

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church & Preschool

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

LUKE 13:24 ESV

**"STRIVE
TO ENTER
THROUGH THE
NARROW DOOR."**

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 24, 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 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: We are continuing our study of First Corinthians.

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 793, 510, 915, 563, 526, and 680

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

Today Your Mercy Calls Us
arr. Ashdown

PASTORAL GREETING

SHARING OF THE LORD'S PEACE

OPENING HYMN

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven
LSB 793

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) Elsie Ann Melton

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

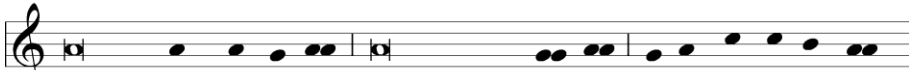
(The Kyrie is a litany, a prayer with a series of requests for all humanity first, and then for the whole Christian church. The people respond with the refrain, "Lord have mercy" making the prayer their own.)



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



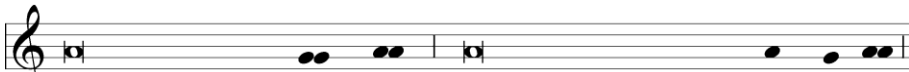
C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



C Lord, have mer - cy.



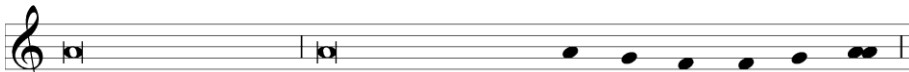
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



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



C Lord, have mer - cy.



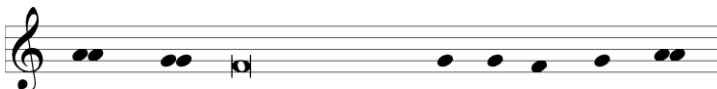
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise



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

Luke 2:14; John 1:29

Gloria in Excelsis

A Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to His peo-ple on earth.

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

Fa - ther: We wor - ship You, we give You thanks, we

praise You for Your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly

Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God: You

take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on

us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the

Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For You a - lone are the

Ho - ly One, You a - lone are the Lord, You a -

lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



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, You have called us to enter Your kingdom through the narrow door. Guide us by Your Word and Spirit, and lead us now and always into the feast of Your Son, Jesus

C **Amen.**

Sit

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 66:18–23

¹⁸For I know their works and their thoughts, and the time is coming to gather all nations and tongues. And they shall come and shall see my glory, ¹⁹and I will set a sign among them. And from them I will send survivors to the nations, to Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, who draw the bow, to Tubal and Javan, to the coastlands afar off, that have not heard my fame or seen my glory. And they shall declare my glory among the nations. ²⁰And they shall bring all your brothers from all the nations as an offering to the LORD, on horses and in chariots and in litters and on mules and on dromedaries, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, says the LORD, just as the Israelites bring their grain offering in a clean vessel to the house of the LORD. ²¹And some of them also I will take for priests and for Levites, says the LORD. ²²For as the new heavens and the new earth that I make shall remain before me, says the LORD, so shall your offspring and your name remain. ²³From new moon to new moon, and from Sabbath to Sabbath, all flesh shall come to worship before me, declares the LORD."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 50:1–15; antiphon: v. 23



- P** The one who offers thanksgiving as his sacrifice glo- | rifies me;*
to one who orders his way rightly I will show the salva- | tion of God!"
- C** **The Mighty One, God the LORD, speaks and sum- | mons the earth*
from the rising of the sun to its | setting.**
- P** Out of Zion, the perfection of | beauty,*
God | shines forth.
- C** **Our God comes; he does not keep | silence;*
before him is a devouring fire, around him a mighty | tempest.**
- P** He calls to the heav- | ens above*
and to the earth, that he may judge his | people:
- C** **"Gather to me my | faithful ones,*
who made a covenant with me by | sacrifice!"**
- P** The heavens declare his | righteousness,*
for God him- | self is judge!
- C** **"Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, I will testify a- | gainst you.*
I am | God, your God.**
- P** Not for your sacrifices do I re- | buke you;*
your burnt offerings are continually be- | fore me.
- C** **I will not accept a bull | from your house*
or goats | from your folds.**
- P** For every beast of the for- | est is mine,*
the cattle on a | thousand hills.
- C** **I know all the birds | of the hills,*
and all that moves in the | field is mine.**
- P** "If I were hungry, I would not | tell you,*
for the world and its full- | ness are mine.
- C** **Do I eat the | flesh of bulls*
or drink the | blood of goats?**

- P** Offer to God a sacrifice of thanks- | giving,*
and perform your vows to the | Most High,
- C** **and call upon me in the day of | trouble;***
I will deliver you, and you shall glo- | rify me."
- A** **Glory be to the Father and | to the Son***
and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
- P** The one who offers thanksgiving as his sacrifice glo- | rifies me;*,
to one who orders his way rightly I will show the salva- | tion of God!"

