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

Help Us Get Free Books About Jesus Where They Belong

By Pastor Chris

On Oct. 26, nearly 100 costumed children and their parents packed the parking lot at Beautiful Savior. They came to celebrate our annual trunk or treat, which featured 20 cars passing out candy from creatively decorated vehicles.

Inside the church, various games and prizes were offered. Kids tested their skills at pumpkin bowling (not as easy as it looks), shuffleboard and cornhole toss. They enjoyed free hot dogs, warm cider, cocoa and other treats and refreshments.

When Beautiful Savior began the Trunk or Treat event in 2009, we saw an opportunity to provide a wonderful night of fun and fellowship for our families and community -- all in a safe environment. But a few years ago, our main objective changed. Trunk or Treat became a night of evangelism. Instead of just passing out candy and prizes, we wanted to share something far more valuable: the news of sins forgiven and eternal life through Jesus.

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BSLC Thanksgiving Food Drive

Fall is a great time to give thanks for all of God's blessings and to help others in our church family who may be in need. Please bring canned goods (check expiration dates), non-perishable food items, paper products and gift cards to food stores to the church by Sunday, Nov. 20.



Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service

God blesses us abundantly every day. Beautiful Savior will offer a thanksgiving worship at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 23. Come and give thanks to God for all His gifts to us.



Decorate the Church Nov. 26

You are invited to help decorate the church for the Christmas season from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 26. Come for awhile or stay until it is done!

Advent Midweek Schedule

Advent Midweek services will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 30, Dec. 7 and 14. Soup and sandwich potluck suppers will be at 6 p.m. before services. Bring a dish, side or dessert to share.



Help Us Get Free Books About Jesus Where They Belong

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During our last several Trunk or Treat events, our church has purchased books to give to kids free of charge. Titles over the years have included the Biblical historical accounts of creation, the exodus, Christ's birth and our Lord's resurrection and Easter victory. Topics have included the chief parts of the Christian faith like baptism, Holy Communion and the Lord's Prayer.

But we could be doing more to ensure that the message of God's love in Christ reaches those who do not yet know and believe the Gospel. The books we have about Jesus don't belong in a box or office. They shouldn't be collecting dust on a shelf or in a corner.

They belong in the hands of kids who need a Savior. They belong in the hands of those whom God has created, redeemed and set apart.

I am asking for your help to identify kids who could use a free book about Jesus. These kids could belong to your family, neighborhood or social circles. They could be children of co-workers or kids of people you encounter every day.

Please feel free to stop by the office and look through these different books. Help us get them in the hands of kids. Together, let's share the light of Christ and the joy and life He brings.



Pastor Chris

Beautiful Savior Pictorial Directory

Beautiful Savior is getting ready to create a new 40th anniversary pictorial directory. We need your help to make it complete! Our directory will showcase our families, provide contact information and become a useful resource to keep us connected as the body of Christ. By participating, you will receive a free 8"x10" portrait and a printed photo directory.

Let the office know if you would willing to help with Sunday morning sign-ups, reminder calls or photo session check-ins.

Schedule your appointment online at www.ucdir.com. Click on the box on the right side of the homepage entitled "photography appointment scheduling login". Enter church code **nd120** and password **photos**. Sign up early to ensure you get the date and time you prefer.

Upcoming photography dates include:

- Tuesday, Nov. 29** - from 2 to 8:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, Nov. 30** - from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Thursday, Dec. 1** - from 2 to 8:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Dec. 27** - from 2 to 8:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, Dec. 28** - from 2 to 8:30 p.m.



Upcoming Bible Studies

9:30 a.m. Sunday morning Bible study: "Love and Life for All" -

In the coming weeks, Sunday morning Bible's study will be "Love and Life for All." It will consider God's precious gift of life, Christ's redeeming sacrifice to bring all eternal life and our role in sharing God's love with and defending those whom society would rather forget.

6:30 p.m. Sunday night Family Bible Study: "Chosen" - See the Bible come to life through "The Chosen" video series. Popcorn will be provided. Bring family and friends for a night of fellowship and faith.

We will meet through Nov. and resume after the first of the year.

7 p.m. Tuesday night Bible study: "Overcoming Life's Sorrows: Learning from Jeremiah" -

This tour of the book of Jeremiah shows us how to find comfort amid life's grief and heartbreaks by pointing us to Jeremiah's reliance on God and ultimately pointing us to Jesus, the real "man of sorrows" and the One in whom all hope and joy are found. This study is offered in person and via Zoom. You may enter the meeting manually: Meeting ID: 878 698 0623; Passcode: 497670 We will meet through Nov. 15 and resume after the first of the year.

