

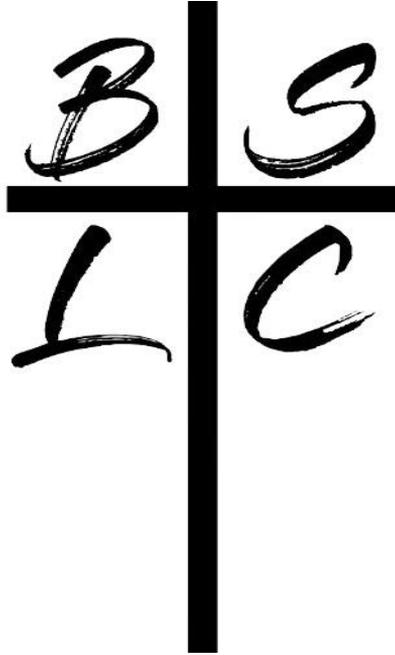
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Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 15, 2026

Pastor Kevin Hahn

Church Office hours – M-F 7:30am – 12pm

WELCOME & GREETINGS

FELLOWSHIP FORMS

OPENING HYMN *God Loved the World So That He Gave* LSB # 571

God loved the world so that He gave
His only Son the lost to save,
That all who would in Him believe
Should everlasting life receive.

Christ Jesus is the ground of faith,
Who was made flesh and suffered death;
All then who trust in Him alone
Are built on this chief cornerstone.

God would not have the sinner die;
His Son with saving grace is nigh;
His Spirit in the Word declares
How we in Christ are heaven's heirs.

Be of good cheer, for God's own Son
Forgives all sins which you have done;
And, justified by Jesus' blood,
Your Baptism grants the highest good.

If you are sick, if death is near,
This truth your troubled heart can cheer:
Christ Jesus saves your soul from death;
That is the firmest ground of faith.

Glory to God the Father, Son,
And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To You, O blessed Trinity,
Be praise now and eternally!

INVOCATION

LSB # 151

- P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

LSB # 151

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C **Amen.**

INTROIT

Psalms 27:4–6

- P: My eyes are ever toward the Lord,
C: **for he will pluck my feet out of the net.**
- P: One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after:
C: **that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple.**
- P: For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble;
C: **he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will lift me high upon a rock.**
- P: And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy;
C: **I will sing and make melody to the Lord.**
- ALL: **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

P: My eyes are ever toward the Lord,
C: **for he will pluck my feet out of the net.**

KYRIE

LSB# 152

A In peace let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy.**
A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy.**
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy.**
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
C **Lord, have mercy.**
A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
C **Amen.**

SALUTATION

LSB# 156

P The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.
Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new every morning; and though we deserve only punishment, You receive us as Your children and provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Isaiah 42:14-21 (NIV)

“For a long time I have kept silent,
I have been quiet and held myself back.
But now, like a woman in childbirth,
I cry out, I gasp and pant.
I will lay waste the mountains and hills
and dry up all their vegetation;
I will turn rivers into islands

and dry up the pools.
I will lead the blind by ways they have not known,
along unfamiliar paths I will guide them;
I will turn the darkness into light before them
and make the rough places smooth.
These are the things I will do;
I will not forsake them.
But those who trust in idols,
who say to images, 'You are our gods,'
will be turned back in utter shame.

Israel Blind and Deaf

"Hear, you deaf;
look, you blind, and see!
Who is blind but my servant,
and deaf like the messenger I send?
Who is blind like the one in covenant with me,
blind like the servant of the Lord?
You have seen many things, but you pay no attention;
your ears are open, but you do not listen."
It pleased the Lord
for the sake of his righteousness
to make his law great and glorious.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

Ephesians 5:8-14 (NIV)

For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) and find out what pleases the Lord. Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them. It is shameful even to mention what the disobedient do in secret. But everything exposed by the light becomes visible—and everything that is illuminated becomes a light. This is why it is said:

"Wake up, sleeper,
rise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPELJohn 9:1-7,13-17, 34-39^(NIV)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the ninth chapter
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

As he went along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?"

"Neither this man nor his parents sinned," said Jesus, "but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him. As long as it is day, we must do the works of him who sent me. Night is coming, when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world."

