

BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH



OCTOBER 2019



WORD AND WORSHIP

GOD'S MYSTERIOUS WAYS

"Just as you don't know how the breath of life enters the limbs of a child within its mother's womb, you also don't understand how God, who made everything, works"
(Ecclesiastes 11:5)

"God leads and directs his people in mysterious ways. In the Bible, we read, "Your road went through the sea. Your path went through waging water, but your footprints could not be seen" (Psalm 77:19). Christ himself told Peter, "You don't know now what I'm doing. You will understand later" (John 13:7). Christ seems to be saying, "You want to see me and want me to do what seems good and right to you. But I will act in a way that will make you think I'm a fool rather than God. You will see my back, not my face. You won't understand what I'm doing or why I'm doing it. Then I'll be able to mold you and remold you the way I would like. My methods may appear as foolish to you as if they were from the devil himself."

We need to learn how God guides his people as they grow and develop. I, too, have often tried to dictate to our Lord God a certain way in which I expected him to run things. I have often said, "Oh Lord, would you please do it this way and make it come out that way?" But God did just the opposite, even though I said to myself, "This is a good suggestion that will bring honor to God and expand his kingdom." Undoubtedly, God must have laughed at my so-called wisdom and said, "All right, I know that you are an intelligent, educated person, but I never needed a Peter, a Luther, or anyone else to teach, inform, rule, or guide me. I am not a God who will allow himself to be taught or directed by others. Rather, I am the one who leads, rules, and teaches people."



Martin Luther Through Faith Alone:
365 Devotional Readings
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BIBLE CLASS OPORTUNITIES

"Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life" (John 6:68)

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

10:30 am in Fellowship Hall
"Dinosaurs, ICE-AGE & the
Pre-flood World" (CD)

LADIES' BIBLE CLASS

Sundays at 10:30 am
*"Sip, Savor, and
Drink Deeply"*

WEDNESDAY MORNING

BIBLE CLASS, 10:00 am
"Dinosaurs, Ice-Age & the
Pre-flood World" (CD)



TAKE IT TO THE LORD IN PRAYER



For the spreading of the Gospel of Jesus Christ
-here, there, and everywhere-
through the word and deeds of
ALL God's people.



PRAYERS FOR STRENGTH AND HEALING

Family of **June Mueller**-as they mourn her passing
Sandy Biver - sister of **Darlene Neil**, as they mourn her passing
Joan Bernard - cancer treatments
Verla Mullins - mother of **Bob**, receiving chemo
Julie Sullivan - health concerns
Erika & Cliff - friends of **Valeda Woehr** health concerns
Heather Fong - friend of **Valeda Woehr** health concerns
Rev. Bowder - cancer diagnosis
Diane - **Fern Harmon's** cousin, health concerns
Leticia - granddaughter of **Gail Pitts**, prayers for peace

OUR ADOPTED MILITARY:

Jacob & Nick Beagley (Bretscher)

CONTINUING HEALTH ISSUES:

Shirley Belter, El-Vera Biedenstein, Naoma Keppler, LeRoy Ettlting, Kathi Meier, Diana Rogers,
Janet Segasture, Don Templeton, Jim Thomas

PRAYERS FOR OTHERS:

For the homeless in the Bridgeton area. For our missionaries who serve the Lord in foreign lands. For persecuted Christians around the world. For innocent civilians trying to survive in war-torn areas. Those who serve in our nation's armed forces and our Government leaders. For God's grace that we may have the desire to love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us.



BOARD OF DIRECTOR—SEPTEMBER 3, 2019

Board Members In Attendance: Bill Crichton, Pastor David Bretscher, Bob Engelken, Bill Kipp, Pauline Tulloch, Darin Gittus, Bob Mullins, Dave Wilson and Kathy Leonard

Bill Crichton called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Devotion was given by Bill Crichton. Bill spoke about all of God's Love for us even when we tend to grumble and not notice all of the Blessings bestowed upon us. Negativity in the world is nothing new; we should look to God for our strength. Bill led the Board in prayer.

Motion to approve the August Board meeting minutes was made by Darin Gittus, and seconded by Dave Wilson. Motion carried.

PASTOR'S REPORT--PASTOR BRETSCHER

Official Acts: (since last meeting): None

TRANSFER OUT: Matt Grodie (and Hannah, Holly) (our Savior Lutheran, Fenton) Transfer request. Motion to approve transfer was made by Darin Gittus and seconded by Bob Engelken. Motion carried.

