

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church 1947-2023

Finding Peace in the Midst of Chaos by Pr. Leah Lawson

I'm so thankful for vacations! Sometimes, we just need to take the time to recharge the batteries. What this recharge looks like is different for all of us. I personally like to travel, but I also like to do absolutely nothing! Towards the end of my vacation, I traveled to Fort Worth to attend the Ordination of my friend and colleague, Sean McConathy. I also did a few other things around the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex like shopping, eating yummy food, and visiting with an old friend. I also discovered the Fort Worth Botanic Garden during my visit. What an amazing and beautiful place! As I walked around, I was surrounded by God's glorious creation! I had found peace in the midst of chaos.

My experience at the Fort Worth Botanic Garden has got me thinking about how we find peace in the midst of our every day lives. Granted, we are fortunate to have botanical garden in Amarillo, but we can't go to the botanical garden every day. How do we find peace in the ordinary, the every day, the chaos?



I will admit, that I am easily distracted by the busyness of ministry and of ife. Sometimes, I find myself in such a hurry that I need to force myself to slow down, take a breath,

and look around. What is right before my eyes in that moment? Perhaps, it's the beautiful rose bush behind the parsonage. Maybe my dog, Stella, was playing with one of her toys and it made me laugh. Perhaps, it's having a great conversation with friends over dinner. Those precious moments of peace are all around us. We just have to take a moment to savor them.

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Worship

Sundays Mornings 9:30 AM with communion



Office Hours -Monday - Thursday, 9:00AM-12:00PM, 1:00-3:00PM (closed during the noon hour) Friday, 9:00AM- 12:00 PM

Staff:

Leah Lawson, Pastor Cheryl Hall, Office Manager Marsha Moller, Music Director

COUNCIL NEWS MARCH 2023

Council met on May 15 for a business meeting.

Members Present: J. Moller, J. Reinschmidt, S. Berry, B. Flatt, C. Kuehler, D. Rosenthal, B. Berg,

G. Rohloff, D. Wisker

Members Absent: Pr. L. Lawson

Others Present: C. Hall, AM Shadduck

Pastor: Linda Allen and I attended the Northern Texas – Northern Louisiana Synod Assembly in Shreveport on April 28th & 29th.

Education/Youth—Sunday (5/21/23) will be the last children's church and Sunday School for summer break, possibility to look into a person to man the nursery during the summer break

Vacation Bible School is coming on July 15.

Look for more information in the coming weeks.

Fellowship-

We have provided coffee and treats on Sunday mornings. We have made plans for a Mother's Day reception, and purchased a block of tickets for a Sod Poodles Game. We have continued live streaming church services and maintaining current info on our church website and facebook pages to reach our homebound members and nonmembers alike.

Property—

- Amarillo Sprinkler Co. inspected and repaired church and parsonage sprinkler systems. Will add additional sprinkler head inside the parsonage backyard fenced area.
- Contacted Bruce Russell to schedule painting on the West side of buildings, parsonage and garage. Need to paint the door frames at the storage buildings.
- Removed additional play equipment in the children play area.
- Will discuss with Spencer Berry to add additional screen in the pastor's office to check camaras at church entrances, similar to that in Cheryl's office.
- Will replace fireplace cleanout door.



Church Council:

Jerry Moller, Council President; Biff Flatt; VP, Blair Berg, Treasurer; Chelsea Kuehler, Secretary; Deanna Rosenthal, Education/Youth; Spencer Berry, Fellowship;/Evangelism; Johnny Reinschmidt, Property; Greg Rohloff, Stewardship/Social Concerns' Diane Wisker, Worship

FINANCIAL NEWS

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

Treasurer's Report

April of Fiscal Year 2023

Month

<u>INCOME</u>			
OFFERINGS		Actual	Budget
GENERL FUND ENVEL	OPE	20,347.74	18,750
GENERAL FUND LO	OSE	160.10	83.33
OTHER RECEIPTS			
BUILDING USE		658.96	166.67
MISCELLANEOUS		20.00	20.83
	Total Income	21,178.72	19,020.83
EXPENSE		16,006.94	18,110.50

General Fund Offering and Attendance in May.

May 7

general fund: \$5282; Attendance:76

May 14

general fund: \$3185; Attendance: 71

May 21

General fund: \$1291; Attendance: 62

May 28

General Fund \$2275; Attendance 56

On behalf of Child Outreach International, Fred and Wanda Garcia would like to thank the children and other members of Beautiful Savior for their noisy offering donation.

It is greatly appreciated and will be used for the children's programs in the village of Esperanza, Guatemala. The **Women's Study** meets Tuesdays, June 13th & 27th at 10 am.

