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*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.*

**FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**JUNE 16, 2024**

*The Cross of Christ Is the Tree of Life, Which Bears Abundant Fruit after  
Its Own Kind*

The parables of our Lord convey the mysteries of the kingdom of God to those who are “able to hear it,” that is, “to his own disciples,” who are catechized to fear, love and trust in Him by faith (Mark 4:33-34). He scatters “seed on the ground,” which “sprouts and grows” unto life, even as “he sleeps and rises” (Mark 4:26-27). “On the mountain height of Israel,” He plants a young and tender twig, and it becomes “a noble cedar.” Indeed, His own cross becomes the Tree of Life, under which “every kind of bird” will dwell, and in which “birds of every sort will nest” (Ezek. 17:22-25). His cross is our resting place, even while now in mortal bodies, we “groan, being burdened” (2 Cor. 5:1-4). Yet in faith, we live for God in Christ, who for our sake “died and was raised” (2 Cor. 5:15). We know that, in His resurrected body, “we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens” (2 Cor. 5:1

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!

**SERVING AMONG US TODAY**

The Elder: John Lee

The Ushers: A. Lund, M. Reetz, J. Carbone

The Organist: LeEtta Luce

The Acolyte: Isaac Lindstrom

The Counters: John & Mark

**DIVINE SERVICE - SETTING I**

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

*(Please stand)*

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**SERVICE OF THE WORD**



**INTROIT** - *Psalm 92:12-15; antiphon: v1*

It is good to give thanks | to the LORD,\*  
to sing praises to your name, | O Most High.  
The righteous flourish like the | palm tree\*  
and grow like a cedar in | Lebanon.  
They are planted in the house | of the LORD;\*  
they flourish in the courts | of our God.  
They still bear fruit in | old age;\*  
they are ever full of | sap and green,  
to declare that the LORD is | upright;\*  
he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness | in him.  
**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.**  
It is good to give thanks | to the LORD,\*  
to sing praises to your name, | O Most High.

**KYRIE . . . . . page 152-153**

**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)*

**THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Ezekiel 17:2-24**

<sup>22</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD: "I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out. I will break off from the topmost of its young twigs a tender one, and I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. <sup>23</sup>On the mountain height of Israel will I plant it, that it may bear branches and produce fruit and become a noble cedar. And under it will dwell every kind of bird; in the shade of its branches birds of every sort will nest. <sup>24</sup>And all the trees of the field shall know that I am the LORD; I bring low the high tree, and make high the low tree, dry up the green tree, and make the dry tree flourish. I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it."

**A:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C:** Thanks be to God.



**GRADUAL** - Psalm 145:3, 5b, 6b

Great is the LORD, and greatly | to be praised,\*  
and his greatness is un- | searchable.  
On your wondrous works, I will | meditate,\*  
and I will declare your | greatness.

## EPISTLE: 2 Corinthians 5:1-17

<sup>1</sup>We know that if the tent, which is our earthly home, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. <sup>2</sup>For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, <sup>3</sup>if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. <sup>4</sup>For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. <sup>5</sup>He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

<sup>6</sup>So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, <sup>7</sup>for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup>Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup>So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. <sup>10</sup>For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

<sup>11</sup>Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade others. But what we are is known to God, and I hope it is known also to your conscience. <sup>12</sup>We are not commending ourselves to you again but giving you cause to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast about outward appearance and not about what is in the heart. <sup>13</sup>For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. <sup>14</sup>For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; <sup>15</sup>and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

<sup>16</sup>From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. <sup>17</sup>Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

**A: This is the Word of the Lord.**

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand)*

**ALLELUIA and VERSE . . . . . Page 156**

**HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 4:26-34**

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter.

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

<sup>26</sup>[Jesus] said, “The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground. <sup>27</sup>He sleeps and rises night and day, and the seed sprouts and grows; he knows not how. <sup>28</sup>The earth produces by itself, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. <sup>29</sup>But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come.”

