

# FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

## Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

Nov. 27, 2022

10:00 a.m.



### *Waiting Room*

#### **AS WE GATHER**

Today you are in a most important waiting room—every church sanctuary or other holy space in which God's people gather is, in its way, a waiting room. Together we are waiting for the greatest of all events—the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. This is the mountain of the house of the Lord, where two or three are gathered in His name. Here God dwells and is enthroned and reveals Himself to His people. Here we keep alert, joyfully anticipating the advent of our King.

## PRELUDE

“Wake, Awake for Night is Flying” –J.S. Bach

## PASTORAL WELCOME

## OPENING PRAYER

Pastor:

**P:** Awake from your sleep for night is gone

**C:** **and the dawn of a new day has arrived!**

**P:** Darkness once ruled our lives,

**C:** **but now the light of Jesus brings our salvation to life.**

**P:** You, O God, illumine our world with the light of a new day, the day of our salvation in Jesus' name. Bring his presence here as we lay aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light and truth. It is by the eternal hope of Jesus we pray.

**C:** **Amen.**

## OPENING HYMN

“The Advent of Our King” **LSB #331, St. 1-6**

- 1 The advent of our King Our prayers must now employ,  
And we must hymns of welcome sing In strains of holy joy.**
- 2 The everlasting Son Incarnate deigns to be,  
Himself a servant's form puts on To set His servants free.**
- 3 O Zion's daughter, rise To meet your lowly King,  
Nor let your faithless heart despise The peace He comes to bring.**
- 4 As judge, on clouds of light, He soon will come again  
And His true members all unite With Him in heav'n to reign.**
- 5 Before the dawning day Let sin's dark deeds be gone,  
The sinful self be put away, The new self now put on.**
- 6 All glory to the Son, Who comes to set us free,  
With Father, Spirit, ever one Through all eternity.**

*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.**

**ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING: "Candles Glowing, Promise Showing" Sung to Tune: W ZLOBIE LEZY: ("Infant Holy, Infant Lowly")**

- 1. Candles glowing, promise showing the great hope that calms our fear. Darkness scatters, worry shatters, Christ will always draw us near. Calms our sighing, hears our crying, helps our**

**trying, love undying: Christ will always draw us near! Christ will always draw us near!**

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## **SERVICE OF THE WORD**

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**INTROIT** (*Read responsively*) *Ps. 118:25–28; antiphon: Zech. 9:9b, alt.*

Behold, your king is coming to you;

**righteous and having salvation.**

Save us, we pray, O LORD!

**O LORD, we pray, give us success!**

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

**We bless you from the house of the LORD.**

The LORD is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us.

**Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar!**

You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;

**you are my God; I will extol you.**

**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.**

Behold, your king is coming to you;

**righteous and having salvation.**

**KYRIE** (*Sung*)

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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** (*Sung*)

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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**

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**P** The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.

Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Isaiah 2:1–5*

<sup>1</sup>The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

<sup>2</sup>It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be lifted up above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it,

<sup>3</sup>and many peoples shall come, and say:

“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,  
to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach  
us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.”

For out of Zion shall go the law, and the word of  
the LORD from Jerusalem.

<sup>4</sup>He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide  
disputes for many peoples; and they shall beat their  
swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning  
hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation,  
neither shall they learn war anymore.

<sup>5</sup>O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

### **EPISTLE READING**

*Romans 13:11–14*

<sup>11</sup>Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to  
wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first  
believed. <sup>12</sup>The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast  
off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. <sup>13</sup>Let us walk  
properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual  
immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. <sup>14</sup>But put on  
the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its  
desires.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

### **ALLELUIA AND VERSE** *(Sung)*

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**C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of  
eternal life. Alleluia.**

### **HOLY GOSPEL**

*Matthew 21:1–11*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-first  
chapter.

**C Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup>saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup> If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” <sup>4</sup>This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

<sup>5</sup>“Say to the daughter of Zion,  
‘Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and  
mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of  
a beast of burden.’”

