

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church & Preschool

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

May the God of hope fill you with all
joy and peace in believing, so that
by the power of the Holy Spirit you
may abound in

Hope

Romans 15:13, ESV



Second Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2022

8:00 am & 10:45 am & 6:00 pm

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: Bible Study 1 (Fellowship Hall): *God's Love at Christmas* – Week 2 will focus on Malachi 4:1-6 and how God's Saving Love stirs up my heart. Bible Study Two (Sanctuary): *Songs of Faith* - Week 2 will focus on the Benedictus, Zechariah's Song of Praise in response to the birth of John the Baptist and the coming birth of Jesus found in Luke 1:68-79

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.

The Order of Service

AS WE GATHER

By the Preaching of Repentance, We Are Prepared for the Coming of the Lord

“John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, ‘Repent!’” (Matt. 3:1–2). His preaching of repentance for the forgiveness of sins prepared people for the coming of Christ into the world. St. John’s work was historically complete with the incarnate advent of Jesus, but his vital ministry continues in preaching Law and Gospel. The Son of God has come in the flesh, “a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots” (Is. 11:1), and continues to bear the fruits of righteousness. His good tree of the cross is “a signal for the peoples” (Is. 11:10), by which He calls the nations to repentance. “With the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips” (Is. 11:4), He slays the wicked and brings the dead to life, making sons of Abraham out of lifeless stones. So also the “root of Jesse” comes to us, “even he who arises to rule the Gentiles” (Rom. 15:12), that “we might have hope” and be filled “with all joy and peace in believing” (Rom. 15:4, 13).

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

PRELUDE

Hark! A Thrilling Voice is Sounding
G. Winston Cassler

PASTORAL GREETING

OPENING HYMN

On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry
LSB 344

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 RESPONSE

Once He Came in Blessing
LSB 333 v. 1 and 4

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| <p>1. Once He came in blessing, All our sins redressing; Came in likeness lowly, Son of God most holy; Bore the cross to save us; Hope and freedom gave us.</p> | <p>4. Come, then, O Lord Jesus, From our sins release us. Keep our hearts believing, That we, grace receiving, Ever may confess You Till in heav'n we bless You.</p> |
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LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Week 2 – Peace Candle

- P** Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.
- C** **Speak tenderly to Jerusalem.**
- P** That her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned.
- C** **She has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.**
- P** In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD.
- C** **Make straight in the desert a highway for our God. (Is. 40:1-3)**

WREATH HYMN

"We Light the Advent Candle"

**We light the Advent candle
And thank the Lord for rest.
With PEACE, we know our Jesus
Has come to be our guest.
This PEACE beyond all knowing
Within our hearts is glowing.
We wait with growing light
Till God makes all things right!**

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:
Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; 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

Isaiah 11:1-10

¹There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. ²And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. ³And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear, ⁴but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. ⁵Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins. ⁶The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together; and a little child shall lead them. ⁷The cow and the bear shall graze; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. ⁸The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den. ⁹They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. ¹⁰In that day the root of Jesse, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples—of him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

A Light Will Shine

Larson

Youth Choir

EPISTLE

Romans 15:4-13

⁴For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. ⁵May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, ⁶that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁷Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. ⁸For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the

circumcised to show God’s truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs,⁹ and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, “Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name.”¹⁰ And again it is said, “Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people.”¹¹ And again, “Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples extol him.”¹² And again Isaiah says, “The root of Jesse will come, even he who arises to rule the Gentiles; in him will the Gentiles hope.”¹³ May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

GOSPEL VERSE ~ *Magnificat ~ Song of Mary*

LSB 248

C My soul mag-ni-fies the Lord, and my spir-it re-joic-es in God, my Sav-ior. My soul mag-ni-fies the Lord, and my spir-it re-joic-es in God, my Sav-ior.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 3:1-12

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the third chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, ²“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” ³For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said, “The voice of one crying in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord; make his paths straight.’” ⁴Now John wore a garment of camel’s hair and a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. ⁵Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region about the Jordan were going out to him, ⁶and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁷But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruit in keeping with repentance. ⁹And do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father,’ for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. ¹⁰Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

¹¹“I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. ¹²His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sit

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Pastor Joel Schultz

SERMON HYMN

What Hope! An Eden Prophesied
LSB 342

SERMON

What Are You Hoping For?
Romans 15
Pastor Joel Schultz

Stand

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

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

P Heavenly Father, You stir the hearts of Your faithful to prepare us for the advent of Your Son. We implore You, feed us continually with Your Word and Sacraments as we look for His return. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O Lord, by the ministry of Your Holy Church prepare the way for Your Son's return in glory. Send forth faithful pastors to proclaim Your Law and Gospel, and grant hearers ears to listen and hearts to receive their words in faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty God, You preserved Jesse's faithful line by the incarnation of Your Son. Give families and individuals strength to faithfully fulfill their vocations to love and forgive one another, that we may be trained up in Your fear, love and trust. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord God, Your Son rules over creation with justice and righteousness. Endow those in authority with the desire and ability to protect the innocent, punish the wicked and work for the common welfare. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Compassionate Lord, as we await the day when the wolf will dwell alongside the lamb and pain and destruction are no more, grant us patience, comfort and healing, according to Your will. Hear our prayers for all the sick, [especially _____,] and give wisdom and skill to all medical professionals who care for them. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Stir up our hearts, O Lord, and make ready the way of Your only begotten Son, who comes to us this day in His true body and precious blood for the forgiveness of our sins. May all who feast upon Him do so in repentance and faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly Father, grant that we may be kept in joy and sustained in hope through every trouble and trial of this mortal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, 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.)

