Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church & Preschoo

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



He was lifted up,

and a cloud took him out of their sight

ACTS 1:9

Ascension Sunday

May 29, 2022 8:00 am & 10:45 am & 6:00 pm

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.

ATTENDANCE REGISTRATION Members and visitors, please scan this QR code and register your attendance with us today. Thanks!



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 feel free to use the narthex as a cry room when needed. Monitors and speakers will assist in your participation.

EDUCATION HOUR (9:30-10:30am)

Adult Bible Class: Today we will be studying *Power for Daily Living*. This study will allow you to look more closely at the meaning of Baptism in your daily living, help you to appreciate the resources God makes available to you through this Sacrament, and equip you to undertake a fuller commitment to living each day by the grace of God that comes through the Spirit at work in you.

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 classrooms.

Nursery: There is a nursery during education hour located in the lower level.

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.**

Order of Service: Divine Service 2

AS WE GATHER

Christ Ascended Is with You Always

In His resurrection, the Lord Jesus presented Himself alive to the apostles, "appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God" (Acts 1:3). Then He ascended to the right hand of the Father, not orphaning His Church, but filling all things in heaven and on earth, and giving gifts to His disciples. So today, He continues to preach "repentance for the forgiveness of sins" (Luke 24:47) through "the apostles whom he had chosen" (Acts 1:2), even "to the end of the earth" (Acts 1:8). Jesus comes among us today by His Word and Spirit, whom He pours out upon "the church, which is his body" (Eph. 1:22–23). In His Church, He blesses us with forgiveness, lifts us up in His hands and seats us with Himself "in the heavenly places" (Eph. 1:20).

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

PRELUDE

On Christ's Ascension I Now Build John A. Behnke

PASTORAL GREETING

Stand

→ THE PREPARATION →

INVOCATION

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

- $label{eq:P}$ In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen. Matthew 28:19b

PSALM 47

- P ¹Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!
- ²For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared, a great king over all the earth.
- P ³He subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet.
- ⁴He chose our heritage for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves.
- P ⁵God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.
- ⁶Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!
- P TFor God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm!
- ⁸God reigns over the nations; God sits on his holy throne.
- ⁹The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of Abraham. For the shields of the earth belong to God; he is highly exalted!

ALL: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, And to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning Is now and ever shall be. Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing LSB 493

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- **P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- 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

(A moment of silence to confess our specific sins.)

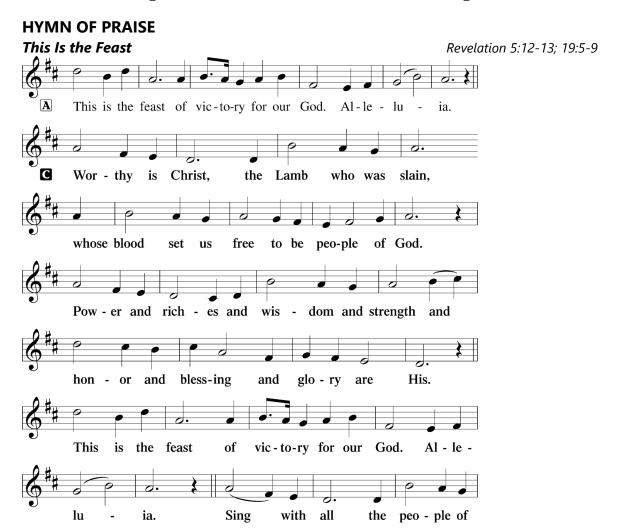
- **P** Let us together confess our sins to God our Father.
- Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved 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 ★





SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

- And also with you.
- P Let us pray:

Almighty God, as Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, ascended into the heavens, so may we also ascend in heart and mind and continually dwell there with Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

