

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church & Preschool

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

The **TONGUE** is



**a small part
of the body,
but it makes**

**GREAT
BOASTS.**

James 3:5

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 12, 2021

8:00 & 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 worshiping 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.

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



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.**

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 ask an usher for assistance. Please feel free to use the narthex as a cry room when needed. Monitors and speakers will assist in your participation.

EDUCATION HOUR

Adult Bible Class: This summer we will be studying in the Book of Mark.

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 Sunday school classrooms.

Nursery: The nursery will be staffed during the education hour (9:30-10:30am) this morning.

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

AS WE GATHER

Christ Jesus Delivers Us from Sin, Death and the Devil

Those who teach the Word of God *"will be judged with greater strictness"* (James 3:1) because it is by the Word that saving faith is obtained, whereas false doctrine always threatens to destroy Christian faith and life. The tongue *"boasts of great things,"* whether for good or evil (James 3:5). In fallen man, *"it is a restless evil, full of deadly poison"* (James 3:8). But anyone who bridles his tongue with the Word of God, who *"does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man"* (James 3:2). It is Christ who opens His ear to the voice of His Father, so that, with *"the tongue of those who are taught,"* He is able to sustain the weary *"with a word"* (Is. 50:4–5). Entrusting Himself to His Father, even to death, He is not put to shame but is vindicated in His resurrection (Is. 50:6–9). By His faith and faithfulness, He casts out the *"mute and deaf spirit"* from us (Mark 9:25). He has compassion on us and helps us, so that we are not destroyed but cleansed from every evil and raised up from death to life (Mark 9:22–27).

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

PASTORAL GREETING

PRELUDE

Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

J. William Greene

STEWARDSHIP MINUTE

OPENING HYMN

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

Arr. Bobb

Youth Choir

Words for meditation:

- 1. Praise the One who breaks the darkness
With a liberating light;
Praise the One who frees the pris'ners,
Turning blindness into sight.
Praise the One who preached the Gospel,
Healing ev'ry dread disease,
Calming storms, and feeding thousands
With the very Bread of peace.*
- 2. Praise the One who blessed the children
With a strong, yet gentle, word;
Praise the One who drove out demons
With the piercing, two-edged sword.
Praise the One who brings cool water
To the desert's burning sand;
From this Well comes living water,
Quenching thirst in ev'ry land.*
- 3. Let us praise the Word Incarnate,
Christ, who suffered in our place.
Jesus died and rose victorious
That we may know God by grace.
Let us sing for joy and gladness,
Seeing what our God has done;
Let us praise the true Redeemer,
Praise the One who makes us one.*

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

CONFESION 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

This is the Feast



A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



☐ Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to



God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His reign.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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:

Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 50:4–10

⁴The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary. Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught. ⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backward. ⁶I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting. ⁷But the Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame. ⁸He who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come

near to me. ⁹Behold, the Lord GOD helps me; who will declare me guilty? Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up. ¹⁰Who among you fears the LORD and obeys the voice of his servant? Let him who walks in darkness and has no light trust in the name of the LORD and rely on his God.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

O Bless the Lord My Soul

Arr. Delancy

Beata Handbells

Words for meditation

- O bless the Lord, my soul!
Let all within me join
And aid my tongue to bless His name
Whose favors are divine.*
- O bless the Lord, my soul,
Nor let His mercies lie
Forgotten in unthankfulness
And without praises die!*
- 'Tis He forgives thy sins;
'Tis He relieves thy pain;
'Tis He that heals thy sicknesses
And makes thee young again.*
- He crowns thy life with love
When ransomed from the grave;
He that redeemed my soul from hell
Hath sov'reign pow'r to save.*
- He fills the poor with good;
He gives the sufferers rest.
The Lord hath judgments for the proud
And justice for the_oppresed.*
- His wondrous works and ways
He made by Moses known,
But sent the world His truth and grace
By His belovèd Son.*

EPISTLE

James 3:1-12

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For we all stumble in many ways, and if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. ⁴Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are

driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. ⁵So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things.

How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. ⁷For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, ⁸but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. ¹¹Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

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

Mark 9:14-29

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 9th chapter.

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

¹⁴ When they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them.

¹⁵ And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to [Jesus] and greeted him.

