



May 2022

Beautiful
Savior
Lutheran
Church
Newsletter

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or check us out on the WEB: www.beautifulsaviortempe.org

To view our services and Pastor Tim's daily bible study go to
facebook.com/beautifulsaviorlutheranChurchTempe/videos
Mail or in person at: 1337 W. 11th St., Tempe, AZ 85281
Church offices are open Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Average attendance for the month of April: 65 in the Sunday church service; 8 in Adult Bible Study.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sunday Bible Study: Join us on Sunday mornings at 8:30am for our bible study on the Parables of Jesus.

May 1st, Fellowship hour (recognizing of Anniversaries & Birthdays for the month).

New Member Class: Starting May 15th after church, we will gather each Sunday after church for 5 weeks to learn about the history of Beautiful Savior, an overview of Christian teachings, as well as opportunities to serve here at church. Join us starting on May 15th.

Psalms and Sandwiches Midweek Bible Study: Join us on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 12:30pm for Psalms and Sandwiches, as we go through the book of Psalms and meet for lunch. We will meet on May 11th. Please give Pastor suggestions this week on where to meet and we will announce it in next week's Bulletin.

Vacation Bible School: Join us the week of July 25th-July 29th for our Monumental 2022 Vacation Bible School where we will "Celebrate God's greatness." We will gather Monday through Friday evening that week from 5-

8pm. Sign up to volunteer today in the fellowship hall. Kid registration will open on May 15th.

Digging Deeper in the Confessions "What We Believe." Starting this June, talk to Pastor if interested in this course through the confessions and teachings of the Lutheran Church.

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

OTHER INFO: SOLA FAITH: Website: <https://solaministries.org/> Thank you again for being the Hands and Feet of Christ on Arizona State University campuses!

BSLC Newsletter

Hymn of the Month, May 2022,
By Ellen Brown, Dir. of Music

**Our Hymn of the Month for May, 2022, is titled
"Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks" with music and words by Donald Fishel.**

Our hymn-of-the-month for May, 2022, is very popular as an Easter hymn, even though it was originally penned as a Baptism hymn. The stanzas proclaim the new life we have in the Risen Christ. It was written by Donald Fishel, an American flutist, composer, music-editor and computer programmer. It is the first hymn which he wrote, "rather spontaneously" he says, in about an hour in the summer of 1971 in a house on Church Street in Ann Arbor, Michigan, where Donald was serving as a music leader in the Roman Catholic charismatic "Word of God Community." Eventually, it's popularity led to it being published in 54 hymnals, including Episcopal, Lutheran, Methodist, and Catholic denominations, with some groups regarding it as a "hymn" and others as a "praise and worship song."

The lyrics to this song are set to the tune CHURCH STREET (also known as ALLELUIA NO.1). It is in the Key of E major, in $\frac{3}{4}$ time. Featuring a 2-line Chorus which opens the song, 5 sets of 2-line verses follow, with the Chorus sung between each verse. [Although the tune is Public Domain, the text is under copyright, available for purchase and download from OCP.] The form is ABA, Line A is the "antiphon" Refrain. In performance, the Refrain is sung in harmony, and the verses in unison. A descant is also available, with optional light accompaniment provided by organ, piano, guitar, and/ or flute. The text is based on scriptures: Romans 4:25, 1 Cor.15, and Gal.2:20.

About the Composer:

Donald Fishel is an American flutist and songwriter. He was born in 1950 in Ann Arbor, Michigan. He was awarded the Bachelor's Degree in Instrumental Music Education from the University of Michigan in 1972 and a degree in Computer Science from Eastern Michigan University in 1983. After serving the Word of God Community as music leader, he was subsequently publications editor of *Servant Music* (1973-1981). In 1981, he quit leading and composing music for 12 years,

working as a computer programmer and playing flute with the Ann Arbor Civic Band from 2001-2006. In 2008, he moved to Nashville, Tennessee, where he enjoys spending time with his beloved dog “Tommy”, a Havanese, on his lap; and where he teaches all levels of flute students, and has begun writing music once again. You may also be familiar another of his songs: “The Light of Christ.”

