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“AS FOR WHAT WAS  
SOWN ON GOOD SOIL,  
THIS IS THE ONE WHO  
HEARS THE WORD AND  
UNDERSTANDS IT.”

*Matthew 13:23*

*Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church is a traditional Lutheran Church, faithful to God's Word and His Sacraments. We equip God's people to serve, love, and encourage one another as we grow in our personal relationship with Christ. We reach out to the community as beacons of light, sharing the love of God in Christ Jesus, our Savior.*

**SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**July 16, 2023**

*The Preaching of the Word of Christ Bears the Good Fruits of Faith  
and Love*

As “the rain and the snow come down from heaven” and “water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout” (Is. 55:10), so the Word of God accomplishes the purpose for which He speaks it, granting joy and peace through the forgiveness of sins and producing the fruits of faith and love in those who are called by His name. Christ Jesus, the incarnate Word, has established the name of the Lord as “an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off” (Is. 55:13). He opens our ears to hear, our minds to understand and our hearts to believe His Word, lest the evil one come and snatch it away. He thus transforms our rocky hearts into good soil, which clings to the Gospel and “indeed bears fruit” (Matt. 13:23). He is Himself the firstfruits of all who “have received the Spirit of adoption as sons” (Rom. 8:15). Thus being “led by the Spirit of God,” we are not afraid, but we cry out in faith to our Father in heaven (Rom. 8:14-15). For as we suffer with Christ, the beloved Son, so shall we “also be glorified with him” (Rom. 8:17).

PLEASE NOTE - Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church offers assisted listening devices for our members and guests this morning. If you would like to use one, please speak with an usher.

Guest Book: If you are a visitor, welcome! Please sign our guest book on the cabinet below the tract display in the entryway. Thank you!

*Flowers are placed this morning to the Glory of God by Dave Gordon.*

**SERVING AMONG US TODAY**

**The Elder: Matt Perkovich**

**The Organist: LeEtta Luce**

**The Ushers: Andrew Lund, Mark Reetz, Joel Carbone**

**Altar Guild: Trina & Gerd**

**DIVINE SERVICE - SETTING IV**

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*If you are unable to, or have trouble standing, please feel free to remain seated at the times we stand.*

**GREETINGS**

**OPENING HYMN . . . . . “Preach You the Word” LSB #586**

*(Please stand)*

**CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION . . . . . page 203**

**SERVICE OF THE WORD**

**INTROIT - Ps. 103:15-19; antiphon: Ps. 103:8**



The LORD is merciful and | gracious,\*  
slow to anger and abounding in | steadfast love.  
As for man, his days | are like grass;\*  
he flourishes like a flower | of the field;  
for the wind passes over it, and | it is gone,\*  
and its place knows | it no more.  
But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those  
who | fear him,\*  
and his righteousness to children’s | children,  
to those who keep his | covenant\*  
and remember to do his com- | mandments.  
The LORD has established his throne in the | heavens,\*  
and his kingdom rules | over all.  
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.  
The LORD is merciful and | gracious,\*  
slow to anger and abounding in | steadfast love.

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**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray . . . Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

**OLD TESTAMENT READING - Isaiah 55:10-13**

<sup>10</sup>“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, <sup>11</sup>so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it. <sup>12</sup>“For you shall go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. <sup>13</sup>Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall make a name for the LORD, an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL - Rom. 11:33, 36**



Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowl- | edge of God!\*  
How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable | his ways!  
For from him and through him and to him are | all things.\*  
To him be glory forever. | Amen.

**EPISTLE READING - Romans 8:12-17**

<sup>12</sup>So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. <sup>13</sup>For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by

the Spirit of God are sons of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” <sup>16</sup>The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand)*

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**HOLY GOSPEL - Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 13<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

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

<sup>1</sup>That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. <sup>2</sup>And great crowds gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach. <sup>3</sup>And he told them many things in parables, saying: “A sower went out to sow. <sup>4</sup>And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. <sup>5</sup>Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, <sup>6</sup>but when the sun rose they were scorched. And since they had no root, they withered away. <sup>7</sup>Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. <sup>8</sup>Other seeds fell on good soil and produced grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

<sup>9</sup>He who has ears, let him hear.”

