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Sunday, March 10



## Want to know how much you are blessed? Move.

By Pastor Chris

While preparing to move to another part of town, my family realized something: We have a lot of stuff. I don't remember exactly where a lot of it came from, but I can tell you we have more stuff than we need. Moving day does not lie.

Somehow, it's easy to forget just how much God has given. Even worse, we covet what others have without realizing all the stuff God has so richly poured out on us. Most importantly, we neglect to give thanks to the giver of all these good gifts.

On several occasions, Jesus lovingly warns his hearers that salvation tops the list of the good gifts God provides. In Matthew 6, Jesus reminds us, "Do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?'" For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you," (Matt. 6:31-33).

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## Blessed be the Name of the Lord: A Lenten series based on the book of Job

We all suffer personally. And now, thanks to the media, we see and experience more and more of the world's suffering as well. We need the book of Job now more than ever. Martin Luther said "Job is magnificent and sublime as no book of Scripture." Others have called Job "the Shakespeare of the Bible." During our midweek Lenten and Holy Week services, we will explore this magnificent composition that is numbered among the greatest literature of all time. We invite you to attend the 7 p.m. midweek worship services and our soup and sandwich suppers from 6-6:45 p.m. before services.

Our Lenten emphasis, "The Book of Job: Blessed be the name of the Lord," seeks to apply Job to our lives so that we may draw upon God's promises and endure in faith through life's dark valleys. In conjunction with our services, we also will be exploring the book of Job during our 7 p.m. Tuesday Bible studies beginning March 12.

Job's most famous statement appears in 19:25, as he proclaims, "I know that my Redeemer lives." Christ is alive. He has conquered death and the grave. His word is sufficient. His grace is enough. His love brings comfort and healing. And this Lent these gifts come to us through the book of Job.

See Midweek Lenten schedule on page 3.



## Want to know how much you are blessed? Move.

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God's greatest giving doesn't come from a store. It can't be bought online. It comes to us from a lonely hill called Calvary where Jesus bought you and me with His holy, precious blood and innocent sufferings and death. Thanks to God's word and Spirit, I truly appreciate my salvation. I know it is the greatest treasure that I possess. Yet I am so easily distracted. Just when I think I have the quest for stuff controlled, other stuff comes calling, ready to captivate and control.

But having to move, box and relocate all this stuff reinforces the point: I don't have to keep all the stuff and then collect more stuff. Life would become so simple if I trusted more in God and less in stuff. My heavenly Father knows the blessings that I really need. He will faithfully and lovingly grant them richly. Moving day does not lie: He already has given me more than I ever really need.

As we approach the seasons of Lent and Easter, may God remind you how much He has blessed you. May our Lord's passion remind you of just how far God went to give you eternal life, a gift worth more than all the stuff in the world.

*Pastor Chris*



## Restore His House Capital Campaign

The Restore His House three-year capital campaign is off to a good start. We have received commitments of \$271,000 of our \$330,000 goal. The new siding and tree removal were completed last fall. We are looking forward to spring when we can start to replace the shingles on the sanctuary. Please continue to keep our campaign in your prayers. You can see a complete list of projects and also watch the progress of the campaign on the display in the narthex.



### BSLC Treasurer's Report General Operating Fund

<u>Operating Fund</u>	<u>Jan</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Contributions	\$28,285	28,285
Expense	44,295	44,295
Surplus (Shortfall)	<b>(16,010)</b>	<b>(16,010)</b>

## Upcoming Bible Studies

### 9:40 a.m. Sunday morning Bible study: "Parables of Jesus"

**beginning March 17** - During our Sunday morning study, we will explore some of our Lord's most beloved parables, including The Prodigal Son, The Great Banquet, The Rich Fool and the Good Samaritan, among others. Jesus often communicated in parables to help illustrate truths about the kingdom of God. By using everyday illustrations to convey complicated spiritual meaning, Christ does not want the kingdom to remain closed to us. Rather, He seeks us to help us understand the fullness of God's salvation. Using parables, Jesus seeks to help us get up close and personal with Him, His work and His teaching.