¹⁶And he asked them, "What are you arguing about with them?" ¹⁷And someone from the crowd answered him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. ¹⁸And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." ¹⁹And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me." ²⁰And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. ²¹And Jesus asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. ²²And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." ²³And Jesus said to him, "If you can! All things are possible for one who believes." ²⁴Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" ²⁵And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again." ²⁶And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, "He is dead." ²⁷But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. ²⁸And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" ²⁹And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."

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)*

BAPTISM PART 1

P What is Baptism?

C **Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God's command and combined with God's word.**

P Which is that word of God?

C **Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew: "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. (Matt. 28:19)**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Vicar Zachary Roll

SERMON HYMN

The Pilot Moves the Rudder

Tune: LSB 876

1. The pilot moves a rudder small
And mighty ships will change their course;
Although the tongue seems very small,
It's not without great pow'r or force.
2. A simple spark becomes a fire,
Destroying all within its path;
So is the tongue a burning pyrc,
Consuming good and spreading wrath.
3. No one can tame the tongue within,
And all have felt its pois'nous sting;
Until Christ paid the price for sin,
And reigned o'er death, our Lord and King.
4. Lord keep our tongues from words that wound,
And words that cannot be reclaimed;
Teach us to speak, with voice profound,
The saving Word to us proclaimed.

SERMON

The Wild Beast
James 3:1-12
Vicar Zachary Roll

Stand

NICENE CREED

**☩ I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,**

who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,

and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

P Lord God, we believe; help our unbelief! Sustain us through the many troubles and trials of this world. When unclean spirits afflict us and those that we love, revive our trust in You. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Gracious Lord, knowing that those who teach in the Church will be judged with greater strictness, bless the teachers of our Synod's schools, colleges and seminaries. Preserve them faithful to Your Word, that they may not stumble in what they say. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord and Father, tame our tongues so that they are not a restless evil, full of deadly poison. Turn them by Your Spirit from cursing the people made in Your likeness to instead blessing You, and keep us from stumbling in what we say. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Almighty God, guard the tongues of our governing authorities, that they may not stumble in what they say, but speak wisely, leading in accord with Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord God, You have promised that "all things are possible for one who believes." In such faith, we bring before You _____ and all others in need, asking You to grant them health and healing. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly Father, Your Son, who suffered unjustly for our sins and was vindicated in His resurrection, is near to us in His body and blood. Assure us that no one can contend against or declare guilty those who have been reconciled to God in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

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

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

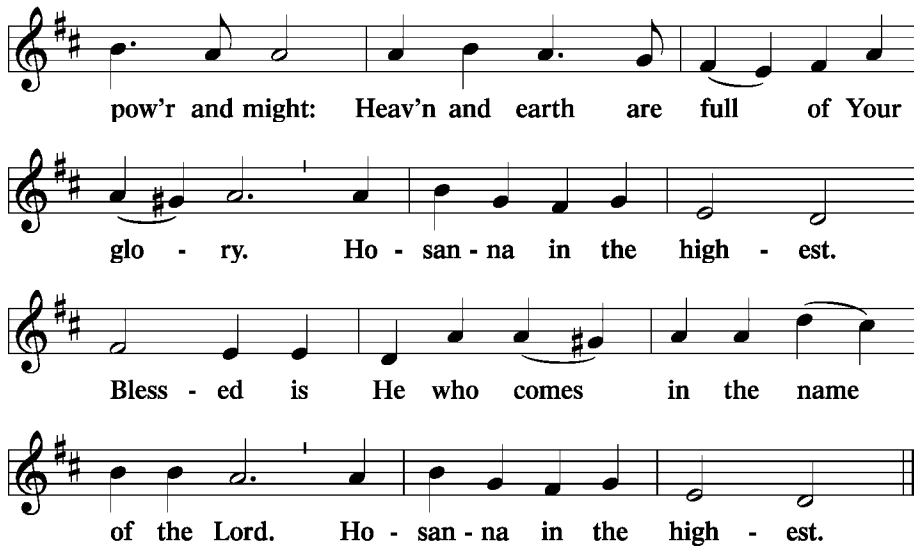
PROPER PREFACE

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 HYMN

Chief of Sinners Though I Be

LSB 611



1 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Je - sus shed His
2 Oh, the height of Je - sus' love, High - er than the
3 On - ly Je - sus can im - part Balm to heal the
4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in



blood for me, Died that I might live on high,
heav'ns a - bove, Deep - er than the depths of sea,
wound - ed heart, Peace that flows from sin for - giv'n,
all to me; All my wants to Him are known,



Lives that I might nev - er die. As the branch is
Last - ing as e - ter - ni - ty! Love that found me—
Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n, Faith and hope to
All my sor - rows are His own. He sus - tains the



to the vine, I am His, and He is mine.
won - drous thought! Found me when I sought Him not.
walk with God In the way that E - noch trod.
hid - den life Safe with Him from earth - ly strife.

