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The Life-Changing Event

by Pastor Dave

There is constant change in life. Most of the changes we experience are small. However, there are certain events that can be spoken of as life-changing. When these things happen, life is never the same as it was before. These events can have much sorrow attached to them, such as when there is a disaster, accident or death. These events can have much joy associated with them, such as when there is a marriage, birth of a child, move to a different place or a wish that comes true.



When life brings big winds of change that almost blow you over ... close your eyes, hang on tight and BELIEVE!

The resurrection of Jesus Christ is the greatest life-changing event in many ways for all of us who believe in Jesus as our Savior. It changes life because we are able to receive forgiveness and to be brought into God's family. It alters our future because we also will experience a glorious resurrection and a blessed eternal life.

The resurrection of Jesus also impacts how people live their daily lives as they worship regularly and as they live as loving and joy-filled people. In the book of Acts, we have accounts of how it changed people's lives. In the second chapter of Acts, we catch a glimpse of this. We read:

"Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved."

(Acts 2:46-47)

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Voters' Meeting

There will be a voters' meeting, on Sunday, April 3, between worship services.

"Manhood in the Family"

Men's Breakfast and Gospel-Centered Fellowship
9 a.m. to Noon Saturday, April 16
St. Andrew, 1005 1st St., West Fargo

Men need to be given opportunities to get to know one another and to grow in their faith through a variety of conversations and activities. They need to see that there are other Christian men who are excited about and committed to our Lord Jesus Christ. Our society does little to encourage men to "be there" for one another or to support and encourage each other. That's why we need to make some intentional efforts to provide an ongoing, Gospel-centered ministry to the men of our congregations.

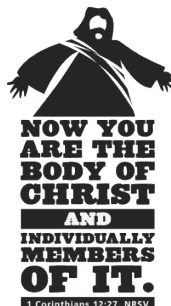
Rev. Dr. James Baneck, North Dakota LCMS district president, will be our presenter. This event is sponsored by Thrivent Action Team Event.

Register online at encouragement@gracefargo.org.

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

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After Jesus’ resurrection and the sending of the Holy Spirit, it is obvious that many people could not get enough of Jesus. Because Jesus ascended into the heavens after his resurrection, you were not able to see him. The next best thing was to hear the apostles talk about the words and acts of Christ. They gathered for worship where they were able to hear the words of the apostles and respond with their praises to what God had done for them. They gathered to pray for one another and encourage one another in their daily lives. Their actions impacted others who then came to believe in Jesus.



I would like you to stop and think for awhile. Think about not only how the death and resurrection of Jesus impacts your life but also how you live. We just celebrated what I considered to be the greatest event in the church calendar: the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. There were many people who joined in these special worship services. These are truly great days for all Christians to celebrate. However, our commemoration of Christ’s victory for us is not to be narrowed down to just some special days throughout the year—such as at Christmas and Easter. In the book of Acts, we see how people would daily meet and celebrate Jesus. Because daily get-togethers cannot always happen, the first Christians would meet every Sunday to worship. Each Sunday was a mini-Easter celebration. This continues on with us today.

We have worship services every Sunday. We do this because we also rejoice in the victory that Christ won for us through His death and resurrection. We also gather because this is God’s will for us. Through worship we are strengthened and taught in our Christian faith so that as we go out into the world we may be better equipped to serve God and others. In other words, the life-changing event of Christ death and resurrection continues to change how we live out our lives in our families, at school, at work and in our community.

I pray that the joy of Easter would be with you every day of the year. I encourage you to continue the celebration by worshipping each week. I also urge you to live your daily lives as one whose life is constantly changing towards loving God and others more.

Peace,

Pastor Dave

Ed Bean at Adult Bible Study Sunday, April 10

What did it mean when Hezekiah was told to "put his house in order?" What does that mean to you? Are your wants, wishes and desires for your loved ones and favorite ministries up-to-date? Is there the possibility of being too vague or too restrictive in your will or living trust? Have you thought about leaving a Christian preamble with your will or trust? Has someone explained the 40 percent North Dakota tax credit to you? Be sure to attend the Bible class hour on Sunday, April 10, to get your estate gifting plan questions answered! Ed Bean from the North Dakota District LCMS will lead this informative gathering.