**7 p.m. Tuesday Bible study: The Book of Job: "Blessed be the name of the Lord"** - This Lenten series seeks to apply Job to our lives so that we may draw upon God's promises and endure in faith through life's dark valleys.

**9 a.m. Thursdays Women's Bible study: "Angels"** - Do angels really have wings? Do they protect people from harm? In eight Bible lessons you will learn what the Bible really says about angels, including their service to God and their ministry to people. Come and join the class and learn about angels.

**7 p.m. Thursdays: "Joining Jesus" Evangelism Study** We will take a look at a different approach to evangelism from a book titled, "Joining Jesus On His Mission - How to Be an Everyday Missionary" by Greg Finke. Using the five step method in the book, we will learn how to meet people right where they are. As Greg states in his book, we will find out how Jesus is messing with people and how we can be a friend to them.

## National Youth Gathering Attendees Host Fundraisers

### Youth Sponsorship

Ten youth from Beautiful Savior will be attending the National Youth Gathering July 11-15 in Minneapolis, MN.

Their photos, along with sponsorship envelopes, are posted on the bulletin board in the narthex. They are looking for

sponsors to help them with the costs involved with the gathering. Members of the congregation can help by taking an envelope off the board and pledging a dollar amount to a youth. You may return your sponsorship envelope in the pledge drop box in the church office by April 15.



### Pizza Ranch Fundraiser

The National Youth Gathering youth will be having a fundraiser night from 5-8 p.m. on March 25 at Pizza Ranch, 4480 23 Ave S, Fargo. Please come and support our youth. Mention Beautiful Savior when paying, and 25 percent of the receipt goes to our youth as well as 100 percent of the tips.

## Easter Flowers On Altar For Loved Ones

There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex to order flowers in memory or in honor of loved ones. Flowers and the prices are listed on the sign-up sheets. Checks for the flowers are to be made out to the LWML.

## Where Moms Connect Devotional

Mooooooooooooom, Mommy, Mama!!! Calling all mothers of babies to teenagers, a new devotional time is starting up just for you! Take some time out of your busy schedule and join us in fellowship with other moms to dive into God's word together. "Where Moms Connect" will start at 1 p.m. Thursday, March 7, at Beautiful Savior. For more information about "Where Moms Connect" please contact Leanne Muhl at 701-850-7703 or Dahlia Shane at 979-203-1160.

## Potluck Suppers During Lent

BSLC offers soup and sandwich suppers before our Lenten worship each Wednesday from 6-6:45 p.m. You are invited to bring soups, sandwiches or desserts as you are able. Our groups will do the set-up and clean-up. Listed below are the dates for each group. Thanks for your help.



March 6	H-K	Jodi Haekenkamp
March 13	L-N	Mary Seiffert
March 20	O-R	Barb Moser
March 27	S	Maggie Stende
April 3	T-Z	Kim Ternes
April 10	A-Bo	Andrea Olson

## Voters' Meeting March 10

There will be a voters' meeting at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, March 10, between services, to discuss and vote on extending a call to Vicar Brian to be our associate pastor as well as the election of officers. Please try to attend this important meeting. Thanks.

## Lenten Midweek Schedule

**March 6:** Ash Wednesday -- *Flying Blind* (Job 1:1-12)  
**March 13:** Lent Midweek 1 -- *Sweet Surrender* (Job 1:13-21)  
**March 20:** Lent Midweek 2 -- *Learning to Lament* (Job 3:1-26)  
**March 27:** Lent Midweek 3 -- *It Is Enough* (Job 14:1-14)  
**April 3:** Lent Midweek 4 -- *Understanding How It All Works Together* (Job 23:1-17)  
**April 10:** Lent Midweek 5 -- *God Speaks in the Storm* (Job 38:1-11)  
**April 18:** Maundy Thursday -- *On Earth Is Not His Equal!* (Job 41:20-34)  
**April 19:** Good Friday -- *Tearing Down the Spite House* (Job 42:7-9)  
**April 21:** Easter Sunday -- *I Know That My Redeemer Lives!* (Job 19:23-26)





## Clubs and Service Groups



**Service Group** - Our group for March consists of the letters Br-D with Janet Koppinger as captain. She will call you asking for treats or help for other events. Thanks for your help. Our April group will be the letters E-G with captain Diane Lee.