After saying this, he spit on the ground, made some mud with the saliva, and put it on the man's eyes. "Go," he told him, "wash in the Pool of Siloam" (this word means "Sent"). So the man went and washed, and came home seeing.

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had been blind. Now the day on which Jesus had made the mud and opened the man's eyes was a Sabbath. Therefore the Pharisees also asked him how he had received his sight. "He put mud on my eyes," the man replied, "and I washed, and now I see."

Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath."

But others asked, "How can a sinner perform such signs?" So they were divided.

Then they turned again to the blind man, "What have you to say about him? It was your eyes he opened."

The man replied, "He is a prophet."

³⁴ To this they replied, "You were steeped in sin at birth; how dare you lecture us!" And they threw him out.

Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?"

"Who is he, sir?" the man asked. "Tell me so that I may believe in him."

Jesus said, "You have now seen him; in fact, he is the one speaking with you." Then the man said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped him.

Jesus said "For judgment I have come into this world, so that the blind will see and those who see will become blind."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

Amazing Grace

LSB # 744

Amazing grace—how sweet the sound—
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind but now I see!

The Lord has promised good to me,
His Word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come;
His grace has brought me safe thus far,
His grace will lead me home.

Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail
And mortal life shall cease,
Amazing grace shall then prevail
In heaven's joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we'd first begun.

SERMON

Seeing

John 9:1-7,13-17,34-39

APOSTLES' CREED

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life T everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH

LSB #159

P: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

P: Great Physician, enlighten our eyes by Your blessed Gospel, and hide us in Your shelter in the day of trouble. Provide a home in Your Church for those cast out by this world, and unite them with us in the pure confession of Your name. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Lord of glory, You have gathered Your Church and sanctified us in Your truth. Guide and direct Matthew, our Synod president; _____, our district president; and _____, our circuit visitor. Preserve all vacant congregations, send laborers into Your harvest and sustain those whom You have sent. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Almighty Father, uphold in mercy all authorities, especially parents and the civil servants of our nation. Strengthen our homes, and keep families firm in the Christian faith. Preserve us from wickedness, and uphold order and justice for a peaceful life. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Lord God, You have promised that what we suffer does not condemn us, but instead displays Your glory. Sustain the afflicted in body or soul, [*especially* _____,] that they would take heart, trust You for healing and find You even in the midst of their trials. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: Blessed, O Lord, is everyone who is not offended by Your Christ. Give us faith to believe His blessed testament, seek His Holy Supper for the forgiveness of our sins, and confess Your truth with honest hearts in the communion of this altar. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: O Lord, those who wait for Your salvation have the promise that You will not forsake them. Lead those who wander in darkness through rough places, that they would find the way of righteousness and not be put to shame. Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

P: All these things, O heavenly Father, we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, asking You to grant our prayers not for our sake but for His sake alone. Teach our hearts to be content with Your will and to trust that You will answer with what is best for us and at the right time for our need. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OFFERING

Lord's Prayer

**C Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

BENEDICTION

LSB 166

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.
C Amen.

HYMN TO DEPART *O Christ, Our True and Only Light* **LSB # 839**

O Christ, our true and only light,
Enlighten those who sit in night;
Let those afar now hear Your voice
And in Your fold with us rejoice.

Fill with the radiance of Your grace
The souls now lost in error's maze;

Enlighten those whose inmost minds
Some dark delusion haunts and blinds.

O gently call those gone astray
That they may find the saving way!
Let ev'ry conscience sore oppressed
In You find peace and heav'nly rest.

Shine on the darkened and the cold;
Recall the wand'ers to Your fold.
Unite all those who walk apart;
Confirm the weak and doubting heart,

That they with us may evermore
Such grace with wond'ring thanks adore
And endless praise to You be giv'n
By all Your Church in earth and heav'n.

WE GIVE THANKS & PRAISE TO GOD FOR HIS BLESSINGS: We ask for beneficial rains and the safety of all travelers.

ANNIVERSARY: Brian and Shelia Mahler (18 yrs.)

***WE PRAY FOR GOD'S HEALING TOUCH:** ***WE PRAY** for those who struggle with chronic conditions or effects of aging; **Art Little**, father of Vicki Goforth; **Lanny Moore**; **Jean Niedan**; **Paul Wathen**, Brother-in-Law of David & Shirley Steele; **Rose McNulty**; **Don Richert**; **Mildred Gurkin**.