You can hear “Alleuia, Alleluia, Give Thanks” on youtube at”

<https://youtu.be/DyPYJtxu8cE>

Words & Music by Donald Fishel ©1973 International Liturgy Publications.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE April 2022 COUNCIL AND VOTERS MEETING

The regular Council meeting was held April 20th and the Quarterly Voters meeting was held April 24th. Highlights of that meeting are:

- Pastor Tim thanked everyone involved with all of the Holy Week and Easter events.
- The Easter Egg Hunt was a huge success
- Pastor will be at Mountain View on Sunday May 8 for confirmation, Vicar Noah Strand (Christ Greenfield) will be filling in at BSLC
- Pastor will be taking vacation June 6 – 15th so will need coverage for one Sunday
- Pastor will be working with Christian Ed to hold a VBS last week in July; the set work is being provided
- Pastor wants to start meeting with the different boards, committees, etc
- Easter services were very well attended; we had 41 at the early service and 77 at the 10 am service
- The LCMS District Convention will be held in June; BSLC has budgeted for the costs associated with this convention for Pastor to attend.
- March ended with a negative balance of \$3,986.
- Expenses were under budget by \$800 but income was also under budget \$4,794
- The primary reason for the deficit was payment in April of our insurance policies for the year
- Jim Timm provided the income report for the first quarter (\$49,322 in all categories)
- Stewardship met with Cameron of Gilliland Schools and he indicated that socks and shoes were their real need; waiting for a return call from him to set up the shopping
- Holdeman Elementary reported the eyeglasses program working very well
- Since there is an abundance of funds to use for the schools this year, we decided to expand our operation; we have an appointment to meet with Scales School principal on May 16th
- Have 3 new elders coming on board in June; will meet, assign duties, and get organized; will contact Mountain View elders to see if we can set up a meeting
- Trustees reported 146 volunteer hours were contributed by members
- La Mesa “trial run” went very well; they begin weekly meals and worship April 28
- LWML District Convention is June 3 to 5 at Embassy Suites, Tempe. The Convention’s opening worship service will be held on Friday June 3, at 7:30 pm; this is a communion service; the proclaimer will be Rev. Michael Gibson, the Pacific SW District President of the LCMS

- Voters approved Stewardship’s recommendation to change the collection schedule for Justa Center to 2 times per year and 2 times per year for Tempe Community Action Agency
- Voters approved Trustee recommendation to put lights and fans in patio area with Rejuvenation funds, not to exceed \$3,000.
- Election of Officers and Board Members was done with a unanimous ballot

If you are interested in receiving the Council meeting information, please contact Sandra Wardwell at 480-334-4176 or s.wardwell@asu.edu

BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH
Elected Officer & Board Members
Terms run from 1 June - 31 May ending in the year indicated

OFFICE

President
 Vice President
 Secretary
 Financial Secretary
 Treasurer

MEMBER

Cyndi Calender (2023)
 Phyllis Schinke (2024)
 Sandra Wardwell (2023)
 Jim Timm (2024)
 Don Schumm (2024)

BOARD

Christian Education

Natalia Goschie (2024)
 Darlene Haynes (2024)
 Gladys Meyer (2023)
 Phyllis Schinke (2023)

Elders

Don Calender (2024)
 Charles Haynes (2023)
 Skip McFadden (2024)
 Wendell Robson (2023)

Finance

Jim Timm (2024)
 Joe Carlin (2023)
 Don Schumm (2024)
 Sandra Wardwell (2024)

Stewardship

Charlotte Grefe (2023)
 Bobbie Littou (2023)
 Dorothy McShee (2024)
 Wendy Sievers (2024)

Trustees

Don Calender (2023)
 Joe Carlin (2024)
 Pat Carlin (2024)
 Skip McFadden (2024)
 Dorothy McShee (2023)
 Don Schinke (2023)
 Phyllis Schinke (2023)
 Don Schumm (2023)

() Term expires

CARE TEAM

The Care Team is going to “regroup” however if you have a request for cards to be sent, we will still send them out. We are hoping to be back in a couple months.

