

## Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

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### Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 17, 2017

Welcome in the name of Jesus, our Lord. As we assemble for the Divine Service today, we remember that we have a God who loves us—so much that He gave us His own beloved Son. We remember that God's Son, our Savior Jesus, willingly laid down His life that our debt of sin might be entirely wiped out, erased, removed, remitted, **FORGIVEN**. As we begin our month-long stewardship emphasis today, we start by inquiring what it means for us and for our life together that God in Christ has thus forgiven us. May God bless your hearing of His Word and empower your faithful response to that Word. (Note: Today's service information can be found on the back of your bulletin.)

*"Forgive our sins as we forgive," You taught us, Lord, to pray; But You alone can grant us grace To live the words we say. LSB 843, 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 & Rick Mericle  
Elders for Sept. 24: Cal Meisner & Rick Mericle  
Today's Acolyte: Joey Weinstock  
Acolyte for: Sept. 24: Henry Pawlak III and Payton Pawlak

#### Prepare for Next Sunday's Readings

Old Testament: Isaiah 55:6-9  
Second Reading: Philippians 1:12-14, 19-30  
Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16  
Psalm: Psalm 27:1-9



**Romans 14:7** – “For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself.” We just don't belong to ourselves: we belong first of all to God and through Him we belong to our neighbors. We are here to serve God in our service to one another. God has called you to this service through your vocation: as a Christian you serve others in the church; as a neighbor you serve others in society; and as a son or daughter, husband or wife, father or mother, you serve your family.



**Pentecost XV** – All human choices, including ours, affect others—often significantly (Romans 14:7). The devil uses the illusion of autonomy to bring about death. We cannot disconnect from each other any more than God will separate from us (Romans 14:8-9). Jesus Christ surrounds us even in sin and suffering with forgiveness, compassion, fellowship, and community (Matthew 18:27) that keeps us alive (Genesis 50:20). *God of all goodness, make us stand and provide for our little ones. Amen.*



**Food Pantry** – We would like to start collecting items for our food pantry now. Currently we are looking for canned fruit and canned meats (tuna, chicken, etc.) and packaged dinners. Every few weeks we will be asking for different foods. Items may be dropped off in the kitchen. 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, 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 Mr. and Mrs. Dave (Gretchen) Lee in celebration of the birthdays of their daughter Christine and their granddaughter Avery.

**THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR**

Today: 10:30 a.m. Voters' Assembly  
 Monday: 07:00 p.m. Adult Drop in Volleyball  
 Wednesday: 08:30 a.m. Chapel  
 04:15 p.m. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Class  
 Thursday: 10:00 a.m. Bible Study  
 05:30 p.m. Youth Group  
 07:00 p.m. Divine Service  
 Saturday: 10:00 a.m. Pillar Project Event @ State Capitol  
 01:00 p.m. Adult Information Class  
 Sunday, 9/24: 09:00 a.m. Divine Service  
 10:30 a.m. Bible Class & Sunday School Kick-Off Rally

At Worship, Sept. 10: 152  
 Thursday Attendance: 7 Communed: 6



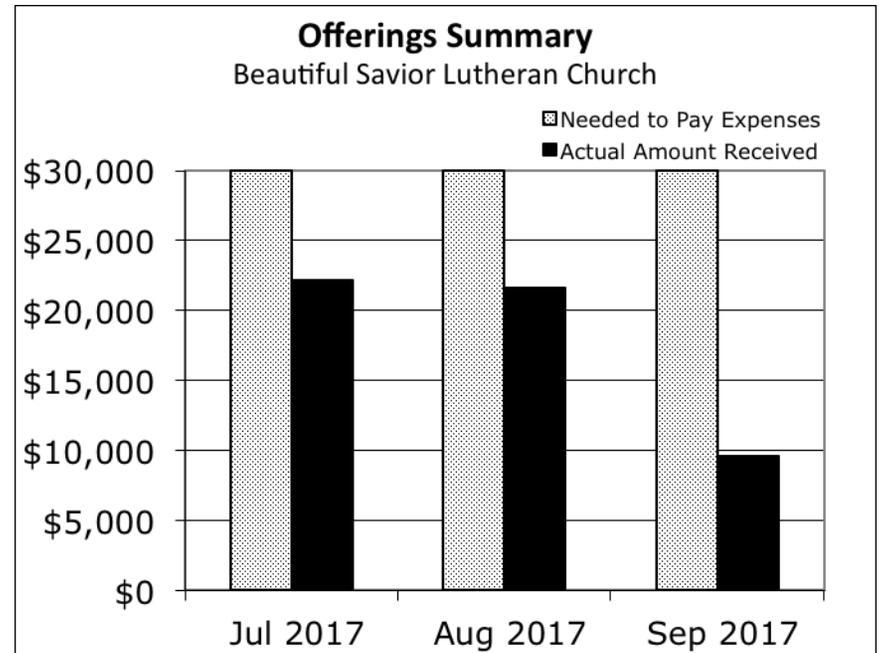
**The Regular Voters' Assembly** will meet today, September 17<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is encouraged to attend. If you are 18 years old or older, and a communicant member of Beautiful Savior, you are eligible to become a Voter. If interested, please notify one of the Elders, or Pastor Groth, and pick up and read a copy of the Constitution of Beautiful Savior before the meeting.