OFFERING PRAYER

✠ THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

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

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

O Holy, Holy, Holy Lord



O ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, The God by heav'n - ly
hosts a - dored, Both heav'n and earth Your glo - ry show.
Ho - san - na sing we to the Lord. *Refrain* Re-joice! Re-joice!
Em - man - u - el Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

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

O Christ, The Holy Lamb of God

O Christ, the ho - ly Lamb of God, Who takes a - way the
whole world's sin, Have mer - cy on us now, we pray,
And grant Your heav'n - ly peace with-in. *Refrain* Re-joyce! Re-joyce!
Em - man - u - el Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

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 351 *Creator of the Stars of Night*

LSB 352 *Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord*

LSB 629 *What Is This Bread*

Stand

DISMISSAL

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

Lord, Let Your Servant Go in Peace



1 Lord, let Your ser- vant go in peace, Your Word ful- filled with-
2 All glo- ry to the Fa- ther, Son, And Ho- ly Spir- it,



in my sight. Sal- va- tion comes for all to see.
with them one, As was in the be- gin- ning, now,



For Is- rael, glo- ry; Gen- tiles, light. Re-joyce! Re-joyce!
And as the end- less a- ges run.



Em- man- u- el Shall come to thee, O Is- ra- el!

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

Prepare the Royal Highway

LSB 343

POSTLUDE

On Jordan's Banks the Baptist's Cry

David Cherwien

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



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Serving the Lord and Us Today:

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| Preaching | Pastor Joel Schultz |
| Celebrant..... | Pastor Joel Schultz |
| Liturgist..... | Vicar Avery Hjulberg |
| Organist..... | Deb Miller |
| Youth Choir Director..... | Eric Schlef |
| Pianist..... | Lauran Delancy |
| Acolytes..... (8:00) Jack Gruhn & Jack McDonald (10:45) Rowen Clark & William Jeter | |
| Greeters | (8:00) George & Karen Ledgerwood (10:45) Barb Gossen |
| 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..... | Carol Brandt, Deb Froelich, Angela Hodge, Deb Hodnik, |
| | Liza Pillers & Mary Jane Rees |
| Nursery..... | Matt & Morgan Riechers |
| Counters..... | Jym Fees & Chuck Tuttle |
| Altar Flowers..... | John & Mia Schreiner 18 th Wedding Anniversary |
| | Karen Kuhn for Keith's Birthday |

VOICE OF THE MARTYRS PRAYER REQUEST

Believing Wife Beaten, Burned for Church Attendance - Nepal

Gita has believed in Jesus since she was 11, but her parents gave her in marriage to a Hindu man 20 years her senior. She is an active member of a local church despite her husband's opposition. Twice he has destroyed the Bibles given to her by the church, and he has beaten her many times for attending church. Earlier this year, he was so angry that he poured boiled lentil curry on her, burning her leg badly enough that she had to be hospitalized. The local church paid the medical expenses when her husband would not. On August 8, Gita's husband beat her badly, broke her phone, and destroyed her hymnbook when he could not find her Bible. She used a neighbor's phone to inform the pastor of her situation, but since then she has been out of communication. The pastor asks for prayer for Gita and her daughters, ages 7 and 5.

If you would like to send a card to Zach and Latashia Roll, here is their mailing address:

**Zach and Latashia Roll
6 Founders Way, Unit B
St. Louis, MO 63105**

PRAYERS REQUESTED THIS WEEK

For **Lexi and Grant Obermueller**, as Lexi is pregnant with their first baby.

For **Rick and Debbie Southard**, as they move and settle into their new home in Olathe.

For **Bryson**, a friend of the Schreiners, as he is considered for a foster family that he may be blessed with a loving forever family.

For **Wylie Summerlin**, Danny Hundley's cousin's husband who is being treated for several significant medical issues.

For **Debbie Seutter**, as she awaits results from an MRI.

For **Troy Schepmann**, who is awaiting surgery on December 16th for a brain tumor that doctors think is benign.

For **Rev. Bryce Bereuter**, Senior Pastor of Calvary Lutheran KC, who is recovering from surgery.

For **Christian Kimmey**, Jared Turrel's friend who is in the hospital with a lung abscess.

For **Cindy Cornell and family**, as they mourn the death of Cindy's uncle DeWayne Holthusen.

For **Evelyn Justus**, Nathan Harkins grandmother who is on hospice and nearing life's end.

For **Zach and Latashia Roll (last year's vicar)**, at the sudden heart attack and death of Zach's father.

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 **Kent Thompson**, who is doing much better as he recovers at home from a knee replacement.

For **Paul Hennegan**, Jim Teig's friend whose cancer has returned.

For **Aziz Arora**, Jasmine Markanday's mom, whose health is declining.

For **Bonnie Malloch**, wife of Kurt Norem's co-worker Mike Malloch, who was just diagnosed with an aggressive form of breast cancer.

For **Lauren Kandt**, Kim Burdett's niece, who is recovering from her final surgery.

For **Kari Allen**, daughter of Karen Kuhn, who has been moved to hospice.

For **our expectant mothers: Chelsie Holste and Briann Ludolph** and for their unborn children, and for those who long for God's gift of children.

For **those undergoing cancer treatment: Gwen Anrico, Leslie Beller, Mandy Bender, Zach Chain, Ryne Clark, Heather Delaney, Karen Feldes, Lloyd Harfst, Lauren Kandt, John Mahnken, Geordie McGuire, Melissa Nesemeier, Randy Schlueter, Rev. Dr. Mark Schulz and Eydie Taylor.**

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.