

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church & Preschool

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



And he said
"With what can
we compare the
KINGDOM OF GOD?...

It is like a
GRAIN OF MUSTARD SEED...

MARK 4:30-31, ESV

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 16, 2024

8:00am & 10:45am

Welcome to Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church!

We greet you in the name of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ. We are glad you are worshipping with our family of faith and rejoice with you as God comes to us through His Word this day to bring His gift of forgiveness and life in Jesus.

If you have any questions, please seek out one of the ushers who will be happy to assist you.

Pastor Schultz & Pastor Ada look forward to meeting you at the end of the service.

ATTENDANCE REGISTRATION Members and visitors, please scan this QR code and register your attendance with us today. Thanks!



HEARING ASSISTANCE devices are available. Please talk to an usher.

YOUNG CHILDREN We believe that young children need to be brought to Jesus (Mark 10:14); and what better way than to include them in the regular worship life of the congregation! We **DO NOT** have a staffed nursery during church because we **encourage families to worship together**. Children's bulletins and worship activity bags are available to help quietly occupy those children too young to listen to the sermon. Please feel free to use the narthex as a cry room when needed. Monitors and speakers will assist in your participation.

EDUCATION HOUR (9:30-10:30am)

Adult Bible Class: During the summer, we will be doing a 13-week topical Bible class entitled *A Simple Explanation of...* Today the topic is "Confession."

Sunday School: Classes are offered for children who have turned 3 by September 1 through high school. Please ask an usher for assistance in locating classrooms.

Nursery: There is a nursery during education hour located in the lower level.

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.

Order of Service: Matins with Holy Communion

HYMNS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE: LSB 577, 941, 811, 923, 629, and 921

PRAYER AT THE BEGINNING OF WORSHIP

Lord, open now my heart to hear, And through your Word to me draw near;
Preserve that Word in purity That I your child and heir may be. *LW 197:1*

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

PRELUDE

Oh, That I Had a Thousand
arr. Kohrs

PASTORAL GREETING

MEMBER CONNECT

SHARING OF THE LORD'S PEACE

✠ THE SERVICE OF MATINS ✠

Stand

OPENING VERSICLES

LSB 219

(The "Gloria Patri" ~ Glory be to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit ~ serves as the Invocation in the Matins Service. You can cross yourself as we sing these words in remembrance of your Baptism)

PSALMODY: VENITE~~(Latin: "O Come")

LSB 220

Sit

PSALM

Psalm 1; antiphon: v. 6



- P** For the LORD knows the way of the | righteous,*
but the way of the wicked will | perish.
- C** **Blessèd is the man who walks not in the counsel of the | wicked,*
nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of | scoffers;**
- P** but his delight is in the law | of the LORD,*
and on his law he meditates | day and night.
- C** **He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its
season, and its leaf does not | wither.*
In all that he does, he | prospers.**
- P** The wicked | are not so,*
but are like chaff that the wind | drives away.
- C** **Therefore the wicked will not stand in the | judgment,*
nor sinners in the congregation of the | righteous.**
- P** For the LORD knows the way of the | righteous,*
but the way of the wicked will | perish.
- 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** For the LORD knows the way of the | righteous,*
but the way of the wicked will | perish.

OLD TESTAMENT

Ezekiel 17:22–24

²²Thus says the Lord GOD: "I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. ²³On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble

cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest. ²⁴And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 5:1–17

¹We know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. ²For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, ³if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. ⁴For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. ⁵He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

⁶So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, ⁷for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. ¹⁰For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

¹¹Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade others. But what we are is known to God, and I hope it is known also to your conscience. ¹²We are not commending ourselves to you again but giving you cause to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast about outward appearance and not about what is in the heart. ¹³For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. ¹⁴For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; ¹⁵and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

¹⁶From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer.

¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 4:26-34

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the fourth chapter.

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

²⁶[Jesus] said, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. ²⁷He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. ²⁸The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. ²⁹But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."

³⁰And he said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? ³¹It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, ³²yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

³³With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. ³⁴He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

RESPONSORY

Common

Psalm 119:89; 26:8; Luke 11:28



- L** 1 Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
2 Blessed are those
who hear the Word of God and keep— it.
3 Glory be to the
Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it.



- C** Lord, I love
the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.

Sit

READING THE FAITH *(as drawn from Luther's Small Catechism)*

CONFESSION

P What is Confession?

C Confession has two parts.

First, that we confess our sins and

Second that we receive absolution, that is forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.

P What sins should we confess?

C Before God we should plead guilty of all sins, even those we are not aware of, as we do in the Lord's Prayer; but before the pastor we should confess only those sins which we know and feel in our hearts.

