

# Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church & Preschool

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



**First Sunday in Lent**

**February 22, 2026**

**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 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 Confession and Absolution

**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 2

**HYMNS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE:** LSB 521, 561, 424, 628, and 656

### 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

*O Christ, You Walked the Road*  
arr. Machemer

#### PASTORAL GREETING

#### SHARING OF THE LORD'S PEACE

#### OPENING ANTHEM

*Prayer*  
arr. Jones  
Adult Bells

*(A contemplative piece for handbells that reminds us to come before our Father in prayer.)*

*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*

## BAPTISM

(Please turn to page 21 for the Baptism liturgy)

(10:45am) Oliver Thomas Nichols

## 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*

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

**P** Let us together 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 ✠

**KYRIE** ~ ~ (Latin: Lord, Have Mercy)

*Mark 10:47*

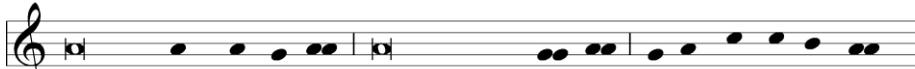
*(The Kyrie is a litany, a prayer with a series of requests for all humanity first, and then for the whole Christian church. The people respond with the refrain, "Lord have mercy" making the prayer their own.)*



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



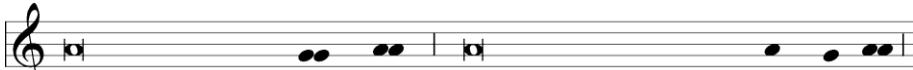
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



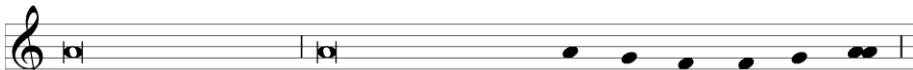
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the uni-ty of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



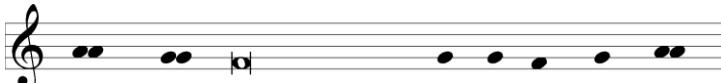
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.



**C** A - men.

## HYMN OF PRAISE

*(During the penitential Season of Lent, the Hymn of Praise is omitted.)*

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

**P** The Lord be with you.

*2 Timothy 4:22*

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray:

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

*Sit*

## ANTHEM

***How Sweet the Sound***

arr. Jones

Teen Girls Choir with percussion

## OLD TESTAMENT

**Genesis 3:1–21**

<sup>1</sup>Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made.

He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden?'" <sup>2</sup>And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, <sup>3</sup>but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.'" <sup>4</sup>But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. <sup>5</sup>For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." <sup>6</sup>So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup>Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

<sup>8</sup>And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup>And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup>He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" <sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." <sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

<sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. <sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel." <sup>16</sup>To the woman he said, "I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you." <sup>17</sup>And to Adam he said, "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, 'You shall not eat of it,' cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life; <sup>18</sup>thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. <sup>19</sup>By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

<sup>20</sup>The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. <sup>21</sup>And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**



world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. <sup>14</sup>Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

<sup>15</sup>But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. <sup>16</sup>And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. <sup>17</sup>If, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

<sup>18</sup>Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. <sup>19</sup>For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## GOSPEL VERSE

**Lent**

*Joel 2:13*

**C** Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for He is gra-cious and  
mer - ci - ful, slow to an - ger, and a-bound - ing in  
stead-fast love, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

## HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 4:1–11

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

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

<sup>1</sup>Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup>And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. <sup>3</sup>And the tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." <sup>4</sup>But he answered, "It is written, "'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

<sup>5</sup>Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple <sup>6</sup>and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, "'He will command his angels concerning you,' and "'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.'"

<sup>7</sup>Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" <sup>8</sup>Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. <sup>9</sup>And he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." <sup>10</sup>Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written, "'You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.'"

<sup>11</sup>Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

**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 APOSTLES' CREED: THIRD ARTICLE

**C** **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.**

**P** What does this mean?

**C** **I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.**

**In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ, in the one true faith.**

**In this Christian Church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers.**

**On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.**

**This is most certainly true.**

## **SERMON HYMN**

***Christ, the Lord of Hosts, Unshaken***

LSB 521

## **SERMON**

***Light Into the Wilderness***

**Matthew 4**

**Pastor Joel Schultz**

*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** O Lord, in the midst of this life we are beset by many temptations. Fix our eyes on our Lord Jesus, who bore temptation for us and resisted to the point of death, and bring us through the evils of this fallen world to dwell with You forever. Lord, in Your mercy,
  
