

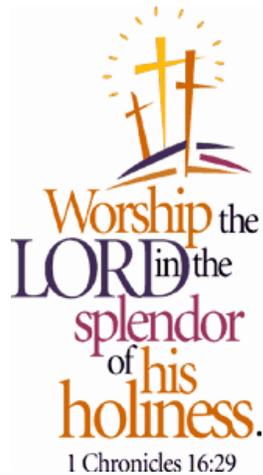


Newsletter from Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Fargo North Dakota

## June 2011

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## Summer Worship Times

Beginning May 29

Sunday Services at 8:30 and 10 a.m.

Beginning June 2

Thursday Service at 7 p.m.

For the summer, we are changing the time of Sunday services and offering two services on Sunday mornings this year instead of having only one service. We also are adding a midweek service on Thursdays. Our prayer is that this would enable more people to attend and provide some flexibility. There will be thirty minutes between the services for fellowship.

### VBS - June 5 to 9 From 6 to 8:30 p.m.

#### Where God is wild about you!

Join us for this year's Vacation Bible School adventure "Panda Mania" as we experience God's love in Christ Jesus. This year, VBS is totally free of charge (except optional meals). There will be games, songs, crafts, snacks and much, much more as we learn God's word and grow in our faith.

If you have signed up, we look forward to seeing you. If not, please fill out a form at the church, e-mail the church or give the church office a call. Please also invite your friends!

The whole family is invited to our Rowdy Wrap-Up at 8 p.m. Thursday, June 9. We will sing, recite and review what we learned! An ice cream sundae party will follow.

Supper will be served from 5:15 to 5:45 p.m. at a cost of \$2 per person.

### Crew Leader Meetings Set

All those who have volunteered to be crew leaders for VBS should attend one of two upcoming training sessions from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 31 and Wednesday, June 1. Both meetings will be held at the church in Room 101.

### Voters' Meeting June 19 at 9:40 a.m.

There will be a short congregational meeting between services on June 19 to elect a member to serve on the Grace Lutheran School Board. See page 5 for more information about the voters' meeting.

### OUR MISSION

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

## Where Would We Be If . . .

PASTOR DAVID WAGNER

Within about a month, we celebrate Mother's Day and Father's Day. Sandwiched in between those celebrations is Memorial Day, a time when we remember not only our loved ones who have died, but also an occasion to consider those in the military who have sacrificed so much so that we may live in freedom. Where would we be as individuals if we did not have the love and support of parents and loved ones? Where would we be as a country if we did not have the men and women who bravely served this country?



I don't know how you would answer those questions. However, I firmly believe that life would not be as rich and full. Therefore, I believe it is proper and right not only to set aside specific days to honor these people, but also always to show proper respect to those who have given and sacrificed so much for us.



If that is how we honor and respect certain people, what should our reverence and thanks be for what God has done? Where would we be without Him? The psalmist ponders that as he declares: "If the Lord had not been on our side . . . the flood would have engulfed us, the torrent would have swept over us," (Ps. 124:2a, 4). The author of the psalm is using poetic language to picture what would have happened if God was not with us. We would be swept away. We would be no more. Considering the whole teachings of the Bible, we realize that this applies to our lives both physically and spiritually.

But the good news declared to us is that God is there for us. We see this throughout the Bible. But it becomes the clearest for me as I ponder Jesus' life and work. As we look at Jesus, it is vital to remember that he came to serve all of humankind – including you.

With this in your mind and out of a grateful heart, I encourage you to show honor, respect and thanks to God our Father and our Savior, Jesus Christ. Worship regularly. If you are out of town on a weekend, find a local church to worship in or join us on Thursday evenings. Let your thanks be shown through your offerings, which help us to carry on God's work. And just as people may display flags or place flowers on graves to show their love, I invite you to display God's love in your life so that others may see what He has done for you.

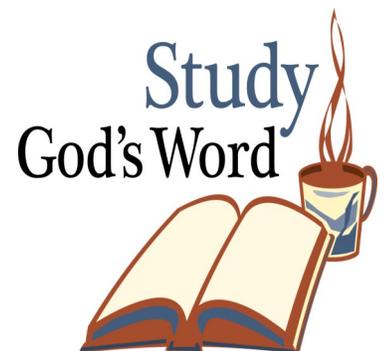
Where would we be if God was not there for us? We would be swept away. But thanks be to God that He cares for us and that He is able to supply us with all that we need.

