

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Tempe

April 24, 2022

10:00 a.m.



See. Touch. Believe. Confess

AS WE GATHER

Thomas had missed out. He wasn't there with the other disciples when the risen Jesus appeared that first Easter night to show them His hands and side. Thomas was absent when Jesus breathed on them with His Spirit and sent them out to proclaim His forgiveness. It's no wonder then that when Thomas heard about this encounter, he wanted to see Jesus for himself. "Unless I see, . . . I will never believe," he said (John 20:25). One week after Christ's resurrection, Thomas had his opportunity. He saw. He touched. He believed. He confessed: "My Lord and my God!" (John 20:28). Today is your opportunity—don't miss out! Our risen Jesus is here with His Spirit and in His body and blood. We see. We touch. We believe. We confess. As we gather in His presence for worship today, may He fill us with great joy as we continue to celebrate His resurrection victory and confess Him as our Lord and God!

CASUAL SUNDAY

PRAISE MEDLEY

1. "Morning Has Broken" -Text: Eleanor Farjeon. Music: Trad. Gaelic Melody

1. **Morning has broken like the first morning; Blackbird has spoken like the first bird. Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!**
2. **Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven, Like the first dewfall on the first grass. Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden, Sprung in completeness where his feet pass.**
3. **Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning Born of the one light Eden saw play! Praise with elation, praise every morning, God's recreation of the new day.**

2 "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" -Words & Music by Rick Founds

1. **Lord, I lift Your name on high; Lord, I love to sing Your praises. I'm so glad You're in my life; I'm so glad You came to save us.**

CHORUS: You came from heaven to earth to show the way.

From the earth to the cross my debt to pay;

From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;

Lord, I lift Your name on high.

3 "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee" TOSB #118, St. 1 & 4
Text: Henry Van Dyke Tune: L.van Beethoven

1. **Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Hail Thee as the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the dark of doubt away; Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day!**
2. **Thou are giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest,**

**Well-spring of the joy of living, Ocean-depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother, All who live in love are
Thine; Teach us how to love each other, Lift us to the Joy Divine.**

4 "Thy Word Is a Lamp" AGPS #247, St. 1 & 2 -Words & Music by
Michael Smith & Amy Grant

**Refrain: Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my
path.**

1. When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way, still You're right beside me. And nothing will I fear as long as You are near. Please be near me to the end. **Refrain.**
2. I will not forget Your love for me, and yet My heart forever is wandering. Jesus, be my guide, and hold me to Your side; And I will love You to the end. **Refrain.**

PASTORAL WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: In spite of our doubts, may we recognize you in our midst:
Our resurrected Lord. In spite of our doubts, may we know you
when we come face to face with the love that is greater than all
deaths. In spite of our doubts, may we reach out to touch the
wounds of not just your hands and side, but of the world as we
surround the world's pain with your grace and love. In spite of
our doubts, would you again breath your spirit upon us, and
anoint us to be agents of your forgiveness, your grace, and your
peace. Amen.

INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

EASTER ACCLAMATION

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

People: I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

Pastor: Taking refuge in the mercy of the Lord, let us come before Him in prayer.

A moment of silence to reflect on God's Word and to examine our hearts before Him.

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father,

People: We confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. By the things we have done and by what we have failed to do, we have not honored You as we ought, nor have we served others in love. We deserve to be cast from Your presence forever. Yet in Your great mercy, You sent Your Son to die and rise again for us. Help us to know the power of His resurrection and to share in the joy that His forgiveness brings. Enable us to receive Your mercy and be renewed by Your Spirit that we may honor You as the Lord and God in whom we place our trust. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, hears our prayers and answers them for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ. By faith, we stand at His cross and empty tomb. We find our refuge and sing for joy in the shadow of His wings. 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.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

† WORD †

INTROIT *Spoken responsively* Ps. 105:1–5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2–3

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—

if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;

make known his deeds among the peoples!

