

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church & Preschool

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



ARISE,
SHINE;
FOR YOUR LIGHT
HAS COME,
AND THE GLORY
OF THE LORD
HAS RISEN
UPON YOU.

ISAIAH 60:1, NRSV

Epiphany Sunday

January 5, 2025

8:00am & 10:45am

Welcome to Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church!

We greet you in the name of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ. We are glad you are worshipping 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 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, Vicar will begin an 8-week study of Ecclesiastes in the sanctuary. Pastor Schultz will begin an 8-week study of Philipians and Colossians in the fellowship hall.

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, Room 118.

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 4

HYMNS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE: LSB 398, 412, 394, 396, 370, and LSB 399

PRAYER AT THE BEGINNING OF WORSHIP

Lord, open now my heart to hear, And through your Word to me draw near;
Preserve that Word in purity That I your child and heir may be. *LW 197:1*

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

PRELUDE

As with Gladness Men of Old

arr. Rotermund

PASTORAL GREETING

SHARING OF THE LORD'S PEACE

Stand

✠ THE PREPARATION ✠

INVOCATION

(Turn to face the cross at the entrance to the sanctuary)
(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

OPENING SENTENCES

P The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth,

C **from the rising of the sun to its setting.**

P Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,

C **God shines forth.**

Psalms 50:1–2

- P** Arise, shine, for your light has come,
C **and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.** *Isaiah 60:1*
P "Turn to Me and be saved, all the ends of the earth!
C **For I am God, and there is no other."**
P The Lord has sworn, and from His mouth a righteous word has gone forth:
C **To Christ, every knee shall bow and every tongue swear allegiance!**
Isaiah 45:22–23, adapted

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Hail to the Lord's Anointed
 LSB 398

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.** *Psalm 124:8*
P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.** *Psalm 130:3–4*
P 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]*

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

- P** Let us together confess our sins to God our Father.
C **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 ✠

KYRIE ~~ (Latin: Lord, Have Mercy)

Mark 10:47

(The Kyrie is a litany, a prayer with a series of requests for all humanity first, and then for the whole Christian church. The people respond with the refrain, "Lord have mercy" making the prayer their own.)



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

A Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

HYMN OF PRAISE

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

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



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-shipped 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.

C **And also with you.**

2 Timothy 4:22

P Let us pray:

O God, by the leading of a star You made known Your only-begotten Son to the Gentiles. Lead us, who know You by faith, to enjoy in heaven the fullness of Your divine presence; 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

ANTHEM

As with Gladness

arr. Delancy

Handbell Duet

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 60:1–6

¹Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. ²For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you. ³And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. ⁴Lift up your eyes all round, and see; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from afar, and your daughters shall be carried on the hip. ⁵Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and exult, because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. ⁶A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall bring good news, the praises of the LORD.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 72:1-15; antiphon: v.18

The first time the Pastor sings the Refrain, repeated immediately by the congregation. Thereafter the congregation sings the Refrain, and the Pastor sings the verses and the Gloria Patri.

REFRAIN

Bless - ed be the LORD, the God of Is - ra - el, who a - lone does won - drous things.

1 Give the King Your justice, | O God,* and Your righteousness to the | roy - al Son!
 2 May He judge Your people with | righ - teous - ness,* and Your poor with | jus - tice!
 3 Let the mountains bear prosperity for the | peo - ple,* and the hills, in | righ - teous - ness!
 4 May He defend the cause of the poor of the
 people, give deliverance to the children of the | need - y,* and crush the op - | pres - sor!
 5 May they fear You while the | sun en - dures,* and as long as the moon, throughout all gener - | a - tions!
 6 MAY He be like rain that falls on the | mown grass,* like showers that wa - | ter the earth!

REFRAIN

7 In His days may the righteous | flour - ish,* and peace abound, till the moon | be no more!
 8 May He have dominon from | sea to sea,* and from the River to the ends | of the earth!
 9 May desert tribes bow down be - | fore Him* and His enemies | lick the dust!
 10 May the kings of Tarsish and of the
 coastlands render Him | trib - ute,* may the kings of Sheba and Seba | bring gifts!
 11 May all kings fall down be - | fore Him,* all nations | serve Him!

