



Ash Wednesday

February 14, 2024

12:00pm & 6:45pm

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

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.

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.

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.



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THE IMPOSITION OF ASHES IN THE SERVICE TONIGHT

Ashes are a symbol of contrition (sorrow for sin): ***“I...repent in dust and ashes” (Job 42:6)***. They are also vivid reminders of mortality: ***“For you are dust and to dust you shall return” (Genesis 3:19)***. Ashes then are a reminder that we are born sinful and deserve God’s wrath. But the good news is spoken by St. Paul in 2 Corinthians 5:21: ***“God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.”*** The ashes that are put on our foreheads in the shape of a cross remind us of our dirty sins that were piled on Jesus when He died on the cross for us. The ash cross on our forehead also reminds us of the first time the sign of the cross was made on our foreheads – in Baptism. There, in the water of Holy Baptism, we were washed clean with the blood of Jesus, and the dirt of our sins was washed away forever.

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

PRELUDE

Jesus I Will Ponder Now
arr. Ore

PASTORAL GREETING

Stand

✠ PREPARATION ✠

INVOCATION

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

ASH WEDNESDAY ADDRESS

- P** Dear brothers and sisters of our Lord Jesus Christ, on this day the Church begins a holy season of prayerful and penitential reflection. Our attention is especially directed to the holy sufferings and death of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- P** From ancient times the season of Lent has been kept as a time of special devotion, self-denial, and humble repentance born of a faithful heart that dwells confidently on His Word and draws from it life and hope.
- P** Let us pray that our dear Father in heaven, for the sake of His beloved Son and in the power of His Holy Spirit, might richly bless this Lententide for us so that we may come to Easter with glad hearts and keep the feast in sincerity and truth.

PRAYER

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| P O Lord, | C have mercy. |
| P O Christ, | C have mercy. |
| P O Lord, | C have mercy. |

- P** O God, You desire not the death of sinners, but rather that they turn from their wickedness and live. We implore You to have compassion on the frailty of our mortal nature, for we acknowledge that we are dust and to dust we shall return. Mercifully pardon our sins that we may obtain the promises You have laid up for those who are repentant; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

IMPOSITION OF ASHES

(Worshippers may approach the altar to receive ashes upon the forehead. Approach the altar down the center aisle, in two rows, and return down the side aisles. The pastors, vicar and elders shall speak the words, "Dust you are and to dust you shall return" Genesis 3:19).

HYMNS *(Worshippers are encouraged to sing softly and meditatively)*

LSB 435 ***Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain***

LSB 421 ***Jesus, Grant That Balm & Healing***

LSB 423 ***Jesus, Refuge of the Weary***

ANTHEM

God So Loved the World

Stainer

Adult Choir

(A setting of John 3:16)

Stand

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Let us then 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 Though the ashes represent our innumerable sins, the immeasurable love of Jesus covers them all. This is a true and trustworthy saying: Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. Christ Jesus has had mercy on you and has paid for your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

✠ SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

HYMN OF PRAISE

(During the penitential Season of Lent, the Hymn of Praise is omitted.)

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You despise nothing You have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts that lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness we may receive from You full pardon and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Sit

ANTHEM

Jesus Paid it All/O Sacred Head Now Wounded

arr. Adams

French Horn with piano

(If you would like to meditate as the piece is played, please refer to stanza 2 of "Then of course O Sacred Head Now Wounded," LSB 449 in your hymnal.)

OLD TESTAMENT

Joel 2:12–19

¹²"Yet even now," declares the LORD, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; ¹³and rend your hearts and not your garments." Return to the LORD, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster. ¹⁴Who knows whether he will not turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind him, a grain offering and a drink offering for the LORD your God? ¹⁵Blow the trumpet in Zion; consecrate a fast; call a solemn assembly; ¹⁶gather the people. Consecrate the congregation; assemble the elders; gather the children, even nursing infants. Let the bridegroom leave his room,

and the bride her chamber. ¹⁷Between the vestibule and the altar let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep and say, "Spare your people, O LORD, and make not your heritage a reproach, a byword among the nations. Why should they say among the peoples, 'Where is their God?'" ¹⁸Then the LORD became jealous for his land and had pity on his people. ¹⁹The LORD answered and said to his people, "Behold, I am sending to you grain, wine, and oil, and you will be satisfied; and I will no more make you a reproach among the nations."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 41

P Blessed is the one who considers the poor!

C **In the day of trouble the LORD delivers him;**

P the LORD protects him and keeps him alive; he is called blessed in the land;

C **You do not give him up to the will of his enemies.**

P The LORD sustains him on his sickbed; in his illness You restore him to full health.

C **As for me, I said, "O LORD, be gracious to me; heal me, for I have sinned against You!"**

P My enemies say of me in malice, "When will he die and his name perish?"

C **And when one comes to see me, he utters empty words, while his heart gathers iniquity; when he goes out, he tells it abroad.**

P All who hate me whisper together about me; they imagine the worst for me.

C **They say, "A deadly thing is poured out on him; he will not rise again from where he lies."**

P Even my close friend in whom I trusted, who ate my bread, has lifted his heel against me.

C **But You, O LORD, be gracious to me, and raise me up, that I may repay them!**

P By this I know that You delight in me: my enemy will not shout in triumph over me.

C **But You have upheld me because of my integrity, and set me in Your presence forever.**

**Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting!
Amen and Amen.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 5:20b—6:10

We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. ²¹For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

¹Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. ²For he says, "In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you."

Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. ³We put no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; ⁷by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

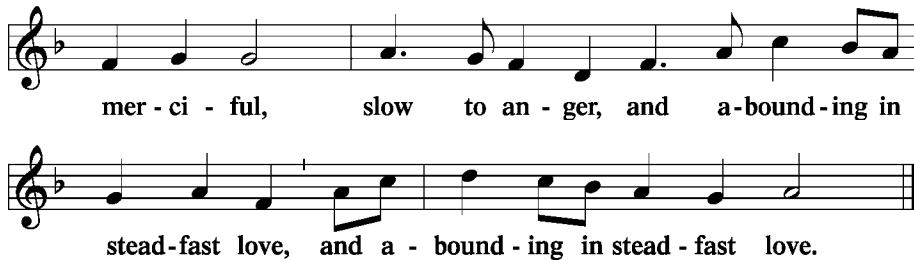
GOSPEL VERSE

Return to the Lord

Joel 2:13



C Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra-cious and



HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 6:1–6, 16–21

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

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

¹[Jesus said:] "Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven.

²"Thus, when you give to the needy, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ³But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, ⁴so that your giving may be in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

⁵"And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ⁶But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you. . . .

¹⁶"And when you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ¹⁷But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, ¹⁸that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

¹⁹"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, ²⁰but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal.

²¹"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

Sit

SERMON HYMN

Jesus, I Will Ponder Now

LSB 440

SERMON

Mutual Consideration

Psalm 41:1-2

Pastor Joel Schultz

Stand

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

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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

For the holy Christian Church throughout the world and for all who confess the name of Christ, that God would guard and defend His pilgrim people from the temptations of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, let us pray to the Lord:

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

- P** For our national church body and for this local congregation, its mission and its people; for the ability to meet the needs that arise as we do the work God has given us to do; and for the fostering of unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, let us pray to the Lord:

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

- P** For those who partake this day of Christ's holy body and blood, that in their eating and drinking they receive the benefits of forgiveness of sins and the renewal of life and have a foretaste of the feast to come, let us pray to the Lord:

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

P For those who have wandered from the faith, that the Holy Spirit would use us to call them home to the Father and for all who are involved in ministries of outreach and care, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the government and all who have been set into positions of leadership, that they may use the authority entrusted to them honorably; and for the people being governed, that they may contribute to the well-being of society, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all who serve in all worthy occupations, professions, arts, and sciences, that God would grant them skill and integrity in the performance of their responsibilities and grant them a sense of value and satisfaction through their vocations, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those who suffer from hunger, homelessness, poverty, or unemployment, that God's great mercy and love would preserve, comfort, and relieve them, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all the faithful in this household of faith and beyond, that the Spirit would lead them to cheerful, generous giving from the bounty the Lord provides, to support the Church and to help those in need, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those who are sick, [*especially* . . .], that God would grant healing to their bodies and strength to bear their infirmities with patience and grace, and for all in service vocations of healing and providing safety and care in our communities, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those who mourn, [*especially* . . .], that in their time of sorrow they would not lose hope but will rely on God's promise that He will never leave them or forsake them, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those who rejoice in the rich blessings of God, that they always remember the Giver of every gift and give Him heartfelt thanks, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P These and any other things You would have us ask of You, heavenly Father, grant to us for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whose name we pray.

C **Amen.**

Sit

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

LSB 192

C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

Stand

✠ 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 the Lord.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

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

Personal Examination Before Communing

1. Do I believe I am a sinner and am I sorry for my sins?
2. Do I believe Christ's true body and blood to be present in the Lord's Supper for the forgiveness of sins?
3. Do I earnestly intend with the help of the Holy Spirit to amend my sinful life?

(For a longer examination see pages 329-330 of the hymnal.

Communion Prayers are located inside the front cover of the hymnal.)

Instructions for Communing

We use continuous kneeling tables for Holy Communion. The congregation will be ushered forward to kneel. You will receive the Body of Jesus from the Pastors and then the Blood of Jesus from the Elder/Vicar. You may receive either from the common cup or the individual cup. When you have sufficiently meditated, stand, reverence the altar, and return to your seat. Those not communing will receive a blessing from the pastor.

Non-alcoholic white wine is located in the center of each tray and should only be used by those with medical conditions prohibiting the use of wine.

Gluten-free wafers are available from the pastor when you come forward.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB 618 *I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table*

LSB 915 *Today Your Mercy Calls Us*

LSB 628 *Your Table I Approach*

Stand

DISMISSAL

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICAMUS/BENEDICTION

- P** Let us bless the Lord. *Psalm 103:1*
- C** **Thanks be to God.**
- P** The Lord bless you...and ☩ give you peace. *Numbers 6:24-26*
- C** **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

Go to Dark Gethsemane
LSB 436

POSTLUDE

Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain
arr. Blersch

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SERVING THE LORD AND US THIS EVENING:

- Preaching Pastor Joel Schultz
- Celebrant..... Pastor Mike Ada
- Liturgist..... Vicar Nathan Harkins
- Organist..... Lauran Delancy
- French Hornist..... Sydney Hughey
- Pianist Connie Teig
- Acolytes..... (6:45) Caroline Stoll & Adam Stoll
- Altar Guild..... Karen & David Benz & Deb Hodnik

MIDWEEK LENTEN SUPPER

February 21st, 28th, March 6th, 13th, and 20th
Served from 5:30pm – 6:20pm

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES

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Services at 12:00pm and 6:45pm