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Welcome to Beautiful Savior. We are glad that you are here. This morning, themes of money, trust in riches, and the difficulty of entering the kingdom of God meet us. We are also encouraged to approach God's throne of grace through faith in our High Priest, Jesus (Hebrews 4), and to believe that "with God all things are possible" (Mark 10:27). At the conclusion of today's service we will open the box at the base of the altar and return to our church members the sealed offering pledge cards which were filled out and dedicated to the Lord one year ago. May God continue to use all that we are and have for His good pleasure and His kingdom's purposes, to His great glory, Amen! (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 Oct. 28:

Cliff Evans & Mike Brown
Cal Meisner & Rick Mericle

Today's Acolyte:
Acolyte for Oct. 28:

Bradley Dittrich
Nicholas Little

Prepare for Next Sunday's Readings

Old Testament: Revelation 14:6-7
Epistle: Romans 3:19-28
Gospel: John 8:31-36
Psalm: Psalm 46



Mark 10:29-30 – "Jesus said, 'Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands, for my sake and for the gospel, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this time, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions, and in the age to come eternal life.' " This is Jesus' encouragement for every faithful disciple. Let it encourage you today.



– Pentecost XXII – Our rights can't acquire heaven. Our choices won't achieve any salvation for us. "With man it is impossible, but not with God. For all things are possible with God" (Mark 10:27). If our Savior's words can gather us into the everlasting kingdom, how will His ways not also resolve and redeem all our hopeless circumstances, like terminal diagnoses or surprise pregnancies? *Heavenly Father, give us faith that seeks life wherever You have sown it. Amen.*



This Month's Hymn, "Listen, God Is Calling" (LSB #833), originates in Kenya in east Africa (the same country where John Wolf and family are living and serving the LCMS as missionaries). The style of the hymn is a call and response. "Listen!" calls the leader. And the people reply, "God is calling, through the Word inviting, offering forgiveness, comfort, and joy." Our lives as forgiven children of God are entirely a response to the call of God through the Gospel. When our Lord speaks, we cheerfully listen, for He bestows salvation through His Word. As we continue our Hymn of the Month program at Beautiful Savior, we hope that learning new hymns will be enjoyable for all, and will enrich our worship of God, the Holy Trinity.



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, 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 Jackie Dittrich in celebration of her son Jordan's birthday.

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

Today: 12:00 p.m. Choir Practice
 Monday: 07:00 p.m. Adult Drop in Volleyball
 Wednesday: 08:30 a.m. Chapel (Mike Brown)
 Thursday: 10:00 a.m. Bible Class – Elizabeth Corless Onekalit-Missionary
 Friday: No School or Child Care— Parent/Teacher Conferences
 Saturday: 3:00—5:00 p.m. Trunk or Treat
 Sunday, 10/28: 09:00 a.m. Divine Service (Reformation Sunday)
 10:30 a.m. Bible Class
 12:00 p.m. Choir Practice

At Worship, Oct. 14: 45 Communed: 39



Children's Message: Psalm 119:16 "I will delight in Your statutes; I will not forget Your Word."



The October Messenger is now available. Pick up a copy from the bookshelf by the main sanctuary doors or from one of the tables in the lower narthex.



We Are Beginning A New Study on "Wisdom In Proverbs". The decisions & choices that you make now will affect you the rest of your life. It is very important that you learn to make wise decisions. Join us in the sanctuary after service to learn what the Bible says about wisdom.



Our Security Monitor in the church office has quit working. Does anyone have a flat screen smart TV that you would like to donate to remedy this situation? It needs to be at least 36 inches in size. Thank you in advance. Dan Adams



Abortion: The Philosophical & Scientific Case: Lutherans for Life Denver invites you to our one-day seminar, **Making Abortion Unthinkable** on Saturday, November 3, 2018, right here at Beautiful Savior. Registration: 8:30-9; Seminar on all topics: 9:00-4:00 with manual, boxed lunch, (\$10.00) and free will offering. Register ASAP: email Jude Donovan at Heyjude264@aol.com or Lyndsay.johnson101@yahoo.com.



