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

Plug Into the Power of God

"My Spiritual Gifts - Plug into God's Purpose" 9:00—September 14, 2025

Spiritual gifts are given by the Holy Spirit to each believer for the common good and to build up the church, not for individual boasting or division. Each Christian receives gifts to serve others and contribute to the believing community's health and growth, like different body parts working in unison. The purpose is ultimately to glorify God through the manifestation of the Spirit's presence and power within the community of believers.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING WORSHIP MUSIC

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

Dale Wood

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION MOMENT

"Youth and Family"

Margie Turowski

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 中 Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN "Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling"

ELW 582

- 1 Holy Spirit, ever dwelling in the holiest realms of light; Holy Spirit, ever brooding o'er a world of gloom and night; Holy Spirit, ever raising those of earth to thrones on high; living, life-imparting Spirit, you we praise and magnify.
- 2 Holy Spirit, ever living as the church's very life; Holy Spirit, ever striving through us in a ceaseless strife; Holy Spirit, ever forming in the church the mind of Christ: you we praise with endless worship for your gifts and fruits unpriced.
- 3 Holy Spirit, ever working through the church's ministry; quick'ning, strength'ning, and absolving, setting captive sinners free; Holy Spirit, ever binding age to age and soul to soul in communion never ending, you we worship and extol.

THE GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. Triune God, you brought together this church community. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, you have endowed each of us with unique gifts to serve you and our neighbors. May we seek to rely on your strength and capability to accomplish your mission for this church and our lives. May we function like an orchestra, each playing different instruments, each contributing to a beautiful and harmonious result. Let us personify the unity with which you, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit dwell as three-in-one. We ask this in Jesus's name.

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.

K. Lee Scott

MEMORY VERSE

1 Corinthians 12:4-6

Lori Calbeck

A: Together, let us recite the memory verse:

C: Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone.

INTRODUCTION TO THE READING

READING

1 Corinthians 12:12-26

A: The reading according to first Corinthian, the twelfth chapter.

¹² For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body Jews or Greeks, slaves or free and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. 14 Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. 15 If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸ But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹ If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many members, yet one body. ²¹ The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." 22 On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³ and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; ²⁴ whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, ²⁵ that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶ If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL VERSE



With the Spir-it's gifts em-pow'r us for the work of min - is - try.

GOSPEL

John 14:25-31

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁵ "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. ²⁸ You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe. ³⁰ I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no power over me; ³¹ but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us be on our way.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

Karyn Parker, Children's Ministries Coordinator

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

HYMN OF THE DAY "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

ELW 674

- 1 Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy: bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard. Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound! Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!
- 2 Christ is able to make us one, at the table he sets the tone, teaching people to live to bless, love in word and in deed express.

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- Jesus calls us in, sends us out bearing fruit in a world of doubt, gives us love to tell, bread to share:
 God (Immanuel) ev'rywhere!
 Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!
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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

Lori Calbeck

A: Gracious God, we come to you in prayer for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

A: Merciful God, pour out your grace upon your church. Forgive us for the times when we have been unfaithful, and renew our commitment to your gospel of love. Empower us to live as a community of mercy. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Merciful God, we ask forgiveness for the ways we have neglected and harmed this earth and its creatures. Confirm our commitment to care for all you have made, and grant us wisdom and strength to take action toward restoring your creation to its fullness. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Merciful God, govern all who hold positions of power and authority. Instruct them to make just decisions that serve the common good. Make them instruments of your mercy in the world, working to heal divisions and promote peace. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Merciful God, we lift up all who suffer. Bring healing, comfort, and peace to those who are sick, grieving, or in pain (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). Give us compassionate hearts to accompany those who are hurting and courage to work for justice and mercy. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Merciful God, bind us together as a community of forgiveness and love. Supply us with humility to seek forgiveness when we have wronged one another and generosity to extend mercy when we have been wronged. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Merciful God, we remember in love those who have departed this life (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). Console those who mourn, and give them the hope of resurrection. God of grace,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Merciful God, 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 entrust these prayers to you, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.

C: Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

STEWARDSHIP READING 2 Corinthians 9:8

And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.

OFFERING

"All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly"

Joel Raney

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

LORD'S PRAYER

HOLY COMMUNION

"Abide, O Dearest Jesus"

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

POST HOLY COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER HOLY COMMUNION

P: Together let us pray:

C: Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN

"Rise Up, O Saints of God!"

ELW 669

- 1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain ambitions turn; Christ rose triumphant that your hearts with nobler zeal might burn.
- 2 Speak out, O saints of God! Despair engulfs earth's frame; as heirs of God's baptismal grace, the word of hope proclaim.
- 3 Rise up, O saints of God! The kingdom's task embrace; redress sin's cruel consequence; give justice larger place.

- 4 Give heed, O saints of God!
 Creation cries in pain;
 stretch forth your hand of healing now,
 with love the weak sustain.
- 5 Commit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod; and, quickened by the Spirit's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

"Joyous Recessional"



Please join us for a luncheon brought to you by WINGS-Women In God's Service



SMALL GROUPS MEET WEEKLY SEPTEMBER 28— NOVEMBER 1

Choose the day of week and time that works best for you.

Meet with your leader and other group members to study the Sermon on the Mount.

Book & study guide by Dr. Amy-Jill Levine.

FOREVERHOMERUN Benefitting Legacy Adoption Services Join us for more than just a race. This is your opportunity to help foster kids find forever homes, raise awareness and support adoptive families! **Forever Home Run Includes:** Family friendly festival with bounce house, games & more at 9:00 a.m. Professionally timed & certified 5K course Race bib and timing chip T-shirt and finisher's medal Virtual 5K option 5K Run/Walk Family Festival Begins 9 a.m.

1K Dress-Up Dash

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