<sup>30</sup>And he said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable shall we use for it? <sup>31</sup>It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when sown on the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, <sup>32</sup>yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes larger than all the garden plants and puts out large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

<sup>33</sup>With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it. <sup>34</sup>He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

**P:** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C:** Praise to You, O Christ.

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*(Please be seated)*

**HYMN . . . . . I am Jesus’ Little Lamb LSB #740 vs 1**

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**SERMON HYMN . . . . . “O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth” LSB # 834**

**SERMON . . . . . “Mustard Seeds” (Mark 4:26-34)**

*(Please stand)*

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**P:** Lord, in Your Mercy:

**C:** Hear our Prayer.

*(Please be seated)*

**OFFERING**

*(Please stand)*

**OFFERTORY . . . . .page 159**

**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.)*

**ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION . . . . . page 160-164**

*(Please be seated)*

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS . . . . . LSB #'s 617, 618, 938, 940**

*(Please stand)*

**THANK THE LORD. . . . . page 164**

**POST COMMUNION COLLECT. . . . .page 166**

**BENEDICTION . . . . .page 166**

**CLOSING HYMN . . . . .“Thy Strong Word” LSB #578**

*(Please be seated)*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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THE WEEK OF June 16, 2024	
SUNDAY	9:30 a.m. - D.S. I 10:45 a.m. - Adult Bible Study & Children's Sunday School
MONDAY	Pastor on Vacation June 17 <sup>th</sup> through June 25 <sup>th</sup>
TUESDAY	
WEDNESDAY	
THURSDAY	
FRIDAY	Office Closed
SATURDAY	
UPCOMING EVENTS	6/29 Hiking at Point Defiance

OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE FOR: June 9, 2024	
OFFERING: \$12,835.50	ATTENDANCE CHURCH SERVICE: 127
SPECIAL: \$10.00	ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: 40
PRESCHOOL: \$0	YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: 12
SUNDAY SCHOOL: \$4.00	
TOTAL DEPOSIT: \$12,849.50	

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## EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY - JOIN US!

- **Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class** - The Book of Romans
- **Men's Bible Study** - Second Saturday of the month, 8-9 a.m., in the fellowship hall. We are studying the book of Proverbs.

### CONGREGATION

- **Pastor Schuldheisz** and family will be out of the office on vacation, June 17 through June 25<sup>th</sup>. Pastor Norris will be our guest preacher on June 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- **CareNet of Puget Sound** has provided Beautiful Savior with Baby Bottles for collecting spare change. You are welcome to take a bottle home to fill, and return it to the church by July 7<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your support!
- **Lutheran Witness Renewal** - Renewal time is here...If you would like to receive The Lutheran Witness at home you can indicate so by signing up on the sheet posted near the drinking fountain. This is for new subscribers and/or those wishing to be removed. If you are currently a subscriber there is no action necessary. June 30<sup>th</sup> is the deadline.
- **Did you know ...** there are "*Prayers for Worship*" inside the front cover of your hymnal? These prayers are a wonderful way to enhance your Sunday worship. Also of note are, "*Prayers, Intercessions and Thanksgiving*", pages 305-318 in the hymnal. These prayers are helpful in addressing your many needs.
- **If you would like a hymnal for home use**, visit: [cph.org](http://cph.org). (Concordia Publishing House) The Lutheran Service Book is \$29.99. You may even find some other resources that would be beneficial to you or your children!

### PRESCHOOL

- **The Preschool is now enrolling for the 2024-25 school year.** Registration forms are available in the preschool, the church office, or can be downloaded from the church website at: [www.mybslc.com](http://www.mybslc.com). If you have questions, please contact Kathy Heddlesten at 253-218-4918 / [preschool@mybslc.com](mailto:preschool@mybslc.com)

### FELLOWSHIP

- Weather permitting..... **Point Defiance Park Hike**, Saturday June 29<sup>th</sup>. We'll meet at the Point Defiance Park Rhododendron Garden at 9:30 am. Please bring a sack lunch. Beverages will be provided. See you there. . . hike on !