ANTHEM

King of Kings Hillsong Worship, Geoff Bullock Saving Grace

- In the darkness we were waiting
 Without hope, without light
 'Til from Heaven You came running
 There was mercy in Your eyes
 To fulfill the law and prophets
 To a virgin came the word
 From a throne of endless glory
 To a cradle in the dirt. Chorus
 - (All) Chorus: Praise the Father, praise the Son Praise the Spirit, three in one God of glory, Majesty Praise forever to the King of Kings
- 2. To reveal the kingdom coming
 And to reconcile the lost
 To redeem the whole creation
 You did not despise the cross
 For even in your suffering
 You saw to the other side
 Knowing this was our salvation
 Jesus for our sake you died. **Chorus**

(All) Chorus: Praise the Father, praise the Son Praise the Spirit, three in one God of glory, Majesty Praise forever to the King of Kings

- 3. And the morning that You rose
 All of Heaven held its breath
 'Til that stone was moved for good
 For the Lamb had conquered death
 And the dead rose from their tombs
 And the angels stood in awe
 For the souls of all who'd come
 To the Father are restored
- 4. And the church of Christ was born Then the Spirit lit the flame Now this gospel truth of old Shall not kneel, shall not faint By His blood and in His name In His freedom I am free For the love of Jesus Christ Who has resurrected me. **Chorus**

(All) Chorus: Praise the Father, praise the Son Praise the Spirit, three in one God of glory, Majesty Praise forever to the King of Kings

(All) Praise the Father, praise the Son

FIRST READING Acts 1:1-11

¹In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, ²until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³To them he presented himself alive after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

⁴And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me; ⁵for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

⁶So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." ⁹And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, ¹¹and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

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

ANTHEM

The Sight is Glorious

arr. Delancy Bell Duet – Lauran Delancy and Eric Schlef

EPISTLE Ephesians 1:15-23

¹⁵For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ¹⁷that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, ¹⁸having the eyes of your

hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might ²⁰that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. ²²And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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

Stand

GOSPEL VERSE

Common John 6:68



GOSPEL PROCESSIONAL

On this festival day of Ascension, a procession brings the reading of the Gospel into the midst of the worshippers reminding us that the Gospel belongs to all of God's people.

By faith, we recognize the Lord's voice as the pastor reads.

Turn to follow the cross from the chancel to the middle of the sanctuary.

We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
 Embraced by death, He broke its fearful hold;
 And our despair He turned to blazing joy.
 Alleluia!

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 24:44-53

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.
- **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

⁵⁰Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. ⁵¹While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵²And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, ⁵³and were continually in the temple blessing God.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.
- 2. We share by water in His saving death. Reborn, we share with Him an Easter life As living members of a living Christ. Alleluia!
- 3. The Father's splendor clothes the Son with life. The Spirit's power shakes the Church of God.

Baptized, we live with God the Three in One. Alleluia!

Sit

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

- **P** What is the Office of the Keys?
- The Office of the Keys is that special authority which Christ has given to His church on earth to forgive the sins of repentant sinners, but to withhold forgiveness from the unrepentant as long as they do not repent.
- **P** Where is this written?
- This is what St. John the Evangelist writes in chapter twenty: The Lord Jesus breathed on His disciples and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven." (John 20:22-23)
- What do you believe according to these words?
- I believe that when the called ministers of Christ deal with us by His divine command, in particular when they exclude openly unrepentant sinners from the Christian congregation and absolve those who repent of their sins and want to do better, this is just as valid and certain, even in heaven, as if Christ our dear Lord dealt with us Himself.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Joel Schultz

SERMON HYMN

Up through Endless Ranks of Angels LSB 491

SERMON

Why Did Jesus Go Away?
Luke 24
Pastor Joel Schultz

Stand

NICENE CREED (located on the back cover of the hymnal)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

- P God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of the trumpet. Ascended Lord, hear the prayers of Your people and grant our supplication.
- That the Lord may grant us all things in Christ so we may be sustained in trial, strengthened in weakness and delivered from trouble, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- That the Church of Christ may flourish and the good news of Christ crucified, risen and ascended would be proclaimed to all the ends of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- That the Lord may richly supply us with faithful pastors who will preach Your Word in season and out; and that we may hear, believe and live out this Gospel, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- That the nations of the earth may seek peace, especially in Russia and Ukraine; and that the leaders of our country may pursue justice, righteousness and peace, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
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- P That the faithful may not fret what we do not know but rejoice in Christ, our Savior, and live in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.

