

# THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: "Praise – Love – Share"

BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH, TEMPE

March 7, 2021

10:00 a.m.



*God's Wisdom*

## AS WE GATHER

When the Israelites were encamped by Mount Sinai, just out of slavery in Egypt and far from the Promised Land, God wisely gave them the Ten Commandments. They are engraved in our historic churches and capitol buildings. Their perfect demands require a Savior for us. Jesus was so jealous for God's Law that He cleansed the temple before cleansing us of our sin by giving the temple of His body. In His wisdom, God did what we could not: He kept His own Law for us and then chose us to be the Body of Christ today. None of us has kept the commandments; we and our spiritual ancestors reflect our weaknesses in faith and action. But in the process, God's wisdom shows forth: When we are weak, He is strong. Today is a day to boast about God's grace and His Son, Christ crucified, the power and wisdom of God.

## PRELUDE

“Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)” -George Bizet

## PASTORAL WELCOME

### OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: Heavenly Father, so often we get stuck focusing on everything but the most important thing. When Your Son cleared the temple, he was showing us that the people had forgot the main point, you, and had even turned the temple into a marketplace full of extortion. Help us Father, as we seek to worship you, to clear out everything else that would pull our focus away or serve as a stumbling block to others. In your name we pray. Amen.

### OPENING HYMN

“In the Cross of Christ I Glory” *LSB #427*

- 1 In the cross of Christ I glory, Tow’ring o’er the wrecks of time.  
All the light of sacred story Gathers round its head sublime.**
- 2 When the woes of life o’ertake me, Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,  
Never shall the cross forsake me; Lo, it glows with peace and joy.**
- 3 When the sun of bliss is beaming Light and love upon my way,  
From the cross the radiance streaming Adds more luster to the day.**
- 4 Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure By the cross are sanctified;  
Peace is there that knows no measure, Joys that through all time abide.**

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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*(Stand) The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and

confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

## **SERVICE OF THE WORD**

**INTROIT** *(Read Responsively)*

*Ps. 69:14–16; antiphon: Ps. 69:9*

For zeal for your house has consumed me,

**and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.**

Deliver me from sinking in the mire;

**let me be delivered from my enemies and from the deep waters.**

Let not the flood sweep over me, or the deep swallow me up,

**or the pit close its mouth over me.**

Answer me, O LORD, for your steadfast love is good;

**according to your abundant mercy, turn to me.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.**

**Amen.**

For zeal for your house has consumed me,

**and the reproaches of those who reproach you have  
fallen on me.**

**KYRIE** (*Sing*)

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**C Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

## **SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C And with thy spirit.**

**P** Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of 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*)

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Exodus 20:1–17*

<sup>1</sup>And God spoke all these words, saying,

<sup>2</sup>"I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

<sup>3</sup>"You shall have no other gods before me.

<sup>4</sup>"You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup>You shall not bow

down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

<sup>7</sup>“You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

<sup>8</sup>“Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. <sup>9</sup>Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, <sup>10</sup>but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. <sup>11</sup>For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

<sup>12</sup>“Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

<sup>13</sup>“You shall not murder.

<sup>14</sup>“You shall not commit adultery.

<sup>15</sup>“You shall not steal.

<sup>16</sup>“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

<sup>17</sup>“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor’s.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **EPISTLE READING**

*1 Corinthians 1:18–31*

<sup>18</sup>The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup>For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

<sup>20</sup>Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup>For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup>For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, <sup>23</sup>but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup>For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

<sup>26</sup>For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. <sup>27</sup>But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; <sup>28</sup>God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, <sup>29</sup>so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. <sup>30</sup>He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. <sup>31</sup>Therefore, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **SPECIAL MUSIC**

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

## **HOLY GOSPEL** *(Stand)*

*John 2:13–22*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the second chapter.

**C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>13</sup>The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. <sup>15</sup>And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers

and overturned their tables. <sup>16</sup>And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade." <sup>17</sup>His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me."

<sup>18</sup>So the Jews said to him, "What sign do you show us for doing these things?" <sup>19</sup>Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." <sup>20</sup>The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?" <sup>21</sup>But he was speaking about the temple of his body. <sup>22</sup>When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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

**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## **NICENE CREED**

**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. (Sit)**

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

**“Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way” LSB #857**

- 1 Lord, help us walk Your servant way Wherever love may lead  
And, bending low, forgetting self, Each serve the other’s  
need.**
- 2 You came to earth, O Christ, as Lord, But pow’r You laid  
aside. You lived Your years in servanthood; In lowliness You  
died.**
- 3 No golden scepter but a towel You place within the hands  
Of those who seek to follow You And live by Your commands.**
- 4 You bid us bend our human pride Nor count ourselves above  
The lowest place, the meanest task That waits the gift of love.**
- 5 Lord, help us walk Your servant way Wherever love may lead  
And, bending low, forgetting self, Each serve the other’s  
need.**