<sup>6</sup>The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. <sup>7</sup>They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup>Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup>And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” <sup>10</sup>And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?” <sup>11</sup>And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## **APOSTLES 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**

**"Savior of the Nations Come" LSB #332**

- 1 Savior of the nations, come, Virgin's Son, make here Your home! Marvel now, O heav'n and earth, That the Lord chose such a birth.**
- 2 Not by human flesh and blood, By the Spirit of our God, Was the Word of God made flesh—Woman's offspring, pure and fresh.**
- 3 Here a maid was found with child, Yet remained a virgin mild. In her womb this truth was shown: God was there upon His throne.**
- 4 Then stepped forth the Lord of all From His pure and kingly hall; God of God, yet fully man, His heroic course began.**
- 5 God the Father was His source, Back to God He ran His course. Into hell His road went down, Back then to His throne and crown.**
- 6 For You are the Father's Son Who in flesh the vict'ry won. By Your mighty pow'r make whole All our ills of flesh and soul.**
- 7 From the manger newborn light Shines in glory through the night. Darkness there no more resides; In this light faith now abides.**
- 8 Glory to the Father sing, Glory to the Son, our king, Glory to the Spirit be Now and through eternity.**

**SERMON The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns.**

(Romans 13:11-14, Matthew 21:1-11)

## OFFERTORY

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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.

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** *(Stand) (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

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** "Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers" -LSB #515, St. 1-4

**1** Rejoice, rejoice, believers, And let your lights appear;  
The evening is advancing, And darker night is near.  
The Bridegroom is arising And soon is drawing nigh.  
Up, pray and watch and wrestle; At midnight comes the cry.

- 2 The watchers on the mountain Proclaim the Bridegroom near; Go forth as He approaches With alleluias clear. The marriage feast is waiting; The gates wide open stand. Arise, O heirs of glory; The Bridegroom is at hand.**
- 3 The saints, who here in patience Their cross and suff'rings bore, Shall live and reign forever When sorrow is no more. Around the throne of glory The Lamb they shall behold; In triumph cast before Him Their diadems of gold.**
- 4 Our hope and expectation, O Jesus, now appear; Arise, O Sun so longed for, O'er this benighted sphere. With hearts and hands uplifted, We plead, O Lord, to see The day of earth's redemption That sets Your people free!**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**New Sunday Bible Study: The Gospel of John. Join us on Sundays at 8:30am in fellowship Hall as we continue to read and study John's Gospel together.**

**Fellowship Hour: If you would like to bring something in to share during fellowship, please sign your name on the date you would like. The calendar is on the fellowship board. Questions, talk to Debbie O'Neill.**

**Brunch and Bibles: Our midweek bible study is on hiatus for Thanksgiving and Advent and will resume in January. Check the bulletin in the new year for more information.**

**Midweek Advent Services: Nov 30th, Dec 7th and Dec 14th at Noon and 7:00pm. Join us for our 2022 theme "Be Born in Us Today" as we are reminded that Christ is born in us today and every day. He enters into us daily to strengthen and support us, save us and renew us. We are changed by his presence within us as we become more and more like him in the living of our lives.**

**Decorating the church for Christmas: Dec. 3rd 2022 at 10:00am**

**I Heard The Bells Christmas Movie: Dec 4th 2022 at 4:00pm. Sight and Sound Christian Theaters presents "I Heard The Bells" the story of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow who leads an idyllic life until his world is shattered by tragedy. With a nation divided by Civil War and his family torn apart, Henry puts down his pen, silenced by grief. But the sound of Christmas morning reignites the poet's lost voice as he discovers the resounding hope of rekindled faith. If interested in attending Sign Up with Pastor Tim or in fellowship hall. Tickets will sell out quickly, but we hope to see it at AMC Mesa Grand on Stapley.**

**December Special Voters Meeting: Join us Dec. 4th after worship for a special voters meeting as we approve the Budget for 2023 and begin addressing our plans to move "Forward in 2023."  
Midweek Advent Dinners: On Nov 30th, Dec. 7th and Dec. 14th. Join us for Dinner before service at 6:00pm.**

