

# Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

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

August 11, 2024

10:00 a.m.



**Rest Assured: Resting In the Word for Our Souls**

## AS WE GATHER

As God invites us into His rest, He invites us to know Him more. To see in His word, that when we are weary, He restores our souls. This is what Paul encourages St. Timothy to remember today in our Epistle reading, and that is what Pastor Tim wants to remind all of us again today as well. To find rest in His words, in the words of Christ and in the community of the church. Paul tells Timothy to go “back to the basics” to remember teachers and the Holy Scriptures as an aid. Go back to the cornerstone, Paul says, for there you will find strength and perspective to endure. “As for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it” (2 Timothy 3:14). Timothy had already experienced the truths of the Gospel. “From childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to

make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus” (2 Timothy 3:15). We can, like Timothy lean on real people, real names, and real experiences with the power of the Word of God which Timothy shared.

## **CASUAL SUNDAY**

### **PRAISE MEDLEY**

**1) “Thy Word Is a Lamp” AGPS #247, St. 1-2**

**REFRAIN:** Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

**1 When I feel afraid, think I’ve lost my way, still  
You’re there right beside me, nothing will I fear  
As long as You are near. Please be near me to  
the end. REFRAIN:**

**2 Now I will not forget Your love for me and yet  
My heart forever is wandering, Jesus, be my  
Guide and hold me to Your side, and I will love  
You to the end. REFRAIN:**

**2) “Jesus Loves Me” LSB #588, St. 1 & 2**

**1. Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells  
Me so: Little ones to Him belong; They are  
weak but He is strong.**

**Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus  
loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible  
tells me so.**

**2. Jesus loves me! He who died, Heaven’s gate to  
open wide; He has washed away my sin, Let His  
little child come in. Refrain**

### **3) "Grace Alone" Scott Brown & Jeff Nelson**

#### **Verse 1**

**Ev'ry promise we can make  
Ev'ry prayer and step of faith  
Ev'ry diff'rence we will make  
Is only by His grace  
Ev'ry mountain we will climb  
Ev'ry ray of hope we shine  
Ev'ry blessing left behind  
Is only by His grace**

#### **Chorus**

**Grace alone which God supplies  
Strength unknown He will provide  
Christ in us our Cornerstone  
We will go forth in grace alone**

#### **Verse 2**

**Ev'ry soul we long to reach  
Ev'ry heart we hope to teach  
Ev'rywhere we share His peace  
Is only by His grace  
Ev'ry loving word we say  
Ev'ry tear we wipe away  
Ev'ry sorrow turned to praise  
Is only by His grace**

Jeff Nelson, Scott Wesley Brown

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## PASTORAL WELCOME

*Stand*

### OPENING PRAYER / CALL TO WORSHIP

P We gather, as God's people, bringing our fears and pain,

**C Knowing that when our spirits have grown cold, God rekindles the gift of faith in us.**

P We gather, as God's people, hanging our broken hearts on the branches of the tree of life.

**C knowing that while friends may turn against us, God transforms enemies into sisters and brothers.**

P We gather, as God's people, hungering for healing and hope,

**C knowing that even when life is no picnic, God invites us to Rest in Him as he restores our souls by leading us to places of Rest.**

### INVOCATION

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

**C Amen.**

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

**C O God, we long to rest in you, to trust in your goodness, in your care for us, in your abundant life. But we don't know how to rest, and we have forgotten how to trust. We seek material goods that we don't really need. We befriend people**

**not always out of love. We ask questions of you like the Sadducees did of Jesus, questions that try only to prove our point, not to grow in understanding of your desires for us. Slow us down, Holy One. Attend to us, Holy One, show us that you are our salvation and our resting place.**

*Silence for self-examination*

**P** God is God of the living. The Holy One has made a place for you, a place to rest that is full of life and love, forgiveness and humility, kindness and justice. You belong to God. In him is your salvation and the forgiveness of all your sins is found as he leaves the tomb and leaves death behind. May you rest in that truth knowing that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

**P** He who began this good work in you will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. Peace be with you.

**C And also with you.**

*Sit*

## **SERVICE OF THE WORD**

**INTROIT** (*Read responsively*) based on Isaiah 30:15

**P** This is what the Sovereign LORD, the Holy one of Israel says:

**C In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust are your strength.**

**P** God of Rest, in the beginning, after You created all things, You rested.

**C When You assumed flesh and blood in the person of Your Son, our Savior and Lord, You rested.**

P The Sabbath is for humans, not humans for the Sabbath," You said to the sneers of religious leaders.