Current Membership: Baptized 228; Confirmed 172

CHRIST-IAN CARE: (since last meeting)

Pastoral Visits:

Shut-in: J. Thomas, E. Biedenstein, the Barskys, D. Rogers, S. Belter, F. Bell

Hospital: D. DeChristo, (2x's), J. Mueller (3 attempts)

Pastor home visits (year three of a three year cycle): B. Fey, J. Knepper, J. Willaim
(3 year cycle, 2017-2019 = 67 visits; another 14 asked, but no visit)

Elders Reported Zone Contacts (In person, phone, email – last month):

Zone 1: D. Tabor, V. Woehr, S. Belter, Crichtons, T. Ritz, M. Moore, J. Segature, Simmons, J. Sullivan, J. Mello and J. Willard

Zone 3: F. Bell, Lanes, G. Pitts, V. McCoy, F. Pinson

Zone 4: Barsky, N. Keppler, D. Templeton (2x's)

Misc:

Elders' initial letter for inactives was mailed. A final letter will be sent this fall.

There will be a special Voter's Meeting on September 22 between worship services to discuss the whether the congregation wants to move to one worship service on Sunday. On September 22, the congregation (voters) will discuss options and vote OR discuss and call another meeting to vote on the issue.

DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Elders, Darin Gittus: The letter to the inactives will go out this fall. Darin reported that there will be a Golf Outing on October 6. There is a sign up sheet.

Darrin reported an Elder is moving. The Elders will meet and decide whether to seek another Elder to fill the vacancy or to redistribute members among existing elders.

Christian Education, Bob Mullins: Bob reported that the plasma TV in the basement is broken. Efforts are underway to replace it.

Sunday School began for Fall 2019. They are learning about the Book of Genesis. Plenty of material is available. No budget allocation is needed.

Evangelism/Outreach: Open Position. No report

Property and Maintenance, Dave Wilson: Minor maintenance and routine repairs continue. A hole in the wall and a leak was fixed.

Social Ministry-Pauline Tulloch:

Made 581 lunches for the Feed the Hungry Program. There were 14 volunteers from Beautiful Savior and 16 other volunteers.

Magazines were donated to the Bank and to the Senior Center. Pauline again requested the magazines be as current as possible. Current is less than 3 months old.

Assisted a woman with children with money for food. Declined housing request but provided phone number for housing hotline.

Need to start collecting for small food pantry maintained at Beautiful Savior. Food that is easy to open and non-perishable is requested. Items with a long shelf life are preferred as the requests come in sporadically. (Ramen noodles, tuna envelopes are a good choice.)

Also need to start collecting new mittens and hats for our traditional Mitten/Hat Tree. We donate these items for needy families.

Work on the Fall Festival continues. Vendors are set; music vendor is paid. We continue with the Free Will offering and some more Baked Goods.

Several directors provided Bob Mullins with possible contacts for renting or borrowing a golf cart for the Festival.

There is a meeting on Sunday, September 9 for the Fall Festival. Food will be provided. Need volunteers to hand out Door Flyers.

Need to continue fund raising activities. A trivia night for November is in the planning stage.

Youth and Family Ministry- David Singleton (no report-not in attendance)

Stewardship: Open Position No Report.

Recording Secretary: Kathy Leonard (No Report)

Treasurer's Report, - Bill Kipp:

Bill shared another with the Directors a proposed detailed budget for 2020. There was a motion to approve the proposed budget made by Bob Mullins and seconded by Bob Engelken. Final proposed budget will be presented to the Voters in November.

Financial Secretary's Report, Jo Sundermeyer: No report.

Vice President's Report, Bob Engelken:

Bob reported that there were 11 people that attended the August Game Night. There were 7 men in attendance at the Men's meeting. There were also 11 people that went to the Veterans Memorial. Bill Crichton reported that it was very impressive.

KFUO will be broadcasting the service(s) at Beautiful Savior in September, October and November.

Bob indicated there will be a Trivia Night the second Saturday of November to help pay for the Fall Festival.

President's Report, Bill Crichton:

No additional report.

Old Business:

Website for Beautiful Savior: The Board discussed several options for the Website. It was decided to handle the issue in two ways. For the short term, we need to strip down the website and delete all the old and outdated information.

Long term solution: Need to decide on resources and capabilities. More discussion is warranted.

New Business

None

A motion to adjourn was made by Bob Engelken and seconded by Darin Gittus.
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm. The meeting was ended with the Lord's Prayer.

