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Summer Worship Hours

Sundays 9 a.m.

May 30 to Sept. 3

Wednesdays 7 p.m.

May 24 to Aug. 30



Need Some Joy in Your Morning Routine? Add God's Word

By Pastor Chris

It might surprise you how often people wake up on the wrong side of the bed. According to a 2019 survey of 2,000 Americans, it happens 300 days out of the year -- about six times a week! That's right. We muster a measly 65 days per year in which we happily welcome the day ahead.

Maybe cold weather, a late night, money woes, family worries, stress at your job or a combination of factors keep you lamenting under the covers. But what gets you going? What brings you out of your funk? A quick shower, brisk jog, or pricey "coffee" from Starbucks might provide a quick fix, but they don't seem to be offering a long-term solution to the root of the problem.

Moses writes of God: "Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days," (Psalm 90:14).

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Stellar Vacation Bible School: Shine Jesus' Light

6 p.m. Sunday, June 4 - Thursday, June 8



Kids ages four through those in sixth grade are invited to join us for VBS this summer for Bible narratives, songs, crafts, games and much more!

We need many hands to make it a success! We are looking for volunteers to help with the following:

Crew Leaders - move your group of children from station to station (no teaching involved - just make sure you have everyone, assist in the stations and make sure children are behaving)

Station Leaders - lead a designated activity each night. Stations include: crafts, outside games, KidVid and music. Scripts and materials are prepped and ready for you; all you have to do is follow the directions!

Registration - sign kiddos up each night and point them in the right direction.

Decoration Crew - prior to VBS you would need to help make decorations and set materials. This can be done either at home or at the church. Materials will be provided.

Donations - Keep your eyes open for donations that will be needed - your help makes VBS a success.

Can't volunteer your time, but would still like to help out? Contact Stacy Knudson or Pastor Brian. Watch for a donation list coming soon!

To sign up, fill out the form in the narthex or on the church website and return to the church office. Don't forget to invite your friends!

Need Some Joy in Your Morning Routine? Add God's Word

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Revived by God's Word, we rejoice that God created, ordered and numbered our days; we are glad all our days for they are a gift from Him. God alone bestows on us life and breath and pours out His goodness in abundance. Everything to support this body and life comes as an undeserved blessing from His hand.

Yet each day brings toil and trouble because we live in a fallen, broken world corrupted by man's fall into sin. And in our own corruption, we easily forget the lovingkindness God showers on us every day. Our Old Adam grouches about life's sorrows, easily forgetting all the joy we have in the Lord. Moses continues: "Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us, and for as many years as we have seen evil," (Psalm 90:15).

Amid our numerous grumpy awakenings, God's Word awakens our gladness in the Lord. Not only do the Scriptures remind us of our many undeserved earthly blessings, they point us to Christ in whom all of God's promises are fulfilled. In Christ, we have the forgiveness of sins, the restoration of the fallen creation and the reversal of the curse. In Jesus, we truly see our fleeting days of sorrow coming to a permanent close.

Start each day with God's Word. Within its pages, God speaks of His unwavering love for you in Christ. A daily dose of Scripture helps put things in perspective that in Christ, your cause for joy far outweighs your cause for sorrow. The Gospel's Spirit-laden power reveals God's salvation in Christ for you and in you and graciously grants Moses' request: "Let your work be shown to your servants, and your glorious power to their children. Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and establish the work of our hands upon us; yes, establish the work of our hands!" (Psalm 90:16-17).



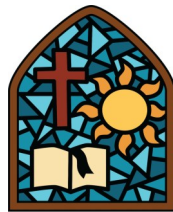
Pastor Chris

Summer Office Hours

Summer hours for the church will start Tuesday, May 30. Kim will be in the office from 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Please call the church if you need to stop by to be sure someone is around.

Summer Worship Schedule

Starting Sunday, May 29, and going through Sunday, Sept. 3, Beautiful Savior will offer one worship service at 9 a.m. on Sunday mornings.



Beginning Wednesday, May 24, and going through Wednesday, Aug. 30, our midweek Wednesday night worship will begin at 7 p.m. Please note the Wednesday service will be the same as the following Sunday. We will not have a Wednesday night worship service on June 8 during VBS.