If you would like to join our Care Team or if you know of any BSLC member you feel should be contacted please either contact one of the Care Team members or let Pastor Tim or Marsha know.

At this time the members of the Care Team are Cyndi Calender, Pat Carlin, Gladys Meyer, and Phyllis Schinke

BSLC/LWML PRAYER CHAIN:

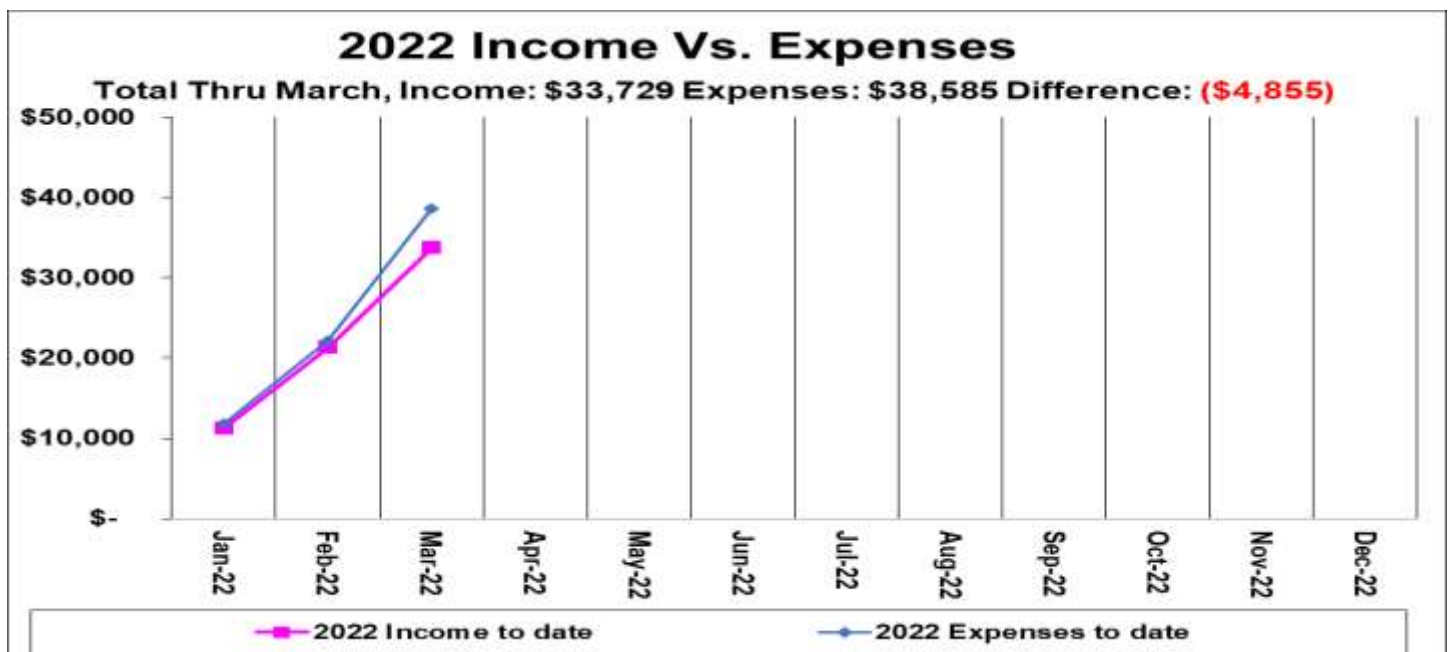
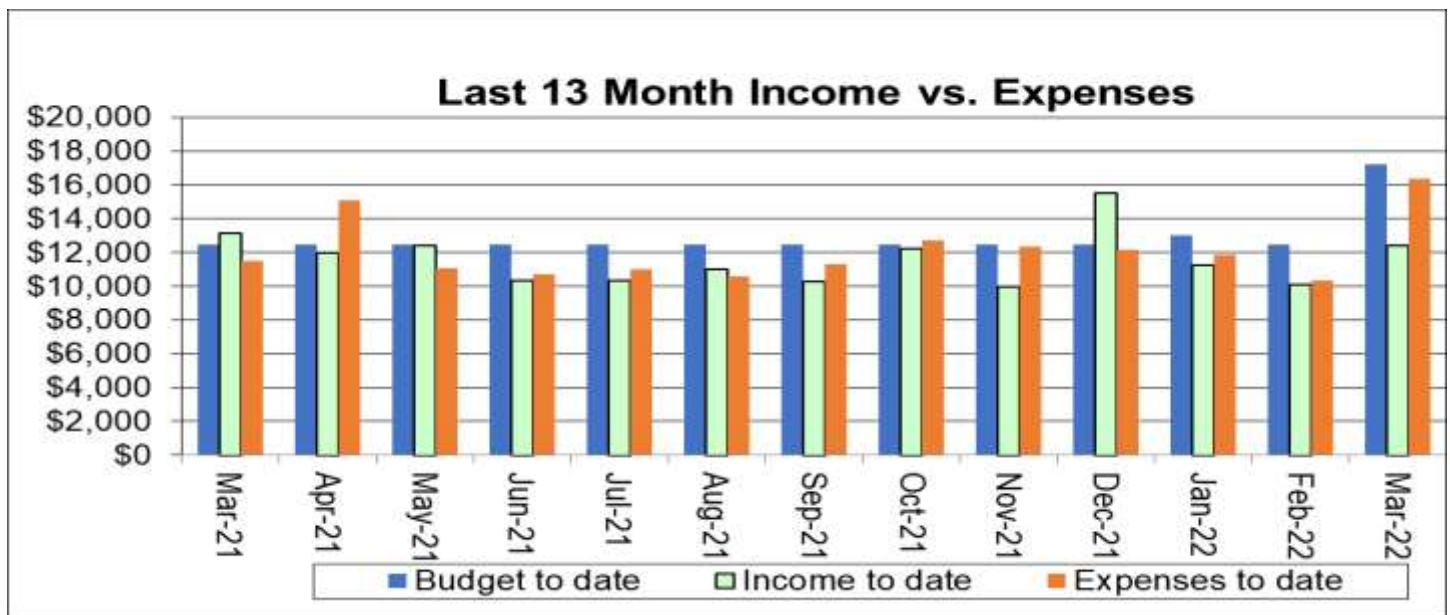
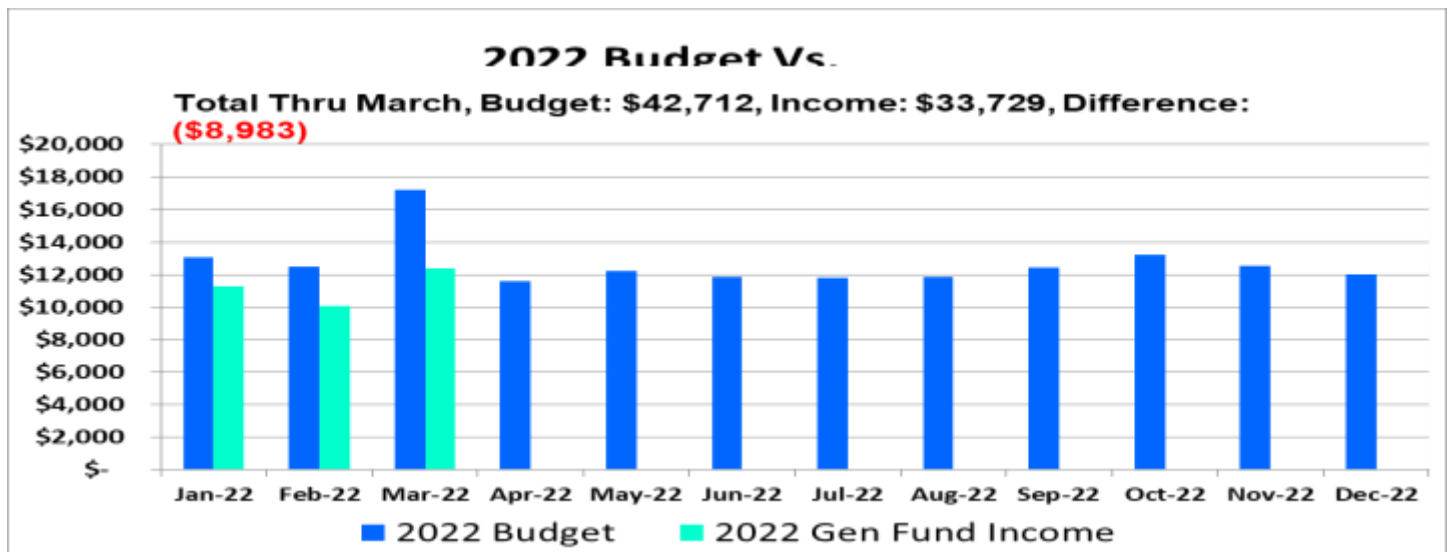
Thank You to all members of Beautiful Savior Lutheran/LWML Prayer Chain who have so faithfully responded to all the Prayer Requests. Prayer is powerful and God loves to hear from all of us.

