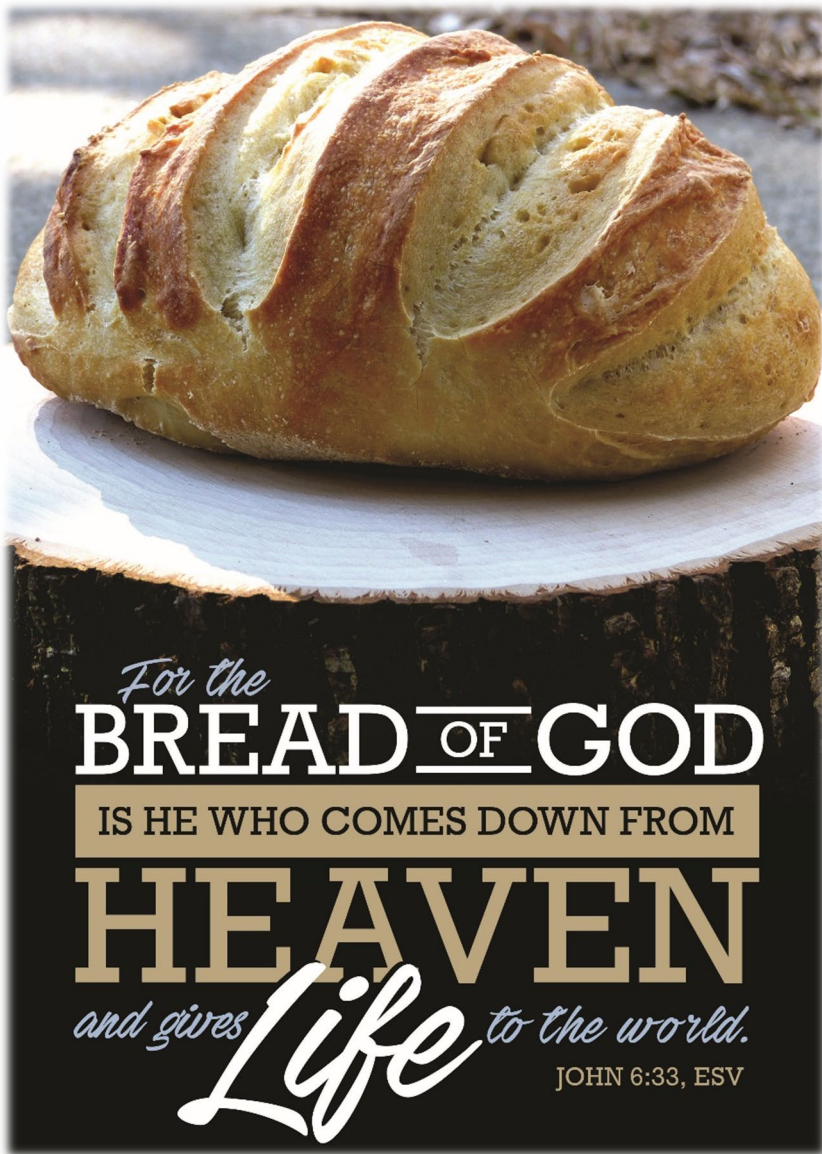


Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church & Preschool

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



For the
BREAD OF GOD
IS HE WHO COMES DOWN FROM
HEAVEN
and gives Life to the world.
JOHN 6:33, ESV

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 4, 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)

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

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, Room 118.

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: Divine Service 1

HYMNS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE: LSB 774, 642, 620, 816, 625, and 821

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

Feed Thy Children, God Most Holy
arr. Schalk

PASTORAL GREETING

SHARING OF THE LORD'S PEACE

OPENING HYMN

Feed Thy Children, God Most Holy
LSB 774

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

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

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

P Let us together 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.**

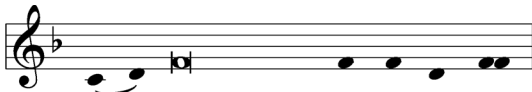
[John 20:19-23]

✠ THE SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

KYRIE~~(Latin: Lord, Have Mercy)

Mark 10:47

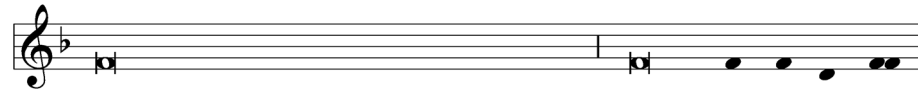
(The Kyrie is a litany, a prayer with a series of requests for all humanity first, and then for the whole Christian church. The people respond with the refrain, "Lord have mercy" making the prayer their own.)