REFRAIN

12 For He delivers the needy | when he calls,* the poor and him who has no | help - er.
 13 He has pity on the weak and the | need - y,* and saves the lives of the | need - y.
 14 From oppression and violence He re - | deems their life,* and precious is their blood | in His sight.
 15 Long may He live; may gold of Sheba be giv - | en to Him!* May prayer be made for Him continually,
 and blessings invoked for Him | all the day!
 16 Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spir - it;
 17 as it was in the be - | gin - ning,* is now, and will be forever. | A - men.

REFRAIN

EPISTLE

Ephesians 3:1–12

¹For this reason I, Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles—
²assuming that you have heard of the stewardship of God’s grace that was given to me
for you, ³how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written
briefly. ⁴When you read this, you can perceive my insight into the mystery of Christ,
⁵which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as it has now
been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit. ⁶This mystery is that the
Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in
Christ Jesus through the gospel.

⁷Of this gospel I was made a minister according to the gift of God’s grace, which
was given me by the working of his power. ⁸To me, though I am the very least of all
the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of
Christ, ⁹and to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for
ages in God who created all things, ¹⁰so that through the church the manifold wisdom
of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places.
¹¹This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in Christ Jesus our
Lord, ¹²in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in
him.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL VERSE

John 6:68

C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

C These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



GOSPEL PROCESSIONAL

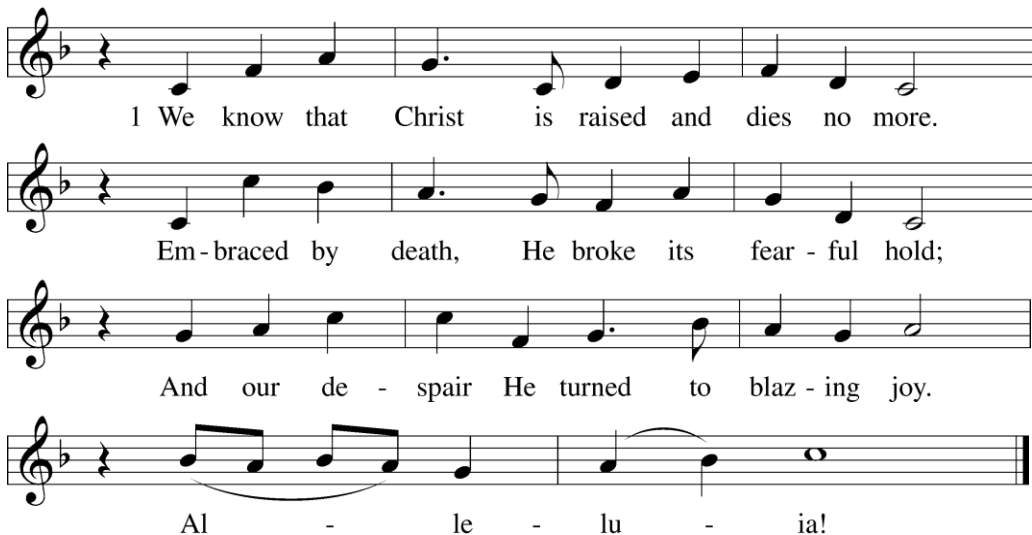
On this festival day of The Epiphany of the Lord, a procession brings the reading of the Gospel into the midst of the worshippers reminding us that the Gospel belongs to all of God's people.

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 Was Raised

LSB 603:1



HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 2:1-12

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

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

¹Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, ²saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him."

³When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and

assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. ⁵They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet: ⁶"And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel."

⁷Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. ⁸And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him." ⁹After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. ¹¹And going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. ¹²And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

2 We share by wa - ter in His sav - ing death.
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.

Re - born, we share with Him an Eas - ter life
The Spir - it's pow - er shakes the Church of God.

As liv - ing mem - bers of God a liv - ing Christ.
Bap - tized, we live with God the Three in One.

Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia!

