



## **W**elcome 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.**

## **Overcoming Temptation** ***"Temptations of the Present"*** **January 29, 2023 9:00 a.m.**

Grace is getting what we do not deserve, and mercy is not getting what we do deserve. The Holy Spirit empowers us in such a way that God's grace and mercy can strengthen us as we endure the trials and temptations of the present.

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P: Pastor

C: Congregation

A: Assistant Minister

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### GATHERING WORSHIP MUSIC

*“How Firm a Foundation”*

Michael Burkhardt

### 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 makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: Trusting in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Holy One, source of our renewal,

**C: we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P: Thus says our God: “The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare.” God’s mercy makes us new. We are forgiven in the name of ✝ Christ our Savior.

**C: Amen.**

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

### GATHERING HYMN

*“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”*

**ELW 588**

- 1 There's a wideness in God's mercy,  
like the wideness of the sea;  
there's a kindness in God's justice  
which is more than liberty.  
There is no place where earth's sorrows  
are more felt than up in heav'n.  
There is no place where earth's failings  
have such kindly judgment giv'n.

- 2 There is welcome for the sinner,  
and a promised grace made good;  
there is mercy with the Savior;  
there is healing in his blood.  
There is grace enough for thousands  
of new worlds as great as this;  
there is room for fresh creations  
in that upper home of bliss.
- 3 For the love of God is broader  
than the measures of our mind;  
and the heart of the Eternal  
is most wonderfully kind.  
But we make this love too narrow  
by false limits of our own;  
and we magnify its strictness  
with a zeal God will not own.
- 4 'Tis not all we owe to Jesus;  
it is something more than all:  
greater good because of evil,  
larger mercy through the fall.  
Make our love, O God, more faithful;  
let us take you at your word,  
and our lives will be thanksgiving  
for the goodness of the Lord.

## 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: Together, let us pray.

**C: Almighty God, help us overcome every temptation that comes our way each day. Assist us in persevering in the face of trial to enjoy the blessings of each day. May our lives and actions be an expression of your love and grace. In Jesus's mighty name we pray. Amen.**

## BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR MISSION STATEMENT

**P:** Although as individuals we are unique in many and various ways, we gather as a congregation for a common mission.

**C: 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, and**

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

*(Please be seated.)*

## MISSION MOMENT

*"Ukrainian Refugees"*

Mike Stefaniak

## CHORAL ANTHEM

*"God is Our Refuge and Strength"*

Allen Pote

God is our refuge and strength; a present help in time of trouble.  
Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,  
though the waters roar and foam, we will not fear.

Come and behold the work of the Lord, the awesome acts of God.  
He is in the midst of his people, in all the earth.

He is the Word, we are his hands, he will lead us.  
He is the air, we are his song,  
we will celebrate his presence all the day long.

God is our refuge and strength; a present help in time of trouble.  
Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,  
though the waters roar and foam, we will not fear.

Come and behold the work of the Lord, the awesome acts of God.  
He is in the midst of his people, in all the earth.

He is the rain, we are the stones, he will cleanse us.  
He is the air, we are his song,  
we will celebrate his presence all the day long.

God is our refuge and strength; a present help in time of trouble.  
Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,  
though the waters roar and foam, we will not fear.

## MEMORY VERSE

*Proverbs 25:28*

Lisa Wade

A: Together, let us recite the memory verse:

**C: Like a city breached, without walls, is one who lacks self-control.**

## INTRODUCTION TO THE FIRST READING

Lisa Wade

## FIRST READING

*Ezekiel 18:27-32*

A: The first reading is from the book of Ezekiel, the eighteenth chapter.

<sup>27</sup> Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. <sup>28</sup> Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. <sup>29</sup> Yet the house of Israel says, “The way of the Lord is unfair.” O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? <sup>30</sup> Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise, iniquity will be your ruin. <sup>31</sup> Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? <sup>32</sup> For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord GOD. Turn, then, and live.

A: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## SECOND READING

*Hebrews 4:14-16*

A: The second reading is from the book of Hebrews, the fourth chapter.

