

# THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

## Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

February 19, 2023

10:00 a.m.

"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, 'Your God reigns.'" (Isaiah 52:7)



*Made Even More Certain*

### AS WE GATHER

We suppose He, Jesus, didn't have to do it—suddenly appear with His glorious divine nature shining through His human nature and clothing. No, He didn't have to do it for Himself, but He did it for that inner circle of the disciples and through their testimony also for us. Especially as we prepare to see His human suffering, betrayal, and humiliating death, our faith needs to be made even more certain. Certain of what? Certain that while Jesus is a human being like us, He is also and continues to be of one substance with God the Father, true God in the flesh. Because of who He is, Jesus will perfectly obey the Father's will, make full and sufficient payment to the Father for our sins by His suffering and sacrificial atonement, and provide victory over sin, death, and the devil by His resurrection from the dead. He is the content and substance of faith in each believer.

**PRELUDE**                    “Now Praise We Christ, the Holy One” –Healy Willan

## **PASTORAL WELCOME**

### **OPENING PRAYER**

Pastor: O Lord Jesus, You are God’s chosen Son. Please help us listen to you. Help us open our hearts to your grace. Help us believe, help us love. We are so small and we as people and even as your church become afraid. Show us your dazzling glory hidden in the hum-drum of our wondrous, everyday lives. Though we sin and are imperfect people, you make us one with you, and let us bring your life, death and resurrection to others, to all nations. Help us by your spirit to show all nations the light of who you are, not just on the mountain of transfiguration, but even more so on the mount they call Golgotha. Amen.

**OPENING HYMN**                    “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus” **LSB ##821, v. 1, 4 & 5**

**1 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; His the scepter, His the throne;  
Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone.**

**Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion Thunder like a mighty  
flood: “Jesus out of ev’ry nation Has redeemed us by His  
blood.”**

**4 Alleluia! King eternal, Lord omnipotent we own;  
Alleluia! Born of Mary, Earth Your footstool, heav’n Your  
throne. As within the veil You entered, Robed in flesh, our  
great High Priest, Here on earth both priest and victim  
In the eucharistic feast.**

**5 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; His the scepter, His the throne;  
Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone.  
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion Thunder like a mighty  
flood: “Jesus out of ev’ry nation Has redeemed us by His  
blood.”**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

### INVOCATION

LSB 151

P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

### EXHORTATION

LSB 151

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.*

### CONFESSION OF SINS

LSB 151

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.**

### ABSOLUTION

LSB 151

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 T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

### SERVICE OF THE WORD

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## INTROIT

Psalm 99:1–5; antiphon: v. 9

Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain;  
**for the LORD our God is holy!**

The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!

**He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!**

The LORD is great in Zion;

**he is exalted over all the peoples.**

Let them praise your great and awesome name!

**Holy is he!**

The King in his might loves justice.

**You have established equity; you have executed justice and  
righteousness in Jacob.**

Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool!

**Holy is he!**

**Glory be to the Father and to the So and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain;  
**for the LORD our God is holy!**

## KYRIE (Chanted)

LSB 152

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.**

## **THIS IS THE FEAST**

**LSB 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.

O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; 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**

*Exodus 24:8–18*

<sup>8</sup>And Moses took the blood and threw it on the people and said, “Behold

the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words.”

<sup>9</sup>Then Moses and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel went up, <sup>10</sup>and they saw the God of Israel. There was under his feet as it were a pavement of sapphire stone, like the very heaven for clearness. <sup>11</sup>And he did not lay his hand on the chief men of the people of Israel; they beheld God, and ate and drank.

<sup>12</sup>The LORD said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain and wait there, that I may give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.” <sup>13</sup>So Moses rose with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. <sup>14</sup>And he said to the elders, “Wait here for us until we return to you. And behold, Aaron and Hur are with you. Whoever has a dispute, let him go to them.”

<sup>15</sup>Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. <sup>16</sup>The glory of the LORD dwelt on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. <sup>17</sup>Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. <sup>18</sup>Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **EPISTLE**

*2 Peter 1:16–21*

<sup>16</sup>For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. <sup>17</sup>For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased,” <sup>18</sup>we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. <sup>19</sup>And we have something more sure, the prophetic word, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises

in your hearts, <sup>20</sup>knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. <sup>21</sup>For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## **SPECIAL MUSIC**

"Lift Your Light" - Mary McDonald

## **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 17:1-9*

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

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

<sup>1</sup>After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. <sup>2</sup>And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. <sup>3</sup>And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>4</sup>And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." <sup>5</sup>He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." <sup>6</sup>When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. <sup>7</sup>But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." <sup>8</sup>And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.