***WE PRAY** for those who battle cancer: **Gwen Books**, friend of the Flynn's **Matt Moorhead**, friend of the Huebner's; **Lori Potter**, Lisa Parish's sister; **Holly**, Janelle Ouder Kirk's sister in law; Bruce Tiedeman; **Kate Mohr**, daughter of Chris & Bruce Reinboth; **Holly Roesser**, friend of Kerrin Tallmon; **Jeff Crymble**, friend of the Parish's; **Gail Warren**; **Keary Ryan**; **Rachelle Kowalski**; **Deb Murdock**; **Beth Janecek**; **John Browsers**; **Pat Hoagland**; **Lana Gibbs**; **Vickie Kauffold**.

***WE PRAY** for those with a variety of health concerns: **Mary Babcock**, recovering from surgery she had on Friday in Lincoln; **Joyce Woodman**; Chandra Boeka's mother; **Larry Pettera**, husband of Denise; **Scarlet**, Don Staroska's great granddaughter; **Charles Boettcher**; **Heather Axtell**, friend of Bonnie Van Cura; **Pastor Stubenrouch**; **Byron Fritz**; **Bret Skiles**, Son of Denise and Duane Skiles; **Carol Mahnken**; **Shirley Nielson**; **Jeanne Brott**; **Lavonne Fleeer**, Aunt of Raegan Anderson; **Harlan Grunden**, Uncle of Raegan Anderson; **Tom P**; **Shelley Kleewein**; **Mike DeBolt**, family of Bonnie Van Cura; **Max Wallace**; **Brian Mahler**; **Hayden & Landon**, friends of the Babcock's; **Kylar Smith**; **Marie Gordon**; **Connie Langhofer**; **Brian McFarland**; **Rick Heglin**; **Mike Waggener**; **Mary DeRiese**.

***WE PRAY** for our expectant mothers and the children they carry.

***WE PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES OR MISSION PROJECTS:**

***WE PRAY** that we would be deliberate sharers of Jesus' word, grace, and love.

WE PRAY FOR THESE SPECIAL PETITIONS:

***WE PRAY** for the LCMS, Synod President Harrison, and District President Snow & other officers of our Synod.

***WE PRAY** for our nation and its leaders and the men and women serving in our military: **Jordan Harris**, US Army in Colorado Springs; **Bailey Hutton**, US Army in Fort Hood, Tx; **Mitchell Parish**, US Army; **Matthew Russell**, US Marine Corp.; **Benjamin Reehl**, US Army; **D. Logan Miles**, US Marines, MSAU, Quantico, VA.

Happening this month:

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| March 15 th | 8:45am Bible Study 9am Sunday School 10am Worship Service NEW TIME 2pm Church Council 2pm LWML Quarterly Meeting |
| March 16 th | 5:30pm BOOM Board Meeting 7pm Board of Trustee Meeting |
| March 17 th | 8am Men's Bible Study 1:30pm Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm New Members Class |
| March 18 th | 5:00pm Dinner Fund Raiser for The Johnson Family 6:15 Lent Service |
| March 19 th | 1:30pm Book Club |
| March 22 nd | 8:45am Bible Study 9am Sunday School 10am Worship Service – Communion - NEW TIME |
| March 23 rd | 7pm Ladies Book Club |
| March 24 th | 8am Men's Bible Study 1:30pm Ladies Bible Study 6:30pm New Members Class |
| March 25 th | 5:00pm Dinner Ladies Bible Study 6:15 Lent Service |
| March 29 th | 8:45am Bible Study 9am Sunday School 10am Worship Service – Palm Sunday- NEW TIME |

INTERESTED in becoming a member? Then you're invited to a class that will meet on Tuesdays from **6:30-8:00PM** for ten weeks beginning **Tuesday, March 10**. There's no obligation to join. This class is open to ALL – including current members. Simply bring yourself. Invite someone to come with you. The main textbook is the Bible. Please contact Pastor Hahn with any questions – email: pastor@bslcnpc.com / cell: 815-600-0518.



