# Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church & Preschool

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

Sothe last will be and the first willbe Matthew 20:16

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

**September 20, 2020** 

# 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**.

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 ask an usher for assistance. Please feel free to use the narthex as a cry room when needed. Monitors and speakers will assist in your participation.

#### **EDUCATION HOUR** (currently 9:00-9:45am)

**Adult Bible Class:** will be continuing studying in the Book of Acts.

**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 Sunday school classrooms.

**Nursery:** Until further notice there will NOT be a staffed nursery during the Sunday School hour.

**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.** 



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

#### **AS WE GATHER**

# Disciples Live in Their Vocations by Grace through Faith in Christ

Those who are sent as "laborers for his vineyard" (Matt. 20:1) depict the wide diversity of vocations to which the disciples of Christ Jesus are called. Whatever our particular stations in life may be, we are called to live and serve by faith in His promises. Our labors do not merit anything before Him, for He is already generous to one and all without partiality. In mercy, He has chosen to bear "the burden of the day and the scorching heat" on our behalf, to make us equal to Himself and to give us what belongs to Him, that is, the kingdom of heaven (Matt. 20:12–15). This way of the Lord is foolishness to the world and foreign to our thoughts, but He draws near, so that "he may be found" (Is. 55:6), "have compassion" and "abundantly pardon" (Is. 55:7). So it is that we are found in Christ Jesus, and He is honored in our bodies, "whether by life or by death" (Phil. 1:20), by "fruitful labor" (Phil. 1:22) or by suffering. It is by faith in His forgiveness that our works are "worthy of the gospel" (Phil. 1:27).

#### MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

**PRELUDE** 

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

Bach

**PASTORAL GREETING** 



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.
- G Amen. Matthew 28:19b

#### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

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

Psalm 124:8

- 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]
- 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 ♣

#### **HYMN OF PRAISE**

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

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



#### SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

2 Timothy 4:22

**P** Let us pray:

Lord God, heavenly Father, since we cannot stand before You relying on anything we have done, help us trust in Your abiding grace and live according to Your Word; 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

<sup>6</sup>"Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; <sup>7</sup>let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. <sup>8</sup>For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD. <sup>9</sup>For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts."

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

ANTHEM Seek Ye The Lord

arr: Larson

#### **EPISTLE**

Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30

<sup>12</sup>I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, <sup>13</sup>so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. <sup>14</sup>And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear.

<sup>19</sup>Fr I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, <sup>20</sup>as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. <sup>21</sup>For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. <sup>22</sup>If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. <sup>23</sup>I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. <sup>24</sup>But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. <sup>25</sup>Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, <sup>26</sup>so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

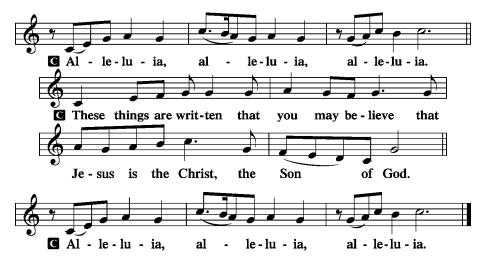
<sup>27</sup>Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, <sup>28</sup> and not frightened in anything

by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. <sup>29</sup>For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, <sup>30</sup>engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

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

Stand

GOSPEL VERSE John 6:68



HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 20:1-16

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 20<sup>th</sup> chapter.
- G Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>"For the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. <sup>2</sup>After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. <sup>3</sup>And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, <sup>4</sup>and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' <sup>5</sup>So they went. Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. <sup>6</sup>And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing. And he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' <sup>7</sup>They

said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' <sup>8</sup>And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Call the laborers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.' <sup>9</sup>And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. <sup>10</sup>Now when those hired first came, they thought they would receive more, but each of them also received a denarius. <sup>11</sup>And on receiving it they grumbled at the master of the house, <sup>12</sup>saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' <sup>13</sup>But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? <sup>14</sup>Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. <sup>15</sup>Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' <sup>16</sup>So the last will be first, and the first last."

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

Sit

# **READING THE FAITH** (as drawn from Luther's Small Catechism) **BAPTISM PART 2**

- **P** What benefits does Baptism give?
- It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare.
- P Which are these words and promises of God?
- Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Mark: "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned." (Mark 16:16)

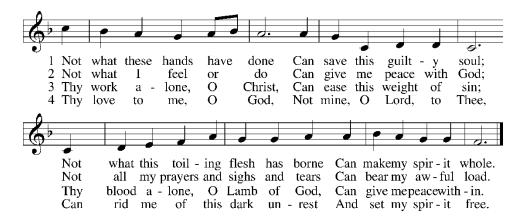
#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**Pastor Joel Schultz** 

#### **SERMON HYMN**

# Not What These Hands Have Done

**LSB 567** 



- Thy grace alone, O God,
   To me can pardon speak;
   Thy pow'r alone, O Son of God,
   Can this sore bondage break.
- I bless the Christ of God,
   I rest on love divine,
   And with unfalt'ring lip and heart
   I call this Savior mine.

