THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

60th Anniversary: "Praise – Love – Share"
BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH, TEMPE
October 3, 2021
10:00 a.m.



Divided House / United Home

AS WE GATHER

"A division is always a division, and it would never come about unless love has been driven out and hatred and indifference have taken its place." Thus writes the Russian theologian Nicolas Zernov. Like many Christians who mourn the fractured state of the Church, he was lamenting the painful humiliation we experience as a divided body of Christ. Zernov's words about division come to mind when we read our gospel reading from Mark 10. The topic of divorce is obviously a problem caused by (and itself causing) division. But the divide runs deeper, both in the Gospel text and in our lives today. And yet even with all that division, Christ welcomes all children, regardless of age, those often hurt the most by our human division into his loving and uniting arms.

PASTORAL WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: Loving Lord, You know our every weakness, every dark corner of our souls, every place of sadness and badness and brokenness and fear. You see the hidden hurts and the scars of years. You see our failings and our longings. Our sin. You see us as divided as we are. Divided relationships, divided families, divided congregations, political parties, divided people. And yet you welcome Children, and you encourage us to be like them. when we are the victims of a divided world, you bring your mercy and grace, when we are the perpetrators of division, you still bring us your mercy and grace as you forgive us of our sins. All these things you see and for every sin you died. For this we thank you and praise your glorious name. Amen.

OPENING HYMN "Children Of the Heavenly Father" **LSB #725**

- 1 Children of the heav'nly Father Safely in His bosom gather; Nestling bird nor star in heaven Such a refuge e'er was given.
- 2 God His own doth tend and nourish; In His holy courts they flourish. From all evil things He spares them; In His mighty arms He bears them.
- 3 Neither life nor death shall ever From the Lord His children sever; Unto them His grace He showeth, And their sorrows all He knoweth.
- 4 Though He giveth or He taketh, God His children ne'er forsaketh; His the loving purpose solely To preserve them pure and holy.

CONFESSION & 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 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. 127:3-5; antiphon: Ps. 127:1a

Unless the LORD builds the house,

those who build it labor in vain.

Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD,

the fruit of the womb a reward.

Like arrows in the hand of a warrior

are the children of one's youth.

Blessèd is the man who fills his quiver with them!

He shall not be put to shame when he speaks with his enemies in the gate.

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.

Unless the LORD builds the house,

those who build it labor in vain.

GLORIA PATRI (Sing)

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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) Page 186

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

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.

Stand

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

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- P The Lord be with you.
- C And with thy spirit.
- P Let us pray.

O Lord, let Your merciful ears be open to the prayers of Your humble servants and grant that what they ask may be in accord with Your gracious will; 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

Genesis 2:18-25

¹⁸Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." ¹⁹So out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. ²¹So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed

up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said,

"This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man."

²⁴Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. ²⁵And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Hebrews 2:1–13

¹Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. ²For since the message declared by angels proved to be reliable and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, ³how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard, ⁴while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

⁵Now it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. ⁶It has been testified somewhere,

"What is man, that you are mindful of him, or the son of man, that you care for him? ⁷You made him for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned him with glory and honor, ⁸putting everything in subjection under his feet."

Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. ⁹But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the

angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering. ¹¹For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one origin. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers, ¹²saying,

"I will tell of your name to my brothers; in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise."

¹³And again,

"I will put my trust in him."

And again,

"Behold, I and the children God has given me."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Alleluia" -Jerry Sinclair

ALLELUIA AND VERSE (Sing)
C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

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HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 10:2-16

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

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

²Pharisees came up and in order to test [Jesus] asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" ³He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" ⁴They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of divorce and to send her away." ⁵And Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote you this commandment.

⁶ But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' ⁷ 'Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, ⁸ and they shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two but one flesh. ⁹ What therefore God has joined together, let not man separate."

¹⁰And in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹And he said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her, ¹² and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

¹³And they were bringing children to him that he might touch them, and the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw it, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. ¹⁵ Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." ¹⁶And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on 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

"Our Father, by Whose Name" LSB #863

- 1 Our Father, by whose name All fatherhood is known, Who dost in love proclaim Each family Thine own, Bless Thou all parents, guarding well, With constant love as sentinel, The homes in which Thy people dwell.
- 2 O Christ, Thyself a child Within an earthly home, With heart still undefiled, Thou didst to manhood come; Our children bless in ev'ry place That they may all behold Thy face, And knowing Thee may grow in grace.
- 3 O Spirit, who dost bind Our hearts in unity, Who teachest us to find The love from self set free, In all our hearts such love increase That ev'ry home by this release May be the dwelling place of peace.

