Welcome to Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

5631 N Adams Road Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304 Phone: 248.646.5041 Website: www.bslcmi.org Sunday Worship Schedule 9:00 - Traditional 11:15 - Contemporary style 3rd Sunday of the month at 10:15 Service of the Word for Wholeness

Sermon on the Mount

"Our Father" 11:15—October 19, 2025

Jesus contrasts hypocritical prayer, which seeks human praise, with sincere prayer to God in private. He teaches against meaningless repetition and offers the Lord's Prayer as a model for heartfelt communication with God. This model prayer prioritizes honoring God and seeking God's will, followed by requests for daily needs, forgiveness, and protection from evil.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Flowers Given in Loving Memory of Sue Hoffman & in Loving Memory of Don Booth

GATHERING WORSHIP MUSIC

"Before the Throne of God"

Selah

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RECOGNITION – Roxanne Wenskay, Retiring Treasurer

MISSION MOMENT

"Operation Christmas Child"

Mary Reed

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

GATHERING SONG

"Ancient of Days"
"Breathe"

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. Our Father, what a privilege it is to come to you in prayer. May the words of the prayer Jesus modeled to his disciples never become rote to our ears and lips. Give us renewed commitment to spend time with you in prayer, praising You, seeking your will, asking for forgiveness, and trusting you for our daily needs. May the Beautiful Savior community be characterized as a church that emphasizes the power and importance of heartfelt prayer. In the name of Jesus,

C: 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: Beautiful Savior is a biblically grounded community who unites to follow and share the way of Jesus.

MEMORY VERSE Matthew 5:14 Annette George

A: Together, let us recite the memory verse:

C: Jesus said, "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid."

INTRODUCTION TO THE READING

READING Deuteronomy 6:4-9

A: The reading according to Deuteronomy, the sixth chapter.

⁴ Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. ⁵ You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. ⁶ Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. ⁷ Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie

down and when you rise. ⁸ Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, ⁹ and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL *Matthew* 6:7-15

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

⁷ "When you are praying, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do; for they think that they will be heard because of their many words. ⁸ Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. ⁹ "Pray then in this way: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. ¹⁰ Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. ¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread. ¹² And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. ¹³ And do not bring us to the time of trial, but rescue us from the evil one. ¹⁴ For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; ¹⁵ but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Karyn Parker, Children's Ministries Coordinator

SERMON The Rev. Dr. Niklaus C. Schillack, Senior Pastor

SONG OF THE DAY

"The Lord's Prayer"

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Annette George

A: Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation.

A brief silence.

A: We pray for the church universal. O God, who unites the church across the globe, bring unity and peace to a world divided by hatred and opposition. Turn our hearts toward the gospel of Jesus Christ. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: We pray for creation. O God, who made heaven and earth, draw us to the beauty of the whole creation. Turn us toward a right relationship with the entire cosmos. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: We pray for all nations, states, cities, and towns. O God, you rule over all the earth. Grant our elected officials humility in their decision-making for the sake of the entire world. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: We pray for those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. O God, who heals and strengthens, our help comes from you in times of need. Support, comfort, and heal those who suffer (especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts). God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: We pray for Beautiful Savior. O God, who guides this congregation, encourage us to share the good news of Jesus Christ. Nurture our relationships with the community, that we serve those who come to us in need. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: We offer thanksgiving for the faithful departed (especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts). O God, whose promises never end, we thank you for all the saints who have shown us the way of your Son, Jesus Christ. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: We pray for the Call Committee as they continue to recruit and engage with pastoral candidates, we pay for clarity of vision, unity of Spirit, and a clear pathway to the additional pastor you have chosen for Beautiful Savior. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

STEWARDSHIP READING

Proverbs 22:2

The rich and the poor have this in common: the Lord is the maker of them all.

OFFERING

"My Jesus"

Vocalist: Caels Hepworth

OFFERING PRAYER

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

HOLY COMMUNION

POST HOLY COMMUNION BLESSING

BLESSING

SENDING SONG

"Our God"

DISMISSAL