Our Prayer Chain consists of both men and women. Just like God’s mansions have room and will welcome all believers, so the Prayer Chain has room and welcomes all who would pray for those who want us to pray for/with them. To **become a member** of the Prayer Chain, or to **request a prayer** by the Prayer Chain, call or e-mail Gladys Meyer: 480-258-0889 or 480 897-2236 or e-mail geneqlad@g.com. OR email office@beautifulsaviortempe.org Prayer requests are submitted to the members of the Prayer Chain by e-mail unless a telephone call is preferred. When offering to be a member of the Prayer Chain, please make known your preference—receive Prayer Requests by e-mail or by telephone?

Thank you to all members of BSLC for your support of the Prayer Chain.

Gladys Meyer

BOARD OF FINANCE:



NEWS FROM BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR'S WOMEN IN MISSION

Lutheran Women's Missionary League

As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.

We completed the Gospel Easter basket project for the International Students in Sharon's program at ASU. Twelve people provided 20 hours of their time to purchase baskets, supplies and assemble everything. The project was funded with a \$250 Thrivent Action Team card and donations from Beautiful Savior members. Debby Bergman coordinated this project. Please see her report in this newsletter!

The Beautiful Savior LWML is involved in the LWML District Convention by assembling and distributing the packets given to each registered attendee. We are scheduling two sessions to prepare these packets. Please see the separate announcement elsewhere in this newsletter.

The District Convention is June 3-5, 2022 at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Tempe (Rural and the 60). Everyone is invited to the Convention's opening worship service, Friday, June 3, 7:30 PM. This is a communion service and the proclaimer is Rev. Michael Gibson, the Pacific SW District President of the LCMS.

The spring Quarterly is available in the narthex, next to the mite boxes. Grace Timm also arranged for large print copies for easier reading. Please take a Quarterly, read, and return so others can read it. Thank you!!

Please contact Sandra Wardwell, s.wardwell@asu.edu or 480-334-4176 for more information about LWML and the convention!

