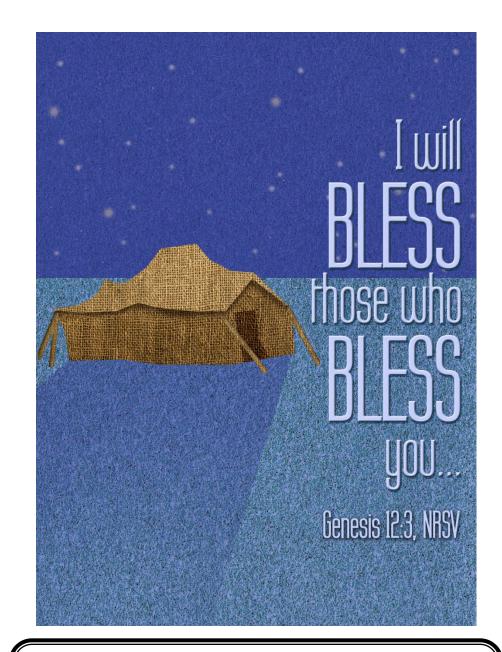
# Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church & Preschool

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



# **Second Sunday in Lent**

March 5, 2023 8:00 am & 10:45 am

# 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 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: Bible Study 1** (Fellowship Hall): *Promise: God Is for Us -* The Lord is a promise maker and a promise keeper. From Genesis 3:15 to Revelation 22:20), the Bible is the written record of God's promises. The life of faith is lived trusting in God's promises, which all find their "yes" and "amen" in Jesus Christ (2 Corinthians 1:20). **Bible Study 2** (Sanctuary): *Pointing to Christ* is a series that focuses on typological fulfillment. We see how men in the Old Testament, through their person and work, point us ahead to the greater fulfillment in Christ.

**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,** 

<u>is asked to speak with Pastor Schultz or Pastor Ada before receiving Holy Communion</u>. Those not communing are still welcome to come receive a blessing.

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

### **AS WE GATHER**

# The Word of the Gospel Opens the Eyes of Faith and Fixes Them on Christ Jesus

The Lord called Abram (Abraham) to leave his home and go to a land that God would show him. He also promised to make of Abram "a great nation," to bless him and make his name great as a blessing to "all the families of the earth" (Gen. 12:2–3). "Abram went, as the LORD had told him" (Gen. 12:4), and in Canaan "he built an altar to the LORD and called upon the name of the LORD" (Gen. 12:8). He "believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness" (Rom. 4:3). Here the grace of God is manifested, that He "justifies the ungodly" (Rom. 4:5), not by works of the Law, but through faith in His promises. He removes all of our sins and lawless deeds through Jesus Christ, the offspring of Abraham in whom all the Lord's promises are realized. This forgiveness of sins is the Word of the Gospel, the voice of the Holy Spirit, which "gives life to the dead" (Rom. 4:17). It opens the eyes of faith to behold Christ Jesus, the Son of Man lifted up on the cross, "that whoever believes in him may have eternal life" (John 3:14–15).

### 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

My Song is Love Unknown
Michael Burkhard

**PASTORAL GREETING** 

OPENING ANTHEM

Lord, We are Your People
Patterson
Children's Choir with handbells

# **→ THE PREPARATION →**

### **INVOCATION**

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

- In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen. *Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*

### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

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

Psalm 124:8

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

  [Luke 18:13]

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

- P Let us together confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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.
- **G** Amen. [John 20:19-23]

# **♣** SERVICE OF THE WORD ♣

### **HYMN OF PRAISE**

(There is no Hymn of Praise since during the penitential Season of Lent our "Alleluias" are silent.)

### SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

2 Timothy 4:22

- P Let us pray:
  - O God, You see that of ourselves we have no strength. By Your mighty power defend us from all adversities that may happen to the body and from all evil thoughts that may assault and hurt the soul; 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

OLD TESTAMENT Genesis 12:1–9

<sup>1</sup>The LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

<sup>4</sup>So Abram went, as the LORD had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. <sup>5</sup>And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people that they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan. When they came to the land of Canaan, <sup>6</sup>Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. <sup>7</sup>Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. <sup>8</sup>From there he moved to

the hill country on the east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. And there he built an altar to the LORD and called upon the name of the LORD. <sup>9</sup>And Abram journeyed on, still going toward the Negeb.

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

### ANTHEM

The God of Abraham Praise arr. Lamb Beata Handbells

(If you would like to meditate on the words as the piece is played, please turn to hymn LSB 798, stanza 1)

EPISTLE Romans 4:1–8, 13–17

<sup>1</sup>What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh? <sup>2</sup>For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. <sup>3</sup>For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness." <sup>4</sup>Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. <sup>5</sup>And to the one who does not work but trusts him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, <sup>6</sup>just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works: <sup>7</sup>"Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered; <sup>8</sup>blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin." . . .