5. **O my Savior, help afford
By Your Spirit and Your Word!
When my wayward heart would stray,
Keep me in the narrow way;
Grace in time of need supply
While I live and when I die.**

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Jesus Comes Today with Healing

LSB 620



1 Je - sus comes to - day with heal - ing, Knock - ing at my
2 Christ Him - self, the priest pre - sid - ing, Yet in bread and
3 Un - der bread and wine, though low - ly, I re - ceive the
4 God de - scends with heav'n - ly pow - er, Gives Him - self to



door, ap - peal - ing, Of - f'ring par - don, grace, and peace.
wine a - bid - ing In this ho - ly sac - ra - ment,
Sav - ior ho - ly, Blood and bod - y, giv'n for me,
me this hour In this or - di - nar - y sign.



He Him - self makes prep - a - ra - tion, And I hear His
Gives the bread of life, once bro - ken, And the cup, the
Ver - y Lamb of God from heav - en, Who to bit - ter
On my tongue His pledge re - ceiv - ing, I ac - cept His



in - vi - ta - tion: "Come and taste the bless - ed feast."
pre - cious to - ken Of His sa - cred cov - e - nant.
death was giv - en, Hung up - on the curs - ed tree.
grace, be - liev - ing That I taste His love di - vine.

5. Let me praise God's boundless favor,
Whose own feast of love I savor,
Bidden by His gracious call.
Wedding garments He provides me,
With a robe of white He hides me,
Fits me for the royal hall.
6. Now have I found consolation,
Comfort in my tribulation,
Balm to heal the troubled soul.
God, my shield from ev'ry terror,
Cleanses me from sin and error,
Makes my wounded spirit whole.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN



1 Your ta - ble I ap - proach; Dear Sav - ior, hear my prayer.
 2 Lord, I con - fess my sins And mourn their wretch - ed bands;
 3 Your bod - y and Your blood, Once slain and shed for me,
 4 Search not how this takes place, This won - drous mys - ter - y;



Let not an un - re - pen - tant heart Prove hurt - ful to me there.
 A con - trite heart is sure to find For - give - ness at Your hands.
 Are tak - en at Your ta - ble, Lord, In blest re - al - i - ty.
 God can ac - com - plish vast - ly more Than what we think could be.

**5. O grant, most blessed Lord,
 That earth and hell combined
 May not about this sacrament
 Raise doubt within my mind.**

**6. Oh, may I never fail
 To thank You day and night
 For Your true body and true blood,
 O God, my peace and light.**

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. *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

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

LSB 528

1 Oh, for a thou - sand tongues to sing My
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, As -
 3 Je - sus! The name that charms our fears, That
 4 He breaks the pow'r of can - celed sin; He
 5 Look un - to Him, ye na - tions; own Your
 great Re - deem - er's praise, The glo - ries of my
 sist me to pro - claim, To spread through all the
 bids our sor - rows cease; 'Tis mu - sic in the
 sets the pris - 'ner free. His blood can make the
 God, ye fall - en race. Look and be saved through
 God and King, The tri - umphs of His grace!
 earth a - broad, The hon - ors of Thy name.
 sin - ner's ears, 'Tis life and health and peace.
 foul - est clean; His blood a - vails for me.
 faith a - lone, Be jus - ti - fied by grace.

