

# Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church & Preschool

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

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would

*come after me,  
let him deny*

**himself and take up**

**his cross and follow me."**



**MATTHEW 16:24, ESV**

**Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**September 3, 2023**

**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:** Today Vicar Harkins is teaching on how to read and understand the Bible. This class will teach you some principles on interpreting the words of scripture.

**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 2

**TODAYS HYMNS: LSB 688, 685, 427, 641, 643, and 837**

### 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

***Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus***

J. Wayne Kerr

#### PASTORAL GREETING

#### OPENING HYMN

***"Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake***

LSB 688

*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 ✠

### HYMN OF PRAISE

### *Glory to God, We Give You Thanks and Praise*

LSB 946



1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;  
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,  
 Δ 3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,



Of heav'n - ly joy and earth - ly peace we sing.  
 You bore for us the load of this world's sin.  
 At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:



We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,  
 O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,  
 Who with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,



Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.  
 Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.  
 With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

*2 Timothy 4:22*

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray:

Almighty God, Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads; 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*

## ANTHEM

***Lord of Glory, You Have Brought Us***

arr. Delancy

Handbell Duet

*(If you would like to meditate on the words as the piece is played, please turn to your hymnal LSB 851)*

## OLD TESTAMENT

**Jeremiah 15:15–21**

<sup>15</sup>O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and take vengeance for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance take me not away; know that for your sake I bear reproach. <sup>16</sup>Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts.

<sup>17</sup>I did not sit in the company of revelers, nor did I rejoice; I sat alone, because your hand was upon me, for you had filled me with indignation. <sup>18</sup>Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Will you be to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail? <sup>19</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD: "If you return, I will restore you, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall be as my mouth. They shall turn to you, but you shall not turn to them. <sup>20</sup>And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, declares the LORD. <sup>21</sup>I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless."

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 26; antiphon: v. 8



- P** O LORD, I love the habitation | of your house\*  
and the place where your | glory dwells.
- C** **Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my in- | tegrity,\*  
and I have trusted in the LORD without | wavering.**
- P** Prove me, O LORD, and | try me;\*  
test my heart | and my mind.
- C** **For your steadfast love is be- | fore my eyes,\*  
and I walk in your | faithfulness.**
- P** I do not sit with men of | falsehood,\*  
nor do I consort with | hypocrites.
- C** **I hate the assembly of evil- | doers,\*  
and I will not sit with the | wicked.**
- P** I wash my hands in | innocence\*  
and go around your altar, | O LORD,
- C** **proclaiming thanksgiving | aloud,\*  
and telling all your | wondrous deeds.**
- P** O LORD, I love the habitation | of your house\*  
and the place where your | glory dwells.
- C** **Do not sweep my soul away with | sinners,\*  
nor my life with blood- | thirsty men,**
- P** in whose hands are evil de- | vices,\*  
and whose right hands are | full of bribes.
- C** **But as for me, I shall walk in my in- | tegrity;\*  
redeem me, and be gra- | cious to me.**
- P** My foot stands on | level ground;\*  
in the great assembly I will | bless the LORD.

**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** O LORD, I love the habitation | of your house\*  
and the place where your | glory dwells.

## **EPISTLE**

## **Romans 12:9–21**

<sup>9</sup>Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. <sup>10</sup>Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. <sup>11</sup>Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. <sup>13</sup>Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

<sup>14</sup>Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup>Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited. <sup>17</sup>Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup>If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. <sup>19</sup>Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." <sup>20</sup>To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." <sup>21</sup>Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

**L** 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.

## HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 16:21–28

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixteenth chapter.

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

<sup>21</sup>From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. <sup>22</sup>And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you." <sup>23</sup>But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

<sup>24</sup>Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. <sup>25</sup>For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. <sup>26</sup>For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life? <sup>27</sup>For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. <sup>28</sup>Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

