

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH, TEMPE

February 13, 2022

10:00 a.m.



Whoa to the Woe

AS WE GATHER

If you were to spend a day watching commercials, like you might during the Super Bowl this afternoon, you would glimpse what most people consider the “good life” to be. Whether it is laundry detergent or a sports car, the good life consists of riches, satisfaction, joy, and praise. In our Gospel Reading today, Jesus curses our cultural expectations. He says “woe” to those who are rich, satisfied, joyful, and praised. The good life of our world is not good for discipleship. In his sermon on the plain, Jesus teaches us how God works in a hidden way. God works in poverty not riches, hunger not satisfaction, weeping not joy, and rejection, not praise. With these words, Jesus curses and reverses our world’s way of living. He lives to stand by you in situations of suffering and bring about His promised blessing and shows us how God’s blessings have nothing to do with us, but they are for us. God promises to work in the places our world would say are God-forsaken. He reveals this to us by His death on a cross. Jesus enters into painful humiliation and bears God’s wrath so He might rise and create a humble and faithful body of believers. He comes and brings that grace to you as a BLESSING. Your sins are forgiven, and your life is His.

CASUAL SUNDAY

PRAISE MEDLEY

1 "We Come to Praise You" AGPS #254

1. Heavenly Father, we come to praise You, And to say thank You here in our song. For all the gifts You give through Your kindness, Showing Your love, forgiving our wrong.
2. Jesus our Savior, we love and follow, For all the blessings You died to share; Life and salvation we have forever, Trusting Your mercy, knowing Your care.
3. Comforting Spirit, move us to worship, Showing Christ's love in all that we do. Help us to serve our brothers and sisters, knowing the off'ring's given to You.

2 "Make a Joyful Noise" – The Hymnal #23

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth! Make a joyful noise unto the Lord! Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth! Make a joyful noise unto the Lord! Make a loud noise and rejoice! Sing praises! Make a joyful noise unto the Lord! Make a loud noise and rejoice! Sing praises! Make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

3 "Open the Eyes of My Heart" with music and words by Paul Baloche.

Chorus

**Open the eyes of my heart Lord Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You I want to see You**

Verse

**To see You high and lifted up Shining in the light of Your
glory Pour out Your power and love As we sing holy holy
holy**

Bridge

Holy holy holy

Holy holy holy Holy holy holy I want to see You

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PASTORAL WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: Compassionate God, we recognize that our world is a broken place, hurt by poverty, famine and disease. We admit that sometimes we make the world a broken place, tolerating prejudice, conflict and self-interest. We confess that our hearts also suffer with anger, resentment and jealousy. Renew us in Your love, O God, and heal us with the comfort of Your abundant love. Awaken us to the role we can play in healing Your creation. Strengthen us through the power of the Holy Spirit to hear Your word and move forward in faith. Amen.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

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

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

People: Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me!

People: O LORD, be my helper.

Pastor: Send out Your light and Your truth; let them lead me;

People: let them bring me to Your holy hill and to Your dwelling!

Pastor: The path of the righteous is like the light of dawn,

People: which shines brighter and brighter until full day. Come,

let us walk in the light of the LORD.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Let us now make confession of our sins. Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

Pastor: Assured of God's great mercy, let us confess together that we, by our darkened, sinful nature, are estranged from God, and by our thoughts, words, and deeds have sinned and deserve His condemnation now and eternally.

People: **Almighty God, we repent of our sins in thought and in word and in deed. Although we deserve Your just punishment, we ask for Your unmerited blessing. Be merciful to us and for the sake of Jesus grant us Your forgiveness so that, as Your redeemed people, we may be made bright by Your presence in our lives, joyfully serving You in time and through eternity.**

Pastor: 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.

People: **Amen.**

Be seated

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT *(Read responsively)*

Ps. 119:1–2, 4–5; antiphon: Ps. 119:7

I will praise you with an upright heart,

when I learn your just and righteous decrees.

Blessèd are those whose way is blameless,

who walk in the law of the LORD!

Blessèd are those who keep his testimonies,
who seek him with their whole heart,
You have commanded your precepts
to be kept diligently.

Oh that my ways may be steadfast
in keeping your statutes!

**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.**

I will praise you with an upright heart,
when I learn your just and righteous decrees.

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

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

Stand

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who
justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered
by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; 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 17:5–8

⁵Thus says the LORD:

“Cursed is the man who trusts in man and makes flesh his strength, whose heart turns away from the LORD.

⁶He is like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see any good come.

He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

⁷“Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD.

⁸He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

1 Corinthians 15:12–20

²Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁴And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. ¹⁵We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. ¹⁶For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁷And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. ¹⁹If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Blessed Be Your Name"-Matt Redman

VERSE

Alleluia. Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 6:17–26

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

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹⁷[Jesus] came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, ¹⁸who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. ¹⁹And all the crowd sought to touch him, for power came out from him and healed them all.

²⁰And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹“Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied.

“Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh.

²²“Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and revile you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man! ²³Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets.

²⁴“But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

²⁵“Woe to you who are full now, for you shall be hungry.

“Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep.

²⁶“Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets.

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.

Be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Blest are They” WOV #764

1 Blest are they, the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of God.
Blest are they, full of sorrow; they shall be consoled. Refrain

Refrain

Rejoice and be glad! Blessèd are you, holy are you.
Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God.

2 Blest are they, the lowly ones; they shall inherit the earth.
Blest are they who hunger and thirst; they shall have their fill.
Refrain

3 Blest are they who show mercy; mercy shall be theirs.
Blest are they, the pure of heart; they shall see God! Refrain

4 Blest are they who seek peace; they are the children of God.
Blest are they who suffer in faith; the glory of God is theirs.
Refrain

**5 Blest are you who suffer hate, all because of Me.
Rejoice and be glad, yours is the kingdom; shine for all to
see. Refrain**

SERMON

Blessings For You, Not From you.