**C "The Sabbath is for you," our Savior and Lord says tenderly to us now.**

P Leave behind all that forbids you to enter. Let go of all that holds you back. Surrender every burden you carry.

**C For He holds all things together, and He will heal all that is fractured. This is not ours to do. Ours is to rest.**

P This is what the Sovereign LORD, the Holy one of Israel says:

**C In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust are your strength.**

Stand

**KYRIE** (*Spoken*)

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

**GLORIA** (*Sing*)

"Gloria" (WOV #640)

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest! Glory to God, glory to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P The Lord be with You.

**C And Also With You.**

P Let us pray

Gracious Father, Your Servant, ages ago, a man named Augustine once said, "You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you." We are tempted to look in many places to find the rest our souls need. But you invite us to pray, to turn to your word and see the One who is the word made flesh, your son our savior. You invite us to look to Jesus, who welcomed us to come to him and find rest. May our prayers be a deceleration of our dependence upon Christ, who welcomes us to rest in you. Prayer, does not change you, O God, but it changes us. It reminds us that you are Creator, Sustainer, Savior and King. So today we pour out our hearts to You, O Lord, seeking rest for our weary souls.

**C Amen.**

*Sit*

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*1 Kings 8:54-61*

<sup>54</sup> Now as Solomon finished offering all this prayer and plea to the Lord, he arose from before the altar of the Lord, where he had knelt with hands outstretched toward heaven.<sup>55</sup> And he stood and blessed all the assembly of Israel with a loud voice, saying,<sup>56</sup> "Blessed be the Lord who has given rest to his people Israel, according to all that he promised. Not one word has failed of all his good promise, which he spoke by Moses his servant.<sup>57</sup> The Lord our God be with us, as he was with our fathers. May he not leave us or forsake us,<sup>58</sup> that he may incline our hearts to him, to walk in all his ways and to keep his commandments, his statutes, and his rules, which he commanded our fathers.<sup>59</sup> Let these words of mine, with which I have pleaded before

the Lord, be near to the Lord our God day and night, and may he maintain the cause of his servant and the cause of his people Israel, as each day requires, <sup>60</sup> that all the peoples of the earth may know that the Lord is God; there is no other. <sup>61</sup> Let your heart therefore be wholly true to the Lord our God, walking in his statutes and keeping his commandments, as at this day.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE READING**

*2 Timothy 3:14-17*

<sup>14</sup> But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it <sup>15</sup> and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup> All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC:** “What a Beautiful Name” (ccli)

*-Ben Fielding & Brooke Ligertwood*

*Stand*

**ALLELUIA** (WOV 612)

**Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah! Halle halle Halle-lu-jah!**

**Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah! Hallelujah! Hal-le-lu-jah!**



## **HOLY GOSPEL**

*John 1:1-14*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.

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

**1** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.<sup>2</sup> He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup> All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. <sup>4</sup> In him was life, and the life was the light of men. <sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

<sup>6</sup> There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. <sup>7</sup> He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup> He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light.

