

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church & Preschool

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

**DO NOT
REPAY
ANYONE**

EVIL FOR EVIL

**BUT TAKE
THOUGHT
FOR WHAT
IS NOBLE...**

ROMANS 12:17, NRSV

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 30, 2020

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 and worship activity bags 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 1

AS WE GATHER

The Glory of God Is the Passion and Cross of Christ Jesus

After St. Peter confessed that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, our Lord *“began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised”* (Matt. 16:21). Upon hearing this *“theology of the cross,”* Simon Peter stumbled into a satanic *“theology of glory.”* But the glory of God is revealed in the Passion and cross of His incarnate Son. The faithful prophets, such as Jeremiah, suffered persecution and rejection in anticipation of Jesus’ cross. Yet the Lord did not abandon them; He remembered them, and He was with them to deliver them (Jer. 15:15–20). By His cross, Jesus has redeemed the world, and in His resurrection, He has vindicated all who trust in Him. Thus, the Christian life is a discipleship of self-sacrificing love. Since Christ Jesus has reconciled us to God, we *“live peaceably with all”* (Rom. 12:18). By the certainty of His cross and resurrection, we *“rejoice in hope,”* and we are *“patient in tribulation”* and *“constant in prayer”* (Rom. 12:12).

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

PRELUDE

Praise the Almighty, My Soul Adore Him

John A. Behnke

PASTORAL GREETING

OPENING HYMN

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

LSB 904



1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at Your Word We are gath - ered
2 All our knowl - edge, sense, and sight Lie in deep - est
3 Gra - cious Sav - ior, good and kind, Light of Light, from
4 Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it, Lord, Praise to You and



all to hear You. Let our hearts and souls be stirred
dark - ness shroud - ed Till Your Spir - it breaks our night
God pro - ceed - ing, O - pen now our heart and mind;
ad - o - ra - tion! Grant that we may trust Your Word,



Now to seek and love and fear You, By Your teach - ings,
With the beams of truth un - cloud - ed. You a - lone to
Help us by Your Spir - it's plead - ing. Hear the cry Your
Con - fi - dent of our sal - va - tion, While we here be -



sweet and ho - ly, Drawn from earth to love You sole - ly.
God can win us; You must work all good with - in us.
Church now rais - es; Hear and bless our prayers and prais - es.
low must wan - der, Till we sing Your prais - es yon - der.

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.

C Amen.

Matthew 28:19b

HOLY BAPTISM (11:00) *Chloe RoseLyn Riechers* (Please turn to page 19.)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.** *1 John 1:8-9*

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and to confess our personal and specific sins.)

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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** Almighty God in His mercy... and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.** *[John 20:19-23]*

✠ THE SERVICE OF THE WORD ✠

HYMN OF PRAISE

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

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.

Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:
 You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.
 You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.
 For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,
 You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

2 Timothy 4:22

P Let us pray:

Almighty God, Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads; through the same 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

Jeremiah 15:15-21

¹⁵O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and take vengeance for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance take me not away; know that for your sake I bear reproach. ¹⁶Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts. ¹⁷I did not sit in the company of revelers, nor did I rejoice; I sat alone, because your hand was upon me, for you had filled me with indignation. ¹⁸Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Will you be to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail? ¹⁹Therefore thus says the LORD: "If you return, I will restore you, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall be as my mouth. They shall turn to you, but you shall not turn to them. ²⁰And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, declares the LORD. ²¹I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

Jesus Loves Me

arr. Page

EPISTLE

Romans 12:9-21

⁹Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. ¹⁰Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited. ¹⁷Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. ¹⁸If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to

drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.” ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

GOSPEL VERSE

Common

John 6:68

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 16:21-28

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixteenth chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²¹From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you.” ²³But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man.”

²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. ²⁵For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life? ²⁷For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. ²⁸Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Sit

READING THE FAITH *(as drawn from Luther's Small Catechism)*

P THE LORD'S PRAYER – FOURTH PETITION

C **Give us this day our daily bread.**

P What does this mean?

C **God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.**

P What is meant by daily bread?

C **Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.**

P THE LORD'S PRAYER – FIFTH PETITION

C **And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

P What does this mean?

