

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Tempe

August 28, 2022

10:00 a.m.



A Place of God's Care.

AS WE GATHER

Christians do good works most of the time without even thinking about it. That's because faith is an active, living, real thing. God's Word for this day is all about how God-given faith shows itself in a Christian's life—in one's attitude, relationships, words, and deeds. Those without faith, like many of the Pharisees in today's Gospel, consider "good works" only as a way to influence or manipulate other people and even God. Such good works are never really good at all but are tainted with sin, selfishness, and pride. True faith, on the other hand, is not even our work alone at all, but the work of God the Holy Spirit who, through the Word of God and His Holy Sacraments, instills and inspires in the Christian the mind of Christ, the faithfulness and righteousness of Jesus. Such faith also endures the cross and all sufferings related to living in the world still disfigured by deadly sin. In faith God equips you with "everything good that you may do His will" (Hebrews 13:21). Offer up the sacrifice of praise to God in thanksgiving for His gift of redemption through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

PRELUDE

"All My Hope" -Ingram & Morgan

PASTORAL WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: Hospitable God, you invite us to a banquet, where the last may be first, and the humble and the mighty trade places. Let us share your abundance with no fear of scarcity; let us greet strangers as angels you have sent! Send your Spirit now so that we may find a place at your table and welcome others with your radical hospitality. In the name of Jesus, the one who invites all to his table, we pray. Amen.

OPENING HYMN "When Morning Gilds the Skies" **LSB #807, St.1-5**

- 1 When morning gilds the skies, My heart, awaking, cries,
"May Jesus Christ be praised!" When evening shadows fall,
This rings my curfew call: "May Jesus Christ be praised!"**
- 2 When mirth for music longs, This is my song of songs:
"May Jesus Christ be praised!" God's holy house of prayer
Hath none that can compare With "Jesus Christ be praised!"**
- 3 No lovelier antiphon In all high heav'n is known
Than "Jesus Christ be praised!" There to the_ eternal Word
The eternal psalm is heard: "May Jesus Christ be praised!"**
- 4 Ye nations of mankind, In this your concord find:
"May Jesus Christ be praised!" Let all the earth around
Ring joyous with the sound: "May Jesus Christ be praised!"**
- 5 Sing, suns and stars of space, Sing, ye that see His face,
Sing, "Jesus Christ be praised!" God's whole creation o'er,
Both now and evermore Shall Jesus Christ be praised!**

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. 75:1–2, 6, 9; antiphon: Ps. 75:7

It is God who executes judgment,

putting down one and lifting up another.

We give thanks to you, O God; we give thanks, for your name is near.

We recount your wondrous deeds.

At the set time that I appoint

I will judge with equity.

For not from the east or from the west
and not from the wilderness comes lifting up,
But I will declare it forever;
I will sing praises to the God of Jacob.
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.
It is God who executes judgment,
putting down one and lifting up another.

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.

HYMN OF PRAISE

“This Is the Feast” Page 155

C This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia,

alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation.

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

P O Lord of grace and mercy, teach us by Your Holy Spirit to follow the example of Your Son in true humility, that we may withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds avoid ungodly pride; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Proverbs 25:2–10

²It is the glory of God to conceal things,
but the glory of kings is to search things out.

³As the heavens for height, and the earth for depth,
so the heart of kings is unsearchable.

⁴Take away the dross from the silver,
and the smith has material for a vessel;

⁵take away the wicked from the presence of the king,
and his throne will be established in righteousness.

⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence
or stand in the place of the great,

⁷for it is better to be told, "Come up here,"

than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

What your eyes have seen
⁸do not hastily bring into court,
for what will you do in the end,
when your neighbor puts you to shame?
⁹Argue your case with your neighbor himself,
and do not reveal another's secret,
¹⁰lest he who hears you bring shame upon you,
and your ill repute have no end.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Hebrews 13:1–17

¹Let brotherly love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. ³Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body. ⁴Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous. ⁵Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." ⁶So we can confidently say,
"The Lord is my helper;
I will not fear; what can man do to me?"

⁷Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. ⁹Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings, for it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited those devoted to them. ¹⁰We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. ¹¹For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the holy places by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. ¹²So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. ¹³Therefore let us

go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured. ¹⁴For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come.

¹⁵Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. ¹⁶Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

¹⁷Obeys your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"In the Garden" -C. Austin Miles

ALLELUIA AND VERSE *(Sing)*

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C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

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

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 14:1–14

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

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹One Sabbath, when [Jesus] went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching him carefully. ²And behold, there was a man before him who had dropsy. ³And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?" ⁴But they remained silent. Then he took him and healed him and sent him away. ⁵And he said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?" ⁶And they could not reply to these things.

⁷Now he told a parable to those who were invited, when he noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, ⁸"When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by

him, ⁹and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give your place to this person,' and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. ¹¹For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

¹²He said also to the man who had invited him, "When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. ¹³But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, ¹⁴and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. You will be repaid at the resurrection of the just."

