

BOLDLY SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST

Worship Services – Saturday, 6:00 pm

Sunday, 8:00, 10:30 & 10:45 am

Education Hour – Sunday, 9:15 am

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WELCOME to members & friends who have gathered for worship. We pray that our worship together will give you strength and joy for living the Christian life.

VISITORS: If you're a visitor, please sign the friendship register in your row, and do come again. Join our church family as we grow in faith in our Savior, Jesus Christ! Please also take note of our explanation of Holy Communion. **Note: Those needing a large print bulletin may obtain one from an elder.**

HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated this Sunday at all the services. It is our desire that as many Christian friends as possible join us in the celebration of the Lord's Supper. God's Word, however, requires that one have sufficient instruction concerning the Sacrament and the unity of faith with those communing. We, therefore, ask guests who are not communicant members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod to speak with one of the pastors before communing.

WE ARE HAPPY TO HAVE CHILDREN IN WORSHIP! We encourage children of all ages to experience worship with their families so they will learn how to worship little by little as they grow. By being regular in worship, they will learn much more than how to "sit through church," they will also learn the faith! Plus, they will see a good example set by the adults concerning the importance of worship. Our MOPS group has provided "Busy Bags" for the little ones, which contain fun, quiet activities to occupy them during worship. Please return the bags to the narthex as you leave. For families with a nursery need, there is child care available this morning from 9:00-11:45 (ages 0-5).

BOLDLY SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST is our vision here at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church. We accept Jesus' Great Commission to go and make disciples of all people (Matthew 28:18-20). We are a community of believers called by God to:

- Build relationships
- Share Christ's love
- Live in God's grace
- Care for all people in need

SERVING THIS MORNING:

Sunday (8:00) Elders: Paul Lampe & Austin Wolfe; **Ushers:** Joel & Benjamin Lampe; **Acolytes:** Joshua Hecker & Davin Mathes; **(10:30) Elders:** Mark Larson & Denis Kleyh; **Ushers:** Gunter Stein & Jim Cherney; **Acolytes:** J.D. & Amelia Mooneyham; **(10:45) Elders** Todd Michel & Brad Holmes; **Usher:** Matt Hoyes **Acolyte:** Nate Wernsman

NEW YEAR'S EVE: 5:00 PM

ELDERS: Gayle Lunning & Chris Davis; **Ushers:** Kevin Eckhoff & Russ Peters; **Acolytes:** Bradley Davis & Joshua Michel

IN OUR PRAYERS: Police officers, fire fighters, and first responders; those serving in the military, including Cheyenne Kitzmann & James Mooneyham; those having surgery; those recovering from surgery, including Debbie Breitenstein, Gretchen Troester, Dick Dammerman, Ed Bliefnick, & Tami Binder; those with health concerns, including Roxanne Johnson, Betty Smith, Bill Milborn, Rev. Paul Schnelle, Joan Schnelle, Dorothy Eckhoff, Caleb Roth, Michelle England, Linda Gibbons, Jennifer Erickson, Dolores Merrifield, Marge Schultz, Jennifer Caster, Alan Duensing, Fawn Nelson, Caison Rush, & Dorothy Campbell; those with cancer, including Teresa Gallo, Patty Aten, Donna Owens, Shelly Mulling, Johynee Stewart, Janet Bergman, Jana Kindall, Al Dochnal, Butch Haynes, Sam Wagner, Ron Swenson, Terri Milborn, Barbara Allegri, Thatcher Hawk, Tonya Hunter, Christina Obenshain, & Kelli Briggs; those in hospice care; expectant mothers; those seeking employment; those in care centers, including Dorothy Andersen, Gerry Hunter, Joan Simpson & Elnora Dammerman; and those grieving.

BLAZE: January 13 we will be gathering to watch the NFL playoffs at someone's house. Time and exact location to be announced.

BLAZE invites FIRE for Combo Event! January 27, 2:00pm-4:00pm in the FLC. Join us for games, food, devotion and fun! Don't miss it!