"Our help is in the name of the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth," (Ps 124:8).

*Pastor Dave*

## Bible Study on First Samuel 7-8 p.m. Tuesday evenings

The Tuesday evening Bible study explores portions of First Samuel. This book of the Bible narrates a major transition in the life of Israel—the shift from government under judges to a monarchy. Samuel, the last judge, anoints Saul as Israel's first king. He later anoints David as the king who will take Saul's place. This book has tremendous applications for us today as we learn from the past, receive guidance for our future and observe how the LORD God is with His people, working all the time. This study is set up so that you can join in at any time.



## LWML News



LWML will reconvene in September, but here is an overview of recent activities and service opportunities.

With proceeds from our fundraiser, we were able to send \$200 to the Salvation Army for food for flood workers; \$150 to the "Praise on the Prairie" event; \$200 to national LWML mission projects; \$100 to Ken and Carol Bunge, Lutheran Bible Translators; \$100 to sponsor Pastor Dave, Tim and Tina Deitemeyer in the FirstChoice Clinic golf event; \$25 to sponsor Rhonda Hoge in the Mission Walk at the national LWML convention in Peoria; and \$350 over the past six months to provide gas cards for people who stop at church asking for assistance. We made more than 85 dresses for girls in Kenyan orphanages and Ft. Yates Outreach Center. The quilting group made many quilts that have been sent to missions, troops and shelters.

Ongoing collections of items at this time include:

- Food and paper products for our church food pantry
- Adult and children's tennis shoes for Lutheran Island Camp – who sends them on to those in need
- Stamps
- Coupons for grocery items from your newspapers/magazines
- Soup labels and box tops for education
- Men's, women's and children's underwear in the original packaging to be distributed at agencies in Peoria, IL, and through the Orphan Grain Train.

Please bring any of the above items to the LWML kiosk and boxes in the hall across from the office.

Special Thank You to:

- Mardi Schlichtmann for chairing the Easter flowers, the Sponsor-a-Confirmand project (we need two more sponsors) and the Christian greeting cards that can be purchased.
- Loretta Swanson and Karen Mart-Taverna, chairs of the Kitchen Circle, for their work in the Fellowship Hall and everywhere else.
- Linda Brandt and Hope Adam, chairs of the Friendship Circle, for doing the Cradle Roll and sending cards to members who are ill or have other needs.
- Outgoing treasurer Jeanne Barchinger for all her work, including depositing and sending money to mission projects and purchasing gift cards.
- Those who will be officers for next year—Rhonda Hoge, Mary Seiffert, Maggie Stende and Marlene Bergseth.

We would love to see many more women from BSLC get involved with our missions and human care projects. LWML is a national organization for teen girls and women of all ages, young and young of heart who love to serve the Lord and His people. Please join us in September!

## Women's Summer Bible Study

"Spaghetti for the Soul"  
7 p.m. starting June 21

We invite you to a fabulous feast for the spirit. Drawing upon their shared Italian roots in Brooklyn and a friendship rooted in faith, Kathy Troccoli and Ellie Lofaro compare life to a heaping plate of spaghetti in this study: "Just the thought of swirling and slurping the unruly strands brings a grin," they write. "Spaghetti is delicious, nutritious and satisfying. It's also sticky and uncontrollable. Isn't that just like this journey we're all on?"

With wit, warmhearted humor, irresistible grace and keen insights, Kathy and Ellie urge you to take a generous helping of the richly flavored abundant life that only God can give. The authors dish up Biblical truths with lively storytelling and ten fabulous mouthwatering family recipes. Come and experience a renewed zest for the God who invites you to "taste and see."

Chapters include:

- Ingredients for a Life That Satisfies
- Faith That Transforms
- Faith That Triumphs
- Faith That Translates
- Hope Has a Name
- Hope Never Leaves
- Hold On to Hope
- God's Love for Us
- Loving God
- Loving Others
- Loving Yourself
- Let the Feast Continue



Sign up on the sheet in the narthex or contact Kim Wagner (her email is: [wagner@cablone.net](mailto:wagner@cablone.net)). The cost of the study guide is \$ 14. A DVD will also be shown on several of the evenings.

