

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

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The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 23, 2017

Welcome in the name of Jesus, our Lord. The teaching of Jesus comes to us again today 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.)

"Rise! To arms! With prayer employ you, O Christians, lest the foe destroy you; For Satan has designed your fall. Wield God's Word, the weapon glorious; Against all foes be thus victorious, For God protects you from them all. Fear not the hordes of hell, Here is Emmanuel. Hail the Savior! The strong foes yield To Christ, our shield, and we, the victors, hold the field." LSB 668, 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: Cliff Evans & Mike Brown
Elders for July 30: Cal Meisner & Rick Mericle

Today's Acolyte: Damien Dittrich
Acolyte for July 30: Joey Weinstock

Prepare for Next Sunday's Readings

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 7:6-9
Epistle: Romans 8:28-39
Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52
Psalm: Psalm 125



Romans 8:18 - "For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us." It is very easy to get caught up in the present and lose track of our ultimate destiny in the Kingdom of God. St. Paul encourages us to keep eternity in mind. This certainly has an application to our support for the Gospel – if we keep our focus on "the glory to be revealed" we will see our tithes and offerings in a new light.



Pentecost VII – Weeds infiltrate even the Lord's gardens (Matthew 13:26-27), and creation itself groans (Romans 8:22). Choosing life can mean suffering, but soon comes harvest. God's glory cannot stay long concealed (Matthew 13:43), and Christ's resurrection assures that it will more than make up to us for all annoyances (Romans 8:18). *Son of Man, our Rock and our Redeemer, sow such hope in our hearts that we fear not in any weakness. 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, Bill Schierkolk, 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 Mr. and Mrs. Mike (Jaci) Brown in loving memory of Mike's mother, Lois Brown.

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

Monday: Pastor on vacation through August 2
07:00 p.m. Adult Drop in Volleyball

Wednesday: 06:30 p.m. Care Callers

Thursday: 05:30 p.m. Youth Group
07:00 p.m. Divine Service (Pastor Josh Hayes)

Sunday, 7/30: 09:00 a.m. Divine Service (Pastor Josh Hayes)
10:30 a.m. Sunday School & Bible Class

At Worship, July 16:	<u>80</u>	Communed:	<u>70</u>
Thursday Attendance:	<u>6</u>	Communed:	<u>5</u>



ALTAR GUILD Altar Circle News. It is time to set our schedule for September 2017/August 2018. We welcome all women interested in joining this very special way to serve our Lord and our congregation. Please contact Sue Rada (303-469-3943) or Judy Werner (303-460-0301).



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.



Pastor Groth will be on Vacation now through August 2nd. If anyone needs pastoral care, Pastor Joshua Hayes will be available. He may be reached at: 720-897-6829 or email joshua.hayes@gmail.com.



The 23rd Annual Adult Gathering will be held September 18th and 19th at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Lakewood. A packet with detailed information on all the speakers as well as an agenda and a registration form can be found on the bookshelf by the main doors to the sanctuary.



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

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THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE DAY

Introit

Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer;

listen to my plea for grace.

Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth;

unite my heart to fear your name.

I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,

and I will glorify your name forever.

For great is your steadfast love toward me;

you have delivered my soul from the depth of Sheol.

O God, insolent men have risen up against me; a band of ruthless men seek my life,

and they do not set you before them.

But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious,

slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

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.

Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer;

listen to my plea for grace.

Collect of the Day

O God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your final judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of living here and dwell with You in perfect joy hereafter; 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 44:6-8

Epistle:

Romans 8:18-27

Gospel:

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Sermon: *"A Prayer and Plea, O Lord, to Thee"* **Psalm 86:6, 11-15** (Today's Introit)

Isaiah 44:6-8

⁶ “Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel,
And his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:
‘I am the First and I am the Last;
Besides Me there is no God.
⁷ And who can proclaim as I do?
Then let him declare it and set it in order for Me,
Since I appointed the ancient people.
And the things that are coming and shall come,
Let them show these to them.
⁸ Do not fear, nor be afraid;
Have I not told you from that time, and declared it?
You are My witnesses.
Is there a God besides Me?
Indeed there is no other Rock;
I know not one.”

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 8:18-27

¹⁸ For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. ¹⁹ For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰ For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope; ²¹ because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. ²² For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now. ²³ Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body. ²⁴ For we were saved in this hope, but hope that is seen is not hope; for why does one still hope for what he sees? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for it with perseverance.

²⁶ Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. ²⁷ Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

²⁴ Another parable He put forth to them, saying: “The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field; ²⁵ but while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat and went his way. ²⁶ But when the grain had sprouted and produced a crop, then the tares also appeared. ²⁷ So the servants of the owner came and said to him, ‘Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have tares?’ ²⁸ He said to them, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The servants said to him, ‘Do you want us then to go and gather them up?’ ²⁹ But he said, ‘No, lest while you gather up the tares you also uproot the wheat with them. ³⁰ Let both grow together until the harvest, and at the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, “First gather together the tares and bind them in bundles to burn them, but gather the wheat into my barn.””

³⁶ Then Jesus sent the multitude away and went into the house. And His disciples came to Him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the tares of the field.”

³⁷ He answered and said to them: “He who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. ³⁸ The field is the world, the good seeds are the sons of the kingdom, but the tares are the sons of the wicked one. ³⁹ The enemy who sowed them is the devil, the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are the angels. ⁴⁰ Therefore as the tares are gathered and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of this age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send out His angels, and they will gather out of His kingdom all things that offend, and those who practice lawlessness, ⁴² and will cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then the righteous will shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears to hear, let him hear!