- That the Lord may grant us joyful hearts and peace at the last, knowing that neither death nor life, nor any powers, can separate us from the love of God in Christ, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- That we may be as generous in our tithes and offerings as the Lord is in giving us His gifts, and that we may support the poor and those in need, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- That we may know the Lord's presence in the means of His grace, hearing His Word, receiving His absolution and feasting at His table with faith and joy in our hearts, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- That we may remember the saints of old, who contended for the Lord in their own day; and that we may join them at last in the marriage feast of the Lamb without end, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- P All these things and whatever else we need, we ask You to grant us for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

→ THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT →

PREFACE

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

2 Timothy 4:22

- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **©** We lift them to the Lord.

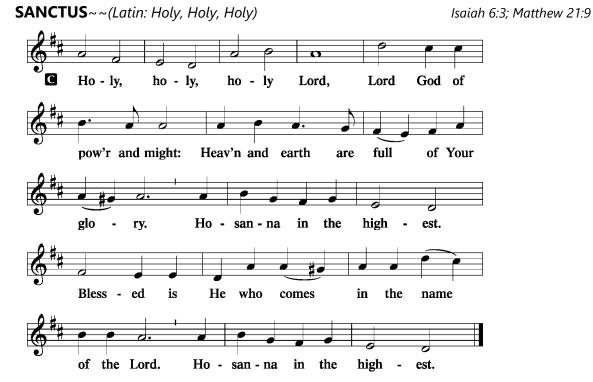
[Colossians 3:1]

- **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 6:9-11

- 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.

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

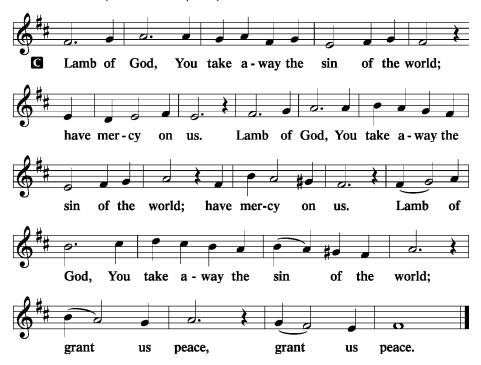
John 20:19

(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.
- C Amen!

AGNUS DEI~~(Latin: Lamb of God)

John 1:29



INVITATION

P Welcome to the table of our 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? (For a longer examination see pages 329-330 of the hymnal. Communion Prayers are located inside the front cover of the hymnal.)

Instructions for Communing

We use <u>continuous kneeling tables</u> for Holy Communion. The congregation will be ushered forward to kneel. You will receive the Body of Jesus from the Pastors and then the Blood of Jesus from the Elder/Vicar. You may receive either from the common cup or the individual cup. When you have sufficiently meditated, stand, reverence the altar, and return to your seat. 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

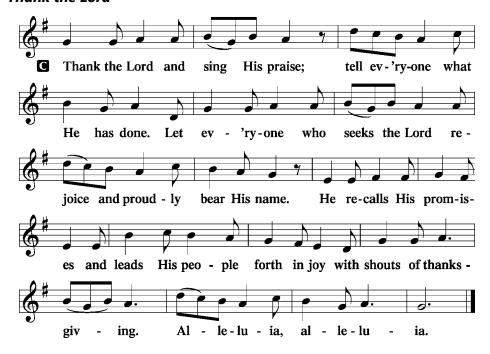
LSB 492 On Christ's Ascension I Now Build LSB 465 Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds LSB 632 O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee

Stand

DISMISSAL

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

Thank the Lord



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICAMUS/BENEDICTION

P Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

C Amen.

