THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

November 19, 2023 10:00 a.m.

"The Mission of Beautiful Savior is to "Serve the Lord, extend the Gospel, and make Jesus alive in the community."



You Knew!

AS WE GATHER

In our Gospel reading today, the wicked servant would work to reveal a God who is hard, demanding, ungracious, and needs to be placated and feared. The servant says, "I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed" (verse 24). This is the God our world imagines they will encounter, a God who is hard, who makes demands on people, and yet gives them no help. But in this parable, that is not the God Jesus reveals. Not in this parable and not in His life. In fact, Jesus tells this parable to put an end to that misconception. The servant who thinks of God this way is judged harshly. Why? Because God, in Christ, has a completely different relationship with His people. When you look at the opening of the parable, what kind of master do you see? Is the master harsh or demanding? Reaping

where he did not sow? No. Instead, when you look at the master, you find a beautiful vision of God. God gives various gifts to His servants, and He does so because He trusts that we are able to use those gifts he gives. God gives and trusts us with gifts meant to bless our world, what a beautiful comfort.

PRELUDE

"For the Bread Which Thou Hast Broken" -Setting by David Cherwien

PASTORAL WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: God, our kind and loving Father, you no longer call us servants but friends. There is so much you have entrusted to us, even the future of your kingdom of justice and love. Give us the grace to work with the gifts you have entrusted so that as your hands and feet and by your spirit your kingdom may grow in this place and that we would be united with the faithful around the world who seek your hope, your peace, your joy and your love. May we use our time, talents and treasures each day to help in the work of bringing more people to you. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

OPENING HYMN "Light of Light, O Sole-Begotten" #914 St. 1-4

- 1 Light of Light, O Sole-Begotten Radiance of the Father's face, Word made flesh, who lived among us Full of truth and full of grace, Shine upon our human darkness; Pierce the night that shrouds our race.
- 2 Word eternal, through Your being God created all we see, When the empty spaces echoed With the Father's "Let there be . . . " Light and life burst from the glorious Power of Your majesty!

- 3 Still Your brooding Spirit hovers Over chaos, dark and deep, Calling out with invitation: "Rise, awaken from your sleep; Christ the Lord will shine upon you And from death your soul shall keep."
- 4 Come, Lord Jesus, by Your Spirit In our hearts Your work begin, Bring the healing restoration Of Your image lost by sin; From Your fullness all receiving Grace on grace, new life within!

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 Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- C But with You there is forgiveness; therefore, You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- P Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT (Read responsively) Psalm 143:2, 5–6, 10–11; antiphon: v. 1

Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy!

In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!

Enter not into judgment with your servant,

for no one living is righteous before you.

I remember the days of old; I meditate on all that you have done; I ponder the work of your hands.

I stretch out my hands to you;

my soul thirsts for you like a parched land.

Teach me to do your will, for you are my God!

Let your good Spirit lead me on level ground!

For your name's sake, O LORD, preserve my life!

In your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble! 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.

Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy!
In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!

KYRIE (Sing) Page 204

C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (Sing)

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C To God on high be glory And peace to all the earth; Goodwill from God in heaven Proclaimed at Jesus' birth! We praise and bless You, Father; Your holy name, we sing— Our thanks for Your great glory, Lord God, our heav'nly King.

To You, O sole-begotten, The Father's Son, we pray; O Lamb of God, our Savior, You take our sins away. Have mercy on us, Jesus; Receive our heartfelt cry, Where You in pow'r are seated At God's right hand on highFor You alone are holy; You only are the Lord. Forever and forever, Be worshiped and adored; You with the Holy Spirit Alone are Lord Most High, In God the Father's glory. "Amen!" our glad reply.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

⁷Be silent before the Lord God!

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P: Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Dispel from us the works of darkness and grant us to live in the light of Your Son, Jesus Christ, that our faith may never be found wanting; 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

Zephaniah 1:7-16

For the day of the LORD is near; the LORD has prepared a sacrifice and consecrated his guests.

8And on the day of the LORD's sacrifice—

"I will punish the officials and the king's sons and all who array themselves in foreign attire.

9On that day I will punish everyone who leaps over the threshold, and those who fill their master's house with violence and fraud.

10"On that day," declares the LORD, "a cry will be heard from the Fish Gate, a wail from the Second Quarter.

¹¹Wail, O inhabitants of the Mortar! For all the traders are no more:

a loud crash from the hills.

all who weigh out silver are cut off. ¹²At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps. and I will punish the men who are complacent, those who say in their hearts, 'The LORD will not do good, nor will he do ill.' ¹³Their goods shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them." ¹⁴The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter; the mighty man cries aloud there. ¹⁵A day of wrath is that day, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹⁶a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

1 Thessalonians 5:1–11

¹Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. ²For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³While people are saying, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant

woman, and they will not escape. ⁴But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. ⁵For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. ⁶So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. ⁷For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. ⁸But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. ⁹For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. ¹¹Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

ALLELUIA AND VERSE (Sing)

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- C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- C These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.
- C Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 25:14-30

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁴[Jesus said:] "For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. ¹⁵To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. ¹⁷So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. ¹⁸But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his

master's money. ¹⁹Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.' ²¹His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' 22 And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.' ²³His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' ²⁴He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, ²⁵so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' ²⁶But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed and gather where I scattered no seed? ²⁷Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. ²⁹For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. ³⁰And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED (Spoken)

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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

"For the Fruit of All Creation"-WOV #760, St. 1-3

- 1. For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.

