drawer marked STAMPS by the LWML kiosk. Monies received for these goes to missions. Thank you!

## Gold Club Lunch

Noon on Wednesday, Aug. 21

If you are age 55 and older and/or retired, please join other BSLC members at a noon potluck on Wednesday, Aug. 21. It's a great time to try a new recipe or use some of your garden produce for the potluck lunch and to enjoy some fellowship with other BSLC members.

## Thank you from Loretta

My family and I would sincerely like to thank the members of Beautiful Savior for all



the love that has been shown to us since Gordy's death. The number of people who showed up at our door with condolences, gifts of food, paper supplies, etc., was a wonder. And the number of people who took time out to come over to Moorhead to the prayer service and his celebration of life service at Trinity in Moorhead was a great testament to the lives he touched by his quiet servant leadership. As many of you can testify, our church would not have held the number of people who were in attendance. I thank you for your understanding. God bless you all.

#### **BSLC Coffee Club**

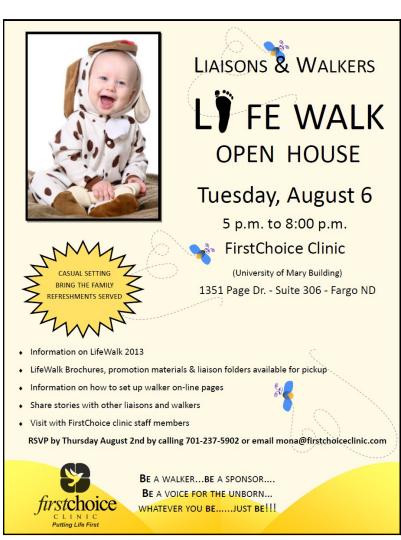
Our BSLC members meet at 9 a.m. on Fridays at Village Inn on the corner of 32nd Avenue South and 25th Street, Fargo. This time of fellowship is to get to know other BSLC members and is for both men and women of any age. Stop in when you can.

# Harlan and Esther Wallum Scholarship Fund

Scholarships Are you thinking about where 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.







# Concordia Lutheran Church, Jamestown, to Celebrate 60th Anniversary Aug. 17-18

You are cordially invited to help celebrate Concordia Lutheran's 60th anniversary on Aug. 17-18.

- At 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 17, everyone is invited to meet at 3 p.m. at McElroy Park Shelter. There will be children's games, music from "Spiritwood Creek" and a great BBQ menu. Please bring a lawn chair for extra seating.
- At 10:30 a.m., Sunday, Aug. 18, there will be a special worship service followed by a catered meal in the fellowship hall. They will also honor the charter members that are in attendance.

If you have questions, please call 701-252-2819. You can RSVP to www.concordiajt.org.

## Update on the Sudanese Ministry

In September we will hit the three year mark of having the Sudanese worshiping at our congregation on Sunday afternoons. Both Pastor Dave and Pastor Chris have been working with them. But now we are about to enter into a new phase of our work together. Two of the Sudanese,



Daniel Mapur and Samuel Majak, will travel with Pastor Dave down to St. Louis to have them begin more formal training. They will be attending the Ethnic Immigrant Institute of Theology (EIIT). EIIT is a specialized online education program that provides theological education and formation for effective pastoral leadership within immigrant-based churches. Daniel and Samuel will be mentored by Pastor Dave throughout this process.

We ask that you would place these two young men along with the Sudanese community in your prayers as they seek to grow as God's people.

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## **August Youth Events**

Please continue to read weekly announcements for more Youth Events that may be scheduled. At newsletter time, the August schedule is not complete.



#### **Upcoming Bible Study Opportunities**

Wednesday, Aug. 7– from 7:45-9 p.m. -Youth Group for grades 7-12 Wednesday, Aug. 14– from 7:45-9 p.m. -Youth Group for grades 7-12

Wednesday, Aug. 21-No Youth Group

Wednesday, Aug. 28– from 7:45-9 p.m. -Youth Group for grades 7-12

#### **Upcoming Fellowship Events**

Monday, Aug. 12: Tubing Trip on the Ottertail River. All youth in grades 6-12 are invited to our annual tubing trip. We will meet at Beautiful Savior at 9 a.m. for Bible study then travel to our destination. Please bring \$13 for transportation and shuttle rental. Also bring extra cash for lunch at Detroit Lakes and ice cream on the trip back to Fargo. We will return around 7 p.m. We can make alternate arrangements to return earlier, if needed. Please fill out a form and turn into Pastor Chris if interested.





#### **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

## Memorials to BSLC

Curtis Zahrt William and Garnet Johnson

## Weekly E-mail Updates

Do you get the church's weekly update via e-mail? On Thursdays a short blurb is e-mailed out to our members to keep them informed of upcoming events. If you are not getting our blurbs, please let the office know your e-mail address.

You can also get the church newsletter via e-mail.

# Changes in Your Life?

Have you gone from a land line to cell phones? Did you move

this

summer? Do you have a new e-mail address? Did you change your cell phone numbers? Will you be gone for a month or more this winter? Please let the

church office know of your changes so correspondence from the church will still be received by you. The church has to pay the USPO for all returned mail. Thank you for



# Grace Lutheran School **Open House**

Come to our open house for Pre-K and Kindergarten students at Grace School, 821 5th Ave. S., Fargo, on Wednesday, Aug. 5. Hours are from 4:30-6:30 p.m.



# **Grace Lutheran** School Job Openings

Grace Lutheran has openings for two aide positions in pre-k and kindergarten. Both positions are 32 hours a week and come with full benefits. Contact Principal Jean Syverson for an application. Grace school will start Aug. 28.

# **Sunday School** Registration



It's time to start thinking about Sunday school and registering your child(ren) Sunday School form to be filled out and returned to the church office.

Classroom Assistant

# **Sunday School Teachers** and Helpers Needed

Sunday school wouldn't be a success without good volunteers to teach and help with the classes. Please prayerfully discern if you are being called to help our Sunday school program this year.



## Pre-K - 6th Grade Christian

**Education Registration Form** 

As you fill out this form, print clearly. Then mail or return it to the church office as soon as possible. Name of parent(s): \_\_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: Names of Children Age Grade (2013-2014) I am interested in helping in the following areas: Teacher/Team Teacher Help with Music

Help with Christmas Program

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**Office Hours** 

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

#### **Summer Worship Schedule**

Sunday Worship at 8:30 and 10 a.m.

Wednesday Worship at 7 p.m.

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

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