<sup>9</sup> The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. <sup>10</sup> He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. <sup>11</sup> He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. <sup>12</sup> But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, <sup>13</sup> who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

<sup>14</sup> And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

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

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

*Sit*

## **HYMN OF THE DAY** “Speak Oh Lord” (ccli)

### Verse 1

Speak O Lord as we come to You  
To receive the food of Your holy word  
Take Your truth plant it deep in us  
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness  
That the light of Christ might be seen today  
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith  
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us  
All Your purposes for Your glory

### Verse 2

Teach us Lord full obedience  
Holy reverence true humility  
Test our thoughts and our attitudes  
In the radiance of Your purity  
Cause our faith to rise  
Cause our eyes to see  
Your majestic love and authority  
Words of power that can never fail  
Let their truth prevail over unbelief

### Verse 3

Speak O Lord and renew our minds  
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time  
That will echo down through eternity  
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises  
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us  
Speak O Lord till Your church is built  
And the earth is filled with Your glory

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## **SERMON: Rest In The Word For Your Soul**

### **OFFERING**

#### **OFFERTORY “Spirit Of the Living God” TOSB #195**

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me. Mold me. Fill me. Use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

*Stand*

### **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**P** Blessed God, who caused all holy scripture to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life. Signs of heaven, sighs of hope.

**C Fill us O God, with Your words and wisdom.**

**P** Blessed God, we ask your care for those who are victims of wars and insurrections, may they not be terrified; for Nations rising against nations, let Your love, steadfast and faithful, be a great sign from heaven, may Your peace bend our will to your will, like trees in a strong wind. Signs of heaven, sighs of hope.

**C Fill us O God, with Your words and wisdom.**

**P** Blessed God, grant your healing grace to the victims of great earthquakes, famines and plagues; let Your love, steadfast and faithful, be a great sign

from heaven, may Your peace bend our will to your will, like trees in a strong wind. Signs of heaven, sighs of hope.

**C Fill us O God, with Your words and wisdom.**

P Blessed God, when we are weary, help us to do what is right. Do not let us be led astray, help us to come, in Your name, praising Your goodness. Let Your love, steadfast and faithful, be a great sign from heaven, may Your peace bend our will to your will, like trees in a strong wind. Signs of heaven, sighs of hope.

**C Fill us O God, with Your words and wisdom.**

P Blessed God, we thank you for all the blessings of this life. For the gift of life. For the gift of Christ, for the gift of the Holy Spirit, for your tender mercy. For Your saving love. Let Your love, steadfast and faithful, be a great sign from heaven, may Your peace bend our will to your will, like trees in a strong wind. Signs of heaven, sighs of hope.

**C Fill us O God, with Your words and wisdom.**

P Blessed God, Your compassion reigns over all our trouble. Grant us grace that we show forth Your care to those in need and sustain all who are afflicted, [especially . . .]. Keep them through the day of their trouble until at last You deliver them into Your perfect peace. Signs of heaven, sighs of hope.

**C Fill us O God, with Your words and wisdom.**

P Blessed God, You sent your son not to condemn but to heal and save. Grant to us hearts of mercy that we may forgive as we have been forgiven, and by our acts of mercy display Your great compassion. Signs of heaven, sighs of hope.

**C Fill us O God, with Your words and wisdom.**

P Blessed God, You have not withheld from us anything needful for this body and life. Help us now to trust in You for answer to our prayers, and give to us such confidence in Your fatherly wisdom that we may be content and at peace with Your answer, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Signs of heaven, sighs of hope.

**C Fill us O God, with Your words and wisdom.  
Amen.**

## **LORD'S PRAYER**

P 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.

**C For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

## **BENEDICTION**

P May you run and not be weary. May you rise up on the wings of eagles. May you know without doubt that the everlasting God goes with you and that the Lord will 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** "Ancient Words" (ccli)

**Verse 1**

**Holy words long preserved**

**For our walk in this world  
They resound with God's own heart  
O let the ancient words impart**

**Verse 2**

**Words of life words of hope  
Give us strength help us cope  
In this world where'er we roam  
Ancient words will guide us home**

**Chorus**

**Ancient words ever true  
Changing me changing you  
We have come with open hearts  
O let the ancient words impart**

**Verse 3**

**Holy words of our faith  
Handed down to this age  
Came to us through sacrifice  
O heed the faithful words of Christ**

**Verse 4**

**Martyr's blood stains each page  
They have died for this faith  
Hear them cry through the years  
Heed these words and hold them dear**

