



Peter answered him, “We have left everything to follow you! What then will there be for us?”

Matthew 19:27

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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.

THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL JANUARY 25, 2026

God's Enemies Are Conquered by the Revelation of Grace in Christ

Christ brings about a great reversal in St. Paul. "He who used to persecute us is now preaching the faith he once tried to destroy" (Gal. 1:23). The enemy of the Gospel becomes its foremost preacher, and the last of the apostles becomes the first (Matt. 19:30). Paul is God's "chosen instrument ... to carry [His] name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel" (Acts 9:15). The conversion of Paul is only a more dramatic example of what God does in revealing Christ to us. The bondage of our sin makes saving faith impossible. "I believe that I cannot ... believe" (Small Catechism, Third Article of the Creed). But even this is no obstacle for our Lord's grace in Christ and the Holy Spirit's power through the Gospel. Baptized, filled with the Holy Spirit, and hearing the Word of Christ, our ears are opened and our spiritual blindness is lifted (Acts 9:17-19). It is dangerous to be a traitor to Christ's enemies – "I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name" (Acts 9:16) – but everything that is left behind is "rubbish" compared to "the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus" (Phil. 3:8) and the eternal life that we, with St. Paul, will at last inherit (Matt. 19:29).

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: Zane Carey, Dave Vetter, Steve Loy

The Counters: Todd Waetzig

The Acolyte: Emil Augustine

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray . . Almighty God, You turned the heart of him who persecuted the Church and by his preaching caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world. Grant us ever to rejoice in the saving light of Your Gospel and, following the example of the apostle Paul, to spread it to the ends of the 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.

(Please be seated)

THE FIRST READING - Acts 9:1-22

¹But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" ⁵And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." ⁷The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. ⁸Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

¹⁰Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." ¹¹And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, ¹²and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." ¹³But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. ¹⁴And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." ¹⁵But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. ¹⁶For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." ¹⁷So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he

reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult with anyone; ¹⁷nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia, and returned again to Damascus. ¹⁸Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and remained with him fifteen days. ¹⁹But I saw none of the other apostles except James the Lord's brother. ²⁰(In what I am writing to you, before God, I do not lie!) ²¹Then I went into the regions of Syria and Cilicia. ²²And I was still unknown in person to the churches of Judea that are in Christ. ²³They only were hearing it said, "He who used to persecute us is now preaching the faith he once tried to destroy." ²⁴And they glorified God because of me.

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

(Please stand)

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HOLY GOSPEL - Matthew 19:27-30

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 19th chapter.
C: Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁷Then Peter said in reply, "See, we have left everything and followed you. What then will we have?" ²⁸Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of Man will sit on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. ²⁹And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold and will inherit eternal life. ³⁰But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

P: This is the gospel of the Lord
C: Praise to You, O Lord

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN "O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth" LSB # 834

SERMON "Death & Resurrection" (Matthew 19:27-30)

(Please stand)

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P: Lord, in Your Mercy:

C: Hear our Prayer.

(Please be seated)

OFFERING

(Please stand)

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SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

How do we receive Holy Communion at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church?

Welcome! We are glad you are here with us.

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 in, with, and under the visible elements of bread and wine. Scripture gives clear instructions about Holy Communion. 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 is to be approached with sincere faith and a Biblical understanding.

If you are a confirmed member in good standing in the LCMS and wish to come forward for Holy Communion, please let the pastor or an elder know you are a LCMS member. Out of love for our neighbor, we follow this Biblical practice because Holy Communion is also a testimony of our oneness in what we believe (1 Corinthians 10:17).

If you are not a current member of this congregation, you are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing at the altar during Holy Communion. Please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest at the communion rail or simply remain seated during Holy Communion.

If you are not a member but are interested in becoming a member and receiving Holy Communion here at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, we invite you to speak with the pastor after the service about becoming a member of Beautiful Savior.

For more information on what God’s Word teaches us about Holy Communion you’ll find a helpful pamphlet in the entryway of the church titled, “A Simple Explanation of the Fellowship of the Altar.” If you have any questions, please talk to the pastor after service or schedule an appointment.