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

P THE FIRST COMMANDMENT

C **You shall have no other gods before me.**

P What does this mean?

C **We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things.**

P THE SECOND COMMANDMENT

C **You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.**

P What does this mean:

C **We should fear and love God, so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.**

P THE THIRD COMMANDMENT

C **Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.**

P What does this mean?

C **We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Mike Ada

SERMON HYMN

The People That in Darkness Sat

LSB 412

SERMON

Arise Shine

Isaiah 60

Pastor Mike Ada

Stand

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

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

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

P Holy God, eternal Light, the darkness of sin covers the earth and its peoples. Let the light of the Gospel lead us to Him who was born King of the Jews. Give us humble and grateful hearts that bow down and worship Him and willingly offer the most precious gifts we have to give. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P From distant lands and far off places, You gather a people to bear Your name and live in the light of Your Word. Bless the Church, that she may be united in doctrine, live in harmony and peace, and labor to bring the light of Christ to those still dwelling in darkness and death. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P You have established Your Church and drawn into her people from every race, tribe and nation. Bless those entrusted with the leadership of the Church. Give to pastors and missionaries the boldness of Your Spirit, that they may proclaim the saving truth of Your Word without fear. Bless those who hear, that they may be brought to faith. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Holy God, eternal Light, the psalmist begged that You would endow the king with Your justice. Grant the same gift to the leaders of our nation and every nation. Fill them with wisdom, compassion and care, so that, unlike Herod, they would seek to uphold life and watch over the welfare of the governed. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Give to all people the comfort of Your presence, healing according to Your will, relief in suffering, and an end to the terrors of mind and heart. *[We pray especially for _____ and those we name in our hearts.]* Sustain the weary with Your Word, the wounded with hope and the dying with peace. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P *Additional Prayers of Thanksgiving or Intercession*, Lord, in Your mercy:

C **hear our prayer.**

P You have made us Your chosen people, members of Christ's Body, co-heirs with Him of all the riches of Your grace, including the privilege of this holy table. Bless our communion in Christ and bring peace and unity, that we may see the day when no divisions prevent us from kneeling in Your presence and receiving this blessed Sacrament for the life and salvation of all. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P May Your light shine on us and bring forth the fruits of repentance in our daily lives. Give us confidence in Your Word, that we would embrace Your holy will without fear. Hear and answer us, we pray, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C **Amen.**

OFFERING

(Our offerings are collected at the door and brought forward and presented in thanksgiving to the Lord. If you missed this opportunity, your offering can be placed in the plate at the door as you leave.)

OFFERTORY

As with Gladness Men of Old

LSB 397 sts. 1, 3



1 As with glad-ness men of old Did the guid-ing star be-hold;
3 As they of-fered gifts most rare At Thy cra-dle, rude and bare,



As with joy they hailed its light, Lead-ing on-ward, beam-ing bright;
So may we with ho-ly joy, Pure and free from sin's al-loy,



So, most gra-cious Lord, may we Ev-er-more be led by Thee.
All our cost-liest trea-sures bring, Christ, to Thee, our heav'n-ly King.

✠ THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

2 Timothy 4:22

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

[Colossians 3:1]

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **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:

SANCTUS~~(Latin: Holy, Holy, Holy)

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.



Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho- san - na to the Lord;



Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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!

AGNUS DEI ~ (Latin: Lamb of God)

John 1:29

C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

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?
- (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 continuous kneeling tables 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 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

LSB 394 *Songs of Thankfulness and Praise*

LSB 396 *Arise and Shine in Splendor*

LSB 370 *What Child Is This*

Stand

DISMISSAL

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

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

Luke 2:29-32



1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICAMUS/BENEDICTION

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

Psalms 103:1

Numbers 6:24-26

CLOSING HYMN

The Star Proclaims the King Is Here

LSB 399

POSTLUDE

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

arr. Burkhardt

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



Rev. Joel Schultz, Senior Pastor

Rev. Michael Ada, Associate Pastor

Rev. John Kastner, Associate Pastor (Lead Pastor LOTW)

Vicar Josiah Sandcork, Student Pastor

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SERVING THE LORD AND US TODAY:

