

Good News

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The Mission Endowment Fund Awards Grant to Beautiful Savior

Greetings!

I have some exciting news to share with you all! Please see the email below from Jennifer Hachmeister, Executive Director of the Mission Endowment Fund, NT-NL Synod: Congratulations!!

We are thrilled to inform you that your ministry's application has been APPROVED as a 2025 Grant Recipient from the Mission Endowment Fund (MEF) of the North Texas-Northern Louisiana Synod of the ELCA! Your dedication to serving others through God's Word aligns beautifully with our mission, and we are honored to support your work.

This grant award is a tangible reminder that you are not alone—we stand with you as you bring Christ's love to your community.

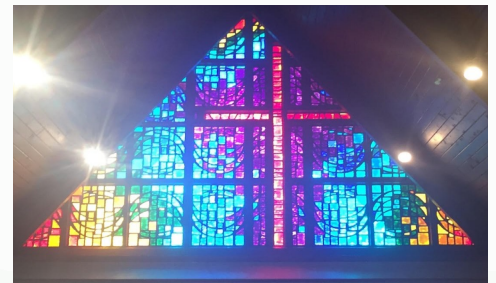
Thank you for your faithfulness in ministry! We look forward to seeing your impact in the coming year. Please share updates and photos with us as your ministry grows—we would love to highlight the amazing work you are doing.

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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

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

Treasurer's Report January Fiscal Year 2025

	Month	
INCOME		
<u>OFFERINGS</u>	Actual	Budget
GENEERL FUND ENVELOPE	44,475.21	19,416.66
GENERAL FUND LOOSE	109.00	83.33
OTHER RECEIPTS		
BUILDING USE	255.00	458.33
MISCELLANEOUS	20.00	20.83
	Total Income	44,750.21
		19,895.82
<u>EXPENSE</u>	19,719.81	19,697.29

General Fund Offering and Attendance

February 2

general fund: 14,677; attendance: 62

February 9

general fund: \$4920; attendance: 64

February 16

general fund: \$5,877; attendance: 58

February 23

general fund: \$1609; attendance: 60



Council met on Saturday, February 22 for a business meeting/retreat.

Members Present: Pr. Leah, Spencer Berry, Deanna Rosenthal, Ann-Marie Shadduck, Linda Allen, Jeff Worley, Gene Reneau, Nancy Conley, Mark Newman

Others Present: Cheryl Hall

Members Absent: B. Blair

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YAY! I'm so excited about this grant! The funds will allow us to do much needed technological upgrades in our Sanctuary for the streaming of worship, weddings, baptisms, and funerals. A huge thank you to Spencer Berry who did research and completed the grant application!

It's my hope that with better equipment, we will be able to enhance our worship experience for all those who watch on Facebook. I also hope that these upgrades will help us get the word out about our faith community.

I still believe that Beautiful Savior is one of the best kept secrets in Amarillo! I want people to see our services online and think, "I'm curious about this church. I want to learn more! I think I will go in person next Sunday and check it out!"

In Christ,
Pr. Leah



**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE
7 PM - MARCH 5**

**Please join us Wednesday
Evenings in Lent**

Wednesday Night Themed Pot-Luck Suppers at 6:30pm

- March 12- (All American)
- March 19- (All About Chicken)
- March 26- (All About Spice)
- April 2- All About Beef)
- April 9 (All About Italian)

**Holden Evening Prayer
at 7:30pm**

Church Council:

Spencer Berry, Council President; Jeff Worley; VP, Blair Berg, Treasurer; Nancy Conley, Secretary; Deanna Rosenthal, Education/Youth; Ann Marie Shadduck, Fellowship; Gene Reneau, Property; Mark Newman, Social Concerns, Linda Allen, Worship

Meetings & Misc. March Calendar

-2025 **Panhandle Conference** Lenten Retreat on Saturday, March 8 from 10 AM to 3 PM

-**Keenagers** meet on Wednesday, March 5 at noon.

-The **Wired Word** will meet on Thursdays, March 6, 13, 20, 27 at 10 AM & 7 PM.

-The **Women's Study Group** will meet on Tuesdays, March 11 and 18 at 10 AM.

-The **Ash Wednesday Service** will be on March 5 at 7 PM.

-**Holden Evening Prayer** will be on Wednesdays, March 12, 19, 26 at 7 PM



- 03/03 Wanda Garcia
- 03/05 Andrea Schmidt
- 03/18 Spencer Berry
- 03/26 Fred Garcia
- 03/27 Eric Sanchez
- 03/29 Keagan Rohloff
- 03/30 Terry Berg
- 03/30 Brielle Worley

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

For our members

Audrey Holman, Sonia Sanchez, Art De Mar, Wally Herpich



For our family members and friends

Elizabeth, Curtis & Barbara W., Erin, Jerry & Lila, Betsy F., Allen & Rhonda, Frank T., Deborah W., Shirley S., and The Holman Family.

For our homebound members

Kenneth Huckabee, Beverly Roush, Donna Nuss, Jon Edler, Betty Loomis, and Beatrice Kirkeeng

For those serving in the military - Sergeant Luke Butler

2025 NT-NL Prayer Partners

We invite individuals and congregations to join us in prayer for our congregations, leaders, and partners in mission.

Pray for leaders, lay and rostered, as they lead congregations in Lent and Holy Week.

NT-NL Youth Leaders; Trinity, Lockney

Prayers of Thanks

Updates Encouraged!

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



I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest.

Lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast."

I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn and sad. I found in him a resting-place, and he has made me glad.