## Baptisms

May 1 - Aspen Faith, born March 23, 2011, daughter of Mike and Julie (Sprenger) Pallum. Sponsors are Sabrina Kliniske, Shera Dutroit, Randy Pallum Jr. and Brandon Hastings.

May 1 - Arrington Jean, born Feb. 25, 2011, daughter of Edward and Mandy Sheeley. Sponsors are Tara and Robert Melich.

May 1 - Madison June, born June 21, 2010, daughter of Ronald and Kelly (Harrison) Werner. Sponsors are Sandra and Aaron Hagel.

May 22 - Madix Jay, born March 29, 2011, son of Casey Adam and Brittany Wendt. Sponsors are Brenda Johanson, Gust Johanson and Hope and Kelli Adam.

May 22 - Brittany Marie Wendt, adult baptism.



## Lost and Found

What are you missing? A robe or a sleeping bag? Jackets, sweaters, gloves or other clothing items? Baby blankets? Other items? If you are missing an item, please check the lost and found box or the stuff that is hanging up in the coat room and see if any of it is yours. Items not claimed by June 15 will be donated to Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch.



## BSLC Coffee Club

BSLC members continue to meet at 9 a.m. every Friday. It's a time for fellowship and getting to know other Beautiful Savior members. This is for both men and women of any age. If you are free any Friday — please join us at 9 a.m. at the Village Inn, 3140 25 St. S., Fargo.



## Weddings

May 14—Jasen Bryant and Suzanne Fenske

## Derek Broten Ordained

A former member of our congregation and the son of Gail Waagen has completed seminary training and was ordained into the public office of ministry on May 7 at Woodbury Lutheran Church. Derek had been serving as a DCE (Director of Christian Education) in that congregation. He will continue to serve God's people and ministry there.

We pray for God's richest blessings upon Derek and the ministry at Woodbury Lutheran.



## Recycle Postage Stamps

Bring in all the postage stamps from your mail. Don't cut them—just bring in the whole envelope and put in the box outside the office. The money we receive for stamps goes to missions.



## Gold Club Lunch

Noon on Wednesday, June 15

Finally nicer weather - so hope you can come over for some yummy eats and entertaining stories! Bring your favorite dish to share with others about noon on Wednesday, June 15. This is open to anyone 55 or older or retired.

## Kitchen Circle meets June 16

The ladies will meet at 10 a.m. on Thursday, June 16, to get the kitchen in apple-pie order. Anyone is welcome to come help out! There's usually coffee, snacks and visiting too.



## Harlan and Esther Wallum Scholarship Fund

Are you thinking about where you or your children may go for college? Consider one of our LCMS universities. Grants are available to assist youth and adults who wish to begin, continue or advance their education from an LCMS university or seminary. Applications are available from the church office.

## Voters' Meeting (More information)

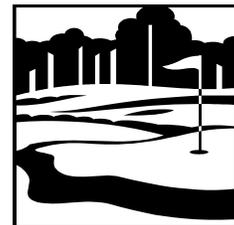
Besides electing a member to serve on the School Board, there is the opportunity for our congregation to nominate someone to serve in the North Dakota District of the LCMS. If you would like to serve or know of someone who would like to be nominated to serve as:

- a lay or pastoral board member,
- a member of one of the divisions, or
- president, vice-president or circuit counselor in the District,

please contact Brad Cogdill (237-3821) by June 15.

## Pastor Dave, Tim and Tina Deitemeyer to Participate in Golf Marathon

Several members of our congregation are golfing to raise money for FirstChoice Clinic on June 7. All money collected will be used to support their ministry of assisting women and families in receiving life-affirming education and support. If you would like to support this organization by sponsoring Pastor Dave, Tim or Tina, you can make a pledge per hole or simply pledge a set dollar amount. Pledge forms are available at the church.



## Grace Lutheran School News



GLS faculty and staff want to thank all our congregations for the many ways you support our

school! This year has been a blessing to us, and we pray it has been a blessing to our students, families and extended church families. Please keep our students in your prayers during the summer, asking God to be ever-present with them while they are away from GLS.