Spring Cleaning and Mowing at Beautiful Savior

Volunteers are needed to spring clean the church above and beyond what Katie cleans weekly. This includes classrooms, sanctuary, fellowship hall and eventually the church yard. Beginning May 4, stop in for a half an hour or half a day. Task sheets are posted in each room. Return sheets to the office when all the tasks have been completed. Thank you for volunteering to clean God's House.

We are looking for someone to schedule mowers and mow. If you would be willing to help with the scheduling or weekly mowing and upkeep of the church property throughout the summer, please contact Scott Persoon or leave a message in the church office.

Scam Alert

If you receive an email or text that sounds like it is coming from Pastor Chris or Pastor Brian, asking you to purchase a gift card or to contact them via email or text, this is a scam. We would **never** send out texts or emails asking you for a favor. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.



BSLC Treasurer's Report General Operating Fund

<u>Oper. Fund</u>	<u>Feb.</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Contributions	42,561	86,430
Expense	<u>31,750</u>	<u>68,795</u>
Surplus/(Shortfall)	10,811	17,635

BSLC High School Seniors to be Honored

BSLC would like to honor our high school seniors at the 8:15 and 10:45 a.m. worship services Sunday, May 21. Please attend the service that works best for you. We ask God to bless each of you and be with you in your new endeavors. Congratulations to you!



High School Seniors Graduation Pictures and Plans Needed

A display of our high school seniors will be on the bulletin board in the narthex as well as a short article in the June newsletter. Please submit a brief description of future plans and a photo to the church office or e-mail the church by April 30.

GLS Tuition Assistance Available

With classes from pre-kindergarten to eighth grade, Grace Lutheran School is a wonderful option for Christ-centered education. As part of its mission, BSLC offers tuition remission for GLS.

If you would like to apply for GLS tuition assistance for the 2023-2024 school year, please fill out an application form and return it to the church by June 30. If you have any questions about the application form or about our policy, please call Pastor Chris at the church office at 293-1047 or his cell at (701) 893-6995.

We expect that BSLC scholarships would cover between 50-60 percent of tuition, but it depends on how many families apply. We will let the families know how much tuition assistance they will be receiving from the church in early summer.

Installation of New Church Officers

Installation of our newly elected and re-elected officers will be held in May.

Chairman: Mike Schlichtmann

Elder: Mike Sellden

Stewardship: Claudia Schroeder

Financial Secretary: Beth Gustafson

RR Lutheran School Board: Randy Johnson

We are still in need of an evangelism director, elder and vice chair. Prayerfully consider if you could step up in any of these positions. If you want more information on how you can serve BSLC, visit with the pastors or leave your name in the church office.

Please keep our church officers in your prayers.

Congratulations to the 2023 Beautiful Savior Confirmands



2023 confirmands from left, back row: Chase Speelmon, Isaac Blotsky, Jack Ternes. Middle row: Pastor Chris, Eve Hashbarger, Kilee Waldvogel, Madilynn Lehfeltdt. Front row: McKenna Speelmon, Gracelynn Persoon, Emerson Vetter.

Coming Soon - Beautiful Savior Apparel

From Sunday, May 7 through Sunday, May 21, anyone will be able to purchase Beautiful Savior apparel through a secure link either on the church website or at <https://www.storessimple.com/1stimpresions/23072> or if you don't have internet, the church office can help you place your order.



Polo shirts, half-zips and t-shirts will be available to purchase. Please note that VBS attendees will be receiving t-shirts. A variety of samples will be available at church for you to try on.

Shirts will be available to pick up in the church office sometime in early June.



Clubs and Service Groups



Elders - Our elders greet members and visitors, help the pastors with any needs and see that all goes well at worship service. If you have any concerns for our church, please talk to head elder Adam Tykwinski or any of the other elders.

Quilting and Fellowship - Join us from 10:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Thursday, May 11 and 25. Come for awhile, or stay the whole time. Call Donna Ceroll at 232-2464 with questions.

Gold Club - Gather together and enjoy some potluck food, faith and fellowship. Our next get-together will be at noon on Wednesday, May 17. Bring a dish to share that begins with the first letter of your last name. Gold Club is for anyone!

Beautiful Garden - Come and enjoy some gardening at the Beautiful Garden in the Beautiful Savior backyard. We hope to begin planting on May 13. Our weekly gardening sessions are at 5 p.m. on Wednesdays and at 9 a.m. on Saturdays. We also have gardeners who come at different times throughout the week at a time that works better for them. We hope to recruit more gardeners this year, so if you are interested, come check it out! Email tim.deitemeyer@hotmail.com if you wish to be added to the gardening communication list.

