

Welcome to Beautiful Savior!

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IN JESUS'S NAME, WE:

Bring Glory to God through fulfilling worship.

Serve God's people, both within our congregation and without.

Learn about the Lord's will for us through sharing and teaching.

Connect within our membership and reach out to connect with others.

Forty Days in the Word "Personalize it! and Pray It!" October 16, 2022 9:00 a.m.

Reading the Bible devotionally helps us do more than learn about the Bible and learn about God. Prayerfully combing the pages of Scriptures allows us to meet the One who inspired the words in the first place.

P: Pastor

C: Congregation

A: Assistant Minister

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Altar Flowers in loving memory of Sue Hoffman and Don Booth

GATHERING WORSHIP MUSIC

"Reverie"
"Lead On, O King Eternal"

Eric Ewazen Wayne Fritchie

As part of our 2022 Beautiful Savior Concert Series, sponsored by Bob Hoffman, we welcome our Guest Artists: The MetroPlex Woodwind Quintet.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

(Please kneel as you are able during a time of silence for reflection and self-examination.)

- P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who is eager to forgive and who loves us beyond our days.
- C: Amen.
- P: Dear friends, together let us acknowledge our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

Silence is kept for reflection.

- P: God of mercy and forgiveness,
- C: we confess that sin still has a hold on us. We have harmed your good creation. We have failed to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Turn us in a new direction. Show us the path that leads to life. Be our refuge and strength on the journey, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend. Amen.
- P: Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven + and you are made whole. God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road. Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

(Please stand as you are able.)

- We walk by faith and not by sight; with gracious words draw near,O Christ, who spoke as none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."
- We may not touch your hands and side, nor follow where you trod; but in your promise we rejoice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
- 3 Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; and may our faith abound to call on you when you are near and seek where you are found:
- 4 For you, O resurrected Lord, are found in means divine: beneath the water and the word, beneath the bread and wine.

THE GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR MISSION STATEMENT

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(Please be seated.)

MISSION MOMENT

"Mission Partner Impact"

Sarah Nadeau

CHORAL ANTHEM

"Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"

Mark Hayes

Jesus, the very thought of Thee with sweetness fills my breast; but sweeter far Thy face to see and in Thy presence rest.

No voice can sing, and no heart can frame, nor can the mem'ry find a sweeter sound than Jesus' name, O Savior of mankind!

O hope of ev'ry contrite heart! O joy of all the meek! To those who fall how kind Thou art! How good to those who seek.

But what to those who find? Ah! This; no tongue or pen can show the love of Jesus, what it is. None but His loved ones know.

MEMORY VERSE Matthew 4:4 Janet Gehrke

A: Together, let us recite the memory verse:

C: But Jesus answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."

INTRODUCTION TO THE READING

READING 1 Peter 3:13-17

A: The reading is from the first book of Peter, the third chapter.

¹³ Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? ¹⁴ But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, ¹⁵ but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you, ¹⁶ yet do it with gentleness and respect. Maintain a good conscience so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷ For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able.)

VERSE



God's word is our great her - i - tage and shall be ours for - ev - er;

GOSPEL

Matthew 7:24-27

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁴ "Everyone, then, who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. ²⁵ The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall because it had been founded on rock. ²⁶ And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. ²⁷ The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great was its fall!"

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

(Please be seated.)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Karyn Parker, Children's Ministries Coordinator

(Children are dismissed for Wiggle Worship)

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Niklaus C. Schillack, Senior Pastor "Personalize it! and Pray It!"

(Please stand as you are able.)

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Word of God, Come Down on Earth"

ELW 510

 Word of God, come down on earth, living rain from heav'n descending; touch our hearts and bring to birth faith and hope and love unending.
 Word almighty, we revere you;
 Word made flesh, we long to hear you.

- Word eternal, throned on high, Word that brought to life creation, Word that came from heav'n to die, crucified for our salvation, saving Word, the world restoring, speak to us, your love outpouring.
- Word that speaks God's tender love, one with God beyond all telling, Word that sends us from above God the Spirit, with us dwelling, Word of truth, to all truth lead us; Word of life, with one bread feed us.