<sup>14</sup> Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. <sup>15</sup> For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup> Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

A: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

**VERSE – from “Songs of Thankfulness and Praise”**



**GOSPEL**

*Mark 10:17-22*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>17</sup> As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>18</sup> Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup> You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness. You shall not defraud. Honor your father and mother.’” <sup>20</sup> He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” <sup>21</sup> Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” <sup>22</sup> When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(Please be seated.)*

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

Karyn Parker, Children’s Ministries Coordinator

**SERMON**

The Rev. Dr. Niklaus C. Schillack, Senior Pastor  
*“Temptations of the Present”*

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

- 1 O Christ, our hope, our hearts' desire,  
creation's mighty Lord,  
redeemer of the fallen world,  
by holy love outpoured,  
by holy love outpoured:
- 2 How vast your mercy to accept  
the burden of our sin,  
and bow your head in cruel death  
to make us clean within,  
to make us clean within.
- 3 But now the bonds of death are burst,  
the ransom has been paid;  
you reign above at God's right hand,  
in robes of light arrayed,  
in robes of light arrayed.
- 4 Oh, let your mighty love prevail  
to purge us of our pride,  
that we may stand before your throne  
by mercy purified,  
by mercy purified.

**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.**

\*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.

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

Lisa Wade

A: Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

**A brief silence.**

A: Cultivate humility in your church. In gatherings of every size, teach us to boast only in the cross. Shape your church to be people of kindness, generosity, and justice. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: The foundations of the earth bear witness to your faithfulness; the mountains and hills echo with your holiness. When we mistreat your creation, show us the error of our ways. Inspire us with reverent awe to honor all you have made. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: You make foolish the wisdom of the world. Raise up honorable leaders who seek justice, love mercy, and pursue peace. Frustrate plans that are corrupt, wicked, and self-seeking. Prosper the work of peacemakers. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: Bless all whom the world rejects. Accompany those who are regarded as foolish, weak, low, and despised; reveal your power and presence at work where it is least expected. Give your life, strength, and wisdom to all in need (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: As with your people Israel, remind this congregation of your saving acts. Remind us how your faithfulness brought us through difficulties and sustained us despite our weaknesses. Establish the cross as the center of our life together. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: Praise to you for your blessed saints in every time and place (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). Trusting you accompanied them in poverty, persecution, and in every trial, we trust you abide with your people always. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: We bring to you our needs and hopes, O God, trusting your wisdom and power revealed in Christ crucified.

**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**

*Proverbs 29:9*

Those who are generous are blessed, for they share their bread with the poor.

**OFFERING**

*"His Eye is On the Sparrow"*

Wilbur Held

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

**OFFERING PRAYER**

P: Together, let us pray:

**C: Almighty God, receive these offerings in thanksgiving for all your works of merciful power. We commit our daily activities to your hands. We ask that you guide our days and inspire our actions. May all that we do be to the glory of your name. We magnify and adore you, through Jesus, our Savior. 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**

*“Just as I Am”*

Dale Wood

## **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: Holy One, we thank you for the healing that springs forth abundantly from this table.  
Enable us to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. Amen.**

## **BLESSING**

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you; may the Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you; may the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

## **SENDING HYMN**

*“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” vv. 1-3*

**ELW 597**

- 1 My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
no merit of my own I claim, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

*Refrain*

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

- 2 When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace;  
in ev'ry high and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil. *Refrain*
- 3 His oath, his covenant, his blood sustain me in the raging flood;  
when all supports are washed away, he then is all my hope and stay. *Refrain*

## **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**

*“Sinfonia”*

J. S. Bach

*We thank you for worshipping 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.*

### **WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

People can worship with us on Sundays in person at 9:00 a.m. with a traditional style or 11:15 a.m. with a contemporary style. Also, the 9:00 and 11:15 a.m. worship services are livestreamed through our website and YouTube pages, and recordings are available once worship concludes.

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

### **SERVING THIS MONTH**

#### **Readers**

January 1	Laura Hall
January 8	Kelly Biebelhausen
January 15	Wayne Geik
January 22	Richard Devore
January 29	Lisa Wade

#### **PowerPoint**

January 1	Tim Jehowski
January 8	Chuck Biebelhausen
January 15	Nancy Geik
January 22	Tim Jehowski
January 29	Gwen Fitzgerald

#### **Ushers**

January 1	John Wenskay/Wayne Geik
January 8	John Wenskay/Les Deyer
January 15	John Wenskay/Les Deyer
January 22	John Wenskay/Jay Herbst
January 29	John Wenskay/Jay Herbst

#### **Communion Assistants**

January 1	A. Bazil/L. Hall/S. Beck
January 8	K. Biebelhausen/T. Dukatz/B. Hoffman
January 15	D & K Eurich/G. Fitzgerald
January 22	L & R Green/C. Gonda
January 29	N & W Geik/J. Herbst

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