Bible Studies

“Blessed are the Peacemakers”

9:40 a.m. Sundays

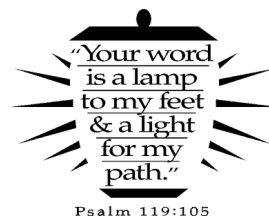
We have the responsibility to serve as peacemakers, as ambassadors of reconciliation. In our Sunday morning Bible study, we will be going through a study put out by *Ambassadors of Reconciliation*. Join us as we seek to learn, live and cultivate lifestyles that deal with conflict in healthy ways.

Tuesday Evening Bible Study

Joy, contentment and peace are the things that Paul writes about from a prison in Rome. This is all possible because of Jesus. Join us at 7 p.m. on Tuesday evenings as we delve into this letter from Paul.

Women’s Bible Study

Our women’s Bible study continues to meet at 9 a.m. Thursdays with a different topic each week. We invite all women to join us. We meet at 9 a.m. at the church.



LWML News

Our April LWML meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, April 21.

On Saturday, April 2, the LWML Spring Zone event will be held at St. John's Lutheran, Hillsboro. Our mission activity will involve packing food for Mercy Meals. If you would like to attend, talk to Mary Seiffert or Maggie Stende so that rides can be figured out.

April Service Group

Maggie Stende is our captain for the month of April. Our group consists of the last names that begin with the letter S. She will call you asking for fellowship treats or to help out with a funeral or other events. Thanks for your support.

Our May group will be T-Z with Kim Wagner as captain.

Elder for April

Our Elder for April is Dave Anderson. He will assist the pastors if there are any needs, greet members and visitors and help see that things run smoothly. Please take time to get to know our elders and let them know if you have any ideas or concerns for our church.

Food Pantry Items Needed

Some basic items are needed for our food pantry. Items needed are cans of chicken or tuna, soups, macaroni and cheese, cans of vegetables or fruit, small shampoos, soaps, toothpaste or deodorants. Leave items in office under Vicki's desk. Thanks!

Answers in Genesis April 10-12

Attend a free conference that will challenge you to think biblically, teach you how to defend your faith and help you point people to the Ark of salvation, Jesus Christ. Our speaker is Dr. Terry Mortenson, a theologian who has been speaking on the creation-evolution controversy since the 1970's. See below for his schedule and topics.

Sunday, April 10

9:30 a.m. St. Andrews Lutheran Church
Creation vs. Evolution: Why It Matters

12:30 p.m. Immanuel Lutheran Church
Creation vs. Evolution: Why It Matters

6 p.m. Grace Lutheran School
Ape-men, Adam & the Gospel

7:30 p.m. Grace Lutheran School
Noah's Flood: Washing Away Millions of Years

Monday, April 11

9 - 10 a.m. Grace Lutheran School
The Seven C's of History - Grades K-6

10:15 - 11:15 a.m. Grace Lutheran School
How to Think About Origins - Grades 7-12

7 p.m. Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
Dinosaurs: Have You Or Your Kids Been Brainwashed?

Tue, Apr 12

7 p.m. NDSU Memorial Union
The Origin of Species: Was Darwin Right?

(Sponsored by Lutheran Student Fellowship).
The address is 1401 Administration Ave, Fargo.



Saturday, April 16

9-9:30 Registration
9:30-11:15 Program with Humorist Jan Struck
11:15 Salad Luncheon
12:30-?? Optional informal fellowship with Jan

Sponsored, in part, by the Lutheran Women's Missionary League

All women are invited to attend this special event at Our Redeemer, 1000 14 St. S., Moorhead

Join Christian humorist, Jan Struck, as we laugh our way towards centering our lives in Christ by using His to-do list.

Childcare will be provided for children under 10 years of age. Please preregister by calling Our Redeemer at 218.233.7569.

