

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

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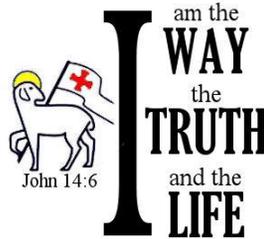
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The Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2017

Welcome in the name of Jesus; He is risen! This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it! We are blessed today to hear again the voice of our Good Shepherd, Jesus, and by faith to see Him who is the way and the truth and the life. On this Mother's Day may God especially bless mothers as they hear His precious Word. Welcome, all you dear people of God! (Note: Today's service information can be found on the back of your bulletin.)

"You are the way, the truth, the life; Grant us that way to know, That truth to keep, that life to win Whose joys eternal flow." LSB 526 st. 4



No one comes to the Father except through me.

To Our Visitors: About Holy Communion at Beautiful Savior

In the pew rack is a Friendship Pad which includes an explanation of what this congregation believes and teaches concerning Holy Communion.

We understand participation in Holy Communion to be a sign of unity and agreement in the Scriptural faith and doctrine which is taught and confessed in this church, and we care deeply about the spiritual welfare of all who worship with us. For these reasons we request that any who are not communicant members of a Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod congregation, but who are interested in receiving this Sacrament at Beautiful Savior, would first meet with the pastor to discuss our faith and doctrine in more detail. It is our desire to administer this holy Sacrament in a manner that both honors our Lord's Word and brings blessing to all who commune. Those not receiving the Sacrament today are welcome to come forward to receive a personal blessing at the altar rail. Simply fold your arms across your chest as you kneel at the rail to indicate your desire to receive a blessing.

Today's Elders: Cliff Evans & Mike Brown
Elders for May 21: Cal Meisner & Rick Mericle

Today's Acolyte: Joey Weinstock
Acolyte for May 21: Damien Dittrich

Prepare for Next Sunday's Readings

First Reading: Acts 17:16-31
Epistle: 1 Peter 3:13-22
Gospel: John 14:15-21
Psalm: Psalm 66:8-20



1 Peter 2:9 - "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light." God has called us to be His own. He has chosen us out of love, out of mercy, out of sheer, divine joy. The Apostle says that God has done this that we may share in His glory and joy, that we may "proclaim the excellencies of Him" who has made us His own. And truly, this is our delight! His joy brings joy in our hearts as well.



Fifth Sunday of Easter (Mothers Day) – Motherly love, like Jesus' other miraculous works, shows the heart of the Lord God (John 14:7-11). Such bonds stay devoted despite the beloved's shortcomings. This real love holds little ones precious and holy even when rejected by all others (1 Peter 2:4, 9). *Loving God, establish Your fierce affection in all our interactions. Amen.*



Thank You to those who have paid bills from our Bill Board. This has been a big help and is greatly appreciated. The Bill Board will remain up in the church office for anyone who may be inclined to give further help in this way.



The New Meditations is out. Pick up a copy from the bookshelf by the main entrance to the Sanctuary.



Please Check your mailbox for your triannual contribution statement. You may contact Dan Anderberg if you have questions – 303-280-6997.



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 remember the following people in our prayers this week: Jansen Jones, Chloe Werner, Pastor Brennan, Verna Walsh, Allen Schmelz, Lillian Bemis, Travis Little, Greg Iversen, Pat Hanket, Vince Roberto, Alice Iversen, Ron Savage, Neil LaVoy, Millie Johnson, Tom Rose, Elaine Brinkey, Jackie Dittrich, the family of Melva Anderson, and also our homebound members: Dixie Cassily, Gerd Crandall, Wilda Davenport, Rowena Davis, Doris Hintz, Roberta Nigon, James Nuoffer, Vee Rotvold, Don & Pat Sall, Ruby Stolz, Gene & Wyonne Sylvester, Julie Vogel, and Linda Frederking.



The Flowers adorning our altar this morning have been placed by Bobbi Schasny in loving memory of her Mom.

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

Monday: Pastor out of town through Friday
 08:00 p.m. Adult Drop in Volleyball
 Tuesday: 06:00 p.m. PTL Meeting
 Wednesday: 08:30 a.m. Chapel (Pastor Hayes)
 Saturday: 10:00 a.m. Funeral Service for Melva Anderson
 Sunday, 5/21 09:00 a.m. Divine Service
 10:30 a.m. Voters' Assembly

At Worship, May 7:	<u>97</u>	Communed:	<u>81</u>
Thursday Attendance:	<u>8</u>	Communed:	<u>6</u>



Please Note that next Thursday, May 18th, with Pastor Groth out of town, the morning Bible Class and the evening Worship Service have been cancelled. The normal schedule will resume the following week.



