

Good News



Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church 1947-2023

The Lenten Giving Project: UPDATE
by Pr. Leah Lawson

On Tuesday, March 21, I received a phone call from Michel Hokanson. She is the Community Engagement Coordinator from Refugee Services of Texas Amarillo office. She asked me if she could pick-up some donations. She said that they were in need of toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, and laundry detergent. So, we made arrangements to have her stop by the church on the next afternoon. In the last few weeks, they have had lots of new clients come in recently. These refugees are coming from Congo, Sudan, Burma, and Afghanistan. She was so thankful for our donations!

In our everyday lives, we take things like shampoo, deodorant, laundry detergent, and toothpaste for granted. For the majority of us, if we need these items, we just jump in our cars, drive to the store, buy these items, pay for them, and go home. For Refugees, it's not that simple. They rely on the kindness and compassion of strangers in a foreign land to provide them with the basic necessities of life.

There are many verses in the Bible about refugees. Jesus and his parents became refugees when they had to flee to Egypt due to King Herod's plan to kill the child (Matthew 2:13-23). Sometimes, it's easy for us to dismiss refugees, immigrants, and foreigners because they are different. They speak a different language, dress differently, or practice a different religion. We live in fear of what we don't know or what we don't understand. When we live in fear of others, we miss opportunities to love our neighbors, including refugees. In those moments when fear gets in the way of love, remember the words from Psalm 34:4, "I sought the LORD, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears."

I want to thank everyone who has donated to our Lenten Giving Project! If you haven't had an opportunity to donate items, there is still time. Our last day for donations will be Easter Sunday, April 9.

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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 met on March 4 for a business meeting and retreat.

Members Present: J. Moller, B. Flatt, C. Kuehler, G. Rohloff, D. Wisker, D. Rosenthal, S. Berry, Pr. L. Lawson

Guest Present: C. Hall

Members Absent: B. Berg, J. Reinschmidt

New Business:

- * Membership request accepted from Laura Jayne "Jay" Kohrt to transferring her membership from St. Matthew Lutheran Church (ELCA) in Urbana, IL
- * Panhandle Conference Meeting in the Fall (September) approved. There will be a morning worship service, lunch, the business meeting afterwards

Education/Youth—The committee met on Feb. 7 and organized volunteers for Children's Church and the Children's message.

There will be a noisy offering during children's church on April 30 to benefit Child Outreach International.

Property—

- Willis Plumbing repaired leak on the janitor's closet faucet and installed a new commode in men's restroom across from the kitchen.
- Fred Nance (Mills Janitorial) cleaned/buffed existing wax on the fellowship hall & kitchen and the gym floors.
- A runner board on the bottom of the parsonage fence was installed due to the 3- 4 1/2 inch opening at bottom.
- Look for the sign up sheet for lawn mowing in the narthex.

Worship: We have decided to bring back greeters and gift bearers! We will also have bread instead of wafers on Sundays such as Easter, Christmas, Pentecost, and Reformation. (Basically, the Sundays when we use the white or red paraments.) For now, we will not use the common cup due to high rates of COVID, flu, and other illnesses

General Fund Offering and Attendance in March:

March 5
\$7547; 59

March 12
\$1970; 68

March 19
\$1970; 71

March 26
\$1732; 70

Office: If you are a reader on Sundays and would like a copy of the bulletin early, please contact Cheryl Hall or Pastor Leah.

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/>

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

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

Treasurer's Report February of Fiscal Year 2023

	Month	
<u>INCOME</u>		
OFFERINGS	Actual	Budget
GENERL FUND ENVELOPE	17,077.24	18,750
GENERAL FUND LOOSE	91.00	83.33
OTHER RECEIPTS		
BUILDING USE	116.99	166.67
MISCELLANEOUS	30.00	20.83
Total Income	17,224.23	19,020.83
EXPENSE	22,986.31	22,249.12

Beautiful savior has purchased a new web domain. Our website name has changed to beautifulsaviorlutheranamarillo.org. Reminder: [Giving electronically is made easy](#) on the website. Just click on Giving.

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church
Following Christ: loving, growing, serving.



The **Women's Study** meets Tuesdays, April 11 & 25 at 10 am. The **Wired Word** meets on Thursdays, April 13, 20 and 27 at 10 am and 7 pm. .