**Elder** - Our Elders for March are Adam Tykwinski and Dave Hohn. They will be here Sunday mornings to greet members and visitors, help the pastor with any needs and see that all goes well. If you have any concerns for our church, please talk to Adam or Dave or any of the elders.

**Gold Club** - Gold Club is a time to get together and enjoy a potluck meal and some fellowship. Gold Club was originally formed for our senior members but is for everyone. Feel free to join us for food, faith and fellowship. Bring a dish or treat to share, wear something green and join us at noon Wednesday, March 20.

**Quilting and Fellowship** - Join us at 9 a.m. Thursday, March 14 and 28. We meet twice a month for 5-6 hours. The coffee is on so, come and join this fun group of people! You do not need to know how to sew. You can help cut the squares, iron or tie the quilts. We donate quilts to local organizations or if there is a silent auction, we are happy to donate a quilt. We also sell quilts to members. If you have any questions, please contact Donna Ceroll at 232-2464.

**BSLC Coffee Club** - Beginning on Saturday, March 9, coffee club will now be meeting on Saturdays. BSLC members, men and women of any age, are invited to gather at 9 a.m. at Randy's, 2130 University Drive S., Fargo.

**LWML News** - We will meet at 6 p.m. on Thursday, March 21. All women are invited to join. If you can't attend the monthly meetings, consider joining a committee to help make things happen. Your participation in LWML is a great way to make new friends and serve the Lord.

## Join Our Gardening Group

The third annual Beautiful Garden in Beautiful Savior's backyard is looking for you! Would you like to join an informal, flexible gardening fellowship group when all this snow is gone? This is a fun, rewarding, flexible activity. If you do not have a garden of your own, love to garden but are inexperienced at growing plants, we are what you are looking for. We meet at the garden at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesdays beginning in May. Be a part of our gardening group, enjoy some delicious vegetables and improve your growing skills!



If you are interested in helping and benefiting with our garden and harvest, please e-mail [tim.deitemeyer@hotmail.com](mailto:tim.deitemeyer@hotmail.com) with your name, phone, and e-mail and you will be added to the communication list. Thanks.



## Praying For Others

**Prayer Chain:** BSLC has an e-mail prayer chain. If you have a concern or joy and would like our prayer warriors to pray for you or others, please e-mail the office, and your prayer will be sent out on the e-mail chain. Also please feel free to e-mail updates to the office so it can be e-mailed to our prayer warriors.

**Sunday prayers posted in bulletin:** Please let the church know if you have prayer concerns and joys to put in our announcements. The petitions will continue to run weekly until you let the church know to remove them off the list. Our church members appreciate the chance to pray for our particular needs and joys. God hears all our prayers at all times on account of Jesus.

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# Thankful for Snow?!!

By Vicar Brian

As the month of March arrives, what is it that you are most looking forward to? Perhaps it is warmer weather and the disappearance of snow, a birthday or anniversary, or maybe for the open house season to begin. Whatever it is that you are looking forward to, I would like for you to look forward to the season of Lent.

Ash Wednesday is on March 6 and is a great way to kick off the season of Lent. For some, the season of Lent is a painful reminder of the price Jesus paid for us because of our sins. And often times, we make the decision to give something up for Lent. These things are well and good, but I would like you to approach Lent from a different perspective than the one described above. My hope and prayer for you this season of Lent is that you approach it with a thankful heart for what Christ did for us on the cross and not one of guilt.

Instead of giving up something for Lent, how about adding something for Lent. Maybe it's reading your Bible, or starting family and/or personal devotions or rejuvenating your prayer life. Studies have shown that it takes approximately 30 days to develop a habit. Lent happens to be 40 days. Maybe this is a great opportunity for you to start or pick back up one of these or another beneficial habit of your own.

## Lent

What are you adding?



But while we are in the season of Lent and watching the snow on the ground, remember the words of David from Psalm 51, which he wrote after being confronted with his sin by Nathan. "Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being, and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow." (v. 6-7) You have been washed whiter than snow, by the blood of the lamb, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. This is a reason to look forward to this season of Lent as we journey to the cross with thankful hearts.