Our Prayers are with the family of Melva Anderson who passed away earlier this week. The viewing will be Olinger's Mortuary, I-25 and 104th, on Friday, May 19th from 3-6 p.m.. and the funeral will be at here at Beautiful Savior on Saturday, May 20th at 10:00 a.m.



The Regular Voters' Assembly will meet **Sunday, May 21**, at 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is encouraged to attend. If you are 18 years old or older, and a communicant member of Beautiful Savior, you are eligible to become a Voter. If interested, please notify one of the Elders, or Pastor Groth, and pick up and read a copy of the Constitution of Beautiful Savior before the meeting.



The May Messenger is out. Pick up your copy from the bookshelf by the main doors to the Sanctuary or one of the tables in the lower Narthex.



Rocky Mountain District, LCMS

Support Our District Who Supports Us. Beautiful Savior's current financial commitment to the Rocky Mountain District is \$125/month (an amount set by us last year). Our financial support, combined with that of the other LCMS congregations in the RMD, funds the District Office's operations in Aurora and permits the District to carry out an array of important functions, including counsel and support given to the member congregations of the District. As things now stand, we will not be able to pay our commitment for June, so would you please consider a special offering? If you are able, please consider writing an extra check on a certain Sunday of each month, so that our commitment can be met in an ongoing fashion. Thank you very much for all your gifts of love, given in faith and gratitude for God's rich mercy in Christ!



Pastor Groth will be gone this week. If anyone needs pastoral care, Pastor Greg Thompson will be available. He may be reached at: 303-438-1333 or 303-518-5297.

THIS MORNING'S LITURGY & HYMNS

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* Distribution Hymns

THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE DAY

Introit

Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song,
his praise in the assembly of the godly!

I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up
and have not let my foes rejoice over me.

O LORD my God, I cried to you for help,
and you have healed me.

O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol;
you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.

Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints,*
and give thanks to his holy name.

For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

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.

Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song,
his praise in the assembly of the godly!

Collect of the Day

O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading: Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60

Epistle: 1 Peter 2:2-10

Gospel: John 14:1-14

Sermon: *"It Is Enough to See Jesus"* John 14:1-14

Acts 6:1-9; 7:2a, 51-60

⁶ Now in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplying, there arose a complaint against the Hebrews by the Hellenists, because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. ² Then the twelve summoned the multitude of the disciples and said, "It is not desirable that we should leave the word of God and serve tables. ³ Therefore, brethren, seek out from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business; ⁴ but we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word."

⁵ And the saying pleased the whole multitude. And they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, and Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas, a proselyte from Antioch, ⁶ whom they set before the apostles; and when they had prayed, they laid hands on them.

⁷ Then the word of God spread, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

⁸ And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and signs among the people. ⁹ Then there arose some from what is called the Synagogue of the Freedmen (Cyrenians, Alexandrians, and those from Cilicia and Asia), disputing with Stephen...

² And he said, "Brethren and fathers, listen..."

⁵¹ "You stiff-necked and uncircumcised in heart and ears! You always resist the Holy Spirit; as your fathers did, so do you. ⁵² Which of the prophets did your fathers not persecute? And they killed those who foretold the coming of the Just One, of whom you now have become the betrayers and murderers, ⁵³ who have received the law by the direction of angels and have not kept it."

⁵⁴ When they heard these things they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed at him with their teeth. ⁵⁵ But he, being full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God, ⁵⁶ and said, "Look! I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!"

⁵⁷ Then they cried out with a loud voice, stopped their ears, and ran at him with one accord; ⁵⁸ and they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And the witnesses laid down their clothes at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹ And they stoned Stephen as he was calling on God and saying, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." ⁶⁰ Then he knelt down and cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not charge them with this sin." And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

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.**

1 Peter 2:2-10

² as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby, ³ if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is gracious.

⁴ Coming to Him as to a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God and precious, ⁵ you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ Therefore it is also contained in the Scripture, "Behold, I lay in Zion A chief cornerstone, elect, precious, and he who believes on Him will by no means be put to shame."

⁷ Therefore, to you who believe, He is precious; but to those who are disobedient, "The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone," ⁸ and "A stone of stumbling and a rock of offense." They stumble, being disobedient to the word, to which they also were appointed.

⁹ But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; ¹⁰ who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.

John 14:1-14

¹⁴ "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. ² In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴ And where I go you know, and the way you know."

⁵ Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?"

⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

⁷ "If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him."

⁸ Philip said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us."

⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own authority; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works. ¹¹ Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father in Me, or else believe Me for the sake of the works themselves.

¹² "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father. ¹³ And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If you ask anything in My name, I will do it.

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