

Welcome to Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

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Sunday Worship Schedule
9:00 – Traditional
11:15 – Contemporary style
3rd Sunday of the month at 10:15—
Service of the Word for Wholeness

Greater Than

“We>Me”

9:00—November 2, 2025

John 11:32-44 shows how Jesus involves the community in raising Lazarus, demonstrating collective participation is vital in God’s work. Jesus’s shared grief with Mary and the community also shows the strength found in mutual support when facing challenges together.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Flowers Given in Loving Memory of Joan Geisler and
In Loving Memory of John and Dorothy Streit*

GATHERING WORSHIP MUSIC *“Abide with Me”* Robert Hobby

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION MOMENT *“Stewardship”* Tom Ingram

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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.

GATHERING HYMN *"Faith of Our Fathers"* v. 1, 2, 4

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| 1 Faith of our fathers, living still
in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword.
Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy
whene'er we hear that glorious word.
Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
we will be true to you till death. | 4 Faith born of God, oh, call us yet,
bind us with all who follow you,
sharing the struggle of your cross
until the world is made anew.
Faith born of God, O living faith,
we will be true to you till death. |
| 2 Faith of our mothers, daring faith,
your work for Christ is love revealed,
spreading God's word from pole to pole,
making love known and freedom real.
Faith of our mothers, holy faith,
we will be true to you till death. | |

THE GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, you gave Jesus the power to overcome death with life. Give us also, who are called by your holy word, grace to trust in Jesus without delay and to bring into his presence those near to us who need his message of life, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. In Jesus's name we pray.

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.**

CHORAL ANTHEM *"Now Rest, Ye Pilgrim Host"*

Heather Sorenson

MEMORY VERSE *Galatians 6:9*

Dennis Eurich

A: Together, let us recite the memory verse:

C: **So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up.**

INTRODUCTION TO THE READING

FIRST READING

Acts 2:37-47

A: The first reading according to Acts, the second chapter.

³⁷ Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” ³⁸ Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” ⁴⁰ And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” ⁴¹ So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added. ⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³ Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. ⁴⁴ All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵ they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:15-23

A: The second reading according to Ephesians, the first chapter.

¹⁵ I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷ I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸ so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰ God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²² And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL VERSE



GOSPEL

John 11:32-44

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eleventh chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

³² When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” ³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴ He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” ³⁵ Jesus began to weep. ³⁶ So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” ³⁷ But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?” ³⁸ Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹ Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” ⁴⁰ Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” ⁴¹ So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴² I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” ⁴³ When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” ⁴⁴ The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Margie Turowski, Director of Family Ministries

SERMON

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

THE ROLL OF SAINTS

P: On this All Saints’ Sunday, we remember those saints, baptized into Christ and clinging to him as Lord and Savior: who were members of Beautiful Savior and/or who received Christian burial from Beautiful Savior since last All Saints’ Sunday:

Todd Jack Robosan	October 24, 2024
James Crosby Coughenour	January 31, 2025
Gloria Mary Simi	February 3, 2025
Karen Hopp	February 4, 2025
Joan Roselyn Geisler	March 14, 2025
Sally Elsworth Bartz	April 26, 2025
Ronald Benjamin Briggs	May 8, 2025
Timothy John Hussar	May 31, 2025
Margaret Belle Blake	June 25, 2025
John Jerry Karavias	September 10, 2025

P: We also remember the following saints on this All Saints' Day, whose names were shared with our office in advance, and some of whom died in Christ since last All Saints' Sunday. Following the reading of this list, we invite everyone to share with their voices or in the quiet of their hearts the names of other saints to be remembered today:

James Anders	Kelly and Chuck Biebelhausen
Donald Beck	Doug and Shelley Beck
Brian Blake	Richard DeVore
Ronald Bogen	Nancy Kaminski
Don Booth	Marjie Dodge-Booth & Family
Kenneth Wayne Campbell Jr.	Jan Haefner
Ed Gilmore	Kathy Olsen
Marletta Sue Hoffman	Bob Hoffman & Family
Yolanda Jimenez	Janet Gehrke
Gretel Kneer	Eve Archinal
Ray Lane	Al Eicher
Jim McDonough	Janet Gehrke
Edward Murzin	Richard DeVore
John Pavlovich	Janet Gehrke
Harold Roesner	Kathy Olsen
Carl Szymanski	Janet Gehrke
Mary Lou Walters	Kelly and Chuck Biebelhausen
Scott Woznicki	Lori Calbeck

P: Rest eternal grant them, O Lord;

C: And let light perpetual shine upon them.