BSLC Coffee Club - BSLC members, men and women of any age, are invited to gather at 8:30 a.m. on Friday mornings at Randy's, 2130 University Dr. S., Fargo.

LWML - will have their monthly meeting at 6 p.m. on Thursday, May 18, in the fellowship hall.

Thank you to the congregation for your loose change donations for mites. The LWML has surpassed our Mite goal at the national level.

The Eastern Zone LWML Spring Event : The spring event was held April 15 at Beautiful Savior with 54 in attendance. Pastor Allen Kramp gave the Bible study "Bloom and Grow Where God Puts You," which was the theme for the event. Kelly Krenzel talked about her business Hope Blooms. There was an interactive activity of making flower arrangements, writing joy cards and cutting twine. The ingathering items were collected for Hope Blooms. Lunch was served by the Beautiful Savior LWML women.

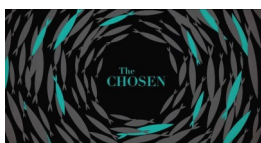


LWML National Convention: Join fellow LWML women at the 2023 national convention June 22-25 in Milwaukee, WI. Celebrate the "Lord of the Nations," (Psalm 33:12-13). Register at www.lwml.org. A list of in-gathering items is on the church website or on the convention display in the narthex.

Upcoming Bible Studies

9:30 a.m. Sunday morning Bible study: "Everyone His Witness" - We will help you to get over your fear of the word "evangelism" and instead focus on good news and great joy in Jesus Christ. We will help you witness to friends, coworkers and any other non-churched people you may know. How is this done? It means listening to those who are unsure about Christianity. It means asking questions that aren't accusatory and sharing the Good News about Jesus. Notice how there's no bashing, no judgment, and no forced imposition of beliefs. Instead, there's understanding, communication and honesty between friends.

6:30 p.m. Sunday night Family Bible Study: "The Chosen" - See the Bible come to life through "The Chosen" video series. Bring family and friends for a night of fellowship and faith. A potluck supper begins at 6 p.m. followed by the study. We will finish season two on May 7 and break for the summer.



7 p.m. Tuesday night Bible study: "Celebrating the Saints" - How much do you know about figures from Christian history like Emperor Constantine, Polycarp or Anselm? What about lesser-known people from the Bible such as Silas, Matthias (not Matthew) or Simon the Zealot? Throughout history, God has delivered His people by demonstrating His goodness, mercy and grace. In the forgiveness of sins in Christ alone, God's people are rightly called saints. Intertwined with the Lord's story are those who are His. Join us to see God working remarkably in the lives of His people.

9 a.m. Thursday Women's Bible study: "Praying the Psalms" - "Praying the Psalms" will help you learn how to openly express the full range of emotions - joy, anger, distress, hope and trust - to God.

7 p.m. Thursday, May 25: Men's Bible study - Enjoy fellowship with other men from our church and learn what the Bible says about the vocation God gave us.

7 p.m. Thursday, May 11: Married Couple Bible study - We will be taking a look at what God's Word has to say about marriage and why it is still relevant today!

According to Plan

By Pastor Brian

“For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures,” (Corinthians 15:3-4).

We love it when things go according to plan. Maybe it's a road trip that has each stop carefully researched and detailed. And there are no car issues, nothing more than routine traffic and everything goes according to plan. Or maybe it's a business merger carefully planned and executed by the right people to minimize conflict and maximize productivity. Or it could be a retirement plan that appreciates with time and regular contributions. It is satisfying when everything goes according to plan.

The reason we love that feeling so much is that it so rarely happens. Life is full of variables that derail plans. Cars break down. Employees become disgruntled. Financial emergencies happen. So much for the plan.

When Jesus Christ died on the cross, it looked like God's great plan of saving mankind had been derailed. What good was a dead Savior?

But the apostle Paul makes clear that the death of Jesus was all part of the plan. The Scriptures, God's Word, foretold this plan from the beginning. And not only did the Scriptures foretell Jesus' death and resurrection, also Jesus himself proclaimed that this would happen. Jesus fulfilled everything that the Old Testament prophets predicted that He would do. And Jesus predicted His own death and resurrection and pulled it off.

No wonder Paul says that this is of first importance. Christ died, was buried, rose from the dead and appeared to many witnesses. All according to the plan to deliver you from your sins!