**Advent & Christmas Hymn Sign Happy Hour with Blake Flattley: December 9th at 7:00pm. Blake will lead a selection of hymns, songs, and spiritual songs for about 60 minutes. Music will take us through the entire church year, but will focus on Advent and Christmas as we hear new arrangements of familiar and classic hymns.**

**Christmas Paint and Sip: Dec 17th at 10:00am. Join us as Annie Anderson leads us in painting a wonderful Christmas painting that can become a part of your annual decorations and remind you of the blessing of Christ born for us.**

**Congregational Christmas Party Dec 21st 6:00pm. Join us again as we have our White Elephant Christmas Party. More information is coming soon.**

**Christmas Eve services: Saturday Dec. 24 at 7:00pm and 11:00pm.**

**Christmas Day service: Sunday Dec. 25th 2022 at 10:00am**

**Church Members and others who wish to “give electronically” can now do so by going to: [easytithe.com/BSLCTempe](http://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, Memorials for Lucy Durham.**

**Then follow the directions to complete your transaction.**

**POSTLUDE**

**“Be Exalted, O God” -Brent Chambers**

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**SERVING US AT WORSHIP TODAY:**

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**Special Music:**

**The Beautiful Savior Singers**

**Lector:**

**Sandra Wardwell**

**Greeter:**

**Kathy Held**

**Pianist:**

**Glenn Brown**

**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 week: 11-20-22 Bible Study—10; Worship Service—47; Proverbs & Sandwiches Bible Study—NA.**

**Income report for 11-20-22: Loose Plate \$97; Weekly Envelopes \$3700; Designated Gifts \$1096; Other \$; Total \$4893.**

## **THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR**

### **November 27, Sunday**

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM Music Rehearsal

**10 AM The First Sunday in Advent**

*(Also, being streamed on Facebook online)*

### **November 28, Monday**

**9AM-3 PM Pastor Tim in the office**

### **November 30, Wednesday**

**9AM-3 PM Pastor Tim in the office**

**6:30 PM Thanksgiving Eve Worship**

### **November 30, Wednesday**

**9AM-3 PM Pastor Tim in the office**

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

### **December 1, Thursday**

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

**December 2, Friday**

**9AM-11 AM Church Offices Cleaned**

**December 3, Saturday**

10 AM Decorating the church for Christmas, you welcome to come & help

**December 4, Sunday**

**10 AM The Second Sunday in Advent Worship w/Holy Communion**

**Prayer List:**

We pray for strength, comfort and healing for:

- For Pastor Tim's Uncle Jimmy Schellin who was taken to the hospital on Tuesday with very low blood pressure. -
- Carol Hurley, daughter of Donna Evans - diagnosed with alopecig, (losing hair);
- William Evans, son of Donna Evans - Rapid heart rate, undergoing testing;
- Ruben and Kate. brother and sister-in-law of Cyndi Calendar – covid;
- Natalia Goschie – medical issues;
- Pattie, Sandra's sister-in-law - recovering from knee surgery;
- Barbara Willford, Cheryl Rice, Wendy Sievers, Glenn Brown, Lois Sunderman. Bob Diepenbrock and Bev Dase – medical issues;
- Doris Reith and Len Lacy - memory care;
- Beth Hutson, Jim Schutkowski, Sherry Ellis, Gerri Koski, Warren and Cheryl - chemo treatment;
- Alex, Pat and Joe's grandson, serious car accident – thanksgiving prayer, Alex out of ICU, in rehab;
- Shirley Wilson - gallbladder removal surgery;
- Mandy Witcombe requests prayers for the family of her friend, Linesi, who passed away unexpectedly Saturday.
- Safe travels for all traveling during Thanksgiving holidays.

**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/](http://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:**  
**December 4 "Paradise Restored" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. If God is love, what are we to make of His wrath? (Isaiah 11:1-10)**