P: On this All Saints' Sunday, we also celebrate those saints who were baptized into Christ through the ministries of Beautiful Savior since last All Saints' Sunday:

James Crosby Coughenour 1/21/25 – Sponsors: Paul & Debbie Coughenour

Annabelle Evon Meinberg 8/26/25 – Parents: Frederick & Marie Meinberg
Sloan Josephine Cecil 8/31/25 – Parents: Matthew & Allison Cecil
Blake Elizabeth Biebelhausen 10/5/25 – Parents: Stephen & Meghan Biebelhausen

P: We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

C: Jesus said, “I am the light of the world.” Whoever follows Jesus will have the light of life.

HYMN OF THE DAY *“For All the Saints”* v. 1, 2, 6, 7

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- 1 For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 6 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day:
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 7 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Dennis Eurich

A: Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

A: God who became human in Jesus, challenge the church to recognize Christ in all our neighbors. Give church leaders endurance in times of weakness and affliction. Grant wisdom in conflict and joy in service. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: God who preserves us in trouble, guide us to properly care for the earth's resources. Heal waters, land, and air to sustain future generations. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: God who guides our ways, give the world's leaders, voters, and those seeking election humility and respect for the dignity of all. Accompany local election workers and community volunteers. Teach us to be at peace with one another amidst deep differences. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: God who brings grace and peace, we pray for those who are unhoused and in need of shelter, suffering and in need of comfort, and sick and in need of relief (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: God who knows us by name, bless our congregational leaders with wisdom and give them a faithful vision for your church. Bless this congregation's children and young people as they grow and are nourished. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: God who welcomes us home, we remember your saints who have gone before us (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). Let us trust in the peace and promise of the resurrection. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: Faithful God, as the Call Committee continues to recruit and engage with pastoral candidates, we pray for clarity of vision, unity of Spirit, and a clear pathway to the additional pastor you have chosen for Beautiful Savior. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen.

STEWARDSHIP READING *2 Corinthians 8:1-2*

We want you to know, brothers and sisters, about the grace of God that has been granted to the churches of Macedonia; for during a severe ordeal of affliction, their abundant joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part.

OFFERING

"Jerusalem, My Happy Home"

Robert H. Hobby

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray. God of healing and hope, you bless those who are hungry, promising to fill them with good things. Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts. Nourish us with the abundance of your feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior, now and forever.

C: Amen.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

HOLY COMMUNION *"When Peace Like a River"*

Various Arrangers

POST HOLY COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER HOLY COMMUNION

P: Together let us pray:

C: God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name. Amen.

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN *"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"* v. 1, 2, 3, 6 **ELW 632**

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| 1 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home: | 3 Before the hills in order stood
or earth received its frame,
from everlasting you are God,
to endless years the same. |
| 2 Under the shadow of your throne
your saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is your arm alone,
and our defense is sure. | 6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
still be our guard while troubles last
and our eternal home. |

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE *"Now Thank We All Our God"*

Albert L. Travis



Great Thanksgiving Food Drive

We are blessed to be able continue our Thanksgiving program for families in need.
We hope to serve even more families this year than ever before by partnering with
Lighthouse AND Spirit of Grace Church.

Between October 26th and November 16th, bring your food donations to the Outreach
collection area in the BSLC Welcome by the pastors' portraits.

Contact Wade Jehowski via the church office with any questions: office@bslcmi.org (248) 646-5041

• Macaroni and Cheese • Gravy (Packets Preferred) • Boxed Stuffing • Boxed Potatoes	• Cereal • Dessert Mixes: Brownies, Cookies, Cake • Canned Vegetables • Pasta Sauce/Noodles
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