EPISTLE

Hebrews 12:4–29

⁴In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. ⁵And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons? "My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him. ⁶For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives." ⁷It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? ⁸If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. ⁹Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? ¹⁰For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. ¹¹For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

¹²Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, ¹³and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed. ¹⁴Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. ¹⁵See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no "root of bitterness" springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled; ¹⁶that no one is sexually immoral or unholy like Esau, who sold his birthright for a single meal. ¹⁷For you know that afterward, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no chance to repent, though he sought it with tears.

¹⁸For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. ²⁰For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned." ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear." ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL VERSE

Common

John 6:68

C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 13:22–30

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the thirteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²²[Jesus] went on his way through towns and villages, teaching and journeying toward Jerusalem. ²³And someone said to him, "Lord, will those who are saved be few?" And he said to them, ²⁴"Strive to enter through the narrow door. For many, I tell you, will seek to enter and will not be able. ²⁵When once the master of the house has risen and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying,

'Lord, open to us,' then he will answer you, 'I do not know where you come from.'
²⁶Then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets.'
²⁷But he will say, 'I tell you, I do not know where you come from. Depart from me, all you workers of evil!' ²⁸In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God but you yourselves cast out. ²⁹And people will come from east and west, and from north and south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God. ³⁰And behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."

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.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Joel Schultz

SERMON HYMN

A Multitude Comes from the East

LSB 510

SERMON

The Narrow Door

Luke 13

Pastor Joel Schultz

Stand

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

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For strong faith to enter ever more deeply into the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation, and to gather many with us who would repent of their sins and enter God's kingdom, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the Church, for God to prosper the preaching of His Word, for all pastors and church workers, and for all who teach and learn God's Word, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the Church of God, who remains ever before Him even as the nations of this world rise and fall, that she would confidently and faithfully minister among the nations, fearing no worldly threat, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all those who care for the sick and attend to the dying; for those who care for our children; for our police, firefighters, emergency medical personnel and disaster-relief workers; and for our generous support of those in need, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the sick and those who suffer, for those troubled in mind or heart, for the grieving in their sorrow, and for the dying in their last days on earth, [*especially* _____,] that the Lord would comfort them in their distress and bring healing according to His will, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P *Additional Prayers of Thanksgiving or Intercession*, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P Lord God, You have drawn to Yourself believers from all nations and sanctified them in Holy Baptism as priests and Levites in Your Church. Fortify their faith and embolden their witness, that many may be gathered into the new heavens and new earth; through 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

What Shall I Render

Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19

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.**

P Lift up your hearts.

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

2 Timothy 4:22

[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 915 *Today Your Mercy Calls Us*

LSB 563 *Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness*

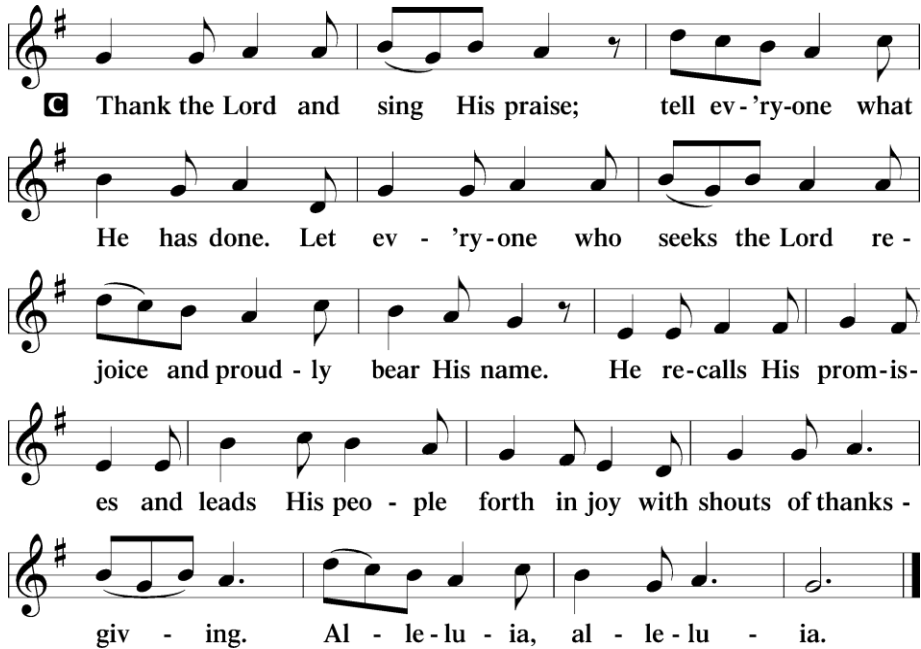
LSB 526 *You Are the Way; through You Alone*

Stand

DISMISSAL

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE

Thank the Lord



C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what
He has done. Let ev-'ry-one who seeks the Lord re-
joice and proud-ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-
es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks-
giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BENEDICAMUS/BENEDICTION

P Let us bless the Lord.

Psalm 103:1

C Thanks be to God.