Sing to him, sing praises to him;

tell of all his wondrous works!

Glory in his holy name;

let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

Seek the LORD and his strength;

seek his presence continually!

Remember the wondrous works that he has done,

his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,

He remembers his covenant forever,

the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations,

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.

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—

if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Gloria Patri

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; s 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.**

SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Pastor: Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

FIRST READING

Acts 5:12–20

¹²Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. ¹³None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high esteem. ¹⁴And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, ¹⁵so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. ¹⁶The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed.

¹⁷But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy ¹⁸they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. ¹⁹But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, ²⁰"Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Revelation 1:4–18

⁴John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and

from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood⁶ and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

⁸“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

⁹I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. ¹⁰I was in the Spirit on the Lord’s day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet ¹¹saying, “Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea.”

¹²Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. ¹⁴The hairs of his head were white like wool, as white as snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, ¹⁵his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. ¹⁶In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.

¹⁷When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, “Fear not, I am the first and the last, ¹⁸and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“You Are My All in All” - Debby & Doug Bergman

VERSE

Pastor: Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;

People: death no longer has dominion over Him. Alleluia.

Pastor: Blessed are those who have not seen

People: and yet have believed. Alleluia.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION – Gideons International

HOLY GOSPEL

John 20:19–31

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

¹⁹On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” ²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” ²²And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld.”

²⁴Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.”

²⁶Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.” ²⁸Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” ²⁹Jesus said to him, “Have you believed

because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

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.

HYMN OF THE DAY "There Is A Redeemer" TOSB 2, #216, St. 1-3.
- Words & Tune by Melody Green

1. There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God’s own Son. Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Ho-ly One.

**Chorus: Thank You, O my Father, for giving us Your Son;
And leaving Your Spirit ‘til the work on earth is done.**

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

3. When I stand in glory I will see His face, There I’ll serve my King forever, in that holy place. **Chorus.**

SERMON Fear, Peace, and a Terrifying Sentence *“John 20:19-31”*

VOLUNTARY “Shout For Joy, Loud and Long”

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.
Gracious God, You are exalted over all things in heaven and on earth. In Your mercy, You shower us with blessings of both body and soul as You care for Your creation. Enable us to see Your hands at work in our midst that, together with all those who share in the power of Your Son’s resurrection, we always say of You:

People: **You alone are Lord and God!**

Pastor: Giver of life, You renew our souls through the power of Your Holy Spirit as we dwell in the shadow of Your wings. As we continue to celebrate the joy of our Savior’s Easter victory, grant that Your Church on earth always speaks Your Word with boldness and confidence, that like the first eyewitnesses of Christ’s resurrection, we share with all people:

People: **You alone are Lord and God!**

Pastor: You govern all nations with Your mighty and merciful hand, O Lord. Show forth Your favor to the land in which we live, raising up men and women who will serve as godly leaders among us; blessing those who make, administer, and judge our laws; protecting all those who serve in harm’s way for the benefit of others; and helping us always to know and believe:

People: **You alone are Lord and God!**

Pastor: In Your Son’s earthly ministry, people brought to Him all those who were sick and suffering that He might touch and heal them. This ministry of healing continued through His disciples in the earliest church. Even now, we know that Jesus heals, renews, and restores through the Means of Grace He has

provided for our benefit. Place Your healing hand upon those for in need,. . . In the shadow of Your healing presence, we boldly confess:

People: You alone are Lord and God!

