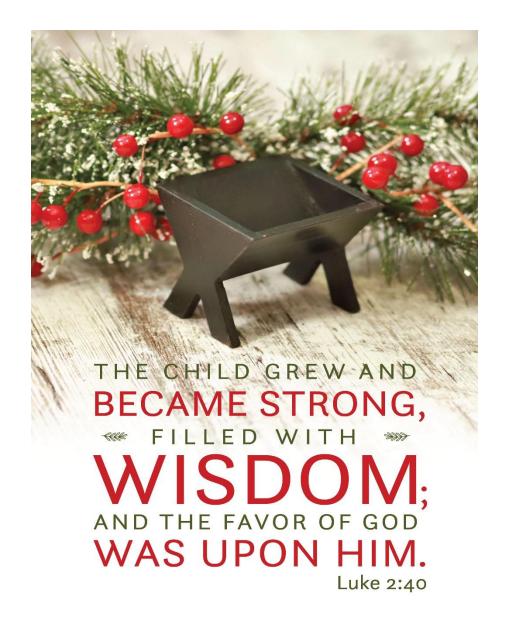
# Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church & Preschool

Connecting people to Jesus as we gather, grow, and go.



The First Sunday after Christmas

December 27, 2020 8:00 & 11:00am

# Welcome to Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church!

We greet you in the name of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ. We are glad you are worshiping with our family of faith and rejoice with you as God comes to us through His Word this day to bring His gift of forgiveness and life in Jesus.

If you have any questions, please seek out one of the ushers who will be happy to assist you. **Pastor Schultz & Pastor Ada look forward to meeting you at the end of the service**.

HEARING ASSISTANCE devices are available. Please talk to an usher.

**YOUNG CHILDREN** We believe that young children need to be brought to Jesus (Mark 10:14); and what better way than to include them in the regular worship life of the congregation! We **DO NOT** have a staffed nursery during church because we **encourage families to worship together**. Children's bulletins are available to help quietly occupy those children too young to listen to the sermon. Please ask an usher for assistance. Please feel free to use the narthex as a cry room when needed. Monitors and speakers will assist in your participation.

## **EDUCATION HOUR** (currently 9:00-9:45am)

**Adult Bible Class:** will be continuing studying in the Book of Acts.

**Sunday School:** Classes are offered for children who have turned 3 by September 1 through high school. Please ask an usher for assistance in locating Sunday school classrooms.

**Nursery:** Until further notice there will NOT be a staffed nursery during the Sunday School hour.

**HOLY COMMUNION** In Holy Communion we celebrate the real presence of our Lord Jesus Christ as He gives us His true body and blood in and with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of faith. In love for God's Word and in love for God's people, we do not want anyone to receive this blessed gift to their spiritual harm (1 Cor. 11:27-29). **Therefore, anyone who wishes to commune here for the first time and who is not a member of Beautiful Savior or a congregation of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, is asked to speak with Pastor Schultz or Pastor Ada before receiving Holy Communion. Those not communing are still welcome to come receive a blessing.** 



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# **Order of Service: Divine Service 4**

#### **AS WE GATHER**

# The Time Has Fully Come for Redemption and Purification through Jesus Christ, Our Lord

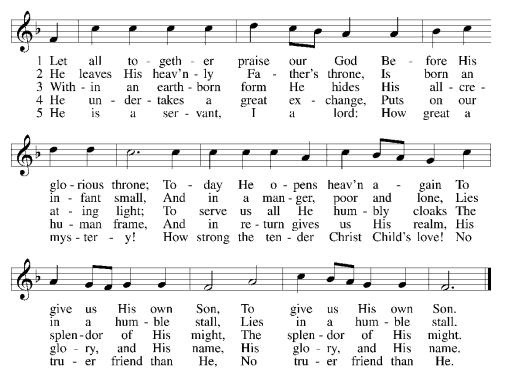
"When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son," born of the woman, "to redeem those who were under the law" (Gal. 4:4–5). Therefore, "according to the Law of Moses," Mary and Joseph "brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord" (Luke 2:22). There He was received and taken up into the arms of Simeon, who was righteous and devout, "waiting for the consolation of Israel" (Luke 2:25). Simeon praised God and blessed the parents by confessing the cross for which this child was appointed. "At that very hour," old and faithful Anna, who had watched, prayed and worshiped in the temple for so long, came up and "began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem" (Luke 2:38). The Lord causes "righteousness and praise to sprout up before all the nations" (Is. 61:11). We also "greatly rejoice in the LORD," because this child has clothed us "with the garments of salvation," covered us "with the robe of righteousness" and called us "by a new name" (Is. 61:10; 62:2).

#### MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

**PRELUDE** 

Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising
Paul Kickstat

**PASTORAL GREETING** 



- He is the key and He the door
   To blessèd paradise;
   The angel bars the way no more.
   To God our praises rise,
   To God our praises rise.
- 7. Your grace in lowliness revealed,
  Lord Jesus, we adore
  And praise to God the Father yield
  And Spirit evermore;
  We praise You evermore.

Stand

# **→ THE PREPARATION →**

#### INVOCATION

(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of your Baptism.)

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- G Amen. Matthew 28:19b

#### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

- **P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **Q** who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

- If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.** *Psalm 130:3-4*
- Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

  [Luke 18:13]
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy...and of the 

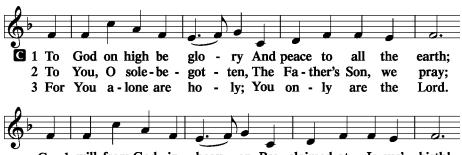
  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen. John 20:19-23

# **♣** SERVICE OF THE WORD ♣

#### **HYMN OF PRAISE**

**Gloria in Excelsis**~~(Latin: Glory to God in the Highest)

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!

O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.

For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo-ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo-ry. "A-men!" our glad re-ply.

# SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

**P** Let us pray:

O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through Jesus

Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Isaiah 61:10—62:3

<sup>10</sup>I will greatly rejoice in the LORD; my soul shall exult in my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. <sup>11</sup>For as the earth brings forth its sprouts, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up, so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to sprout up before all the nations. <sup>1</sup>For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. <sup>2</sup>The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. <sup>3</sup>You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

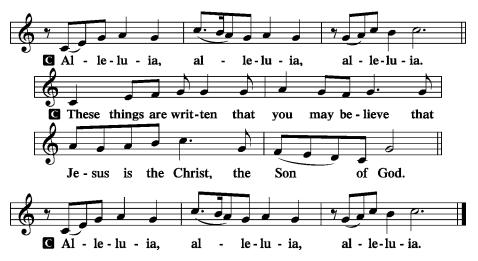
EPISTLE Galatians 4:4-7

<sup>4</sup>But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. <sup>6</sup>And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL VERSE John 6:68



HOLY GOSPEL Luke 2:22-40

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

# Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>22</sup> When the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord <sup>23</sup>(as it is written in the Law of the Lord, "Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord") <sup>24</sup>and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons." <sup>25</sup>Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. <sup>26</sup>And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. <sup>27</sup>And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, <sup>28</sup>he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said, <sup>29</sup>"Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word; 30 for my eyes have seen your salvation <sup>31</sup>that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, <sup>32</sup>a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel." <sup>33</sup>And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. 34And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed 35(and a sword will pierce through your own soul

also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed." <sup>36</sup>And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin, <sup>37</sup>and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. <sup>38</sup>And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.

<sup>39</sup>And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. <sup>40</sup>And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

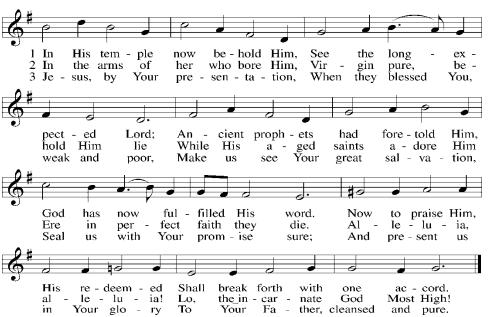
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## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**Vicar Luke Elowsky** 

## **SERMON HYMN**

# In His Temple Now Behold Him LSB 519



Peace In Jesus Luke 2:22-40 Vicar Luke Elowsky

Stand

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I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

whose kingdom will have no end.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ.