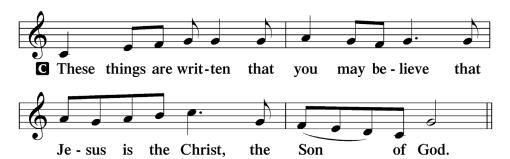
<sup>13</sup>For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup>For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup>For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

<sup>16</sup>That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, <sup>17</sup>as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

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

GOSPEL VERSE John 6:68

### Lent



HOLY GOSPEL John 3:1–17

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the third chapter.
- **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him." <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. <sup>6</sup>That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

<sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? <sup>11</sup>Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And as Moses lifted up the

serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

<sup>16</sup>"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup>For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

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

Sit

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

- THE LORD'S PRAYER THE INTRODUCTION
- Our Father who art in Heaven.
- **P** What does this mean?
- With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father.
- **P** THE FIRST PETITION
- **C** Hallowed be Thy Name.
- **P** What does this mean?
- God's name is certainly holy in itself, but we pray in this petition that it may be kept holy among us also.
- P How is God's Name kept holy?
- God's name is kept holy when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and we, as the children of God, also lead holy lives according to it. Help us to do this, dear Father in heaven! But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God's Word profanes the name of God among us. Protect us from this, heavenly Father!

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**Pastor Mike Ada** 

### SERMON HYMN

The God of Abraham Praise LSB 798 vv. 1-4, 9

### **SERMON**

Promises
Genesis 12
Pastor Mike Ada

Stand

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

### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

- Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- P Heavenly Father, Your Son has shown Your love to the world in His death and resurrection. Give Your people hearts to remember Your gracious works and to proclaim Your name in all things. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Lord God, heavenly Father, You promise us an inheritance not because of Your law but because of Your promise to Abraham and to us. In Your grace, nourish us in the faith unto life eternal. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Heavenly Father, You made Your servant Abraham the father of us all through faith, and You have given all fathers the calling of Abraham to hand down the Gospel of Christ to their children. Fill their hearts with the words of Christ, and remember them according to Your great mercy. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Almighty God, remember our nation and its leaders. Bless all who make, administer and judge our laws, and enable us to be good and responsible citizens. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.

- Gracious Lord, be near to the sick, the suffering, and those who mourn [especially \_\_\_\_\_\_]. Comfort them with Your divine promises, and grant healing according to Your will. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- Heavenly Father, Nicodemus was led by the word of Jesus to the cross, and from the cross he received the body of Jesus. Grant us faith like his to trust Your Word and receive Christ's body and blood in the Holy Sacrament for forgiveness, life and salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Lord God, You give life to the dead and have united the faithful of all ages in the Body of Christ. As You shelter all the saints in the arms of Your mercy, so comfort us who await Your final victory over death and the life of the world to come. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- All these things and whatever else You know that we need, grant us, Father, for the sake of Him who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God 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.)

# **OFFERING PRAYER**

# **★ THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ★**

### **PREFACE**

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

- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **Q** 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.

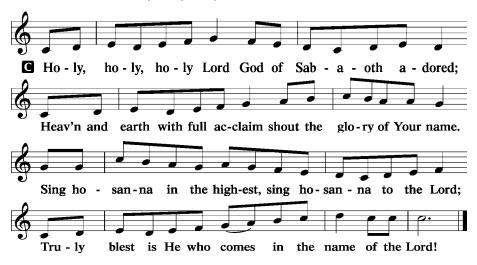
[Psalm 136]

### PROPER PREFACE

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

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

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9-13

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

hallowed be Thy name,

Thy kingdom come,

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

give us this day our daily bread;

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

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

### THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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

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

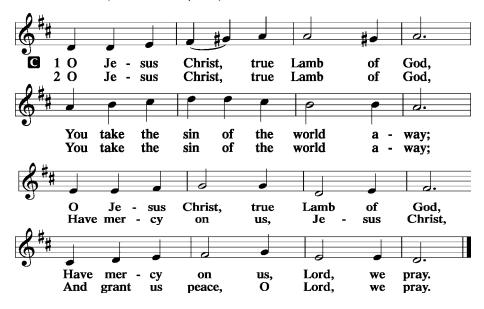
John 20:19

(The pastor here makes a <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 the Lord.

