

## Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

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### Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 2, 2018

Welcome to Beautiful Savior. We are glad that you are here. Today's Bible readings are sobering as they remind us of our sinful nature ("What comes out of a man...from within, out of the heart...all these evil things...defile a man" (Mark 7:21-23) and also remind us of our terrible foe, the devil ("For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against...spiritual hosts of wickedness" (Ephesians 6:12). In such a contest how can we sinful mortals stand or have any hope of victory? How can we even survive? Through Christ alone! Today's sermon will proclaim the good news that "Strength Comes from the Lord". God bless your hearing of His Word this day. (Note: Today's service information can be found on the back of the service folder.)



#### 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 are mindful of the Bible's warning that those who receive the Sacrament unworthily receive it to their harm (1 Cor. 11:27). Caring deeply about the spiritual welfare of all who worship with us, Beautiful Savior abides by the ancient and biblical practice of closed Communion. Communicant members in good standing of congregations of the LCMS are invited to commune at our altar today. We respectfully request that any who are not at this time communicant members in good standing of a congregation of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod would refrain from communing today. If you are interested in receiving this Sacrament at Beautiful Savior in the future, Pastor Groth would be pleased to meet with you and discuss our faith and doctrine in greater detail. It is our desire to administer the holy Sacrament of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus in a manner that both honors our Lord's Word and also 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:  
Elders for Sept. 9:

Cal Meisner & Rick Mericle  
Cliff Evans & Mike Brown

Today's Acolyte:  
Acolyte for Sept. 9:

Aaron Brechbuhl  
Damien Dittrich

#### Prepare for Next Sunday's Readings

Old Testament: Isaiah 35:4-7a  
Epistle: James 2:1-10, 14-18  
Gospel: Mark 7:(24-30) 31-37  
Psalm: Psalm 146



**Deuteronomy 4:6** – "Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.' " There is no wiser, more fulfilling life than a life lived according to the Word of God. We should be encouraged by this when the world tempts us to think that the Word of God is harmful to us. Our Father loves us; so all His Word is meant to bless us.



**Pentecost XV** – Life issues can present great temptations. The complications of surprise pregnancies pressure folks into adding to God's Word. Infertility and terminal illnesses steer many toward subtracting from the Lord's commands (Deuteronomy 4:2). Still, He who takes ownership of the inner life by His forgiveness also takes responsibility for the body's survival by His resurrection. His presence and promises arm and guard against every threat (Ephesians 6:11). *Good Shepherd and Guardian, give security to us and through us in Your words. Amen.*



**Today's Adult Bible Class Hour** will launch us into the dramatic concluding chapters of St. Matthew's Gospel. Come and learn again of the resolute love of your Savior, Jesus Christ, who faced the cross for you. Join us at 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall.



**Children's Message:** Psalm 119:130 "The unfolding of Your words gives light."



**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:

Chloe Werner, Travis Little, Greg Iversen, Vince Roberto, Robert and Nancy Snurka, Roberta Nigon, Ron & Jeannie Savage, Elaine Brinkey, Charlotte Davis, Pat Kubat, James Nuoffer, Dixie Cassily, Gerd Crandall, Marta Bannigan, Alyssa Stephenson, and our homebound members: Wilda Davenport, Hub Diedrichs, Linda Frederking, Pat Sall, Bill Schierkolk, Ruby Stolz, Gene & Wyonne Sylvester, Julie Vogel, and Verna Walsh.



**The Flowers** adorning our altar this morning have been placed by Mrs. Sue Rada in thankfulness to God for blessings received.

**THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR**

Monday: Labor Day – Church, School and ELC Closed  
07:00 p.m. Adult Drop in Volleyball  
Wednesday: 08:30 a.m. Chapel  
Thursday: 10:00 a.m. Bible Class  
06:30 p.m. PTL  
Saturday: 11:00 a.m. Board of Elders  
Sunday, 9/9: 09:00 a.m. Worship (Christian Education Sunday)  
10:30 a.m. Pot Luck

At Worship, Aug. 26: 86 Communed: 67



**Beautiful Savior Founding Members** Gene and Wyonne Sylvester will be celebrating their 70<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on September 7<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is encouraged to send them a card. Their address is 2425 S. Miller Court, Lakewood, CO 80227.