## **SERMON**

**“Clear Out -Focus In”**

*John 2:13–22*

## **OFFERING VOLUNTARY**

**“Jesus, Priceless Treasure” -Var. 6 – Johann Walther**

## **OFFERTORY** *(Stand & sing)*

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- C Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit  
within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take  
not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy  
salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** (*Congregation response to petitions:  
Hear our prayer.*)

**SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

**PREFACE**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And with thy spirit.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

**C** **It is meet and right so to do.**

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

**SANCTUS** (*Sing*)

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**C** **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**LORD'S PRAYER** (*Spoken*)

**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**

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

### **AGNUS DEI** *(Sing)*

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**C** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen. *(Sit)*

## **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

*(Piano solo)* "I Lay Sins on Jesus" -Setting by Valerie Floeter

"Savior, When in Dust To Thee" –LSB #419

- 1 Savior, when in dust to Thee Low we bow the\_adoring knee;  
When, repentant, to the skies Scarce we lift our weeping eyes;  
O, by all Thy pains and woe Suffered once for us below,  
Bending from Thy throne on high, Hear our penitential cry!**
- 2 By Thy helpless infant years, By Thy life of want and tears,  
By Thy days of deep distress In the savage wilderness,  
By the dread, mysterious hour Of the\_insulting tempter's  
pow'r, Turn, O turn a fav'ring eye; Hear our penitential cry!**
- 3 By Thine hour of dire despair, By Thine agony of prayer,  
By the cross, the nail, the thorn, Piercing spear, and torturing  
scorn, By the gloom that veiled the skies O'er the dreadful  
sacrifice, Listen to our humble sigh; Hear our penitential cry!**

**4 By Thy deep expiring groan, By the sad sepulchral stone,  
By the vault whose dark abode Held in vain the rising God,  
O, from earth to heav'n restored, Mighty, reascended Lord,  
Bending from Thy throne on high, Hear our penitential cry!**

**"Christ Sits at God's Fight Hand" –LSB #564, St. 1, 3, 4 & 5**

**1 Christ sits at God's right hand, His saving work complete,  
To reign till ev'ry foe will lie Beneath His feet—  
All that the Father planned, The Son sought to fulfill,  
When first He said, "Lord, here am I To do Your will."**

**3 Christ's altar was the tree, Where on the world's behalf  
He shed a blood, unlike the blood Of goat or calf,  
To seal God's guarantee Of grace that cannot fail;  
With blood He entered for our good Behind the veil.**

**4 What costly sacrifice To cover human sin! Who but Christ  
Jesus had the right To enter in? His blood, that sprinkled  
price, So we might be assured That our inheritance in light  
Has been secured.**

**5 Then let us now draw near, Washed in that precious flood  
And enter the Most Holy Place By Jesus' blood.  
From hearts that are sincere, Let tongues our hope profess,  
And trust anew God's faithful grace That we confess.**

**NUNC DIMITTIS** (*Stand & sing*)

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**C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace  
according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy  
salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all  
people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy  
people Israel.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world  
without end. Amen.**

## **THANKSGIVING**

**P** Let us pray.

**P** We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## **SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS**

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**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Bless we the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## **BENEDICTION**

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**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.

**C** Amen, amen, amen.

## **CLOSING HYMN**

"Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me" –LSB #756, St. 1-5

**1** Why should cross and trial grieve me? Christ is near  
With His cheer; Never will He leave me. Who can rob me of  
the heaven That God's Son For me won When His life was  
given?

- 2 When life's troubles rise to meet me, Though their weight  
May be great, They will not defeat me. God, my loving Savior,  
sends them; He who knows All my woes Knows how best to  
end them.
- 3 God gives me my days of gladness, And I will Trust Him still  
When He sends me sadness. God is good; His love attends  
me Day by day, Come what may, Guides me and defends me.
- 4 From God's joy can nothing sever, For I am His dear lamb,  
He, my Shepherd ever. I am His because He gave me  
His own blood For my good, By His death to save me.
- 5 Now in Christ, death cannot slay me, Though it might,  
Day and night, Trouble and dismay me. Christ has made my  
death a portal From the strife Of this life To His joy immortal!

**POSTLUDE**

"Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow" –E. Brown

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**SERVING US AT WORSHIP TODAY:**

<b>Officiant:</b>	Rev. Tim Anderson
<b>Organist/ Director:</b>	Ellen Brown
<b>Special Music:</b>	Donna Evans
<b>Assisting Elder/Lector:</b>	Andrew Grant
<b>Greeters:</b>	Marsha Beetham
<b>Acolyte:</b>	Joe Carlin
<b>Altar Care:</b>	Pat Carlin

**Visitors**, please sign (with a complete address) our **Guest Book** on the podium in the entryway before you leave and/or complete a **grey/cream “Worship Information” card** found in the pew in front of you. **Members** are also encouraged to complete a “Worship Information” card (you can update address and phone number, request a pastoral visit).

**Pastor Tim Anderson** is available to you for pastoral and spiritual needs (prayer support, hospital calls, counseling, private communion, etc). He can be reached at the office Monday & Wednesday, 9 AM – 2 PM.

**WE CAN ASSIST THOSE UNABLE TO HEAR WELL...We have 3 cordless headsets available to use in the pews. Just let an usher know and they will be happy to bring you one.**

**Attendance for 1-28-21 Bible Study—5, Worship Service—25  
Income report for 1-28-21: Loose Plate \$335, Weekly Envelopes \$1267,  
Designated Gifts \$8209, Other \$; Total \$9811 . Midweek 2: \$220.**

## **THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR**

### **March 7, Sunday**

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study in in Fuerbringer Hall

9:30 AM Music Rehearsal

**10 AM The Third Sunday in Lent Worship w/Holy Communion** (*Also, being streamed on Facebook online*)

### **March 8, Monday**

9 AM-2 PM Pastor Anderson in the office

### **March 9, Tuesday**

5:30 PM Board of Elders Meeting

7 PM Board of Finance Meeting

### **March 10, Wednesday**

9 AM-2 PM Pastor Anderson in the office

10 AM-12 noon GLORIA Worship Team in Fuerbringer Fellowship Hall

Open to All

## **7 PM Lenten Midweek 3 Worship**

**March 12, Friday**

9 AM-11 PM Church & building cleaned

**March 14, Sunday**

## **10 AM The Fourth Sunday in Lent / Casual Worship**

**Prayer List: Prayer List:** Those with cancer **Gerri Koski, Amina Kruck; Maebell Beard** preparing for an aorta valve replacement; those who are recovering after surgery: **Gene Southwick** is back home continuing to recover from his broken pelvic and arm, **Jim Schutkowski** with a broken arm, **Chris Whittenberg, Jane Boye, Tim Jackson, Chris Carlin, John McShee, Len and Ruth Lacy** (his care giver), **Glenn Brown, Larry Wroblewski**. Erica and Gerald Guzzi who have Covid but are stable. Peace & comfort for **Barbara & family of Skip** in Indiana who passed away (Pat & Joes' classmate).

### **Lutheran Hour Broadcast - KFNX RADIO (1100) @ 10 AM:**

February 14 "Shines and Saves" Guest Speaker: Rev. Cody Cooper. Jesus surpasses all expectations as we see Him revealed on the Mount of Transfiguration. (Mark 9:2-13)

## **FOR AT HOME WORSHIPERS WHO STILL VIEW SERVICES ONLINE INSTRUCTIONS ARE BELOW:**

### **SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE YOU CAN GO ONLINE & VIEW AT**

- 1) Open a webpage browser (internet explorer, chrome, firefox, etc.)**
- 2) Type or paste the following link into your address bar:  
[www.facebook.com/BeautifulSaviorLutheranChurchTempe/](http://www.facebook.com/BeautifulSaviorLutheranChurchTempe/)**
- 3) Option 1 - Scroll until you find a post that shows a "Live" feed titled for the Sunday service, or**
- 4) Option 2 - Click on the "Videos" button on the left hand sidebar (ignore anything asking you to sign up or sign in to Facebook)**

**5) Look for the video titled for the date of the Sunday service. Video stream will be live starting at or around 10am. If it does not show up, try refreshing the page. The video of the service will remain on the page if you would like to view it at a later time, or to replay it again at your discretion.**



## **HOLY COMMUNION. . .OUR UNDERSTANDING**

*It is the special joy of the baptized and instructed Christian to celebrate Christ in our very midst with the Sacrament of the Altar (Holy Communion). The Scripture clearly and carefully teaches that, in Holy Communion, the very Body and the very Blood of our Lord Jesus are really present in, with, and under the forms of bread and wine. It also teaches that “A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord (acknowledging the Real Presence of Jesus with the elements) eats and drinks judgment on himself.” (1 Corinthians 11:28-29).*

*Communicants, then, are rightfully prepared and “worthy” when they:*

- *are truly penitent of their sins;*
- *even now embrace Jesus as their Savior and recognize His Real Presence in the bread and the wine; and*
- *seek to amend their sinful lives, with the assistance of this Meal and the power of the Holy Spirit.*

***If you have any further questions, please speak with the Pastor before the service.***

*Other notes on the distribution of Holy Communion:*

- *1) Wine is the Biblical standard for all communicants. However, grape juice is in some glasses and available in the center of each tray for those who have an intolerance to alcohol.*
- *2) The Blood of Christ, in, with and under the wine, is served in individual glasses and common cup. Please choose you preference..*
- *3) Children and adults not instructed or confirmed are still encouraged to approach The Table to receive a blessing.*