APOSTLES' CREED

- P: God has made us God's own people through our baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith:
- C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

- A: For all the baptized, that they become skilled in compassion and grace and equipped to share the good news with all. Grant your followers persistence in proclamation and prayer. Hear us, O God.
- C: Your mercy is great.
- A: For air and sky, clouds and sun, that they provide rain to parched land and relief to flooded ground. Renew and restore our atmosphere and empower us to be worthy stewards of creation. Hear us, O God.
- C: Your mercy is great.

^{*}The word "catholic" means universal. By saying that we believe in the "holy catholic Church," we state that we believe the Christian church is one and undivided. This does not refer to any individual denominations.

A: For judges, juries, and all who work in the judicial system, that they desire wisdom, seek truth, rule with fairness, and have the courage to do what is right. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: For victims of violence, abuse, and neglect: heal those who have been harmed and protect those who are vulnerable. For all who are sick (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: For all who are lonely, especially those who have newly arrived in an unfamiliar city or country, political prisoners without recourse to justice, hospital patients without visitors, and any who are ill or grief-stricken. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: For those who have taught us faith and now rest in your heavenly peace (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*), that we remember and give thanks for these saints who shared the gospel through word and deed. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

What is the Sharing of the Peace?

The sharing of the peace is more than a time to say, "Hello." It is an ancient tradition, dating back to the time of Jesus. Its purpose is to provide us with a chance to be at peace with one another before sharing Holy Communion. Also, it reminds us that Jesus brings us closer together in Holy Communion, and that the unity he gives is stronger than anything that can divide us.

How Do We Share the Peace?

At their own discretion, people greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you" or "God's peace." Afterwards, we are seated for the offering.

(Please be seated.)

STEWARDSHIP READING

2 Corinthians 9:7

Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

OFFERING "Three Spirituals"

Lewis J. Buckley

(Please stand as you are able.)

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Together, let us pray:

C: Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

- 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.

(Please be seated.)

HOLY COMMUNION

"The Old Rugged Cross"

Wayne Fritchie

POST HOLY COMMUNION BLESSING

P: May the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

(Please stand as you are able.)

PRAYER AFTER HOLY COMMUNION

- P: Together, let us pray:
- C: God of the abundant table, you have refreshed our hearts in this meal with bread for the journey. Give us your grace on the road that we might serve our neighbors with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

- P: God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace. And may the holy Trinity, + one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.
- C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

ELW 543

- "Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
 Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.
 In my love's baptismal river
 I have made you mine forever.
 Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own."
- 2 "Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure. Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure. Here you heard my dear Son's story, here you touched him, saw his glory. Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure."
- 3 "Go, my children, fed and nourished, closer to me. Grow in love and love by serving, joyful and free. Here my Spirit's power filled you, here my tender comfort stilled you. Go, my children, fed and nourished, joyful and free."

DISMISSAL

- P: Go in peace and serve the Lord.
- C: We will! Thanks be to God!
- P: And next time ...
- C: ... we'll invite a friend!

POSTLUDE

"Divertimento No. 1 in B Flat"

Franz Joseph Haydn

We thank you for worshiping with us today.

We hope to worship with you again in the near future!

Many thanks to all those on our tech team for making this livestream service possible.

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HELPFUL INFORMATION

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES – The 9:00 & 11:15 a.m. worship services will be livestreamed through our website and YouTube pages. People can gather with us in the Sanctuary at 9 a.m. to worship in a more traditional style in person. We offer a more contemporary style worship service at 11:15 a.m. People can also worship in their homes with the livestream at 9 or 11:15 a.m., as well as access the recording of either service any time after worship concludes.

On the third Sundays of the month, we will offer a Service of the Word for Wholeness at 10:15 in our Chapel. This twenty-minute service gives you an opportunity to receive and give support for wholeness and strength. The Word will be spoken with laying on of hands and anointing with oil. We will pray for those in need by name, receive personal prayer, and share in the fellowship of others in need.

SERVING THIS MONTH

Readers		PowerPoint	
October 2	Gwen Fitzgerald	October 2	Chuck Biebelhausen
October 9	Tammy Dukatz	October 9	Tim Jehowski
October 16	Janet Gehrke	October 16	Nancy Geik
October 23	Jay Herbst	October 23	Nancy Geik
October 30	Ann Hussar	October 30	Karen Brant
	<u>Ushers</u>		
<u>Ushers</u>		Communion	Assistants
<u>Ushers</u> October 2	Bob Hoffman & Bob Shaw	Communion October 2	Assistants G. Fitzgerald/K. Barrett/S. Siems
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