

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 17, 2016

Welcome to Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, in the name of our dear Lord Jesus. "Alleluia! Christ is risen!" "He is risen indeed! Alleluia!" Our celebration of the life-changing event of the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ continues. Welcome to God's holy house this holy day! (Note: Today's service information can be found on the back of your bulletin.)

We are Yours; in love befriend us, Be the guardian of our way; Keep Your flock, from sin defend us, Seek us when we go astray. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Hear us children when we pray. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Hear us children when we pray.
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TO THOSE DESIRING TO COMMUNE TODAY: The Lord's Supper is celebrated in the confession that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine, but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His Word, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold to a doctrinal position differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor. (Re: 1 Cor. 11:26-29)

Today's Elders: Cliff Evans & Mike Brown
Elders for April 24: Cal Meisner & Rick Mericle
Today's Acolyte: Nicholas Little
Acolyte for April 24: Damien Dittrich & Katelynn Rose

Prepare for Next Sunday's Readings.

First Reading: Acts 11:1-18
Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-7
Gospel: John 16:12-22
Psalm: Psalm 148



John 10:27 - "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me." On their own sheep are in great danger. They need a shepherd to guide them. The sheep know the Shepherd's voice – and we delight to go where He leads. Of course, the world, the devil, and our own sinful flesh want to pull us in another direction. Namely, they want to pull us in the direction of death. But following the Shepherd means life. So no matter how difficult the path is that the Shepherd points out: let us follow Him!



Fourth Sunday of Easter – Tears and trials (Acts 20:18-19) remain the reality of traveling through a fallen world. Every effort to wipe away our own tears, whether by believing twisted things (Acts 20:29-30) not spoken by Christ's own voice (John 10:27) or by attempting to manipulate life and death itself, only make for great tribulation (Revelation 7:14). But hearing how the blood of Christ completely determines our destiny, this wraps the strong, gentle hands of our Heavenly Father around us (John 10:28-29; Revelation 7:17). His forgiving love not only wipes away tears, it wipes out sadness altogether. Prayer: Father, we cry to You alone; take our tears as Your own, and take them away in Your time, according to Your good and gracious will. Amen.



The Time For Our Second Annual Yard Sale is fast approaching, and we are in desperate need of donations! Please consider donating your items as all money raised is used to help support the school. Your items can be left in the school office, transported to our yard sale room or, if you need your items picked up, that can be arranged as well. Please have all items in by April 28, and plan to attend the sale on Saturday, April 30 in the school gymnasium from 8 - 1. Please contact Donna in the school office with questions, or to arrange pick-up of items.



A Word of Greeting to Our Guests We welcome you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We are honored to have you with us today and pray that this celebration of God's love and grace through Jesus Christ will be a blessing to you.

If you would like additional information, please contact:
 Pastor Groth @ 303 469-1785 or email tedgroth1970@comcast.net or
 Mike Brown @ 303 438-5766 or E-mail: mbrown_presbslc@comcast.net.
 We are a family that has been called together in faith through the Gospel of our Lord Jesus and we invite you to worship with us as often as you can.



Prayers Let's all remember the following people in our prayers this week: Jansen Jones, Chloe Werner, Pastor Brennan, Verna Walsh, Joey Thompson, Patty Bemis, Allen Schmelz, Roy & Lillian Bemis, Nan Cribbs, Elaine Brinkey, Linda Frederking, Karl Duchrow, Marianne Burnworth, Gene Wilson, Travis Little, and also our homebound members: Melva Anderson, Dixie Cassily, Gerd Crandall, Rowena Davis, Doris Hintz, Irene Lombardi, Roberta Nigon, James Nuoffer, Wanda Renzelman, Vee Rotvold, Don & Pat Sall, Ruby Stolz, Gene & Wyanne Sylvester, and Julie Vogel.



The Flowers adorning our altar this morning have been placed by Mrs. Jaclyn Dittrich in loving memory of her husband Bob

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

Monday: 08:00 p.m. Adult Drop-In Volleyball
 Tuesday: Through Thursday - Pastors' Tri-Circuit Conference
 Wednesday: 08:20 a.m. Chapel
 Thursday: 09:00 a.m. Free-Fun Fitness Class
 07:00 p.m. Divine Service
 Saturday: 09:00 a.m. Adult Information Class
 Sunday, 4/24: 09:00 a.m. Divine Service
 10:30 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Class

At Worship, April 10:	<u>104</u>	Communed:	<u>87</u>
Thurs. Attendance:	<u>10</u>	Communed:	<u>9</u>



Spring Clean Up Day...Saturday, May 14 from 8:00 – 12:00 Mark your calendar now and plan to come help out. Refreshments will be provided.