9 a.m. Thursday Women's Bible study: We invite you to grab a cup of your favorite warm beverage and join us in "Sip, Savor, and Drink Deeply" by Deb Burma through Nov. 17. "Advent of the Savior" will begin Dec. 1.

7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10: 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 so relevant today!

7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 21: Men's Bible study - Enjoy fellowship with other men from our church and learn what the Bible says about the vocation God has given us.



Munchies for Missions Bake Sale

Before and after worship Sunday, Dec. 11

The LWML Munchies for Missions bake sale will be on Sunday, Dec. 11, after both worship services. BSLC members are asked to bake and fill containers of Christmas goodies to sell. Containers will be distributed on Sundays, Nov. 13, 20, 27 and Dec. 4. Bring your containers to the church between 9 a.m. and noon Saturday, Dec. 10. Shop on Sunday and take home a variety of tasty goodies for the holidays. Items will be available for a free-will donation. Thanks for participating in this LWML mites fund-raiser!



Advent Fun Shop Set

1-3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10

Mark your calendar now for our annual Advent Fun Shop. This fun family event of Christmas crafting for preschoolers through fifth-graders will be 1-3 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 10. The cost is \$3 per child, and an adult should accompany the children, especially younger ones. Each family is also asked to bring a dozen cookies for a cookie exchange. Please register your child with Pastor Brian or Stacy Knudson.



Thank You from Pastor Chris and Pastor Brian

Thank you to all those who sent gifts, cards and words of encouragement during Pastor Appreciation month in October. Your kindness and support is greatly appreciated!



Sign-up for Poinsettias On Altar

Sign-up now for poinsettias in memory or in honor of loved ones. We only have 20 slots available for poinsettias this year, so sign up as soon as possible to make sure you receive a plant. You can use the sign-up genius on our website or call the church office to reserve your plant. The plants are \$18. Make checks payable to LWML.



Grateful, Thankful and Blessed...

- For the volunteers who greet, usher, run the PowerPoint and set up communion.
- For the captains of our service groups and members who bring treats and help in the kitchen.
- For Sharon Lorz and her leadership in the kitchen.
- For all the volunteers who decorate and make the church look festive for seasons and events.
- For our volunteers who weed, plant and mow outside all summer and make the outside of the building look so nice.
- For the people who help in the office and assemble newsletters.
- For the people who come and help with the upkeep and maintenance of our church building.
- For our church council members and elders.

BSLC Treasurer's Report General Operating Fund

<u>Oper. Fund</u>	<u>Sept.</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Contributions	28,364	306,980
Expense	30,644	321,735
Surplus/(Shortfall)	(2,280)	(14,755)

A Celebration of Grace

for Grace Lutheran School

A graphic of a large, leafy green tree growing out of an open book. The background is a soft, blue sky with white clouds.

Friday, November 11, 2022
5:30 PM

Social hour, 3-course dinner,
program, and live and silent
auctions.

Sanctuary Events Center
670 4th Ave N, Fargo

The logo for Grace Lutheran School, featuring a large yellow cross and the text "Grace Lutheran School" with "CHRIST • CHARACTER • COMMUNITY" below it.

Clubs and Service Groups



Service Group - Our captains will call asking for treats or help with events. Thanks for your help.

November: A with captain Andrea Olson

December: Br-D with Janet Koppinger

Fellowship Captain Needed - Prayerfully consider if you could step up and be a captain. Our captains contact members to line up treats for Sundays and to set up or clean up for special services. A captain is responsible for a month at a time. E-mail Mary Seiffert at mseiffert@midco.net if interested.

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 - We will only meet once in November. Join us from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 10. Feel free to come and go as you are able. If you have any questions, call Donna Ceroll at 232-2464.

Gold Club - Join us for some potluck food, faith and fellowship. Our next get-together will be at noon on Wednesday, Nov. 16. Bring a dish to share. Gold Club is for everyone!

BSLC Coffee Club - BSLC members, men and women of any age, are invited to gather at 9 a.m. on Friday mornings at Randy's, 2130 University Drive S., Fargo.

LWML - We will meet at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 17. All women are welcome!

Thank you to all who attended the Fall Luncheon, to those who made monetary donations and silent auction donations. We were able to donate \$2,706 to HOPE, Inc.

LWML Sunday, Oct. 2
mite collection - \$251.39



Baptisms



Oct. 1: Waylon James Senger, son of Chanz and Laura Senger, born June 20, 2022. His sponsors are Anthony and Julie Lamb and Lonny Senger.

Oct. 8: Theo Jonathan Lehfeldt, son of Riley Joseph Roy-Lagasse and Atlanta Marie Lehfeldt, born July 26, 2022. His sponsors are Madilynn Lehfeldt, Zachary Lehfeldt, Cayden Lloyd and Max Defender.

