

# THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

December 4, 2022

10:00 a.m.



*The Kingdom of Peace Is Here and Now*

## AS WE GATHER

In the opening verses of Revelation, the last book of the Bible, John greets the readers of his epistle in this singular way: “Grace to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who is to come” (Revelation 1:4). John is confident that God’s grace is readily available for the readers of his letter who are scattered in many Christian gatherings across the area of Asia. And he is certain that the peace of God can reach to all of his readers in their very different and individual situations. The Advent season brings us the assurance that God’s plan is still unfolding and that we continue to abide in His peace. In this season of busyness, we can be peaceful and peaceable people by God’s grace!

## **PRELUDE**

“Prelude on Rorate Coeli- Isaiah 45:8” -Pietro Yon”

## **PASTORAL WELCOME**

### **OPENING PRAYER**

Pastor: Sometimes, O God, our lives become so entangled with the values of the world, that you and your word take second place. Forgive us, O Merciful God, strip our hearts and minds of all that prevents our lives being firmly rooted in you. May our lives bear fruit worthy of our faith in you, as we watch and wait for your breaking into our world once more, in the person of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen

### **OPENING HYMN**

“Savior of the Nations, Come” **LSB #332, St. 1-2, 5 & 8**

- 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.**
- 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.**
- 8 Glory to the Father sing, Glory to the Son, our king, Glory to the Spirit be Now and through eternity.**

### **CONFESSION & 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** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C who made heaven and earth.**

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I 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")

**2. Candles glowing, promise showing holy peace so still and bright. New tomorrow, free from sorrow: living in Christ's holy light. Shunning violence, loving neighbor, joy of silence, trust our savior: Living in Christ's holy light! Living in Christ's holy light!**

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## SERVICE OF THE WORD

**INTROIT** (*Read responsively*)

*Ps. 105:4–8; antiphon: Is. 40:3b*

In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD;

**make straight in the desert a highway for our God.**

Seek the LORD and his strength;

**seek his presence continually!**

Remember the wondrous works that he has done,

**his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,**

O offspring of Abraham, his servant,

**children of Jacob, his chosen ones!**

He is the LORD our God;

**his judgments are in all the earth.**

He remembers his covenant forever,

**the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.**

**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.**

In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD;

**make straight in the desert a highway for our God.**

**GLORIA PATRI** (*Sing*)

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**C** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world  
without end. Amen.**

**KYRIE** (*Sing*)

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**C** **Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

## **GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** *(Sing)*

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**P** Glory be to God on High,

**C** and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.

**We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee.**

**we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.**

**O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.**

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;**

**O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.**

**Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.**

**Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.**

**For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.**

**Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high 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 with thy spirit.**

**P** Let us pray.

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; 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**

*Isaiah 11:1–10*

<sup>1</sup>There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit.

<sup>2</sup>And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

<sup>3</sup>And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear,

<sup>4</sup>but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

<sup>5</sup>Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins.

<sup>6</sup>The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together; and a little child shall lead them.

<sup>7</sup>The cow and the bear shall graze; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

<sup>8</sup>The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den.

<sup>9</sup>They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

<sup>10</sup>In that day the root of Jesse, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples—of him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **EPISTLE READING**

*Romans 15:4–13*

<sup>4</sup>For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. <sup>5</sup>May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>that together you may with one

voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup>Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

<sup>8</sup>For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, <sup>9</sup>and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

"Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name."

<sup>10</sup>And again it is said,

"Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people."

<sup>11</sup>And again,

"Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,  
and let all the peoples extol him."

<sup>12</sup>And again Isaiah says,

"The root of Jesse will come,  
even he who arises to rule the Gentiles;  
in him will the Gentiles hope."

<sup>13</sup>May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **SPECIAL MUSIC**

"I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day"

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**ALLELUIA AND VERSE** *(Sing)*

**C Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

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## **HOLY GOSPEL**

*Matthew 3:1–12*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the third chapter.

**C** **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, <sup>2</sup>“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” <sup>3</sup>For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said,

“The voice of one crying in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord;  
make his paths straight.’”

