Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church
402 Baytree Ave.

North Platte, NE 69101- 4823

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church Each BSLC member is:

Beautifully
Saved to
Lead to
Christ

Triune God (Creator, Redeemer, Counselor

Beautifully purely by the love, grace and power of our

Saved from sin's curse, condemnation and control; from death to joyful life with our crucified and risen Jesus

To Lead This gift is meant for everyone, for all people need the life revealed through the Word

To Christ for He is the Head, Heart and focus of our congregation and our loving service e to our members and those whom God will call to Him through our caring outreach.

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AT THE TIME of this **NEWSLETTER'S** production, we have resumed Congregation Activities in a careful and loving manner.

### We have resumed holding worship services at 8:45 AM & 11:00 AM, with the following DHM guidelines:

doors propped open or automatic opener button pushed with your elbow (same goes for restrooms, the north side ones now have electric openers),

Sitting in family groups that are separated by 6 feet from each other. If you need to move to maintain this, that's okay!

'Social distancing' in seating and visiting is encouraged.

Per GPH expert recommendation, please social distance in the line to Holy Communion, which will be distributed after Pastor & Elder have hand sanitized (gloves were not recommended). If you feel you need more secure/safe communing, Pastor will gladly privately commune you after service or on a weekday by appointment.

We'll hold Bible class and spread out in the Fellowship Hall – it will also be live streamed.

Please limit handling the hymnals or Bibles, all liturgy & Scriptures will be on Screen. Offering plates will be in the back and no fellowship form passing.

Please don't attend if you are ill; worship via Facebook or YouTube.

Thank you for your patience and compassion for one another!

The weekly 8:45 am worship service can be viewed online at :

www.bslcnp.com and you may mail your offering in to :

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

402 So. Baytree Ave, North Platte NE 69101

Online giving options are listed on the church website: <a href="www.bslcnp.com">www.bslcnp.com</a> or offerings may be dropped off at church.

Please contact the church office with any questions.

For updates please check the congregations

website: www.bslcnp.com

Facebook page: facebook.com/bslcnp Call the church office: 308-534-7004 Or Email the church: bslc@bslcnp.com

WATCH FOR UPDATES

**AS WE REMEMBER GOD'S** constant love and our congregation's ongoing financial needs. **PLEASE NOTE DEAR MEMBERS**, that offerings have been down. Prayerfully continue to contribute to the Lord's work here at Beautiful Savior as the Holy Spirit moves you in these summer months. Thank you for your faithful stewardship to God at BSLC.

### RECONNECTING

As we enter the month of September, our congregation plans to resume education opportunities as safely as possible in this year of pandemic. While we are faced with ever-changing guidelines and recommendations from those in the health care field (For whom we pray and thank God), we will do our best to put no one at risk while remembering that only God's power and wisdom is perfect, not our own. There is simply no way to remove all risk from a sin-tainted world where physical death is destined for all of us unless Jesus soon returns. But led by faith In God, we do not fear death but rather recognize that it is the doorway through which Jesus' followers pass to enter Paradise with our risen Savior. While we seek to not hasten our passing, we do not fear it as St. Paul reminds us in 1 Cor. 15, for Christ has conquered death, Satan and Hell for all who trust in Him. And trust in God requires being connected to Him constantly. He claimed, washed, rebirthed and adopted us in Baptism, teaches and leads us in His Word, and feeds our Souls in the Lord's Supper. These connections bring us what we most need: forgiveness of sins and life everlasting.

That is why we are resuming fall programming. While not everyone is yet able to gather in groups due to health issues, we want to encourage each other to utilize to the fullest extent the above connections, which are God's Means of Grace (delivery vehicles). Some will be able to join us at the church building and classrooms while others will join in viewing worship services online (an enclosed survey seeks input on how best to continue and enhance that avenue) and seek Holy Communion in more health-secure settings (please contact me to schedule that!). We are not to insist on how and when others connect but to offer loving encouragement and opportunities that build up fellowship with God and each other by His grace and the Holy Spirit's leading. We still plan on having a Mission Mapping large assembly when we can facilitate that wisely, safely and lovingly. Until we have more answers, vaccines and treatments for COVID 19, our efforts may seem weak, but we know that God works even through human weakness (2 Cor. 12:9) and works all things for good to those who love Him and are called according to His purpose (Rom. 8:28) His will, will be done, Amen! Your brother and servant in Christ Jesus,

Pastor Bob Deardoff



Pastor Bb Deartoff



# "Different but the Same" A Note from Jarryn

How different is your fall going to look? Will there be football, not just high school, volleyball, cross country, or the plethora of other activities that normally seem to fill our lives and the lives of our teens.

