

Good News



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Happy Anniversary!

by Pr. Leah Lawson

It's hard to believe that we will be celebrating 75 years of ministry at the end of September! Thanks be to God for all the ministry and all the memories that have taken place here at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church. A lot has happened in the congregation, the community, and the world over the last 75 years. There have been times of wondering through the wilderness and there have been times of enjoying the abundance of the promised land. No matter the circumstances, the people of Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church have remained faithful to this church and to God.

I have been at Beautiful Savior a little over a year now, but sometimes, it feels like I have been here much longer! (That's a compliment by the way! ☐) I have heard so many stories that I feel like I know the people of Beautiful Savior. This congregation loves spending time together, serving together, and worshipping together. Even though there have been disagreements, conflict, and all those things that cause strife, this congregation comes together to proclaim and share the love of Jesus.

I'm looking forward to our 75th Anniversary Celebration! It will be a wonderful time of fellowship, worship, stories, laughter, and perhaps some happy tears. I hope that you will be able to join us on September 24 and 25.

VISIT US ONLINE

www.beautifulsavioramarillo.org

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



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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

Beautiful Savior Church Council met on August 15, 2022.

Council members present: Pastor Leah Larson, Jerry Moller, Ingrid Owen, Greg Rohloff, D'Ann Berry, Johnny Reinschmidt, Deanna Rosenthal, Linda Allen, Rita De Mar

Those absent: Laurie Dale and Blair Berg

Guest: Cheryl Hall

New Business:

- Budget worksheets are to be reviewed and council will start to put together the budget for 2023. The budget will be presented to the congregation for approval at our annual meeting in November. Currently we are a little behind, but anticipate an increase in giving by the end of the year.
- Ann Marie and Joe Schaddock have requested membership in BSLC. Request approved.

Evangelism/Social Concerns

In July the food pantry provided 82 meals which feed 185 people.

One food bag was given to a person in need. One gas card was provided to a person in need. Initially we purchased 12 cards at \$25.00 each. To date we have given out 4.

In July, fourteen people received home communion and 14 disposable sets were given to members to use while watching our church services.

One ramp was built.

The sewing group received a thank you card from a recipient of a port protector. She stated that she was very tentative about driving because of the seatbelt rubbing on her port, but now she is able to drive everywhere. The card will be placed on the bulletin board.

Fellowship— The ice cream social was a success with 20 people attending. The Sod Puddle game was hot but fun. A hot dog and s'mores game night is scheduled for Saturday October 15 between 5:30 and 8:30 pm.

Property—

- ⇒ Pastwa Tree Service removed damaged tree near office sidewalk.
- ⇒ Glass door at South entrance to narthex repaired.
- ⇒ Gym floors, kitchen and entry to be cleaned/waxed and fellowship floors, kitchen will be burnish to improve wax already on floors, the week of Aug 23.
- ⇒ Courtyard and East facial board near office entrance to be painted the week of Aug 23rd.

Church Council:

Jerry Moller, Council President; D'Ann Berry, VP, Blair Berg, Treasurer; Laurie Dale, Secretary; Deanna Rosenthal, Education/Youth; Ingrid Owen, Fellowship; Rita De Mar Evangelism/Social Concerns; Johnny Reinschmidt, Property; Greg Rohloff, Stewardship; Linda Allen, Worship

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

Treasurer's Report July of Fiscal Year 2022

INCOME	Month Actual	Budget
OFFERINGS		
GENEAL FUND ENVELOPE	15,483.00	18,500.00
GENERAL FUND LOOSE	107.00	12.50
OTHER RECEIPTS		
BUILDING USE	396.20	166.67
MISCELLANEOUS	10.00	16.67
Total Income	15,996.20	18,695.84
EXPENSE		
Total Expense	19,431.57	



TITHE.LY

Reminder: Giving electronically is made easy on Beautiful Savior's website. Just click on give.

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Thursdays @ 10:00 am & 7:00 pm
Final Sessions
September 1, 8

BY HEART: CONVERSATIONS WITH
MARTIN LUTHER'S SMALL CATECHISM
by [R. Guy Erwin \(Author\)](#) ...



09/01 Rochelle Berg
09/03 Blair Berg
09/09 Konni Murphy
09/20 Courtney Johnson
09/27 Marian Cole

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

For our members

Luann Heuton

For our family members and friends

Hattie, Bruce L., Steve, Garry, Sandy, Glen, David, Dillan, Aiden, Carla, Rob, Barbara, Allen, Doug, Lynn and Dan

For our homebound members

Beverly Roush, Eldon & Bea Kirkeeng, Genevieve Miller, Donna Nuss, Jon Edler, Keith & Arliss Johnson, Kenneth Huckabee, Richard Meads, Betty & Rhone Loomis

Prayers of Thanks

For the baptisms of Laluna Leikos Nation, Nyx Elizabeth Nation, and Gallifrey Maxine Dale! They are the daughters of Elizabeth Dale and the granddaughters of Laurie Dale.

For those serving in the military -

Sergeant Luke Butler

Updates Encouraged!

Cheryl Hall's brother, Steve, had a successful surgery to implant a pacemaker. Thank you for your prayers.