 For these gifts so ev'ry nation, thanks be to God.

 For the plowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping,
 Future needs in earth's safe-keeping, thanks be to God.
- 2. In the just reward of labor, God's will is done. In the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done. In our world-wide task of caring for the hungry and despairing, In the harvests we are sharing, God's Will is done.
- 3. For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God. For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God. For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still

confound us most of all, that love has found us, Thanks be to God.

SERMON Entrusted (Matthew 25:14-30)

OFFERING MUSIC

"Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring" (WOV 759, St. 1-3)

- 1 Accept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place upon your table. We do not worship as we ought but only as we're able.
- 2 The vines were planted, seeds were sown. They grew in your good pleasure. What once was common, daily food becomes a holy treasure.
- 3 Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we lift in pray'r Before you. Lord, by your your grace now come to us, as humbly we Adore you.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Congregation response to petitions: Hear our Prayer)

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE (Stand)

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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.
- P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your

boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. 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 (Sing)

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C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored; Heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name. Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord; Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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 and ever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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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 Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

- 1) (piano solo) "I Could Sing of Your Love Forever" -M. Smith
- 2) "The Lamb" LSB #547, St. 1-5
- 1 The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice? Faith sees, believes God will provide the Lamb of price! Refrain

Refrain: Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own! The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

2 The Lamb, the Lamb, One perfect final offering.

- The Lamb, the Lamb, Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing. Refrain
- 3 The Lamb, the Lamb, As wayward sheep their shepherd kill So still, His will On our behalf the Law to fill. Refrain
- 4 He sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretchedness. He lives, forgives, He gives me His own righteousness. Refrain
- 5 He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now overflows. His song prolong Till ev'ry heart to Him belong. Refrain
 - 3) "Take My Life and Let It Be" LSB #784, St. 1-6
- 1 Take my life and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee; Take my moments and my days, Let them flow in ceaseless praise, Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- 2 Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of Thy love; Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee, Swift and beautiful for Thee.
- 3 Take my voice and let me sing Always, only for my King; Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee, Filled with messages from Thee.
- 4 Take my silver and my gold, Not a mite would I withhold; Take my intellect and use Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose, Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.
- 5 Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine; Take my heart, it is Thine own, It shall be Thy royal throne, It shall be Thy royal throne.
- 6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store; Take myself, and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee, Ever, only, all for Thee.

NUNC DIMITTIS (Sing)

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C O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace, For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace: A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill, The glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.

All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son, All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One; For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be, God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

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P Let us pray.

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

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P Let us bless 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 on you and be gracious to you.

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

C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

"Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings" LSB #782, St/ 1-4

1 Gracious God, You send great blessings New each morning all our days. For Your mercies never ending, For Your love we

offer praise. Refrain

Refrain: Lord, we pray that we, Your people Who Your gifts unnumbered claim, Through the sharing of Your blessings May bring glory to Your name.

- 2 By Your Word You formed creation Filled with creatures large and small; As we tend that endless treasure May our care encircle all. Refrain
- 3 In His earthly life, our Savior Knew the care of faithful friends; May our deeds of dedication Offer love that never ends. Refrain
- 4Δ Heav'nly Father, may our caring Bear the imprint of Your grace; With the Son and Holy Spirit, Praise be Yours in ev'ry place! Refrain

POSTLUDE

"Psalm of Glory" -William Barnett

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join us for Sunday Bible study on the book of Revelation. We will gather each Sunday at 8:30am to go through this oft-misunderstood book of the Bible, and the hope we have in Christ at the end.

Women's Weekly Bible Study: will have their next meeting will be Nov. 20th at noon, we will study. All Beautiful Savior women and friends are welcome to attend!

Next Chosen Night: Saturday, Nov. 18th at 5:00pm Join us on Nov. 18th at 5pm for our next The Chosen Night. Also, we are still looking for dinner hosts to host our meal when we meet for "Chosen Nights." If interested, please sign up with Pastor Tim. New Member Class: Pastor is looking to offer new member classes for anyone interested in joining our congregation. If interested please connect with him after church. Classes would last five weeks and would begin in November 19th.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship: Wed. Nov. 22nd at 6:00pm. Join us on Thanksgiving Eve at 6pm as we give thanks to god for the blessings of Family, friends, community and for the nation we get to live in and be a part of.

Advent Midweek Services: Begin Nov 29th with services at 12:00pm and 7:00pm. In our Midweek worship series for Advent, "The Light of Grace", we celebrate that Jesus is the Light of the World who shines on us with his amazing grace. Through Scripture, song and reflections, we are reminded that Jesus makes his grace known through the undeserved gifts of hope, peace, joy and love—gifts revealed in special ways in the lives of Zechariah, Isaiah, and Elizabeth. We will also have dinner each week before the evening service starting at 6:00pm.

