

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church & Preschool

Connecting people to Jesus as we gather, grow, and go.



Thanksgiving Eve Service
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7:00 pm

Order of Worship
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AS WE GATHER

We Praise God for Sustaining Life in and through His Word

The nation resounds with thanksgiving for the earth's bountiful harvest, crops of wheat and grains, all beneath the canopy of God's almighty care. But *"man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD"* (Deut. 8:3). The Church is the vessel through which the Word of God penetrates the world with its Law and Gospel. It is this divine Word that proclaims Jesus as the sole source of life, health and wholeness. It is Jesus who heals lepers with His Word: *"Go and show yourselves to the priests"* (Luke 17:14). Of the 10 cleansed, only one expresses thanksgiving to Jesus. But true gratitude proceeds from a heart sustained by faith. Jesus bids this one Samaritan to *"rise and go your way; your faith has made you well"* (Luke 17:19). So also, we are sent from the Divine Service, bolstered in our faith by baptismal and Eucharist blessing to be thankful in our circumstances of plenty and hunger, abundance and need (Phil. 4:6–20)

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

PRELUDE

For the Beauty of the Earth
Donald Rotermond

PASTORAL GREETING

OPENING HYMN

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come
LSB 892

Stand

✠ THE PREPARATION ✠

INVOCATION

The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of your baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Matthew 28:19b

OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 136:1–3

P Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good,
C **for His steadfast love endures forever.**

P Give thanks to the God of gods,
C **for His steadfast love endures forever.**

P Give thanks to the Lord of lords,
C **for His steadfast love endures forever.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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.**

1 John 1:8-9

Silence for reflection on God's Word and to confess our personal & specific sins

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...and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

HYMN OF PRAISE

Now Thank We All Our God
LSB 895

SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray:

Almighty God, Your mercies are new every morning and You graciously provide for all our needs of body and soul. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may acknowledge Your goodness, give thanks for Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience all our days; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT

Deuteronomy 8:1-10

¹The whole commandment that I command you today you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land that the Lord swore to give to your fathers. ²And you shall remember the whole way that the Lord your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. ³And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

⁴Your clothing did not wear out on you and your foot did not swell these forty years.

⁵Know then in your heart that, as a man disciplines his son, the Lord your God disciplines you. ⁶So you shall keep the commandments of the Lord your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him. ⁷For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing out in the valleys and hills, ⁸a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, ⁹a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, in which you will lack nothing,

a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills you can dig copper. ¹⁰And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the Lord your God for the good land he has given you.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 67:1–7; antiphon: v.7



P God shall | bless us;*

let all the ends of the earth | fear him!

C **May God be gracious to us and | bless us*
and make his face to shine up- | on us,**

P that your way may be | known on earth,*
your saving power among all | nations.

C **Let the peoples praise you, | O God;*
let all the peoples | praise you!**

P Let the nations be glad and | sing for joy,*
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations up- | on earth.

C **Let the peoples praise you, | O God;*
let all the peoples | praise you!**

P The earth has yielded its | increase;*
God, our God, shall | bless us.

C **God shall | bless us;*
let all the ends of the earth | fear him!**

A **Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

P God shall | bless us;*
let all the ends of the earth | fear him!

EPISTLE

Philippians 4:6-20

⁶Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

¹⁰I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at length you have revived your concern for me. You were indeed concerned for me, but you had no opportunity. ¹¹Not that I am speaking of being in need, for I have learned in whatever situation I am to be content. ¹²I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. ¹³I can do all things through him who strengthens me.

¹⁴Yet it was kind of you to share my trouble. ¹⁵And you Philippians yourselves know that in the beginning of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church entered into partnership with me in giving and receiving, except you only. ¹⁶Even in Thessalonica you sent me help for my needs once and again. ¹⁷Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit. ¹⁸I have received full payment, and more. I am well supplied, having received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent, a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God. ¹⁹And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. ²⁰To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ADULT CHOIR

A Thanksgiving Hodie

arr. Martin
Adult Choir

Stand

GOSPEL VERSE

Common

John 6:68

C Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 17:11-19

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the seventeenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem [Jesus] was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance ¹³and lifted up their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." ¹⁴When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; ¹⁶and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus answered, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? ¹⁸Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sit

SERMON HYMN

We Praise You, O God
LSB 785

SERMON

With Thanksgiving
Philippians 4:6-20
Vicar Avery Hjulberg

THE NICENE CREED (*located on the inside back cover of the hymnal*)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P Let us pray to the Lord with thanksgiving for all His blessings and with trust in His mercy to hear and answer us.