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

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

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DISTRIBUTION HYMNS **LSB #'s 620, 395, 621, 622**

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CLOSING HYMN **“By Grace I’m Saved” LSB # 566**

(Please be seated)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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THE WEEK OF JANUARY 25, 2026	
SUNDAY	9:30 a.m. - D.S. I 11:00 a.m. - Adult Bible Study & Children’s Sunday School 12:00 p.m. -Voter’s Meeting
MONDAY	Office Closed
TUESDAY	10:00 a.m. - Women’s Bible Study
WEDNESDAY	
THURSDAY	
FRIDAY	Office Closed
SATURDAY	1:00 - Memorial Service for Mike Schliebe
UPCOMING EVENTS	2/3 - Elder’s Meeting - 6:30 pm 2/3 - Trustee’s Meeting - 7:00 pm 2/7 - Men’s Bible Study/Breakfast - 8:00 am 2/11 - Senior Saints - 12:00 pm 2/18 - Ash Wednesday Services - noon & 7:00 pm 2/25 - Chili Cook-off @ 6:00, Lenten Service at 7:00 2/26 - Stewardship Meeting - 6:30 pm

OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE FOR: JANUARY 18, 2025	
OFFERING: \$	ATTENDANCE CHURCH SERVICE: 70
SPECIAL: \$	ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL:
PRESCHOOL: \$	YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL:
SUNDAY SCHOOL: \$	
TOTAL DEPOSIT: \$	
ELDER ASSIGNMENTS	
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Brien Lindstrom (206-300-8955)	DeLaPaz - Hunsberger
Matt Perkovich (253-840-1863)	Ireland - Lund
John Lee (253-653-0388)	Lundin - Riveness
David Vetter (253-240-7289)	Roemer - Zanger

EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY - JOIN US!

- **Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class - The Book of Acts**
- **The Women's Bible Class** meets at 10:00 AM on Tuesday mornings September through May in the conference room. Please join our group as we study the Book of Ephesians.
- **Men's Bible Study** - Second Saturday of the month, 8-9 a.m., in the fellowship hall. We are studying the book of Ephesians. Next meeting will be Saturday, February 7th @ 8:00.

CONGREGATION

- **Sunday, March 1st** we welcome Sharon and her handler, Stephanie Pariseau. Sharon is a Comfort Dog for Lutheran Church Charities. Sharon belongs to St. Lukes Lutheran Church in Federal Way. You won't want to miss meeting her and learning about how she helps those in need in our community.
- Mike Schliebe's memorial service will be held here at Beautiful Savior on Saturday, January 31st at 1:00 pm. Light refreshments will follow the service.
- Take a look at the **2026 Flower Chart** which is posted in the Narthex and sign up for your special Sunday.

SENIOR SAINTS

- The next gathering of BSLC Retired Club (**Senior Saints**) is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, February 11 at noon. We still need a host or hostess for this event. **If we do not have a volunteer to host this event, it will have to be cancelled.** If you are able to be the host or hostess for this event, please contact either Mary McNally (253-905-4278; denfmcnally@msn.com) or the church office and Beth with forward your information to Mary. The host/hostess is responsible for table decorations, set up, clean up and a program (e.g. games, speaker, devotional). There are willing helpers for all of these chores, but we can't have a gathering if no one is willing to be responsible for hosting this event. If you are retired, or semi-retired, please consider joining our group for some good food and fellowship.

PRESCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED -

Teachers and teaching assistants are still needed for the 2026-2027 school year.

If you would like more information, please reach out to Kathy Heddlesten via Email at preschool@mybslc.com, or phone 253.218.4918.

- *Beautiful Savior Preschool continues with open enrollment.* Questions can be directed to Kathy Heddlesten, Director. Registration forms for the 2025-2026 school year are available from Kathy Heddlesten and the church office.

YOUTH

- The Youth sponsored spaghetti dinner will be February 22nd at 5:00. Plan to join us for this fun event. Free-will offerings will go toward our youths' expenses for the Higher Things gathering this summer.

FELLOWSHIP

- Mark your calendar on February 25th for the Lenten Supper/Chili Cook-off! Supper will begin at 6:00 pm. It's an annual event, lots of fun, food & fellowship. There's a sign-up sheet posted.