- 04/01 Charles Wright
- 04/03 Sally Lehrmann
- 04/06 Judy Rohloff
- 04/08 Ethan Schmidt
- 04/15 Greg Hinders
- 04/19 Rita De Mar
- 04/21 Church Jacobson
- 04/23 Laurie Dale
- 04/24 Evelyn Wells
Dane Nuss
- 04/26 Dorothy Bivens
- 04/30 Shirley Petersen

KEENAGERS

April 1 at Noon—Potluck
Hosting: Melinda Flatt, Sally Lehrmann & Lucille Longhofer

REMEMBER IN PRAYER IN PRAYER

For our members

Lorrayne Vogel, Steve Studtmann

For our family members and friends

Hattie, Bruce L., Garry, Sandy, David, Dillan, Aiden, Carla, Rob, Doug, Elizabeth, Dan, Michael H., Tim, Scott, Taylor-Ann, Gavin, Danny, Terry, Randy, Mason, John, and Polly Jo.

For our homebound members

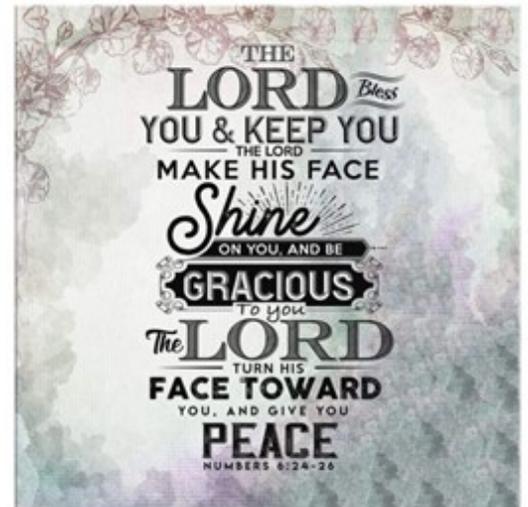
Beverly Roush, Donna Nuss, Jon Edler, Keith & Arliss Johnson, Kenneth Huckabee, Betty Loomis, and Beatrice Kirkeeng

For those serving in the military - Sergeant Luke Butler

Prayers of Thanks

Updates Encouraged! If your prayers for comfort and healing have been answered, please contact the office to let us know. We will add your loved ones to the "Prayers of Thanks" section.

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



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



HOLY WEEK

Palm/Passion Sunday – Sunday, April 2

Maundy Thursday – Thursday, April 6 at 7:00 pm

Good Friday- Friday, April 7 at 7:00 pm

Easter Breakfast

7:30-9:00 am Breakfast

(Look for a sign-up sheet in the narthex to bring either a breakfast casserole, fruit of a bread.)

