

Good News

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church 1947-2023

A Monday Morning Surprise by Pr. Leah Lawson

One Monday morning, I was rushing around, getting ready to go to the office. My first stop was to get some iced coffee and some breakfast. So, I go to one of my favorite coffee places on the planet, Dunkin. For some reason, on this particular Monday morning, it was taking longer than usual to receive my order. There were several employees, looking a bit stressed. I didn't ask what was going on, so I waited in the comfort of my air-conditioned vehicle. Finally, I received my iced coffee. A few minutes later, they asked me if I had received my iced coffee and I said yes. I was informed that they had made an extra one by mistake and asked if I wanted it. I, of course, said yes! So, I received a free iced coffee, the iced coffee I paid for, my food, and I was on my way.

I love when these kinds of things happen! When I went to Dunkin that morning, I had no idea that I was going to receive a free iced coffee. I will admit, it's not a huge, life changing event, but it was a wonderful surprise. It amazes me how much I have been thinking about this simple act as I write this article. I wonder how God works in these types of situations? Does God allow these little mistakes to happen in order for God's children to be blessed or does stuff just happen? I could go down a lot of rabbit holes regarding this incident, but I think I will just accept this surprise on a Monday Morning and give thanks to God for free iced coffee.

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Worship

Sundays Mornings



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 July 17 for a business meeting.

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

Members Absent: D. Wisker

Others Absent: C. Hall,

New Business:

- The process of budgeting the church finances for 2024 was begun with the passing out of budget worksheets to council members.
- We are trying a new order of service that started on July 30, 2023. The sharing of the peace will move up from middle of service to the beginning, the new order will be: Welcome, peace, announcements, then the worship service.

Fellowship—

- We have provided coffee and treats on Sunday mornings. We hosted a Father's Day Lunch on Sunday, June 18th. We enjoyed the church group Sod Poodles Game, and a hamburger and hotdog dinner before it! We have continued live streaming church services and maintaining current info on our church website and facebook pages to reach our homebound members and non-members alike.
- Activities/Events in past month: We showed our appreciation for fathers on Father's Day, with a "Fajitas for Fathers" lunch. Attendance was solid, and the food was delicious!

We hosted a short hamburger and hotdog dinner from 5-6:30pm on Friday, June 30th, before a group of about 16 of us went to enjoy watching the Sod Poodles play baseball.

- Projected Goals/Progress for next month: We will continue providing great fellowship for the church and community. We will continue to look to improve our live streaming, and look for outreach/evangelism opportunities.

Social Concerns— Greg Rohloff mentioned he is waiting on progress reports from the Texas Ramp Project of Panhandle. One Saturday in July, three groups, including BSLC team, assembled ramps. Last year 78 ramps were assembled last year.

The Food pantry continues to see high usage with 155 people served in June, compared to 154 in May.

\$300 in gas cards have been purchased with Helping Hand fund.



Notice: The Church Office will be producing a new member directory soon. Please make sure the office has your current address and phone information.

Thank you.

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 June of Fiscal Year 2023

	Month	
<u>INCOME</u>	Actual	Budget
OFFERINGS		
GENERL FUND ENVELOPE	13,242.79	18,750
GENERAL FUND LOOSE	00.00	83.33
OTHER RECEIPTS		
BUILDING USE	517.60	166.67
MISCELLANEOUS	00.00	20.83
Total Income	13,670.39	19,020.83
<u>EXPENSE</u>	17,473.64	24,126.15

General Fund Offering and Attendance in July.

July 2

general fund: \$4647; Attendance: 51

July 09

general fund: \$5448; Attendance: 48

July 16

General fund: \$3780; Attendance: 67

July 23

General fund: \$902; Attendance: 55



The **Women's Study** meets Tuesdays,
August 8th & 22nd at 10 am.

KEENAGERS

Aug 2 at Noon Potluck Lunch

Note: Laurie McAfee will be our guest to give us
an advice on the 2 new scams and an update on
Food Stamps and Medicare

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

For our members

Audrey Holman, Dale Thompson, Wanda Garcia, Rita De Mar, Fred Snyder, Jon Kuehler

For our family members and friends

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

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.