Even with everything going on we are still going to welcome the new Jr. and Sr. High Youth into the youth groups. We want to invite all Jr. and Sr. High Youth to join us during those time! If they can't make it for youth group Then we invite them to join us during one of the many activities we have planned for the upcoming months.

Here is a list of the upcoming activities for both the Jr. and Sr. High youth:

Sept 14: Youth Work Day

Sept 27: Youth Parent Meeting

Oct 2 & 3: Jr. High Rally, Rexford Ks

Oct Drive-In Lunch

Oct 31: Trunk or Treat

Nov: Jr. & Sr. High Activity to yet be determined

Nov: Jr. & Sr. High District Youth Gathering(?)

Dec: Jr. & Sr High Christmas Parties

For the Sr. High Youth we meet at 6:30 on Wednesday's, we have game time from 6:30 to 7:15 followed by Bible Study from 7:30 to 8:00. We will be starting a Bible Study series called, "Forever Changed".

The Jr. meet on Sundays at 4:30 until 6, we will be starting a Bible Study series called, "Enough" we also have different games from week to week.

There might be slight addition to the Sr. and Jr. High schedule coming later this year so keep an eye open for any changes! This will be a great year and I am so excited for this fall!

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid;not be discouraged,theGod will be with you wherever you go." - Joshua 1:9

In Christ, Jarryn Wiley-Pearce



### In Service to the Lord



Organists (8:45 AM): Musicians (11 AM)

September 6 Shary Asher September 6 Caroline Sabin Caroline Sabin September 13 Jean Niedan September 13 September 20 Jean Niedan September 20 Lvnette Hickman September 27 Shary Asher September 27 Lynette Hickman

Acolytes (8:45 AM): Acolytes (11:00 AM):

September 6 Lukas Borges September 6 Isaac Bertschinger Talen Ouderkirk September 13 September 13 Max Neglev September 20 Reid O'Brien September 20 Jaxson Niles September 27 Lilah Krupicka September 27 **Keaton Fattig** 

September Ushers (8:45 AM): September Elders (8:45 AM)

Don Colvin Jeff Boeka

Mark Goforth Glenn Van Velson

September Elders (11:00 AM) Jim Lantis

September Ushers (11:00 AM): Larry Wallace Dan Huebner Byron Fritz

**Bob Deardoff** 

Rod Lamp Official Acts and Directory Changes

**Transfer Request** 

Larry Young Family (Larry-Teresa-

Lutheran Church, Memphis TN

Emma-Rachel-Mollie) to Immanuel

Joanne C. Wolff—funeral If this is a ministry that you would

like to participate in

—please contact the church office or Rod Lamp @ 660-0097

Media Tech (11 AM):

September 6 Jim Parish

Mendi Roehrs September 13 Bruce & Chris Reinboth to St. John

September 20 Jim Parish Lutheran Church, Ord NE

September 27 Mendi Roehrs

#### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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Budgeted Expenses Needed Monthly ncome year to date through August 31, 2020 Actual Expenses year to date through A \$ 32,349.84 \$ 194,574.36 \$ 224,574.64 through August 31, 2020



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Sept. 1: Thomas Gosnell; Bob Kelsey Sept. 2: Clifford Gordon; Sue Johnson

Sept. 4: Shane Mauch

Sept. 4: Snane Maucii
Sept. 5: Derek Boeka; Brian Jahnke; Polly Laflan; Jackie Sayer

Sept. 6: Matthew O'Brien; Melinda Roehrs

Sept. 7: Chris Bertschinger; Nicholas Borges; Brad Butterfield; Craig Cuillian
Sept. 9: Richard Schneider; Uriah Weitzel; Susie Wiezorek

Sept. 10: Brian Butterfield; Olivia Davis

Sept. 11: Rob Stefka

Sept. 12: Logan Clevelanu, Glenn van Verseles Sept. 13: Mandy Einspahr; Artis Hansen; Tucker Kemp;

🥄 Sept. 14: Jocelyn Myers; Michael Tighe

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Sept. 15: Lori Unger Sept. 16: Jeff Boeka; Gavin Harold

