

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Tempe

May 22, 2022

10:00 a.m.



The Day Has Come to Pray to the Father

AS WE GATHER

“In that day,” Jesus told the disciples in the Upper Room, “whatever you ask of the Father in My name, He will give it to you.” They could not understand, hearing Him before Easter and Pentecost. But we know now that the day has arrived, thanks to His death and resurrection, when our heavenly Father’s ears are open to our every prayer. In this our day, we can anticipate by faith seeing Him and Jesus, the Lamb, in the perfect Jerusalem, as John writes in the reading from Revelation. Hearing the good news, Lydia, in the Reading from Acts, asked if the disciples deemed her worthy for Baptism. Indeed, with the gift of faith by the Holy Spirit, Christ’s worthiness and her sins had been exchanged on the cross. She provided a home for Paul and Luke, and God had an eternal Jerusalem awaiting her entry. What Easter joy!

PRELUDE

“Oh What Their Joy” -Setting by David Cherwien

PASTORAL WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: Living God, Maker of heaven and earth, we come into your presence and we know ourselves to be recipients of great and wonderful gifts — the earth, the sky, the waters — given to us here in such abundance and beauty. We lead enormously privileged lives. Don't let our comfort blind us to the newness you are making in our midst — a newness that is taking us in directions we would not choose on our own; a newness that moves our safe horizons out beyond what we can control. This much does not change: You are our God; we are your people, bound to you by the love of Jesus Christ and by the call of your Holy Spirit. Faithful God, hold us deep in that truth even as you move us into your new creation. Creating and re-creating God, take us in our uncertainties and make us new. We pray in the name of your Son, who has gone ahead of us into your new future and who beckons us to follow. Amen.

OPENING 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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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.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT *(Read responsively)*

Ps. 55:4, 16–18; antiphon: Ps. 55:22

Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you;
he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

My heart is in anguish within me;
the terrors of death have fallen upon me.

But I call to God,
and the LORD will save me.

Evening and morning and at noon I utter my complaint and moan,
and he hears my voice.

He redeems my soul in safety from the battle that I wage,
for many are arrayed against me.

**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.**

Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you;
he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

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 *(Sing)*

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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.

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 Giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

FIRST READING

Acts 16:9–15

⁹A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” ¹⁰And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

¹¹So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, ¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. ¹³And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. ¹⁴One who heard us was a woman

named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay.” And she prevailed upon us.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Revelation 21:9–14, 21–27

⁹Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, “Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb.” ¹⁰And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, ¹¹having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. ¹²It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed— ¹³on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. ¹⁴And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. . . .

²¹And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, transparent as glass.

²²And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, ²⁵and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. ²⁷But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb’s book of life.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Great and Mighty Is He” -Todd Pettygrove

ALLELUIA AND VERSE *(Sing)*

C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

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

HOLY GOSPEL

John 16:23–33

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²³[Jesus said:] “In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, whatever you ask of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. ²⁴Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

²⁵“I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures of speech but will tell you plainly about the Father. ²⁶In that day you will ask in my name, and I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; ²⁷for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. ²⁸I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.”

²⁹His disciples said, “Ah, now you are speaking plainly and not using figurative speech! ³⁰Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God.” ³¹Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe? ³²Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me. ³³I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

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.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying” LSB #826

- 1 Hark, the voice of Jesus crying, “Who will go and work today? Fields are white and harvests waiting—Who will bear the sheaves away?” Loud and long the Master calleth; Rich reward He offers thee. Who will answer, gladly saying, “Here am I, send me, send me”?**
- 2 If you cannot speak like angels, If you cannot preach like Paul, You can tell the love of Jesus, You can say He died for all. If you cannot rouse the wicked With the judgment’s dread alarms, You can lead the little children To the Savior’s waiting arms.**
- 3 If you cannot be a watchman, Standing high on Zion’s wall, Pointing out the path to heaven, Off’ring life and peace to all, With your prayers and with your bounties You can do what God commands; You can be like faithful Aaron, Holding up the prophet’s hands.**

**4 Let none hear you idly saying, "There is nothing I can do,"
While the multitudes are dying And the Master calls for you.
Take the task He gives you gladly, Let His work your pleasure
be; Answer quickly when He calleth, "Here am I, send me,
send me!"**

SERMON

On That Day

(John 16:26, Rev. 21:21-27)

OFFERTORY Hymn *(Sing)*

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**C What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the
name of the Lord. I will take the cup of salvation and will call
on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now
in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's
house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

(Congregation response to petitions: Hear our prayer.)