- C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Almighty God, You take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but desire that they turn from evil and live. Give pastors courage to warn of sin and death. Give all Christians strength to defend that message. Turn sinners to life by the proclamation of Christ, who delivers from all unrighteousness. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Almighty God, preserve all children and their parents, and every Christian home from the assaults of the evil one. As Your Son overcame Satan in the desert by the Word of God, so also give us the victory through Christ and His Word. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** O Lord, You have established earthly authorities to punish evil and praise those who do good. Grant our rulers humble hearts to resist the allure of power and to worship You alone. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Merciful Father, though we deserve nothing of Your kindness, You have shown Yourself to be the strength of the weak, the healer of the sick and the hope of those who mourn. Hear us on behalf of those who are troubled in mind or body, the dying and those who grieve [especially \_\_\_\_\_]. Sustain them through their afflictions and pain, heal them according to Your gracious will and deliver them at the last to everlasting life in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

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

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Almighty God, You covered the shame of our first parents with animal skin and thereby foreshadowed the perfect sacrifice of Your Son's blood by which we are cleansed and clothed. Give us the garments of repentance and faith, that we may receive Your Son's body and blood for the forgiveness of all our sins. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Merciful Father, though You gave us stewardship of Your good creation, we love the gifts more than the giver. Save us from trusting in our possessions more than in Your Son. Teach us to use what You have provided to help those in need and to relieve the poor, the unemployed and the oppressed. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Lord God, heavenly Father, You have given us a refuge from the world in the Body of Christ. Protect us from all evils of body and soul, that we would find rest in this life and eternal rest in Your heavenly embrace; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**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

*Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19*

*What Shall I Render*

LSB 176



**C** What shall I ren - der to the Lord for all His ben - e-fits to



me? I will of - fer the sac - ri - fice of thanks - giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
 vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
 courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru-sa-lem.

## ✠ THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

### PREFACE

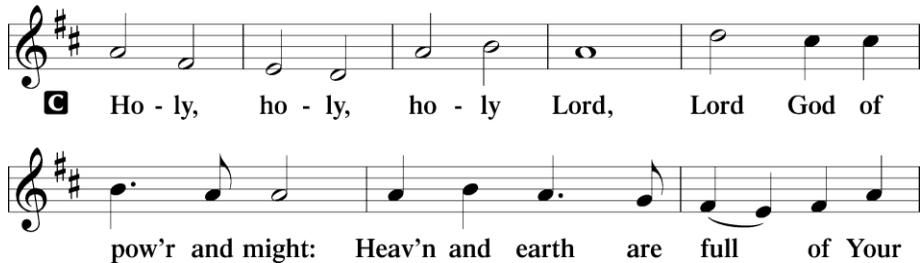
- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.** *2 Timothy 4:22*
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them to the Lord.** *[Colossians 3:1]*
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.** *Psalm 136*

### 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, Lord God of  
 pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your



glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Bless - ed is He who comes in the name  
 of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

### LORD'S PRAYER

*Matthew 6:9-11*

- 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** 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, grant us peace.

## 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 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 561 *The Tree of Life***

**LSB 424 *O Christ, You Walked the Road***

**LSB 628 *Your Table I Approach***

*Stand*

**DISMISSAL**

## POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

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

Luke 2:29-32



**C** Lord, now You let Your ser-vant go in peace; Your word has been ful -



filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va-tion which You have pre -



pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple: A light to re -



veal You to the na-tions and the glo-ry of Your peo-ple Is - ra - el.



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

### BENEDICAMUS/BENEDICTION

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

*Psalms 103:1*

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

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

*Numbers 6:24-26*

**C** **Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN**

***A Mighty Fortress Is Our God***  
LSB 656

**POSTLUDE**

***A Mighty Fortress Is Our God***  
arr. Hilderand

**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 Jonah Wilson, Student Pastor**

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**SERVING THE LORD AND US TODAY:**

- Preaching ..... Pastor Joel Schultz
- Celebrant..... Pastor Mike Ada
- Liturgist..... Vicar Jonah Wilson
- Organist..... Lauran Delancy
- Percussion..... Eric Schlef
- Acolytes..... (8:00) Charlotte Gardner & Emmett Gruhn (10:45) Rowen Clark & Brynlee Vogt
- Greeters ..... (8:00) Bob & Karen Rinne (10:45) Bruce & Suzie Kempin
- Ushers..... (8:00) Matt Barrett, Tom Bremer, Nathan Delancy, Jim DeLaney,  
..... George Ledgerwood, & Terry West  
..... (10:45) Shannon Buckendahl, John Koetting, Rick Vaughn
- Altar Guild..... Jim & Nancy DeLaney, Angela Hodge, Debbie Johnson, & Gina Stoehr
- Nursery..... Adam & Chelsie Holste (Helping Hands – Michelle & Shayla McKay)
- Counters ..... Roger Berardi & John Blakley
- Altar Flowers ..... Hannah Booth’s Baptism Birthday  
..... Hadley Fee’s 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday

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## HOLY BAPTISM

**Oliver Thomas Nichols**, infant son of Andrew and Cassie Nichols, will be baptized this morning at the 10:45am service. Oliver's sponsors are Matthew and Morgan Riechers. We pray special blessings upon Oliver and his family as he becomes a child of God through the waters of Holy Baptism.



