

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 “Possibility>Complacency” 9:00—November 9, 2025

John 14:12-14 promises believers will do even greater works than Jesus, not necessarily in terms of power, but in terms of the scope and impact of spreading Jesus’s good news message after his departure. This promise challenges complacency by highlighting the vast possibilities for believers to participate in God’s redemptive work through the power of the Holy Spirit.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Flowers in Loving Memory of Henry Horemans

GATHERING WORSHIP MUSIC

“This Little Light of Mine”
“Brethren, We Have Met to Worship”
Pianists: Mary Reed & Julie Steinmayer

Mark Hayes
Allen Pote

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION MOMENT

“Stewardship”

Michelle Luck

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 *"As We Gather at Your Table"*

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| 1 As we gather at your table,
as we listen to your word,
help us know, O God, your presence;
let our hearts and minds be stirred.
Nourish us with sacred story
till we claim it as our own;
teach us through this holy banquet
how to make Love's vict'ry known. | 3 Gracious Spirit, help us summon
other guests to share that feast
where triumphant Love will welcome
those who had been last and least.
There no more will envy blind us
nor will pride our peace destroy,
as we join with saints and angels
to repeat the sounding joy. |
| 2 Turn our worship into witness
in the sacrament of life;
send us forth to love and serve you,
bringing peace where there is strife.
Give us, Christ, your great compassion
to forgive as you forgave;
may we still behold your image
in the world you died to save. | |

THE GREETING

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. O Lord Almighty, remind us, that we can accomplish so little alone. Together, two people make a family; two or three make a church. Guided by your strength, the church goes out like a rock creating ripples in the water to help untold numbers of people. Guide us, O Lord, by your grace to do your will, and to do it as a community. 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.

CHORAL ANTHEM *"God Has Work for Us to Do"*

Mark A. Miller

MEMORY VERSE

Galatians 6:9

Laura Hall

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

READING

Isaiah 43:16-21

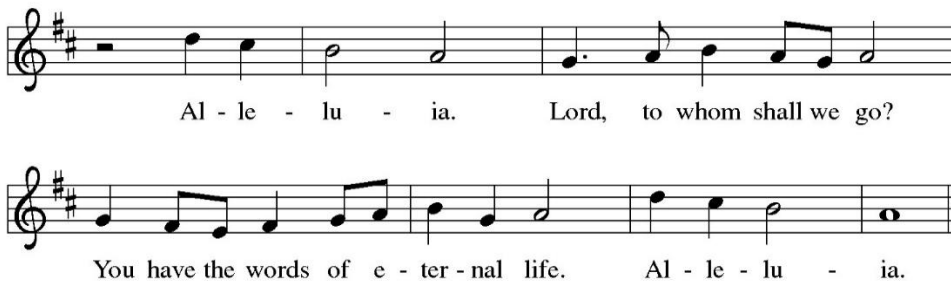
A: The reading according to Isaiah, the forty-third chapter.

¹⁶ Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, ¹⁷ who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: ¹⁸ Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. ¹⁹ I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ²⁰ The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, ²¹ the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL VERSE



GOSPEL

John 14:8-14

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

⁸ Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” ⁹ Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹ Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the

works themselves. ¹² Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

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

HYMN OF THE DAY “*Lord, You Give the Great Commission*” v. 1, 2, 5 **ELW 579**

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| 1 Lord, you give the great commission:
"Heal the sick and preach the word."
Lest the church neglect its mission,
and the gospel go unheard,
help us witness to your purpose
with renewed integrity:
With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us
for the work of ministry. | 5 Lord, you bless with words assuring:
"I am with you to the end."
Faith and hope and love restoring,
may we serve as you intend
and, amid the cares that claim us,
hold in mind eternity:
With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us
for the work of ministry. |
| 2 Lord, you call us to your service:
"In my name baptize and teach."
That the world may trust your promise,
life abundant meant for each,
give us all new fervor, draw us
closer in community:
With the Spirit's gifts empow'r us
for the work of ministry. | |

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

A brief silence.

A: God our Redeemer, bless your church universal and its leaders. Set all hearts on you from generation to generation in anticipation of Christ's return. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: God of life, we give thanks for the fruits and grains of harvest, for rivers and streams, for all that is made of rock and iron. Renew the earth's natural resources and the lands from which they come. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: God of justice, we give thanks for the service of our veterans and pray for those needing support for wounds of any kind. Strengthen those charged with the governance and protection of vulnerable populations. Bring an end to war throughout the world. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: God who leads us to belief and truth, we give thanks that you are always and already here. Nurture and support those who are unsteady in mind, unsafe in spirit, or unwell in body (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). Comfort those who suffer from trauma and exposure to traumatic events. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: God who gathers us together, we give thanks for our pastors and deacons, teachers and musicians, administrators, and building caretakers. May they find joy in leadership as we grow in faith together. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: God of the saints, we give thanks for all who have died in faith (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). Uplift us as we honor their memory and await your coming in glory. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: God of love, 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.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

STEWARDSHIP READING *Jeremiah 32:17*

Ah Lord God! It is you who made the heavens and the earth by your great power and by your outstretched arm! Nothing is too hard for you.

OFFERING *"Immortal, Invisible"*

Allen Pote

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 *"Be Thou My Vision"*

Allen Pote

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 *"On Our Way Rejoicing"*

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1 On our way rejoicing gladly let us go.	2 Unto God the Father joyful songs we sing;
Christ our Lord has conquered;	unto God the Savior
vanquished is the foe.	thankful hearts we bring;
Christ without, our safety;	unto God the Spirit
Christ within, our joy;	bow we and adore,
who, if we be faithful,	on our way rejoicing
can our hope destroy?	now and evermore.
On our way rejoicing;	On our way rejoicing;
as we forward move,	as we forward move,
hearken to our praises,	hearken to our praises,
O blest God of love!	O blest God of love!

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

"Let All Things Now Living"

Allen Pote

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

FEED MY LAMBS DELIVERY DRIVERS NEEDED

DELIVER HOMEMADE MEALS TO MEMBERS OF OUR BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR FAMILY

SIGN UP IN WELCOME CENTER
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

EMAIL DAVE VIA OFFICE@BSLCMI.ORG

Surviving the Holidays

**Saturday,
November 15
10 a.m. - noon
(248) 646-5041
office@bslcmi.org**

**Grief
Share**

Dinner Ministry at Grace Centers of Hope™



HELP IS NEEDED!

**PREPARE & SERVE ONE MEAL A MONTH
TO 90 WOMEN & CHILDREN**

**BE A CO-LEADER
JOIN THE MEAL TEAM
DONATE TO MATTHEW 25**

Sign up at the Welcome Center Information Desk or
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