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.**

BENEDICTION

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P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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.

CLOSING HYMN

“Alleluia, Jesus Is Risen” LSB #474, St. 1-3

1 Alleluia! Jesus is risen! Trumpets resounding in glorious light! Splendor, the Lamb, Heaven forever! Oh, what a miracle God has in sight! Refrain

Refrain

**Jesus is risen and we shall arise: Give God the glory!
Alleluia!**

2 Walking the way, Christ in the center Telling the story to open our eyes; Breaking our bread, Giving us glory: Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise. Refrain

3 Jesus the vine, We are the branches; Life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree; Heaven to earth, Christ to the people, Gift of the future now flowing to me. Refrain

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

New Member Class: May 15-June 12, 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.

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 25th, at Biscuits at 1815 E, Elliot Rd., Tempe, AZ 85284

Only one more Sunday left after today to contribute to the Stewardship Committee collection of money for Tempe Community Action Agency (TCAA) during the month of May;

please use your Designated Offering envelope for donations and write TCAA on it.

Friday, May 27th at 7:00 p.m. VBS Planning Meeting. Please join us as we continue our plans for our Summer Vacation Bible School and learn more about ways to serve and how the program works.

Sunday, May 29th, 11:00 a.m.-3 p.m.: Community Blood Drive with Vitalent: Please consider staying after church next weekend as we host a community blood drive with Vitalent. All blood types are currently needed. To register, sign up in the fellowship hall or go to: donors.vtalent.org and use code BeautifulSaviorLC.

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 to "give electronically" can now do so by going to: easytithe.com/BSLCTempe.

POSTLUDE

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Lector:	Don Calender
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. 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 5-15-22 week Bible Study—8; Worship Service—40.

Income report for 5-15-22: Loose Plate \$200; Weekly Envelopes \$902; Designated Gifts \$146; Other \$; Total \$1248.

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

May 22, Sunday

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM Music Rehearsal

10 AM The Sixth Sunday of Easter Worship

(Also, being streamed on Facebook online)

After worship: **New Member Class**

May 23, Monday

9 AM – 2 PM Pastor Tim Anderson in the office

10 AM GLORIA Meeting

May 25, Wednesday

9 AM – 2 PM Pastor Tim Anderson in the office

12:30 PM Psalms and Sandwiches midweek Bible Study at Biscuits Café,
1815 E. Elliot Rd., Tempe, AZ 85284

May 26, Thursday

4-5 PM Set up and La Mesa is from 6-7:30 PM

May 27, Friday

Church & Offices cleaned

The Ascension of Our Lord Day

May 29, Sunday

10 AM The Ascension of Our Lord Sunday w/Holy Communion

Prayer List: We pray that **Donna Evans's** surgery was successful & her recovery quick. Healing for **Sally** with a torn retina, **Bobbie Littou** & daughters **Audra & Juli** with lingering flu-like symptoms, also her friend **Tressa** after surgery of a brain tumor, **Gene** (Pat & Joe Carlin's son's father-in-law) disoriented & dehydrated. Prayers, strength, comfort & healing for **Dorothy McShee** who fell at home & broke her leg & is now in the hospital. Continued prayers for strength, comfort & healing for **Beth Hutson, Justine Schultz, Wendy Sievers, Julia Teuscher, Lois Sunderman, Gerri Davies, Bev Dase,**

Glenn Brown, Irvin Walnick, Rhett Davis, Zack Hood, Linda, Gloria & Brenda. For comfort and peace for **Doris Reith and Len Lacy** in memory care; and also, for cancer patients; for comfort and peace of **Maebell Beard** in Hospice; and **Jim Schutkowski, Amina Kruck, Tim Jackson, Brenda, and Gerri Koski.** Safe travels for **Pastor Boye's** drive to Connecticut.

**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 29 "Imagine That!" Guest Speaker: Dr. Dean Nadasdy. Dr. Dean Nadasdy reflects on five images from the Book of Revelation and shows how God's Word plus faith and imagination equals hope. (Revelation 22:1-7)