C **We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Mike Ada

SERMON HYMN

Awake, O Sleeper. Rise and See
CW 277

1 A - wake, O sleep - er, rise and see This great
2 Al - though life's heart aches, trials, and sin Com - bine
3 Come, share that life formed by His cross And for
4 For you no long - er live, but He Who washed
5 Christ of - fers you, with nail - scarred hand, True man -

and glo - rious mys - ter - y, This shin - ing prom - ise,
to grieve your hope with - in, Re - joice! Your Sav - ior's
Christ's sake, come suf - fer loss; His Spir - it works your
you clean and set you free; Bap - tized in Christ, you
na for this des - ert land: His bod - y and His

ev - er new: The hope of glo - ry— Christ in you!
grace is great, Made per - fect in your weak - ened state.
life to fill With all good things His to do His will.
now are saved, For - ev - er on His palms en - graved.
blood di - vine Be - neath the sa - cred bread and wine!

6 Our Savior never leaves His own
As orphans, hungry and alone;
He promises with surety:
“I am in you and you in Me.”

7 Such precious gifts do not disdain;
Do not receive God's grace in vain,
But cherish, as His children true,
The hope of glory—Christ in you.

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SERMON

Off The Mark
Romans 12:9-21
Pastor Mike Ada

Stand

APOSTLES' CREED *(8:00 am only)*

**☩ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✠ everlasting. Amen.**

Sit

BIBLE/CATECHISM PRESENTATION

Stand

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

P Let us pray for the whole people of God and for all people according to their needs.

P For our faith and faithfulness, especially for those persecuted for the cause of Christ; and for our strength in time of trial and for us to persevere in grace in the day of trouble, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the Church, that the power of the Gospel would be magnified in our hearts and that its sacred truths would be a blessing for all people; for the pastors and vicar who serve us, that they may be faithful stewards of God's mysteries; and for those at home and abroad, who bring the message of salvation to those who have not heard, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For Donald Trump, our president; Laura Kelly, our governor; and all legislators and civil servants; for those who must render judgment and impose punishment upon lawbreakers; and for those who work for peace among the nations, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For favorable weather and for those who tend the soil and harvest its fruits; for business and industry, service workers and artisans; for generosity toward those in need; and for the unemployed and underemployed, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those married, especially Megan Norem & David Burton, that they would live in fidelity to their vows and promises; for parents as they teach their children to know and love the Lord; for the gift of children and baptism into the faith, especially Chloe & Louisa; for single adults, that they may find fulfillment in their service to others; and for our lives together showing the love of Christ one to another, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For grace to take up the cross and follow the Lord wherever He leads; for courage in the face of challenge and adversity; and for compassion and harmony in our life together, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those who suffer distress, sickness, disease and those who mourn, [*esp.* _____] that the Lord would bring healing according to His good and gracious will, let us pray to the Lord;

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For holy lives of faith; for faith to receive the Lord's gift of His flesh and blood in the Holy Sacrament; and for this holy assembly, that we may present ourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Almighty God, You have forgiven our sins and delivered us from death through our Lord, Jesus Christ. Continue to pour out Your mercy upon us, and grant to us all good things needful to this body and life and keep from us all things harmful. From You, through You and to You are all things, O Lord, holy Father, mighty God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whom with the Holy Spirit, You are one Lord, one God, now and forevermore.

C **Amen.**

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

✠ THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

LORD'S PRAYER

Matthew 6:9-13

P Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

C **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

*Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24;
Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

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

John 20:19

(The pastor here makes a **declaration** 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.

C **Amen!**

P The peace we receive from the Lord, we will now share with each other.

AGNUS DEI~~(Latin: Lamb of God)

John 1:29



C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the

world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the
 sin of the world; grant us peace.