Sept. 17: Jason Pflughaupt Sept. 18: Bryce Butterfield

Sept. 19: Kennedy Pucket; Burke Siegel

Sept. 20: Kiera Rhodes

Sept. 20. Riela Rhodes

Sept. 21: True Flynn; Carson Rhodes; Emma Young

Sept. 22: Kelly Bruns

Sept. 23: Nicóle Bruck; Makalya Kelsey Sept. 25: Andrea Huebner

Sept. 26: William Anderson; Edward Gardner; Chase Hallsted

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Sept. 28: Twila Conell; Billie DeGarmo; Tell Flynn

Sept. 29: Kimberly Utecht

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Sept. 30: Pete Johnson; Janelle Ouderkirk

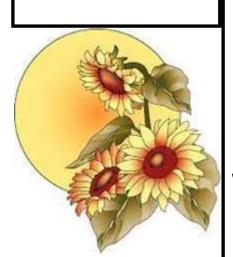


### **THEOLOGY ON TAP**

6:00 pm, Tuesday, September 8, 2020

Location to be determined.

Fellowship, Bible study and a cold one with fellow believers. Anyone 21 years and older and young at heart!



September
Anniversaries
Don't see your special
date listed here?
Contact the church

Sept. 2
Derrick & Suzi Knolles

office.

Sept. 16 Markos & Kim Nila

Sept. 18
Dean & RaeAnn Stearley

Sept. 19
William & Charlotte House

Sunday School Preschool through 5th grade:





Jr. High girls are upstairs for Bible Study & Crafts Jr. High boys are upstairs

studying with Jarryn

Sr. High are upstairs studying with Jarryn

Beautiful Savior Youth



September 12

Proceeds go to the Beautiful Savior Youth Group



### **LWML CIRCLES**

Evening Circle will meet September 14, 2020 at 7:00 pm at the church. Thelma Miles & Mary Babcock—Hostess

Afternoon Circle will meet September 10, 2020 at 1:00 pm at the church. Sharon Lantis will be the hostess

LWML Board Meeting—
September 21, 2020 @ 5:00 pm
LWML Quarterly Meeting
September 23rd, Wednesday, @ 7:00 pm. Watch Party for District Convention. Election of Officers for 2021.
Watch Keynote Speaker at virtual convention and Convention Offering, Business Meeting / Election and a bit of food / drink to close out the evening.

# LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSION LEAGUE: GOSPEL OUTREACH MESSAGE:

Make a point to pray for specific missionaries and missions this month. Use the mission grant recipients from LWML and your district as a starting list. Add any missionaries supported by your congregation.



### BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL

I am so glad to be back in school, I really missed the children. The summer was too long.

Our color for this month is Orange.

We will be learning about all of Gods creation in chapel.

The children are learning all the rules very quickly, and the older ones are remembering how everything goes.

It is a little different with the Virus so we are trying to teach social distancing, it is a hard concept to teach but every day it is getting easier to line up, and playtime is different.

I can't wait to see how much they grow through the year.



## **Youth News**

Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group

Sunday Sept 6—NO Youth

Jr. High Youth Group starts Sept 13 @ 4:30 to 6:00

Sr. High Youth Group starts September 9

GROUP

at 6:30 to 8:00

### **Fall Work Day**

Date: Sept 14

Time: 9:30 am to 4 pm

Projects:

Youth room update

**Board of Trustee Project** 



### Jr. High Rally

Date: Oct 2-3

Theme: God's War: The Rise of Identity Cost: \$50 it is an extra \$25 for paintball Location: Shepherd's Staff—Rexford Ks

"For the LORD sees not as man sees; man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD on the heart." - 1 Samuel 16:7b

It was a dark time in the world. The evil "emperor of this world" had deceived Adam and Eve into taking the forbidden fruit. Despite their condemnation God promised to send a Deliverer..."



Proceeds go to the Beautiful Savior Youth Group

We have started to collect items in the far east classroom in the north hallway. We will need help setting up the week before and the day of the sale.

Check the bulletin for more youth activities.

