

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

Sermon on the Mount

“The Extensions”

9:00—October 5, 2025

Jesus clarified he did not come to abolish the Law or the Prophets, but to fulfill them. He emphasizes the lasting importance of God’s commands, stating not even the smallest part of the Law will disappear until all is accomplished. Jesus then explained true righteousness requires more than outward obedience, extending to internal attitudes like anger towards others.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING WORSHIP MUSIC

“Listen, God is Calling”

Anne Krentz Organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION MOMENT *“Service of the Word for Wholeness”*

Annette George

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

“O Word of God Incarnate”

ELW 514

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| 1 O Word of God incarnate,
O Wisdom from on high,
O Truth unchanged, unchanging,
O Light of our dark sky:
we praise you for the radiance
that from the hallowed page,
a lantern to our footsteps,
shines on from age to age. | 3 Oh, make your church, dear Savior,
a lamp of burnished gold
to bear before the nations
your true light, as of old;
oh, teach your wand'ring pilgrims
by this their path to trace,
till, clouds and darkness ended,
they see you face to face. |
| 2 The church from you, dear Master,
received the gift divine;
and still that light is lifted
o'er all the earth to shine.
It is the chart and compass
that, all life's voyage through,
mid mists and rocks and quicksands
still guides, O Christ, to you. | |

THE GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. Heavenly Father, help your people to trust and have confidence in you. By the power of your Holy Spirit, lead us to understand and delight in your Word, that we might reject sin and return to you. Keep our hearts focused on following your truths both in our thoughts and our actions, which were so perfectly exemplified by our Lord, Jesus Christ, in whose 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

“Ancient Words”

Mary McDonald

MEMORY VERSE

Matthew 5:14

Laura Hall

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

PSALM

Psalms 119:1-8

A: Let us read Psalm 119:1-8 responsively: Happy are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord.

C: Happy are those who keep his decrees, who seek him with their whole heart, who also do no wrong, but walk in his ways.

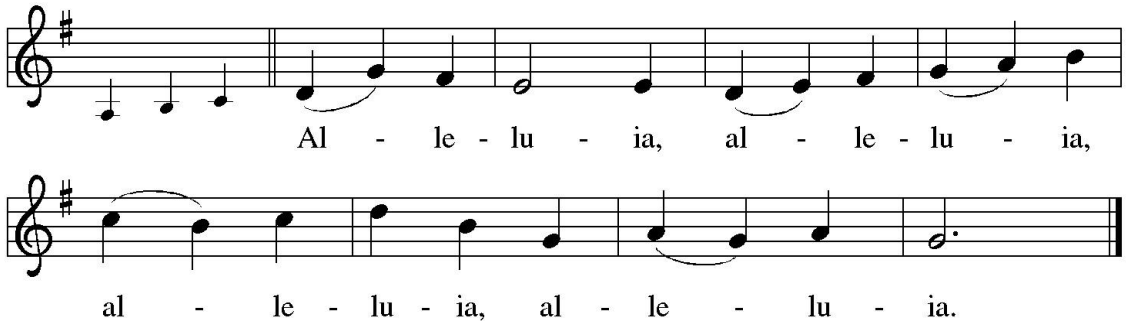
A: You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently.

C: O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes! Then I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.

A: I will praise you with an upright heart, when I learn your righteous ordinances.

C: I will observe your statutes; do not utterly forsake me.

GOSPEL VERSE



GOSPEL

Matthew 5:17-22

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁷“Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. ²¹You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not murder’; and ‘whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.’ ²²But I say to you

that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, ‘You fool,’ you will be liable to the hell of fire.”

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

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Lord of All Hopefulness”

ELW 765

- 1 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy:
be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
- 2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:
be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
- 3 Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace:
be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
- 4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm:
be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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

Laura Hall

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

A brief silence.

A: O God of the church, you give the church a treasure in Jesus Christ. Draw us into the gift of faith passed down from generation to generation. Remind your people that faith the size of a mustard seed can move mountains. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: O God of creation, you nourish the earth with grace and mercy. Bring favorable weather during the harvest season and sustain all creation along with all who labor in the fields. Ensure the welfare of animal companions whose presence offers comfort, safety, and joy. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: O God of nations and communities, you govern and guard the world. Give leaders and people in authority a spirit of making just and righteous laws. Bring peace to countries affected by war and violence. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: O God of those in need, you care for those who are sick, oppressed, bereaved, lonely, and poor. Come to the help of all in need (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). Help us to trust that you will come to us at the right time. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: O God of this congregation, you nurture our faith. Thank you for those of all ages who teach, lead, and learn in this congregation and beyond. Give growth to the seeds of faith watered by faithful examples of baptismal living. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: O God of ages past, thank you for the witness of those who have died in faith (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). May the faith of those who now rest in your merciful arms shape our faith in your Son, Jesus Christ. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Loving Father, bless all Your children, especially those waiting for their forever family. Do not let any of your children despair, but give them hope. Bring them in your perfect timing to a loving, compassionate, forever family. Give each child the strength, courage, guidance and faith they need as they wait. Give them a heart for you, Father. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: O God of love, we pray that deep and persistent prayer permeates our congregation, not only as we seek your will for an associate pastor, but also as we seek your vision for our Beautiful Savior community. 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 *1 Timothy 6:10*

For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

OFFERING Trio on “*Be Thou My Vision*” David Lasky

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray. Lord of the harvest, we return to you a portion of what you have given to us. Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches, but on you, who richly provides for us. Multiply what we have gathered to bless all who are suffering and in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD’S PRAYER

HOLY COMMUNION

Siciliana and Menuet on “*Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*” E. Fruhauf

POST HOLY COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER HOLY COMMUNION

P: Together let us pray:

C: O God, through this meal you have strengthened us and appointed us to be your servants. Send us to do good and to share our possessions with all in need. We ask this in Jesus's name. Amen.

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN

"How Firm a Foundation" v. 1-3

ELW 796

- 1 How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in Christ Jesus, the Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said
who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?
- 2 "Fear not, I am with you, oh, be not dismayed,
for I am your God and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand."
- 3 "When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,
my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply.
The flames shall not hurt you; I only design
your dross to consume and your gold to refine."

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

"How Firm a Foundation"

Anna Laura Page



All Saints' Day

NOVEMBER 2ND

Contact the office to add names to the remembrance list

Join us in the Memorial Garden after both services for a short celebration for all who have died in the past year

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formerly known as MOPS



9:30—11:30 a.m.

2nd & 4th Wednesdays of each month

Next Meetings Oct. 8 & 22



Outreach Team Needs **YOU**

- Samaritas Ambassador
- Home Building & Remodeling Point Person
- Donations to Matthew 25 Fund

Contact **Pastor Hemke** to volunteer
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