<sup>4</sup>Now John wore a garment of camel’s hair and a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. <sup>5</sup>Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region about the Jordan were going out to him, <sup>6</sup>and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

<sup>7</sup>But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? <sup>8</sup>Bear fruit in keeping with repentance. <sup>9</sup>And do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father,’ for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. <sup>10</sup>Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

<sup>11</sup>“I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. <sup>12</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

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

**C** **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

## **NICENE CREED**

**C** **I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life † of the world to come. Amen.**

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

**“On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry” LSB #344, St. 1-5**

- 1 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry Announces that the Lord is nigh; Awake and hearken, for he brings Glad tidings of the King of kings!**
- 2 Then cleansed be ev'ry life from sin; Make straight the way for God within, And let us all our hearts prepare For Christ to come and enter there.**
- 3 We hail Thee as our Savior, Lord, Our refuge and our great reward; Without Thy grace we waste away Like flow'rs that wither and decay.**

- 4 Lay on the sick Thy healing hand And make the fallen strong to stand; Show us the glory of Thy face Till beauty springs in ev'ry place.
- 5 All praise, eternal Son, to Thee Whose advent sets Thy people free, Whom with the Father we adore And Holy Spirit evermore.

**SERMON "What Do You Want For Christmas?"**

Isaiah 11:1-10, Romans 15:4-13)

**OFFERTORY** (*Sing*)

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**C Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** (*Congregation response to petitions:*

*Hear our prayer.*)

**SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

**PREFACE**

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**P** The Lord be with you.

**C And with thy spirit.**

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C We lift them up unto the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

**C It is meet and right so to do.**

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the

wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

## **SANCTUS**

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**C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

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**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.**

## **THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

### **PAX DOMINI**

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**P The peace of the Lord be with you always.**

**C Amen.**

### **AGNUS DEI** *(Sing)*

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**C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen. *(Sit)***

## **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

**“Fantasy on a Bavarian Carol” Setting by John Behnke**

**“Come, Let Us Eat” LSB 626, St. 1-4**

- 1 Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread, Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread. Our Lord’s body let us take together, Our Lord’s body let us take together.**
- 2 Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured, Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured. Jesus’ blood poured let us drink together, Jesus’ blood poured let us drink together.**
- 3 In His presence now we meet and rest, In His presence now we meet and rest. In the presence of our Lord we gather, In the presence of our Lord we gather.**
- 4 Rise, then, to spread abroad God’s mighty Word, Rise, then, to spread abroad God’s mighty Word. Jesus risen will bring in the Kingdom, Jesus risen will bring in the Kingdom.**

**“What Child Is This” LSB 370, St. 1-3**

- 1 What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Mary’s lap is sleeping? Whom angels greet with anthems sweet While shepherds watch are keeping? This, this is Christ the king, Whom shepherds guard and angels sing; Haste, haste to bring Him laud, The babe, the son of Mary!**
- 2 Why lies He in such mean estate Where ox and ass are feeding? Good Christian, fear; for sinners here the silent Word is pleading. Nails, spear shall pierce Him through, The cross be borne for me, for you; Hail, hail the Word made flesh, The babe, the son of Mary!**

**3 So bring Him incense, gold, and myrrh; Come, peasant, king,  
to own Him. The King of kings salvation brings; Let loving  
hearts enthrone Him. Raise, raise the song on high,  
The virgin sings her lullaby; Joy, joy, for Christ is born,  
The babe, the son of Mary!**

**NUNC DIMITTIS**

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**C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace  
according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy  
salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all  
people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy  
people Israel.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world  
without end. Amen.**

**THANKSGIVING**

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**P O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,**

**C and His mercy endureth forever.**

**P Let us pray.**

**P We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed  
us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your  
mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward  
You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus  
Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and  
the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

**C Amen.**

**SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS**

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**P The Lord be with you.**

**C And with thy spirit.**

**P Bless we the Lord.**

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **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 lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.
- C** (Sing) **Amen, amen, amen.**

## **CLOSING HYMN**

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” **LSB #357 St. 1, ref, 2–3**

- 1 O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel,  
That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear.  
Refrain**

### ***Refrain***

**Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O  
Israel!**

- 2 O come, Thou Wisdom from on high, Who ord’rest all things  
mightily; To us the path of knowledge show, And teach us in  
her ways to go. Refrain**
- 3 O come, O come, Thou Lord of might,  
Who to Thy tribes on Sinai’s height  
In ancient times didst give the Law  
In cloud and majesty and awe. Refrain**

## **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.**

**Midweek Advent Services: 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.**

**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."**

**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.**

**Midweek Advent Dinners: On 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 w/Holy Communion.**

**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.**

**Church Members and others who wish to “give electronically” can now do so by going to: [easytithe.com/BSLCTempe](https://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**