## VOICE OF THE MARTYRS PRAYER REQUEST

*Pastor's Daughter Shot in Head, Survives* - Republic of the Congo

A pastor's daughter was shot by persecutors but has survived. Tribal spirit worshipers in a remote part of the DRC demanded that a Christian pastor hand over his church's instruments for their occult practices. When he refused, they returned later to kill him. He wasn't there, but his 21-year-old daughter Odette was. The attackers severed two of her fingers and told her to kneel so they could execute her. They shot her above her left cheekbone, and the bullet exited through the right side of her jaw. Odette survived and said later, "I felt a peace in spite of the situation." She was rushed to Uganda, where surgeons struggled to repair the damage. "She is confident in her faith in Christ, and because of this, she doesn't seem to worry about her situation," said a front-line worker. Odette needs additional surgery, which front-line workers hope will occur within the year.

# ✠ The Rite of Holy Baptism ✠

Oliver Thomas Nichols

(10:45am)

## INVOCATION

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## BAPTISMAL PROMISES

## ADDRESS TO PARENTS, SPONSORS & CONGREGATION

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

**P** Because this child cannot answer for himself, we shall all, together with sponsors, and parents, faithfully speak on his 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, I 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.**

## **THE BAPTISM**

**P** **Oliver Thomas Nichols**, do you desire to be baptized?

**R** *(Parents)* **Yes, I Do**

**P** **Oliver Thomas Nichols**, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

## **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 Oliver Thomas Nichols the new birth in Holy Baptism and made him a member of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir of Your heavenly kingdom. We humbly implore You that, as he has now become Your child, You would keep him in his baptismal grace, that according to Your good pleasure he 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

- ⓘ 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.
  
- © **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.*

### PRAYERS REQUESTED THIS WEEK

For **Oliver Thomas Nichols**, infant son/grandson of Andrew and Cassie Nichols/George and Karen Ledgerwood, who was born February 15<sup>th</sup> and will be baptized into the faith this morning at the 10:45am service.

For **Marissa and Andrew Lippe**, as they are expecting their third child.

For **Aubrey Scarlett**, Marc and Sandy Wachter's daughter and son-in-law, who are expecting a child.

For **Steve and Laurie Cichon**, at the birth of their great-grandson Dezel on February 6<sup>th</sup>.

For **Dennis Smith**, who is recovering from an ablation.

For **Dick Starnes**, Roger Berardi's friend, who is recovering from double bypass, heart valve repair and pacemaker surgery.

For **Les and Margaret Wolpers**, as they mourn the death of Les' sister Elaine Schroeder and also Les' cousin, Fred Kiehl.

### CONTINUED PRAYERS

For **Stacy Martinez**, who is recovering from knee replacement surgery.

For **Edna Groom**, Michele Barrett/Matt Barrett's mother/grandmother who is hospitalized with congestive heart failure.

For **Gary Shively**, Michelle Olson's father, who is recovering in a rehab facility from a broken hip and femur.

For **Ray Cromer**, Shirley Knese's brother who has complete kidney failure.

For **Ruth Zych**, former BSLC, who is nearing life's end.

For **Shirley Knese**, who is now on hospice care.

For **Marcella Ronsick**, David Ronsick's grandmother, who has Leukemia and nearing life's end.

For **Kathy Holtgrieve**, Bill Holtgrieve's mother who has moved to hospice care.

For **Bill Coiner**, who is in the advanced stages of Alzheimer's disease.

For **our expectant mothers: Audra Bruschi, Chanel Gloe, Debra Lewallen, Cassie Nichols, and Stacey Vanderpool** and their unborn children, and for those who long for God's gift of children.

For **those undergoing cancer treatment: Kathy Alber, Patty Allen, Brad Alyea, Tonya Baker, Mandy Bender, Dr. Gary Bertels, Jeff Beverstock, Jackson Collins, Richard Cooley, Rev. Bryan Drebes, Wanda Fisher, Brad Gellerstedt, Maya Goudy, Michelle Hill, John Huss, Brian Jenkins, Beth Johnson, Lauren Kandt, Carl King, Linda Knight, Steven Koontz, Marilyn Kucks, Mark Kurz, Judy Landall, John Mahnken, Bonnie Malloch, Lorette Marsh, Bill Marshall, Holly McFarland, Susan Mountain, Melissa Nesemeier, Pam Ott, Edna Pitts, Brad Reece, Lori Russel, Lisa Schaefer, Brian Schissel, Randy Schlueter, Robert Schmidt, Dave Semro, Tom Serafin, Tyler Smith, Carol Starnes, Eydie Taylor, John Turek, Cindy Whitney, Tyson Wolfer and Pam Young.**

For the **LCMS** as we approach the time for the convention as well as all Recognized Service Organizations (RSOs) of the LCMS in particular **Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML)** and the **Lutheran Hour Ministries (LHM)**.

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.