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 "Son of God, Eternal Savior" LSB # 842, St. 1-4

- 1 Son of God, eternal Savior, Source of life and truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth among us Hallows all our human race, You our Head, who, throned in glory, For Your own will ever plead: Fill us with Your love and pity, Heal our wrongs, and help our need.**
- 2 As You, Lord, have lived for others, So may we for others live. Freely have Your gifts been granted; Freely may Your servants give. Yours the gold and Yours the silver, Yours the wealth of land and sea; We but stewards of Your bounty Held in solemn trust will be.**
- 3 Come, O Christ, and reign among us, King of love and Prince of Peace; Hush the storm of strife and passion, Bid its cruel discords cease. By Your patient years of toiling, By Your silent hours of pain, Quench our fevered thirst of pleasure, Stem our selfish greed of gain.**
- 4 Son of God, eternal Savior, Source of life and truth and grace, Word made flesh, whose birth among us Hallows all our human race: By Your praying, by Your willing That Your people should be one, Grant, O grant our hope's fruition: Here on earth Your will be done.**

SERMON Interruptions are the Ministry. (Luke 14:1-14)

OFFERTORY HYMN (*Sing*) **Page 159**

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 *(Spoken)*

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 The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.
Amen

CLOSING HYMN

“Lift High the Cross” **LSB #837 sts. ref, 1–6**

Refrain

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name.**

- 1** Come, Christians, follow where our Captain trod,
Our king victorious, Christ, the Son of God. Refrain
- 2** Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conqu’ring ranks combine. Refrain
- 3** All newborn soldiers of the Crucified
Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died. Refrain
- 4** O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As Thou hast promised, draw us all to Thee. Refrain

- 5 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell
Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell. Refrain
- 6 So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory! Refrain

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sunday Bible Study: Join us on Sunday mornings at 8:30 am for our bible study "In All Things", as we discuss the major themes of the Bible.

Gloria (Music Selection Team) Meeting: Join us on Aug 29th at 10:00am in Fellowship Hall as we pick out our Music for the next few months of worship here at Beautiful Savior. All are welcome to join us as we prepare to sing.

Psalms and Sandwiches: Join us for Lunch on Aug 31st at Biscuits on Elliot for Psalms and Sandwiches as we continue to study the Book of Psalms while sharing a meal. Bible Study begins at 12:30pm. Biscuits is located at 1815 E Elliot Rd Tempe, AZ.

New Member Class: Being Beautiful Savior, Begins Sept 18th after worship and fellowship in fellowship hall. Following Worship on September 18th, all those interested in knowing more about our church, who we are, what we do, and what it means to be a Lutheran Christian here at Beautiful Savior, are encouraged to stay for our 5 week class on the history and mission of our congregation and what we believe.

LWML Meeting: Monday September 19th at 10:00am. All women of the church are invited to attend and learn more about the work of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League, as well as what the plans are for the league here at Beautiful Savior over the next few months, and a recap of the LWML convention this past summer.

LWML Sunday: On Sept 25th during worship, we will give thanks to God for the women of our congregation and for the work of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League around the world. The theme for this year's service is "For Us and With Us," based on Paul's letter to the Romans. Because Christ is for us and with us, we are already more than conquerors through Him who loved us.

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

On the giving page, click on "Fund" and select the appropriate fund from the drop-down list.

The funds are: General, LWML, Missions, Air Conditioners, and Memorial for Maebell Beard (active through September 30).

Then follow the directions to complete your transaction.

POSTLUDE

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SERVING US AT WORSHIP TODAY:

Officiant Preacher:	Rev. Tim Anderson
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Pianist:	Glenn Brown
Song Leader:	Charles Haynes
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Lector:	Donna Evans
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 8-21-22 week Bible Study—9; Worship Service—42.
Income report for 8-21-22: Loose Plate \$84; Weekly Envelopes \$1990;
Designated Gifts \$573; Other \$49.30; Total \$2696.30.**

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

August 28, Sunday

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM Music Rehearsal

10 AM The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

(Also, being streamed on Facebook online)

August 29, Monday

Pastor Tim Anderson in the office 9 AM-2 PM

August 31, Wednesday

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September 1, Thursday

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

September 2, Friday

9-11 AM Church & Offices cleaned

September 4, Sunday

10 AM The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost Worship w/Holy Communion

After the service: September Anniversaries & Birthday's Celebrated w/ "Sack Lunch & Floats"

Prayer List:

We pray for strength, comfort and healing for;

- **Wendy Sievers**, with Covid
- **Lucy Durham, Glenn Brown, Julia Teuscher, Gerri Davies, Lois Sunderman, Bob Diepenbrock, Cathy Netter, Bev Dase, Justine Schultz, Dylan and Miles** – medical issues.
- Dorothy McShee**, preparing to move to NC.
- Beth Hudson, Jim Schutkowski, Sherry Ellis, Gerri Koski Warren**, in treatment for cancer.
- **Jake**, job hunting.
- Barbara**, thanks giving her spot on the pancreas is benign.
- Doris Reith and Len Lacy** in memory care.
- Tom**, Charlotte Grefe's son-in-law – giving thanks he is tolerating immunotherapy & recovery.
- Gladys Meyer** -scheduled for a skin graft procedure treatment for aneurysm.

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:

September 4 "**Count the Cost**" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Jesus offers a gracious buyout, even as He speaks of counting the cost of following Him. (Luke 14:25-35)