P For the richness of His creation and for His grace to sustain what He has made, for the bounty of resources that sustain our daily lives, and for the good fruit of the earth by which we and all creatures are fed and nourished, let us give thanks to the Lord:

C **Thanks be to God.**

P For the commands that protect us against harm and guide us into all that is good and pleasing to the Lord, for the Gospel by which we enjoy forgiveness and life, and for courage to share this blessed Word with those who do not know the Lord, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the government and order in our land and in the world; for those who lead us in this nation and for all leaders of all nations; and for the blessing of justice, the protection of life and the promotion of virtue, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For our life together as God's people in this place, for the Church throughout the world, for the missionaries planting new churches, and for our unity in doctrine and life, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those who suffer illness of body or mind, for those who sorrow at the loss of those they love, for those near death, and especially for _____, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the Holy Communion of Christ's body and blood, for faith to receive this gift with joy, for the will and desire to amend our sinful lives, and for grace to show forth in our lives the fruits of Christ's redemption, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For thankful hearts, that we may not forget the poor and those in need; for generosity, that we may supply from our abundance those in want; and for the tithes and offerings we bring in gratitude for all God's gifts, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For our vocations and occupations, for the gift of labor and the privilege of enjoying the fruits of that labor, and for the unemployed and underemployed, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Hear Your people for the sake of and in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ, with whom, in whom and through whom all honor and glory is Yours, almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG

Sing to the Lord of Harvest

LSB 893

1. **Sing to the Lord of harvest,
Sing songs of love and praise;
With joyful hearts and voices
Your alleluias raise.
By Him the rolling seasons
In fruitful order move;
Sing to the Lord of harvest
A joyous song of love.**

2. **God makes the clouds rain goodness,
The deserts bloom and spring,
The hills leap up in gladness,
The valleys laugh and sing.
God fills them with His fullness,
All things with large increase;
He crowns the year with blessing,
With plenty and with peace.**

3. **Bring to this sacred altar
The gifts His goodness gave,
The golden sheaves of harvest,
The souls Christ died to save.
Your hearts lay down before Him
When at His feet you fall,
And with your lives adore Him
Who gave His life for all.**

✠ THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

THE LORD'S PRAYER

- P** Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PAX DOMINI~~(Latin: Peace of the Lord)

John 20:19

(The pastor here makes a **declaration** of the peace we have with the Lord through the forgiveness offered in this Sacrament. Therefore, we boldly respond **AMEN!** – which means “Yes, yes, this is so!”)

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C** **Amen!**

AGNUS DEI~~(Latin: Lamb of God)

John 1:29



C Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the



Sit

DISTRIBUTION

VISITORS, please read the statement concerning Holy Communion: In Holy Communion we celebrate the real presence of our Lord Jesus Christ as He gives us His true body and blood in and with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of faith. In love for God's Word and in love for God's people, we do not want anyone to receive this blessed gift to their spiritual harm (1 Cor. 11:27-29). **Therefore, anyone who wishes to commune here for the first time and who is not a member of Beautiful Savior or a congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, is asked to speak with Pastor Schultz or Pastor Ada before receiving Holy Communion.** Those not communing are still welcome to come receive a blessing.

Personal Examination Before Communing

1. Do I believe I am a sinner and am I sorry for my sins?
2. Do I believe Christ's true body and blood to be present in the Lord's Supper for the forgiveness of sins?
3. Do I earnestly intend with the help of the Holy Spirit to amend my sinful life?

(For a longer examination see pages 329-330 of the hymnal. Communion Prayers are located inside the front cover of the hymnal.)

Instructions for Communing

We use continuous kneeling tables for Holy Communion. The congregation will be ushered forward to kneel. You will receive the Body of Jesus from the Pastors and then the Blood of Jesus from the Elder/Vicar. You may receive either from the common cup or the individual cup. When you have sufficiently meditated, stand, reverence the altar, and return to your seat. Those not communing will receive a blessing from the pastor.

Non-alcoholic white wine is located in the center of each tray and should only be used by those with medical conditions prohibiting the use of wine.

Gluten-free wafers are available from the pastor when you come forward.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB 894 *For the Fruits of His Creation*

LSB 789 *Praise and Thanksgiving*

LSB 806 *Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart*

Stand

DISMISSAL

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICAMUS/BENEDICTION

- P** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**
- P** The Lord bless you...and ✠ give you peace.
- C** **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
LSB 790

POSTLUDE

Now Thank We All Our God
Paul Manz

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Serving the Lord and Us This Evening:

- Preaching Vicar Avery Hjulberg
- Celebrant..... Pastor Mike Ada
- Liturgist..... Pastor Joel Schultz
- Organist..... Deb Miller
- Acolytes George Delancy and Nate Delancy

Blessings to you and your family as you gather to celebrate Thanksgiving and take pause to remember all that the Lord has provided.

