

## Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

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### First Sunday in Advent

December 3, 2017

Welcome in the name of Jesus, our Lord. Today is the beginning of a new church year. It is a fitting time for refocusing and repentance. It is also a day of new life for Olivia Arlene Smith, who will be received into the kingdom of God by that blessed Sacrament which our Lord Jesus instituted, the life-giving waters of Holy Baptism. May you be blessed this day by the Lord—He who is our Father, He who is the Potter, and we the clay. (Note: Today's service information can be found on the back of your bulletin.)

*Jesus came, the heav'ns adoring, Came with peace from realms on high; Jesus came to win redemption, Lowly came on earth to die; Alleluia! Alleluia! Came in deep humility. LSB 353 st. 1*



#### To Our Visitors: About Holy Communion at Beautiful Savior

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. Communicant members of congregations of the LCMS are invited to commune at our altar today. We request that any who are not communicant members of a Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod congregation, but are interested in receiving this Sacrament at Beautiful Savior in the future, would 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  
Elder for Dec. 6: Rick Mericle  
Elder for Dec. 10: Cliff Evans  
Today's Acolyte: Joey Weinstock  
Acolyte for: Dec. 10: Joey Weinstock

#### Readings appointed for Advent 2

Old Testament: Isaiah 40:1-11  
Epistle: 2 Peter 3:8-14  
Gospel: Mark 1:1-8  
Psalm: Psalm 85



**1 Corinthians 1:9** "God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord." The faithfulness of God is our great comfort. He has made promises to us and He will keep them. He is kind and loving toward us and will not break faith with us. This gives us the confidence to step out in faith, to leave fear behind. So when it comes to following the Lord's commandments for our daily lives: we know His will is best for us because our God is faithful.



**Advent I** – The hand of God tenderly, intentionally forms every human person (Isaiah 64:8). No life happens by mistake (though God's accidents would surpass humankind's grandest feats). Inabilities due to stage or state of life do not disqualify a person any more than our sins (Isaiah 64:6) disqualify us. Without our merit or worthiness does He make us each His own, on account of His Fatherly goodness. *Omniscient Lord of all, reveal to us the wonders You bring out of every human life until we cherish them all. Amen.*



**Thank You** to all church staff and members for the beautiful funeral service for Dave Vogel. Thank you to all his church family and friends for the cards, donations, and floral arrangements and plants. Thank you for the beautiful funeral arrangements from Darrell-Howe Mortuary and Pastor Groth. With sincere thanks from all the Vogel family. God's love to you always.



**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, Travis Little, Greg Iversen, Pat Hanket, Vince Roberto, Ron & Jeannie Savage, Elaine Brinkey, Jackie Dittrich, Iola Park, Orville Kubat, Jamie Brandt, Jordan Dittrich, Daluss Seiwert, and also our homebound members: Dixie Cassily, Gerd Crandall, Wilda Davenport, Linda Frederking, Doris Hintz, Roberta Nigon, James Nuoffer, Vee Rotvold, Don & Pat Sall, Bill Schierkolk, Ruby Stolz, Gene & Wyonne Sylvester, and Julie Vogel.



**The Flowers** adorning our altar this morning have been placed by Mr. and Mrs. Mani (Patrisha) Boniek in celebration of their 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR**

- Monday: 08:00 p.m. Adult Drop in Volleyball
- Tuesday: 0830 a.m. Pastors' Winkel at Mt. Calvary, Fort Lupton
- Wednesday: 08:30 a.m. Chapel
- 04:15 p.m. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Class
- 05:45 p.m. Soup Supper
- 07:00 p.m. Vespers
- Thursday: 10:00 a.m. Bible Study
- 05:30 p.m. Youth Group
- Sunday, 12/10: 09:00 a.m. Children's Christmas Program
- 10:30 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Class

At Worship, Nov. 26: 92 Communed: 73  
 Thursday Att: 4 Communed: 4



**This Morning** we usher into the Kingdom of God by the washing of Holy Baptism Olivia Arlene Smith, daughter of Craig and Jessika Akmenkalns Smith. Sponsors are Bob and Sandy Akmenkalns.



**Praise The Lord!** The enrollment of the School has taken a significant increase. Since October 1, five children have enrolled. In January we have 6 more pre-registered and starting. The enrollment will be 95. To God Be the Glory!



**Poinsettias!** Sign up today! We only have 7 poinsettias still available. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex near the church office. The cost this year for a poinsettia is \$10.00. Make checks payable to Beautiful Savior and indicate "poinsettia" on the memo line. Drop your check in the offering plate or leave in the church office. Poinsettias will be on the altar Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, and may be taken home following the Service on that day.



**Lutheran Witness** – It's time to start or renew your Lutheran Witness Subscription. The cost for 1 year (11 issues) is \$22.01. Checks made out to **Beautiful Savior** can be left in the church office or dropped in the offering plate. Please put "Lutheran Witness" on the memo line. **The deadline is December 17.**



**The Latest Meditations** has arrived. Pick up your copy from the bookshelf by the main doors to the Sanctuary.



**The Beautiful Savior LWML** has named the year 2017-2018 the "Mercy Ministry" year. For the month of December the Giving Tree will be set up with angel decorations. Each angel will have an item needed for the residents of Alternatives Pregnancy Center (associated with Lutherans For Life).