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



08/07 Kenneth Berry
08/15 Corinne Wright
08/21 Marsha Moller
08/25 Keith Rosenthal
08/28 Carla Nuss
08/31 Alex Sanchez
Noah Sanchez



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, August 6 2023 10th Sunday of Pentecost

First Reading
Isaiah 55:1-5
Psalm
Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21
Second Reading
Romans 9:1-5
Gospel
Matthew 14:13-2

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023 12TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

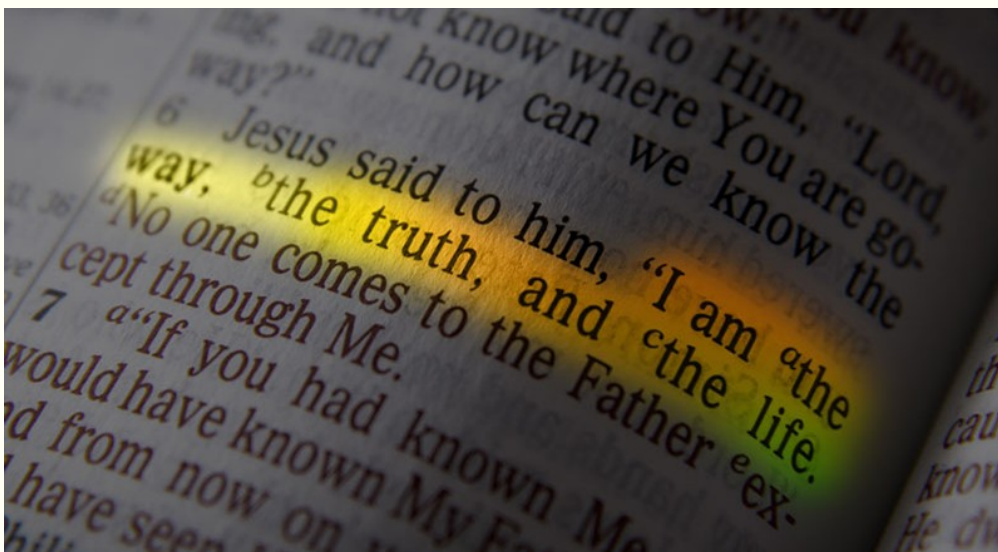
First Reading
Isaiah 56:1, 6-8
Psalm
Psalm 67
Second Reading
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
Gospel
Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2023 11TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

First Reading
1 Kings 19:9-18
Psalm
Psalm 85:8-13
Second Reading
Romans 10:5-15
Gospel
Matthew 14:22-33

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27 2023 13TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

First Reading
Isaiah 51:1-6
Psalm
Psalm 138
Second Reading
Romans 12:1-8
Gospel
Matthew 16:13-20



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/>

“little the footpath to peace,”

—according to author and pastor Henry Van Dyke (1852-1933):

- to be glad of life, because it gives you the chance to love and to work and to play and to look up at the stars;
- to be satisfied with your possessions but not content with yourself until you have made the best of them;
- to despise nothing in the world except falsehood and meanness, and to fear nothing except cowardice;
- to covet nothing of your neighbor's except [their] kindness of heart and gentleness of manners;
- to think seldom of your enemies, often of your friends and every day of Christ;
- to spend as much time as you can with body and with spirit in God's out-of-doors



Thy will be done

Placing ourselves completely into God's hands can be challenging. If you need help in that area, pray these words from Thomas à Kempis: “Lord, you know what is best. May your will decide what shall be done. Give what you will, how much you will and when you will. Do what you know is best for me. Do what pleases you and brings your name most honor.

“Put me where you will, and deal with me in all things as you please. I am in your hand — turn me backwards and forwards, turn me upside down. Here I am, your servant, ready for anything, for I have no desire to live for myself but only to live perfectly and worthily for you.”

August 2023

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

<p>“ You are saved by God’s grace because of your faith. This salvation is God’s gift. It’s not something you possessed.” EPHESIANS 2:8</p>	1	2 10 am Food Pantry 12 pm KEENAGERS	3 10 am Revelation Study 7pm Revela- tion Study	4	5 3 pm Memorial Service Dorothy Chesley	
6 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship	7	8 10 am Women’s Study	9 10 am Food Pantry	10 10 am Revelation Study 7pm Revela- tion Study	11	12
13 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship	14 7 pm Property	15	16 10 am Food Pantry	17	18	19
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27 9:30 Worship 10:30 Fellowship	28	29	30 10 am Food Pantry	31	<p>THIS I KNOW, that God is for me. PSALM 56:9</p>	



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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.