# SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## **Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church**

The Mission of Beautiful Savior is to Serve the Lord, Extend the Gospel and Make Jesus alive in the community.

May 5, 2024

10:00 a.m.



No Greater Love

## **AS WE GATHER**

Have you ever experienced the awkwardness of meeting someone you really enjoy and thinking that it was the start of a beautiful friendship, only to find out that they didn't feel the same way? Jesus does the very thing that I am so often afraid of doing. He tells us, you and me, that he calls us "friend." I can understand God calling me his child, or his servant... but to call me his friend? He begins our relationship by calling us "friend." But we don't do anything to deserve or earn his friendship, if anything we do everything in our power to make it so he shouldn't trust us. Even still, Jesus doesn't invite us into friendship and then keep us at arm's length. He tells us that he wants to share everything he knows from the Father with us. He invites us in completely, with no hesitation, no conditions, no judgments; just pure welcome. Our savior has proved his love for us and His friendship towards us by laying down his life for you and me. Then he calls us to reach out, into our families,

our friends, our communities and make friends the exact same way.

#### **PRELUDE**

"Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord" -Paul Baloche

#### PASTORAL WELCOME

## **OPENING PRAYER**

Pastor: Heavenly Father, You are unyielding in Your love toward us and You never stop pursuing us. Remind us to not give up on one another. In our ever-expanding world it can be so easy to take what one person says or does in a moment as an example of their whole being. Instead, open our hearts to forgiveness, reconciliation and restoration. Help us to be agents of your healing words of forgiveness in our own lives, and may we seek forgiveness where we have harmed others. Guide us in Your ways of love, as we focus on Christ, who was undeterred, even to the cross, to show us how much he loved us. It is in his name that we pray. Amen.

#### **OPENING HYMN**

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" #700, St. 1, 3 & 4

1 Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heav'n, to earth come down! Fix in us Thy humble dwelling, All Thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, Thou art all compassion, Pure, unbounded love Thou art; Visit us with Thy salvation,

## Enter ev'ry trembling heart.

- 3 Come, Almighty, to deliver;
  Let us all Thy life receive;
  Suddenly return, and never,
  Nevermore Thy temples leave.
  Thee we would be always blessing,
  Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
  Pray and praise Thee without ceasing,
  Glory in Thy perfect love.
- 4 Finish then Thy new creation,
  Pure and spotless let us be;
  Let us see Thy great salvation
  Perfectly restored in Thee,
  Changed from glory into glory,
  Till in heav'n we take our place,
  Till we cast our crowns before Thee,
  Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

Stand

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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Sit

#### SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT (Read responsively)

Psalm 66:1-2, 8-9, 20; antiphon: v. 16

Come and hear, all you who fear God,

and I will tell what he has done for my soul.

Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!

Bless our God, O peoples;

let the sound of his praise be heard, who has kept our soul among the living and has not let our feet slip.

Blessèd be God,

because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!

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. Come and hear, all you who fear God,

and I will tell what he has done for my soul.

## Stand

## KYRIE (Spoken)

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

**HYMN OF PRAISE:** (Sing)

"Glorify Thy Name" (TOSB #49)

1) Father, 2) Jesus, 3) Spirit

We love Thee, we praise Thee, we adore Thee.

Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name.

Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

## SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P: Let us pray.

O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the

Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### C Amen.

Sit

#### FIRST READONG

Acts 10:34-48

<sup>34</sup>Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), <sup>37</sup>you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: 38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. 39 And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, 40 but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. 42And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup>To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

<sup>44</sup>While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. <sup>45</sup>And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. <sup>46</sup>For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling

God. Then Peter declared, <sup>47</sup>"Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" <sup>48</sup>And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

## **EPISTLE READING**

1 John 5:1-8

¹Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of him. ²By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. ³For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. ⁴For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. ⁵Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

<sup>6</sup>This is he who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not by the water only but by the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. <sup>7</sup>For there are three that testify: <sup>8</sup>the Spirit and the water and the blood; and these three agree.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

**SPECIAL MUSIC** "Amigos de Cristo" AGPS #64 **REFRAIN**:

A-mi-gos de Cris-to; We're friends of the Lord, A-mi-gos de Cris-to; We're friends of the Lord. For we've been forgiven and we've been restored! A-mi-gos de Cris-to; We're friends of the Lord!