<sup>18</sup>“Hear then the parable of the sower: <sup>19</sup>When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is what was sown along the path. <sup>20</sup>As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, <sup>21</sup>yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while, and when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately he falls away. <sup>22</sup>As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. <sup>23</sup>As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears

fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

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*(Please be seated)*

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**SERMON HYMN . . . . . “Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast” LSB #577**

**SERMON . . . . . “Ears on the Word” (Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23)**

*(Please stand)*

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

*(Please be seated)*

**OFFERING**

**HYMN . . . . . LSB #805**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

**SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

*This morning we celebrate the Sacrament of the Altar, a feast of forgiveness in which we partake of the true body and blood of Christ along with the visible elements of bread and wine. The Bible gives specific instructions about the Lord’s Supper. As it can be received to one’s spiritual blessing or to one’s spiritual harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), the Lord’s Table must be approached with sincere faith and a Biblical understanding. That’s why all who are new to the Lutheran faith are instructed about this sacred meal before attending the Lord’s Supper. Moreover, this Sacrament is also a testimony of our oneness in what we believe (1 Corinthians 10:17). All guests who wish to receive the Sacrament are asked to speak with*

*Pastor Schuldheisz or the Elder of the Day before the service.*

*(If unable to kneel, please remain standing. If you take the individual cup please wait for the pastor with the common cup to say, “Take, drink,” before drinking.)*

*(Please be seated)*

**ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION . . . . . page 208ff**  
**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS . . . . . LSB #'s 619, 620, 594, 621**  
**NUNC DIMITTIS . . . . .page 211**  
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**CLOSING HYMN . . . . .“Thy Strong Word” LSB #578**  
**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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THE WEEK OF JULY 16, 2023	
SUNDAY	9:30 a.m. - D.S. IV 10:45 a.m. - Adult Bible Study & Children's Sunday School
MONDAY	
TUESDAY	6:30 p.m. - Council Meeting
WEDNESDAY	
THURSDAY	
FRIDAY	Office Closed
SATURDAY	
UPCOMING EVENTS	7/27 Sewing @ 9:30 7/30 Voters' Meeting

OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE FOR: July 9, 2023	
OFFERING: \$24,952.50	ATTENDANCE CHURCH SERVICE: 110
SPECIAL: \$1,676.00	ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL:
PRESCHOOL: \$0.00	YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL:
SUNDAY SCHOOL: \$7.79	
TOTAL DEPOSIT: \$26,636.29	

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David Vetter (253-240-7289)	Roland - Young



## EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY - JOIN US!

- **Women's Bible Study** - Will resume in September, God-willing.
- **Men's Bible Study** - First Saturday of the month, 8-9am in the fellowship hall. We will be studying Proverbs.
- **Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class** - We are doing a study on God's Word of Law & Gospel.

### CONGREGATIONAL

- **Thank you to all of our wonderful VBS volunteers and leaders. We had a wonderful week, with an average of 65-70 kids per day. All VBS offerings this year will be going towards purchasing Bibles for Papa New Guinea. As of Thursday, \$300 of the \$500 goal had been reached.**
- **The July Newsletter has been distributed!** If you do not have a box, but would like a copy of the newsletter, **there are extra copies by the church office. It is also posted on the church website,** and has been sent out via email.
- **There is a new fellowship sheet out on the coffee bar.**
- **Message from Connie P. (friend of Lana H.): Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your continued thoughts and prayers throughout my journey with cancer. My last scan was clear. Praise the Lord! God Bless you.**
- **Portals of Prayer for June -August have been distributed. If you do not get a copy in your box, there are extras out by the church office.**

### PRESCHOOL

- **The preschool has a part-time position available for a teacher in our 3-year-old class for the 2023-24 school year (8:30am-12pm Monday/Wednesday). If interested, please contact Kathy Heddlesten or Natasha Schuldheisz.**

### LWML

- **TODAY is Mite Box Sunday. Deposit your mites in the large box in the Narthex after service.**
- **Coming up on September 29<sup>th</sup> - October 1<sup>st</sup> we will have the LWML Washington-Alaska District Retreat at the Clover Island Inn in Kennewick, WA. You do not need to be a member of an active LWML society to attend. These Retreats are a wonderful way to meet and form friendships with fellow Christian women and grow in knowledge and faith in Christ Jesus. Registration sheets can be found in the Narthex.**

### LUTHERAN RESOURCES

- **EDUCATING A NEW GENERATION OF LUTHERANS...**This week's subjects include: The Movies "Sound of Freedom" and "Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny;" An Attempt by Concordia University Texas to Reject the Governance & Oversight of the LCMS; Truth & Tolerance; Female Pastors & the Lutheran Church of Australia and more. You can listen on-demand at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.
- **Thoughts on Witness & Outreach -Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23:** In our Old Testament and Gospel lessons for today, God is revealing His amazing grace for our lives in earthy

language. When God speaks, wonderful things happen, but when we speak for ourselves, not so much. He gives us every reason to speak His Word to the world, knowing that we have a 100% guarantee that His Word will produce an effect and not return to Him empty. But, just like the hardened path, the shallow rocky soil and the thorny weedy soil, we fail to listen and produce the harvest the Lord intends. In worship, we rejoice in God's saving Word and we pray that we will be faithful to use this Word and spread this seed that bears the miracle of an abundant harvest with every Word we share with others. Pray for God's saving purpose to be made known through your daily encounters with people. When someone asks you, "What's the good word today?" Why not share one - a Word from God knowing that when it is spoken - things happen!