Psalm 103:1

Numbers 6:24-26

CLOSING HYMN

Look, Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious LSB 495

POSTLUDE

Look, You Saints, the Sight is Glorious Kevin Hildebrand

Before you go: Visitors and Members – please register your attendance.





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Serving the Lord and Us Today:

Preaching	Pastor Joel Schultz
Celebrant	Pastor Mike Ada
Liturgist	Vicar Zach Roll
Organist	Deb Miller
Acolytes	(8:00) Izzy Martinez & TBD (10:45) Anna & Kendall Herrs
Crucifer	TBD
Greeters	(8:00) Chris & Michelle Wibe (10:45) Brad Keefe
Ushers	(8:00) Chad Ronsick, Eric Schlef, Robert Welsh & Chris Wibe
	(10:45) Jeff Freiermuth, Adam Holste, Jason Shelledy & Jim Teig
Altar Guild	Carolyn Clarke, Deb Hodnik, Mary Jane Rees, Carol Brandt Deb Froelich
Nursery	Jason & Alli Bauck
Counters	Ron & Karen Aerni, Trevor Huseman & Jared Turrel
Altar Flowers	Mike and Debbie Johnson's 40 th Wedding Anniversary
	Hodnik Retirement

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Voice of the Martyrs prayer request

Young Woman Threatened, Beaten for Christ - West Africa

Eliza, 19, placed her faith in Christ in 2018. When she became a Christian, she discarded items that she had received from a witch doctor, including a healing stone she'd been given when she was sick. Eventually, her family discovered her Christian faith and learned she had thrown out the stone. Much of her family then threatened her to stop going to church, and they beat her when she refused. Her father beat her so severely that he broke her shoulder. He also destroyed all her belongings, including her Bible. Eliza is now staying with another relative while she tries to finish school. Pray for Eliza's shoulder to heal fully and that she will remain firm in her faith. Pray that she can show the love of Christ to her family members and that her faithful witness will lead them to trust in Christ.

PRAYERS REQUESTED THIS WEEK

For the **families of Robb Elementary**, who mourn the deaths of the children and adults who were killed in the senseless and evil school shooting in Uvalde, Texas.

For Mark and Nancy Chapin, as they mourn the death of Mark's uncle, Lloyd Mallie.

For **Bill Deckert**, who is in the hospital and recovering from surgeries to stop the bleeding on his head wound following a fall.

For **Rachel Norem and Derek Margheim**, as they prepare for their wedding on June 5th in Estes Park, CO. Rachel is the daughter of Kurt and Dee Ann Norem.

For peace in the war between Ukraine and Russia.

For **The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Ukraine**, our LCMS partner church, for their safety and love as they care for the people still caught in the conflict.

CONTINUED PRAYERS

For **Steve Bremer**, who is home recovering from esophageal cancer surgery.

For **Paula Welsh**, as the breast cancer has metastasized into her major organs.

For Lauren and her family, niece of Kim Burdett, who is fighting a rare cancer far from her family.

For Jenny Peckman, Sherri Webb's mom, who just recently was diagnosed with cancer.

For the **farming communities in western Kansas and Nebraska**, as they deal with the financial impact of the drought and wildfires.

For **Heather Smith**, daughter of Dave and Melanie Smith, as she trains in the Navy in Michigan.

For **Ron and Linda Graybeal**, as they mourn the death of their friend Teri Woodward.

For **Randy and Michelle Barrett**, friends of Pastor and Kris Ada, as they mourn the death of Randy's mom Barbara.

For our expectant mothers: Marissa Lippe, Sarah Walsh, Michelle Giangrosso, and Nicole (Behrman) Paulie, for their unborn children, and for those who long for God's gift of children.

For those undergoing cancer treatment: Paula Welsh, Erica Slaymaker, Eydie Taylor, Steve Bremer, Ellie Torres, John Mahnken, Pat Brackin, and Karen Feldes.

For our partner church in Zacapa, Guatemala: 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!