Please take time to check out the Giving Tree, find an angel, get the item, and put the item in one of the boxes near the tree. Please do not wrap the gift. If you choose to get a gift certificate, please leave it in the care of the church or school offices. Thank you.



**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.



**We Celebrate** the "Birth of Jesus" in Sunday School today. God chose to send His only Son, Jesus Christ, in the flesh to die for the sins of the world. As a family, discuss these questions: *What do you consider the most amazing facts about this very familiar Bible account? How can you stay focused on the real reason for Christmas rather than the world's views?*



**The December Messenger** is out. Pick up your copy from the bookshelf by the main doors to the sanctuary.



**The Regular Voters' Assembly** will meet Sunday, December 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.

THIS MORNING'S LITURGY & HYMNS

Divine Service, Setting One

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\* Communion Hymns

**Hymn 353 st. 5**

*Jesus comes on clouds triumphant When the heavens shall pass away;  
Jesus comes again in glory. Let us, then, our homage pay,  
Alleluia! ever singing Till the dawn of endless day.*  
(The Lutheran Hymnal, #56, st. 5)

**Introit**

**Behold, your king is coming to you;  
righteous and having salvation.**

**To You, O LORD,  
I lift up my soul.**

**O my God, in You I trust; let me not be put to shame;  
let not my enemies exult over me.**

**Indeed, none who wait for You shall be put to shame;  
they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.**

**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.**

**Behold, your king is coming to you;  
righteous and having salvation.**

**Old Testament:**

**Choral Anthem:** *"Bethlehem Wind"*

**Epistle:**

**Gospel:**

**Sermon:** *"God in Charge for Our Good"*

**Choral Anthem:** *"Make Us Your Candle"*  
(during offering)

**Isaiah 64:1-9**

**The Senior Choir**

**1 Corinthians 1:3-9**

**Mark 11:1-10**

**Isaiah 64:8**

**The Senior Choir**

**Isaiah 64:1-9**

64 Oh, that You would rend the heavens!  
That You would come down!  
That the mountains might shake at Your presence—  
<sup>2</sup> As fire burns brushwood,  
As fire causes water to boil—  
To make Your name known to Your adversaries,  
That the nations may tremble at Your presence!  
<sup>3</sup> When You did awesome things for which we did not look,  
You came down,  
The mountains shook at Your presence.  
<sup>4</sup> For since the beginning of the world  
Men have not heard nor perceived by the ear,  
Nor has the eye seen any God besides You,  
Who acts for the one who waits for Him.  
<sup>5</sup> You meet him who rejoices and does righteousness,  
Who remembers You in Your ways.  
You are indeed angry, for we have sinned—  
In these ways we continue;  
And we need to be saved.

<sup>6</sup> But we are all like an unclean thing,  
And all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags;  
We all fade as a leaf,  
And our iniquities, like the wind,  
Have taken us away.  
<sup>7</sup> And there is no one who calls on Your name,  
Who stirs himself up to take hold of You;  
For You have hidden Your face from us,  
And have consumed us because of our iniquities.

<sup>8</sup> But now, O LORD,  
You are our Father;  
We are the clay, and You our potter;  
And all we are the work of Your hand.  
<sup>9</sup> Do not be furious, O LORD,  
Nor remember iniquity forever;  
Indeed, please look—we all are Your people!

**Gradual**

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion.

Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem.

Behold, your king is coming to you;  
righteous and having salvation.

Blessèd is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

From the house of the Lord we bless You.

**1 Corinthians 1:3-9**

<sup>3</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>4</sup> I thank my God always concerning you for the grace of God which was given to you by Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup> that you were enriched in everything by Him in all utterance and all knowledge, <sup>6</sup> even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you, <sup>7</sup> so that you come short in no gift, eagerly waiting for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>8</sup> who will also confirm you to the end, that you may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup> God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Mark 11:1-10**

<sup>11</sup> Now when they drew near Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, He sent two of His disciples; <sup>2</sup> and He said to them, "Go into the village opposite you; and as soon as you have entered it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has sat. Loose it and bring it. <sup>3</sup> And if anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it,' and immediately he will send it here."

<sup>4</sup> So they went their way, and found the colt tied by the door outside on the street, and they loosed it. <sup>5</sup> But some of those who stood there said to them, "What are you doing, loosing the colt?"

<sup>6</sup> And they spoke to them just as Jesus had commanded. So they let them go. <sup>7</sup> Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their clothes on it, and He sat on it. <sup>8</sup> And many spread their clothes on the road, and others cut down leafy branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup> Then those who went before and those who followed cried out, saying:

"Hosanna!

'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!'

<sup>10</sup> Blessed is the kingdom of our father David  
That comes in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna in the highest!"