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## "Main Street Living North" TV Program News

If you haven't already made a note to change the web address to access the archived MSLN programs, you'll need to do so as the old address will take you to a furniture store in Colorado. Now that the MSLN network is broadcasting in six different areas in the upper midwest, a decision was made to use just one central website address at [www.mainstreetliving.com](http://www.mainstreetliving.com). On the home page you will then need to click on the link identified as "North (Fargo)".

MSLN broadcasts each Sunday at 9:00 a.m., followed by This Is Your Life program at 9:30 a.m. on TV station KVRr. MSLN is also broadcast on WDAY Xtra with This Is Your Life program at 10 a.m. followed by the Main Street Living worship service.

A reminder of the matching funds offer from the Main Street Living Network continues until \$16,000 of new donations are received! To add your financial support, checks may be sent to Main Street Living North, 821 5 Ave. S., Fargo, ND 58103, or donate by credit card or your PayPal account on the web site. Thank you and God's blessing in Christ!



### March pastors and sermons are as follows:

March 3: Vicar Brian Shane, Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, presents the message: "Artificial Intelligence?" based on Luke 9:28-36. This Is The Life program is "Man Adrift."

March 10: Rev. Matthew Meyer, Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Callaway, MN, presents the message: "Trust in the Lord" based on Deut. 26:1-11. This Is The Life program is "Time Out For Bill."

March 17: Rev. Thomas Eckstein, Concordia Lutheran Church, Jamestown, ND, delivers today's message: "Let the Children Come to Me!" based on Mark 10:13-16. This Is The Life program is "A Gift for Grandpa."

March 24: Rev. Guy Roberts, Zion Lutheran Church, Detroit Lakes, MN, presents the message: "Repent or Die" based on Ezekiel 33:7-20, I Corinthians 10:1-13 and Luke 13:1-5. This Is The Life program is "Boy on the Fence."

March 31: Rev. Jonathan Durkopp, Trinity English Lutheran Church, LaMoure, ND, and Trinity Lutheran Church, Adrian, ND, presents the message: "True Repentance" based on Luke 15:1-3, 11-32. This Is The Life program is "The Sin of Roy Baxter."



## Grace Lutheran School News

**Annual Grace Auction, March 23, 2019** - The committee is looking for volunteers to help procure donations, decorations and to help set up the ballroom, work on class projects and find auction items. Some ideas could include fun experiences, unique craft/art, autographed items, outdoor games or camping/fishing/beach gear, small appliances, spa certificates, rugs, small furniture, jewelry, baked goods for a year, hotel stays, theme park tickets - be creative. All donations can be dropped off at the school or someone can pick them up. Contact Dinah Sommerfeld at [dsommerfeld912@gmail.com](mailto:dsommerfeld912@gmail.com) or 212-0072 or call the school office for more information.

### Camp Grace Leaders Needed

Every summer at Grace Lutheran School we host Camp Grace. This is a summer program for children four to twelve years old. We need adult leaders who are 18 years or older to help us with small groups, recreation arts/crafts leading devotions, playing guitar and helping on our field trips during the week. We also need leaders who are 25 or older to drive the van on a regular basis and we need substitutes to help us in times when leaders get sick. Training and its costs are provided. If you have any questions and are interested in this summer time employment, please contact John Hagge at 232-7747. Employment runs from May 28 to Aug. 16.

## Amazon Smile Update

Thank you to those who are using [Smile.Amazon.com](http://Smile.Amazon.com) when purchasing from Amazon. Beautiful Savior has received \$23.07 due to a small number of our members utilizing Amazon Smile during the last couple months of 2018. If you haven't signed up, please consider setting up an Amazon Smile account today so that BSLC will receive a donation from Amazon each time you make a purchase from them. You just setup the account once and then remember to use [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) each time you shop. It's that simple. If you have any questions, please contact our financial secretary Beth at 239-9090.



## Thrivent Choice Dollars

If you are a Thrivent member and are eligible for Thrivent Choice dollars, please go to [www.thrivent.com/choice](http://www.thrivent.com/choice) or call your representative to have your Thrivent Choice dollars designated to Beautiful Savior.