OFFICE OF THE KEYS

P What is the Office of the Keys?

C **The Office of the Keys is that special authority which Christ has given to His church on earth to forgive the sins of repentant sinners, but to withhold forgiveness from the unrepentant as long as they do not repent.**

P Where is this written?

C **This is what St. John the Evangelist writes in chapter twenty: The Lord Jesus breathed on His disciples and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven." (John 20:22-23)**

P What do you believe according to these words?

C **I believe that when the called ministers of Christ deal with us by His divine command, in particular when they exclude openly unrepentant sinners from the Christian congregation and absolve those who repent of their sins and want to do better, this is just as valid and certain, even in heaven, as if Christ our dear Lord dealt with us Himself.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Mike Ada

SERMON HYMN

Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast

LSB 577

SERMON

Growing

Mark 4

Pastor Mike Ada

Stand

CANTICLE

We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God

(This canticle serves as the Creed in the Matins Service.)

LSB 941

OFFERING

(Our offerings are collected at the door and brought forward and presented in thanksgiving to the Lord. If you missed this opportunity, your offering can be placed in the plate at the door as you leave.)

OFFERING PRAYER

PRAYERS

LSB 227

KYRIE~~(Latin: Lord, Have Mercy)

Mark 10:47



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

COLLECTS

Psalm 102:1



L O Lord, hear my prayer.



C And let my cry come to You.

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P In thanksgiving to the Most High, who has planted His Holy Word among us; and for the Church's healthy growth, that we may weather the storm-winds of this world steadfast in Christ, ever bearing the fruits of love and singing praises to His name, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the preaching and teaching of God's Holy Word, that by His Spirit it may sprout and grow when and where it pleases God, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For this and every congregation, that God's kingdom may be extended and we may have thankful hearts to marvel at His work, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P That God would send faithful laborers into His fields to scatter His seed here and abroad, so in due time a harvest may be reaped for His glory, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For our homes and families, that the Lord would make the efforts of parents to teach their children fruitful, preserving them in the saving faith of Christ according to His promises, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those in every need, [*especially _____,*] that the Lord would heal them in body, mind, and spirit according to His good and gracious will, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P *Additional Prayers of Thanksgiving or Intercession*, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all who commune, that the Lord who abounds in steadfast love would give them a holy fear of His wrath and faith in His promises to receive Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of sins, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all God's servants who groan under the burdens of this earthly tent and long to be clothed with His eternal life, which will swallow up all mortal sorrow; that He would give them good courage to walk by faith and not sight, to mourn the dead in the hope of the resurrection, and to make it their aim to please Him while here in the body, until at last we are all at home with Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Heavenly Father, from whom all fatherhood is named, we give You thanks for earthly fathers. Give them confidence in their station and zeal for their task to care for their families faithfully. Make them examples to their children of godly life and love of Your Word. Bless their work of bringing up children in the fear and instruction of the Lord, and give them the comfort of Your absolution over all their shortcomings. Gather us together with all our fathers to Your eternal household; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

✠ THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. *[Hebrews 10:22]*

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.** *Psalm 124:8*

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.** *Psalm 32:5*

(A moment of silence to confess our specific sins.)

P O almighty God, merciful Father,
C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession...and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen. *[John 20:19-23]*

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24;
Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

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)

LSB 198



C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the
world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

INVITATION

P Welcome to the table of the Lord.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

VISITORS, please read the statement concerning Holy Communion on page 2.

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 811 *Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices*

LSB 923 *Almighty Father, Bless the Word*

LSB 629 *What Is This Bread*

Stand

DISMISSAL

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICAMUS/BENEDICTION

P Let us bless the Lord.

Psalm 103:1

C **Thanks be to God.**

P The Lord bless you...and ✠ give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

C **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

On What Has Now Been Sown

LSB 921

POSTLUDE

On What Has Now Been Sown

arr. Kerr

**Before you go:
Visitors and Members –
please register your attendance.**



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SERVING THE LORD AND US TODAY:

Preaching	Pastor Mike Ada
Celebrant.....	Pastor Mike Ada
Liturgist.....	Vicar Nathan Harkins
Organist.....	Lauran Delancy
Acolytes.....	(8:00) Jack Gruhn & TBD (10:45) Blake Hughey & Maya Hughey
Greeters	(8:00) George & Karen Ledgerwood (10:45) Brett & Bobbie Clark
Ushers.....	(8:00) Zach Gardner, Jordan Klebe, Bob Rinne, Karen Rinne, & Kent Thompson
.....	(10:45) Ron Aerni, Brad Keefe, David Raetzel, & Dennis Smith
Altar Guild.....	Carolyn & Keith Clarke, Nancy & Jim DeLaney, & Gina & Tim Stoehr
Nursery.....	Zach & Alaina Booth (Helping Hands – Matt & Nicole Christensen)
Counters	Randy & Jeanne Kanoy
Altar Flowers	Zach & Lisa Bahr’s 18 th Wedding Anniversary
.....	Karen Kuhn’s Birthday