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 is 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***Blest Be the Tie That Binds*****LSB 649**

1 Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Chris - tian love;
 2 Be - fore our Fa - ther's throne We pour our ar - dent prayers;
 3 We share our mu - tual woes, Our mu - tual bur - dens bear,
 4 When here our path - ways part, We suf - fer bit - ter pain;
 5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, And sin we shall be free



The fel - low - ship of kin - dred minds Is like to that a - bove.
 Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our com - forts and our cares.
 And of - ten for each oth - er flows The sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
 Yet, one in Christ and one in heart, We hope to meet a - gain.
 And per - fect love and friend - ship reign Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence**LSB 621**

1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence And with fear and
 2 King of kings yet born of Mar - y, As of old on
 3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en Spreads its van - guard
 4 At His feet the six - winged ser - aph, Cher - u - bim with



trem - bling stand; Pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,
 earth He stood, Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture,
 on the way As the Light of Light, de - scend - ing
 sleep - less eye, Veil their fac - es to the pres - ence



For with bless - ing in His hand Christ our God to earth de -
 In the bod - y and the blood, He will give to all the
 From the realms of end - less day, Comes the pow'rs of hell to
 As with cease - less voice they cry: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

scend - ing Comes our hom-age to de - mand.
 faith - ful His own self for heav'n - ly food.
 van - quish As the dark-ness clears a - way.
 lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

What Is the World to Me

LSB 730

1 What is the world to me With all its vaunt - ed plea - sure
 2 The world seeks to be praised And hon - ored by the might - y
 3 The world seeks af - ter wealth And all that mam - mon of - fers
 4 What is the world to me! My Je - sus is my trea - sure,

When You, and You a - lone, Lord Je - sus, are my trea - sure!
 Yet nev - er once re - flects That they are frail and flight - y.
 Yet nev - er is con - tent Though gold should fill its cof - fers.
 My life, my health, my wealth, My friend, my love, my plea - sure,

You on - ly, dear - est Lord, My soul's de - light shall be;
 But what I tru - ly prize A - bove all things is He,
 I have a high - er good, Con - tent with it I'll be:
 My joy, my crown, my all, My bliss e - ter - nal - ly.

You are my peace, my rest. What is the world to me!
 My Je - sus, He a - lone. What is the world to me!
 My Je - sus is my wealth. What is the world to me!
 Once more, then, I de - clare: What is the world to me!

Stand

DISMISSAL

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICAMUS/BENEDICTION

P Let us bless the Lord.

Psalm 103:1

C **Thanks be to God.**

P The Lord bless you...and ✠ give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

C **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

Love in Christ Is Strong and Living

LSB 706



1 Love in Christ is strong and liv - ing, Bind - ing faith - ful
2 Love is pa - tient and for - bear - ing, Clothed in Christ's hu -
3 Love in Christ a - bides for - ev - er, Faint - ing not when



hearts in one; Love in Christ is true and giv - ing.
mil - i - ty, Gen - tle, self - less, kind, and car - ing,
ills at - tend; Love, for - giv - ing and for - giv - en,



May His will in us be done.
Reach - ing out in char - i - ty.
Shall en - dure un - til life's end.

POSTLUDE

Sortie

arr. George Blake

✠ The Rite of Holy Baptism ✠

Chloe RoseLyn Riechers

11:00 am

BAPTISMAL PROMISES

ADDRESS TO PARENTS, SPONSORS & CONGREGATION

CONFESSION OF FAITH

P Because this child cannot answer for herself, we shall all, together with sponsors, and parents, faithfully speak on her behalf in testimony of the forgiveness of sins and the birth of the life of faith which God our Father bestows in and through Baptism.

P Do you renounce the devil?

C **Yes, I renounce him.**

P Do you renounce all his works?

C **Yes, I renounce them.**

P Do you renounce all his ways?

C **Yes, I renounce them.**

P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty

C **Yes, believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

P Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

C **Yes, I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

P Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

C **Yes, I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting.**

P **Chloe RoseLyn Riechers** do you desire to be baptized?

C **Yes, I Do**

THE BAPTISM

THE BLESSING

THE RECEIVING OF THE BAPTISM CANDLE

PRAYER

P Let us pray.

Almighty and most merciful God and Father, we thank and praise You that You graciously preserve and enlarge Your family and have granted Chloe RoseLyn Riechers the new birth in Holy Baptism and made her a member of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir of Your heavenly kingdom. We humbly implore You that, as she has now become Your child, You would keep her in her baptismal grace, that according to Your good pleasure she may faithfully grow to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Your holy name and finally, with all Your saints, obtain the promised inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

WORDS OF WELCOME

L In Holy Baptism God the Father has made you a member of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir with us of all the treasures of heaven.

