

## Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

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### First Sunday in Lent

February 18, 2018

Welcome in the name of Jesus, our Lord. You have come to God's house on the first Sunday in a new season, the season of Lent. During Lent Christians devote themselves to God's Word, considering with special care what God teaches us in His Word, and what is God's will for us in Christ Jesus. Today temptation is our focus, and in our sermon based on today's Epistle from James chapter 1 we will hear the call, "Heads Up!" God bless you in this hour. (Note: Today's service information can be found on the back of your bulletin.)

*A Mighty fortress is our God, A sword and shield victorious: He breaks the cruel oppressor's rod And wins salvation glorious. The old satanic foe Has sworn to work us woe. With craft and dreadful might He arms himself to fight. On earth he has no equal. LSB 457 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, in repentant faith, 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
<u>Elders for Feb. 21:</u>	Rick Mericle
<u>Elders for Feb. 25:</u>	Cal Meisner & Rick Mericle
<u>Today's Acolyte:</u>	Joey Weinstock
<u>Acolyte for Feb. 25:</u>	Damien and Bradley Dittrich

#### **Readings for the following Sunday**

Old Testament:	Genesis 17:1-7; 15-16
Epistle:	Romans 5:1-11
Gospel:	Mark 8:27-38
Psalm:	22:23-31



**Mark 1:13** – “And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.” God the Father cares for Jesus even in the midst of his temptation in the wilds. God cares for us in every situation as well. Jesus realized this and always acted from the basis of trust in God the Father's provision. This is likewise the basis for our life lived in Christ: God cares for us, so we need not act out of fear or greed.



**Lent I** – The only death necessary to save life is Christ's. God sacrificed His Son so that no others would have to slaughter theirs (Genesis 22:12-13). Jesus also resisted (Mark 1:13) Satan's quick-fix temptation to suicide (jumping from the temple). What He's done for you, He does in you – enduring, escaping, overcoming. Because of this, you can receive even physical difficulty as a good gift from the loving Heavenly Father (James 1:17). Heavenly Father, deliver us from our efforts to deliver ourselves. Amen.



**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.



**The Account of** “The Three Men in the Fiery Furnace” serves as the focus of Sunday School today. Just as Jesus was with the three men in the fiery furnace and saved them, so our Savior is with us in His Word and Sacraments, sustaining us when we suffer for His name. Questions for discussion include, “Who appeared in the fiery furnace with the three men? How has God rescued us from the fires of hell?”



**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, Jamie Brandt, Jordan Dittrich, Charlotte Davis, Daluss Seiwert, Norm Anderberg, Linda Duchrow, Jan Meisner, Hub Diedrichs, and also our homebound members: Dixie Cassily, Gerd Crandall, Wilda Davenport, Linda Frederking, Doris Hintz, Roberta Nigon, James Nuoffer, Pat Sall, Bill Schierkolk, Ruby Stolz, Gene & Wynne Sylvester, and Julie Vogel.



**The Flowers** adorning our altar today have been placed by Mr. and Mrs. Mani (Patrisha) Boniek in thankfulness to God for blessings received.

**THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR**

- Monday: 08:00 p.m. Adult Drop in Volleyball
- Tuesday: 07:00 p.m. Church Council
- 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. Midweek Lenten Worship Service
- Thursday: 10:00 a.m. Bible Class
- Sunday, 2/25: 09:00 a.m. Divine Service
- 10:30 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Class

At Worship, Feb. 11: 72 Communed: 61



**This Morning** we welcome into membership Mr. and Mrs. Richard (Mary) Acker and Ms. Janet Rosera. Please take a moment to welcome them to our family here at Beautiful Savior.



**The First Soup Supper** during Lent is February 21, with two more following on March 7, and March 21. The suppers will begin at 5:45 p.m. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board. Please consider bringing food or helping to set up or clean up. Thank you.



**Mrs. Jan Meisner** would like to thank everyone for the cards, prayers and well wishes she received at the time of her surgery. It was greatly appreciated.



**Thanks For The Great Response** to financial need for the Fellowship Hall floor replacement. There are some expenses that remain for the demolition and installation. If you feel so inclined to help, any donations will be greatly appreciated.



