

# Welcome to Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

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

## Impossibly Possible

*“Hope Made Possible”*

**11:15—December 7, 2025**

Luke 1:26-38 recounts the miraculous virgin conception of Jesus, the Son of God, promising his eternal reign and making hope possible by demonstrating God’s power and faithfulness to fulfill promises. Even when circumstances seem impossible, Jesus’s birth signifies nothing is impossible with God, offering a foundation for hope.

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

**GATHERING WORSHIP MUSIC**      *“When Hope Came Down”*      Kari Jobe

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MISSION MOMENT**      *“Stephen Ministry”*      Annette George

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**GATHERING SONG**      *“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”*

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray. Dear Heavenly Father, your word told of a coming Savior long before Jesus walked the earth. The fulfillment of prophecy helps us to hope in you and in the promises of your word. Jesus being born of a virgin fills us with wonder at the seemingly impossible. It reminds us that nothing is impossible for you. Today, we can surrender to you the things that seem impossible in our lives. Increase our faith and hope as we worship. We ask this through God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

**William Charles Boike**

*William Charles' father and mother, Adam and Courtney Boike,  
bring their son forward for the sacrament of baptism.*

*William Charles' sponsors are Alison Boike, Ronald Wood III, and Johnny Tiseo*

### PRESENTATION

P: God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

*Alison, Ronald, and Johnny:* We present William Charles for baptism.

P: Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your child baptized into Christ?

*Adam and Courtney:* We do.

P: As you bring your child to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with him among God's faithful people, bring him to the word of God and the holy supper, teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in his hands the holy scriptures, and nurture him in faith and prayer, so he may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace. Do you promise to help him grow in the Christian faith and life?

*Adam and Courtney:* We do.

P: Sponsors, do you promise to nurture William Charles in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

*Alison, Ronald, and Johnny:* We do.

P: People of God, do you promise to support William Charles and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

**C: We do.**

### PROFESSION OF FAITH

P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

**C: I renounce them.**

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

**C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C: 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.**

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C: 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.**

### **THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters, and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus's death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that this child who is washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **BAPTISM**

P: William Charles, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

### **LAYING ON OF HANDS**

P: Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your child new birth, cleanse him from sin, and raise him to eternal life. Sustain William Charles with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and

understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **ANOINTING**

P: William Charles, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

**C: Amen.**

### **WELCOME**

L: Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

**C: Amen.**

L: Let us welcome our newly baptized brother.

**C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world. 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**

*Luke 1:37*

Annette George

A: Together, let us recite the memory verse:

**C: For nothing will be impossible with God.**

### **INTRODUCTION TO THE READING**

#### **READING**

*Isaiah 9:2-7*

A: The reading according to Isaiah, the ninth chapter.

<sup>2</sup>The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness on them light has shined. <sup>3</sup>You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. <sup>4</sup>For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. <sup>5</sup>For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. <sup>6</sup>For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. <sup>7</sup>His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David

and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

A: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL**

*Luke 1:26-38*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the first chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>26</sup>In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, <sup>27</sup>to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. <sup>28</sup>And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." <sup>29</sup>But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. <sup>30</sup>The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. <sup>31</sup>And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. <sup>32</sup>He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. <sup>33</sup>He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." <sup>34</sup>Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" <sup>35</sup>The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. <sup>36</sup>And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. <sup>37</sup>For nothing will be impossible with God." <sup>38</sup>Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

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**

*"Blessed Be the God of Israel"*

## **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

Annette George

A: In our waiting and watching, we come to you in prayer, O God, trusting your promise to renew the church, the nations, and the whole creation.

*A brief silence.*

A: With wisdom and understanding, inspire the faithful around the world. Unite hearts and minds in work to address poverty, access to housing, and equality among peoples. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: With counsel and might, move us to care for creation. As we dream of the day when all creatures will flourish alongside one another, guide us in ways humanity and all creation will mutually thrive. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: With righteousness and faithfulness, encourage nations to live in harmony with one another. We pray for international student and teacher exchanges, for our partner churches, and for the shared mission of Lutheran World Relief and Lutheran Disaster Response. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: With steadfastness and encouragement, strengthen those who have lost hope in the face of grief, depression, or disease (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). Renew the spirits of those recovering from surgery and medical procedures. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: With welcome and hospitality, embolden us in our shared ministry to overcome all that divides. In acts of repentance, reconciliation, and reparation, may we serve in the way of Christ. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: With joy and peace, we remember our ancestors in the faith (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). Fill us with the hope of the Holy Spirit now and into the ages of ages. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: With desire to know you better, we pray for the Call Committee as they continue 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. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Draw near to us, O God, as we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy through Jesus Christ, Emmanuel.

**C: Amen.**

## **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**STEWARDSHIP READING**      *Proverbs 22:9*

Those who are generous are blessed, for they share their bread with the poor.

**OFFERING**      *“Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)”*

## OFFERING PRAYER

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

**LORD'S PRAYER** – sung to the tune of *Away in a Manger*

Our Father in heaven, all praise to your name!  
Your kingdom among us, your will done the same;  
by mortals and angels, come, Lord, reign alone;  
oh hear us and bless us from heaven's high throne.

The bread that we yearn for provide us each day;  
as we forgive others, our sins take away;  
in times of temptation, to lead us be near;  
from evil deliver your children most dear.

For yours is the kingdom; o'er all things you reign.  
And yours is the power; all things you maintain.  
To you be the glory, resounding again,  
From all of creation, forever. Amen.

## HOLY COMMUNION

## POST HOLY COMMUNION BLESSING

**BENEDICTION** – sung to the tune of *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

Now may the good Lord bless and keep, his love in us increase;  
Lift up his face with shining grace, and grant eternal peace.  
To Father, Son, and Spirit, Eternal One-in-Three.  
Be thanks and praise through all our days. And to eternity!

## SENDING SONG

*"Our God"*

## DISMISSAL



# Telecare Team Members Needed

Join the team and help make calls on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6:45 p.m.

*Bring mutual support and care to the members and friends of BSLC.*

*Experience the Body of Christ so that each member knows about caring for each other.*



Volunteer or contact Debbie via the church office at [office@bslcmi.org](mailto:office@bslcmi.org) or (248) 646-5041



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