## Feed My Starving Children Update

Fifty volunteers from Beautiful Savior helped with the FM Christian Mobilepack on Feb. 2 at the Scheels Arena. The goal of boxing 2.5 million meals for hungry children around the world was reached.





## National Creation Speaker Coming to BSLC

Brian Young, an internationally known speaker and author, will present *Amazing Animals (that show creation)* at 9:30 a.m. at BSLC during Bible Study on Sunday, March 3. This presentation examines many animals such as the giraffe, whale, dog, cuttlefish, octopus, gecko, butterflies, bees and more to show that evolution could not have happened.

Brian will present *Dinosaurs, Ice-Age and Pre-Flood World* at 6:30 p.m., Sunday, March 3 at St. Andrew Lutheran Church, 1005 1<sup>st</sup> St. E., West Fargo. Have you ever wondered how people could live to be 900 years old? What about the Ice Age? Did dinosaurs go on Noah's Ark? How old is the earth? Did dinosaurs live with man? These and many more questions will be answered as we examine the world before the flood.

Brian was a teacher and principal for ten years before becoming director of the Creation Instruction Association and the Semisaurus Mobile Creation Museum. He has been speaking on creation and Biblical authority for 25 years going into prisons, churches, schools and camps around the world. There is no charge to attend these presentations; however a free will offering will be received to help cover the speaker's fee and travel costs. Please invite your friends.



## Crossfire Youth Praise Band

Youth praise band will practice at 7 p.m. on March 3, 10, 24, 31 and at 6 p.m. March 16. Crossfire will play at the 8:15 a.m. worship service on March 17. If you have questions, call Ramsey Dahl at 866-5403.

## March Youth Events

### **Upcoming Bible Study Opportunities: Join us for food, fun and fellowship!**

**Sunday, March 3** - from 5-7 p.m. – Lutheran Youth Fellowship for grades 9-12  
**Wednesday, March 6** - from 7:45-9 p.m. Lutheran Youth Fellowship for grades 6-8  
**Sunday, March 10** - from 5-7 p.m. – Lutheran Youth Fellowship for grades 9-12  
**Wednesday, March 13** - from 7:45-9 p.m. Lutheran Youth Fellowship for grades 6-8  
**Sunday, March 17** - from 5-7 p.m. – Lutheran Youth Fellowship for grades 9-12  
**Wednesday, March 20** - from 7:45-9 p.m. Lutheran Youth Fellowship for grades 6-8  
**Sunday, March 24** - from 5-7 p.m. – Lutheran Youth Fellowship for grades 9-12  
**Wednesday, March 27** - from 7:45-9 p.m. Lutheran Youth Fellowship for grades 6-8  
**Sunday, March 31** - from 5-7 p.m. – Lutheran Youth Fellowship for grades 9-12

### **Upcoming Events:**

**BSLC NYG FargoDome Fundraiser** - For more information, see Vicar Brian.

**Friday, March 22: Junior High and Senior High Youth Zone Nerf Night** - Junior and Senior High youth and their friends are invited for an evening of games, Bible study, music, food and of course Nerf. The event will take place from 7 p.m. - midnight, at St. Andrew Lutheran Church, West Fargo. Please bring \$5 to cover the cost of food. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex. The deadline is March 17. Contact Vicar Brian with questions.

**Monday, March 25: NYG Pizza Ranch Fundraiser** - 5-8 p.m. on Mar. 25 at Pizza Ranch, 4480 23 Ave S, Fargo. Please come and support our youth. Mention Beautiful Savior when paying, and 25 percent of the receipt goes to our youth as well as 100 percent of the tips.

**Friday, March 29 - Saturday, March 30: A Higher Things Youth Retreat in Gwinner** - Zion Lutheran Church in Gwinner, ND, will be hosting a Higher Things youth retreat on March 29-30. It will feature Pastor Daniel Voth, associate pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Grand Forks. He loves teaching teenagers about Jesus and just might say something you want to hear! The cost is \$50 per person. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex. See Vicar Brian for more information.



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Pastor Chris and Vicar Brian are also available by appointment.

## Worship Schedule

Sunday Worship at 8:15 and 10:45 a.m.

Adult Bible Study and Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

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

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