SERMON

We Are All Children of Divorce

Mark 10:2-16

VOLUNTARY

"Eternal Spirit of the Living Christ"

Stand

OFFERTORY (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

- 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; 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

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 Page 197

- 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)

Be seated

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"The Lamb" LSB #547

1 The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice? Faith sees, believes God will provide the Lamb of price! Refrain

Refrain

Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own! The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

- 2 The Lamb, the Lamb, One perfect final offering. The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing. Refrain
- 3 The Lamb, the Lamb, As wayward sheep their shepherd kill So still, His will On our behalf the Law to fill. Refrain
- 4 He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretchedness. He lives, forgives, He gives me His own righteousness. Refrain

5 He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now overflows. His song prolong Till ev'ry heart to Him belong. Refrain

"Jesus Name Above All Names" TOSB #115

- 1. Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, Lord, Emmanuel, God is with us, blessed Redeemer, living Word.
- 2. Jesus, loving shepherd Vine of the branches, Son of God Prince of Peace, Wonderful counselor Lord of the universe, Light of the world.
- 3. Jesus, Way of salvation, King of kings, Lord of Lords, the way the truth, and the Life, Mighty creator, my Savior and friend.

Stand

NUNC DIMITTIS

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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

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- 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.

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 Page 202

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

CLOSING

"Grace Alone" - Words & Music by Scott Brown & Jeff Nelson

1. Ev'ry promise we can make, ev'ry prayer and step of faith,

Ev'ry diff'rence we will make is only by His grace.

Ev'ry mountain we will climb, ev'ry ray of hope we shine,

Ev'ry blessing left behind is only by His grace.

Chorus: Grace alone which God supplies, strength unknown He will provide. Christ in us, our Cornerstone, we will go forth in grace alone.

2. Ev'ry soul we long to reach, ev'ry heart we hope to teach,

Ev'ry -where we share His peace is only by His grace.

Ev'ry loving word we say, ev'ry tear we wipe away,

Ev'ry sorrow turned to praise is only by His grace.

Chorus: Grace alone which God supplies, strength unknown He will provide. Christ in us, our Cornerstone, we will go forth in grace alone. We will go forth in grace alone.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

BSLC Fish Fry. Oct 16th from 5-7pm. Suggested Donation of \$20. RSVP today at BSLCFishFry@gmail.com. Tickets will also be available at the door.

"Beautiful Savior New Member Sunday." Are you interested in Joining Beautiful Savior and being a part of our Congregation as we reach our community with the Good News of Jesus? We are welcoming new members into our congregation on October 17th during our 10:00am service. If interested in joining please fill out a New Member Form located in the Narthex/Lobby. Any Questions, Pastor or an Elder can assist you.

60th Anniversary Celebration Service. **October 17th at 3:00pm.** Join us on October 17th as we host our **Circuit Reformation and Anniversary Service**, "From Wittenberg, to Tempe, to the World." as we celebrate over 60 years of ministry here at Beautiful Savior and in the East Valley. It will be a great day as we welcome back former pastors, involve musicians from our daughter congregations and hear the good news proclaimed.

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.

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 13, 12:30 p.m. at TBA.

POSTLUDE

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Acolyte: Joe Carlin

<u>Visitors</u>, 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. <u>Members</u> 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 9-26-21: Bible Study—9; Worship Service—33; New Midweek Bible Study—NA.

Income report for 9-26-21: Loose Plate \$145; Weekly Envelopes \$944; Designated Gifts \$254; Other \$; Total \$1343.

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR October 3, Sunday

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study

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

After worship in fellowship hall: August birthdays/anniversaries 11 AM Board of Christian Education

October 4, Monday - October 8, Friday

Pastor Tim Anderson, Out of office

October 8, Friday

11AM Church & Offices cleaned

October 10, Sunday

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study in Fellowship Hall

10 AM The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost Worship -Casual Service

Prayer list: Thanks for Hilda (friend of Bobbie Littou) that she was not hurt seriously in a car accident. Dale Ruettinger in the hospital & very ill. For recovery for Charlotte Grefe, Maebell Beard, Glenn Brown, Mary Mahr & Damion. For strength, comfort & healing for Paul (friend of Andrew Grant) who has cancer; also for, those on cancer treatment Tim Jackson, Gerri Koski, Amina Kruck, Ruth & Alice.

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

October 10 "Giving God Our Garbage" Guest Speaker: Dr. Harold Ristau. Everything belongs to God and there isn't anything anyone could possibly give Him that He doesn't already have. And yet, there is one thing He desires: our garbage—our sins, our shame, our guilt—that He might put it all on Jesus. (1 Samuel 2:1-10)

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.



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).

<u>Communicants, then, are rightfully prepared and "worthy" when</u> <u>they:</u>

- 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 <u>center</u> 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.