A-mi-gos de Cris-to, de Cris-to, el Se-ñor, Por él per-do-na-dos por su gran amor. A-mi-gos de Cris-to, de Cris-to el Se-ñor, Tam-bién res-tau-ra-dos por el Con-so-la-dor.

- Friends of the covenant renewed each morn, Baptized and lovin' it, we've been reborn; Gift of the dove is our forevermore. A-mi-gos de Cris-to We're friends of the Lord! Refrain.
- 2. Born of a family the young and old, We'll be on hand to see new life unfold; We understand the need to be made whole. A-mi-gos de Cris-to We're friends of the Lord! *Refrain.*

ALLELUIA (Sing) WOV #612-"Halle, Halle, Hallelujah" Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah! Hal-le-lu-jah, Hal-le-lu-jah!

Stand

## **HOLY GOSPEL**

John 15:9–17

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fifteenth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>9</sup>[Jesus said:] "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my

commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup>These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

<sup>12</sup>"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>Greater love has no one than this, that someone lays down his life for his friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. <sup>17</sup>These things I command you, so that you will love one another."

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 onlybegotten 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.

Sit

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" LSB #770, St. 1-3

- 1 What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry Ev'rything to God in prayer! Oh, what peace we often forfeit; Oh, what needless pain we bear—All because we do not carry Ev'rything to God in prayer!
- 2 Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged— Take it to the Lord in prayer. Can we find a

friend so faithful Who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness—Take it to the Lord in prayer.

3 Are we weak and heavy laden, Cumbered with a load of care? Precious Savior, still our refuge—Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?

Take it to the Lord in prayer. In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a solace there.

**SERMON** 

**Abide** 

(John 15:9-17)

Stand

## **OFFERTORY**

"Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring"-WOV #759

- 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.
- Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we lift in pray'r before you. Lord, by 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

Pastor The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you. Pastor Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

## THE PROPER PREFACE

**Pastor** 

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. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying he has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore, with Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, Salome, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify your glorious name, ever more praising You and singing

SANCTUS (Sing) "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord"-WOV #617a

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might, Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might; heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

## THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also, He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the New Testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

#### PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

**Pastor** 

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death and His glorious resurrection until He comes.

People Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

LORD'S PRAYER (Spoken)

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People 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**

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Pastor The peace of the Lord be with you always. **People Amen.** 

AGNUS DEI (Sing) "The Lamb," LSB #547, v.1 & 5

1. The Lamb, the Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice? Faith sees, believes, God will provide the Lamb of price!

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

5. He rose, He rose, My heart with thanks now overflows. His song prolong Till ev'ry heart to Him belong. REFRAIN.

#### DISTRIBUTION

## **COMMUNION HYMNS**

- "This Is My Commandment, That You Love One Another" -TOSB #233
- This is my commandment that you <u>Love</u> one another (2. Trust; 3. Serve) that your joy may be full. REPEAT. That your joy may be full, that your joy may be full.

This is my commandment that you love

one another, that your joy may be full.