Principal Krupski had a setback on May 9, and had surgery to address an infection. God has continued to bless Principal Krupski with healing. He was released from the hospital and is recuperating at home. He continues with his outpatient rehabilitation. He welcomes visitors, and would love to have you call or stop by, but please call ahead to make sure he is available (701-893-6829). Thank you for your continued prayer support!

GLS operates a dynamic 3- and 4-year-old half day preschool program at our Beautiful Savior site.

New for 2011-2012 is an afternoon day care option eliminating the need for parents to pick up students mid day. We welcome students who need more of an academic and social challenge than just day care.

Pre-kindergarten is a five-day, full-day experience for 4- and 5-year olds. This is a fantastic way to gear up for kindergarten. With the price of day care rising, our Pre-K program eliminates the need for day care expenses on top of pre-school expenses. After school care is also offered until 6:15 p.m. Spots are filling up fast!

Enrollment for grades 1-8 is now open. Providing your children with a strong Christian and academic foundation will help direct the course for their lives. Would your child benefit from small class sizes, dedicated Christian teachers and high academic standards? Check us out in person or at [www.gracelutherschool.org](http://www.gracelutherschool.org). Tours are offered all summer!

Did you know your church's school runs a full-day summer childcare program called Camp Grace? This year we are broadening the ages of



enrollees from 4 to 12! We recognize that although 11- and 12- year-old children are becoming more mature, some parents are not ready to have them home alone all day during the summer. We've got a great solution for you! We are now accepting students through age 12. This summer promises to be a refreshed program with weekly themes, more activities, and different experiences. We are also planning to separate some activities for the older students that will be age appropriate and different than the younger students' activities. Maybe you would like your child involved in Camp Grace for half of the day because being home alone all day can get boring. There are seven full-time spots remaining but we can split a full-time spot if you would like half of the day. If you would like the peace of mind of knowing your child is active and safe - not just home alone, contact the school office at 232-7747 for a registration form. Invite your friends' children as well! Camp Grace is open to all.

# Just because the end didn't come doesn't mean the end isn't coming

Now that our world has survived the latest doomsday deadline, what are we to think? Unfortunately, this failed prediction may lead some to conclude that the end of the world must lie in the distant future. It may lead others to think that no end is coming.

Our Lord reminds us He will come again. Although the hour remains unknown, "No one knows about that day or hour...For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man," (Matt. 24:36-39).

Therefore, Jesus cautions his people to wait expectantly: "Be dressed and ready for service and keep your lamps burning like men waiting for their master to return from a wedding banquet so that when he comes and knocks, they can immediately open the door for him," (Luke 12:35-36).

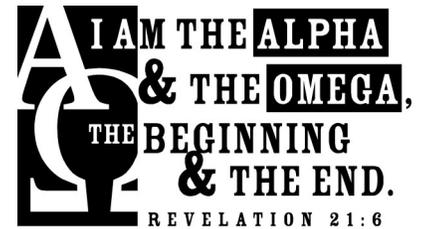
Jesus also makes it clear that our lives on earth cannot be predicted. Although we assume we have ample days left, death can come at any time. In Luke 12, Jesus tells a parable about a young man who spends his life accumulating wealth but rejecting God: "But God said to him, 'you fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?'"

What does this mean for us? It simply means that faith cannot be put off until tomorrow; we cannot and should not reject faith, placing a relationship with God on hold. Although God is persistent in his love and

calling for us, if we taste death apart from Him or live in unbelief when Jesus returns, there are no second chances. Christ warns us in the parable of the 10 virgins what happens: "The virgins who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet. And the door was shut. Later the others came. 'Sir! Sir!' they said. 'Open the door for us!' But he replied, 'I tell you the truth, I don't know you.' Therefore, keep watch because you do not know the day or hour," (Matt. 25:10-13).

The good news is if you are reading this and still on the fringe of faith, there is still time. That is why Paul writes: "I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation," (2 Cor. 6:2b). What Paul means here is that for those still living in persistent defiance and unbelief, God's grace and favor is offered here and now, today. God gives life and salvation freely in Jesus Christ, who suffered, died and rose to life again for all people. As Luke writes, "Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved," (Acts 4:12).

What Christ does for us in Christ is amazing. In Luke 12:37, the servants waiting for the Master are then served by the Master when He returns! That is God's heart for you. In Christ, He longs to save, love and serve you as only God can.