(Horatius Bonar, 1846)

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, March 2

First Reading: Exodus 34:29-35

Moses' face shone with the reflected glory of God after he received the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai. The sight caused the Israelites to be afraid, so Moses wore a veil to mask the radiance of God's glory, taking it off when he spoke directly with God.

Psalm: Psalm 99

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord; worship upon God's holy hill. (Ps. 99:9)

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 3:12—4:2

In his debates with the Corinthians, Paul contrasts the glory of Moses with the glory of Christ. The Israelites could not see Moses' face because of the veil. But in Christ we see the unveiled glory of God and are transformed into Christ's likeness.

Gospel: Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a]

The conversation about Jesus' suffering and death is enclosed in a dazzling foreshadowing of the resurrection. God affirms Jesus' identity, the disciples are stunned speechless, and Jesus resumes his mission with a demonstration of his power over evil.

Sunday, March 9

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

The annual harvest festival, called the Feast of Weeks, provides the setting for this reading. This festival celebrates the first fruits of the produce of the land offered back to God in thanks. In this text, worshipers announce God's gracious acts on behalf of

Psalm: Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

God will give the angels charge over you, to guard you in all your ways. (Ps. 91:11) you will trample down the lion¹ and the serpent.

Second Reading: Romans 10:8b-13

Paul reminds the Christians at Rome of the foundation of their creed, the confession of faith in the risen Christ as Lord.

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

After being filled with the Holy Spirit at his baptism, Jesus is led in the wilderness. Through his responses to the temptations of the devil, he defines what it means to be called "the Son of God."

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/>

Sunday, March 16

First Reading: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

God promises a childless and doubting Abram that he will have a child, that his descendants will be as numerous as the stars, and that the land of Canaan will be their inheritance. Abram's trust in God is sealed with a covenant-making ceremony, a sign of God's promise.

Psalm: Psalm 27

In the day of trouble, God will give me shelter. (Ps. 27:5)

Second Reading: Philippians 3:17—4:1

Although Paul's devotion to Christ has caused him to be persecuted, he does not regret the course he has taken.

Gospel: Luke 13:31-35

Neither Herod's plotting nor Jerusalem's resistance to maternal love will deter Jesus from his sacrificial mission

Sunday, March 23

First Reading: Isaiah 55:1-9

To those who have experienced long years in exile, the return to their homeland is a celebration of abundant life. God calls them into an everlasting covenant of love.

Psalm: Psalm 63:1-8

O God, eagerly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you. (Ps. 63:1)

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

Paul uses images from Hebrew Scriptures and prophecy to speak the truth of Jesus Christ: He is our rock, our water, our food, and our drink. Christ is the living sign of God's faithfulness.

Gospel: Luke 13:1-9

Asked about current tragic events, Jesus turns a lesson about whether suffering is deserved into a hard call to obedience.

Sunday, March 30

First Reading: Joshua 5:9-12

By celebrating the Passover and eating the produce of the promised land instead of the miraculous manna that had sustained them in the desert, the Israelites symbolically bring their forty years of wilderness wandering to an end at Gilgal.

Psalm: Psalm 32

Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord. (Ps. 32:11)

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

One way to describe the gospel is the promise that in Christ everything is transformed

Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Jesus tells a parable about a son who ponders his father's love only after he has spurned it.



A MESSAGE FROM TOM MOORE: BROKEN VESSELS

I wish to share with you the overwhelming response that we have to this ministry over the past few months. As I have mentioned in the past, we have shared with over 150 sets of parents in the last 5 years. People come in as they feel a need, so we will average 12 to 16 people on a normal week.

Since November we have received 10 new sets of parents. Since late December we have been averaging 16 to 20 on Thursday nights. A couple weeks ago we had 28 parents in the room.

The exciting part for us is to hear the parents speak of the comfort that is brought to them by simply being around and able to speak to others who have been where they are.

Twice a month we try to have a Bible discussion where the parents bring Biblical questions to me then we discuss them. Again remember we are dealing with people who have lost their most precious gift, a child or grandchild, so there are always a lot of questions. My presence and desire is to encourage their faith and most of the time to be the bridge back to a faith. We covet your prayers. By providing the meeting space, you are touching not just the people who enter our ministry, but the extended families of those who come.

Once again I hope you will share with your congregation the extreme blessing that they have extended to us in providing the meeting space.

Blessings of Peace
Tom

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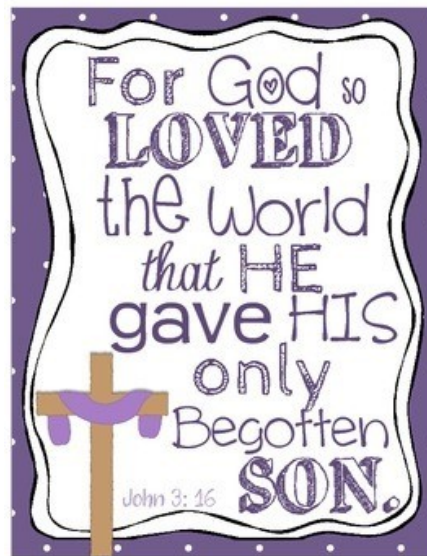
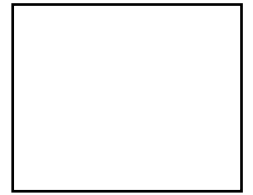
Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

<p>In Matthew 5:13-16 Jesus tells his followers, “You are the salt of the earth. ... You are the light of the world.” Through his example, our Savior showed us what that means.</p>						1
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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.