<sup>9</sup>And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to You, 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**

**"Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here" LSB #414, V. 1-5**

**1 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Thy glory fills the night;  
Thy face and garments, like the sun, Shine with  
unborrowed light.**

**2 'Tis good, Lord, to be here, Thy beauty to behold  
Where Moses and Elijah stand, Thy messengers of old.**

**3 Fulfiller of the past And hope of things to be,  
We hail Thy body glorified And our redemption see.**

- 4 Before we taste of death, We see Thy kingdom come;  
We long to hold the vision bright And make this hill our  
home.
- 5 'Tis good, Lord, to be here! Yet we may not remain;  
But since Thou bidst us leave the mount, Come with us to  
the plain.

**SERMON** “Behold! Your Beautiful Savior!”  
-Rev. Dominic Rivkin (Mission Executive, Pacific District – LCMS)

**OFFERTORY** (*Sing*) Page 159-160

**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**

*(Congregation response to petitions: **Hear our prayer**)*

**SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT**

**PREFACE**

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**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them to the Lord.

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

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**PROPER PREFACE**

**P** It is truly good, 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, who at His transfiguration revealed His glory to His disciples that they might be strengthened to proclaim His cross and resurrection and with all the faithful look forward to the glory of life everlasting. 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 pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

## **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

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**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

## **THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

**LORD'S PRAYER** *(Spoken)*

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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 and ever. Amen.

**PAX DOMINI** (*Spoken*)

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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

**AGNUS DEI** (*Sing*)

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C Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

1 (Piano solo) "O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair"

2 "O Lord, We Praise Thee" LSB #617, St. 1-3

- 1 O Lord, we praise Thee, bless Thee, and adore Thee, In thanksgiving bow before Thee. Thou with Thy body and Thy blood didst nourish Our weak souls that they may flourish: O Lord, have mercy! May Thy body, Lord, born of Mary, That our sins and sorrows did carry, And Thy blood for us plead In all trial, fear, and need: O Lord, have mercy!
- 2 Thy holy body into death was given, Life to win for us in heaven. No greater love than this to Thee could bind us; May this feast thereof remind us! O Lord, have mercy! Lord, Thy kindness did so constrain Thee that Thy blood should bless and sustain me. All our debt Thou hast paid; Peace with God once more is made: O Lord, have mercy!

**3 May God bestow on us His grace and favor that we follow  
Christ our Savior and live together here in love and union  
Nor despise this blest Communion! O Lord, have mercy!  
Let not Thy good Spirit forsake us; Grant that heav'nly-  
minded He make us; Give Thy Church, Lord, to see  
Days of peace and unity: O Lord, have mercy!**

**3 "Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray" -LSB #623, St. 1-5**

- 1 Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray That we may feast on  
You today; Beneath these forms of bread and wine  
Enrich us with Your grace divine.**
- 2 Give us, who share this wondrous food, Your body broken  
and Your blood, The grateful peace of sins forgiv'n,  
The certain joys of heirs of heav'n.**
- 3 By faith Your Word has made us bold To seize the gift of  
love retold; All that You are we here receive,  
And all we are to You we give.**
- 4 One bread, one cup, one body, we, Rejoicing in our unity,  
Proclaim Your love until You come To bring Your  
scattered loved ones home.**
- 5 Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly pray: O keep us steadfast  
till that day When each will be Your welcomed guest  
In heaven's high and holy feast.**

**THANK THE LORD** *(Sing)*

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**Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has  
done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name.  
He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy  
With shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

**POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

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**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.**

## **BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION**

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**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and † give you peace.

**C Amen.**

## **CLOSING HYMN**

**“Christ, Be Our Light” LSB #715, v. 1-5**

**1 Longing for light we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you. Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.**

**Refrain: Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness, Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.**

**2 Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope many despair. Your word alone has power to save us. Make us your living voice. Refrain.**

**3 Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst. Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed. Refrain.**

**4 Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold. Make us your building, sheltering others, walls made of living stone. Refrain.**

**5 Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong. Let us be servants to one another, making your kingdom come. Refrain.**

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Sunday Bible Study: Our Sunday Bible Study on the Gospel of John on Sunday at 8:30 a.m.**

**Mardi Gras Dinner: Tuesday Feb. 21st, Starting at 5:30pm. Join us for Mardi Gras Dinner extravaganza as we host a bigger Mardi Gras than we have ever hosted before. Join us for Red Beans and Rice, Jambalaya, Beignets and more. A free will offering will be collected to support local charities. Questions, contact Pastor Tim or Debbie O'Neill.**

**Ash Wednesday, Wed Feb. 22nd. We will have worship services at 12:00pm and 7:00pm. No meal will be served before either service.**

**Brunch and Bibles: Our midweek bible study on Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 12:30 a.m. We will meet at Netta Cheta's at 3224 S. Mill Ave., Tempe, AZ 85282. Please let Kathryn know if you will be attending by noon on Monday so she can give them a count on how many are attending) at 602-510-2885 or email: Kathryn.odle@asu.edu**

**Revitalization meeting will be Thursday, Fer. 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7 PM. This meeting will include the people who attended the meeting with LCEF representative. Braith.**