6. **See all your sins on Jesus laid;
The Lamb of God was slain.
His soul was once an off'ring made
For ev'ry soul of man.**

7. **To God all glory, praise, and love
Be now and ever giv'n
By saints below and saints above,
The Church in earth and heav'n.**

POSTLUDE

Sent Forth by God's Blessing
Jacob B. Webber

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



Rev. Joel Schultz, Senior Pastor
Rev. Michael Ada, Associate Pastor
Vicar-Zachary Roll, Student Pastor

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Serving the Lord and Us Today:

Preaching	Vicar Zachary Roll
Celebrant/Liturgist.....	Pastor Mike Ada
Organist.....	(8:00 & 10:45) Deb Miller (6:00pm) Lauran Delancy
Acolytes.....	(8:00) Cora Schreiner & Kaylee Bahr
.....	(10:45) Sydney Hughey & Blake Hughey
Greeters	(8:00) Bob & Karen Rinne (10:45) Scot & Denise Behrman
Ushers.....	(8:00) Debbie Johnson, Joshua Watt, Zachary Booth, David Benz,
.....	Mark Zarnstorff, Mike Johnson
.....	(10:45) Tom Chapin, Mark Chapin, Brett Clark, Scott Behrman, Brad Johnson
Altar Guild.....	Carolyn Clark, Karen Kuhn, Ashley Stoll
Nursery.....	(9:30) Sarah Krannawitter & Michelle Olson
Counters	Jym Fees & Chuck Tuttle
Altar Flowers	Mark & Sara Zarnstorff

ALTAR FLOWERS that adorn our altar this morning were given to the glory of God by **Mark & Sara Zarnstorff** in honor of **Zach & Leah's** wedding.

Voice of the Martyrs prayer request

Christian Businesswoman Bears Witness to Christ Amid Loss - Ethiopia

Mariam was born and raised in Shashamane. She is the eldest of four siblings, and she works to provide for her aging parents through a boutique she started when she was in her mid-twenties. She is a Christian, having placed her faith in Jesus Christ at a young age. Through her witness, her entire family came to Christ as well. Last year, attackers broke into her boutique, looted all the clothes and destroyed the entire property. Her entire livelihood was lost, but she remained firm in her faith. "Even though I lost all my possessions, I became stronger in my faith. I do not know how that happened," she said. "What people did drew me closer to God. My prayer life became stronger." Mariam was able to receive support from VOM workers to help her rebuild her business. This has given her an opportunity to witness to those in her community who knew about her situation. "When they saw Mariam restarting her business, they asked her, 'Who helped you like this?' This gave Mariam an opportunity to witness to people about the love, kindness and help of God," a front-line worker said. Pray that Mariam's faithful witness will lead many others to faith in Christ.

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Prayers Requested for This Week

For **Denise Behrman** as she was diagnosed with basil cell carcinoma, (a mild form of skin cancer) and her upcoming surgery.

For **Pastor Schultz** who had knee surgery on Wednesday, and recovering well.

For **Marilyn Uniak**, Kerri Haghi's assistant, as she recovers from hip surgery.

For the **family of Don Bell**, patriarch and founder of Bell Masonry ,who was stricken with COVID 19 last on Sept. 1st and passed away this past Wednesday, Sept. 8.

For the **family of John & Cindy Chain** as they mourn the death of John's uncle, Charles Hudson.

CONTINUED PRAYERS

For **Ruben Bauck**, grandfather of Jason & Alli Bauck, recovering from hip replacement surgery.

For **Kent Thompson** recovering from heart surgery.

For **Paula Thompson** who has shingles in her right eye.

For **Hannah Jenkins**, granddaughter of Phil & Georgia Freese, hospitalized with Covid 19.

For **Dale Harnisch** , who suffered a fall and is hospitalized with a concussion.

For **Kara Raetzel**, who was hospitalized with a concussion caused by a fall on her bike.

For the **family of Dennis Smith** as they mourn the death of his step-mother **Maxine Smith**.

For the **family of Gilbert Dieckhoff**, who died on Monday, August 30th.

For the family of **Zach Gardner** at the death of his aunt.

For those who suffer from death or loss due to Hurricane Ida.

For **Eldred & Mary Brockmeier**, Marci Brockmeier's parents as they celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

For our expectant mothers: **Stacey Vanderpool, Stephanie (Seutter) Thomas, Kaylyn (Ludwig) Bartels, Hannah Schultz** and their unborn children. Also for those who long for God's gift of children.

For **Janna Carver, Sandy Kronsbein, Spencer Braun, Shelby Hanes, Teri Woodward, Susan Mountain, Mary Rinne, Eric Hundley, Ellie Torres, Jenni Patience, John Mahnken, Brandon Ryan, Pat Brackin, Pat Gossen, Barb Gossen, and Moriah Obermueller** continuing treatments for cancer; for **Sherri Webb** as she continues to recover from her stroke and foot surgery.

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

For all those who are unemployed or under-employed, especially **Kristen Teply**, 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!