Pastor: We bring all these prayers before You, gracious Father, in the name of Him who is risen from the dead and reigns with You forever as our Lord and God: Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER *(Sung)*

“ Hallowed Be Thy Name ” – Trad. West Indian Melody (TOSB #57)

- 1. Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done; Hallowed be Thy name.**
- 2. As in heaven, so on the earth, Hallowed be Thy name.
Give us this day our daily bread. Hallowed be Thy name.**
- 3. And forgive us all our debts; Hallowed be Thy name.
Just as we forgive our debtors, Hallowed be Thy name.**
- 4. Lead us not into temptation; Hallowed be Thy name.
But deliver us from e-vil, Hallowed be Thy name.**
- 5. Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory; Hallowed be
Thy name. Forever and forevermore. Hallowed be Thy name.**
- 6. A-men, it shall be so, Hallowed be Thy name. A-men, it shall
be so, Hallowed be Thy name. Hallowed be Thy name.**

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.

CLOSING HYMN "I Am the Resurrection" - Words & Music by Ray Repp/Arr. Norb Malenk

Refrain: I am the Resurrection and the Life, All who believe in Me will never die. My name is Christ Jesus, I am the Life; All who believe in Me will live a new life.

1. I have come to bring the truth; I have come to bring you life. If you believe, then you shall live. **Refrain.**
2. In my Word all men will come to know; Here is love that makes the spirit grow. If you believe, then you shall live. **Refrain.**
3. Keep in mind the things that I have said; Remember Me in the breaking of the bread. If you believe, then you shall live. **Refrain.**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sunday Bible Study: Bible Study on the Parables meets each Sunday at 8:30-9:30am in the fellowship hall.

Partnership Day at the Ballpark: April 24th at 1:10pm. Join us for a fun way to end the month of April with a Baseball game between Pastor Tim's New York Mets and our Arizona Diamondbacks. We will meet here at church at 12:15 to carpool to Chase Field. We have 30 tickets available for \$25 per person. Please RSVP with Pastor Tim today.

Church Members and others who wish to "give electronically" can now do so by going to: easytithe.com/BSLCTempe.

POSTLUDE

"All Heaven Declares" by Noel & Trisha Richards

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SERVING US AT WORSHIP TODAY:

Officiant Preacher:	Rev. Tim Anderson
Pianist/Director:	Ellen Brown
Song Leader/Banjo:	Debby Bergman
	Doug Bergman, Doug on Bass Guitar
	Christy Arnold, Guitar
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 p 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 #480-536-2256.

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 4-17-22 Bible Study—NA; Worship Service 8 AM—41, 10AM—77. 4-14 Maundy Thursday—43; 4-15 Good Friday—54; Easter

Vigil—13.

Income report for 4-17-22: Loose Plate \$324; Weekly Envelopes \$3410; Designated Gifts \$1300; Other \$44.85; Total \$5078.85. Holy Week—Total \$1387.

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

April 24, Sunday

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM & 9:40 AM Music Rehearsal

10 AM The Second Sunday of Easter & Gideon Representative

11:30 AM Congregation Quarterly Voters' Meeting

April 25, Monday

9 AM – 2 AM Pastor Tim Anderson in the office

April 27, Wednesday

9 AM – 2 AM Pastor Tim Anderson in the office

April 29, Friday

9 AM-11 PM the Church & Offices cleaned

May 1, Sunday

10 AM Third Sunday of Easter w/Holy Communion

Prayer list: Continued recovery for all who have medical issues: **Gary**, friend of Joe & Pat Carlin, recovering after a heart attack, **Gerri Davies** recovering from a fall, **Tom Hughes, Michael & Janice, Wendy Sievers, Julia Teuscher, Dorothy McShee, John McShee, Bev Dase, Maebell Beard, Glenn Brown, Mary Mahr, Irvin Walnick, Rhett's, Gloria & Paula.** For comfort and peace **for Doris Reith and Len Lacy** in memory care facilities and also for cancer patients, **Jim Schutkowski, Tom Hughes, Amina Kruck, Tim Jackson, Brenda, and Gerri Koski.** Praying for a full recovery, for Don & Phyllis' brother-in-law, **Larry Moss.**

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:

May 1 "Three C's of Christian Witness" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Competence, Conversation, and Caring-the three C's of Christian witness. (Daniel 3:28)