THANK YOU to ALL who helped with the **LWML Gospel Easter Baskets** project! We had eight people help prepare the baskets on Tuesday and another eight people help fill the baskets on Friday. Thank you to Charlotte Grefe, Grace Timm, Barbara Voelker, Pat & Joe Carlin, Gladys Meyer, Janice Safford and sister Barbara, Bobbie Littou, Ellen Brown and



Sandra Wardwell. Sharon Owens and her daughter Joanna picked up the 50 Gospel Easter baskets on Maundy Thursday to hand out to the International students that evening. Thanks for Thrivent Action Team and your monetary donations and basket donations, we covered all the expenses needed to purchase the items. This is an important outreach of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League to the Campus Mission Coalition. We are proud to support Sharon Owens and her ministry to the International Students at ASU.

In His Service, Debby Bergman

LWML will meet **Tuesday, May 10 at 12:30 p.m.** to prepare items for the District Convention to be included in the Registration packets. Items will need to be removed from packaging and inserted into mini bags as well as Thrivent folders prepared with notepads and pens.

On **Saturday, May 14** we will meet at **10:00 a.m.** for the “Stuffing” Party. There are many, many folders, pamphlets, etc. to be put together for the District Convention which will be held June 3-5. Please join us at one or both scheduled times!

The Convention will be held at the EMBASSY SUITES, 4400 S. Rural Rd, Tempe.

All are invited to the opening Communion Worship Service Friday, June 3 at 7:30 p.m.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

The Stewardship committee met on Sunday morning, April 11th with 3 of the 4 members in attendance.

We provided snacks for the Holdeman School's staff's break room during the last week in April for Teacher's Appreciation Day. The eyeglass project is going well there and they have provided eyeglasses for 4 students so far buying them one pair that is left at school at dismissal time and one pair that they can keep at home. We have tabled till the beginning of the next school term the assembly after which we will provide ice cream sandwiches for the kids. We will do this at the time the principal meets with the students, one grade level at a time, as he lays the ground rules for behavior and values.

We have been contacted by Gililand School to see if we can participate in their Award Assembly for the graduating 8th graders. We have said we will do so on a greater scale than last year. They are predicting that 20 kids will have a 4.0 grade average so we will present a \$25 gift card from Walmart to each student including a personalized card stating that the award is presented to them by BSLC. We will also give out 4 awards of the same gift card amount for students who exhibit kindness to fellow students. We are waiting for them to get back to us on shopping with us for the shoes they need.



TREASURED!
39TH BIENNIAL CONVENTION

JUNE 3-5, 2022
TEMPE, ARIZONA

EMBASSY SUITES (4400 S. RURAL RD. TEMPE, AZ 85282)

Come and be reminded that you are a treasure to our Lord — a pearl of great value!

Come and feel His love for you and be encouraged to take His love out into the world. Worship our Lord, laugh with LWML sisters, vote on new officers and mission grants, enjoy great food, sing praises to our Lord, and have some fun!

Lily has 2 students who need eyeglasses and asked us if we could help which we consented to do. The month of May will be when we collect for the Tempe Community Action Agency. We Have not heard back yet from a spokesman for the Marcos de Niza McKinney-Vento program to see if they need assistance.

We will have a meeting with the Scales School principal on Monday, May 16th to see if/how we can help them get the next school year off to a good start.

Bobbie, Dorothy, Wendy, and Charlotte

From Pastor Anderson:

The Witness of Women

By Pastor Tim Anderson

The little, the least, the lost, the lonely, the broken, the afraid, the beat down, the outcast, the poor, the sick, and well... the female. The female, the woman, the least likely voice to be heard in a male dominate society women and children were treated as little more than property, so much so that the 9th and 10th commandments reflect one another as they talk about well not coveting someone else's family, i.e., their women and children, and not coveting someone else's stuff. The truth of the 1st century is that a woman voice was not respected, not valued not heard, and yet the truth of the 1st century for the church is that without the voices and faith of women, well... most men would not have known a thing. Without the women and their love for the Lord and their love of God, well... who knows.