LWML

- **Mite change can be brought anytime and put into the Big Mite Box in the Narthex.**
- **2025-2027 Mission Grant #4 the Perpetual Call for Pastors and Teachers LCMS Office of Pastoral Education, U.S. \$100,000 Set Apart to Serve** is providing resources to encourage intentional conversations with youth to pursue a church work vocation. This is leading to increased enrollment in the church worker formation programs at the LCMS Concordia universities and the seminaries. Districts and churches are being encouraged to reach out to their youth through workshops and conferences. This grant

will help to cover a part of the expenses of creating resources, travel and presentations at workshops and conferences, and staffing.

LUTHERAN RESOURCES

- **THE PARABLE OF THE PRODIGAL SON SERIES...** 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 to a series of interviews with Pastor Bryan Wolfmueller, author of the new book “Finally Free: Three Lessons in the Parable of the Prodigal Son” at issuesetc.org/prodigalson.

IN OUR PRAYERS

CANCER

- **Dianna Heddlesten** (Kathy’s sister-in-law) - breast cancer
- **Richard DeLaPaz** (Brent’s father) - early diagnosis of prostate cancer
- **Molly Meek** (Schill) - multiple myeloma
- **Jan Whittig** (member) - under hospice care
- **Jim Stilley** (Heddlesten) - lung cancer
- **Adeline Henning** (Hunsberger) - undergoing cancer treatment
- **Christina** (DeLaPaz) - cancer diagnosis
- **Marylin** - (LaMonte) - breast cancer
- **Kristi Ancira** - (former member) - breast cancer, melanoma
- **Michael Roach** (Hunsberger) - undergoing cancer treatment
- **Marie Byarlay** (member) - will start maintenance chemotherapy in November
- **Steve Ostrom** (Miller) - terminal cancer
- **Joe Kelly** (Kramp) - prayers for continued healing after cancer treatment
- **Dorthe-Lind Thornton** (Schill) - breast cancer
- **John** (Westmark) - diagnosed with acute leukemia
- **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

- **Pastor Potthoff** - will have heart valve surgery on February 9th
- **Randy Reeves** (Heddlesten) - complications following a heart attack
- **Wally Holmquist** (member) - prayers for gaining strength while at home
- **Bonnie LaMonte** (member) - healing from infection
- **Lleana Davison** (Morehead) - healing of cough, adjustment of health care
- **Lynnsie** (Kramp) - has severe chronic neck pain, testing for MS

- **Aaron** (T. Hall) - praying for the medical team to properly diagnose him and for healing
- **Cyndy Schliebe** (member) - recovering from back surgery
- **Carol Raphael** (member) - * NEW ADDRESS - Village Concepts of Fairwood, 17010 140th Ave. S.E., Renton, WA 98058
- **Leonna Kritsonis** (LaMonte) - complications after hospitalization
- **Zack** (LaMonte)

STRENGTH & GUIDANCE

- **Ginger Meier** (Paula Howard's sister) - has been missing since January 11th
- **Zack Anderson** (LaMonte) that he may grow closer to God
- **Family of Terri McLean** (LaMonte) friend of Bonnie whose husband's brother died
- **Eugene Kashpruff** (Davison/Morehead)
- **Diane Dodge** (Davison/Morehead)
- **Ezra** (Davison/Morehead)
- **The Augustine Family** - safe travel to Tanzania and back
- **David Mason** (Hunsberger) - health concerns
- **Ilandis** (Crady) - hospitalized since last September with pancreas problems
- **The Leighton family** (Blinsmon) It has now been one year since Miles was in a very serious car accident. His health is stable and he is still living in an acute long-term care facility awaiting a liver transplant in Seattle. It's been a very difficult time for his family; wife Aki, children Vincent and Remilia. Please continue your prayers for this family.
- **Louise Dunn** (member) - guidance while in Zambia

SHUT-IN MEMBERS - Ken Giese Judy Rittierodt Sally Bartels, Carol Rafael

MEN & WOMEN SERVING OUR COUNTRY

ARMY

Gerad Nelson, Special Forces (Lee)
Jimmy Soto (DeLaPaz)
Anna Grace Adams (member)

MARINES

Chaplain Mario Ancira, Lt.

NAVY

Logan Tiefel (member)
Alex Klein (Shill)
Bre Carey (member)

AIR FORCE

Robert Paz, Col. (DeLaPaz)
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Jasmin Rodriguez (Blinsmon)
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