*Pastor Chris*

## Help Wanted: Consider helping out by:

### Running PowerPoint on Sunday Mornings

We put every worship service into a PowerPoint presentation and need someone to run it. It is something that is easy to do. If you have never done it before, you can be trained. If you believe you could help out in this way, please go to the back of the church where the computer is and sign up for a service on a particular Sunday.

### Serve on Grace Lutheran School Board

We are looking for a new school board member from our congregation. You do not need to have children at Grace to service. Contact Pastor Dave or Brad Cogdill.



### Volunteer Opportunities

church office by June 5.

### Weed Control

Help control the weeds in the church yard. If you or someone you know would like to help tackle the weeds in the church lawn, please contact Scott Simonson (280-2552) or the

### Mowing

Volunteers needed for mowing the church lawn. We would like to set up a schedule with several people helping out. If you can spare a couple hours once a week or even once a month and would like to drive the rider mower or just use the push mower - sign up now! Call Scott Simonson (280-2552) or the church office.

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## GOD IS WILD ABOUT YOU AT VBS!

Prepare for adventure as this year's Vacation Bible School tackles "Panda Mania!" VBS will be held from 6-8:30 p.m. from Sunday, June 5, to Thursday, June 9. Dinner also will be offered from 5:15-5:45 p.m. every night for a cost of \$2 per person. VBS is filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences that kids see, hear and touch! Bible Point crafts, team-building games and cool Bible songs are just a few of the VBS activities that help faith flow into everyday life. All kids from age 4 to sixth grade may attend. Please pre-register your child for this summer adventure to ensure a T-shirt and music CD.

## LYF elects new officers

Congratulations to our newly-elected Lutheran Youth Fellowship officers:

- Cody Fruehling, president;
- Morgan Schlichtmann, vice president;
- Marley Palm and Sean Thompson, secretaries and publicity chairs

We also thank those who served this year: Beth Osman, Kayla Schlichtmann and Cody Fruehling

## Youth Praise Band

Our Youth Praise Band will continue to meet during the summer months. Practice will be from 7– 8:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, June 21; July 5 and 19; Aug. 2, 16, and 30. If you have any questions, please call Ramsey at 866-5403

## June Youth Events

### Upcoming Bible Study Opportunities

**Wednesday, June 1** – from 7 to 8:15 p.m. – Destination Unknown for grades 7-12

**Wednesday, June 15** – from 7 to 8:15 p.m. – "The Pre-Flood World" for grades 7-12

### Upcoming Free Camp for Confirmation Students

**Sunday, June 19, to Friday, June 24** – **Creation Camp**. A free "creation camp" will be offered June 19-24 at Shepherd's Hill for those who will be in confirmation during the 2011-2012 school year. It is strongly recommended that confirmation students attend this camp. Please fill out a Shepherd's Hill registration form, located on the table outside the office, by June 11. Transportation will be provided. We will leave from church Sunday, June 19, at 11 a.m. and return to church Friday, June 24, at 6 p.m. Please bring along some money for lunch on Sunday.

### Upcoming Fellowship Events

**Sunday, June 26** – **Paintball Tournament**. All junior and senior high and parents are invited to gear up for paintball games from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, June 26. We will meet at BSLC at 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$25 if you have equipment and \$35 without equipment. Drinks and snacks will be provided, but you can also bring your own. For more information, please see Pastor Chris.

### Upcoming Servant/Fund-Raising Events

**Tuesday, June 28, and Wednesday, June 29** – **Feed My Starving Children/Valley Fair Trip**. All high-school aged kids should plan to join us for the Feed my Starving Children servant Event and Valley Fair Trip. Cost for transportation, housing and events is \$68. Beautiful Savior will pay \$35 for the cost of your trip. In addition, please also plan to bring about \$35 for meals. We will meet at 9 a.m. at BSLC on Monday and return around 10 p.m. Tuesday.

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## Office Hours

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Monday - Thursday

Additionally, Pastor Dave and Pastor Chris are available by appointment

## Worship Schedule

Sunday, 8:30 and 10 a.m.  
Thursday, 7 p.m.

**Holy Communion** is celebrated on the first and third Sundays of each month.

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## Other Volunteers

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