### September 2020 DAILY BIBLE READING

### God's Life-Giving Word of Wisdom

- 1 Matthew 5:1-20
- 2 Matthew 5:21-48
- 3 Matthew 6:19-34
- 4 Matthew 7:1-14
- 5 Matthew 7:15-29
- 6 Matthew 12:1-21
- 7 Matthew 12:22-32
- 8 Matthew 12:33-50
- 9 Matthew 13:1-17
- 10 Matthew 13:18-33
- 11 Matthew 13:34-58
- 12 Matthew 18:1-14
- 13 Matthew 18:15-35
- 14 Matthew 19:1-15
- 15 Matthew 19:16-30
- 16 Matthew 22:1-22
- 17 Matthew 22:23-46
- 18 Matthew 25:1-13
- 19 Matthew 25:14-30
- 20 Matthew 25:31-26
- 21 Proverbs 1:1-33
- 22 Proverbs 3:1-35
- 23 Proverbs 4:1-27
- 24 Proverbs 9:1-36
- 25 Proverbs 9:1-18
- 26 Proverbs 10:1-32
- 27 Proverbs 14:1-35
- 28 Proverbs 15:1-33
- 29 Proverbs 16:1-33
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Christian Life, Human Care - No report

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### **Livestreaming Ministry**

The pandemic accelerated our journey into the livestreaming format for delivering worship services. At a recent Board of Elders meeting we had an indepth discussion of our livestreaming process. We sincerely thank Dennis and Donovan McConnell for their ongoing work to make livestreaming possible. We believe that the continued delivery of our services and events should continue beyond the pandemic with the primary focus on outreach. We would like to gather input from the congregation about the continued use of livestreaming and what are the next steps to make this ministry more effective and robust. We have put together a short survey we would like everyone to take a few moments to complete.

Should BSLC continue with our livestreaming ministry beyond the pandemic?

What improvements to our livestreaming ministry should we consider?

- 3. What additional events should we consider livestreaming?
- 4. Would you support BSLC purchasing equipment to continue livestreaming?
- 5. What should be our primary focus with our livestreaming ministry?

PLEASE complete this survey and return to church office either online, on paper (additional copies available in office), by mail or in person or place in the box at the back of the church sanctuary. Thank you!

### **Board of Christian Education Minutes** August 10, 2020

THESE ARE PRELIMINARY MINUTES SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT THE NEXT BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MEETING

Persons in Attendance: Deedra DeGarmo; Heather Van Velson; Kim Utecht; Anne Wilcox

Jarryn Wiley-Pearce: Cathy Poppe: Diane Fritz: Janelle Ouderkirk:

Meeting called to order

Opening prayer Jarryn Wiley-Pearce

Approval of Minutes and Bills: Cathy Poppe made the motion to approve,

Janelle Ouderkirk seconded. Motion carried.

Reports: Jarryn Wiley-Pearce - DCE Report

Talked with Bible Supply about bibles. Checking with

Pastor to make sure list is correct.

Midweek - Jeff will help with it but wants Elders to be involved with the teaching.

Janet will do 5<sup>th</sup> grade midweek again. 6th grade will do handouts and a notebook

Sunday School will start where we left off We won't have to change curriculum this year

Teachers: Craft – Boettchers; Music: - Newsletter has an advertisement; Story: Ashley; 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys combining with high school boys with Jeff; 6<sup>th</sup> – 8th grade girls - Tara & Paulette; High School -Jarryn

Music and Craft will alternate Sundays

Anne Wilcox - Preschool Report

Open house on the 3<sup>rd</sup> – good turnout

Have 5 students for Tues/Thurs; Have 7 students for M-W-

F class

No more than 2 students to a table

Keeping socially distant at play is a work in progress No stuffed animals this year - They are bagged and in the attic

Toys will go into tub and be cleaned at the end of the day

Teachers will need to be in masks

An extra table is not needed as of right now.

### Unfinished Business reviewed and resolved:

**New Business:** Rally Day: Make sign using old VBS sign and just

cover it.

Last year we made postcards - we can do that again with

look at splitting the group into 2 if necessary

If we have 12 kids we will split them up.

Last year we handed out M&M's with prayer. We can do something like that again this year.

Just possibly use Sunday School money and provide the

food. Have another meeting at the end of August to

assess the situation.

DCE: We missed DEC Day. What would we like to do? Present something at church. Amount to spend.

\$50.00 - Heather motions, Cathy seconded. Pre-

sent this to her during Rally Day

DCE Day for 2021 - June 26th

Tabled Items: Continuing to assess and modify as Directed Health

Mandate guidelines change and allow.

Rally Day - continue to plan.