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



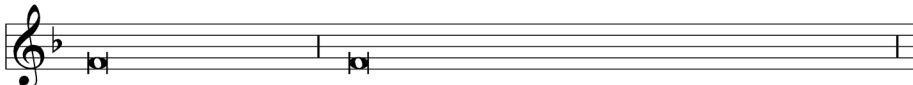
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



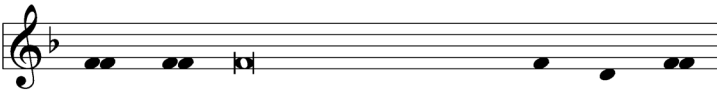
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Gloria in Excelsis ~ (Latin: *Glory to God in the Highest*)

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

2 Timothy 4:22

P Let us pray:

Merciful Father, You gave Your Son Jesus as the heavenly bread of life. Grant us faith to feast on Him in Your Word and Sacraments that we may be nourished unto life everlasting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT

Exodus 16:2–15

²The whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness, ³and the people of Israel said to them, "Would that we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the meat pots and ate bread to the full, for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

⁴Then the Lord said to Moses, "Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day's portion every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in my law or not. ⁵On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather daily." ⁶So Moses and Aaron said to all the people of Israel, "At evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, ⁷and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your grumbling against the Lord. For what are we, that you grumble against us?" ⁸And Moses said, "When the Lord gives you in the evening meat to eat and in the morning bread to the full, because the Lord has heard your grumbling that you grumble against him—what are we? Your grumbling is not against us but against the Lord."

⁹Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, 'Come near before the Lord, for he has heard your grumbling.'" ¹⁰And as soon as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the people of Israel, they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. ¹¹And the Lord

said to Moses, ¹²"I have heard the grumbling of the people of Israel. Say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. Then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'"

¹³In the evening quail came up and covered the camp, and in the morning dew lay around the camp. ¹⁴And when the dew had gone up, there was on the face of the wilderness a fine, flake-like thing, fine as frost on the ground. ¹⁵When the people of Israel saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. And Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat."

- P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 145:10–21; antiphon: v. 15



- P** The eyes of all | look to you,*
and you give them their food in due | season.
- C** **All your works shall give thanks to you, | O LORD,*
and all your saints shall | bless you!**
- P** They shall speak of the glory of your | kingdom*
and tell | of your power,
- C** **to make known to the children of man your | mighty deeds,*
and the glorious splendor of your | kingdom.**
- P** Your kingdom is an everlasting | kingdom,*
and your dominion endures throughout all gener- | ations.
- C** **The LORD is faithful in | all his words*
and kind in | all his works.**
- P** The LORD upholds all who are | falling*
and raises up all who are | bowed down.
- C** **The eyes of all | look to you,*
and you give them their food in due | season.**

- P** You open | your hand;*
you satisfy the desire of every | living thing.
- C** **The LORD is righteous in | all his ways*
and kind in | all his works.**
- P** The LORD is near to all who | call on him,*
to all who call on | him in truth.
- C** **He fulfills the desire of those who | fear him;*
he also hears their cry and | saves them.**
- P** The LORD preserves all who | love him,*
but all the wicked he | will destroy.
- C** **My mouth will speak the praise | of the LORD,*
and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and | ever.**
- 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** The eyes of all | look to you,*
and you give them their food in due | season.

EPISTLE

Ephesians 4:1–16

¹I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. ⁷But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ’s gift. ⁸Therefore it says, “When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men.”

⁹(In saying, “He ascended,” what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) ¹¹And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work

of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, ¹⁴so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. ¹⁵Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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

John 6:22–35

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.

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

²²On the next day the crowd that remained on the other side of the sea saw that there had been only one boat there, and that Jesus had not entered the boat with his disciples, but that his disciples had gone away alone. ²³Other boats from Tiberias came near the place where they had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks. ²⁴So when the crowd saw that Jesus was not there, nor his disciples, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum, seeking Jesus.

²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not labor for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸Then they said to him, "What must we do, to be doing the works of God?" ²⁹Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰So they said to him, "Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform? ³¹Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³²Jesus then said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sit

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

P THE APOSTLES' CREED: SECOND ARTICLE

C **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.**

P What does this mean?

C **I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His**

holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.

This is most certainly true.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Vicar Josiah Sandcork

SERMON HYMN

O Living Bread from Heaven

LSB 642

SERMON

The Pursuit

John 6

Vicar Josiah Sandcork

Stand

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

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For confidence in the Lord's provision, that we would trust in the promises of God and look to His hand to provide all we need for this life and for the life to come, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all pastors, that God would remember all who speak His Word with compassion, giving them faithfulness and honesty in their teaching, so that His children would be freed from all deceit, speak His truth to one another in love, and grow up in every way into Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For true unity in the faith; for the preservation of pure doctrine; for harmony in our congregation, district and Synod; and for charitable hearts that put the best construction on what we see and hear, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all Christians, that God would enable us to walk in humility, gentleness and patience, so that we would bear with one another in love and be eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all who serve in public office, that God would keep them honest, fill them with wisdom and uphold them in every good deed, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the sick and hospitalized, *[including _____,]* that God would provide doctors and nurses and other medical professionals to care for those in need of health and healing, and for those who mourn, *[including _____,]* that God would comfort them in their distress and give them hope in our Lord, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P *Additional Prayers of Thanksgiving or Intercession*, Lord, in Your mercy:

C **hear our prayer.**

P For all who approach the altar this day, that God would help us to examine ourselves and come to His table with thankful and contrite hearts to receive the precious body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of sins let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Lord, we come as a people tossed to and fro by the manifold changes of this mortal life. Help us to know, in You, that which is eternal. Give us confidence in the suffering and death of Christ, that we may rejoice that You are with us always and await His joyous appearing with all the saints; through the same Jesus Christ,

our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

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.)