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) .

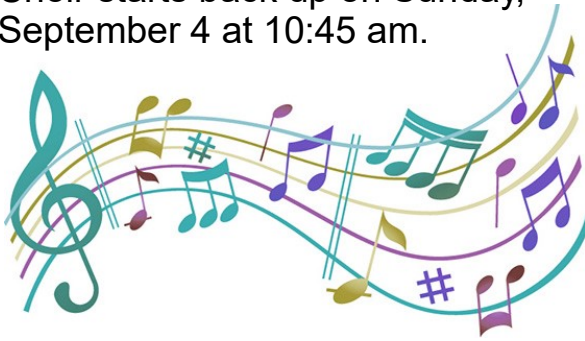
To add prayer requests into the church's prayers in the weekly bulletin and/or the prayer chain call/email the church.

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



KEENAGERS meet on Wednesday, September 7. Our hosts this month are Marjorie Spencer, Shirley Petersen and Evelyn Wells.

Choir starts back up on Sunday,
September 4 at 10:45 am.



Easily given

It was only a sunny smile,
And little it cost in the giving;
But it scattered the night like morning light,
And made the day worth living. ...

It was only a kindly word,
A word that was lightly spoken;
Yet not in vain, for it stilled the pain
Of a heart that was nearly broken. ...

It was only a helping hand,
And it seemed of little availing;
But its clasp was warm, and it saved from
harm

A brother whose strength was failing. ...

A smile may lighten the falling heart,
A word may soften pain's keenest smart,
A touch may lead us from sin apart.
How easily either is given!

-source uncertain

The Wired Word will resume on Thurs-
day, October 6th at 10 AM and 7 PM. We
will continue to meet in the fellowship
hall.

75th Anniversary Banquet

Beautiful Savior Lutheran
Church

Saturday, September 24,

Dinner 6:00 PM
(Please RSVP)

Sunday Worship September 25,

Bishop Gronberg Presiding

Brunch following the worship
service.

The Wired WORD

-The **Panhandle Conference** will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church in Lockney on Saturday, September 17 from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

Tentative Schedule

10:00 AM – Arrival and Social Time

11:00 AM – Worship

12:00 PM – Lunch

1:00 PM to 3:00 PM – Social time and conversation with Pr. Kris Totzke, Bishop's Associate for Leadership Formation and Congregational Care



October Events

-Blessing of the Animals will be held on Saturday, October 1 at 3:00 PM.

-Hot Dogs, S'mores, and Game Night will be held on Saturday, October 15 at 6:00 PM.

LOOKING
PRETTY
NIFTY
AT FIFTY!

Party time!
Richard Owen is turning 50

Party on Saturday, October 8
5-9 pm

Location: Wally and Karen Herpich's house
5 Windsor Rd (Bishop Hills)

In lieu of gifts please bring a side dish to
share

Please carpool if possible.

RSVP: Ingrid (806) 290-0088 or Karen
(806) 676-6424


Greetings From Former Pastors of Beautiful Savior On The Occasion Of The Church's 75th Anniversary

I thought my nine years at BSLC (1980-89) were turbulent but they pale in comparison with today's political, social and spiritual angst.

The peace and justice issues of the 1980s included immigration (fallout from the war in SE Asia) and de-nuclearization (later marked by the fruits of SALT and build down of weapons). Our church and its ministries ran in place to keep even.

Today's challenges are the deeply troubling mistrust of our basic institutions even our churches and clergy. I pray and ask you to join me in this celebration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of BSLC that clergy and those who identify as Lutheran Christians have the courage and faith for the historical moment and the strongest witness to Christ and the power of the Gospel in all our living.


Pr. Darrel Gilbertson



Many years ago, we made our 1st journey up the long hard Amarillo Highway. 150 miles can be long and hard for some, but here on the High Plains of West Texas it can mostly grow on you! The end of the journey became a spiritually enriching encounter with the welcoming folks of Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church. Through the years of covering worship and growing in the love filled relationships with the wonderful people that make up the congregation of Beautiful Savior, our lives have been greatly blessed and enriched.

On this 75th anniversary we celebrate God's presence, ministry and love in and through you over these years. Our lives have been richly and deeply blessed and we thank God for you.
Love in our relationship ahead,

Pastor Mike Holmes and Sharon



As Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church celebrates the seventy-fifth anniversary of its organization there are many wonderful memories of work which we have done through the Holy Spirit in sharing God's love with the people of the panhandle of Texas and far beyond. There have been special events like Vacation Bible Schools, worship services with other congregations in the community, fellowship events such as Oktober-fests and Epiphany dinners, fund-raisers for world hunger and our sister church in Sierra Leone, conference and synod assemblies, the Helping Hand Fund, the food pantry as well as involvement in youth camps and the Lutheran Youth Organization

We also enriched the lives of our members with Christmas plays, Advent and Lenten services, Easter Vigils and egg hunts, food fun, Keenagers, the columbarium and stained glass windows among other things. But the best thing about Beautiful Savior is the people who work together to make everything happen from mowing the lawn to keeping up the property, preparing for worship, singing and most importantly, loving one another.