BLAZE Youth Group is currently looking for members of the congregation to **sponsor youth for the National Youth Gathering** trip this summer. We would like to thank the fifteen families who have signed up as sponsors. We still have 3 youth who need sponsors. Here is what is involved:

-It is \$100 to be a sponsor.

-You are invited to join your youth for one of the NYG Bible Studies before we leave for the gathering.

-You will receive notes each day from your youth while we are at NYG.

-You will be invited to attend a special reception with your youth when we return to hear all about their experience at the gathering.

We are looking forward to the opportunity to share this experience with you. Please consider becoming a sponsor. If you are interested, please talk to Lisa Smith, Jenn Larsen or Pam Williams.

UPWARD BASKETBALL: Please consider helping us during January and February on game

days. If you would like to referee, coach, keep score/time, or introduce players, please contact Pam Williams at (816) 524-7288 or pam@beautifulsavior-lsmo.org

It's time to renew your subscription to **THE LUTHERAN WITNESS**. If you *do not* care to renew, please call or email the church office by **no later than January 17**. If you are not currently receiving "The Lutheran Witness" and would like to start a new subscription, we'll order one for you. **The order will be placed on January 24**. Make your check payable to Beautiful Savior for \$10.80 and note that it is for "The Lutheran Witness."

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

SATURDAY: No Saturday Worship
TODAY: 8:00 am, Service of Readings and Carols/C
No Sunday School or Bible Class
10:30 am, Service of Readings and Carols/C
10:45 am, Service of Readings and Carols /C
MONDAY: **NEW YEAR'S EVE**
5:00 pm, Worship with Communion
TUESDAY: **NEW YEAR'S DAY** (Office closed)
WEDNESDAY: No Midweek/Confirmation/Small Groups/Bible Study
THURSDAY: 6-9:30 Upward Basketball Practice
FRIDAY: 6-9:30 pm, Upward Basketball Practice
SATURDAY: 6:00 pm, Worship/C
7:30 to 6:30 pm, Upward Basketball Games
NEXT SUNDAY: 8 am, Traditional Worship/C
9:15 am, Education Hour
10:30 am, Traditional Worship/C
10:45 am, Contemporary Worship
2-6 pm, FLC reserved (Gruen)

Bible Study resumes Wednesday January 9, 2019 at 10:00 am. We meet in the Narthex (the space right outside our main sanctuary), so come and join us!

Midweek, Small Groups and Confirmation resumes Wednesday January 6, 2019 at 6:30.

SAVE THE DATE:

January 27 National Lutheran Schools Week breakfast will be at 9:15 in the Family Life Center.
April 13 Confirmation Speech Banquet
April 14 Confirmation Sunday

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

- 12/29 Sharon Dammerman
 Brandon Dulin
 Jordan Riggins
 Sara Riggins
 Kevin Smith
- 12/30 Debra Rinella
 Lara Rutledge
- 1/1 Tangala Buchholz
 Kevin Cochran
 Teresa Creamer
 Jeffrey Kitzmann
 Cody Krause
 Matthew Krause
- 1/3 Melinda bogue
 Joan Simpson
- 1/4 Kristen Whipple

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:

- 12/29 Nicholas & Kelsey Harman
- 1/1 Seth & Sandie Hanebutt
- 1/4 Mark & Dawn Larson

SERVING AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR (January 5 & 6):

Saturday Elder: Steve Wolters; **Usher:** Randy Hackler;

Sunday (8:00) Elders: Joel Larsen & George Dawson; **Ushers:** Bruce Burke & Robert Treece;

(10:30) Elders: Greg Tebbenkamp & Bob Nelson; **Ushers:** Aaron Krause & John Bearman;

Acolytes: Adam Stice & Madison Lewis; **(10:45) Elders:** Paul Lampe & Brad Holmes ; **Usher:** Joshua Lampe; **Acolyte:** Emma Joers