OFFERTORY

What Shall I Render

Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19

LSB 159



C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to



me? I will of-fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv-ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the



courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru-sa-lem.

✠ THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE



P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



C And al - so with you.

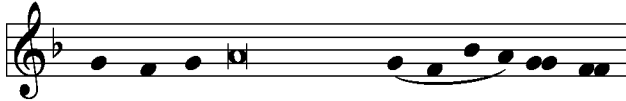


P Lift up your hearts.

[Colossians 3:1]



C We lift them to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

[Psalm 136]



C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

P It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS~~(Latin: Holy, Holy, Holy)

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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)

John 1:29

G 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
sin of the world; grant us peace.

INVITATION

P Welcome to the table of our 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 620 *Jesus Comes Today with Healing*

LSB 816 *From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

LSB 625 *Lord Jesus Christ, Life-Giving Bread*

Stand

DISMISSAL

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

Thank the Lord



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

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

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

LSB 821

POSTLUDE

O Living Bread from Heaven

arr. Blersch

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



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Rev. Michael Ada, Associate Pastor
Rev. John Kastner, Associate Pastor (Lead Pastor LOTW)
Vicar Josiah Sandcork, Student Pastor

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Celebrant..... Pastor Mike Ada
Organist.....Lauran Delancy
Acolytes..... (8:00) Jack McDonald & Henry McDonald (10:45) Rowen Clark & Kendall Herrs
Greeters..... (8:00) Nichols Family (10:45) Mark & Sara Zarnstorff
Ushers (8:00) Tom Bremer, Shannon Buckendahl, Jim DeLaney, George Ledgerwood, & Terry West
..... (10:45) Colton Clark, John Koetting, & Rick Vaughn
Altar GuildCarolyn & Keith Clarke, Deb Hodnik, Mary Jane Rees, & Gina & Tim Stoehr
NurseryZach & Alaina Booth (Helping Hands – Ashley Stoll & Sheila Huseman)
Counters.....Randy & Jeanne Kanoy
Altar Flowers..... Bob & Debbie Newman’s 50th Wedding Anniversary
..... Nick & Ashley Walz’s 25th Wedding Anniversary

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PRAYERS REQUESTED THIS WEEK

For **Denise Behrman**, who is having nasal surgery on August 10th to help open her airways.

For **Betty Jo Luhman**, Lisa Gruhn's mother who is hospitalized and recovering from a stroke.

For **Gary Shively**, Michelle Olson's father, who is hospitalized with blood clots in his leg and an infection.

For **Karen Kuhn and family**, as they mourn the death of her sister-in-law Gwen Garrison.

For the **family of Molly Hartman**, Dale and Carol Brandt's niece, as they mourn the sudden death of Molly's 17-year-old son, Ian.

For **Carolyn Clarke and family**, as they mourn the sudden death of her sister, Bernita Lawrence.

For **Moriah Obermueller and family**, as they mourn the death of Moriah's grandmother Helen Lett.

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 **Jeff Chapin**, Mark Chapin's brother, who is recovering from surgery to insert a pacemaker.

For **Connie Bredehoeft**, Janette Copeland's sister, who was hospitalized for a blood transfusion.

For **Dixie Herren**, who is recovering at home from hip surgery.

For **Helen Claudy**, for strength to return so she may walk and thanksgiving for all those who are helping her.

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

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

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: Brad Alyea, Mandy Bender, Kevin Berube, Dale Brandt, Jordan Ebach, Karen Feldes, Wanda Fisher, Brad Gellerstedt, Garth Gonseth, Maya Goudy, John Huss, Brian Jenkins, Lauren Kandt, Linda Knight, Karen Kuhn, Judy Landall, John Mahnken, Bonnie Malloch, Lorette Marsh, Milroy Moses, Susan Mountain, Melissa Nesemeier, Andrew O'Brien, 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.

VOICE OF THE MARTYRS PRAYER REQUEST

Convict-Turned-Evangelist Evicted, Beaten - Nepal

Bhaluwan Kumar Paiswan was serving a 20-year prison sentence for gang-related crimes when he ended up in a cell with a Christian evangelist. Annoyed at first, he eventually placed his faith in Christ and experienced new joy and peace. When he was released early, he met another evangelist who disciplined him, and they began to work together. The church in that village grew to 25 people in a few years with many more showing interest. Bhaluwan's family was living in the home of an uncle, but this uncle grew angry that Bhaluwan was openly practicing Christianity and kicked them out of the house, forcing the young family to live in a tent by the road. In early 2024, relatives confronted them and severely beat Bhaluwan and his wife, Bina. Bhaluwan and Bina continue to be witnesses to the community. They are praying and fasting, growing in their faith and winning others to Christ even amid hardship.