The Bill Board is up. 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 works too; 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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Hymns: 833 690 *744 *770 *632 781

THE WORD OF GOD FOR THE DAY

Introit

The LORD is near to the brokenhearted

and saves the crushed in spirit.

I will bless the LORD at all times;

His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the LORD;

let the humble hear and be glad.

Oh, magnify the LORD with me,

and let us exalt His name together!

I sought the LORD, and He answered me

and delivered me from all my fears.

When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears

and delivers them out of all their troubles.

The LORD is near to the brokenhearted

and saves the crushed in spirit.

Collect of the Day

O God, Your divine wisdom sets in order all things in heaven and on earth. Put away from us all things hurtful and give us those things that are beneficial for us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament:

Ecclesiastes 5:10-20

Choral Anthem: *"Blessed Be the Name"*

The Senior Choir

Epistle:

Hebrews 4:1-16

Gospel:

Mark 10:23-31

Sermon:

Mark 10:23-31

Ecclesiastes 5:10-20

¹⁰ He who loves silver will not be satisfied with silver;
Nor he who loves abundance, with increase.
This also is vanity.

¹¹ When goods increase,
They increase who eat them;
So what profit have the owners
Except to see them with their eyes?

¹² The sleep of a laboring man is sweet,
Whether he eats little or much;
But the abundance of the rich will not permit him to sleep.

¹³ There is a severe evil which I have seen under the sun:
Riches kept for their owner to his hurt.

¹⁴ But those riches perish through misfortune;
When he begets a son, there is nothing in his hand.

¹⁵ As he came from his mother's womb, naked shall he return,
To go as he came;

And he shall take nothing from his labor
Which he may carry away in his hand.

¹⁶ And this also is a severe evil—
Just exactly as he came, so shall he go.

And what profit has he who has labored for the wind?

¹⁷ All his days he also eats in darkness,
And he has much sorrow and sickness and anger.

¹⁸ Here is what I have seen: It is good and fitting for one to eat and drink, and to enjoy the good of all his labor in which he toils under the sun all the days of his life which God gives him; for it is his heritage. ¹⁹ As for every man to whom God has given riches and wealth, and given him power to eat of it, to receive his heritage and rejoice in his labor—this is the gift of God. ²⁰ For he will not dwell unduly on the days of his life, because God keeps him busy with the joy of his heart.

Gradual

**He will command His angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.**

**Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless His holy name!**

Hebrews 4:1-16

⁴ Therefore, since a promise remains of entering His rest, let us fear lest any of you seem to have come short of it. ² For indeed the gospel was preached to us as well as to them; but the word which they heard did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in those who heard it. ³ For we who have believed do enter that rest, as He has said: "So I swore in My wrath, 'They shall not enter My rest,'"

although the works were finished from the foundation of the world. ⁴ For He has spoken in a certain place of the seventh day in this way: "And God rested on the seventh day from all His works"; ⁵ and again in this place: "They shall not enter My rest."

⁶ Since therefore it remains that some must enter it, and those to whom it was first preached did not enter because of disobedience, ⁷ again He designates a certain day, saying in David, "Today," after such a long time, as it has been said: "Today, if you will hear His voice, do not harden your hearts."

⁸ For if Joshua had given them rest, then He would not afterward have spoken of another day. ⁹ There remains therefore a rest for the people of God.

¹⁰ For he who has entered His rest has himself also ceased from his works as God did from His.

¹¹ Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience. ¹² For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. ¹³ And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.

¹⁴ Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵ For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Mark 10:23-31

²³ Then Jesus looked around and said to His disciples, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴ And the disciples were astonished at His words. But Jesus answered again and said to them, "Children, how hard it is for those who trust in riches to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵ It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God."

²⁶ And they were greatly astonished, saying among themselves, "Who then can be saved?"

²⁷ But Jesus looked at them and said, "With men it is impossible, but not with God; for with God all things are possible."

²⁸ Then Peter began to say to Him, "See, we have left all and followed You."

²⁹ So Jesus answered and said, "Assuredly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My sake and the gospel's, ³⁰ who shall not receive a hundredfold now in this time—houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands, with persecutions—and in the age to come, eternal life. ³¹ But many who are first will be last, and the last first."