Oct. 17: Emmett James Underhill, son of Darin and Sarah Underhill, born Aug. 9, 2022. His sponsors are Marcus and Madison Osman.

Oct. 30: Paxton Benjamin Lehfeldt, son of Zachary and McKenzie Lehfeldt, born Sept. 24, 2022. His sponsors are Shyann Lehfeldt and Atlanta Lehfeldt.

Weddings

Sept. 17: Griffin Gjestvang and Ashley Olson.

Oct. 22: Zachary Marthaller and Kristin Bosh.



Memorials

Arla Strege - in memory of Leland Niemann.

Deaths

Oct. 19: Grant German, 27, of West Fargo, passed away after a courageous battle with brain cancer. His funeral was at Beautiful Savior on Oct. 24.

Grant was born on March 10, 1995, to Tom and Julie German in Fargo. He attended school in Fargo and moved with his family to Indiana and graduated from Lake Central High School in St. John, IN. Grant returned to the Fargo-Moorhead area to attend Concordia College where he played football for two years. He transferred to NDSU and finished his bachelor's degree in biological science. Grant worked for both Sanford and Essentia as a lab technician and phlebotomist.

Grant was baptized at Immanuel Lutheran Church and confirmed at Crosspointe Lutheran Church.

Grant is survived by his parents, Tom and Julie German; sister Alissa (Rev. Duncan) McLellan, brother Dr. Paul (Alexandra) German; nieces and nephews Thomas, Sarah and Luke McLellan and Theodore and Elisabeth German; and grandmother, Agatha Herding.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents Edgar and Lois Turner and Paul German.

King of Kings

By Pastor Brian

“He (Jesus) is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.” (Colossians 1:15).

What does power look like? Some might immediately think of the professional athlete with a frame sculpted through countless hours in the weight room, sitting down at the bench press and pushing up 300 pounds. Others might think of a workhorse pickup truck with a V-10 engine, storming up a rocky incline and towing a trailer down an open stretch of highway. Still, others might think of power as being able to make decisions that control the actions of other people. The CEO of a business, for example, has the authority to establish company-wide protocol, to redirect resources, to promote and terminate employees. That is power.

All of these examples, however, pale in comparison with the power of Jesus Christ. The apostle Paul was referring to Jesus when he wrote, “He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.” Jesus sits atop the organizational chart of all things as “the firstborn of all creation.”

All the powerful examples we mentioned earlier are limited in scope. For example, the workhorse pickup truck can’t bench press 300 pounds, and the high-powered CEO would not, on his own, be able to tow a trailer down the highway. Christ the King, on the other hand, is all-powerful—that is to say, “not limited to one area” powerful.

In other words, there is no area of your life where Jesus finds his hands tied. There is no situation in your life where Jesus has to tell you “I’m sorry, there’s nothing I can do for you.” When you and I wake up in the morning we can never be exactly sure what’s going to happen in the day ahead. And that can be intimidating because there’s just so much that is out of our control. But Christians can face each day boldly, even with all its uncertainties—because this much is certain, Jesus is in control—as the firstborn over all creation.



“Main Street Living North” TV Program News

The fall colors absolutely delight me! Though by the time you are reading this month’s MSLN update, many of the trees in our districts will have lost their leaves. I decided to mention them anyway because every fall they bring worship to my heart and lips!

“For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse.” (Romans 1:19-20). I often ask how anyone can look at the beauty and design of the created world and not know there is God? The answer is found in the preceding verse which states that they intentionally “suppress the truth.” But we continue to proclaim it!

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.

November pastors and sermons are as follows:

Nov. 6: Rev. Timothy Stout, St. Peter’s Lutheran Church, Sawyer; St. Martin’s Lutheran Church, Anamoose; and St. John’s Lutheran Church, Kongsberg; presents the message: “Saints of God” based on Luke 20:27-40. *This Is The Life:* “Like Father Like Son.”

Nov. 13: Rev. Christopher Neuendorf, Our Savior’s Lutheran Church, Bottineau; St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, Rugby; and Immanuel Lutheran Church, Willow City, presents the message: “Faith Faces Fear: Our Redemption Draws Near” based on Luke 21:28. *This Is The Life:* “Families Come First.”

Nov. 20: Rev. Philip Beyersdorf, St. Mark’s Lutheran Church, Minot, presents the message “Why Be Unprepared?” based on Matthew 25:1-13. *This Is The Life:* “Conspiracy of Silence.”

Nov. 27: Rev. Rick Jones, Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch, Minot, presents the message: “Always be prepared ... for the Day of the Lord” based on Romans 13:8-14. *This Is The Life:* “Big Account.”