Luke 6:17-26

VOLUNTARY

“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light” -Kathleen Thomerson

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Celebrating the presence of the Lord in our midst, we pray for an increase of the Word, asking that God’s messengers may continue to speak with power among us, bringing us the Good News of sins forgiven in Christ alone. Blessed Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.

Pastor: Plant us like trees by living waters, that we bear the fruit of the Spirit: love, joy, peace patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. By Your Spirit, direct our lives that we live as God’s holy people. Blessed Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.

Pastor: Grant that Your blessing of peace be experienced throughout the world and that we as Your peaceable people shine brighter with the light of Your love. Blessed Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.

People: In this time of prayer, we also make our petitions for the sick, the shut-in, and all who this day are in need of our intercession, . . . , that their prayers may be soon answered, and that they may be supported by God’s people with care

in the name of Christ. Blessed Lord, in Your mercy,
People: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.
Pastor: Grant that we be numbered among the blessed who bring aid to the poor, food to the hungry, comfort to the sorrowing, and hope to the despairing. Blessed Lord, in Your mercy,
People: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.
Pastor: With gratitude, we remember those sisters and brothers in Christ whose earthly journeys are finished and who now enjoy the promised Sabbath rest. Grant that we be guided in ways that honor their earthly lives as we anticipate the heavenly life that is to come. Blessed Lord, in Your mercy,
People: hear our prayer and grant our supplication.
Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
People: Amen.

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.**

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.

Be Seated

CLOSING HYMN

“10,000 Reasons” -Matt Redman

**Chorus: Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul;
Worship His holy name. Sing like never before, O my soul;
I'll worship your holy name.**

- 1. The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, it's time to sing
Your song again. Whatever may pass, and whatever lies
before me, let me be singing when the evening comes.
Chorus.**
- 2. You're rich in love and You're slow to anger. Your name is
great and Your heart is kind. For all Your goodness, I will
keep on singing; Ten Thousand Reasons for my heart to find.
Chorus.**
- 3. And on that day, when my strength is failing, the end draws
near, and my time has come; Still, my soul will sing Your
praise unending ten thousand years and then forevermore!
Chorus.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Sunday Bible Study: Sunday Bible Study on Philippians. Sundays
in February from 8:30-9:30am in the fellowship hall.**

**Hungry? The Trustees invite you for grilled hamburgers after
today's service.**

**New Member Class, "Being Beautiful Savior" begins this Sunday
after fellowship and will go for the next five weeks. Anyone
interested in Joining the congregation should talk to Pastor Tim.**

**Beautiful Savior's Women in Mission will meet in the Fellowship
Hall Saturday, February 19th at 10 AM. We will share devotions,
prayers, mission grant and convention news, and discuss 'What's
Your 80?', how to recognize the 80th anniversary of LWML. All**

Beautiful Savior women and friends are invited to attend.

Partnership Potluck: Sunday Feb. 27th at 2:00pm. Join us as we celebrate one year of working together as God's people here at Beautiful Savior and at Mountain View. Burgers and Hot Dogs will be provided, sign up in the Narthex to bring a side.

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 February 23, 2022, Yvonne's Café, , 1725 W. University Dr, Tempe AZ.

The Stewardship Committee invites you to join in to help the Justa Center during the month of February. You may give an offering any Sunday in February and after the month is over, we will take those offerings and buy for the Justa Center their most urgent needs. Just use your "Designated Funds" envelope and write, "Justa Center" on it and put it in the offering plate. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

POSTLUDE "Great and Mighty is He" -Todd Pettygrove

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Assisting Elder/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. Cell phone #480596-2256.

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 2-6-22 week Bible Study—7; Worship Service—37.

Income report for 2-6-22: Loose Plate \$70; Weekly Envelopes \$1553; Designated Gifts \$319; Other \$; Total \$1942.

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

February 13, Sunday

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM Music Rehearsal

10 AM The Sixth Sunday after Epiphany Worship – Casual Service

(Also, being streamed on Facebook online)

February 14, Monday

9 AM – 2 PM Pastor Tim Anderson in the office

February 16, Wednesday

9 AM – 2 PM Pastor Tim Anderson in the office

February 18, Friday

After noon the Church & Offices cleaned

February 20, Sunday

10 AM The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany w/Holy Communion

Prayer list: Strength & comfort for **Joe Schutkowski** in the hospital with brain bleed, also for his family. Continued recovery for all who have medical issues: **Wendy Sievers, Julia Teuscher, Bill McShee, Dorothy McShee, Bev Dase, Maebell Beard, Glenn Brown, Mary Mahr, Jim Schutkowski & Tom Hughes.** For comfort and peace for **Doris Reith and Len Lacy** in memory care facilities and also for cancer patients, **Jim Schutkowski, Tim Jackson, Amina Kruck and Gerri Koski.** Be with those coping with COVID – **Dorothy, Suzanne, Len Lacy** and Charlotte's **daughter and two grandchildren.** For the **family of Pat,** Donna Evans' sister-in-law, who passed away. Thanksgiving for **Doug Bergman's** successful surgery & give him patience to follow his doctor's orders.

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 - KFAX RADIO (1100) @ 10 AM:

February 20 "**Like Riding a Bike**" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler.
Law and Gospel are the two reins of Jesus' teaching that express His care for who we are now and His conviction about the people we will become.
(Luke 6: 20-49)