- **Thoughts on Stewardship** - Romans 8:12 - "So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh." We owe the flesh, the world and the devil nothing at all. We are not debtors to these enemies; we are freed by the blood of Christ. We are joyful servants in Christ's kingdom – servants that He calls friends. We share our Lord's plans and purposes, and this gives direction and purpose to our lives.

### IN OUR PRAYERS

#### **CANCER**

- **Veronica** (Mendes) - newly diagnosed with breast cancer
- **Doug Pittelko** (M. Mantey uncle) - running out of treatment options after a 16-year battle with prostate cancer; prayers also for his two young kids as he is the only reliable parent
- **Amanda N.** (L. Howard cousin) - diagnosed with Leukemia
- **John** (Westmark) - diagnosed with acute leukemia
- **Cindy Linnemann** (wife of Pres. Paul Linnemann) - recent cancer diagnosis
- **Leniece R.** (L. Howard cousin) - cancer has returned after 13 years, now in the spine
- **Shanna Davis** (Young) - battling cancer
- **Brett Nirider** (Schuldheisz) - recently diagnosed with B-cell lymphoma, and will be starting treatment soon
- **Jim Christensen** (member) - undergoing treatment for bladder cancer
- **Mike Ramsey** (brother of C. Ramsey) - diagnosis of pancreatic cancer, which has spread to other organs
- **Keela** (M. Gulbranson) - recent breast cancer diagnosis
- **David Pittelko** (M. Mantey uncle) - continuing treatment for pancreatic cancer
- **Angela Firman** (Jannsen) - stage 4 breast cancer
- **Ron Schill** (member) - prostate cancer
- **Chuck Lundin** (member) - melanoma continues to metastasize, but treatments no longer an option
- **Bishop Bielec** (Boyer son-in-law) - is home and continuing treatment for infections and lymphoma leukemia
- **Don Schill** (R. Schill brother) - diagnosed with bladder cancer
- **John Bratek** (M. McNally brother) - diagnosed with liver cancer

## **SICK & HEALING**

- **Gerry (Mendes)** - recent dual diagnosis of early-onset Alzheimer's Disease and Parkinson's Disease
- **Bill Ellis** (R. Anderson brother) bladder infection and blood clots
- **Nancy Crady** (member) - having a problem with her vision in one eye, and waiting on a diagnosis
- **Baby Kia** (L. Howard cousin) - having brain surgery in the coming months and possible hearing loss

## **BEREAVEMENT**

- **Family of Chris Morgan** (L. Schill) - as they mourn his passing on 7/9
- **Family of Denise H.** (L. Howard cousin) - as they mourn her sudden passing
- **Family of Doug Pariseau** (Duncan) - as they mourn his death on 6/12 from brain cancer

## **THANKSGIVING & PRAISE**

- **Tim Kachmarek** (D. Tiefel nephew) - no discernible cancer; he will have a PET scan in September
- **Joe Kelly** (B. Kramp brother-in-law) - successful cancer surgery and treatment; prayers for continued healing
- **Dave Reichert** (Clemans) - for his political race, especially as an LCMS member

## **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

- **Andrew & Taila Lund** - July 18th

## **SHUT-IN MEMBERS**

Joy Longé  
Carol Myers

Marilyn Bauer  
Judy Rittierodt

Ken Giese

## **MEN & WOMEN SERVING OUR COUNTRY**

### **US ARMY**

- **Daniel Duncan**
- **Gerad Nelson** (Lee) Special Forces
- **Jimmy Soto** (De La Paz)
- **Ryan Struss**
- **Conor Curry**
- **Sean Sobus** (Smith)
- **Douglas Smith**, SSG
- **Aaron Spratt**

### **US MARINES**

- **Chaplain Mario Ancira**, Lt.

### **US AIR FORCE**

- **Curtis Sinewe**, Pilot
- **Michael Broch**, Major (Hunsberger)
- **Kirsten Villalpando** (Schill)
- **Alex Villalpando** (Schill)
- **David Brumbaugh**, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt.
- **Robert Paz**, Col. (DeLaPaz)
- **Casi Soto** (DeLaPaz)
- **Sean Wilson**, Captain (member)

### **US NAVY**

- **Logan Tiefel** (member)
- **Alex Klein** (Schill)

## **Youth Collection**

The Youth will be collecting School Supplies the month of July to be distributed in August at the Edgewood Community Center.

Backpacks, Lunch Boxes, Crayons, Paper, Pencils, Colored Pencils, notebooks, rulers, and school scissors.