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VOICE OF THE MARTYRS PRAYER REQUEST

Christian Wife, Young Son Cast Off - Laos

Kaew placed her trust in Christ through the prayers of her parents, who became Christians after her marriage. Her husband and his parents, as well as their village, opposed her decision to follow Christ and tried repeatedly to make her recant. On December 30, 2023, Kaew’s husband and other villagers berated and beat her until she passed out. When she regained consciousness, she was given one more chance to recant, but she insisted on following Christ. In anger, her husband threw her out of the house. Heartbroken, she took their 7-year-old son and returned to her parents’ home with very little besides the clothes they wore. Kaew’s husband has since divorced her. Because her parents are also suffering persecution for their faith, including destruction of crops and damage to their property, they are struggling to support Kaew and her son. VOM has provided emergency assistance as they rebuild their lives.

PRAYERS REQUESTED THIS WEEK

For **Josiah and Hannah Schultz, Pastor and Amy Schultz**, as they celebrate the birth of their son/grandson Elias Josiah Joel Schultz on June 6th.

For **Grant and Lexi Obermueller, Gordon and Sharon Obermueller**, as they celebrate the birth of their son/grandson Luke Gerhardt Obermueller on June 7th.

For **Pardeep and Krish**, husband and son of Jasmine Markanday, as they travel to India on the one-year anniversary of Pardeep's father's death.

For **Andrew**, Ron and Linda Graybeal's grandson-in-law, as he began chemotherapy treatment on Monday.

For **Austin Nichols**, Andrew Nichols' brother who is recovering from hernia surgery.

For **Kevin Berube**, Brad and Cindy Cornell's son-in-law's uncle who was diagnosed with cancer.

For **John Ledgerwood** as he nears the end of his earthly life. May the Lord comfort him, his wife Amy, son George, and the rest of the family with the resurrection and the life of the world to come.

For **Carol Vandenberg and family**, as they mourn the death of Carol's mom, Irene Walz.

For **Matthew Fox and family**, Tom Bremer's nephew, as they mourn the death of Matthew's wife Donna.

For **God to bring about peace in the war between Israel and Palestine.**

For **God to bring about peace in the war between Ukraine and Russia.**

For **The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Ukraine**, our LCMS partner church, for their safety and love as they care for the people still caught in the conflict.

CONTINUED PRAYERS

For **Addison Theisen**, who recovering at home from brain surgery.

For **Janette Copeland**, who is recovering from a bad fall last week.

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For **Helen Claudy**, who has ongoing health issues.

For **Amanda Vogt**, who is recovering from a broken leg.

For **Karen Kuhn**, who is having chemotherapy for stage 4 pancreatic cancer.

For **Pat Circle**, who is dealing with spinal stenosis and bulging disc.

For **Jane Dieckhoff**, who was released to a care facility for rehab.

For **Jack Schutt and family**, the father of Mark and Terri Boguski's friend who is nearing the end of his earthly life.

For **Kent Pritzel**, Robin Pritzel's older brother, who has entered hospice.

For **our expectant mothers: Elise Christensen, Taylor Lewallen, Amy Morin, Morgan Riechers, Sarah Walsh, and Peyton Ziegler** for their unborn children, and for those who long for God's gift of children.

For **those undergoing cancer treatment: Mandy Bender, Dale Brandt, Dani Chapin, Jordan Ebach, Karen Feldes, Wanda Fisher, Brad Gellerstedt, Garth Gonseth, Maya Goudy, John Huss, Brian Jenkins, Lauren Kandt, Linda Knight, Mikaela Koch, Karen Kuhn, Judy Landall, John Mahnken, Bonnie Malloch, Lorette Marsh, Milroy Moses, Susan Mountain, Melissa Nesemeier, Lori Russel, Lisa Schaefer, Randy Schlueter, Tyler Smith, Eydie Taylor, Kathy Woods, and Neal Wurth.**

For **our partner church in Zacapa, Guatemala:** Pray that God would bless this congregation with church members and the community that they would be strengthened and encouraged in His faith.

For **our neighbors at Fieldstone Apartments**, that God would bless them through our interactions, and they may come to know Christ.

For **all those who are unemployed or under-employed**, that the Lord would provide for all their needs and lead them to jobs soon. For those who have secured jobs, we offer prayers of thanksgiving.