

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

The Day After “Never” “Restoration and Rebellion”

9:00 a.m.—May 10, 2026

Jesus restores Peter after his denial by asking about Peter’s love three times, reflecting his earlier failures. Jesus’s restoration of Peter proves past failures do not define us, as Jesus’s power to forgive is stronger than our power to fail.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Flowers Given in Loving Memory of Neal Janus

GATHERING WORSHIP MUSIC

Allegro from “Classical Quintet”
“Chanson de Matin”
“For the Beauty of the Earth”

J. C. Bach
Edward Elgar
Conrad Kocher

We welcome METROPLEX Woodwind Quintet

Robyn Myers, flute Mark Bedard, oboe Mark Tarabusi, clarinet
Bernie Kirchner, horn Steven Landino, bassoon

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

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

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Most merciful God,

C: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN *“Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us”* v. 1-3 **ELW 707**

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| 1 Lord of glory, you have bought us
with your lifeblood as the price,
never grudging for the lost ones
that tremendous sacrifice;
and with that have freely given
blessings countless as the sand
to the unthankful and the evil
with your own unsparing hand. | 3 Wondrous honor you have given
to our humblest charity
in your own mysterious sentence,
"You have done it all to me."
Naked, sick, in prison, hungry—
in the least, your face we view,
saying by your poor and needy,
"Give as I have giv'n to you." |
| 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give you
gladly, freely, of your own.
With the sunshine of your goodness
melt our thankless hearts of stone
till our cold and selfish natures,
warmed by you, at length believe
that more happy and more blessed
'tis to give than to receive. | |

THE GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. Precious Lord, even though we continue to fall short of your expectations, we know you will always forgive us when we confess our sins. We thank you for your amazing grace. May we be witnesses to your love and compassion for others. 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

“A Home of Grace”

Joseph M. Martin

MEMORY VERSE

Romans 8:28

Ellie

A: Together, let us recite the memory verse:

C: We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.

FIRST READING

Acts 6:1-7

A: The first reading according to the book of Acts, the sixth chapter.

Now during those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution of food. ² And the twelve called together the whole community of the disciples and said, “It is not right that we should neglect the word of God in order to wait on tables. ³ Therefore, brothers and sisters, select from among yourselves seven men of good standing, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this task, ⁴ while we, for our part, will devote ourselves to prayer and to serving the word.” ⁵ What they said pleased the whole community, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. ⁶ They had these men stand before the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. ⁷ The word of God continued to spread; the number of the disciples increased greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

1 John 3:16-24

Vera

A: The second reading according to the first book of John, the third chapter.

¹⁶ We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers and sisters. ¹⁷ How does God’s love abide in anyone who has the world’s goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? ¹⁸ Little children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth. ¹⁹ And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him ²⁰ whenever our hearts condemn us, for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹ Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God, ²² and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. ²³ And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one

another, just as he has commanded us. ²⁴ All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

VERSE – from “*The Strife is O’er, the Battle Done*”



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL

John 21:15-19

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twenty-first chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁵ When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my lambs.” ¹⁶ A second time he said to him, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Tend my sheep.” ¹⁷ He said to him the third time, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, “Do you love me?” And he said to him, “Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my sheep. ¹⁸ Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.” ¹⁹ (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, “Follow me.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Ezra

SERMON

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

HYMN OF THE DAY “*There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy*” v. 1, 3, 4 **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.
- 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.

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

Anders

A: Trusting in the power of Christ’s resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

A brief silence.

A: God of new life, you call us through the waters of baptism to be in relationship with you and one another. Guide the church and its leaders to proclaim Christ’s righteousness throughout the world. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

A: You create the world and all that is in it. Shelter budding plants and young animals, provide unpolluted habitats and clean water, and raise up stewards for the environment. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

A: You set civil servants in the places where we live. Instill truth and equality among judges and lawyers, gentleness and courage among first responders, and peace among leaders of towns and nations. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

A: You provide comfort in times of trouble. Heal those who are sick, shelter any who are unhoused, feed those undernourished, and accompany and console all who are lonely, bereaved, anxious, or ill (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

A: You are love and you desire that we love one another. As a mother hen cares for her chicks, bless all who provide motherly care in our lives, and inspire us to care for one another. We pray for all for whom this day is difficult or painful. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

A: God of new life, your steadfast love endures forever. Inspire us by the example of the faithful departed, who clung to your promises of life, forgiveness of sins, and salvation (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

A: God of new beginnings, as Pastor Diane joins us in her new journey with Beautiful Savior, and as our histories of serving you are woven together, we ask for continuing grace and Holy Spirit guidance. Bless Pastor Diane and our community as we focus on following and sharing the way of Jesus. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

A: God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

C: Amen.

GREETINGS FROM PASTOR DIANE

SHARING OF THE PEACE

STEWARDSHIP READING *Proverbs 21:21*

Whoever pursues righteousness and kindness will find life and honor.

OFFERING

“Shenandoah”

Frank J. Halferty

METROPLEX Woodwind Quintet

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray. Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus,

C: Amen.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

HOLY COMMUNION

“Three Spirituals”
“It Is Well with My Soul”

Lewis J. Buckley
Philip P. Bliss

METROPLEX Woodwind Quintet

POST HOLY COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER HOLY COMMUNION

P: Together let us pray:

C: **Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, Amen.**

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN *“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”* v. 1, 2, 4

ELW 858

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| 1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,
the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him,
for he is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear
now to his temple draw near,
joining in glad adoration! | 4 Praise to the Lord!
Oh, let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath,
come now with praises before him!
Let the amen
sound from his people again.
Gladly forever adore him! |
| 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things
is wondrously reigning
and, as on wings of an eagle,
uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen
all that is needful has been
sent by his gracious ordaining? | |


DISMISSAL

The Service of the Word for Wholeness

SUNDAY, MAY 10
10:15 - 10:35 a.m.
Beautiful Savior Chapel
May Focus: Prayer Team

*Scripture | Prayers for others & self
Anointing with oil | Laying on of hands*

Every third Sunday of the month




BSLC AT THE BALLFIELD

Saturday, May 16

bslcmi.org/post/Baseball

Game Ticket Includes:

- ✓ Tailgating Starts at 3:30 p.m.
- ✓ First Pitch at 5:00 p.m.
- ✓ Reserved Grandstand Seating
- ✓ Kids Run the Bases After Game
- ✓ Ticket valid for 7:05 p.m. Doubleheader

FREE TICKET TO FIRST 33 PEOPLE






BIANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, May 17
10:10 - 11 a.m.

VOTE



2026 WOMAN OF THE YEAR

Shelley Beck

WEDNESDAY **MAY 20** AT NOON

The Leathers Club

900 Upper Scotsborough Way
Bloomfield Hills, MI

Tickets available Sundays or bslcmi.org/woylunch