Adjourn: - Janelle Ouderkirk made the motion to adjourn. Diane Fritz seconded,

motion carried, meeting adjourned.

Closing: Lord's Prayer

# Bible Studies

# Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study will still be Interactive Livestream @ 10:00 am,

Led by Pastor Bob, Current Event questions are welcome. We are continuing our study of the Book of Luke—Facebook message your questions and thoughts in on Sunday Mornings during the study. Participation is encouraged in person also, using "social distancing'!

### **Wednesday Mornings**

Men's Bible Study—
Every Wednesday at 6:30 a.m. at
The Fellowship Hall at BSLC through the month of September
Led by Pastor,

join us as we enjoy a study of God's Word in the Psalms!



<u>Tuesday Afternoon Ladies Bible Study</u> <u>will resume September 1,2020 at 1:30 pm.</u>

We will quickly conclude our study of Jeremiah before beginning the gospel of John. ALL WOMEN are invited/welcome if you have that time slot open!

### **Board of Elders Minutes** August 24, 2020

THESE ARE PRELIMINARY MINUTES SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT THE NEXT BOARD OF ELDERS MEETING

Persons in Attendance: Pastor Bob Deardoff; Byron Fritz; Jeff Boeka;

Glenn Van Velson; Wayne Mueller; Dennis

McConnell

**Opening prayer** given by Pastor Deardoff

Minutes of the July 20, 2020 meeting. Motion made to approve minutes by

Jeff Boeka, seconded by Byron Fritz, motion carried and approved.

Bills were reviewed

Pastor Deardoff - Printed and oral report Reports:

was given by Pastor

Unfinished Business from the July meeting:

Ministry Mapping Update(s) - We need to keep

moving and not let this lay idle.

Livestreaming Services - Reviewed **New Business:** 

Transfer request for the Larry Young Family (Larry, Teresa, Emma, Rachel and Mollie) to Immanuel Lutheran Church,

Memphis. TN - Motion to approve by Byron . Fritz and seconded by Jeff Boeka. Passed.

Transfer request for Bruce and Chris Reinboth to St. John Lutheran Church. Ord, NE – Motion to approve by Byron

Fritz and seconded by Jeff Boeka. Passed.

Discussion and Update of Worship to follow DHM guidelines as follows

Jenny Lantis, an infection prevention specialist at GPH, advised at the Elders meeting what we should be doing as far

as DHM Guidelines: Masks are not effective unless everyone is

wearing one.

Elders were encouraged to wear a mask to

set an example Hand hygiene is important for Elders during communion. Gloves aren't necessarily

needed. New Albs (robes) that Elders may wear

during Communion distribution were tried on for familiarization.

Tabled Items:

Adjourn: Motion made to adjourn and seconded.

Closing: Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer in unison.

# BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERN CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES OF 8/24/20

**Persons in Attendance**: Pastor Deardoff, Loren Babcock, Bob Reigan, Charlene Schneider, Charles Boettcher, Dwight Livingston, Ashley Roehrs and Jarryn Wiley-Pearce.

**Meeting called to order** at 8:00 P.M. by President Boettcher.

**Opening Prayer/Devotion:** Opening prayer was given by Pastor Deardoff after a devotion was presented by President Boettcher.

**Minutes of the last meeting of 7/20/20:** A motion to approve the minutes was made by Charlene Schneider. The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

**Treasurer's Report** was presented by Charlene Schneider. A motion to approve the report was made by Loren Babcock, motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

Reports were received from Pastor, Trustees, Board of Ed, DCE, and Board of Elders. Contents of those reports can be seen in the published minutes of all boards.

**Old Business:** Continuing to make changes for pandemic as needed.

New Business: None

A motion to adjourn was made by Loren Babcock at 8:50 P.M. Motion was seconded and unanimously carried. Meeting closed with Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted: Loren Babcock, Secretary

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES August 24, 2020

THESE ARE PRELIMINARY MINUTES SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AT THE NEXT BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

**Present:** Robert Reigan;

**DeWayne Livingston** 

Minutes & Bills: Reviewed and approved.

**Reports:** - Ongoing Sprinkler Maintenance

**New Business:** - Play Ground sprayed for weeds

Spraying Flower Beds

**Unfinished Business:** Plans / changes due to pandemic,

ongoing as needed

Always sprinkler maintenance

### Meeting adjourned.



# Sunday School Music Leader Needed!

We are looking for an individual or couple who would want to lead the Sunday School kids every other Sunday in music. There is plenty of material and music videos for you and the kids to have a blast. If interested please talk to Jarryn or Deedra.