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“Main Street Living North” TV Program News

Mass shootings, floods and other natural disasters, a decaying moral culture – these are evidences of the fallen creation “groaning in travel” all around us! These are the same words I used four years ago for the introduction to that month's MSLN article. They continue and even accelerate today. And yet, those whose trust is in Jesus can live with a “peace that surpasses all understanding” and a sure hope in the sure promise of the resurrection. This is the message broadcast weekly by our MSL media ministry.

To add your financial support, checks may be sent to Main Street Living North, 821 Fifth Ave. S., Fargo, ND 58103, or donate by credit card or your PayPal account on the website. Thank you, and God's blessing in Christ!

PEACE LOVE HOPE JESUS PEACE

May pastors and sermons are as follows:

May 7: Rev. Ronald Hobbie, Zion and St. John Lutheran Church, Ada, MN, presents the message: “The Way,” based on John 14:6. *This Is the Life:* “Break up.”

May 14: Rev. Brian Shane, Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Fargo, presents the message: “The Unknown God,” based on Acts 17:16-31. *This Is the Life:* “Alibi.”

May 21: Rev. Kirk Lee, Immanuel Lutheran Church, Parkers Prairie, MN, presents the message: “Under the Mighty Hand of God,” based on I Peter 5:6-11. *This Is the Life:* “No Place to Hide.”

May 28: Rev. Dr. Dwayne Lueck, president of the North Wisconsin District LCMS, presents a Pentecost Sunday message. Visit www.mainstreetliving.com for more information. *This Is the Life:* “The Main Event.”



2023 Easter Flower Dedications

Lily Placed by:

Joan Fiechtner

Marlys Gregory
LaVon & Chris Johnson
Kathy Johnson
Joe & Lori Pytlik
Brian, Rochelle, Davis,
Benett & Ellie Rieck
Maggie & Gary Stende
Kim, Jack & Noah Ternes

Mum Placed by:

Luke & Naomi Carl Family

Rita Kaeding
Karen Mart Taverna
Mark & Kay Osman
Dave & Kim Scheer
Abby & Leah Tykwinski

Mum Placed by:

Randy & Sonja Jorgensen

Begonia Placed by:

Gene, Denise, Lucas &
Lexi Doeling
Glen & Jodi Haekenkamp
Carol LeMier

Joe & Lori Pytlik

Arla Strege

Begonia Placed by:

Wanda Roesler

Mike & Judy Sellden

Kalanchoe Placed by:

Shirley Elsner
Pat Ensrud
Mike & Mardi Schlichtmann

Jim & Vickie Willprecht

In Loving Memory of:

Ole & Tillie Robberstad
Fred & Selma Fiechtner
My Loved Ones
Our Grandparents
Rev. Charlie Johnson
Mick Pytlik
Larry Rieck

Our Parents
Duane Matzke

In Loving Memory of:

Grandma & Grandpa
Joy & Bob Bossert
Eric Kaeding, Son
Larry Mart
John Totenhagen, Dad
David Jr.
Glenn Hubrig, Grandpa

In Honor of:

Our Family

In Loving Memory of:

JP Wiest, Father, Father-in-law &
Grandfather
Edwin Haekenkamp, Father
Irene LeMier, Mother
Patty Teele, Sister
Loren Thalmann, Grandfather
Leon Pytlik, Grandfather
My Loved Ones

In Honor of:

Marlyn & Eugene Roesler,
Parents
Our Families

In Loving Memory of:

Bruce Elsner, Husband
Rod Ensrud
Eugene Paulsrud, Dad
Raymond Schlichtmann, Dad
George & Shirley Kram, Parents
Lloyd & Bonnie Willprecht,
Parents

Memorials

In Memory of Margaret Grefe (Janet's Mom)
Loretta Swanson



Deaths

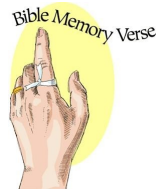
Dec. 20, 2022 - Camette Marie Peters, 63, formerly of Minot passed away in her home.

Cam was born on March 26, 1959, in Eureka, SD. She was adopted by William and Darlene (Tryhus) Peters. She graduated from Minot High School. Most recently, she had been employed at Essentia Hospital, Fargo, as a dietary aid for many years. Cam especially enjoyed watching professional wrestling.