Next Board Meeting October 1, 2019 at 7 pm. Devotions for October – Pastor.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Leonard, Recording Secretary

WORSHIP SCHEDULE OCTOBER 2019

Serving: October 6th

ACOLYTE: ushers
ALTAR FLOWERS: Beautiful Savior
ALTAR GUILD: Alison Carlstrom; June Hahn
ELDER : George McCall
COUNTERS: Dan & Marie Woodcock
FELLOWSHIP TIME HOST(ESS): Al Winkler
FOOD TRANSPORT: Ellen Sims
MUSICIAN: Fran Ettling
GREETER: Sally Lane
READER: Gail Pitts
SOUND & LIGHTS: Roy Anders
USHERS: 1L
WELCOMERS: Bob Engelken

Serving: October 13th

ACOLYTE: ushers
ALTAR FLOWERS: Joan Bernard, thankful for His many blessings
ALTAR GUILD: Alison Carlstrom; June Hahn
ELDER: George McCall
COUNTERS: Jo & Abbey Sundermeyer
FELLOWSHIP TIME HOST(ESS): June Hahn
MUSICIAN: Ruth Rieger
GREETER: Joe Mercurio
READER: liturgist
SOUND & LIGHTS: Roy Anders
USHERS: 2L
WELCOMERS: Harry & Regi Grodie

Serving: October 20th

ACOLYTE: ushers
ALTAR FLOWERS: Linda Watts, loving memory of Roy Watts
ALTAR GUILD: Linda Watts; Robyn Simmons
ELDER: Bill Kipp
COUNTERS: Dave & Stephanie Wilson
FELLOWSHIP TIME HOST(ESS): Regi Grodie
MUSICIAN: Fran Ettling
GREETERS: Harry & Regi Grodie
READER: Dennis Niehaus
SOUND & LIGHTS: Roy Anders
USHERS: 3L
WELCOMERS: Dan & Marie Woodcock

Serving: October 27th


ACOLYTE: ushers
ALTAR FLOWERS: Beautiful Savior
ALTAR GUILD: Linda Watts; Robyn Simmons
ELDER: Bill Kipp
COUNTER: Christine Foelsing
FELLOWSHIP TIME HOST(ESS): Dennis Niehaus
MUSICIAN: Fran Ettling
GREETERS: Dan & Marie Woodcock
READER: Bob Engelken
SOUND & LIGHTS: Roy Anders
USHERS: 4L
WELCOMER: John Folkerts



*I will refresh the weary and
satisfy the faint.*

- Jeremiah 31:25

CALENDAR OF EVENTS—OCTOBER 2019

1	T	Narcotics Anonymous 11:30 am–1:30 pm BOARD OF DIRECTORS - 7:00 pm Chordinals 7:00pm	20	SUN	<u>SUNDAY WORSHIP (NEW TIME) 9:00 am</u> 10:30 am Bible Study/ Sunday School NA Business Meeting 1-5 pm
2	W	Feed the Hungry 9:00am BIBLE STUDY 10:00 am Narcotics Anonymous 7pm Chimes 6:30/Choir 7:30 pm	21	M	(Church office closed)
3	TH	Narcotics Anonymous 11:30 am-1:30 pm	22	T	Narcotics Anonymous 11:30 am–1:30 pm ELDERS MEETING 7:00 pm Chordinals 7:00pm
4	F		23	W	BIBLE STUDY 10:00 am Narcotics Anonymous 7 pm Chimes 6:30/Choir 7:30 pm
5	S	Narcotics Anonymous 7 pm	24	TH	Narcotics Anonymous 11:30 am-1:30 pm
6	SUN	<u>SUNDAY WORSHIP (NEW TIME) 9:00 am</u> 10:30 am Bible Study/Sunday School	25	F	GAME NIGHT 7:00pm
7	M	(Church office closed)	26	S	Narcotics Anonymous 7 pm
8	T	Narcotics Anonymous 11:30 am–1:30 pm Chordinals 7:00pm	27	SUN	<u>REFORMATION SUNDAY WORSHIP (NEW TIME)</u> <u>9:00 am</u> 10:30 am Bible Study/Sunday School
9	W	BIBLE STUDY 10:00 am Narcotics Anonymous 7 pm Chimes 6:30/Choir 7:30 pm	28	M	(Church office closed)
10	TH	Narcotics Anonymous 11:30 am-1:30 pm	29	T	Narcotics Anonymous 11:30 am–1:30 pm Chordinals 7:00pm
11	F		30	W	Narcotics Anonymous 7 pm Chimes 6:30/Choir 7:30 pm
12	S	LADIES' TEA PARTY 11am-2pm Narcotics Anonymous 7 pm	31	TH	Narcotics Anonymous 11:30 am-1:30 pm
13	SUN	<u>SUNDAY WORSHIP (NEW TIME) 9:00 am</u> 10:30 am Bible Study/Sunday School Barsky Reunion in Fellowship Hall Noon-5pm			
14	M	(Church office closed)			
15	T	Narcotics Anonymous 11:30 am–1:30 pm Chordinals 7:00pm			
16	W	BIBLE STUDY 10:00 am Narcotics Anonymous 7 pm Chimes 6:30/Choir 7:30 pm			
17	TH	Narcotics Anonymous 11:30 am-1:30 pm <u>LADIES EUREKA SPRING TRIP</u>			
18	F	<u>LADIES EUREKA SPRING TRIP</u>			
19	S	<u>LADIES EUREKA SPRING TRIP</u> Narcotics Anonymous 7 pm			