- 2) "O Gracious Lord, I Firmly Am Believing" LSB #635, St. 1–5
- O gracious Lord, I firmly am believing Your boundless love will bless each faithful soul, As from this altar we are here receiving Your body and Your blood to make us whole, Your body and Your blood to make us whole.
- 2 Lord, I have sinned, a thousand times offending; My thankless thoughts and words and deeds erase, To me Your hand of mercy now extending,
  O God, my Savior, I implore Your grace,
  O God, my Savior, I implore Your grace.
- You see my sin yet seat me at Your table; Lord, as a guest, I surely am the least: Unclean, unfit, of worthy deeds unable— My heart prepare for this most holy feast, My heart prepare for this most holy feast.
- 4 O Lamb of God, my faithful, loving Savior, You I embrace in faith and holy love; Grant me the strength to show by my behavior A life now hidden in Your reign above, A life now hidden in Your reign above.
- 5 Heavenly Bread, my life and benediction, This cup You give can take away each ill. Come and relieve my soul from all affliction; Calm ev'ry sigh until my heart is still, Calm ev'ry sigh until my heart is still.

- 3) "Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord" LSB #637, St. 1-3
- 1 Draw near and take the body of the Lord, And drink the holy blood for you outpoured; Offered was He for greatest and for least, Himself the victim and Himself the priest.
- 2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields, To all believers life eternal yields; With heav'nly bread He makes the hungry whole, Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.
- 3 Come forward then with faithful hearts sincere, And take the pledges of salvation here. O Lord, our hearts with grateful thanks endow As in this feast of love You bless us now.

## Stand

# **NUNC DIMITTIS:** (Sing)

"Lord, Bid Your Servant Go in Peace" LSB #937

- 1. Lord, bid Your servant go in peace, Your word is now fulfilled. These eyes have seen salvation's dawn, this child so long foretold.
- 2. This is the Savior of the world, the Gentiles' promised light. God's glory dwelling in our midst, the joy of Israel.
- 3. With saints of old, with saints to come, to You we lift our voice; To Father, Son, and Spirit blest, be honor, love, and praise.

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.

#### 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**

"O Sing to the Lord" LSB #808, St.1-5

- O sing to the Lord, O sing God a new song.
   O sing to the Lord, O sing God a new song.
   O sing to the Lord, O sing God a new song.
   O sing to our God, O sing to our God.
- 2 For God is the Lord! And God has done wonders. For God is the Lord! And God has done wonders. For God is the Lord! And God has done wonders. O sing to our God, O sing to our God.
- 3 So dance for our God And blow all the trumpets. So dance for our God

And blow all the trumpets. So dance for our God And blow all the trumpets.
And sing to our God, And sing to our God.

- O shout to our God, Who gave us the Spirit.
   O shout to our God, Who gave us the Spirit.
   O shout to our God, Who gave us the Spirit.
   O sing to our God, O sing to our God.
- 5 For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia! For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia! For Jesus is Lord! Amen! Alleluia! O sing to our God, O sing to our God.

**POSTLUDE** 

(Reprise) "Amigos de Cristo"

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Sunday Bible Study: Join us for our Bible Study on the books of Ezra and Nehemiah. We meet Sunday morning at 8:30am in the Fellowship Hall.

New Member Class is meeting today. Anyone interested in joining our church or learning more about who we are here at Beautiful Savior, what we do and what we believe is encouraged to come to our New Member meeting following fellowship this Sunday.

Women's Weekly Bible Study will meet Monday, May 6th at noon in the fellowship hall. We will be discussing what the apocryphal books of the Bible are. All BSLC women and friends are invited to attend.

Memorial for ASU students: Donations in memory of Nivesh and Gouthan, Sharon Owens' students killed in a car crash, should be sent to the Pacific Southwest District LCMS, 1540 Concordia Drive East, Irvine, CA 92612-3203. Please write in the memo line 'CMC Memorial'. CMC stands for Campus Ministry Coalition.

The VBS donation board is now up in the narthex hallway. Please consider taking an item or two off the board and donating them to Beautiful Savior for our Scuba Vacation Bible School.

VBS Registration now open. If you or anyone you know is interested in signing up family members and kids for our Summer 2024 Scuba VBS, you can do so on our

website, <u>www.BeautifulSaviorTempe.org</u>. Scuba VBS is June 17-21st from 5-7:30pm each night and includes a family dinner each evening.

