

# THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH, TEMPE

September 19, 2021

10:00 a.m.



*The Humbled Servant*

## AS WE GATHER

Jesus' disciples did not understand the prophecy about His death and resurrection. They focused, instead, on their personal greatness. So, He inverted their viewpoint, using a child to explain that true greatness is in humble servanthood, in welcoming even children (then considered to be without status). But our inner passions rebel and war against such servanthood, as James explains in the Epistle. Fortunately, by the gracious gift of faith, in place of personal struggles, we can rely on God, as Jeremiah does in the Old Testament Reading and David in today's psalm. Our Lord is the humblest and therefore greatest Servant, and by His death and resurrection He has proclaimed that God's grace knows no bounds. Confidently, we can follow Him in humble servanthood each day.

## **PRELUDE**

"I Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee" -Setting by David Cherwien

## **PASTORAL WELCOME**

## **OPENING PRAYER**

Pastor: God of unsearchable mystery and light, your weakness is greater than our strength, your foolishness brings all our cleverness to naught, your gentleness confounds the power we would claim. You call first to be last and last to be first, servant to be leader and ruler to be underling of all. Pour into our hearts the wisdom of your Word and Spirit, that we may know your purpose and live to your glory. Amen.

## **OPENING HYMN**

"Father Welcomes" **LSB #605**

### ***Refrain***

**Father welcomes all His children To His fam'ly through His Son. Father giving His salvation, Life forever has been won.**

- 1 Little children, come to me, For My kingdom is of these. Life and love I have to give, Mercy for your sin. Refrain**
- 2 In the water, in the Word, In His promise, be assured: Those who are baptized and believe Shall be born again. Refrain**
- 3 Let us daily die to sin; Let us daily rise with Him, Walk in the love of Christ our Lord, Live in the peace of God. Refrain**

*Stand*

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

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*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 Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

**C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore, You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

**C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C Amen.**

*Be seated*

## **SERVICE OF THE WORD**

**INTROIT** *(Read responsively)*

*Ps. 37:5–7; antiphon: Ps. 37:4*

Delight yourself in the LORD,

**and he will give you the desires of your heart.**

Commit your way to the LORD;

**trust in him, and he will act.**

He will bring forth your righteousness as the light,  
**and your justice as the noonday.**

Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him;  
**fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way,  
over the man who carries out evil devices!**

**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.**

Delight yourself in the LORD,  
**and he will give you the desires of your heart.**

**KYRIE** (*Sing*)

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

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** (*Sing*)

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**C To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth;  
Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!  
We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name we sing—  
Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.**

**To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray;  
O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry,  
Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on high—**

**For You alone are holy, You only are the Lord.  
Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored;  
You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High,  
In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.**

*Stand*

**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P The Lord be with you.**

**C And also with you.**

**P Let us pray.**

O God, whose strength is made perfect in weakness, grant us humility and childlike faith that we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

*Be Seated*

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Jeremiah 11:18–20*

<sup>18</sup>The LORD made it known to me and I knew;  
then you showed me their deeds.

<sup>19</sup>But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter.

I did not know it was against me they devised schemes,  
saying,

“Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off  
from the land of the living, that his name be remembered  
no more.”

<sup>20</sup>But, O LORD of hosts, who judges righteously, who tests the  
heart and the mind, let me see your vengeance upon  
them, for to you have I committed my cause.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **EPISTLE READING**

*James 3:13—4:10*

<sup>13</sup>Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. <sup>14</sup>But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. <sup>15</sup>This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. <sup>16</sup>For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice.

<sup>17</sup>But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere.

<sup>18</sup>And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

<sup>4:1</sup>What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? <sup>2</sup>You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. <sup>3</sup>You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. <sup>4</sup>You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. <sup>5</sup>Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, “He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us”? <sup>6</sup>But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.” <sup>7</sup>Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup>Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. <sup>9</sup>Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. <sup>10</sup>Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC** “We Are Singing for the Lord Is Our Light” -African Folk Song/Arr. Hal Hopson – **See Insert**

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE** (*Sing*)

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**C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**HOLY GOSPEL**

*Mark 9:30–37*

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

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

<sup>30</sup>[The disciples] went on from there and passed through Galilee. And [Jesus] did not want anyone to know, <sup>31</sup>for he was teaching his

disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him. And when he is killed, after three days he will rise.” <sup>32</sup>But they did not understand the saying, and were afraid to ask him.

<sup>33</sup>And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you discussing on the way?” <sup>34</sup>But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup>And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.” <sup>36</sup>And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup> “Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Stand*

## **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**

**“Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us” LSB #851**

- 1 Lord of glory, You have bought us With Your lifeblood as the price, Never grudging for the lost ones That tremendous sacrifice; And with that have freely given Blessings countless as the sand To the unthankful and the evil With Your own unsparing hand.**
- 2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give You Gladly, freely of Your own. With the sunshine of Your goodness Melt our thankless hearts of stone Till our cold and selfish natures, Warmed by You, at length believe That more happy and more blessed 'Tis to give than to receive.**
- 3 Wondrous honor You have given To our humblest charity In Your own mysterious sentence, “You have done it all to Me.” Can it be, O gracious Master, That You deign for alms to sue, Saying by Your poor and needy, “Give as I have giv’n to you”?**
- 4 Lord of glory, You have bought us With Your lifeblood as the price, Never grudging for the lost ones That tremendous sacrifice. Give us faith to trust You boldly, Hope, to stay our souls on You; But, oh, best of all Your graces, With Your love our love renew.**



*Stand*

**OFFERING VOLUNTARY**

“Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way” -Arr. Valerie Floeter

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

**SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT****PREFACE**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

**C** **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**P** **It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new 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** *(Speak)*

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**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. 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)*

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**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**

1. "Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord" – **LSB #637**

- 1 Draw near and take the body of the Lord, And drink the holy blood for you outpoured; Offered was He for greatest and for least, Himself the victim and Himself the priest.**
- 2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields, To all believers life eternal yields; With heav'nly bread He makes the hungry whole, Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.**
- 3 Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere, And take the pledges of salvation here. O Lord, our hearts with grateful thanks endow As in this feast of love You bless us now.**

2 "Healer of Our Every Ill" – WOV #738

**Refrain: Healer of our every ill, light of each tomorrow, give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.**

- 1 You who know our fears and sadness, grace us with your peace and gladness; Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts.**
- 2 In the pain and joy beholding how your grace is still unfolding, give us all your vision, God of love.**
- 3 Give us strength to love each other, ev'ry sister, ev'ry brother, Spirit of all kindness, fill each heart.**
- 4 You who know each thought and feeling, teach us all your way of healing, Spirit of all passion, fill each heart.**

*Stand*

## **NUNC DIMITTIS**

- C O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace,  
For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace:  
A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill,  
The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.**
- All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son,**

**All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One;  
For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be,  
God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.**

### **POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

**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.**

### **BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION**

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**P** 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.

**C Amen.**

*Be seated*

### **CLOSING HYMN**

“There Is a Redeemer” LSB #971

**1 There is a Redeemer—Jesus, God’s own Son;  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.**

***Refrain***

**Thank You, O my Father, For giving us Your Son,  
And leaving Your Spirit Till the work on earth is done.**

**2 Jesus, my Redeemer, Name above all names;  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Hope for sinners slain.**

**Refrain**

**3 When I stand in glory, I will see His face; There I'll serve my King forever In that holy place. Refrain**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

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

**"Being Beautiful Savior" Class. Following fellowship. This week we will be discussing "Baptism, Communion and the means of Grace," Keep Joining us each Sunday in September for our classes. If interested in Membership at Beautiful Savior, Please talk to Pastor Tim and fill out a worship information card.**

**Midweek Bible Study: "Psalms & Sandwiches" 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. We will meet on September 22, 12:30 p.m. at Yvonne's, 1725 W University Dr. Tempe AZ 85281.**

## **POSTLUDE**

**"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" -Johann Walther**

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## **SERVING US AT WORSHIP TODAY:**

**Officiant Preacher:**

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**Ellen Brown**

<b>Special Music:</b>	Beautiful Savior Singers
<b>Song Leader:</b>	Bobbie Littou
<b>Assisting Elder/Lector:</b>	Skip McFadden
<b>Greeters:</b>	Kathy Held
<b>Acolyte:</b>	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).

**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 9-12-21: Bible Study—11; Worship Service—33; New Midweek Bible Study—NA.**

**Income report for 9-12--21: Loose Plate \$15; Weekly Envelopes \$1047; Designated Gifts \$233; Other \$; Total \$1295.**

## **THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR**

### **September 19, Sunday**

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study in Fellowship Hall

9:30 AM Music Rehearsal

**10 AM The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost – w/Holy Communion**

*(Also, being streamed on Facebook online)*

11:30 AM Board of Trustees Meeting

### **September, Monday 20**

9 AM-2 PM Pastor Tim Anderson in the office

**September 21, Tuesday**

7 PM Council Meeting

**September, Wednesday 22**

9 AM-2 PM Pastor Tim Anderson in the office

**12:30 PM “Psalms & Sandwiches” Mid-week Bible Study at TBA.**

**September 24, Friday**

11AM Church & Offices cleaned

**September 26, Sunday**

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study in Fellowship Hall

**10 AM The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost Worship**

**Prayer list: Prayer list:** May you give Your blessings for continued healing for **Glenn Brown, Maebell Beard, Mary Mahr, Rhett Davis, Damion, and Clare.** We pray for strength, comfort and healing for cancer patients **Tim, Gerri, Amina Kruck, Ruth and Alice & Ruth Buck.** Thanks that, **Debby & Doug Bergman & daughter Adelle, son-in-law Michael and new baby Lena,** safely returned to New Orleans for. Be with **Charlotte Grefe** as she prepares for her second hip replacement on September 21.

**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.**

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

September 26 "**Seeking the Welfare of the Neighborhood**" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Jason Broge. We can start to make the world a better place by seeking the welfare of the neighborhoods into which God has placed us. (Jeremiah 29)





## **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.*