Cam is survived by her mother, Darlene Peters of Minot; brother Alan (Karen) Korslien; sister Sandy Koss; and sister-in-law Kim Korslien. Cam was preceded in death by her father, Bill Peters, brother, Vern Korslien, and brother-in-law, Kelly Koss.

Interment will be in in the Spring in Fron Cemetery – rural Minot. Memorials are preferred to the Fron Cemetery Association.

Congregational Memory Verse Challenge



May 7: John 17:17 - Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth.

May 14: Romans 12:12 - Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

May 21: Philippians 1:6 - I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

May 28: John 1:12 - To all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.

Crossfire Youth Praise Band

Crossfire will lead the 8:15 a.m. worship service on Sunday, May 14. We will practice at 6 p.m. Saturday, May 13, and from 7-8 p.m. Sunday, May 7. We will have our Dairy Queen party at 7 p.m. Sunday, May 21. Call Ramsey at 866-5403 with questions.



BSLC Sunday School News

Sunday School Students to Sing:

The pre-k through third-graders will be singing at both worship services on Sunday, May 14. Please have your student at the church by 8 a.m. for a short practice. They are welcome to sing at one or both services.



Last Day of Sunday School: Sunday school will conclude on Sunday, May 21. A huge thank you to all our teachers and assistants for teaching our youth this year. We hope you sign up to teach VBS. We hope you have a great summer and come back next fall refreshed and ready to lead our youth again!

CrossTraining

CrossTraining is for children in first through fifth grade. CrossTraining will meet from 1-2:30 p.m. Sunday, May 21. CrossTraining will involve food (both spiritual and physical), fun and fellowship. Contact Pastor Brian with questions.



LCMS Summer Bible Camps

Shepherd's Hill at the Crossroads is now taking registrations for summer camp. Check out the bulletin board by the office for a full list and description of all the programs, pricing and registration information or visit their website at www.shretreat.org or call Rev. Jon Bonine at 701-244-5225.



Lutheran Island Camp is now taking registrations for summer camps. For a full list and description of all their summer camp programs and registration, visit their website at <http://www.islandcamp.org/>.

Grace Lutheran School News

Thank you for joining us for Pasta with a Purpose on April 29. Between this year and last year's spaghetti dinner and memorials given on behalf of departed friends of Grace, we have officially raised enough money to purchase a new stage!

Camp Grace summer childcare will get underway at the end of May. We need a full time lead teacher to plan and oversee activities, work with the children and be a main point of contact for Camp Grace families. We also need a couple more part-time childcare assistants. Email secretary@gracels.com for an application or stop in at the school and pick one up.

Our students have been collecting chapel offerings for Mercy Meals. They will pack meals on Tuesday, May 23. Their goal is 1000 meals to send on the Orphan Grain Train around the world! If you would like to assist with this fun-filled outreach event, please contact Amy at ahirsch@gracels.com.

We have two important policy updates that will affect our association students and prospective students. Students who attend GLS from kindergarten through seventh grade will receive a 90 percent tuition discount for eighth grade. Kindergarteners who start now will be eligible for this discount when they are in eighth grade. If you have any questions about either of these programs, please contact Principal Susan Jahnke at 701-232-7747.

Alumni, please continue to register at www.gracelutheranschoolfargo.com. We are in the process of preparing our first alumni newsletter to mail out this summer.

Upcoming GLS Events:

- PreK-eighth grade Music Concert – 6:30 p.m. Monday, May 15
- Mercy Meals Packing – 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 23
- Kindergarten and eighth-grade graduation – 7 p.m. Thursday, May 25

May Youth Events

UPCOMING BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES: Join us for fun and fellowship!

- Wednesday, May 3 - from 7:30-9 p.m. - LYF for grades 6-12.
- Wednesday, May 10 - from 7:30-9 p.m. - LYF for grades 6-12
- Wednesday, May 17 - from 7:30-9 p.m. - LYF for grades 6-12.
- Wednesday, May 24 - from 7:45-9 p.m. - LYF for grades 6-12
- Wednesday, May 31 - from 7:45-9 p.m. - LYF for grades 6-12.



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Office Hours:

9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday

Pastor Chris and Pastor Brian are also available by appointment.

Worship Schedule:

Sunday at 8:15 & 10:45 a.m. in-person & via YouTube

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

Holy Communion is celebrated on the first, third and fifth Sundays of each month. Pastors are also available by appointment Monday - Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Worship Services available at:

www.beautifulsaviorfargo.com

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O-R Adam Tykwinski

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