Think about the story of Jesus and where it starts. It starts with a young woman, betrothed to a man, a carpenter, and she finds out she's pregnant. Joseph wants to divorce her privately, and not put her to shame, which means that he doesn't want her to face the shame of a society that would shame her and kill her for marital infidelity. I mean even Joseph has a hard time believing, "Hey honey, I'm pregnant, it's not yours, but don't worry the father is God." Joseph had every right to be concerned, and even afraid for his betrothed. More, than that he had every reason to doubt her, and to shame her. Here we have this moment where the world stops and wonders if the word of a woman will be believed, and the answer comes when the message is confirmed by the divine. By God sending an Angel to tell Joseph, "Hey buddy, yeah, she's pregnant. She is telling you the truth. You shall call the boy's name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."

As this boy grows, he interacts with all kinds of humans, and all kinds of Women. Widows, adulterers, extroverts, introverts, those needing healing, and those needing hope. And even though we focus on the men he calls to follow, it's the women who time and again show us what genuine faith and hope look like. As the men struggle to grasp who this Jesus is and what he is going to do, women anoint him with oil, they sit and listen to him, they come to him for healing and they follow him as he changes their lives. Through the events of Holy Week, it is the women who show up at the cross, and it is the women who go to the tomb, to say goodbye to their dear friend and to show him the proper respect this man whom they love deserves.



What they see and what they hear is again the messengers of God announcing to women, to the least in this male dominated society the Good News that Jesus is alive. And in that moment, they run and tell the disciples. As they find the disciples, hiding by the way, they aren't believed. The men think they're nuts, that they are telling an idle tale. The disciples don't believe the women, don't believe that what they are sharing is possible. Even though Peter and John go to the tomb, this message will once again need to be verified by the divine. And so, Jesus shows up, he tells the

doubters and the deniers, put your fingers in my side, stop doubting and believe. He tells us that blessed are those who have not seen and have believed. Wait, most of the women did not see him and yet believed. They proclaimed the resurrection, even if only Mary Magdalene would later see him that day.

I guess what I am saying is that this month, as we celebrate moms and really all women who show us love and concern and compassion, let's not forget the love of these women for their lord and for their brothers and sisters in Christ. For their community around them that was centered in Jesus and afraid of what was next. Even though they weren't fully believed they continued to confess that Jesus was lord.



This month, as we remember and give thanks for the women in our lives, the mothers who raised us, the grandmothers who were always there, the sisters and cousins, the daughters and nieces who show forth God's love in their actions and have even conveyed God's love to us in word and deed, let's not forget that we still live in a world where many will doubt the testimony that Jesus



is alive. Heck, our own children and grandchildren may look at Mothers, Aunts, Grandmothers, and even us men in the church and think, their words are just idle tales. Well, I guess that puts us in good company. All we can do is continue to proclaim and love the people God has placed in our path. All we can do is proclaim what we have seen and heard through this season of easter, that Jesus is alive. That Jesus has made a way for us to spend eternity

with a God who creates us, loves us and prepares a place for us. When that message is received with a look that conveys that our loved ones think we are a bunch of idle idiots, well... we continue to proclaim and we continue to shape lives, even our lives, in Christ.

Because God will verify our faith, one day all eyes will see him, even those who pierced him. One day God will take the seeds that have been planted and we will all see that the faith of woman is true. The faith of those women who have taken the time to tell us about Jesus, from moms to grandmas to aunts, to teachers and Sunday school teachers and so many more. That they knew what they were talking about. So do we, male or female, it doesn't matter. We know Jesus, and we know that he continues even now to show us his love in those we value most, as well as those who are still the little, the least, the lonely, the lost, and the last. As we do, let's give thanks, believe and share... and remember and give thanks for those who believed and told us about Jesus. Starting with the women. Amen.