

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

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Christian Education Sunday

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Welcome in the name of Jesus, our Lord. It's a special day at Beautiful Savior, and we thank God for bringing us together today. In this service of worship of the triune God we anticipate hearing God's message to us through His Word. We look forward to the sounds of praise which will rise from the mouths of God's children. And we are privileged this morning to offer prayer for our teachers as they are blessed and installed for their duties this year. It's a wonderful day to be together—the Lord's own day indeed. To God be all the glory and praise. (Note: Today's service information can be found on the back of your bulletin.)

"Lord Jesus Christ, the children's friend, To each of them Your presence send; Call them by name and keep them true In loving faith, dear Lord, to You. LSB 866 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 Sept. 17: Cliff Evans & Rick Mericle
Today's Acolyte: Nicholas Little
Acolyte for: Sept. 17: Joey Weinstock

Prepare for Next Sunday's Readings

Old Testament: Genesis 50:15-21
Second Reading: Romans 14:1-12
Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35
Psalm: Psalm 103:1-12



Matthew 18:4 – “Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.” What does it mean to have childlike faith? Certainly Jesus does not want us to have a faith that is *childish*: we are not called to ignorance or silliness. Rather, we are called to trust the way a child trusts: with complete confidence in the Father. We show that confidence in our lives when we follow His directives for our life: Father knows best, so we'll take His advice!



Pentecost XIV – We warn our neighbors to turn from abortion, embryo destruction, assisted suicide, abuse, pornography, promiscuity, and perversion (Ezekiel 33:7-9). This is not merely because it is wicked but even more because they are God's precious children to whom He has come in Christ to share His whole kingdom (Matthew 18:3-4, 10-14). *Father in heaven, strengthen us to tell brothers, sisters, and lost ones of Your deliverance. Amen.*



On Tuesday, September 12, “Martin Luther: The Idea that Changed the World,” will be airing on PBS KRMA at 7 p.m. MDT. Thrivent is the exclusive sponsor of the film and it was created to mark the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. An obscure monk challenges kings and popes, sparking seismic cultural changes. The movement-called the Reformation-would fuel the drive toward individualism, religious freedom, improved education, and women's rights. Hugh Bonneville narrates.



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:
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 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, Jamie Brandt, Bill Schierkolk, Jordan Dittrich, Art Albrecht, 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 Mrs. Ginny Smith in loving memory of Jerry.

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

Today: 10:30 a.m. Potluck
 Monday: 07:00 p.m. Adult Drop in Volleyball
 Tuesday: 05:00 p.m. Board of Christian Education
 Wednesday: 08:30 a.m. Chapel
 04:15 p.m. 8th Grade Confirmation Class
 06:00 p.m. Board of Elders
 Thursday: 10:00 a.m. Bible Study
 05:30 p.m. Youth Group
 07:00 p.m. Divine Service
 Saturday: Broomfield Days
 01:00 p.m. Adult Information Class
 Sunday, 9/17: 09:00 a.m. Worship
 10:30 a.m. Voters' Assembly

At Worship, Sept. 3:	<u>69</u>	Communed:	<u>60</u>
Thursday Attendance:	<u>8</u>	Communed:	<u>8</u>



The Regular Voters' Assembly will meet Sunday, September 17th, 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.



Art Albrecht would like to thank everyone for the phone calls, cards, flowers and prayers since breaking his ankle.



The September 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.



Ultimate Date Night Tour – Don't miss Jay & Laura Laffoon live at Peace Lutheran Church, 5675 Field Street, Arvada on October 13th from 7-9 p.m. Doors open at 6:15. They provide a hilarious glimpse into married life. You may remember when or where you got married, but do you remember WHY? Jay & Laura will help you connect in a way you've not thought about in a long time. Child Care will be provided. See the poster on the bulletin board for more details, or call the church office – 303-479-1785.



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.

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Collect

O God, from whom all good proceeds, grant to us, Your humble servants, Your holy inspiration, that we may set our minds on the things that are right and, by Your merciful guiding, accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Ezekiel 33:7-9

⁷“So you, son of man: I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel; therefore you shall hear a word from My mouth and warn them for Me. ⁸When I say to the wicked, ‘O wicked man, you shall surely die!’ and you do not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at your hand. ⁹Nevertheless if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, he shall die in his iniquity; but you have delivered your soul.

Romans 13:1-10

¹³ Let every soul be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and the authorities that exist are appointed by God. ²Therefore whoever resists the authority resists the ordinance of God, and those who resist will bring judgment on themselves. ³For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to evil. Do you want to be unafraid of the authority? Do what is good, and you will have praise from the same. ⁴For he is God’s minister to you for good. But if you do evil, be afraid; for he does not bear the sword in vain; for he is God’s minister, an avenger to execute wrath on him who practices evil. ⁵Therefore you must be subject, not only because of wrath but also for conscience’ sake. ⁶For because of this you also pay taxes, for they are God’s ministers attending continually to this very thing. ⁷Render therefore to all their due: taxes to whom taxes are due, customs to whom customs, fear to whom fear, honor to whom honor.

⁸ Owe no one anything except to love one another, for he who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹For the commandments, “You shall not commit adultery,” “You shall not murder,” “You shall not steal,” “You shall not bear false witness,” “You shall not covet,” and if there is any other commandment, are all summed up in this saying, namely, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁰ Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.

Matthew 18:1-20

¹⁸ At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, “Who then is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?”

² Then Jesus called a little child to Him, set him in the midst of them, ³and said, “Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven. ⁴Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. ⁵Whoever receives one little child like this in My name receives Me.

⁶“Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to sin, it would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were drowned in the depth of the sea. ⁷Woe to the world because of offenses! For offenses must come, but woe to that man by whom the offense comes!

⁸“If your hand or foot causes you to sin, cut it off and cast it from you. It is better for you to enter into life lame or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet, to be cast into the everlasting fire. ⁹And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out and cast it from you. It is better for you to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes, to be cast into hell fire.

¹⁰“Take heed that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that in heaven their angels always see the face of My Father who is in heaven. ¹¹For the Son of Man has come to save that which was lost.

¹²“What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them goes astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine and go to the mountains to seek the one that is straying? ¹³And if he should find it, assuredly, I say to you, he rejoices more over that sheep than over the ninety-nine that did not go astray. ¹⁴Even so it is not the will of your Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

¹⁵“Moreover if your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he hears you, you have gained your brother. ¹⁶But if he will not hear, take with you one or two more, that ‘by the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.’ ¹⁷And if he refuses to hear them, tell it to the church. But if he refuses even to hear the church, let him be to you like a heathen and a tax collector.

¹⁸“Assuredly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.

¹⁹“Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them.”