

**FAMILY CHRISTMAS** - There are still opportunities to be part of the family celebration on Christmas Day. Fill out a form from the Giving Tree for:



- Food: 3 large pumpkin pies.
- Funds: \$1055 (for supplies for our guests)
- Family: 6 to 26 table hosts from 4:00 to 7:00; 1 beverage helper from 4:00-6:00 and 4-5 cleanup from 7:00 - 8:30



**LOVING DOGS TOO** - While our guests are enjoying the Christmas Dinner their dogs can be loved too. Suzy V. will be sitting outside with the dogs and would like a couple other people to join her for a few hours. It would also bless the dog owners if we supplied new leashes, coats, harnesses or dog food (drop off at the office). Call Suzy to join her.

**BOUTIQUE MINISTRY** - The BSLC Clothing Boutique, located in the new addition above the sanctuary, is in need of the following:



- New or used (freshly washed) warm clothing for men, women and children of all sizes
- URGENT - Warm jackets, coats, hats, scarves, gloves, socks – New or used undergarments
- New or used shoes for men, women and children of all sizes (You send them; we will clean them!)

The boutique is available free of charge to anyone associated with BSLC. You may access it at any time the church is open – just check in at the office to make sure someone knows you are in the building. Clothing or monetary donations to Social Concerns are deeply appreciated.



**SAINTS ALIVE - Scrooge the Musical:** Those taking the bus, be at the church at 2:15 p.m. (Open Bible Church, 3223 S.E. 92nd. Ave. Portland) For those who are driving, take 205 to Powell, to 92nd Ave, Go right and the church is on the left. We think you will have a very enjoyable time.

**CHILDREN'S TIME** - Available during the 11:00 worship service for children 4 yrs thru 2nd grade in Room 204 during the message time. Kids get to be active and parents are free to listen and learn. Children have the option to stay during the sermon or leave with the volunteers after the children's message and return after the sermon message (about 25 minutes). Parents who use this ministry are encouraged to volunteer on a rotating basis. **Leaders: Linnea H and Jamie T**

## BSLC Connections

### SUNDAY 12/15

8:15/11:00 Worship Services  
 9:45 am Adult/Child/Youth Classes  
 3:00 pm Saints Alive - Scrooge  
 6:00 pm Women's AA-Spkr/Disc

### MONDAY 12/16

6:00 am Design Team Breakfast  
 1:30 pm H. Women's Group  
 P. Seniors Group  
 5:00 pm Stretching & Breathing  
 6:30 pm Directors Board Meeting  
 7:00 pm P. Couple's Group  
 Harp and Bowl  
 HS Growth Group

### TUESDAY 12/17

5:00 am M. Men's Group  
 7:00 am M. Men's Group  
 9:00 am Los Ninos Cuentan  
 10:00 am C/S Women's Group  
 11:00 am Parkinsons  
 3:30 pm I. Women's Group  
 6:30 pm L. Young Adults Group  
 C. Women's Group  
 Stephen Ministry  
 7:00 pm G. Women's Group  
 AA Meeting

### WEDNESDAY 12/18

6:30 am House of Prayer (Women)  
 9:00 am Mom's Group  
 10:00 am Senior Men's Group  
 2:00 am Financial/Citizenship Clss

### WEDNESDAY (continued)

5:00 pm Stretching & Breathing  
 6:00 pm Re-Fuel: Taco Soup,  
 Salad, Ice Cream, Cookie  
 Kids Community, Dig,  
 Grapple, Jr & Sr High  
 Cultural Exchange  
 Missional Families Group  
 BSLC/FOL Monthly Mtg

### THURSDAY 12/19

6:00 am J. Men's Group  
 9:00 am F. Women's Group  
 4:30 pm CSC Meal  
 6:00 pm Nightstrike  
 7:00 pm AA Mtg-Big Book Study

### FRIDAY 12/20

12:00 pm MS Support Group  
 8:00 pm Thrift Store Formal Jr/Sr  
 (Potluck and Bowling)

### SATURDAY 12/21

7:30 am S. Men's Group  
 M. Men's Group  
 8:15 am Stretching & Breathing  
 4:00 pm Preschool Rehearsal  
 6:30 J. Couple's Group

### SUNDAY 12/22

8:15/11:00 Worship Services  
 9:45 am Children's Christmas Program  
 6:00 pm Women's AA-Spkr/Disc

**WOMEN SAVE THE DATE** - The Women's Retreat will be April 4-6.

### GROWTH GROUPS FOR ALL

If you desire to connect with more people and/or want to mature in your walk with Christ, then check out the groups that would love to have you join. Below are the groups that have openings. Is there one that fits you?

#### Men

Tuesdays 5am & 7am  
 Wednesdays 10am (Senior Men)  
 Thursdays 6am  
 Saturdays 7:30am (2 choices)

#### Women

Mondays 1:30pm  
 Tuesdays 10:00, 3:30, 6:30, 7pm  
 Wednesdays 9:00 am (Moms)  
 Thursdays 9:00 am

#### Couples -

Mondays 7:00 pm  
 Tuesdays 7:00 pm (2nd/4th)  
 Saturdays 6:30 pm (1st/3rd of month)

#### Mixed (couples & singles)

Mondays 1:30 pm (Seniors)  
 Mondays 7:00 pm (Harp & Bowl)  
 Tuesdays 6:30pm (1st/3rd)  
 Tuesdays 6:30pm (Young Adults)  
 Wednesdays 6:30 pm

If you are interested in joining a group please contact Kathy in the office.