Sit

### **DISTRIBUTION**

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

### **Personal Examination Before Communing**

- 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 542 When I Behold Jesus Christ

LSB 435 Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain

LSB 423 Jesus, Refuge of the Weary

Stand

# **DISMISSAL**

### **POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE**

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

Luke 2:29-32



### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

# **BENEDICAMUS/BENEDICTION**

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.
- **P** The Lord bless you…and 

  → give you peace.
- Amen.

Psalm 103:1

Numbers 6:24-26

### **POSTLUDE**

What Wondrous Love Is This Charles Callahan

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





Rev. Joel Schultz, Senior Pastor Rev. Michael Ada, Associate Pastor Vicar Avery Hjulberg, Student Pastor

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### **SERVING THE LORD AND US TODAY:**

Preaching	Pastor Mike Ada
Celebrant	Pastor Joel Schultz
Liturgist	Vicar Avery Hjulberg
Organist	Deb Miller
Acolytes	(8:00) Aubrey Huseman & Izzy Martinez (10:45) Hudson Vogt & TBD
Ushers	(8:00) Zach Booth, Debbie Johnson, Mike Johnson, & Mark Zarnstorff
	(10:45) Scott Behrman, Mark Chapin, Brett Clark, & Brad Johnson
Altar Guild	Deb Hodnik, Mary Jane Rees, & Gina Stoehr
Greeters	(8:00) Chris & Michelle Wibe (10:45) Scott & Angela Hodge
Nursery	Zach & Alaina Booth
Counters	Eric Domsch, Todd Scheuman, & Bob Welsh
Altar Flowers	TBD

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### PRAYERS REQUESTED THIS WEEK

For **Jordan Mahnken and her fiancé Matt Gutterman**, a prayer of thanksgiving for Jordan's call to Calvary Lutheran to teach 3<sup>rd</sup> grade next year and Matt's new job in Kansas City next month.

For our neighbors at Fieldstone Apartments, to provide for their needs both body and soul.

For Kari Allen, Karen Kuhn's daughter, who has been removed from hospice and is now in palliative care.

For Amanda Matthews, Rev. Darrell and Beth Matthews' niece, who is gravely ill.

For Jana Thompson, an old friend of Phil and Georgia Freese, who is recovering from heart surgery.

For **Karen Rinne**, who is recovering from major surgery on Friday.

For Lee Kresin, who is recovering from having cancerous tissue removed from his cheek on February 27th.

For **Ivan Rees**, who is recovering from bypass surgery and trying to regain strength.

For **William Wolgast**, Mike Wolgast's dad, who was recently diagnosed with cancer.

For Randy Schmidgall, who is recovering from back surgery.

For Kerry and Marty Brown, as they mourn the death of Kerry's dad Duane Merrell on February 26th.

For **Bob and Karen Rinne and Donna Rinne**, as they mourn the death of Bob's brother and Donna's brother-in-law Darrell.

For Mike and Debbie Johnson, as they mourn the death of their sister-in-law Mavis.

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 **Caleb Schempp**, who will deploy to Qatar for 3 months on February 26<sup>th</sup>.

For Mark Zarnstorff, who is recovering from knee surgery.

For **Debbie Southard**, who is recovering from foot surgery.

For **our expectant mothers: Kaylyn Bartels, Chelsie Holste, Briann Ludolph** and **Lexi Obermueller** for their unborn children, and for those who long for God's gift of children.

For those undergoing cancer treatment: Gwen Anrico, Leslie Beller, Mandy Bender, Zach Chain, Heather Delaney, Karen Feldes, Paul Hennegan, John Mahnken, Bonnie Malloch, Geordie McGuire, Milroy Moses, Melissa Nesemeier, Randy Schlueter, Rev. Dr. Mark Schulz and Eydie Taylor.

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 **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.

### **VOICE OF THE MARTYRS PRAYER REQUEST**

### Faithful Pastor, Family Targeted by Radicals - India

Pastor Nithin has led a church in Karnataka state, India, for 15 years. For years, small attacks like broken windows and official warnings about loud singing or the display of a cross occurred. However, a local man who lives near Pastor Nithin's house joined the radical Hindu group Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) and began to create problems for the church. During a Hindu festival in September, Pastor Nithin was arrested for forced conversion and jailed for 2 days. His wife, Sathya, and their son were also charged but not jailed. The church has been barred from meeting, and Pastor Nithin can visit only a few members of the church due to ongoing threats against him. Members are working on obtaining documents that will allow them to reopen the church. Since the closure, no church members have denied their faith despite intense pressure to do so. Pray the documents will be approved for the reopening of their church and that they remain faithful witnesses of Your love and Salvation.