the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

1 Timothy 2:1-4

- Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- Eternal Lord God, in the fullness of time, You sent forth Your Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, to redeem us and give us the adoption as Your sons and heirs. Hear us, Father, as we call to You in His name. Give us grace to rejoice in Christ's blessed incarnation, and grant us a glad new year. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Heavenly Father, from whom all fatherhood on earth is named, bless the families of all Christians with Your promises. Give parents diligence and delight in their work, and grant Your favor on all children, that they may grow in strength and wisdom. Bless all widows, orphans and broken families also with Your mercy, and give them joy in the redemption You have won for us in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.
- O worthy Judge, from You proceeds the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, counsel and might, knowledge and the fear of the Lord. Give wisdom to those who make, administer and judge our laws, that they may serve faithfully in their tasks, according to Your good pleasure, for the benefit of our people. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.
- P Gracious Lord, receive our prayers for those who suffer from loneliness. Comfort them with the sure and certain knowledge that they will never be forsaken by You. Give them family and friends within the household of faith with whom they can find loving companionship. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

gracious will, heal them. Comfort all those who mourn [especially \_\_\_\_\_] and fill their hearts with the certain hope of the resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,

# **C** hear our prayer

- Father of lasting peace, show Your mercy to those who receive the Lord's Supper this day, that they would behold their salvation in the very body and blood of Christ given for them and, with St. Simeon, be well-prepared to depart in peace according to Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.
- Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

#### **OFFERING**

## OFFERING PRAYER

# **→** THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT →

#### **PRFFACE**

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **W**e lift them to the Lord.

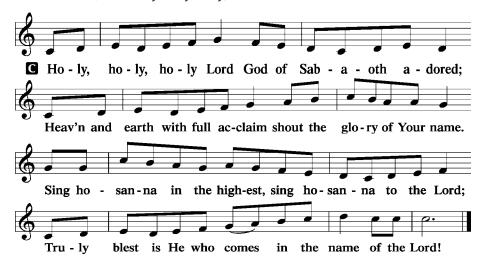
[Colossians 3:1]

- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Psalm 136

# **PROPER PREFACE**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary...evermore praising You and singing:



LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9-13

- P Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:
- Our Father who art in heaven,

hallowed be Thy name,

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;

give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

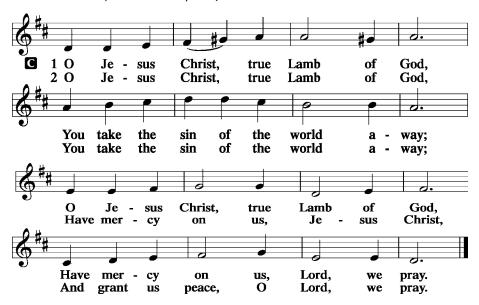
# THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

**PAX DOMINI**~~(Latin: Peace of the Lord)

John 20:19

(The pastor here makes a <u>declaration</u> of the peace we have with the Lord through the forgiveness offered in this Sacrament. Therefore, we boldly respond **AMEN!** – which means "Yes, yes, this is so!")

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- Amen!



# **INVITATION**

**P** Welcome to the Table of the Lord.

Sit

#### DISTRIBUTION

VISITORS, please read the statement concerning Holy Communion on page 2.

# **Personal Examination Before Communing**

- 1. Do I believe I am a sinner and am I sorry for my sins?
- 2. Do I believe Christ's true body and blood to be present in the Lord's Supper for the forgiveness of sins?
- 3. Do I earnestly intend with the help of the Holy Spirit to amend my sinful life?

# **Instructions for Communing**

The congregation will be ushered forward to stand. You will receive the Body of Jesus from the Pastors and then the Blood of Jesus from the Elder/Vicar. Reverence the altar and return to your seat for meditation and prayer. Those not communing will receive a blessing from the pastor.

**Non-alcoholic white wine** in located in the center of each tray and should only be used by those with medical conditions prohibiting the use of wine.