**Beautiful Savior Annual Chili Cook Off: Join us Sunday Feb. 26th after worship for our annual chili cook off and a chance to put your name on our Chili hall of fame. All can enter, all can judge. Questions? Talk to Skip McFadden or Pastor Tim.**

**Midweek Lenten Services:** Services begin each Wednesday on March 1st at 12:00pm and 7:00pm. We will have dinner at 6:00pm before each 7:00pm service in March. No meal will be served before the 12:00pm services. Our theme this year is "Amazing Grace" as we celebrate the 250th anniversary of the classic hymn, we will explore how those in the Bible who experienced the amazing grace of God. Each week as we hear their stories, we want to realize that though we once were lost in sin, we now have been found by Jesus, and though we once were blind to God's mercy, we now can see his love at work in us through our Savior's death and resurrection. Each service contains a dialogue sermon and as such, Pastor Tim will be looking for volunteers to play the parts of David, Isaiah, The Prodigal Son, The Blind Man, The Woman at the Well, and Paul. Please let me know if you are interested.

**Pastor Tim's Installation:** President Mike Gibson of the Pacific Southwest District LCMS as well as other local pastors will be here to install Pastor Tim as our full-time pastor on Sunday March 12th at 3:00pm. Please try to be a part of this special day in the life of our congregation as we install him as our next full-time minister here at Beautiful Savior. There will be a reception following the service.

Planet Green recycle container is in the fellowship hall by the thermostats, and remain there.

**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.

**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.

Then follow the directions to complete your transaction.

**POSTLUDE**

"Marche-Sortie" -Theo. Dubois

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**SERVING US AT WORSHIP TODAY:**

**Officiant Preacher:**

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**Pianist/Director of Music:**

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**Song Leader:**

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**Special Music:**

The Beautiful Savior Singers

**Lector:**

Connor Garrett

**Assisting Elder:**

Charles Haynes

**Greeter:**

Kathy Held

**Acolyte:**

Connor Garrett

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's New Office Hours: Now that Pastor Tim is full-time with us here at Beautiful Savior, he has new office hours. He is available

Monday through Thursday, 10am - 3pm as well as by appointment. Pastor Tim will use the rest of his time to make house visits for the sick and shut in, meet with our members and guests, attend meetings, leading worship and other ministries, and creating connections for the church in our community. 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: 2-12-23 Bible Study—10; Worship Service—46; 2-16-23 Brunch & Bibles Midweek Bible Study—; Income report for 2-12-23: Loose Plate \$65; Weekly Envelopes \$2100; Designated Gifts \$157; Other \$; Total \$2322.**

## **THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR**

### **February 19, Sunday**

8:30 am Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM Music Rehearsal

**10 AM The Transfiguration of the Lord Worship w/Holy Communion**

*(Also, being streamed on Facebook online)*

### **February 21 Tuesday**

5:30 PM Mardi Gras Dinner extravaganza in the fellowship hall

### **February 22, Wednesday**

**Noon & 7 PM Ash Wednesday & Imposition of Ashes Worship**

### **February 23, Thursday**

**12:30 PM Brunch and Bibles: Midweek Bible Study at Netta Cheta's at 3224 S. Mill Ave., Tempe AZ 85282 Contact Kathryn Odle to let her know if you are attending.**

Pastor Tim at Best Practices for Ministry Conference

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

### **February 24, Friday**

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

### **February 26, Sunday**

## 10 AM The First Sunday in Lent Worship

**Prayer List:** We pray for strength, comfort and healing for:  
who are battling harsh weather conditions:

- For Marshann Donahue's brother-in-law **Michael**, with esophageal cancer.
- **Bev Dase** – recovering from stroke in a group home, Sunrise Senior Living, 5757 W Chandler Blvd, Chandler, AZ 85226;
- **Family** of Jacqueline Kiersch,
- **Alex**, Joe and Pat's grandson, - successful surgery, back to work, prayer of thanks;
- **Ken** – suffering from MS
- **David Bomhoff** - in hospital, needs curing meds for infections;
- **Doris Reith, Len Lacy, Judy Snedeker** – memory care;
- **Beth Ruettinger, Beth Hutson, Jim Schutkowski, Sherry Ellis, Gerri Koski, Warren and Cheryl** – chemo treatment;
- **Pat Carlin, Cherryl Rice, Wendy Sievers, Glenn Brown, Lois Sunderman**, - Medical issues;
- **Blue Sky** (Tom) and **Amina Kruck** – preparing for surgeries;
- **Linda**, Bobbie's friend – pneumonia;
- **Two oldest granddaughters of Pat and Joe** - laid off from jobs after committing to buying houses, guidance and direction for jobs so can retain their new homes;

### 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:**

**2-26-2023 "It Begins with Who I Am" Guest Speaker: [Rev. Dr. Dean](#)**

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## **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.*

*3) Children and adults not instructed or confirmed are still encouraged to approach The Table to receive a blessing.*