CONGRATS TO BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR MEMBERS ON THEIR SPECIAL DAY

OCTOBER BAPTISM REMEMBRANCES

Kate Mitchell	10/01
Easter Pfeiffer	10/01
Karen Betts	10/02
Chad Hamilton	10/10
Cheryl Niehaus	10/10
Billy Lane	10/13
Krista Foelsing	10/19
Laura Singleton	10/19
Jenna Foelsing	10/21
Amanda Burley	10/23
Mary Crichton	10/28
Darlene Neil	10/30

OCTOBER BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCES

Christine Foelsing	10/04
Hannah Moore	10/07
Ray Sims	10/09
Sally Huster	10/11
Brent Sims	10/11
David Fraley	10/12
Mary Crichton	10/14
El-Vera Biedenstein	10/17
Joan Bernard	10/19
Kiran Hamilton	10/20
Bill Crichton	10/21
David Singleton	10/21
Marilyn Sims	10/27
Chuck Bell	10/28
Linda Wehmeyer	10/29
Ryan Moore	10/30
Julie Sullivan	10/31

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCES

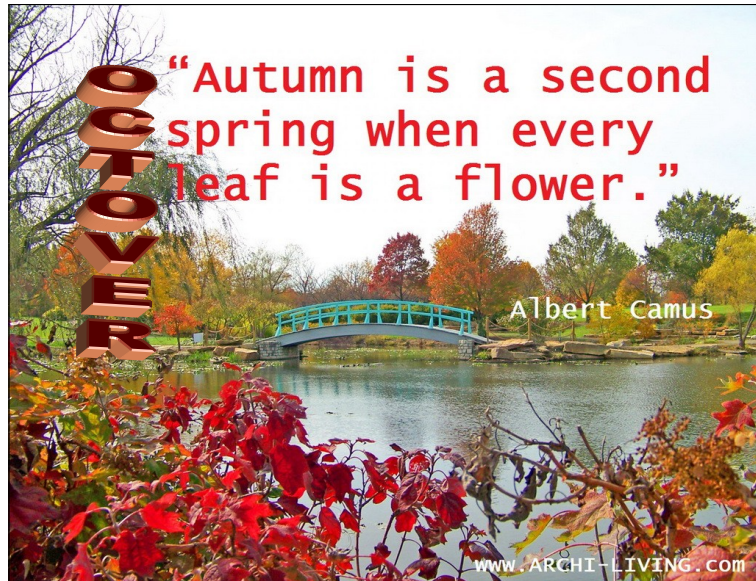
Bob & Beth Mullins	10/28/95 24 yrs
Tim & Joanie Decker	10/24/98 21 yrs
Bob & Laura Singleton	10/13/01 18 yrs
Randy & Amanda Moore	10/23/10 9 yrs



OCTOBER

SAVE SOME MONEY ON TAXES

If you are over 70 1/2 and have a Traditional IRA, you have to take Required Minimum Distributions. You can do what is called a QCD (Qualified Charitable Distribution) and save some money on taxes. Here's how it works (basically). Say you have a RMD of \$10,237. You normally give, for the sake of the example, \$4,000 to your church. You notify the Trustee of your IRA that you want to do a QCD. You tell them you want \$4,000 of your \$10,237 RMD to go directly to your church as a QCD. They send \$4,000 directly to your church. And you get the other \$6,237. What's the benefit? With the Standard Deduction, only about 5% of taxpayers will now be able to itemize. If that's your situation, you do not really get to take your charitable contributions as an itemized Deduction anymore. (That's not why you give the money but still, it was nice to be able to deduct it). With the QCD, the money goes directly to your church. And you then deduct that amount, from your income and you are not taxed on that \$4,000. If you're donating \$4,000 anyway, why not take advantage of this legal way to avoid (not evade) paying taxes on this amount? Ask Bob Engelken about it if you have any questions.



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KFUO

**In September, October, and November,
Beautiful Savior will be broadcasting our
Service over KFUO. We will be heard by
Radio and Internet ALL OVER THE
WORLD. Come to worship and praise the
Lord so the audience can hear us!**