Kitchen Etiquette: If you leave any items in the church kitchen PLEASE label them with what they are to be used for. Thank you!!!

Fellowship Hour: If you would like to bring in something 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.

Donate to Beautiful Savior: Church Members and others who wish to "give electronically" can do so by going to: <a href="mailto:easytithe.com/BSLCTempe">easytithe.com/BSLCTempe</a>. Then

choose the 'Recurring' or 'One-Time' giving option and choose a Fund. The Funds are:
General Budget, LWML, Missions, Air conditioners, La Mesa, Staff Continuing Education, Vacation Bible School and Other. When selecting "Other", please specify how your donation should be used. Thank you!!

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## **SERVING US AT WORSHIP TODAY:**

**Preacher and Liturgist:** Pastor Tim Anderson Dir. of Music/Pianist: Ellen Brown Christy Arnold Guitarist: Lector Reader: Charlotte Grefe **Assisting Elder:** Skip McFadden Song Leader: Donna Evans **Special Music:** The Beautiful Savior Singers Acolyte: **Charles Haynes Greeter:** Marsha Beetham Bobbie Littou & Charlotte Grefe Altar:

<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: 4-28-24 Bible Class—8; Worship Service—45; 4-29-2024 Women's Bible Study—6; 4-25-24 La Mesa meal—118, La Mesa worship—35; La Mesa Baptism—NA.

Income report for 4-28-24: Loose Plate \$32; Weekly Envelopes \$1875; Designated Gifts \$98; Other \$; Total \$2005.

# THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

May 5, Sunday

8:30 AM Adult Bible Study

9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal

10 AM Sixth Sunday of Easter Worship

(Also, being streamed on Facebook online) (\*Login info below to view online)

12 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal

May 6, Monday

12 PM Women's Bible Study

May 7, Tuesday

10 AM Braille Printing Group

May 9, Thursday

10:30 PM Brunch & Bibles" Mid-week Bible Study at

Crackers & Co. Café, 1285Elliott Rd., Tempe, please let Kathryn Odle know if you are attending

4-7 PM La Mesa

May 11, Saturday

5 PM Th Chosen Movie Night w/dinner & discussion May 12 Sunday

10 AM The Seventh Sunday of Easter – Casual Worship

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

Sharon Owens asks for, peace and comfort, loss of two students, Nivesh and Gouthan, in car accident; & Families and friends of Nivesh and Gouthan - two ASU students who lost their lives in car accident & for Aman the driver; Wendell Robson – in hospital - heart failure; Katheryn Odle not feeling well & having tests, Joe Carlin biopsy on clavicle to know illness and treatment; Cyndi Calender – back surgery; Kevin, Pat and Joe's nephew – infection in leg, redo surgery—remove, clean and replace rod etc; Carol Hurley, Donna Evan's daughter - diagnosed with Ehlers-Daxlos (EDS); Bergman's daughter-in-law, Christy, Rikki Anderson, Glenn Brown, Grace Timm, Cindy Koch, Blue Sky (Tom), Beth Givan, – ongoing medical issues;

Pastor Pope in hospice care;

Louise and husband, Bobbie's friend - Louise caring for husband who has lymphoma; Beth Givan, Rachel's mother - Parkinson's disease and cancer; Amina Kruck, Annalisa, Brenda Frank, Jim Schutkowski - chemo treatments;

Len Lacy - memory care;

**Ken, Janis Clark** – suffering from MS.

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/Beautiful Savior Luther an Church Tempe/

- 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 May 5 "Rejoicing On the Way" Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. John Nunes. God empowers His people to share the Gospel with those they meet along the way. (Acts 8:28-39)

#### 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).

# <u>Communicants, then, are rightfully prepared and "worthy"</u> <u>when they:</u>

- 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</u> <u>served in individual glasses.</u>
- 3) Children and adults not instructed or confirmed are still encouraged to approach The Table to receive a blessing.