### **USHERS NEEDED!!!**

Church ushers are a significant part of our church hospitality system, and fulfill specific duties to accomplish that, such as greeting our members and visitors when they arrive, handing out bulletins, finding seating for those who need assistance, assisting with the gathering of offerings, leading the congregation to the front to receive Holy Sacrament amongst other vital duties. If you are interested in being a servant in the House of the Lord, Please contact the church office or Head Usher, Rod Lamp. 660-0097

Tuesday, September 15, 2020 WOMEN'S RE-SOURCE CENTER ANNUAL FUNDRAISING CELEBRATION: Dear friends, I want to give an update on the plans for this event. At this time the event is moving forward as planned with a meal and Dr. Marc Newman as guest speaker. The dinner will be held on Tuesday, September 15, at the Berean Church, 202 West 8<sup>th</sup> Street. Doors open at 6 p.m. with a meal catered by Ole's in Paxton.

If you wish to participate in this event, please go to the Women's Resource Center website (**pregnancynorthplatte.com**) to register. Jim and Lisa Parish are serving as table hosts so you can register under either name. Registrations are due by Sunday, September 6<sup>th</sup>. There is no fee to register but of course our goal is to secure donations for the Women's Resource Center.

As with all upcoming events in our community, changes may need to be made due to recommendations concerning Covid-19. We will keep you updated on any changes.

If you are not able to attend this event, we strongly encourage you to support this ministry by going to the Women's Resource Center web page, learning about the wonderful services they are offering to our community and give a donation.

God bless you in your support! Jim and Lisa Parish

# Portals of Prayer for July—September 2020 and October—December 2020 are available on a stand outside the church office or at the south entrance of the church.

### REMINDER!

If you or a loved one are hospitalized and desire a visit from Pastor, PLEASE call the church office and tell us! Or if you desire a home visit, let Pastor know so he can set up a time to see you.

You're loved and worth it!



The New 2020-2021 BSLC Directory is available on the back table in the sanctuary. please inform the office of any move or address changes. Thank you





### The Body of Christ is a gift

"For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body–Jews or Greeks, slaves or free–and all were made to drink of one Spirit" (1 Cor. 12:12–13).

When was the last time you thought about your little toe? The only time you ever think of your little toe is when you stub it on the coffee table leg in the middle of the night. Or how about your appendix? When what the last time you gave it a thought? If you have ever thought about it, it was probably when it was inflamed, and you were about to have surgery to remove it.

There are many parts of the body that don't seem very important. But God has fearfully and wonderfully made the machine that is the human body. It is interrelated and interconnected in such a way that continues to baffle those who study it.

What is most remarkable is that there are no parts of the body that are useless. Just because we don't always appreciate and understand how parts work or why they are even there, doesn't mean that they are not important. There was once a woman who lost both her little toes to amputation and had to spend four weeks in rehab learning to walk without them. Think they aren't important? She knew it!

You are part of the body of Christ. You have a divinely created place in the body that is your congregation. When you don't think you are important, or you feel that you don't have a place, know that you are missed terribly, and the body is not complete without you! When you don't use the simple gifts which the Lord has given you, the body is diminished. It is weakened. It can't fully do what it has been given to do!

You have a place and a part to play. Consider it. Pray that the Lord would lead you to embrace and carry out this role. Let the Holy Spirit use you in His ways for His work!

### **Prayer**

Lord Jesus, the body of which You are the head is an amazing creation. You have grafted us into this body by Baptism. Lead us to see, embrace and relish in using the gifts we have been given simply and completely for the sake of the kingdom! Amen.



### September 6

"Jesus in the House"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Messy prayers, loud tables, open doors-three signs of a spiritually vibrant household.

(Luke 19:1-10)

### September 13

"Fireplace Spirituality"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Our relationship with God is not something to "set and forget"

like a thermostat. (Acts 2:37-47)

### September 20

"I Stand at the Door"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler New Series "Households of Faith"

(Luke 24:13-35)

### September 27

"Room at the Table"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Jason Broge New Series "Households of Faith"

(1 Peter 4)





Meal will be provided.



celebrate all the great things God has for us this fall!