Easter Worship

Sunday, April 9 at 9:30 am

Easter Egg Hunt

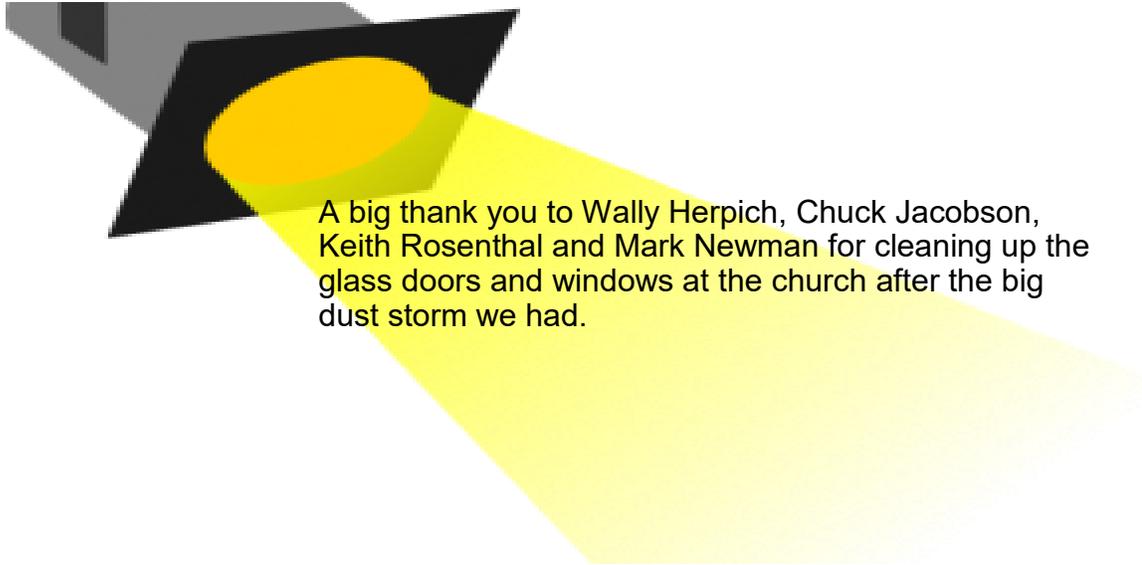
Immediately following the Service

Got Any Spare Change?

Noisy offering on April 30 to benefit Child Outreach International.



SPOT LIGHT...



A big thank you to Wally Herpich, Chuck Jacobson, Keith Rosenthal and Mark Newman for cleaning up the glass doors and windows at the church after the big dust storm we had.

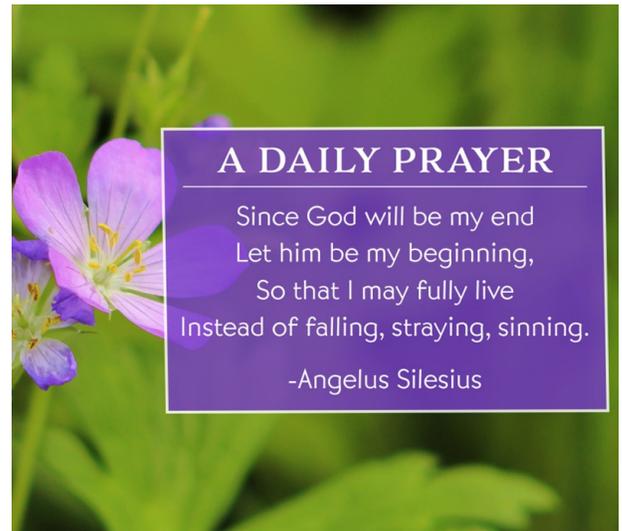
Remembering The Rev. Yvonne Kiebler

The Rev. Yvonne Kiebler died on Friday, December 30, 2022. Yvonne was a member of Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church in the early 1990's.

Listed below is an excerpt from Bishop Gronberg's blog from January 7, 2023. He was able to attend Yvonne's funeral at Advent Lutheran Church in Arlington.

After the service I sped down I-20 to Arlington in time to receive the Eucharist at the funeral of the Rev. Yvonne Kiebler at Advent Lutheran Church-Arlington.

Pastor Joel Burkholder preached and presided as the community gathered to give thanks for Pastor Keibler's ministry and life. Yvonne was a second career pastor. Having served in Governmental service for many years. She faithfully served a multi-point parish call in the Panhandle and then at King of Glory-Fort Worth. As she retired she continued to be a supply preacher and interim as called.



A DAILY PRAYER

Since God will be my end
Let him be my beginning,
So that I may fully live
Instead of falling, straying, sinning.

-Angelus Silesius

April 2023

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD

1

2
9:30 Worship
10:45 Choir

3

7 pm
Property

4

10am
Women's
Study

5
10 am Food
Pantry

12 pm
KEENAGERS

6

7 pm Maundy
Thursday

7

7 pm Good
Friday

8

9
7:30-9 Break-
fast
9:30 Worship
10:45 Egg
Hunt

10

7 pm
Property

11
10am
Women's
Study

12
10 am Food
Pantry

13
10 am
Wired Word

7 pm
Wired Word

14

15

16
9:30 Worship
10:45 Choir

17

7 pm
Council

18

19
10 am Food
Pantry

20
10 am
Wired Word

7 pm
Wired Word

21

22
11:00 am
G. Miller
Memorial

23
9:30 Worship
10:45 Choir

24

25
10am
Women's
Study

26

27

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NT-NL
Assembly

29

NT-NL
Assembly

30
9:30 Worship
10:45 Choir

Jeremiah 29:11
11 For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.



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FYI - Our worship services are now live streamed on Beautiful Savior's Facebook page: [Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church-Amarillo](#) Pass it along.