Raising Money for Some Paws

Michael and Ruth Wirtz's 3-year-old daughter, Lucille, has been diagnosed with Autism, and they are in the process of getting her an autism service dog. A donation only (no price tags) rummage sale will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 23, at Grace Lutheran School. If you have items destined for the second-hand store, please consider donating them to the sale. You can call Michael at (701)371-0878 or Ruth at (701)371-8156 if you have any questions or have items to be picked up. Monetary donations are also being accepted. Visit their website at www.teamlucy.net for more information. All donations are tax-deductible.

Gold Club Wednesday, April 20

Are you not sure what Gold Club is? It's a chance for those older than 55 and/or retired to get together and socialize over a good potluck meal. If you've not come before, just bring a dish to share and meet in the fellowship hall at noon Wednesday, April 20. Bring a spouse, a friend or just come yourself.

Memorials to Organ Fund

Earl Behrens

His family	Loretta Swiontek
Diane Huso	Chuck Hoge
Colleen Cole	Donald Andersen



Praying for Others in Bulletin

Please remember to update the office on your prayer petition in our announcements. Prayer requests give all our church members a chance to pray for our particular needs and joys. God hears our prayers at all times.

BSLC Coffee Club

Every Friday, BSLC members gather at 9 a.m. at Randy's, 2130 University Drive S., Fargo. Take time to get to know other BSLC members. This is for both men and women of any age.

Chili Feed Thank You

The Beautiful Savior youth would like to thank the following families who donated chili or soup for our chili cook-off.



Pastor Chris and Jamie	Don Hartwig
Adam and Nancy Tykwinski	Donna Stewart
Dan and Carrie Berglind	Joan Fiechtner
Brent and Dawn Barth	Jeanne Barchinger
Dave and Kim Scheer	Joe and Sandy Paul
Steve and Maxine Rust	Craig and Susan Koeppe

Thanks to everyone who attended, brought and won silent auction items and gave extra donations. More than \$1,200 was raised. The youth appreciate the congregation's support and hope everyone enjoyed the nice variety of chili and soups.

This year's winners were Carrie Berglind and Pastor Chris. Congratulations to both of you!

Quilting

Quilting will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on April 14 and 28. Bring any sewing materials and fabric you would like to share and your sewing machine, if possible. This is open to all ages. Even non-sewers can be kept busy. Come for an hour, or stay all day!

Save Labels and Box Tops

Please continue to save Campbell's and General Mills Box Tops for Education, My Coke Rewards points from bottle caps and box codes, SunMart and Family Fare receipts, Our Family brand bar codes and Cash Wise education points from the bottom of the receipt. There is a collection bin next to the office in the narthex, or you can drop them off at Grace Lutheran School, 1025 14th Ave. S., in the front hallway. Thank you.

Christian Chicks Bookclub

Do you like to read Christian fiction? Please join us at our next meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 28. We will meet at the Holiday Inn, Fargo. Our book that we will read this month will be "Where Do I Go?" by Neta Jackson. If you have questions, please e-mail ChicksBC16@gmail.com.

Questions on Evolution? Answers Are In Genesis

by Pastor Chris

Evolution remains one of the greatest influences in moving people away from the Christian faith. But was Darwin right? What if he took his theory too far? What if a kernel of truth has popped into a gross misunderstanding?

Darwinian evolution does not simply cling to concrete facts. Much of the theory finds its basis in interpretation of data that is unobservable and unprovable. In other words, science often misappropriates personal interpretation and presents it as hard evidence.

While the church acknowledges God's power in providing enough genetic information to help "kinds" adapt to their environment (micro-evolution), we staunchly reject any idea of one kind transforming into another (macro-evolution). Some Christians have adopted this view of evolution, dismissing God's creative activity. Such belief undermines the authority of the Scriptures, the attributes of God and even faith itself. This is an important issue that should not be ignored!

During the month of April, Dr. Terry Mortenson from Answers in Genesis will provide evidence that true science points to intelligent and purposeful design – fingerprints of a wise and powerful creator.

