



Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church  
**BEACON**

February, 2016 No. 102

Sunday school 8:00a.m. & 9:00a.m.

Sunday Worship 9:00a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

**FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN**

Enjoying a good adventure, recently as a family we watched the movie "Everest", detailing the events of the 1996 Everest disaster that claimed 5 lives. Should you want to read or listen to an audio book from someone who was on the expedition, check out "Into Thin Air" by journalist-mountaineer Jon Krakauer.

The events of Everest, in not too recent history, remind me of many threads in our human story. One of those reminders involves one's readiness to sacrifice self for another. While one might leave and live...at times there are examples where one is willing to risk death for the life of another.

1996, Everest. Another moment in history when someone faced death, to bring another life...the climactic event also taking place on a mountain, is when Jesus was crucified for the world on Mt. Calvary. Jesus gave His life, to give us life.

Jesus walked toward death, to make sure we have opportunity at eternal life.

With Ash Wednesday just passing (February 10<sup>th</sup>), we aren't too far down the trail of Lent for you to join the journey of remembering what God did for us through Jesus Christ. Each Wednesday, beginning Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> there will be opportunity to remember when Jesus allowed Himself to be "numbered with the sinners", with us having shared moments around God's Word, some good food, and evenings of conversation with church family members.

I hope these Wednesday moments are a highlight for you as together we walk toward Holy Week and Easter. Have a great February!

Walking Together as we Follow Christ...

Until the Last Sheep Is Found.

Joshua M. Hower, Pastor

"For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and discipline." 2 Tim. 1:7

**From the Editor:**

Do you remember the seasons of the church year? If not, here is a refresher. With advent we started a new church year. It has four Sundays until Christmas. The next season, of course was Christmas, which lasts 12 days until the 6<sup>th</sup> of January, which is the start of Epiphany. Epiphany is from one to six Sundays depending on date of Easter. Ash Wednesday is the beginning of Lent. Lent is a season of repentance. There are six Sundays in Lent (the sixth being Palm Sunday). The next Sunday is Easter. Forty days after Easter is Ascension Day. Fifty days after Easter is Pentecost. That should bring us back around to advent. They are all seasons of prayer and thanksgiving. First Thessalonians 5: 17&18 says, "Pray continually. Give thanks in all circumstances for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

*Lynn Thaldorf*

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**LWML**

All ladies of the congregation are Lutheran Women in Mission and you can place this into action by starting out the new year by coming to an LWML gathering if you haven't done so in the past. The time is now!

If you have any questions contact Arlene Warenko or Ladora Butler.

**Help wanted!** Lutheran Women's Missionary League needs an historian. It's Volunteer position but benefits include lots of hugs & oohs & aahs! ☺ An opportunity to serve the Lord with gladness!... For more information contact Charlotte Schafer.

**LWML:** You're Invited! 'Gifts of Love' Tuesday March 8, 2016 at 4pm at Zion Lutheran Church in Nampa, ID. Linda Gage LWML Gift Planning Counselor will be speaking. Come and discover how you can share your faith, minimize your taxes, bless your family, make a lasting impact on ministry through your estate documents.

All are welcome - spouses, family, friends.  
RSVP by Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> to: Linda Larson 208-899-3440  
or email: [theherblady@cablone.net](mailto:theherblady@cablone.net)



## **BSLC Improvement Projects:**

### **Get ready for the exciting Infrastructure improvement projects!**

As we head into the beginning of spring flowers popping up you can also expect to see many exciting new improvements popping up around the church campus. As part of the capital improvement initiative undertaken in 2015, several projects have been planned which include a new patio area, landscaping, security doors and system, interior paint, revamped sanctuary lighting, a new sound system and new carpet.

Beginning March 1<sup>st</sup> work will commence by Stonecrest Masonry on a 1700 square foot brick patio on your right as you enter the church. To the left of the entrance the existing landscaping will be salvaged and this area will also be bricked. This area will have bike racks installed to provide a security for those who enjoy biking to church. This is an exciting project because it will provide us additional area to gather for fellowship between services. The project will take about 3-weeks to complete, so join us Easter Sunday on the new patio!

Another much-needed improvement is retrofitting the existing entrance doors so that they are easier to lock and provide improved access control. This will be accomplished by retrofitting the existing doors with magnetic locking devices controlled by a keyless entry/security system. Additionally the doors will be motorized with push button access in order to improve and ease access for those with limited mobility or disabilities. Concurrently the school building will also have a new steel security door installed and connected to the access control system.

