

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Tempe

May 8, 2022

10:00 a.m.



His Path through the Valley to the House

AS WE GATHER

It is Good Shepherd Sunday, and the familiar twenty-third Psalm is echoed throughout our worship. Our Lord went through the valley of the shadow of death in our place, leading from death to eternal life. There is work to do before we get to eternity, for following our Shepherd entails confessing our faith even when death's shadow falls on us. It means vigilance against wolves attacking amid Christ's flock, as Paul warns in the First Reading. But in his vision, John tells us that Christ is now the victorious Lamb on His eternal throne. We can be confident that what we believe by faith we shall know by experience in the unending joy of the Father's house.

CASUAL SUNDAY

PRAISE MEDLEY

1 "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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2 Because He Lives" TOSB #11

VERSE 1:

God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus; He came to love, heal and forgive. He lived and died, to buy my pardon an empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.

(CHORUS)

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow Because He lives, all fear is gone Because I know, He holds the future And life is worth the living Just because He lives

VERSE 2:

How sweet to hold a newborn baby and feel the pride and joy He

gives; but greater still the calm assurance this child can face uncertain days because He lives. (Chorus)

VERSE 3:

And then one day, I'll cross the river; I'll fight life's final war with pain. And then as death gives way to victory, I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives, (Chorus)

3 "I Love You, Lord" TOSB #225

I LOVE You, Lord, and I lift my voice To worship You, O my soul rejoice. Take joy, my King, in what You hear, May it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear.

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

Vicar: Heavenly Father, you sent your son to be our Good Shepherd, who like a shepherd leads us to eternal life with his rod, staff and cross. We give you thanks for all those who have shepherded us in our lives and have pointed us with compassion, grace, care and love back to you and your son's perfect love. Especially on this Mother's Day, we thank you for all the mothers who are still with us, as well as all those who you have called home to your side. We also thank you Lord for other women who have nurtured us, mothered us and shepherded us. We give you thanks for their roles of compassion in addition to our own mothers, and sometimes even in place of our mothers. For all women who have been figures of grace and love in our lives, we thank you O Lord for their meaningful example to us. On this day as we celebrate Jesus our Good Shepherd, may we show signs of thanksgiving to all those who continue to shepherd us in this life, those near and those far away with phone calls

and cards, as we reflect your love and light. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Stand

INVOCATION

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

People: Amen.

EASTER ACCLAMATION

Vicar: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

OPENING SENTENCES

Vicar: The LORD is my shepherd;

People: I shall not want.

Vicar: For the Lamb in the midst of the throne

People: will be their shepherd,

Vicar: and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.

People: And I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Vicar: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth.

Vicar: I said I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

People: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Vicar: Lord, our God,

People: we confess that we have strayed from hearing the voice of Your Son, our Shepherd, who went through death to eternal life for us. We have failed to trust in You fully. We have sinned in our thoughts, words, and deeds. Forgive us and renew in us faith and trust. Grant us to hear anew our Shepherd's voice and to follow wherever He leads, until we see Him with You in Your eternal

house.

Vicar: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the the Holy spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

Be seated

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT (*Read responsively*) *Ps. 78:70–72; 79:13; antiphon: John 10:14, 15b*

I am the good shepherd.

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.

He chose David his servant and took him from the sheepfolds;
from following the nursing ewes he brought him to shepherd Jacob his people, Israel his inheritance.

With upright heart he shepherded them

and guided them with his skillful hand.

But we your people, the sheep of your pasture, will give thanks to you forever;

from generation to generation we will recount your praise.

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 am the good shepherd.

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.

Stand

KYRIE (Spoken)

Vicar: Lord, have mercy on us.

People: Lord, have mercy on us.

Vicar: Christ, have mercy on us.

People: Christ, have mercy on us.

Vicar: Lord, have mercy on us

People: and grant us Your peace. Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (WOV #640)

–Text Trad./ Music by Jacques Berthier

Glory to God, glory to God, glo-ry in the highest!

Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!

SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

Vicar The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

V Let us pray.

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same 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

FIRST READING

Acts 20:17–35

¹⁷Now from Miletus [Paul] sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. ¹⁸And when they came to him, he said to them:

“You yourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, ¹⁹servicing the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; ²⁰how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, ²¹testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. ²²And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, ²³except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. ²⁴But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. ²⁵And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. ²⁶Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all of you, ²⁷for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. ²⁸Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. ²⁹I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; ³⁰and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. ³¹Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. ³²And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. ³³I coveted no one’s silver or gold or apparel. ³⁴You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. ³⁵In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Revelation 7:9–17

⁹After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” ¹¹And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” ¹⁴I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵ “Therefore they are before the throne of God,
and serve him day and night in his temple;
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his
presence.

¹⁶ They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;
the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat.

¹⁷ For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of living water,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“A Christian Home” Debby & Doug Bergman

Stand

VERSE

Vicar: Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 10:22–30

V The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

²²At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly.” ²⁵Jesus answered them, “I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name bear witness about me, ²⁶but you do not believe because you are not part of my flock. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father’s hand. ³⁰I and the Father are one.”