**Please Note:** Due to the Pastors' Conference in Taos, New Mexico, the October 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday evening service will be cancelled. Services will resume the following week on October 12<sup>th</sup>.



**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.



THIS MORNING'S LITURGY & HYMNS

Divine Service, Setting Four

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\* Distribution Hymns

THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE DAY

**Introit**

Deliver me from my enemies, O LORD!

I have fled to you for refuge!

Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy!

In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!

Enter not into judgment with your servant,

for no one living is righteous before you.

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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**Collect of the Day**

O God, our refuge and strength, the author of all godliness, hear the devout prayers of Your Church, especially in times of persecution, and grant that what we ask in faith we may obtain; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Old Testament:**

**Genesis 50:15-21**

**Second Reading**

**Romans 14:1-12**

**Gospel:**

**Matthew 18:21-35**

**Sermon:**

*Pastor Groth*

## Genesis 50:15-21

<sup>15</sup> When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "Perhaps Joseph will hate us, and may actually repay us for all the evil which we did to him." <sup>16</sup> So they sent messengers to Joseph, saying, "Before your father died he commanded, saying, <sup>17</sup> 'Thus you shall say to Joseph: "I beg you, please forgive the trespass of your brothers and their sin; for they did evil to you.'" Now, please, forgive the trespass of the servants of the God of your father." And Joseph wept when they spoke to him.

<sup>18</sup> Then his brothers also went and fell down before his face, and they said, "Behold, we are your servants."

<sup>19</sup> Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid, for am I in the place of God? <sup>20</sup> But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is this day, to save many people alive. <sup>21</sup> Now therefore, do not be afraid; I will provide for you and your little ones." And he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

## Gradual

**Fear the LORD, you his saints,  
for those who fear him lack nothing!  
Many are the afflictions of the righteous,  
but the LORD delivers him out of them all.**

## Romans 14:1-12

<sup>1</sup> Receive one who is weak in the faith, but not to disputes over doubtful things. <sup>2</sup> For one believes he may eat all things, but he who is weak eats only vegetables. <sup>3</sup> Let not him who eats despise him who does not eat, and let not him who does not eat judge him who eats; for God has received him. <sup>4</sup> Who are you to judge another's servant? To his own master he stands or falls. Indeed, he will be made to stand, for God is able to make him stand.

<sup>5</sup> One person esteems one day above another; another esteems every day alike. Let each be fully convinced in his own mind. <sup>6</sup> He who observes the day, observes it to the Lord; and he who does not observe the day, to the Lord he does not observe it. He who eats, eats to the Lord, for he gives God thanks; and he who does not eat, to the Lord he does not eat, and gives God thanks. <sup>7</sup> For none of us lives to himself, and no one dies to himself. <sup>8</sup> For if we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord. Therefore, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. <sup>9</sup> For to this

end Christ died and rose and lived again, that He might be Lord of both the dead and the living. <sup>10</sup> But why do you judge your brother? Or why do you show contempt for your brother? For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. <sup>11</sup> For it is written:

"As I live, says the LORD,  
Every knee shall bow to Me,  
And every tongue shall confess to God."

<sup>12</sup> So then each of us shall give account of himself to God.

## Matthew 18:21-35

<sup>21</sup> Then Peter came to Him and said, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?"

<sup>22</sup> Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven. <sup>23</sup> Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. <sup>24</sup> And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. <sup>25</sup> But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be made. <sup>26</sup> The servant therefore fell down before him, saying, 'Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all.' <sup>27</sup> Then the master of that servant was moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt.

<sup>28</sup> "But that servant went out and found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and he laid hands on him and took him by the throat, saying, 'Pay me what you owe!' <sup>29</sup> So his fellow servant fell down at his feet and begged him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you all.' <sup>30</sup> And he would not, but went and threw him into prison till he should pay the debt. <sup>31</sup> So when his fellow servants saw what had been done, they were very grieved, and came and told their master all that had been done. <sup>32</sup> Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me. <sup>33</sup> Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?' <sup>34</sup> And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him.

<sup>35</sup> "So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses."