

**THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH, TEMPE**

October 24, 2021

10:00 a.m.



Seeing Discipleship

AS WE GATHER

Today we hear of Jesus healing Bartimaeus, a blind man. Jesus had healed another blind man in the town of Bethsaida (Mark 8:22–26). There the first healing touch of Jesus did not seem to work completely. Strangely, the man’s sight was only partially restored. What was missing? It took a second touch to restore his sight fully. With Bartimaeus, there is no second touch of Jesus, not even a touch at all, only His word, “Go your way; your faith has made you well” (Mark 10:52). The metaphor of physical blindness speaks of the spiritual blindness that we with the first disciples need to confront, namely, sin, our separation and alienation from God. Jesus spoke three times between these two healings of His ultimate act and victory over death. True faith sees our ultimate healing only through the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Faith follows after Jesus through the cross.

PRELUDE

“Arioso” -Benedetto Marcello

PASTORAL WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: So many days, we are like the blind beggar in Mark's gospel, sitting on the side of the road hoping to hear the sounds of your coming. We are like the Canaanite woman begging for the crumbs that fall from your table. We are like the woman who was sick for so many years who reached out to touch the hem of your garment. Have mercy upon us when we cannot see how we will make it. Have mercy upon us when we are sick and cannot get well. Have mercy upon us when life hardens our hearts and makes it difficult for us to love, to heal or to forgive. Have mercy upon us when persecution comes and when we are misunderstood. We come, confident that your promise to be with us always is true, confident that you are greater than the trials we face, confident that we are secure in the palm of your hands. We come to you today, like blind Bartimaeus who sat on the side of the road to Jericho, knowing that you love us and hear us, and that you respond to our needs, most of all our need for a Savior. Amen.

OPENING HYMN

“Before the Throne of God Above” LSB #574, St. 1-6

- 1 Before the throne of God above I have a strong, a perfect plea: A great High Priest, whose name is Love, Who ever lives and pleads for me.**
- 2 My name is graven on His hands, My name is written on His heart; I know that while in heav'n He stands No tongue can bid me thence depart.**

- 3 When Satan tempts me to despair, And tells me of the guilt within, Upward I look, and see Him there Who made an end of all my sin.
- 4 Because the sinless Savior died, My sinful soul is counted free; For God, the just, is satisfied To look on Him and pardon me.
- 5 Behold Him there! The risen Lamb! My perfect, spotless righteousness, The great unchangeable I AM, The King of glory and of grace!
- 6 At one with Him, I cannot die, My soul is purchased by His blood; My life is hid with Christ on high, With Christ, my Savior and my God.

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 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

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

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal**

punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore 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. 26:1–2, 6–7; antiphon: Ps. 26:8

O LORD, I love the habitation of your house

and the place where your glory dwells.

Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my integrity,

and I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.

Prove me, O LORD, and try me;

test my heart and my mind.

I wash my hands in innocence and go around your altar, O LORD,

proclaiming thanksgiving aloud, and telling all your wondrous deeds.

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.

O LORD, I love the habitation of your house

and the place where your glory dwells.

KYRIE (*Chanted*)

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P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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P Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

C Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father: We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Stand

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

P O God, the helper of all who call on You, have mercy on us and give us eyes of faith to see Your Son that we may follow Him on

the way that leads to eternal life; through the same 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

Jeremiah 31:7–9

⁷Thus says the LORD:

“Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, ‘O LORD, save your people, the remnant of Israel.’

⁸Behold, I will bring them from the north country and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, the pregnant woman and she who is in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here.

⁹With weeping they shall come, and with pleas for mercy I will lead them back,

I will make them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble, for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Hebrews 7:23–28

²³The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office, ²⁴but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever.

²⁵Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

²⁶For it was indeed fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, innocent, unstained, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷He has no need, like those high priests, to

offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people, since he did this once for all when he offered up himself.

²⁸For the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Surely Goodness and Mercy” -by Peterson & Smith

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE & *sing*)

C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 10:46-52

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

⁴⁶As [Jesus] was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁸And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, “Son of David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁹And Jesus stopped and said, “Call him.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart. Get up; he is calling you.” ⁵⁰And throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹And Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” And the blind man said to him, “Rabbi, let me recover my sight.” ⁵²And Jesus said to him, “Go your

way; your faith has made you well.” And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him on the way.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, 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.

Be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY “Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old” *LSB #846*

**1 Your hand, O Lord, in days of old
Was strong to heal and save;
It triumphed over ills and death,
O’er darkness and the grave.
To You they came, the blind, the mute,
The palsied and the lame,
The lepers in their misery,
The sick with fevered frame.**

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

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 “Amazing Grace” LSB #744 St. 1–3, & 5

- 1** Amazing grace—how sweet the sound— That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but now am found, Was blind but now I see!
- 2** The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures; He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.
- 3** Through many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come; His grace has brought me safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.
- 5** When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we'd first begun.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Congregational (Voters) Meeting: Voting members of the congregation are asked to please stay for the congregational meeting following our worship service today.

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

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 October 27 at Rigatony's, 1850 E Warner Rd, AZ 85284.

Fall Festival. Join us on October 31st for our first annual Fall Festival here at Beautiful Savior from 1-4pm in our Parking Lot and on the back field. We will have a Trunk-or-treat, Pumpkin Patch and Pumpkin Painting and Games. Volunteers are needed so talk to Pastor Tim or to Cyndi Calendar today.

All Saints Day Worship, Sunday Nov. 7th. As part of our celebration on All Saints Day, we as a congregation will specifically honor and remember all those who have passed away in the last two years by inviting family and friends to light a candle and place that candle in the Baptismal Font. In addition to remembering those who have passed since Nov. of 2019, we will also honor all the faithful who have gone before us with the reading of the names of saints from all times and places that have been submitted as the bell tolls for them. If you have a name that you would like to have remembered please let Pastor Tim or The Church Office know no later than Nov. 1st. and indicate when that loved one passed.

POSTLUDE

"Sing and Rejoice Greatly" -Lani Smith

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SERVING US AT WORSHIP TODAY:

Officiant Preacher:	Rev. Tim Anderson
Organist / Director:	Ellen Brown
Special Music:	The Beautiful Savior Singers
Lector:	Don Schumm
Greeters:	Kathy Held
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 10-17-21: Bible Study—13; Worship Service—45; 3 PM 60th Anniversary Celebration Circuit Reformation Service 74; 10-13-2021 New Midweek Bible Study—12.

Income report for 10-17-21: Loose Plate \$169; Weekly Envelopes \$3470; Designated Gifts \$90; Other \$; Total \$3729; 10-16-2021: Fish Fry \$2006.

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

October 24, Sunday

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM Music Rehearsal

10 AM The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost Worship

(Also, being streamed on Facebook online)

After worship: Quarterly Congregation Voters' Meeting

"Clergy Appreciation Day" (Card Shower)

October 25, Monday & October 27, Wednesday

9 AM-2 PM Pastor Tim Anderson in the office

9 AM GLORIA Worship Team Meeting

12:30 PM "Psalms & Sandwiches" at RigaTony's, 1850 E. Warner Rd., Tempe, AZ 85284

October 29, Friday

9-11AM Church & Offices cleaned

October 31, Sunday

10 AM The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

Prayer list: For continued recovery for **Charlotte Grefe, Maebell Beard, Glenn Brown, Doris Reith, Mary Mahr, Dale Ruettinger.** For strength, comfort & healing for those who have cancer and/or on cancer treatment **Tom Witcombe, Tim Jackson, Gerri Koski, Amina Kruck, Ruth, Paul, Alice & Pat Nielson.** For the family of **Bob Garrett,** member of Mountain View Church, who passed away.

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

October 31 "**Not How, but Who**" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. The story of David and Goliath is often treated as a how-to guide to overcoming obstacles, but Dr. Michael Zeigler says that misses the point. (1 Samuel 17:37)

**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.**