Above all it is the people who shared ministry with us that made Beautiful Savior an important and beloved place for us. God bless you in the years to come.

Charles, Phoebe and Kristina Meyer

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Greeting from former pastors, continued from page 6.

Dear Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church friends,

We give you thanks, O God, we give you thanks, calling upon your name and declaring your wonderful deeds. – Psalm 75

On this 75th Anniversary of the congregation, I give thanks to the LORD for all that God has done in and through you. Thinking about all that God did in and through you while I had the opportunity to serve as your pastor makes me smile.

I remember those whom God adopted through the waters of baptism or whom the Spirit renewed in their baptismal identity. I'm thinking about those whom God fed around fellowship tables, food pantry visits, and with weekend food bags through the schools. God spoke the good news of his grace in Jesus Christ through preaching, choir anthems, and Bible studies. God answered prayers through ramps, visits, and the sacrificial generosity of the congregation.

God also built a beautiful and resilient community that embraced our family. Y'all were there for us before there was a Sarah and you multiplied our joy as you welcomed and nurtured her. Y'all were the ones who made the promises at her baptism to pray for her and support her in her life in Christ. Y'all were the ones who taught her that the church is the place and community where she belongs and is loved unconditionally. You will always be part of the story we tell on her baptismal birthday. We had great joy recently seeing your faces in the pictures and videos of Sarah's baptism. It reminded us again how great it was to be among you.

On this the 75th anniversary of Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, we thank God for all that he has done in and through you. May you continue to embrace the movement of the Holy Spirit and be eager to collaborate with the gracious will of God to share the love of Jesus with the world. May your celebration be a giant thanksgiving to the One who does wonderful deeds.

In Christ,

Pr. Stephen, Betsy, and Sarah Friedrich

Pr. Stephen is currently serving as pastor at Peace Lutheran Church in Knoxville, TN. Betsy is serving as Director of Music at Peace Lutheran Church and also works as an Administrative Assistant at C&T Publishing. Sarah has started fourth grade and has a love of building with Legos and crafting with lots of sparkles.

SPOT LIGHT

The Hands of volunteers are the hands
that make a difference.

The 75th Anniversary Committee



Karen Herpich



Spencer Berry



Gene Reneau, Mary Jones, Rochelle Berg, Chelsea Kuehler, Sally Werner, Blair Berg, Pr. Leah Lawson, D'Ann Berry, Christine Johnson, Diane Wisker



Love is the spark that kindles the fire of compassion. Compassion is the fire that flames the candle of service. Service is the candle that ignites the torch of hope. Hope is the torch that lights the beacon of faith. Faith is the beacon that reflects the power of God. God is the power that creates the miracle of love.

—William Arthur Ward



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July 20, 2022

Pastor Leah Lawson
Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church
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Dear Pastor Leah Lawson and the community of Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church,

Greetings to you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

As we reach the midpoint of the calendar year 2022 it is right to take a moment to look back and most importantly say **THANK YOU** for the ways in which you have supported our mission together. **For your faithfulness in stewardship and sharing God's abundance we say THANK YOU!!!** We are grateful for your gifts as well as the many special and designated offerings made.

In 2022 our records indicate you have contributed \$9624.58 in undesignated mission support. **THANK YOU!!!** Please check this against your records to ensure that this information is correct.

We are especially grateful for these gifts as they come in the midst of continued instability and uncertainty in our world. The continued Covid pandemic, economic uncertainty, and civic division create a climate in which it would be understandable that individuals and communities might be reticent to share God's abundance. Yet our faith reminds us of God's call to trust and share that which we have been entrusted to steward. And thus far in 2022 NT-NL communities have done so as mission support levels continue to be consistent with previous years.

Beyond financial support we are grateful for all the ways your community contributes to the life of our synod and our work together. This includes service on synod teams, participation, and support of programming and most importantly service and proclamation in your community that bears witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ.

As we move into the second half of 2022 I encourage you to continue to be alert and aware to the ways God is working in you and your communities. Thank you for sharing the abundance God has placed before you and for your continued commitment to this work. We do so...

#InMissionTogether,


Bishop Erik K.J. Gronberg

*Looking Forward
to the 75th!*

— In Mission Together

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September 2022

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat



God who labors and rests,
thank you for giving us
this rhythm for life.
I rest in you.

1

10 am
By Heart

7 pm
By Heart

2

3

4

9:30 Worship

10:45 Choir

5 Labor Day
God who la-
bors and
rests, thank
you for giving
us this
rhythm for
life.

6

7

10 am Food
Pantry

12 pm
KEENAGERS

8

10 am
By Heart

7 pm
By Heart

9

10

11

9:30 Worship

10:45 Choir

12

7 pm Property

13

10 am Wom-
en's Study

14

10 am Food
Pantry

15

16

17

Panhandle
Conference—
Lockney, TX

18

9:30 Worship

10:45 Choir

19

7 pm Council

20

10 am Wom-
en's Study

21

10 am Food
Pantry

22

23

24

6 pm 75th
Anniversary
Dinner

25

9:30 Worship

11 am Pot -
Luck Brunch

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10 am Food
Pantry

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