

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
60th Anniversary: “Praise – Love – Share”
BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH, TEMPE

April 11, 2021

10:00 a.m.



Blessed Are Those Who Have Not Seen and Yet Have Believed

AS WE GATHER

We tend to look for things to make faith easier. Signs, wonders, or just little hints here and there would help. But the disciples had all these things and heard Jesus promise His resurrection, and still they gathered behind the locked doors of their fears. What we do have is Christ, His Word that bestows and sustains our faith, and His Holy Sacrament wherein He feeds us with His body and blood. Though we have not seen with our eyes, we see with faith and join with doubting Thomas to confess, “My Lord and my God!”

CASUAL SUNDAY

PRAISE MEDLEY

1. "He Lives" –TOSB #61, St. 1-3

**I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today;
I know that He is living, whatever men may say;
I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer,
And just the time I need Him, He's always near.**

**Chorus: He lives, he lives Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life's
narrow way. He lives, He lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within
my heart!**

**In all the world around me I see His loving care,
And though my heart grows weary I never will despair;
I know that He is leading through all the stormy blast,
The day of His appearing will come at last.**

**Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing
Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King!
The Hope of all who seek Him, the Help of all who find,
None other is so loving, so good and kind.**

2. "I've Got Peace Like a River" –TOSB #108, St. 2 & 3

- 1. I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in my soul. I've got peace
like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a
river in my soul.**
- 2. I've got Love like an ocean, I've got Love like an ocean,
I've got Love like an ocean in my soul. I've got Love like an
ocean, I've got Love like an ocean, I've got Love like an
ocean in my soul.**

3. I've got joy like a fountain. I've got joy like a fountain,
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul. I've got joy like a
fountain. I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a
fountain in my soul.

3. "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" –TOSB 2 #26, St. 1, 2 & 4

1 **Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds Is like to that above.**

2 **Before our Father's throne We pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our comforts and our
cares.**

4 **When here our pathways part, We suffer bitter pain;
Yet, one in Christ and one in heart, We hope to meet again.**

4. "Easter Song" - *Words & Music by Anne Herring* –TOSB #42

***Hear the bells ringing, they're singing that we can be born
again!***

***Hear the bells ringing, they're singing, "Christ is risen from
the dead!"***

***The angel upon the tombstone said, "He is risen just as He
said, Quickly now, go tell His disciples that Jesus Christ is
no longer dead!"***

***Joy to the world, He is risen, Alleluia!
He's risen, Alleluia! He's risen, Alleluia!***

PASTORAL WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: Heavenly Father, as we gather here today, we gather as

those who have heard the good news of the empty tomb and we rejoice. Yet, at times we are like the disciples today and we find ourselves comfortable sitting behind locked doors. May your Son, who came to the disciples in their hiding and into their locked rooms, once again come to us in the locked places of our lives, to breath His spirit upon us, to calm our doubts and fears, and to once again send us to the places He sends us to. As we are sent by You, help us to continue to go out and speak words of forgiveness to the world. In Your Son's holy name, Amen.

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

INVOCATION *(Stand)*

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

EASTER ACCLAMATION

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: If we say we have fellowship with Him while we walk in darkness,

People: we lie and do not practice the truth.

Pastor: But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another,

People: and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive

us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Pastor: If we say we have not sinned,

People: we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.

Pastor: Almighty and everlasting God, for our many sins we justly deserve eternal condemnation. In Your mercy, You sent Your dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who won for us forgiveness of sins and everlasting salvation. Grant us a true confession that, dead to sin, we may be raised up by Your life-giving absolution. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we be ever watchful and live true and godly lives in Your service; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

INTROIT (*Read responsively*)

Ps. 105:1–5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2–3

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—

if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;

make known his deeds among the peoples!

Sing to him, sing praises to him;

tell of all his wondrous works!

Glory in his holy name;

let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

Seek the LORD and his strength;

seek his presence continually!

Remember the wondrous works that he has done,

his miracles, and the judgments he uttered.

He remembers his covenant forever,

the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.

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.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—

if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

GLORIA PATRI

C **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.**

KYRIE *(Read responsively)*

Pastor: O Lord,

People: have mercy on us.

Pastor: O Christ,

People: have mercy on us.

Pastor: O Lord,

People: have mercy on us, and give us Your peace. Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *(Sing)*

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P **Glory be to God on High,**

C **and on earth peace, goodwill toward men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee. we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.**

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(Sit)

FIRST READING

Acts 4:32–35

³²Now the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. ³³And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold ³⁵and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

1 John 1:1—2:2

¹That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— ²the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us— ³that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴And we are writing

these things so that our joy may be complete.

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. ⁷But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

^{2:1}My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. ²He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Children of Light”

(Stand)

VERSE

P Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him.

C Alleluia.

Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.

C Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 20:19–31

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

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹⁹On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors

being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."

²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side.

Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." ²²And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld."

²⁴Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

²⁶Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe."

²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

APOSTLE'S CREED

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who

was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.

(Sit)

HYMN OF THE DAY “O Sons and Daughters of the King” -LSB #470

- 1 O sons and daughters of the King, Whom heav’nly hosts in glory sing, Today the grave has lost its sting! Alleluia!**
- 2 That Easter morn, at break of day, The faithful women went their way To seek the tomb where Jesus lay. Alleluia!**
- 3 An angel clad in white they see, Who sits and speaks unto the three, “Your Lord will go to Galilee.” Alleluia!**
- 4 That night the apostles met in fear; Among them came their master dear And said, “My peace be with you here.” Alleluia!**
- 5 When Thomas first the tidings heard That they had seen the risen Lord, He doubted the disciples’ word. Alleluia!**
- 6 “My piercèd side, O Thomas, see, And look upon My hands, My feet; Not faithless but believing be.” Alleluia!**
- 7 No longer Thomas then denied; He saw the feet, the hands, the side; “You are my Lord and God!” he cried. Alleluia!**

**8 How blest are they who have not seen And yet whose faith
has constant been, For they eternal life shall win.
Alleluia!**

SERMON The Sent Ones Who Believe

John 20:19-31

OFFERING MUSIC

“He Is Lord” TOSB #60

(Stand)

**He is Lord, He is Lord! He is risen from the dead, and, He is
Lord! Ev’ry knee shall bow, ev’ry tongue confess That Jesus
Christ is Lord. 2x**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Merciful Father, at Your bidding we come to You in prayer,
trusting in Your mercy to supply us with all that is needful
and beneficial to us and for all for whom our prayers have
been requested.

Silence the doubts that plague us and deliver us from fear,
that believing in You we may know the full comfort of Your
gracious presence. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.

Pastor: Deliver us from pride and humble us by Your Spirit so that,
confessing all our sins, we know the peace of a clear
conscience and serve You with all our heart, mind, body,
and soul. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.

Pastor: Make Your Church bold in the confession of Your name
before the world and give Your blessing to all pastors and
church workers as they accomplish Your bidding in their
service to us in Your name. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.

Pastor: Guard us from all enemies and bless our nation with good
government and good leaders, that we enjoy justice before

the law, equality of opportunity in the marketplace, and peace in our communities and between the nations. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.

Pastor: Restore those absent too long from the Church's sacramental life and bring to repentance those who have fallen into error and sin, that they may again be one with us at the Table of the Lord. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.

Pastor: Give comfort, healing, patience, and strength to the sick, to those suffering a troubled mind, and to those carrying the heavy burden of grief, that they may know Your presence in their hour of need, [*especially* . . .]. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.

Pastor: Accept the praise and thanksgiving of our lips, the tithes and offerings we bring, and our labors for Your glory, that we not suffer from ingratitude or the pride that believes all we have is the fruit of our own work. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.

Pastor: Remembering blessed Thomas and all the disciples, the saints and the martyrs, and those who taught us the faith and now rest from their labors, bring us with them through the day of trouble into the dawn of peace and the place of everlasting life and light through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.

Pastor: Grant to us that we may worthily receive this blessed Sacrament of Your Son's body and blood and may confidently trust that You will both hear and answer the prayers of Your people and supply us with all good things according to Your merciful favor; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

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.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

People: Amen.

(Sit)

CLOSING HYMN

“Because He Lives” TOSB #11

VERSE 1:

God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus; He came to love, heal and forgive. He lived and died, to buy my pardon an empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.

(CHORUS) Because He lives, I can face tomorrow Because He lives, all fear is gone Because I know, He holds the future And life is worth the living Just because He lives

VERSE 2:

How sweet to hold a newborn baby and feel the pride and joy He gives; but greater still the calm assurance this child can face uncertain days because He lives. (Chorus)

VERSE 3:

And then one day, I'll cross the river; I'll fight life's final war with pain. And then as death gives way to victory, I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives. (Chorus)

BENEDICTION

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.

SENDING MUSIC

“Bring Forth the Kingdom”

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Lector:

Debby Bergman

Greeters:

Marsha Beetham

Acolyte:

Joe 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 4-4-21: Bible Study—na; Worship Service—47 & 38. Maundy Thursday – 30; Good Friday Services combined – 54; Easter Vigil – 30.

Income report for 4-4-21: Loose Plate \$733.25; Weekly Envelopes \$1411; Designated Gifts \$90; Other \$; Total \$2234.25. Totals for: Maundy Thursday \$530; Good Friday \$455; Easter Vigil \$340.

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

April 11, Sunday

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study in Fellowship Hall

10 AM The Second Sunday of Easter - Casual Worship (*Also, being streamed on Facebook online*) & After Worship Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall

11:30 AM Stewardship Committee Meeting

April 12, Monday

9 AM-2 PM Pastor Anderson in the office

April 13, Tuesday

5:30 PM Board of Elder’s Meeting

7 PM Board of Finance Meeting

April 14, Wednesday

9 AM-2 PM Pastor Anderson in the office

April 16, Friday

9-11 AM Church & Offices cleaned

April 18, Sunday

10:30 AM The 3rd Sunday of Easter (*Also, being* streamed on Facebook online) & After Worship Fellowship in the Fellowship Hall

April 25, Sunday

After the service: Quarterly Congregation Voters' Assembly Meeting

Prayer List: Prayer List: for the **family of Jane Boye** who passed away April 1; **Gerri Koski, Amina Kruck, Tim Jackson; Glenn Brown, Maebell Beard, Gerald & Erica Guzzi.**

**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/**
- 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.**

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

April 18 "One Greater Than Mrs. McCalliter" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Where does one go to hide from God? Dr. Michael Zeigler says the book of Jonah is about God, on a mission to get through to you. (Jonah 1)