Help Needed. The Yard Sale is scheduled for April 30th and we are looking for help in setting up the day before, Friday, the 29th, starting at 8:00 a.m. in the gym. If you can come for a little or a lot, all help will be greatly appreciated. Thank You.



The April Messenger is out. It can be found on the bookshelf by the main entrance to the sanctuary and also on the tables in the lower narthex.



Classical Guitar Performance. The Lutheran Women's Missionary League at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church is pleased to announce an afternoon of classical guitar with renowned local musician Randy Drake. The performance will be held at Beautiful Savior on 1 May 2016 at 2 p.m. Admission will be free, however a good will offering towards LWML mission projects would be appreciated. Light Refreshments will be served following the performance. Call 303-469-1785 for further information.



Help Our Church Win \$1,500 by Participating in LCEF's Photo Scavenger Hunt - Rocky Mountain District LCEF is on the hunt for photos of our church! Submit up to 3 photos of our church between April 10 and April 24 at www.lcefphotos.com and we could win \$1,500. All members are encouraged to participate. Photos can be of the church building, activities, or staff members. Please no photos of children under 18. We earn 25 points for each photo you submit (up to 3) and by completing bonus point activities. At the end of the contest, the church with the highest point average will win \$1,500. Seven other churches will win \$500. Please take a few minutes and help our church win. Dan Anderberg is our LCEF Advocate



Please Check Your Mailbox. Information regarding proposed changes to our Constitution has been placed in each mailbox. Please take time to pick it up and read it. Thank you.

THIS MORNING'S LITURGY & HYMNS

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***Communion Hymns**

THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE DAY

Introit

I am the good shepherd.

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.

**He chose David his servant and took him from the sheepfolds;
from following the nursing ewes he brought him to shepherd Jacob
his people, Israel his inheritance.**

**With upright heart he shepherded them
and guided them with his skillful hand.**

**But we your people, the sheep of your pasture, will give thanks to you
forever;**

from generation to generation we will recount your praise.

I am the good shepherd.

I know my own and my own know me, and I lay down my life for the sheep.

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading:

Acts 20:17-35

Second Reading:

Revelation 7:9-17

Gospel:

John 10:22-30

Sermon:

Acts 20:17-35

Acts 20:17-35

¹⁷ From Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called for the elders of the church. ¹⁸ And when they had come to him, he said to them: "You know, from the first day that I came to Asia, in what manner I always lived among you, ¹⁹ serving the Lord with all humility, with many tears and trials which happened to me by the plotting of the Jews; ²⁰ how I kept back nothing that was helpful, but proclaimed it to you, and taught you publicly and from house to house, ²¹ testifying to Jews, and also to Greeks, repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. ²² And see, now I go bound in the spirit to Jerusalem, not knowing the things that will happen to me there, ²³ except that the Holy Spirit testifies in every city, saying that chains and tribulations await me. ²⁴ But none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.

²⁵ "And indeed, now I know that you all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, will see my face no more. ²⁶ Therefore I testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all men. ²⁷ For I have not shunned to declare to you the whole counsel of God. ²⁸ Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. ²⁹ For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. ³⁰ Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves. ³¹ Therefore watch, and remember that for three years I did not cease to warn everyone night and day with tears.

³² "So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified. ³³ I have coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. ³⁴ Yes, you yourselves know that these hands have provided for my necessities, and for those who were with me. ³⁵ I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

Gradual

Christ has risen from the dead.

**[God the Father] has crowned him with glory and honor,
He has given him dominion over the works of his hands;
he has put all things under his feet.**

Revelation 7:9-17

⁹ After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹ All the angels stood around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹² saying: "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom, thanksgiving and honor and power and might, be to our God forever and ever. Amen."

¹³ Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, "Who are these arrayed in white robes, and where did they come from?"

¹⁴ And I said to him, "Sir, you know."

So he said to me, "These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵ Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His temple. And He who sits on the throne will dwell among them. ¹⁶ They shall neither hunger anymore nor thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any heat; ¹⁷ for the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to living fountains of waters. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

John 10:22-30

²² Now it was the Feast of Dedication in Jerusalem, and it was winter. ²³ And Jesus walked in the temple, in Solomon's porch. ²⁴ Then the Jews surrounded Him and said to Him, "How long do You keep us in doubt? If You are the Christ, tell us plainly."

²⁵ Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in My Father's name, they bear witness of Me. ²⁶ But you do not believe, because you are not of My sheep, as I said to you. ²⁷ My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. ²⁸ And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. ²⁹ My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand. ³⁰ I and My Father are one."