C **We welcome you into the Lord's family and receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ that together we might hear His Word, receive His gifts, and proclaim the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous Light. Amen.**

Baptismal Party may return to their seats.

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Serving the Lord and Us Today:

Preaching	Pastor Mike Ada
Celebrant.....	Pastor Joel Schultz
Liturgist.....	Vicar Luke Elowsky
Organist.....	Deb Miller
Handbell solo	Lauran Delancy
Pianist for solo	Connie Teig
Elder Assisting with Baptism	Dennis Smith
Altar Guild.....	Dale & Carol Brandt, Deb Hodnik, Nancy DeLaney
Counters.....	Paul Peterson & Brian Olson
Altar Flowers.....	Erik & Catherine Miller and Matt & Jessica Chiappetta

ALTAR FLOWERS that adorn our altar this morning were given to the glory of God by Erik & Catherine Miller in celebration of their wedding anniversary; and by Matt & Jessica Chiappetta in celebration of their 21st anniversary.

HOLY BAPTISM **Chloe RoseLyn Riechers**, infant daughter of Matthew & Morgan Riechers, will be baptized in the 11:00 am service this morning. Chloe's sponsors are Mackenzie Riechers and Faith Ledgerwood. We pray God's special Blessings upon Chloe and her family as she becomes a child of God through the waters of Holy Baptism.

VOICE OF THE MARTYRS PRAYER REQUEST

Woman Burned After Refusing to Abandon Christian Faith - Vietnam

A 49-year-old woman was assaulted by local authorities after she refused to give up her Christian faith. On May 5, 2020, authorities visited Dinh and told her they would help her during the coronavirus pandemic if she would sign a statement giving up her faith. When Dinh refused to sign the document, an official grabbed a kettle of boiling water from her kitchen and poured it all over her legs. Dinh was taken to the hospital, but since her family is very poor, they could not pay for her treatment. And because she is a Christian, she had not been issued health insurance. VOM provided help. "I am so happy and thankful to God for your heart of love," Dinh wrote. "Please remember me in your prayers."

PRAYERS REQUESTED THIS WEEK

For **Megan Norem and David Burton** married yesterday.

For **Chloe RoseLyn Riechers**, infant daughter of Matthew & Morgan Riechers, as she is baptized this morning.

For **Nicole Christensen and her unborn baby**. *There is an excess of amniotic fluid which can be harmful to the child. May have to be induced this weekend.*

For **Rob and Trisha Hunter** at the birth of a granddaughter, **Louisa Sharon Hunter**, born on Friday, August 22nd

For **Jen Degner**, Gail Mattern's mother, who is going day to day in hospice care with Stage 4 cancer.

For **Jake Mattern**, who is currently on his second deployment in Afghanistan with a Green Beret Team.

CONTINUED PRAYERS

For **Jim Teig**, recovering from a heart ablation procedure.

For **Kari Allen**, Karen Kuhn's daughter, now in rehab, and scheduled to be released on Sept. 1.

For **Mike & Debbie Johnson** at the birth of their granddaughter, **Sophia Helen Johnson**.

For **Megan Herrmann**, sister of Nicole Christensen, diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma.

For **Wilma Seutter**, Dave's mother, hospitalized with an infection of the colon.

For **Luis Mazariegos**, president of the Lutheran Council in Guatemala and a member of El Divino Salvador, who has tested positive for Covid. Prayers for continued health for his wife and 81 year old mother-in-law who lives with them.

For **family and friends of Camden**, 5 yr. old friend of the Delancy family, who died suddenly of a pulmonary embolism.

For **the family of Dr. Raymond Halm**, Lisa Bahr's colloquy professor/mentor, who died recently.

For **Ted Teuscher, Joy Rodenberger, Pat Gossen, Barb Gossen, Moriah Obermueller, & Debbie Newman**, continuing treatments for cancer; for **Sherri Webb** as she continues to recover from her stroke and foot surgery.

For our **expectant mothers** and their unborn children especially **Alli Bauck, Nicole Christensen** and all other expectant mothers. 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.

For all those who are unemployed or under-employed, that the Lord would provide for all their needs and lead them to jobs soon. For those who have secured jobs, we offer prayers of thanksgiving.