

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

60th Anniversary: "Praise – Love – Share"

BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH, TEMPE

July 4, 2021

10:00 a.m.



Called to Tell the Truth

AS WE GATHER

When Israel was in exile, God called Ezekiel to speak for Him to tell the truth to Israel. The Lord made no promises about results, but at least the people would recognize that a prophet had been among them. After His hometown did not believe His Messiahship, Jesus still sent out the Twelve to the surrounding towns. Not only did He instruct them about what to do or say, He also prepared them for rejection and how to respond to it. Now it is our turn, as we are called to tell others the truth about sin and grace. But we might think we are not up to the task. Here, Paul is our model, for he was well aware of his limitations, including his thorn in the flesh. Rather than keep silent, he spoke and wrote, confident that God's power was made perfect in weakness. Our worship today is a reminder that above all else, the truth reveals God's great love for us in Christ.

PRELUDE "Variations on "AMERICA" -David N. Johnson

PASTORAL WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: God of gods and King of kings; you called and anointed David, you called and blessed Paul, and through your Son Jesus, you called the twelve to follow. In our time you have called us. Enable us to trust you above all voices, beyond all of our fears of being rejected like Christ was in his hometown. Give us courage to follow and serve you among all of our neighbors and with one another in the body of Christ. Amen,

OPENING HYMN "O Christ, Who Called the Twelve" LSB #856

- 1 O Christ, who called the Twelve To rise and follow You,
Forsaking old, familiar ways For ventures bold and new:
Grant us to hear Your call To risk security
And, bound in heart and will to You, Find perfect liberty.**
- 2 O Christ, who taught the Twelve The truth for ages sealed,
Whose words and works awakened faith, The ways of God
revealed: Instruct us now, we pray, By Your empow'ring
Word. True teacher, be for all who seek Their light, their life,
their Lord.**
- 3 O Christ, who led the Twelve Among the desolate
And broke as bread of life for all Your love compassionate:
Lead us along the ways Where hope has nearly died
And help us climb the lonely hills Where love is crucified.**
- 4 O Christ, who sent the Twelve On roads they'd never trod
To serve, to suffer, teach, proclaim The nearer reign of God:
Send us on ways where faith Transcends timidity,
Where love informs and hope sustains Both life and ministry.**

**5 O Christ, the apostles' Lord, The martyrs' strength and song,
The crucified and risen King To whom the saints belong:
Though generations pass, Our tribute still we bring,
Our hymns a sacrifice of praise, Our lives an offering.**

Stand

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

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.

Be seated

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT (*Read responsively*)

Ps. 132:13–16; antiphon: Ps. 34:8

Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!

Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!

For the LORD has chosen Zion;

he has desired it for his dwelling place:

“This is my resting place forever;

here I will dwell, for I have desired it.

I will abundantly bless her provisions;

I will satisfy her poor with bread.

Her priests I will clothe with salvation,

and her saints will shout for joy.

**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.

Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!

Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!

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 (*Sing*)

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

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (*Sing*)

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.**

Stand

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Let us pray.

O God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy. Grant us the fullness of Your grace that we may be called to repentance and made partakers of Your heavenly treasures; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Be seated

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ezekiel 2:1–5

¹He said to me, “Son of man, stand on your feet, and I will speak with you.” ²And as he spoke to me, the Spirit entered into me and set me on my feet, and I heard him speaking to me. ³And he said to me, “Son of man, I send you to the people of Israel, to nations of rebels, who have rebelled against me. They and their fathers have

transgressed against me to this very day. ⁴The descendants also are impudent and stubborn: I send you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD.' ⁵And whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house) they will know that a prophet has been among them.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

2 Corinthians 12:1–10

¹I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. ²I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. ³And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows—⁴and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. ⁵On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶Though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. ⁷So to keep me from being too elated by the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. ⁹But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. ¹⁰For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC “America, the Beautiful” -by Katherine Bates & Samuel Ward (St. 1- **Everyone**. St. 2-**Women**. St. 3-**Men**. Stanza 4-**Everyone**.)

O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain, For purple mountain majesties Above the fruited plain! America! America! God shed His grace on thee, And crown thy good with brotherhood From sea to shining sea!

O beautiful for pilgrim feet Whose stern impassioned stress, A thoroughfare for freedom beat Across the wilderness! America! America! God mend thine every flaw, Confirm thy soul in self-control, Thy liberty in law!

O beautiful for heroes proved In liberating strife, Who more than self their country love And mercy more than life! America! America! May God thy gold refine Till all success be nobleness, And every gain divine!

O beautiful for patriot dream That sees beyond the years, Thine alabaster cities gleam Undimmed by human tears! America! America! God shed His grace on thee, And crown thy good with brotherhood From sea to shining sea!

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE *(Sing)*

C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 6:1–13

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.

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

¹[Jesus] went away from there and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ²And on the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished, saying, “Where did this man get these things? What is the wisdom given to

him? How are such mighty works done by his hands? ³Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. ⁴And Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor, except in his hometown and among his relatives and in his own household." ⁵And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and healed them. ⁶And he marveled because of their unbelief.

And he went about among the villages teaching.

⁷And he called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belts— ⁹but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. ¹⁰And he said to them, "Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you depart from there. ¹¹ And if any place will not receive you and they will not listen to you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that people should repent. ¹³And they cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them.

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.

Be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Lift Every Voice and Sing” LSB #964

- 1 Lift ev’ry voice and sing Till earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of liberty. Let our rejoicing rise
High as the list’ning skies, Let it resound loud as the rolling
sea. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has
taught us; Sing a song full of the hope that the present has
brought us; Facing the rising sun Of our new day begun,
Let us march on till victory is won.**
- 2 Stony the road we trod, Bitter the chast’ning rod Felt in the
days when hope unborn had died; Yet with a steady beat,
Have not our weary feet Come to the place for which our
parents sighed? We have come over a way that with tears
has been watered; We have come, treading our path through
the blood of the slaughtered, Out from the gloomy past, Till
now we stand at last Where the white gleam of our bright
star is cast.**

**3 God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way; Thou who
hast by Thy might Led us into the light, Keep us forever in
the path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the places, our
God, where we met Thee; Lest, our hearts drunk with the
wine of the world, we forget Thee; Shadowed beneath Thy
hand, May we forever stand, True to our God, true to our
native land.**

SERMON

“Independence Day”

Mark 6:1–13

OFFERING VOLUNTARY

“Be Still My Soul”

Stand

OFFERTORY

**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

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 on this day
overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection

opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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 adored; Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name. Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord; Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

LORD'S PRAYER *(Sing)*

C Our Father which 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 debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PAX DOMINI

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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI *(Sing)*

C O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Be seated

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

1 "In Christ Alone" -Piano Improvisation

2 "In Christ Alone" -by Stuart Townend & Keith Getty

- 1. In Christ alone, my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song. This cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease! My comforter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.**
- 2. In Christ alone, who took on flesh Fullness of God in helpless Babe! This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save. Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied, For ev'ry sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.**
- 3. There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain. Then bursting forth in glorious day, Up from the grave He rose again! And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me. For I am His and His is mine, Bought with the precious blood of Christ.**
- 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death; This is the pow'r of Christ in me. From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.**

Coda: No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand, Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand. Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

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3 "On Eagles' Wings" LSB #727

1 You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, Who abide in His shadow for life, Say to the Lord: "My refuge, My rock in whom I trust!"

Refrain

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings, Bear you on the breath of dawn, Make you to shine like the sun, And hold you in the palm of His hand.

2 The snare of the fowler will never capture you, And famine will bring you no fear; Under His wings your refuge, His faithfulness your shield. Refrain

3 You need not fear the terror of the night, Nor the arrow that flies by day; Though thousands fall about you, Near you it shall not come. Refrain

4 For to His angels He's given a command To guard you in all of your ways; Upon their hands they will bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone. Refrain

Stand

NUNC DIMITTIS

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 O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C and His mercy endureth forever.

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.

CLOSING HYMN

“God Bless Our Native Land” LSB #965

**1 God bless our native land; Firm may she ever stand
Through storm and night. When the wild tempests rave,
Ruler of wind and wave, Do Thou our country save
By Thy great might.**

**2 So shall our prayers arise To God above the skies;
On Him we wait. Thou who art ever nigh,
Guarding with watchful eye, To Thee aloud we cry:
God save the state!**

SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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.

Be seated

POSTLUDE

“Sortie on NATIONAL HYMN” -Lani Smith

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sunday Bible Study: "The Book of Acts" Sundays from 8:30-9:30am in fellowship hall.

Midweek Bible Study: Next "Psalms & Sandwiches" will be on July 14th. This group will meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the Month at 12:30 for Lunch with Pastor and to go through the book of Psalms.

July 4 After church, hot dog luncheon

**July 18 10:00 Installation of officers
11:30 Quarterly Congregation Voter's meeting.**

July 25 9:30 am. Annie Anderson's installation at Hosanna LCMS, Mesa

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SERVING US AT WORSHIP TODAY:

Officiant Preacher:	Rev. Tim Anderson
Organist/Director:	Ellen Brown
Song Leaders:	Debby & Doug Bergman, Banjo & Bass Guitar
Pianist:	Glenn Brown
Assisting Elder/Lector:	Skip McFadden
Greeters:	Marsha Beetham
Acolyte:	Joe Carlin
Altar Care:	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 6-27-21: Bible Study—6; Worship Service—36; Income report for 6-27-21: Loose Plate \$50; Weekly Envelopes \$2147; Designated Gifts \$384; Other \$; Total \$2581.

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

July 4, Sunday

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study

10 AM The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost – w/Holy Communion (*Also, being streamed on Facebook online*)

11 A.M. Board of Christian Education Meeting

After worship: Hot Dog Luncheon

July 5, Monday

Church Offices Closed for 4th of July observance

July 7, Wednesday

9 AM-2 PM Pastor Anderson in office

July 9, Friday

8 -11 AM Church & Offices cleaned

July 11, Sunday

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study in Fellowship Hall

10 AM The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost & Casual Worship

July 18, Sunday

After Worship service: Quarterly Congregation Voters Meeting

Prayer list: Pray that, **Kris Lind's**, surgery on both hands was successful. Continued recovery for **Cyndi Calender, Andrew Grant, Maebell Beard, Rev. Friedrich, Glenn Brown, Charlotte Grefe, Doris Reith, John McShee & Corrine Grady**. Peace & healing for **Gerri Koski, Tim Jackson and Amina Kruck**. Peace & Comfort for the **family & friends of Char Chamberlin**, she will be laid to rest July 10th.

For Annie Anderson going to a new position at Hosanna Lutheran Church; also, that Kathy Held will find a job soon.

**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 - KFNN RADIO (1100) @ 10 AM:

July 11 "**Inheritance as Intended**" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. An inheritance that's more than places, property, and possessions—the inheritance God intended for His people. (Ephesians 1)



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.” (I 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 your preference..*
- *3) Children and adults not instructed or confirmed are still encouraged to approach The Table to receive a blessing.*