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

- **Summer Sunday School Volunteers Needed!** Many helpers make light work, so we are trying something new this year to cover summer Sunday School in order to give the regular teachers a much deserved break over the summer. We are asking for volunteers to sign up; to cover one or more Sundays June 16th through September 1st. In the

summer, there is one multi-age class preschool through 4th/5th grade. The number of children in attendance each week can be HIGHLY variable, so you aren't being asked to plan an in-depth lesson. Think short devotion or Bible story, a simple craft (if you're crafty!), maybe sing a song or two, and/or play some games. Resources or ideas can be made available if you want some help with planning. Summer Sunday School is a time to take a break from our regular curriculum and to allow time for our youngest members to enjoy fun and fellowship with each other, while still keeping them in the Word. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Lindstrom. A sign-up sheet will be posted by the water fountain. Thank you for considering it!

## LWML

- **Mite change can be brought anytime and put into the Big Mite Box in the Narthex.**

## LUTHERAN RESOURCES

- **Thoughts on Stewardship** – Mark 4:34 - “He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.” How blessed we are to be His disciples! The Lord has indeed explained everything to us. He has told us all things plainly. Why then are we ever so foolish as to disobey His clear Word? Our fight against sin in the power of the Holy Spirit is truly a struggle. Therefore, let us receive the Lord’s help in His Word and Sacraments – and let us fight the good fight of faith and grow up into His image.
- **Issues, Etc. CHRISTIAN WORLDVIEW SERIES...** What is truth? What is a human being? What should we value? What is beauty? What is the source for morality? You’ll find answers to these questions in a seven-part Issues, Etc. series based on a new resource from Concordia Publishing House, “Prepared with a Reason.” Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. You can listen on-demand at [issuesetc.org/preparedwithareason](http://issuesetc.org/preparedwithareason) or with a podcast provider.

## IN OUR PRAYERS

### CANCER

- **Brenda Holmes** (Tom Holmes) - cancer treatment
- **Warren** (Schliebe) - thyroid cancer has returned
- **Marion** (De La Paz) - breast cancer
- **Dorthe-Lind Thornton** (Schill) - breast cancer
- **Jon Dotson** (L. Miller) - Terminal cancer
- **Jeff Horne** (K. Kramp) - cancer has returned
- **Joe Kelly** (K. Kramp brother-in-law) - cancer has returned

- **Kyra** (L. Lindstrom) - diagnosed with brain tumor
- **John Porter** (B. Nettnin brother) - recently diagnosed with cancer of the ear
- **Veronica** (Mendes) - 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
- **John** (Westmark) - diagnosed with acute leukemia
- **Lenise R.** (L. Howard cousin) - cancer is in remission, will continue on cancer maintenance medication
- **Shanna Davis** (Young) - battling 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
- **Don Schill** (R. Schill brother) - diagnosed with bladder cancer
- **John Bratek** (M. McNally brother) - diagnosed with liver cancer

#### **SICK AND HEALING**

- **Irene Feller** (member) - various health problems
- **Sandra** (Nolan Burslie's sister) - now on hospice
- **Lori Fjone** (member) - recovering from wrist surgery
- **Greg Adams, Sr.** (Adams) - suffered a stroke on April 16th
- **Mary Burkhart** (C. Jolly) health concern
- **Becky Batdorf** (M. Byarlay) recovering at home following an apparent brain seizure

#### **BEREAVEMENT**

- **Family of Bishop Bielec** (Boyer) - The son-in-law of Bill & Kathi Boyer. Bishop passed away on June 9<sup>th</sup>.
- **Family of Marilyn Bauer** (Member) - As they mourn her passing on April 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### **SHUT-IN MEMBERS**

**Ken Giese**

**Judy Rittierodt**

**Helen Meyer**

#### **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**
- **Anna Grace Adams (member)**

#### **US MARINES**

- **Chaplain Mario Ancira, Lt.**

#### **US AIR FORCE**

- **Curtis Sinewe, Pilot**

- **Greg Adams, II (member)**
- **Michael Broch, Major (Hunsberger)**
- **David Brumbaugh, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt.**
- **Robert Paz, Col. (DeLaPaz)**
- **Casi Soto (DeLaPaz)**
- **Sean Wilson, Captain (member)**
- **Kirsten Bibel (Schill)**
- **Braden Bibel (Schill)**

#### **US NAVY**

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

*For prayer requests, please contact Linda Howard (253.927.9602) or Kathy Heddlesten (253.691.8292), and the BSLC Prayer Chain will be activated.*