**Church Council** will meet Tuesday, February 20 at 7:00 p.m.



**Thrivent Choice Dollars** will expire March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018. To direct your Choice Dollars go online to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice, or call 1 800 847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt.



**Check Out The Grocery Gift Cards** we have for sale. We now have King Soopers, Wal Mart, and various other gift cards in the school office during the week and after church service in the narthex on Sunday mornings. If you have any questions, talk to Cliff Evans.

THIS MORNING'S LITURGY & HYMNS

Divine Service, Setting Three

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\* Communion Hymns

**Introit**

When he calls to Me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;

I will rescue him and honor him.

With long life I will satisfy him and show him My salvation.

Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place—

the Most High, who is my refuge—

no evil shall be allowed to befall you,

no plague come near your tent.

For He will command His angels concerning you

to guard you in all your ways.

On their hands they will bear you up,

lest you strike your foot against a stone.

You will tread on the lion and the adder;

the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.

When he calls to Me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;

I will rescue him and honor him.

With long life I will satisfy him and show him My salvation.

**Collect of the Day**

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Old Testament:**

**Genesis 22:1-18**

**Epistle:**

**James 1:12-18**

**Gospel:**

**Mark 1:9-15**

**Sermon:** *"Tempted? Heads Up!"*

**James 1:12-18**

## **Genesis 22:1-18**

**22** Now it came to pass after these things that God tested Abraham, and said to him, "Abraham!"

And he said, "Here I am."

<sup>2</sup> Then He said, "Take now your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you."

<sup>3</sup> So Abraham rose early in the morning and saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac his son; and he split the wood for the burnt offering, and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. <sup>4</sup> Then on the third day Abraham lifted his eyes and saw the place afar off. <sup>5</sup> And Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the lad and I will go yonder and worship, and we will come back to you."

<sup>6</sup> So Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife, and the two of them went together. <sup>7</sup> But Isaac spoke to Abraham his father and said, "My father!"

And he said, "Here I am, my son."

Then he said, "Look, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?"

<sup>8</sup> And Abraham said, "My son, God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering." So the two of them went together.

<sup>9</sup> Then they came to the place of which God had told him. And Abraham built an altar there and placed the wood in order; and he bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, upon the wood. <sup>10</sup> And Abraham stretched out his hand and took the knife to slay his son.

<sup>11</sup> But the Angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!"

So he said, "Here I am."

<sup>12</sup> And He said, "Do not lay your hand on the lad, or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from Me."

<sup>13</sup> Then Abraham lifted his eyes and looked, and there behind him was a ram caught in a thicket by its horns. So Abraham went and took the ram, and offered it up for a burnt offering instead of his son. <sup>14</sup> And Abraham called the name of the place, The-LORD-Will-Provide; as it is said to this day, "In the Mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

<sup>15</sup> Then the Angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time out of heaven, <sup>16</sup> and said: "By Myself I have sworn, says the LORD, because you have done this thing, and have not withheld your son, your only son—

<sup>17</sup> blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply your descendants as

the stars of the heaven and as the sand which is on the seashore; and your descendants shall possess the gate of their enemies. <sup>18</sup> In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice."

## **Gradual**

**O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus,  
the founder and perfecter of our faith,  
who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising  
the shame,  
and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.**

## **James 1:12-18**

<sup>12</sup> Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him. <sup>13</sup> Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. <sup>14</sup> But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. <sup>15</sup> Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

<sup>16</sup> Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren. <sup>17</sup> Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning. <sup>18</sup> Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures.

## **Mark 1:9-15**

<sup>9</sup> It came to pass in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized by John in the Jordan. <sup>10</sup> And immediately, coming up from the water, He saw the heavens parting and the Spirit descending upon Him like a dove. <sup>11</sup> Then a voice came from heaven, "You are My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

<sup>12</sup> Immediately the Spirit drove Him into the wilderness. <sup>13</sup> And He was there in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan, and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered to Him.

<sup>14</sup> Now after John was put in prison, Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, <sup>15</sup> and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."