

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

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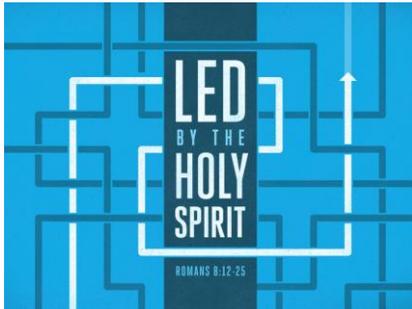
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The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 16, 2017

Welcome in the name of Jesus, our Lord. The teaching of Jesus comes to us today—and for the two Sundays following—in the form of parables. Let us pray that God would bless us as we attend to His Son's teaching this day, being certain that "My word...shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it" (Isaiah 55:11). (Note: Today's service information can be found on the back of your bulletin.)

"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." LSB 923, st. 1



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: Cal Meisner & Rick Mericle
Elders for July 23: Cliff Evans & Mike Brown
Today's Acolyte: Henry Pawlak III
Acolyte for July 23: Damien Dittrich

Prepare for Next Sunday's Readings

Old Testament: Isaiah 44:6-8
Epistle: Romans 8:18-27
Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
Psalm: Psalm 119:57-64



Romans 8:12 - "So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh." We owe the flesh, the world, and the devil nothing at all. We are not debtors to these enemies: we are freed by the blood of Christ. We are joyful servants in Christ's kingdom – servants that He calls friends. We share our Lord's plans and purposes – and this gives direction and purpose to our lives.



Pentecost VI – Defending life involves declaring the dangers of using death as a solution. As intimidating and discouraging as it sometimes seems (Matthew 13:4-7), God finds His own greatest joy in the Gospel message. He guarantees that His Word of life in Christ alone will yield abundantly (Isaiah 55:11, Matthew 13:23). *Almighty Father, cultivate Your Word in us unto joy and life. Amen.*



Request for Church & School Photos: The Anniversary Committee is seeking additional pictures of our Church and/or School activities that will be shown during our fellowship time on the 60th Anniversary Sunday. If you have any photos that you would like to have included with this review of God's blessings at Beautiful Savior please submit them no later than July 23rd per the following:

***Paper Photos** - Church Office: (please put your name on each one to ensure proper return)

***Digital Photos on "Flash Drive" or "CD"** - Church Office or Mike Brown: (please put your name on these for proper return) Thank You!



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, Ron & Jeannie Savage, Elaine Brinkey, Jackie Dittrich, Iola Park, Orville Kubat, Eric Finks, Jamie Brandt, 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 Eleanor Bower in observance of her granddaughter Emily's 15th birthday and by Mr. and Mrs. Scott (Deann) Davidson in celebration of their 31st wedding anniversary.

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

Monday: 07:00 p.m. Adult Drop in Volleyball
 Tuesday: 07:00 p.m. Church Council
 Thursday: 10:00 a.m. Bible Study
 05:30 p.m. Youth Group
 07:00 p.m. Divine Service
 Sunday, 7/23: 09:00 a.m. Divine Service
 10:30 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Class

At Worship, July 9:	<u>96</u>	Communed:	<u>70</u>
Thursday Attendance:	<u>10</u>	Communed:	<u>9</u>



Church Council will meet Tuesday, July 18, at 7:00 p.m.

Thank You **Art Albrecht** thanks all those who sent cards and attended the Picnic for his 90th Birthday.



Our Bill Board is back up. Any extra help you can give toward paying our bills will be greatly appreciated. It will remain up in the church office for anyone who may be inclined to give further help in this way.



The July Messenger is out. Pick up a copy from the bookshelf by the main entrance to the Sanctuary or from one of the tables in the lower narthex.



Divine Service – 10:00 a.m. on August 13. We will be celebrating Beautiful Savior's 60th Anniversary on this date. Following the Worship Service at 10:00 there will be a catered Brunch Buffet from 11:30-12:15. After that there will be an Anniversary Program for about 45 minutes and the day will end with an Ice Cream Social at 1:00. Please plan to join us for this joyful celebration. See you there!



Check Out The Grocery Gift Cards we have for sale. You can purchase King Soopers, Safeway, Whole Foods, Sprouts, Wal Mart, Starbucks, and Red Lobster/Olive Garden/Longhorn Steakhouse/Bahama Breeze gift cards in the school office during the week and after church service in the narthex on Sunday mornings. If you have any questions, please drop by or call the school office.

THIS MORNING'S LITURGY & HYMNS

Divine Service, Setting Four

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* Distribution Hymns

THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE DAY

Introit

The LORD is merciful and gracious,

slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

As for man, his days are like grass;

he flourishes like a flower of the field;

for the wind passes over it, and it is gone,

and its place knows it no more.

But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him,

and his righteousness to children's children,

to those who keep his covenant

and remember to do his commandments.

The LORD has established his throne in the heavens,

and his kingdom rules over all.

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.

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slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Collect of the Day

Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament: Isaiah 55:10-13

Epistle: Romans 8:12-17

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Sermon: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Isaiah 55:10-13

¹⁰“For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven,
And do not return there,
But water the earth,
And make it bring forth and bud,
That it may give seed to the sower
And bread to the eater,
¹¹ So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth;
It shall not return to Me void,
But it shall accomplish what I please,
And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.
¹²“For you shall go out with joy,
And be led out with peace;
The mountains and the hills
Shall break forth into singing before you,
And all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
¹³ Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress tree,
And instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree;
And it shall be to the LORD for a name,
For an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

Gradual

**Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!
For from him and through him and to him are all things.
To him be glory forever. Amen.**

Romans 8:12-17

¹² Therefore, brethren, we are debtors—not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. ¹³ For if you live according to the flesh you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, “Abba, Father.” ¹⁶ The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together.

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

¹³ On the same day Jesus went out of the house and sat by the sea. ² And great multitudes were gathered together to Him, so that He got into a boat and sat; and the whole multitude stood on the shore.
³ Then He spoke many things to them in parables, saying: “Behold, a sower went out to sow. ⁴ And as he sowed, some seed fell by the wayside; and the birds came and devoured them. ⁵ Some fell on stony places, where they did not have much earth; and they immediately sprang up because they had no depth of earth. ⁶ But when the sun was up they were scorched, and because they had no root they withered away.
⁷ And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up and choked them. ⁸ But others fell on good ground and yielded a crop: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹ He who has ears to hear, let him hear!”
¹⁸ “Therefore hear the parable of the sower: ¹⁹ When anyone hears the word of the kingdom, and does not understand it, then the wicked one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. This is he who received seed by the wayside. ²⁰ But he who received the seed on stony places, this is he who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; ²¹ yet he has no root in himself, but endures only for a while. For when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he stumbles. ²² Now he who received seed among the thorns is he who hears the word, and the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and he becomes unfruitful. ²³ But he who received seed on the good ground is he who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and produces: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.”