.We have the opportunity to bless/support another of our preschool families. The Johnson's mom had surgery before Christmas and ended back in the hospital for 3 weeks due to an infection. She is currently bed bound and unable to work due to blood clots. Her 3 children, Brixton, Hendrix, & Jaxlynn attend preschool all 5 days. Proceeds from the Soup Supper on **March**

18th will be given to them. Lisa Parish is coordinating the meal and is looking for soups and desserts. Please let her know if you can help.

Tuesday Men's Bible Study: Matthew—His Kingdom Forever from the God's Word for Today series. The apostle Matthew writes his gospel to proclaim to the world that its promised Savior has come. Pointing to Jesus as the fulfillment of the Old Testament prophecies, Matthew proclaims the universality of Jesus' love. By inspiration of the Holy Spirit, Matthew's account tells us about Jesus Christ, the Son of God, ruler of the universe, and our personal Savior and friend. 8am – All men are welcome.

The LWML will have its **Spring Quarterly Meeting on Sunday March 15th** at 2:00pm at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church in the Fellowship Hall. Following the meeting the ladies will tie fleece blankets for local fire departments as our mission project. Please join us for refreshments and snipping the blankets. If you could bring a pair of fabric scissors with pointed ends to help snip the blankets it would be appreciated.



""No Command from the Lord"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: [Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler](#)

Jesus is the only way to God, but there are many adventures with Jesus. Which ones will you pick?

1 Corinthians 7:6-7

LWML MISSION OUTREACH: We go to a nursery to carefully choose and buy a fruit tree. We plant, water, fertilize, and prune it. We expect it to blossom one day and bear fruit. God has chosen us. Jesus Christ has purchased us through His death on the cross. The Holy Spirit nurtures us and helps us to grow, blossom, and produce lasting fruit. The fruit of a Christian is the love and compassion shown to others. What we do for others in God's name give Him honor and glory—fruit that will last.



Mark your calendar and spread the word!!!!!!!

Vacation Bible School

July 6-9

5pm – 7:30pm



March 15th

10am Service—Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 18th

5pm Supper—Soup Fundraiser for the
Johnson Family

6:15 Service— Standing Through Persecution

March 22nd

10am Service—Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 25th

5pm Supper—Sliders—Ladies Bible Study

6:15 Service— Standing in Truth

March 29th

10am Palm Sunday Service

April 2nd

6:15pm Maundy Thursday Service

April 3rd

6:15pm Good Friday Service

April 5th

10am Easter Sunday Service

In Service to the Lord

Organist: Sherry Roehrs
Reader: Jim Parish
Elders: John Flynn, Jeff Boeka, Larry Wallace, & Allen Huff
Ushers: Loren Sinsel, Pete Johnson, Isaac Sinsel

| <u>Attendance</u> | <u>Last Week</u> | <u>1 Yr. Ago</u> |
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| Wed | 92 | 70 |
| Sunday | 121 | 122 |
| <u>Offering</u> | | |
| General Fund | \$ 6,885.00 | \$ 5,321.00 |
| Synodical Mission | \$.00 | \$ 50.00 |
| Sunday School | \$.00 | \$.00 |
| Dedicated Others | \$ 55.00 | \$ 225.17 |

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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| Budgeted Expense Needed Monthly for 2026 | \$ 39,115.22 |
| Year to Date Income ending February 2026 | \$ 44,606.00 |
| Year to Date Expenses ending February 2026 | \$ 74,647.76 |

Bible Lesson for Sunday March 22nd.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Ezek. 37:1-14 Psalm 130 Romans 8:1-11 John 11:1-53

Each Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church (BSLC) Member is: Beautifully
Saved to Lead to Christ

Welcome

In the name of Jesus Christ we take immense joy in welcoming you to our worship service today!

If you are a visitor, please complete the attendance form in your pew or fill out a Welcome Card in the pew and place it in the offering plate. We are glad the Lord led you here today!

We ask all attending members to complete the attendance form as it helps us track attendance for our computer records. There is an opportunity on the Welcome card to make us aware of your prayer request.

*Assisted listening devices are available for those who need them.

** A nursery is available for small children.



The cost per Easter Lily is \$16.00
Deadline to order is March 25th

Ordered by _____

In Honor of _____

In Memory of _____

Total Due: _____