#### **SERMON**

Equal Pay for Unequal Work
Matthew 20:1-16
Pastor Joel Schultz

Stand

#### **NICENE CREED**

 $\mathbf{C}$ I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ. the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man: and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

- In peace, let us pray to the Lord and offer to Him the petitions and supplications of a people confident of His promise to hear and answer us with mercy.
- That we may seek the Lord while He may be found, call upon Him in the day of salvation, and be prepared by His mercy for the Day of Judgment, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- That we may delight in the light of Christ and His salvation, and that sinners may find refuge in His mercy and comfort in His forgiveness, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- That we may hear the voice of God speaking in His Word and be nurtured by faithful pastors who preach and teach this Gospel, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- That this Word may be the foundation of the home, that husband and wife may be united in this faith and hope, and that their children may hear and be nurtured in this Word by faithful parents, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- That the Church may nurture the lives of our children in Sunday school and catechism classes, and that we may all be grounded in the doctrine of Scripture through the study of God's Word, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- That the Lord may bless missionaries far and near, that He may nurture newly planted congregations, and that He may renew those congregations in distress, that those from every nation and culture may be united with us in faith and life, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- That we may enjoy the blessing of good government, faithful leaders, peace in our land and peace among the nations, and that we may be good citizens and neighbors, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.

- That the sick may be healed, the troubled know peace, the grieving be comforted and the dying be delivered to everlasting life in Christ, and especially for \_\_\_\_\_\_; and that we may all be delivered from fear, anxiety and despair by God's gracious care, let us pray to the Lord
- **G**: Lord, have mercy.
- That we may commune in faith, that no unrepentant sin may hinder our reception of Christ's body and blood, and that the fruits of this communion may be reflected in a manner of life in keeping with who we are as God's children by Baptism and faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- Lord, have mercy.
- That we may honor the Lord with praise and thanksgiving and bring to the Lord the tithes and offerings of a grateful people, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- That we may not forget the witness of the faithful who lived and died in Christ, and that we may at last be joined with them in the marriage supper of the Lamb in His Kingdom without end, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- Hear the prayers of Your people, O Lord, and grant to us all things good and wholesome and keep from us all things harmful. Give us contentment, that trusting in Your mercy we may delight in Your saving will where the last are made first by Your generosity and grace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

#### **OFFERING**

#### **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:
- **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

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

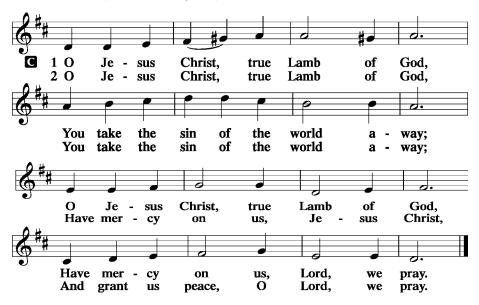
John 20:19

(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**

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?

#### **Instructions for Communing**

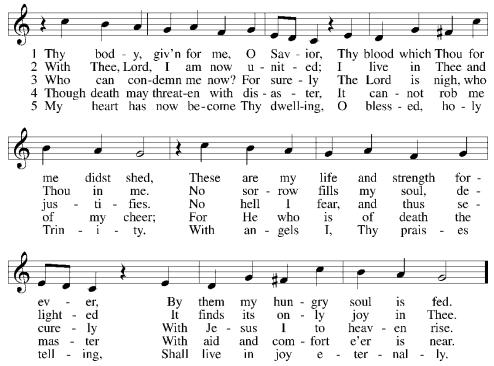
The congregation will be ushered forward to stand. You will receive the Body of Jesus from the Pastors and then the Blood of Jesus from the Elder/Vicar. After you have referenced the altar, return to your seat for meditation and prayer. Those not communing will receive a blessing from the pastor.

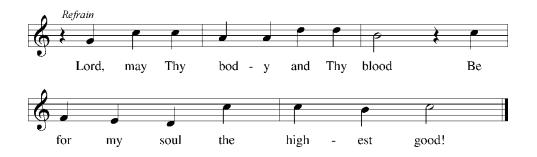
**Non-alcoholic white wine** in located in the center of each tray and should only be used by those with medical conditions prohibiting the use of wine.

**Gluten-free wafers** are available from the pastor when you come forward.

#### DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

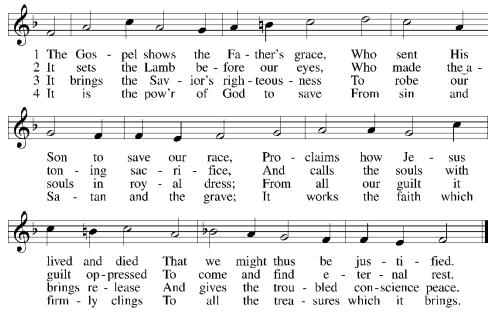
# Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior LSB 619







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- 5 It bears to all the tidings glad
  And bids their hearts no more be sad;
  The weary, burdened souls it cheers
  And banishes their guilty fears.
- May we in faith its message learn
   Nor thanklessly its blessings spurn;
   May we in faith its truth confess
   And praise the Lord, our righteousness.