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

Numbers 6:24-26

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise

LSB 680

BOARD OF MEMBER ENGAGEMENT AND ASSIMILATION ANNOUNCEMENT

POSTLUDE

Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven
arr. Behnke

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



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Rev. Michael Ada, Associate Pastor
Rev. John Kastner, Associate Pastor (Lead Pastor LOTW)
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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
Acolytes..... (8:00) Jack & Henry McDonald (10:45) TBD
Greeters (8:00) Mary Jane Rees & Bob Welsh (10:45) Lewallen Family
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..... Doris Baker, Cindy Chain, Angela Hodge, Rebecca McDonald, & Gina Stoehr
Nursery..... Kyle & Jessie Tsai (Helping Hands – Andrew & Marissa Lippe)
Counters Ron & Karen Aerni & Trevor Huseman
Altar Flowers Joe Hodnik’s 66th Birthday
..... Barbara Gossen in memory of Patrick Gossen

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HOLY BAPTISM

Elsie Ann Melton, infant daughter of Kade and Allie Melton, will be baptized this morning at the 8:00am service. Elsie's sponsors are Caleb and Sydney Fehr. We pray special blessings upon Elsie and her family as she becomes a child of God through the waters of Holy Baptism.



VOICE OF THE MARTYRS PRAYER REQUEST

New Christian Faces Harassment in Hometown - Laos

A newly Christian woman is facing expulsion from her village because of her faith. ThaoSeng, 51, became a follower of Christ in 2024 through the witness of a cousin she was visiting in another city. When she returned to her hometown a few months later, she remained faithful and worshiped at a church in a nearby village. Her family and the village elders became aware of her new Christian faith and began to persecute her, threatening to kick her out of the village if she would not renounce Jesus Christ. Pray that ThaoSeng will endure, be strong in her faith and find joy in sharing the gospel with her family and neighbors.

✠ The Rite of Holy Baptism ✠

Elsie Ann Melton

(10:45am)

BAPTISMAL PROMISES

ADDRESS TO PARENTS, SPONSORS & CONGREGATION

CONFESSION OF FAITH

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

P Do you renounce the devil?

C **Yes, I renounce him.**

P Do you renounce all his works?

C **Yes, I renounce them.**

P Do you renounce all his ways?

C **Yes, I renounce them.**

P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty

C **Yes, 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** **Elsie Ann Melton**, do you desire to be baptized?
- R** *(Parents)* **Yes, I Do**
- P** **Elsie Ann Melton**, 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 Elsie Ann Melton the new birth in Holy Baptism and made her a member of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and an heir of Your heavenly kingdom. We humbly implore You that, as she has now become Your child, You would keep her in her baptismal grace, that according to Your good pleasure she may faithfully grow to lead a godly life to the praise and honor of Your holy name and finally, with all Your saints, obtain the promised inheritance in heaven; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C** **Amen.**

WORDS OF WELCOME

- ⓘ 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 **Elsie Ann Melton**, infant daughter of Kade and Allie Melton, who will be baptized into the faith this morning at the 10:45am service.

For **Wanda Freeman**, who is having rotator cuff surgery on Tuesday, August 26th.

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

For **Chris Barr**, Mike and Debbie Johnson's very close friend, who suffered a stroke last week.

For **Jeff Beverstock**, Bob and Karen Rinne's son-in-law, who underwent some additional testing.

For **Alice Harfst**, Matt Riechers' great aunt, who has gone into hospice care.

For the **Schepmann family**, as they mourn the death of Amy's mother, Patty Ott this past Tuesday.

For **Tricia Suellentrop**, Jennifer Mahnken's co-worker, who mourns the death of her mother.

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.

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For the **family and friends of Karen Kuhn**, who died after a long battle with cancer.

For **Elsie and Danniell Christensen**, as they mourn the death of their unborn child.

For the **family and friends of Kathy Werth**, the former librarian at Lutheran High School, who died last week.

For **Cannon Holtgrieve**, Bill and Kim Holtgrieve's son, who needs to sell his house before relocating to Kansas.

For **Nick Grams**, who is recovering from knee surgery to repair his ACL and meniscus.

For **Shirley Knese**, who continues to recover at home but is still very weak.

For **Carol Boland**, who suffered a stroke and is recovering at home.

For **Ray Cromer**, Shirley Knese's brother, who is having kidney treatment 3 times a week.

For **Ted Teuscher**, Charlotte Ziegler's son/Tamara Morin's brother, who has a difficult recovery from a stroke.

For **Patty Ott**, Amy Schepmann's mom, who is in hospice care.

For **our expectant mothers: Lauren Barrett, Cassie Nichols, Sarah Schultz and Rachel Totten**, 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, Jeff Beverstock, Jackson Collins, Rev. Bryan Drebes, Carroll Dudley, Wanda Fisher, Brad Gellerstedt, Maya Goudy, Matt Griffith, Michelle Held, Michelle Hill, John Huss, Brian Jenkins, Beth Johnson, Lauren Kandt, Linda Knight, Steven Koontz, Marilyn Kucks, Judy Landall, John Mahnken, Bonnie Malloch, Lorette Marsh, Bill Marshall, Susan Mountain, Melissa Nesemeier, Debbie Newman, Edna Pitts, Lori Russel, Lisa Schaefer, Brian Schissel, Randy Schlueter, Dave Semro, Tom Serafin, Tyler Smith, Eydie Taylor, John Turek, Cindy Whitney, and Kathy Woods**.

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.