Christmas Paint and Sip: Saturday Dec. 16th at 10:00am. Join us as we gather to paint our 2023 Christmas Painting and share a continental breakfast with mimosas and wine! Sign up in the Narthex starting on Nov. 26th.

On Thanksgiving, we would again like to give blankets to La Mesa. La Mesa has seen an increase in attendance at their weekly meal and church service on Thursdays. Which means a greater need of blankets for the homeless. Bring in new or gently used blankets by Nov. 19th and place them in the conference room off of the fellowship hall. Questions, contact Cyndi Calender at: nana.calender@gmail.com or 480-251-5442

Planet Green recycle container is in the fellowship hall by the thermostats.

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 schedule is on the fellowship board. Questions, talk to Pastor Tim.

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 budget, LWML, Missions, La Mesa & Staff Continuing Education.

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SERVING US AT WORSHIP TODAY:

Officiant Preacher: Pastor Tim Anderson
Organist/Dir. of Music: Ellen Brown

Song Leader & Banjo: Debby Bergman

Special Music: The Beautiful Savior Singers

Assisting Elder: Wendell Robson
Lector Reader: Charlotte Grefe

Greeter: Kathy Held

Acolyte: TBA

Altar: Bobbie Littou, Charlotte Grefe

<u>Visitors</u>, 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. <u>Members</u> are also encouraged to complete a "Worship Information" card (you can update address and phone number, request a pastoral visit)

Pastor Tim's Office Hours: Pastor Tim is available Monday through Thursday, 10am - 3pm as well as by appointment. 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: 11-12-23 Bible Study—NA; Worship Service—35; 11-13-2023 Women's Bible Study—6; 11-9-2023 "Brunch & Bibles" Midweek Bible Study—10; 11/2 La Mesa meal—72, La Mesa worship—25; La Mesa Baptism—NA.

Income report for 11-5-23: Loose Plate \$116; Weekly Envelopes \$2157; Designated Gifts \$123; Other \$; Total \$2396.

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

November 19 Sunday

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal

10 AM All Twenty-fifth Sunday w/Holy communion

(Also, being streamed on Facebook online)

11 PM Board of Trustees Meeting

November 20, Monday

12 PM Women's Bible Study

5 PM Council Meeting

November 22, Wednesday

6 PM Thanksgiving Eve Worship

November 23-24, Thursday

Offices Closed for Thanksgiving

4-7 PM La Mesa

November 24, Friday

Church & Offices Cleaned

November 26, Sunday

10 AM The Last Sunday of the Church Year

Prayer List: We pray for strength, comfort and healing for:

Nolan Conley-serious esophagus problems, Bobbie Littou, Natalia's daughter Lara, also her sister Adriana, Carol Hurley, Josh, Ken, Grace Timm, Jane Schutkowski, Mason Midkiff, Dee's husband, Phyllis Schinke, Wendy Sievers, Bev Dase; Ken w/MS;

Pastor Pope in hospice care;

Thanksgiving for Kevin, Les Carlson now at home.

Amina Kruck very ill, Annalisa Durnan, Nicole McClain, Jan Buel, Alice & her husband Randy, Beth Ruettinger also back problem, Brenda Frank, Warren, Cheryl, Jim Schutkowski – cancer treatments;

Doris Reith and Len Lacy - memory care;

Kevin out of the hospital, Les Carlson at home.

Roberta's friend, being deployed into an area of conflict.

Prayers for all nations dealing with hardships and for military deployed to areas of conflict;

FOR AT HOME WORSHIPERS WHO MAY VIEW SERVICES ONLINE. INSTRUCTIONS ARE BELOW:

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE YOU CAN GO ONLINE & VIEW AT

- 1) Open a webpage browser (internet explorer, chrome, Firefox, etc.)
- 2) Type or paste the following link into your address bar: www.facebook.com/BeautifulSaviorLutheranChurchTempe/
- 3) Option 1 Scroll until you find a post that shows a "Live" feed titled for the Sunday service, or
- 4) Option 2 Click on the "Videos" button on the left-hand sidebar (ignore anything asking you to sign up or sign in to Facebook)
- 5) Look for the video titled for the date of the Sunday service. Video stream will be live starting at or around 10am. If it does not show up, try refreshing the page. The video of the service will remain on the page if you would like to view it at a later time, or to replay it again at your discretion.

Lutheran Hour Broadcast - KFNX RADIO (1100) @ 10 AM

November 19 "**Until that Day**" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Anthony (Tony) Cook No one knows when Christ will return. Until that day, we live in certain uncertainty. (1 Thessalonians 5:1-11)



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 <u>center</u> of each tray for those
 who have an intolerance to alcohol.
- 2) The Blood of Christ, in, with and under the wine, <u>is served in individual glasses.</u>
- 3) Children and adults not instructed or confirmed are still encouraged to approach The Table to receive a blessing.