Beautiful Savior Celebrates 40 Years

The eleventh in a series on the history of BSLC

As we look back at the past, there is a lot to thank God for. As we look to the future, we ask for God's guidance and blessings to continue to use us to build His kingdom on earth. We pray that in the years to come you too may be "Built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by His Spirit." (Ephesians 2:22).

We want to thank those who attended the anniversary celebration program. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make this celebration happen. Here's to the next 40!



Laborers for Christ:
Lyle and Jeanne Puffe



1st Chairman: Paul Mayland, Charter Members:
Maxine (Yagow) Rust, Donna Larson, Joan Fiechtner, Teresa (Feichtner) Driscoll. Not pictured: Ed, Carol and Mike Herrmann and Charolotte Dotting.

Memory Verse Challenge

Nov. 6: Colossians 3:16 - Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

Nov. 13: Ezekiel 36:26 - And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.

Nov. 20: 1 John 3:16 - By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers.

Nov. 27: Jeremiah 31:33-34 - For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the Lord. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.



New Confirmation Teacher and Organist at BSLC

Mavis Smith recently moved to the Fargo area to be closer to her daughter and family.

She is a graduate of Concordia Seward with a Lutheran teaching degree, DCE degree and a masters degree in parish education.

She enjoys knitting, crocheting, playing piano or organ and sleepovers with her grandkids. Her favorite Bible verse is Jeremiah 29:11.

Although she is not a member at Beautiful Savior, she is happy to serve the Lord by playing organ and teaching seventh grade confirmation. Welcome to Beautiful Savior!

Preschool through Second Grade Christmas Practice

Christmas program practice for the younger children will begin Saturday, Dec. 3. The first grade and second grade will practice from 8:30 to 10 a.m. The preschool and kindergarten students are asked to come at 9:15 a.m. Their program will be at 8:15 a.m. on Sunday, Dec. 18.



Third through Sixth Grade Christmas Practice

Our Christmas practices for third-sixth-grade students will begin Saturday, Nov. 5. Below are the times and dates of practice. Thank you for bringing your children to practice each week.



Nov. 5	10 a.m. - noon	All third-to-sixth grade
Nov. 12	10 a.m. - noon	All third-to-sixth grade
Nov. 19	10 a.m. - noon	All third-to-sixth grade

Nov. 26 No Practice Happy Thanksgiving!

Dec. 3	10 a.m. - noon	All third-to-sixth grade
Dec. 10	10 a.m. - noon	All third-to-sixth grade
Dec. 17	10 a.m. - noon	All third-to-sixth grade
	12:30 p.m.	Pizza Party!
Dec. 18	10 a.m.	Practice and warm-up
	10:45 a.m.	Program

Please register your third – sixth-grade student for the play as soon as possible. Registration forms are on the website or in the narthex. All students are needed to make this play a success. You can call the office or Ramsey Dahl at 866-5403 with questions.

November Youth Events

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

Wednesday, Nov. 2, 9, and 16 - from 7:30-9 p.m. - LYF for grades 6-12.

Wednesday, Nov. 30 - from 7:45-9 p.m. - LYF for grades 6-12.

OCC Packing Party Information



OCC Packing Party: 9:30 a.m. until done, Sunday, Nov. 20. Everyone is welcome. Bring your family and friends!

- FREE potato bar lunch from 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. provided through a Thrivent Action Team Grant. A free will donation will help support our OCC efforts.
- Follow Your Box labels will be available for purchase for \$10 each. Find out what country your box goes to!

Bring us your empty shoeboxes. Our goal is to pack 200 boxes again this year!

Check out our Amazon Wishlist for other ideas. A list of gift ideas and Do Not Include list is available on the church website or in the narthex.



Volunteers needed for OCC Packing Party!

- **Set up on Nov. 19:** Adults and teens to set up tables, sort and arrange items and decorate.
- **Party help on Nov. 20:** Adults and older teens to work the sign-in table, take photos, check boxes and more.

To sign up, check out the Signup Genius link on the church website.

Want to Support OCC Shipping?

Scan the QR code to make a donation. Your donation will go directly to Samaritan's Purse to support OCC. Our BSLC Fargo Team Page goal is \$2,000, which will cover shipping for 200 boxes.



Email Jennifer at: rnlkrause@yahoo.com with any questions.

CrossTraining



CrossTraining is for children in first through fifth grade. We will meet from 1-2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 27.

CrossTraining involves food (spiritual and physical), fun and fellowship.

Contact Pastor Brian with any questions.

Crossfire Youth Praise Band

Crossfire will lead the 8:15 a.m. service on Sunday, Nov. 13. We will also practice at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 6 and 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 12. Call Ramsey Dahl at 866-5403 with questions.



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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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