V 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 “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” LSB #709

- 1 The King of love my shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am His and He is mine forever.**
- 2 Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul He leadeth and, where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.**
- 3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love He sought me and on His shoulder gently laid and home rejoicing brought me.**
- 4 In death’s dark vale I fear no ill with Thee, dear Lord, beside me, Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.**
- 5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth; and, oh, what transport of delight from Thy pure chalice floweth!**
- 6 And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise within Thy house forever!**

SERMON

“Believe the Works”

John 10:22–30

OFFERTORY HYMN

“For the Fruit of All Creation”

OFFERING BROUGHT FORWARD

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Vicar: Let us pray for ourselves, the Church around the world, and all people in their various conditions.
We pray for those who do not listen to the voice of the Good Shepherd, asking the Holy Spirit to give them opportunity to come to faith and join us in saying:

People: The LORD is my shepherd.

Vicar: We pray for all who lack the food, clothing, and shelter that they need for a fully human life, asking our Father in heaven to meet their needs using His caring people, including ourselves, for we are confident:

People: I shall not want.

Vicar: We pray for those falsely imprisoned or denied true justice, asking our Lord to free them and open doors of opportunity for them, as He so graciously has done for us:

People: He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.

Vicar: We pray for all who are depressed in spirit or unsure of God's will for them, asking the Holy Spirit to lift them up and guide them, that with us they may rejoice to say:

People: He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Vicar: We pray for those who are facing sudden crises or long-term ills, and all who are grieving the loss of loved ones, . . . , asking our risen Lord to lift their eyes to His eternal home so that they may each declare:

People: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

Vicar: We pray for first responders and police at home and for armed forces deployed, asking our Father in heaven to guide and protect them, and for all who grow crops and tend herds

that He would bless them with bountiful harvests so that they may thank Him, praying:

People: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Vicar: Finally, we pray for ourselves and all who gather around Word and Sacrament, that the Holy Spirit would keep us firm in the faith so that we may joyfully profess:

People: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER 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

Vicar: 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

**Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name.**

- 1. Jesus is Lord of all the earth; He is the king of creation.
Refrain.**
- 2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth: Jesus has died
and has risen. Refrain**
- 3. We have been crucified with Christ; now we shall live
forever. Refrain.**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

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 at Denny's located at 1343 W. Broadway Rd., Tempe, AZ 85282

May 16th 2022: 3:00pm. Vacation Bible School Planning Meeting. This meeting is for all those interested in volunteering and being a part of our 2022 Vacation Bible School. If you would like to be a part of VBS and cannot attend this meeting please contact Pastor Tim at PastorTimAnderson@gmail.com

All the Sundays of May the Stewardship Committee will be collecting 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.

May 29th 2022: 11:00am-3:00pm. Community Blood Drive with Vitalant. Vitalant Blood Services will be hosting a Blood Drive with us here at Beautiful Savior on Sunday May 29th as we celebrate Memorial Day and Jesus Ascension. Please consider donating if you are eligible.

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

"To God Be the Glory"

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SERVING US AT WORSHIP TODAY:

Officiant Preacher: Vicar Noah Strand
Pianist/Director: Ellen Brown
Song Leader: Debby Bergman/Banjo
Special Music: Doug Bergman, Banjo and Bass Guitar
Christy Arnold: Guitarist
Lector: Donna Evans
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 #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 5-1-22 week Bible Study—9; Worship Service—32.

Income report for 5-1-22: Loose Plate \$40; Weekly Envelopes \$1765; Designated Gifts \$1031; Other \$; Total \$2836.

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

May 8, Sunday

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM Music Rehearsal

10 AM The Fourth Sunday of Easter Worship – Casual Service

(Also, being streamed on Facebook online)

9:30 AM Board of Stewardship Meeting

May 9, Monday

9 AM – 2 PM Pastor Tim Anderson in the office

May 10, Tuesday

12:30 PM Convention Stuffing Party

5:30 PM Board of Elder's Meeting

7 PM Board of Finance Meeting

May 11, Wednesday

9 AM – 2 PM Pastor Tim Anderson in the office

12:30 PM Psalms and Sandwiches Midweek Bible Study at Denny's, 1343

W. Broadway Rd., Tempe, AZ 85282

May 12, Thursday

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

May 13, Friday

Church & Offices cleaned

May 14, Saturday

10 AM Convention Stuffing Party

May 15, Sunday

10 AM The Fifth Sunday of Easter w/Holy Communion

11:30 AM Board of Trustees Meeting

May 18, Wednesday

5 PM Council Meeting (not May the 17th as the calendar showed)

Prayer list: Zack Hood, son of Gladys's friend, in hospital for removal of tumor on pituitary gland. Safe travel for **Pastor Boye**, going to Christ Lutheran Church, Amston, CT for 12 months as intentional interim Pastor. Bobbie friends, **Tressa** had brain tumor removed. & **Linda** she had ablation procedure for pain relief in neck. **Lois Sunderman**, former BSLC member suffering from ALS,

John Baldridge, friend of Hutson family, coping with many tragedies in his family. **Gerri Davies** recovering from a fall, For continued recovery for **Janis**, Pastor Tim's mother-in-law, **Wendy Sievers, Julia Teuscher, Dorothy McShee, Bev Dase, Maebell Beard, Glenn Brown, Irvin Walnick, Rhett Davis, Gloria & Brenda**. For comfort and peace for **Doris Reith and Len Lacy** in memory care; and also for cancer patients, **Jim Schutkowski, Tom Hughes, Amina Kruck, Tim Jackson, Brenda, and Gerri Koski**.

**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 - KFNX RADIO (1100) @ 10 AM:

May 15 "What the Bible Is About" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. To make sense of a 1000-piece jigsaw puzzle, one needs to know "the big picture." The Bible is like that, too. (1 Corinthians 15:3-5)