**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 LORD'S PRAYER – FOURTH PETITION

**C** **Give us this day our daily bread.**

**P** What does this mean?

**C** **God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.**

**P** What is meant by daily bread?

**C** **Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.**

**P** THE LORD'S PRAYER – FIFTH PETITION

**C** **And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**P** What does this mean?

**C** **We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Vicar Nathan Harkins

## SERMON

*Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus*

Matthew 16:21-28

Vicar Nathan Harkins

## SERMON HYMN

*Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus*

LSB 685

Stand

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

**FIRST COMMUNION PRIOR TO CONFIRMATION** (8:00AM)

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

*[1 Timothy 2:1-4]*

**P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For trust in the fatherly care of our avenging God, that we would not seek our own vengeance, but rather bless those who curse us, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the Church of God and all who proclaim the Word of God, that we may not forsake or despise God's Word but always hear and learn the Gospel of Jesus Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For Christian neighbors in our community and in each home, that as the beloved of God, we may be unashamed to serve each other in genuine love, truthful speech and constant patience, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For our nation, its leaders, and those who serve for the good of our people and for their protection, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For peace in our time especially in Ukraine and the peace that God alone can give, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all in need of healing, restoration, and comfort that they may bear their crosses and endure to see the Son of Man coming in His kingdom, 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 repentance and faith as we approach the Lord's table, that we may not think more highly of ourselves than is right, but that we would set our hearts and minds on the things of God, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For those persecuted for the name of Christ, that in communion with all the saints we may bear our crosses faithfully, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God 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.)*

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

# ✠ THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

## PREFACE

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

*2 Timothy 4:22*

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

*[Colossians 3:1]*

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

*Psalm 136*

## 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, Lord God of



pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your



glo - ry. 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.

## LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-11

**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



**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 sin of the world;  
grant us peace, 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 427 *In the Cross of Christ I Glory*

LSB 641 *You Satisfy the Hungry Heart*

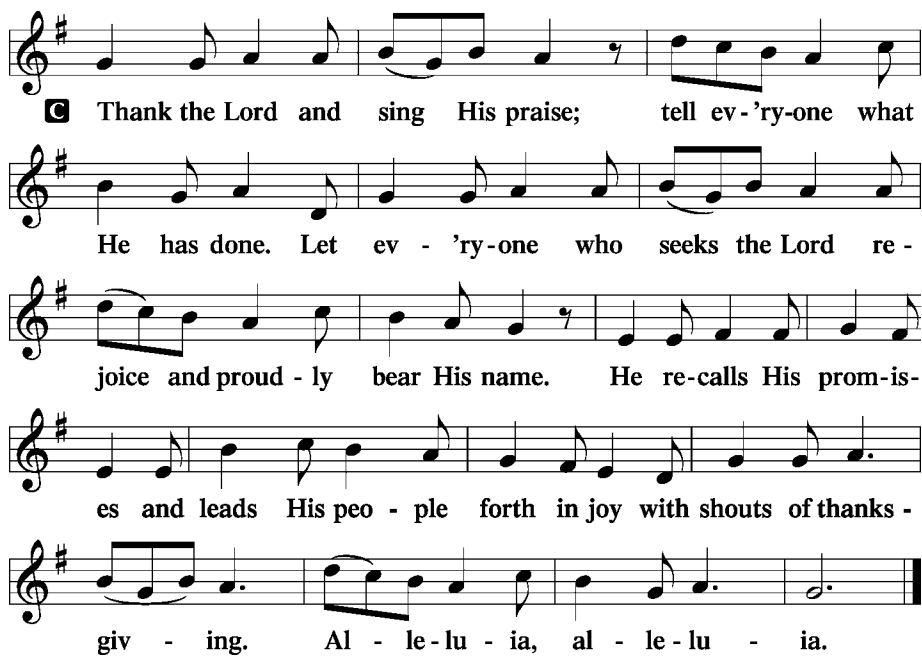
LSB 643 *Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

*Stand*

## DISMISSAL

### POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

*Thank the Lord*



Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what  
He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -  
joice 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.  
**C** **Thanks be to God.**  
**P** The Lord bless you...and ☩ give you peace.  
**C** **Amen.**

*Psalm 103:1*

*Numbers 6:24-26*

## CLOSING HYMN

***Lift High the Cross***

LSB 837

## POSTLUDE

***Postlude in C Minor***

Johann Gottfried Walther

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



**Rev. Joel Schultz, Senior Pastor**  
**Rev. Michael Ada, Associate Pastor**  
**Vicar Nathan Harkins, Student Pastor**

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## SERVING THE LORD AND US TODAY:

Preaching..... Vicar Nathan Harkins  
Celebrant..... Pastor Mike Ada  
Liturgist..... Pastor Joel Schultz  
Organist..... Deb Miller  
Handbell Duet..... Lauran Delancy & Eric Schlef  
Acolytes..... (8:00) Caroline Stoll & Sam Schlef (10:45) Hank Talmage & Hudson Vogt  
Greeters..... (8:00) Zach & Lisa Bahr (10:45) John & Connie Koetting  
Ushers ..... (8:00) Scott Bohnert, Zach Booth, Debbie Johnson,  
..... Mike Johnson, & Mark Zarnstorff  
..... (10:45) Scott Behrman, Mark Chapin, Brett Clark, & Brad Johnson  
Altar Guild..... Doris Baker, Carol Brandt, Carolyn Clarke, Tiffany Harkins, & Karen Kuhn  
Nursery ..... Matt & Nicole Christensen (Helping Hands – Zach & Alaina Booth)  
Counters..... John Blakley & Keith Gloe  
Altar Flowers..... Mark & Lisa Circle 24<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary  
..... Jim & Connie Teig 56<sup>th</sup> Wedding

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### **Voice of the Martyrs prayer request**

*Evangelist Fearlessly Faces Police - Laos*

When Kam was told in January 2023 by a police officer to stop following Christ and evangelizing, he boldly responded that he would not stop believing in Christ, no matter what happened, and that nothing could stop the work of God. The policeman was angry after hearing Kam's response and has returned at least once since then to continue threatening Kam. The country's Communist officials persecute Christians in attempts to control Christian activity, including outreach efforts like Kam's. Praise God for Kam's bold witness and pray this police officer will place his faith in Christ.



### **PRAYERS REQUESTED THIS WEEK**

For **Carol Olson**, who fell on Wednesday and is recovering from three broken bones.

For **Jeff**, Amy Lauterbach's father, who is sick and in hospice care.

For **Cameron**, Abby Bean's niece who is recovering from emergency surgery.

For **Steve Bremer**, who is post one year surgery and prayerfully hoping for a cancer free diagnosis.

For **Kip Willnauer**, former music director of King of Kings, who was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.

For **Del Gentile**, Brenda Brown's brother, who had a clear scan in January, but a new scan shows the cancer has spread and hospice has been called in.

For **Linda Knight**, Angela Hodge's aunt, who has a cancerous tumor in her mouth that is very aggressive.

For **Eydie Taylor**, Mary Martin's sister whose cancer has taken a turn for the worse.

For **Terry Crosky**, Ken Knese's friend who is hospitalized with heart problems.

For **Danny and Char Hundley**, as Danny recovers from a stroke and Char helps to support his recovery.

For **Donna Rinne**, who is recovering from foot surgery.

For **Denise Jordan**, who is recovering from knee surgery.

For **Alex Buckendahl**, who is recovering from a concussion.

For **Jasmine Markanday and family**, as they mourn the death of Jasmine's mom Aziz Arora.

For **Megan Jackson and her two children**, co-worker of Jennifer Mahnken, as they mourn the unexpected death of husband and father, Nathan Jackson.

For **the family of John and Christina Gagnon**, friends of the Gruhn family, as they mourn the sudden death of Christina's father Glen Boxwell.

For **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 **Daryl Benedict**, Lynzee Jeter's father, who is recovering from knee replacement surgery.

For **Vicki Yarnell**, Brad Yarnell's mom, who is recovering at home from pulmonary effusion.

For **Karen Rinne**, as she continues to recover from her procedure.

For **Ivan Rees**, continued prayers as he recovers from health issues.

For **our expectant mothers: Alaina Booth, Charisse Meier, Stephanie (Seutter) Thomas, and Stacey Vanderpool** for their unborn children, and for those who long for God's gift of children.

For **those undergoing cancer treatment: Leslie Beller, Mandy Bender, Mike Broderick, Heather Delaney, Mary Lou Denny, Peggy Doane, Karen Feldes, Danny Hundley, Brian Jenkins, Beth Johnson, Mikaela Koch, Judy Landall, John Mahnken, Bonnie Malloch, Geordie McGuire, Milroy Moses, Melissa Nesemeier, Edna Pitts, Lisa Schaefer, Randy Schlueter, Rev. Dr. Mark Schulz, Eydie Taylor, and William Wolgast.**

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 **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.

For **our neighbors at Fieldstone Apartments**, that the Lord would continue to bless them and keep them in His care and that the Lord would turn their eyes toward Jesus. Fieldstone Apartments is a mission outreach project of BSLC.