Near the end of this month City Light Electric will begin 5-days of work to install new high efficiency LED light fixtures within the sanctuary. City Light is doing this work at their cost as a donation to the BSLC and the lighting distributor donated over \$2,000 in lighting equipment. The scope of the work is to remove all the existing lights hanging in the sanctuary and replace them with recessed can lighting. The proposed lighting will significantly improve the lighting within the sanctuary. In addition, they don't burn out and consume significantly less energy.

New sound equipment, speakers and acoustic treatments will be installed during the same time as the lights. The sound system improvements are much needed and the "Sound Clouds" that will be installed on the ceiling of the sanctuary will dramatically reduce echoes and improve the overall sound quality.

During this same timeframe Old School Painting will begin giving our church interior a much-needed fresh coat of paint.

Carpet and landscaping and remodeling of the platform area in the sanctuary, projects will commence sometime after April.

This is a very ambitious schedule for the amount of work we are trying to complete prior to Easter. As we walk together toward completing this work, I'm sure there will be some dust, clutter and confusion that we will have to bear. Please be patient and know that it is only for a few short weeks.

Submitted by Jim Poorbaugh,  
Project coordinator

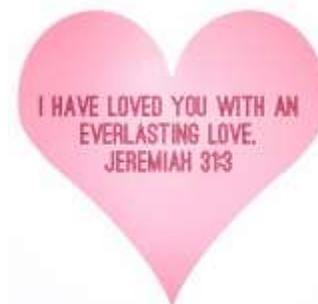
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**LWML collected 120 cans** of soup and **55 ramen noodle** packages and **\$277.00** on Soup-er Bowl Sunday for the Boise Rescue Mission. Thank you!

**Congratulations!... to Josh Poorbaugh**, son of Jim and Tracey Poorbaugh, who won the Boise Speed Day competition at River Glen Junior High School gym. Nearly 300 ninth graders from all the Boise middle schools went head to head racing wooden CO2 dragsters at the competition, which represents the culmination of nearly six months of designing, testing and modifying the dragsters. These are not your standard pinewood derby cars. At the launcher, teachers pressed down to make a puncture in the CO2 cartridge, which sends the cars off at speeds over 60mph. The cars pass a finish line over a laser, deciding the winner. Trophies were awarded for first, second and third place and for overall school with most points. Awards were also presented for "best in show", voted by students and teachers. You can click on the link below to view the video.

<http://www.idahostatesman.com/news/local/education/article58755258.html>



## Project ♥ Linus

The say a picture is worth a thousand words, and these pictures say it all!

Child Welfare had to take custody of these children for their own safety. The children were placed in foster care. Their caseworker sent the pictures to their Grandmother, who, knowing our involvement with the Linus Project, shared them with us. What a blessing to actually see the happiness our quilts bring to children caught in the middle of a bad situation.

Come and join us at 9:00am on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month (except December) in the BSLC library, as we put together quilts that elicit smiles like these.

If you have any questions, please contact Ruth Volkert at [ruth.volkert@gmail.com](mailto:ruth.volkert@gmail.com) or call Ruth at 208-631-9321.



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### **BSLC YOUTH**

**Sunday School** - Abby and Aaron are teaching on the topic of "Belief stronger than skepticism" this year.

### **Camp Perkins Sr. High Retreat (9th-12th grade)**

March 18-20, 2016

It's never too early to get excited for senior high retreat! Start planning now to come have a blast at camp! The cost to attend is \$90 and registration is online at: <http://campperkins.org/sr-high-winter-retreat.php>. Everyone will register individually, and just mark on the form online that you are with BSLC. Please let us know if you have any questions!

Abby Lipschultz

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### **Camp Perkins Winter Retreats -**

Feb. 26-29: Women's Crafting Retreat

March 4-6: Men's Winter Weekend

March 18-20: Sr. High Snowfest



### **2016 LENT SCHEDULE**

**Lenten D3** (Dinner, Devotion, Dialogue)

Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> – in homes - Sign up on info board!

Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> -at BSLC - Sign up on info board!

March 2<sup>nd</sup> – in homes

March 9<sup>th</sup> - at BSLC

March 16<sup>th</sup> – in homes

### **†HOLY WEEK**

Palm Sunday - March 20<sup>th</sup>

Maundy Thursday - 7p March 24<sup>th</sup> - BSLC

Good Friday - 7p March 25<sup>th</sup> - BSLC

'Eggs'travaganza - Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup>

Easter Sunday - March 27<sup>th</sup>

### **SPECIAL EVENTS coming up!**

- **Sunday, Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>** - Work Day after Worship to move chairs, altar stage etc. in preparation for lighting installation to begin on Feb. 29.