**Provide A Meal?** At University Lutheran Chapel in Boulder, every week during the academic year various groups or individuals can sign up to provide a student meal either Sunday after the 10 a.m. service or Tuesday at 7 p.m. after the prayer service. You are encouraged to attend the service and the meal if you so desire. If it is for a Sunday it can be either brunch or lunch and is usually for 15-20 people attending so plan to bring enough for that many plus those providing the meal. If you are interested you can go to ULC's website to sign up at Universitylutheranchapel.com. Thank you.



**This Month's Hymn**, "Be Strong in the Lord" (LSB #665), is another hymn text by English contemporary hymn writer Timothy Dudley-Smith, whose hymn "When to Our Word the Savior Came" (LSB #551) we sang throughout July. September's hymn treats the "Armor of God" theme with which the apostle Paul concluded his epistle to the Ephesians. "The Armor of God" will be our special theme at Beautiful Savior Lutheran School for this 2018-19 school year. We hope that learning new hymns will be enjoyable for all, and will enrich our worship of God, the Holy Trinity.



**Amazon Shoppers** – Did you know when you shop on Amazon you can support the causes you love at the same time! AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon that lets customers enjoy the same shopping features as Amazon.com. The only difference is that if you shop **smile.amazon.com** the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of eligible purchases to the charitable organization that you select. Please consider choosing Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church or Beautiful Savior Lutheran School. Thank you.



**The Bill Board** is up again. Please stop by the Church Office and see if you can help out with any of the past due bills. Once your decision is made, please remove the bill, attach your check, and drop it on Eleanor's desk. If you want to pay part of a bill that is just fine; just attach your check and the bill will be reposted for the balance. Thank you again for your generous giving!

THIS MORNING'S LITURGY & HYMNS

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THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE DAY

**Introit**

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,  
and cleanse me from my sin!

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;  
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Your presence,  
and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,  
and uphold me with a willing spirit.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,  
and cleanse me from my sin!

**Collect of the Day**

O God, the source of all that is just and good, nourish in us every virtue and bring to completion every good intent that we may grow in grace and bring forth the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Old Testament:**

**Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9**

**Epistle:**

**Ephesians 6:10-20**

**Gospel:**

**Mark 7:14-23**

Today's Sermon, "Strength Comes from the Lord," Ephesians 6:10-20, was written by the Rev. R. Lee Hagan, president of the Missouri District of the Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod.

### **Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9**

<sup>4</sup> “Now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the judgments which I teach you to observe, that you may live, and go in and possess the land which the LORD God of your fathers is giving you. <sup>2</sup> You shall not add to the word which I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.

<sup>6</sup> Therefore be careful to observe them; for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples who will hear all these statutes, and say, ‘Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.’

<sup>7</sup> “For what great nation is there that has God so near to it, as the LORD our God is to us, for whatever reason we may call upon Him?

<sup>8</sup> And what great nation is there that has such statutes and righteous judgments as are in all this law which I set before you this day? <sup>9</sup> Only take heed to yourself, and diligently keep yourself, lest you forget the things your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. And teach them to your children and your grandchildren.

### **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.**

### **Ephesians 6:10-20**

<sup>10</sup> Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. <sup>11</sup> Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. <sup>12</sup> For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. <sup>13</sup> Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

<sup>14</sup> Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, <sup>15</sup> and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; <sup>16</sup> above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one.

<sup>17</sup> And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God; <sup>18</sup> praying always with all prayer and supplication in the

Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints— <sup>19</sup> and for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup> for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

### **Mark 7:14-23**

<sup>14</sup> When He had called all the multitude to Himself, He said to them, “Hear Me, everyone, and understand: <sup>15</sup> There is nothing that enters a man from outside which can defile him; but the things which come out of him, those are the things that defile a man. <sup>16</sup> If anyone has ears to hear, let him hear!”

<sup>17</sup> When He had entered a house away from the crowd, His disciples asked Him concerning the parable. <sup>18</sup> So He said to them, “Are you thus without understanding also? Do you not perceive that whatever enters a man from outside cannot defile him, <sup>19</sup> because it does not enter his heart but his stomach, and is eliminated, thus purifying all foods?”

<sup>20</sup> And He said, “What comes out of a man, that defiles a man. <sup>21</sup> For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, <sup>22</sup> thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lewdness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness. <sup>23</sup> All these evil things come from within and defile a man.”