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.

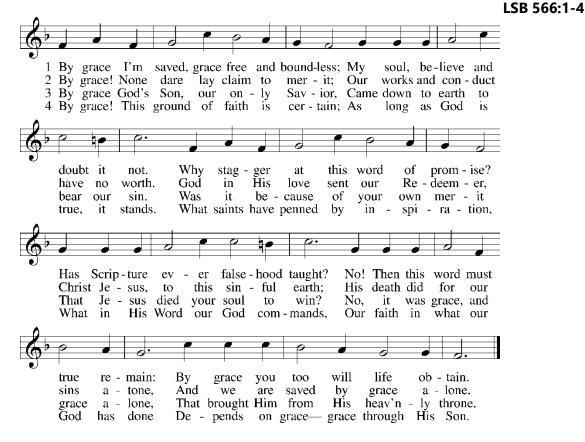
Psalm 103:1

- **C** Thanks be to God.
- P The Lord bless you…and 

  → give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

C Amen.



POSTLUDE Not Unto Us

William Braun

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# **Serving the Lord and Us Today:**

Preaching	Pastor Joel Schultz
Celebrant	Pastor Mike Ada
Liturgist	Vicar Luke Elowsky
	Deb Miller
Adult Choir	Lauran Delancy, director
Acolytes	(8:00) Kaylee Bahr, George Delancy
	(11:00) Peter Yarnell & John Yarnell
Altar Guild	Deb Hodnik, Karen Benz, Carol Brandt, Dale Brandt
Counters	Todd Scheumann, Bob Welsh, Eric Domsch
Altar Flowers	Brett & Ashley Stoll and Matthew & Nicole Christensen

**ALTAR FLOWERS** that adorn our altar this morning were given to the glory of God by Brett & Ashley Stoll in celebration of Ashley's birthday and by Matthew & Nicole Christensen in celebration of the birth of their daughter, Hazel Ann Christensen.

# **Voice of the Martyrs prayer request American-Born Wife of Turkish Pastor Expelled** - Turkey

The US-born wife of a Turkish citizen was recently told that her residency permit was revoked, even though she has lived in Turkey for nearly 10 years. Joy Subaşıgüller was told her residency permit had been revoked on June 5. She is married to a Turkish pastor, Lütfü, and the couple has three children, all Turkish citizens. The couple has filed an appeal, but they expect it to be denied. In 2019, at least 35 foreign Christian workers were expelled from Turkey when their residency permits were revoked or denied. So far this year, at least 16 others have been forced to leave the country. Pray for Joy and her family as they make decisions and respond wisely.

#### PRAYERS REQUESTED THIS WEEK

For the **family of Jeff McDonald** as they mourn the death of his uncle, **Robert Kirby**, who died on Sept. 9.

For the **family of Rob & Courtney Werling** as they mourn the death of Rob's mother, **Esther Werling**, who died on September 9<sup>th</sup>. Funeral Services were held here on September 14.

Prayers for **family members of Phil & Georgia Freese**, living in Oregon, who were told to evacuate due to wild fires and all others dealing with dangerous conditions of the wild fires in western U.S.

To those affected by Hurricane Sally along the southern states of Florida, Alabama & Georgia.

For the **family of Dennis & Carol Smith** as they mourn the death of Dennis's father, **Charles Smith**, who died on Wednesday.

For **Lizzy Brennan**, friend of Ashlynn Thomas, *Seutter's granddaughter*, who suffered head trauma and a severe concussion.

For **Heather Smith**, recovering from a concussion.

#### **CONTINUED PRAYERS**

For Hazel Ann Christensen, daughter of Matthew & Nicole Christensen, who was baptized last Sunday.

For Jason & Alli Bauck as they celebrate the birth of a son, Levi, born on Friday, September 5th.

For **Leonard & Joanne Hanson** as they celebrate 64 years of marriage.

For **Connie Hanson**, recovering from thyroid surgery.

For **Don Banks**, Lisa Bahr's grandfather, who has been diagnosed with Covid 19.

For **Melody Winkler**, Connie Hanson's cousin, in hospital with blood clots in her lungs.

For **Brandon Ryan**, friend of the McMullen family, diagnosed with an osteosarcoma tumor near his spine. He will have chemotherapy for ten weeks.

For Jake Mattern, who is currently on his second deployment in Afghanistan with a Green Beret Team.

For Jan Degner, Ashley Hung, Ted Teuscher, Joy Rodenberger, Pat Gossen, Barb Gossen, Moriah Obermueller, & Debbie Newman, continuing treatments for cancer; for Sherri Webb as she continues to recover from her stroke and foot surgery.

For our **expectant mothers** and their unborn children, Also for those who long for God's gift of children.

**For our partner church in Zacapa, Guatemala:** Pray the God would help those with Covid. There are over 200 cases in the department of Zacapa. Pray that God would bless this congregation with church members and the community that they would be strengthened and encouraged in His faith as well.

**For all those who are unemployed or under-employed**, that the Lord would provide for all their needs and lead them to jobs soon. For those who have secured jobs, we offer prayers of thanksgiving.