KEENAGERS

June 7 at Noon Potluck Lunch

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

For our members

Lorrayne Vogel, Audrey Holman, Dorothy Chesley

For our family members and friends

Hattie, Bruce L., Garry, Sandy, David, Aiden, Carla, Doug, Elizabeth, Dan, Michael H., Tim, Scott, Danny, Randy, John.



Please keep Twila Nunn and her family in your prayers. Twila's mother, Sheila Pezzello, passed away on May 24, 2023 in Amarillo after battling pancreatic cancer. Twila is Greg & Judy Rohloff's daughter-in-law.

Please keep the family of Jan Lund in your prayers. Jan, the wife of the late Dan Lund who served at The Church of the Damascus Road, passed away on May 16, 2023. Dan and Jan worked together to open Jay's Place, a ministry that served men who had been released from incarceration.

For our homebound members

Beverly Roush, Donna Nuss, Jon Edler, Keith & Arliss Johnson, Kenneth Huckabee, Betty Loomis, and Beatrice Kirkeeng

For those serving in the military - Sergeant Luke Butler

Good News: Fifteen year old Aiden, who we have been praying for, has finally received a kidney after waiting almost two years. He is doing well six weeks after the transplant. Please keep in your prayers that he continues to do well.

If you have placed someone on the prayer list and there has been a change, please keep the church



06/2 Sheryl Habeger

06/3 Sherrill Pohl
6/4 Connie Hawkins
06/5 Biff Flatt
06/7 Luann Heuton
06/9 Johnny Reinschmidt
Bob Roulston

06/12 Ellen Cole

06/17 Tanya Berry

06/24 Royce Berry

06/29 Phyllis Antle



If you need pastoral care of a visit or phone call, contact the church office at 359-9483 (Pastor Leah's office hours are 9 am to 4 pm Monday – Thursday).

To add prayer requests into the church's prayers in the weekly bulletin and/or the prayer chain call/email the church.

To join the prayer chain by email, contact the church office at beautiful-savioramarillo@gmail.com

Sunday Scripture Readings

SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 2023 THE HOLY TRINITY

First Reading Acts 2:1-21

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Second Reading
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

Gospel John 20:19-23

SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 2023 2ND SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

First Reading Hosea 5:15--6:6

Psalm 50:7-15

Second Reading Romans 4:13-25

Gospel Matthew 9:

SUNDAY, JUNE 18, 2023
3RD SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

First Reading Exodus 19:2-8a

Psalm 100

Second Reading Romans 5:1-8

Gospel Matthew 9:35

SUNDAY, JUNE 25, 2023 4TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

First Reading Jeremiah 20:7-13

Psalm 69:7-10 [11-15] 16-18

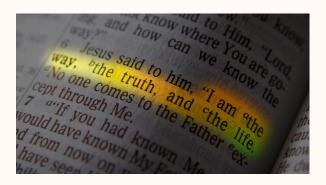
Second Reading Romans 6:1b-11

Gospel Matthew 10:24-39

If you are not sure how to pronounce some of the names in the readings, below is a link to help you and also a link to look up readings from the NRSV Bible.

https://biblespeak.org/

NRSV Bible Online: https://bible.oremus.org/





It is not difficult for me to remember that the little ones need breakfast in the morning, dinner at midday and something before they go to bed at night. Indeed I could not forget it. And I find it impossible to suppose that our heavenly Father is less tender or mindful than I. ...

I do not believe that our heavenly Father will ever forget his children. I am a very poor father, but it is not my habit to forget my children. God is a very, very good Father. It is not his habit to forget his children.

—J. Hudson Taylor



Summer solace

The best remedy for those who are afraid, lonely or unhappy is to go outside, somewhere where they can be quite alone with the heavens, nature and God. Because only then does one feel that all is as it should be and that God wishes to see people happy, amidst the simple beauty of nature. As long as this exists, and it certainly always will, I know that then there will always be comfort for every sorrow, whatever the circumstances may be. And I firmly believe that nature brings solace in all troubles.

—Anne Frank, Diary of a Young Girl

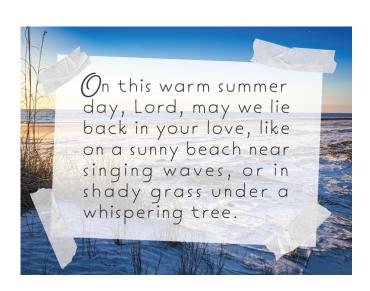
June 2023

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24			1 10 am Revelation Study 7pm Revelation	2 5 pm Game Night Supper 6:30 pmSod Poodles	3	
4 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship	5	6	7 10 am Food Pantry 12 pm KEENAGERS	8 10 am Revelation Study 7pm Revela- tion Study	9	10
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FYI - Our worship services are now live streamed on Beautiful Savior's Facebook page: <u>Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church-Amarillo</u> Pass it along.