**Gluten-free wafers** are available from the pastor when you come forward.

# **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

# Angels from the Realms of Glory LSB 367

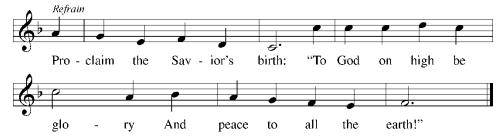


# A Great and Mighty Wonder LSB 383

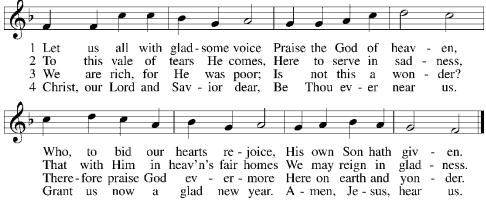




The vir - gin bears the in - fant With vir - gin hon - or pure! And cher - u - bim sing an - thems To shep-herds from the sky. Re - joice, O vales and moun - tains, And o - ceans, clap your hands. The in - fant born in Beth - l'em, The Sav - ior and the Lord. And Christ shall raise His scep - ter, De - cree - ing end - less peace.



# Let Us All With Gladsome Voice LSB 390



Stand

#### **DISMISSAL**

# **POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE**

**Nunc Dimittis**~~(Latin: Now Depart – Song of Simeon)

Luke 2:29-32



# **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

# **BENEDICAMUS/BENEDICTION**

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.
- ightharpoonup The Lord bless you...and ightharpoonup give you peace.
- C Amen.

Psalm 103:1

Numbers 6:24-26

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# **POSTLUDE**

# Good Christian Friend, Rejoice!

David Cherwien

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# **Serving the Lord and Us Today:**

Preaching	Vicar Luke Elowsky
Celebrant	Pastor Mike Ada
Liturgists	Pastor Mike Ada & Vicar Luke Elowsky
Organist	Deb Miller
	(8:00) Alexius Wolff
Altar Guild	Debbie Johnson, Nancy DeLaney, Carol Brandt
Counters	Jym Gees & Chuck Tuttle
Altar Flowers	Christmas Poinsettias

#### **Christmas Doinsettias**

Thank you to the families listed below that purchased poinsettias for our Christmas services:

Bob & Karen Rinne - in memory of loved ones

Brad & Eden Keefe – in memory of mom, Marlene Lorenz

Mark & Sara Zarnstorff – to the glory of God

David & Debbie Seutter – in memory of loved ones

Kevin & Lynda Brumley – in memory of Cleo Walter and John Brumley, Jr.

Martinez Family - in memory of loved ones

George & Karen Ledgerwood – in memory of Karen's father.

Mark & Lisa Circle – in memory of Mark's father, Mel Circle

Jennifer Mahnken – in memory of grandparents

#### PRAYERS REQUESTED THIS WEEK

For the family of Mark Horrigan as they mourn the death of his uncle, Joe Horrigan.

For the **staff of Christ Lutheran** as they mourn the death of **Tamara Elleman**.

For **Helen Claudy**, that she would have peace as she awaits her test results for breast cancer.

For Bill Wolgast, Mike Wolgast's father, in hospital starting treatments for COVID.

Thanksgiving for **Randy Shiever**, Matt Shiever's uncle, who has made a successful recovery from COVID and is back home.

For **Rollie Anderson** as he mourns the death of her husband Jim, who died from liver cancer. His funeral was at BSLC this past Tuesday morning.

#### **CONTINUED PRAYERS**

For Kris & Amy Bahr, brother and sister-in law of Zach & Lisa Bahr, who have COVID.

For **Ellie Torres**, student of Lutheran High, who has been diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

For **David Smith**, brother of Dennis Smith, who suffered a stroke but is doing well.

For **Donna Rinne** and **Bob & Karen Rinne** at the death of Donna's husband, **Bill Rinne**, who died from complications of Covid 19.

For **Ruth Schutte**, Karen Ledgerwood's aunt, who has a broken femur.

For **Shirlyn Bredehoeft**, Janette Copeland's sister, taking medication to dissolve a small blood clot. She also now has Covid 19.

For Jenni Patience, Karen Lentz, John Mahnken, Samantha Zech, Larry Barstad, Brandon Ryan, Pat Brackin, Jan Degner, Ashley Hung, Pat Gossen, Barb Gossen, Moriah Obermueller, and Joy Rodenberger continuing treatments for cancer; for Sherri Webb as she continues to recover from her stroke and foot surgery.

For our **expectant mothers: Amber Cornell,** and her unborn child. Also for those who long for God's gift of children.

**For our partner church in Zacapa, Guatemala:** Pray the God would help those with Covid. There are over 200 cases in the department of Zacapa. Pray that God would bless this congregation with church members and the community that they would be strengthened and encouraged in His faith as well.