## Teach Us to Pray



9800 SE 92nd Ave  
 Happy Valley, OR 97086

8:15 a.m. • 11:00 a.m.

December 15, 2013

**BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR**  
 LUTHERAN CHURCH

Worship	Message Outline
Welcome	There are people available to pray with/for you in the chapel during communion.
Beautiful Savior	
Matt 6.9-13	<b>Teach Us to Pray</b>
Children's Message	_____ or _____?
Message	
Arms of My Father	_____ Father?
Remind Me Who I Am	Can we pray just fine _____?
Communion	
His Story	_____ father?
Announcements	_____ your _____ one.
Offering	What character traits are true of good dads in general?
Benediction	
Readings for next week: Matthew 6.9-13	1.  2.  3.
Contacts	
503.788.7000 www.bslc.com	
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<u>Leadership</u> pete@bslc.com (pastor)	
<u>Pre-K / Kindergarten</u> ibmerritt@yahoo.com	
<u>Youth Ministry</u> tom@bslc.com	
<u>Office</u> frankie@bslc.com patti@bslc.com kathy@bslc.com	

**Our Monthly Verse**

"For God so loved the world that He gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life." **John 3:16**

### Need Answers? Pray.

We would like to pray for you! If you have public prayer requests you can share them on your communication card or call the office.


#### Pray for Family

- Provide strength and comfort for those struggling physically:

#### Pray for Community

Draw to faith in Christ Jesus: Tina, Irena, Terry, Jim, Jenny, Tony, Nathan, Michelle, Aaron, Chris

**MINISTRY OPENING** - We have a part-time position open for a Director of Shepherding which entails connecting guests and members to small groups and to places of service, implement and provide ongoing support of lay counseling ministry, support our Stephen Ministry, be a zone guide for two zones, and provide oversight of our crisis care ministry. Applications and Job Descriptions are up in the office and on the BSLC website. Feel free to refer people to it that may enjoy using their gifts in this capacity.



**KIDS ARE A PRIORITY** - Kid's Community needs a few more people to help care for, nurture and train up our little ones. Read the insert in the bulletin, mark which ways in which you can help and place in offering bag, or give to an usher, or put it in Paul's box.  
**Sign-up sheets also are at the Welcome Center in the lobby.**

## Last Day of Classes for All Ages 'til Jan 5

### Kids Community

**4yrs - 4th grade:** Advent/Christmas

**5th & 6th:** Advent/Christmas

Kids Community (PreK to 6th grade) will be practicing every Sunday for a Christmas program until the performance on December 22nd. All children are welcome to join. Contact: Paul

### Youth

**Jr. High:** Lazarus

**Confirmation (9-10th):** Lutheran Distinctives

**Sr. High (11-12th):** Crazy Love - Chapter 10

### Adults

**Lutheran Distinctives** - Our roots as a church run deeper than 65 years in Portland. They connect us to the man, Martin Luther, and to the Bible he loved. Take some time to refresh your understanding of what sets a Lutheran understanding of the Bible apart from others. And be prepared to live that out in your own life. (Pete - Fellowship A)

**Galatians** - The churches in Galatia crossed the line with St. Paul -- and, wow, saints get angry and frustrated like the rest of us! Who knew? Godly anger and grace, gripes and the Gospel, all in Galatians! (Paul - Fellowship B)

**Difference Makers** - We will engage with a God who is already active in making a difference. This session will focus on the gift of teamwork in making an impact as we live. Expect to be encouraged, to invest time during the week, and to come ready to share your experiences with each other. (Phil & Tiffany : Fellowship C)

**Crazy Love** - God is love. Crazy, relentless, all-powerful love. Does something deep inside your heart long to break free from the status quo? Are you hungry for an authentic faith that addresses the problems of our world with tangible, even radical, solutions? God is calling you to a passionate love relationship with Himself. (Young Adults: Upper Room)

### Communion Information Elders: John J/Chuck/Steve Mo Brad/Joe/Steve H

Altar: Joyce

In *1 Corinthians 11*, Paul tells us of the power of Communion to forgive sins and unite us to Jesus and each other. Paul invites each of us to examine our self so that we receive this gift well. Those who receive communion well are baptized Christians who:

1. Trust in Jesus as their Savior who provides full forgiveness through His death on the cross.
2. Repent of all known sins, wanting to change their life.

In this gift we received the real presence of Jesus and a real unity with each other. If you are not in agreement it is best to refrain and then come and discuss this with a pastor. If a child has been prepared for communion by formal instruction, they are invited to receive this gift. Anyone may come to receive a blessing. Grape juice and gluten/soy/dairy/nut/corn/yeast-free options are available upon request.