Preaching Pastor Mike Ada
Celebrant..... Pastor Joel Schultz
Liturgist..... Vicar Josiah Sandcork
Organist..... Lauran Delancy
Handbell Duet..... Lauran Delancy & Eric Schlef
Acolytes..... (8:00) Isla Delancy & Ethan Wolff (10:45) Corrine Jensen & TBD
Crucifer (8:00) Nate Delancy (10:45) TBD
Ushers (8:00) Keith Clarke, Matt Horyna, Matt Riechers, & Ryan Wolff
..... (10:45) Leo Bertels, Phil Bertels, Steve Cichon, Jeff Hiller, & Paul Peterson
Altar Guild..... Doris Baker, Carolyn & Keith Clarke, Angela Hodge, Rebecca McDonald, & Gina Stoehr
Greeters..... (8:00) Roger Berardi & Chuck Tuttle (10:45) Lois Clendening & Liza Pillers
Nursery..... Sheila & Aubrey Huseman (Helping Hands – Zach & Alaina Booth)
Counters..... John Blakley & Keith Gloe
Altar Flowers..... Debbie Hodnik's 65th Birthday
..... Hodnik grandchildren – Luke & Addie Walsh's Baptism

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PRAYERS REQUESTED THIS WEEK

For **Peyton and Cameron Ziegler**, on the birth of their son, Theodore David Ziegler on December 28th.
For **Ethel Kramer**, Jason Bauck's grandmother, whose health is failing after a recent stroke.
For **Linda**, Karen Hagen's co-worker and friend who was involved in a severe car accident and sustained many fractures.
For **Michelle Held and family**, Barbara Gossen's niece, who is diagnosed with a cancerous brain tumor.
For **Todd McMullen**, who is recovering from knee surgery to repair a torn meniscus.
For **Helen Claudy**, as she returns home after being in a rehab facility.
For **Lisa Circle and family**, as they mourn the death of Lisa's father, Dale Knop on December 29th.
For **Pat Circle, Mark Circle, and family** as they mourn the death of Pat's brother-in-law/Mark's uncle, George Circle, on December 26th.
For **God to bring about peace in the war** between **Israel and Palestine**.
For **God to bring about 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 **Charlie Fiss**, Fred Gruhn's very good friend who is home recovering well from his AFIB incident.
For **Sarah Nichols**, Andrew and Cassie Nichol's sister-in-law who is experiencing some health issues.
For **Ted Teuscher**, Charlotte Teuscher-Ziegler's 55-year-old son, who is hospitalized after having a stroke.
For **Terry Norwood**, who is recovering from a new pacemaker surgery.
For **Margaret Wolpers**, who is recovering at home from seizures.
For **Karen Kuhn**, who is having chemotherapy for stage 4 pancreatic cancer.
For **Patty Ott**, Amy Schepmann's mom, who is in hospice care.

For **our expectant mothers: Audra Bruschi, Allie Melton, Alison Reigel, Mary Schultz, Brie Shepherd, Rachel Totten, and Paige Vanderpool** for their unborn children, and for those who long for God's gift of children.

For **those undergoing cancer treatment: Brad Alyea, Tonya Baker, Mandy Bender, Liz Taylor Berube, Sharon Drew, Jordan Ebach, Ken Ernster, Wanda Fisher, Brad Gellerstedt, Maya Goudy, Gary Huseman, John Huss, Brian Jenkins, Lauren Kandt, Linda Knight, Karen Kuhn, Judy Landall, John Mahnken, Bonnie Malloch, Lorette Marsh, JC McCaskey, Susan Mountain, Melissa Nesemeier, Lori Russel, Lisa Schaefer, Randy Schlueter, Dave Semro, Tom Serafin, Tyler Smith, Eydie Taylor, Kathy Woods, and Kara Zech**.

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.

For **our neighbors at Fieldstone Apartments**, that God would bless them through our interactions, and they may come to know Christ.

VOICE OF THE MARTYRS PRAYER REQUEST – *Please see the first page of the Info As You Go.*