**“Jesus, The Light of the World”**

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**SERVING US AT WORSHIP TODAY:**

<b>Officiant Preacher:</b>	Rev. Tim Anderson
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<b>Song Leader:</b>	Donna Evans
<b>Special Music:</b>	Charles Haynes, Donna Evans & the Choir
<b>Lector:</b>	Connor Garrett
<b>Assisting Elder:</b>	Don Calender
<b>Greeter:</b>	Marsha Beetham
<b>Pianist:</b>	Glenn Brown
<b>Acolyte:</b>	Joe Carlin
<b>Altar Care:</b>	Pat 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: 11-27-22 Bible Study—9; Worship Service—35; Proverbs & Sandwiches Bible Study—NA; Thanksgiving meal at church—12.**

**Income report for 11-27-22: Loose Plate \$50; Weekly Envelopes \$850; Designated Gifts \$25; Other \$; Total \$925. Thanksgiving: Envelopes \$700, Loose Plate \$20. Total \$720.**

## **THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR**

### **December 4, Sunday**

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM Music Rehearsal

#### **10 AM The Second Sunday in Advent**

*(Also, being streamed on Facebook online)*

11:30 AM Voters' Budget Meeting

4 PM "I Heard the Bells of Christmas" Movie

### **December 5, Monday**

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

### **December 7, Wednesday**

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

**12 PM 2<sup>nd</sup> Midweek Advent Worship**

**6 pm Advent Dinner**

12 PM & 7 PM 2<sup>nd</sup> Midweek Advent Worship

### **December 8, Thursday**

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

### **December 9, Friday**

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

**7 – 8 PM Advent & Christmas Hymn Sing Happy Hour w/Blake Flattley**

### **December 11, Sunday**

**10 AM The Third Sunday in Advent Worship -Casual Worship**

## **Prayer List:**

We pray for strength, comfort and healing for:

- Mary**, Phyllis & Don Schink's daughter-in-law's sister, she has Covid & pneumonia & is in ICU.
- Doug & Debby Bergman feeling under the weather.
- Harry Gleason and family** from MT View Church-Harry was seriously Hurt in a motorcycle accident.
- 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;
- Pattie**, Sandra's sister-in-law - recovering from knee surgery;
- Barbara Willford, Cheryl Rice, Wendy Sievers, Glenn Brown, Lois Sunderman. Bev Dase** – medical issues;
- Doris Reith and Len Lacy** - memory care;
- Beth Hutson, Jim Schutkowski, Sherry Ellis, Gerri Koski, Warren & Cheryl** - chemo treatment;
- Linesi**, Mandy's friend, passed away unexpectedly-**pray for comfort & healing for Linesi's family.**
- Prayer of Thanks – **for response so quickly & unselfishly by congregation with blankets for the homeless.**

## **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 - KFAX RADIO (1100) @ 10 AM:**

**December 11 "Beauty We Can't See" Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. We often feel our need for God's presence only when we see what it looks like when He's absent. (Isaiah 28:5)**



## **HOLY COMMUNION. . .OUR UNDERSTANDING**

*It is the special joy of the baptized and instructed Christian to celebrate Christ in our very midst with the Sacrament of the Altar (Holy Communion). The Scripture clearly and carefully teaches that, in Holy Communion, the very Body and the very Blood of our Lord Jesus are really present in, with, and under the forms of bread and wine. It also teaches that "A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord (acknowledging the Real Presence of Jesus with the elements) eats and drinks judgment on himself." (I Corinthians 11:28-29).*

*Communicants, then, are rightfully prepared and "worthy" when they:*

- *are truly penitent of their sins;*
- *even now embrace Jesus as their Savior and recognize His Real Presence in the bread and the wine; and*
- *seek to amend their sinful lives, with the assistance of this Meal and the power of the Holy Spirit.*

***If you have any further questions, please speak with the Pastor before the service.***

*Other notes on the distribution of Holy Communion:*

- *1) Wine is the Biblical standard for all communicants. However, grape juice is in some glasses and available in the center of each tray for those who have an intolerance to alcohol.*
- *2) The Blood of Christ, in, with and under the wine, is served in individual glasses and common cup. Please choose your preference..*
- *3) Children and adults not instructed or confirmed are still encouraged to approach The Table to receive a blessing.*