Mortenson will be in the Fargo area to speak on many topics that will help to expose and uncover the fallacies of widely held scientific misinterpretation. Please take time along with your family to learn, grow and appreciate the truth of God's Word on the following subjects:

Sunday, April 10

9:30 a.m. "Creation vs. Evolution: Why it Matters" at St. Andrew Lutheran Church

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6 p.m. "Ape-men, Adam and the Gospel" at Grace Lutheran School

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10:15 a.m. "How to Think about Origins" at Grace Lutheran School

7 p.m. "Dinosaurs: Have You or Your Kids Been Brainwashed?" At Our Redeemer (Moorhead) Lutheran Church.

Please take time to become educated on this important subject! All members of our church are strongly encouraged to attend.

Pastor Chris

Confirmation April 17 10:45 a.m. Worship

16 young adults will be confirmed at the 10:45 a.m. worship service on Sunday, April 17. Please keep them in your prayers as they move forward with their Christian faith.

Sabrina Berard	Jaida Croaker
Lucas Doeling	Tyler Ensrud
Darian Fredenburg	Evan Gray
Tristan Harvey	Logan Kainz
Paige Kraft	Greta McLagan
Braden Meyer	Payton Nevland
Hanna Persoon	Ian Pytlik



AED Training 9:40 a.m. on Sunday, April 24

Recently Beautiful Savior purchased an AED, that is, an automated external defibrillator. This is a computerized medical device that can check a person's heart rhythm. It can recognize a rhythm that requires a shock. And it can advise the rescuer when a shock is needed. The AED uses voice prompts, lights and text messages to tell the rescuer the steps to take. On April 24, LeAnn Herrmann will introduce us to this device and explain how to use it. We encourage everyone to attend this training between worship services on Sunday morning.



Easter Flowers

Flowers placed by:

Dora Behrens and Family
Craig and Jean Berard
Diane Berggren
Sue and Steve Buth
Shirley Elsner
Matt and Beth Gustafson
Don and Pam Hartwig
Chuck Hoge
Krause Family
Al and Donna Larson and
Don and Diane McCabe
Harvey Medenwaldt
Monna Morse
Jerry Nordstrom Family
Travis and Andrea Olson
Sandy Paul
Joe and Lori Pytlik and Family
LaVon Schill and Chris Johnson
Mike and Mardi Schlichtmann
Don and Claudia Schroeder
Dave and Kim Scheer
Mary Seiffert
Mike and Judy Sellden
Gary and Maggie Stende
Jim and Donna Stewart
Mildred Stout
Karen Mart-Taverna
Mark and Kim Ternes, Jack, Noah
Chloe and Lizzie Thompson
Pastor Dave and Kim Wagner
Pastor Chris and Jamie Waldvogel

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Danny and Diane Lee
Travis and Andrea Olson
Terry and Margie Opp
Mark and Kay Osman
Joe and Lori Pytlik and family
Wanda Roesler
Mike and Mardi Schlichtmann
Karen Mart-Taverna
Chloe and Lizzie Thompson
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In Loving Memory of:

Earl Behrens
LaMoine Sonnenberg and Shirley Berard
My dad Don Stout
Our grandson Landon
Bruce Elsner
Our grandparents
Brian Hartwig and Kevin Hartwig
My father Charles Hoge
Helen Byers, Gene and Margie Krause
Our parents Alfred and Roiene Kuska and
Our brother Dennis Kuska
Beverly Medenwaldt
My husband Steve Morse
Walley and Elaine
Our grandparents
My dad LeRoy Charron
Our grandparents and Loren Thalmann
Our grandparents
Eugene Paulsrud
Our parents
David Scheer Jr.
My brothers Timmy and Randy, my mom Ursula
Our parents Elmer and Lucille and Valarie
Our parents
Parents Herb and Myrtle Schrank , Herb and Signe Stewart
My husband Don Stout
Larry Mart
Duane Matzke
Grandma Audrey
Kim's parents Randy and Audrey Christianson
Suzanne Waldvogel



In Honor of:

Husband Roland Barchinger
Our children and grandchildren
Our family
Our family
Our parents
Our grandchildren Ace and Arrie
Our grandchildren and our great-grandchildren
Our grandparents
Our parents
Parents John and Jan Totenhagen Lawrence and Bernice Osman
Our parents Janice Thalman, Leon and Marleen Pytlik
My parents
Kayla, Morgan and Adam
Grandchildren
Grandma Mickie and Grandma Di
Our grandsons Leo, Roman and Milo
Jacob Waldvogel

BSLC High School Seniors Graduation Plans Needed

Do you have a youth that will graduate from high school in May? BSLC would like to know their future plans. Please leave an update and a picture on the church office desk or e-mail the church by April 22. We will display the senior's pictures on the bulletin board outside the office, along with a brief description of your future plans. There also will be a short article in our May newsletter. Our congregation will honor the seniors on a Sunday during worship in May.

Tuition Assistance for Children Attending Grace Lutheran School

Beautiful Savior has tuition funds to help parents send their children to Grace Lutheran School. The assistance forms are available in the church office. If you are requesting assistance, you are asked to sign a covenant agreement. Talk to either pastor if you have questions. The deadline for submitting the application is April 15.

Grace Lutheran School News

PTL Book Fair will be April 11-15. Check out a wonderful selection of books and learning materials available at GLS for purchase during the fair.

Donuts for Dads will be 7:30-9:15 a.m. Wednesday, April 13. Dads are invited to come and enjoy donuts, chapel and fun with your child.

Grace Lutheran School Alumni Gathering will be from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 21. All are welcome! If you attended Grace or taught at Grace, please join us in our first annual Alumni Gathering! We will enjoy an informal tour of the school and then head over to PROOF for appetizers and a social. If you have a name for our growing alumni list, please send to marketing@gracels.com.

Concordia Seminary Admissions Officer April 5-6

Rev. Daniel Eggold, admissions officer at Concordia Seminary, invites you to meet with him and discuss seminary education and the path to becoming a pastor or deaconess. Rev. Eggold will be in Fargo at Immanuel Lutheran from 4-8 p.m. Tuesday, April 5, and in West Fargo at St. Andrew Lutheran from 8 a.m. to noon, Wednesday, April 6. Contact Rev. Eggold by e-mail at eggoldd@csl.edu or call 314-505-7224 to schedule an appointment.

Crossfire Youth Praise Band

Crossfire, our youth praise band, will practice on Sunday evenings at 7 p.m. on April 3, 10, 17 and 24. Questions? Call Ramsey Dahl at 866-5403.

Youth Summer Bible Camps

It's not too early to think about registering for summer camps for your children. Most camps offer an early registration discount. There are brochures in the narthex or go to the camp websites for more information.

Shepherd's Hill at the Crossroads website is shretreat.org. It is located by the Peace Gardens.

Lutheran Island Camp website is www.islandcamp.org. It is located on East Battle Lake, MN.

April Youth Events

Upcoming Bible Study Opportunities

Wednesday, April 6- from 7:45 to 9 p.m. Youth Fellowship for grades 7-12

Wednesday, April 13 - from 7:45 to 9 p.m. Youth Fellowship for grades 7-12

Wednesday, April 20 - from 7:45 to 9 p.m. Youth Fellowship for grades 7-12

Wednesday, April 27- from 7:45 to 9 p.m. Youth Fellowship for grades 7-12

Upcoming Fellowship Events

Saturday, April 23: Everything But the Kitchen Sink Game Night: All junior and senior high should bring their favorite board game and active game ideas for a game night from 6 to 10 p.m. Saturday, April 23. Bring your favorite snack or treat to add to our pizza supper. Cost is \$3. Please fill out a registration form and turn into Pastor Chris.



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Office Hours

9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday
9 a.m. - noon Friday

Additionally, Pastor Dave and Pastor Chris are available by appointment.

Worship Schedule

Sunday Worship at 8:15 and 10:45 a.m.
Sunday School and Adult Bible Study 9:30 a.m.

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

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