**Ending**

**We have come with open hearts  
O let the ancient words impart  
O let the ancient words impart**

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**POSTLUDE** “Reprise, Ancient Words”

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**The LWML Women's Weekly Bible Study will meet Monday August 12 at noon to study Aaron. All BSLC women and friends are invited to attend.**

**Memorial for Amina Kruck: Saturday, Aug 17<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. Ability 360 Conference Room. Located at 5031 E. Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85034**

**Christian Education / Sunday School Youth Ministry Meeting: Sunday Aug. 18<sup>th</sup> after worship. Join Pastor Tim and Annie as we continue to talk through the plan for restarting Sunday School and youth ministries on Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in being a part of the team, join us for this planning meeting as we go over curriculum and other important information.**

**We are going to be launching Sunday School on Sunday, Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> during worship. If you are interested in helping, talk to Pastor Tim.**

**Brunch & Bibles: Is taking a break this summer. We will resume meeting on Thursday, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 p.m.**

**Braille workers are done until September.**

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**SERVING US AT WORSHIP TODAY:**

<b>Preacher and Liturgist:</b>	Pastor Tim Anderson
<b>Dir. of Music/Organist:</b>	Ellen Brown
<b>Guitarist:</b>	Christy Arnold
<b>Song Leader:</b>	Debby Bergman
<b>Banjo:</b>	Debby Bergman
<b>Bass Guitar:</b>	Doug Bergman
<b>Lector Reader:</b>	Bobbie Littou
<b>Acolyte:</b>	Charles Haynes
<b>Greeter:</b>	Debra McPeters
<b>Altar:</b>	Bobbie Littou & Charlotte Grefe

**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 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: 8-4-24 Bible Class—10; Worship Service—32; 8-5-2024 Women’s Bible Study—5; 8-8 La Mesa meal—121, La Mesa worship—38; La Mesa Baptism—NA.**

**Income report for 8-4: Loose Plate \$25; Weekly Envelopes \$1290; Designated Gifts \$118; Other \$; Total \$4133.**

**August 11, Sunday**

**8:30 AM Adult Bible Study**

**9:30 AM Music Rehearsal**

**10 AM Resting In the Word for Our Souls– Casual Worship (Also, being streamed on Facebook online)**

**August 12, Monday**

**12 PM Women’s Bible Study**

**5 PM Board of Elders Meeting**

**August 15, Thursday**

**4-7 PM La Mesa**

**August 18, Sunday**

**The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost -w/Holy Communion**

**Prayer List: We pray, Lord, that You be with all who are ill, ailing or needing direction;**

**John Calender**, Don Calender's brother suffering from lung cancer, also prayers for his wife **June** who's father passed 2 weeks ago and now caring for her husband John;

**Sky (Tom) Kruck** – is back at his care facility, after a lung infection, for strength and healing;

**Joe and Pat Carlin** – at home recovering, pray for good days, less bad days;

**Glenn Brown** – continue praying for him for strength, comfort and healing;

**Family of Rocio Ramirez-** Rocio passed away from cancer;

**Nolan Conley (2-years old)**– losing weight;

**Georgia Kahler** –recovering from spine surgery to correct balance;

**Roann Munson** – recovering from hip surgery;

**Jim McWilliams** – hospitalized, returning home soon;

**Darlene Haynes** - pray medical staff finds the infection and cures for it;

**Rikki Anderson** – surgery and preparing for more surgery/varicose veins;

**Beth Givan, Rachel's mother** – Parkinson's disease and cancer, and for Beth's youngest daughter caring for her;

**Christy Bergman, Glenn Brown, Cindy Koch** – ongoing medical issues;

**Len Lacy** - memory care;

**- 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:**

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**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 - KFNB RADIO (1100) @ 10 AM**

**August 11 "God's Peacemakers for a Troubled World"**

**Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz**

**Archives August: Don't let anger, disagreement, and stress damage your relationships. Hear how God changes troublemakers into peacemakers. (Philippians 4:4-13)**