- **Sunday, Feb. 21 and 28:**

'**Books and More Giveaway**'! In the overflow rooms the next 2 Sundays, we will have books etc. that we need to clear out of upstairs and the library as we prepare for painting & carpet. Come take some books home!

### **Save the Dates:**

#### **-Glocal Training**

Feb. 19 – (regular volunteer training)  
6-9pm at Cole Community Church  
8775 W Ustick  
Phone (208) 375-3565

March 15 – (regular volunteer training)  
6-9pm at Cathedral of the Rockies  
707 N 11<sup>th</sup> Street  
Phone 343-7511

- ***You are cordially invited...***

Concordia University Seward - A Cappella Choir -  
In Concert - March 8, 2016 at 7:00pm

At Friendship Celebration Lutheran Church  
765 E. Chinden Blvd., Meridian, ID

Admission is free. A free-will offering will be taken to help defray tour expenses.

### **Adult Weekday Bible Studies:**

Tuesday - 6:15am - Study on the book of Isaiah.  
Meets at Eddie's on Overland.

Tuesday - 6:15am-Women's Bible study-  
Meets at Chef's Hut east of Cole, north of Franklin

Tuesday - 9:30am at BSLC - Women's Bible study

Wednesday - 2:00-4:00pm: Life Light Bible Study -  
*Will Resume after Easter.* Led by Don Brigham.

Wednesday - 7:00 - 8:15pm - Bible Study  
*Will resume after Easter.* Led by Don Moll.

Friday - 6:30am - History of the Old Testament, a DVD  
series. Meets in the BSLC library. Led by Cedric Fedde.

### **Children's Sunday school:** Kingdom Quest Curriculum

Winter Year 4 - 9:00am

- **Pre - K and K:** Sue Howell, Marti Dinkelman  
Meets downstairs in Room 8 (the Preschool classroom)

- **1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grades:** Tracey Poorbaugh  
Meets upstairs in Room 12

- **3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> grades:** Maddie Killworth  
Meets upstairs in Room 9

- **Confirmation:** Karen and Paul Petersen  
Meets upstairs in Room 15

- **Jr. and Sr. High:** Abby Lipschultz, Aaron Jenkins  
Meets upstairs in Room 14 - the Youth room.

### **Sunday Adult Bible classes:**

- 'The Book of Acts' - The Message of Jesus in Action - 8am -  
meets in the BSLC library.

- 'Revelation' - 9am - meets in the BSLC library.

- 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month: Bible study meets after the second  
worship service - about 11:30am. Meets in the BSLC library.  
Led by Ray and Carol Ahrens.

"He makes the sun to rise on the evil and on the good  
and sends rain on the just and on the unjust"  
Matt. 5:45

### **Prayer Requests**

If you have a prayer request, contact Linda Barth.  
We encourage you to follow up with any change in the  
status of the request.

"My grace is sufficient for you; for My strength is made  
perfect in weakness." 2 Cor. 12:9

### **LRG: (Local/Regional/Global)**

Would you like to do something significant?

If you could do anything to help, what would you do?

If we can help, we'd invite you to pick up and fill out an  
L.R.G. Mission Funding Request Form from the  
information board or request an L.R.G. form by  
emailing: [bslcboise@gmail.com](mailto:bslcboise@gmail.com) for this or you can  
make a pack/packs on your own.

### **Attention Thrivent Members...**

If you have questions or would like more information  
about Thrivent or how to apply for Action Team project  
funding, please contact Faith Brigham at 342-3551 or  
[fbrigha@boisestate.edu](mailto:fbrigha@boisestate.edu)

### **Habitat for Humanity**

Questions? Please contact Traci Johnson (841-6279)



**Boise Rescue Mission Food Barrel:** canned and  
boxed food items are always needed. The food barrel is  
in the entryway at BSLC. Thanks for your help in filling  
the barrel!

"If it's true that we are here to help others, then what  
exactly are the OTHERS here for?"

### **Beacon Newsletter** published every now and then.

Visit our website at [www.bslcboise.org](http://www.bslcboise.org) for Beacon  
newsletters and other information. We welcome any or  
all articles you may want to submit, subject to editing.  
Forward them to [lthaldorf@q.com](mailto:lthaldorf@q.com).

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## **Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church**

‘Know Christ and Make Him Known’:

Our mission is to develop people into devoted Followers of Christ through invitation, Bible Literacy, Worship, application and service.

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