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All Saints' Day (observed)

November 5, 2018

Welcome to Beautiful Savior. We are glad that you are here as we celebrate All Saints' Day. A fitting prayer as we enter God's house today is: Almighty, ever-living God, grant that I may gladly hear Thy Word and that all my worship may be acceptable unto Thee; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen. Today's service includes a special Prayer of the Church (see insert) in which we will remember and offer glad thanksgiving to God for our brethren from Beautiful Savior who are now at rest with their dear Savior. (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 Nov. 11:

Cliff Evans & Mike Brown
Cal Meisner & Rick Mericle

Today's Acolyte:
Acolyte for Nov. 11:

Joey Weinstock
Aaron Brechbuhl

Prepare for Next Sunday's Readings

Old Testament: 1 Kings 17:8-16
Epistle: Hebrews 9:24-28
Gospel: Mark 12:38-44
Psalm: Psalm 146



All Saints' Day — "With angels, archangels, and with all the company of heaven ..." When we gather around the altar of the Lord in His House we pray and praise God with "all the company of heaven." Those we have lost in the Lord are not truly lost to us – they have simply entered their rest with the Lord. As we gather to worship our Lord, we gather along with them. On the Last Day everything that God has given into the care of our stewardship will fade away – everything except our brothers and sisters in Christ. Caring for one another in love and grace is our highest calling.



We Get To Love God not only in spirit but in the person of our neighbors (Mark 12:33). The same blood that makes Him our brother and us His children (Hebrews 9:12) also makes those around us into treasures and privileges. In protecting and providing for the least of these—uncertain parents, unresponsive patients, unborn embryos—the Kingdom Himself will never be far from us. *Incarnate God, draw us into Your humility that our race be raised up. Amen.*



Hymn of The Month, This month's hymn, "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" (LSB #733), is by no means a new hymn to us. But its message fits so well at this time as the church year comes to a close. Throughout November as we receive God's gifts in the Divine Service and continue in faithful watching for the return of our Lord, Jesus Christ, we will also sing this hymn week by week, remembering that the triune God is "our help in ages past" and "our hope for years to come" and indeed "our eternal home" (stanza 1). As we continue our Hymn of the Month program at Beautiful Savior, we hope that learning new hymns (and singing old ones) 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, Judy Werner, Jan Meisner, Mary Acker, 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; and for Dan & Heather Brechbuhl and Dave & Cheri Esslinger celebrating wedding anniversaries.



The Flowers adorning our altar this morning have been placed by Mr. and Mrs. Bob (Sandy) Akmenkalns in loving memory of Arlene Groth.

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

Today: 12:00 p.m. Choir Practice
 Monday: 07:00 p.m. Adult Drop in Volleyball
 Tuesday: 09:00 a.m. Winkel at Messiah, Longmont
 06:30 p.m. PTL Meeting
 Wednesday: 08:30 a.m. Chapel
 Thursday: 10:00 a.m. Bible Class
 Saturday: 09:00 a.m. Christian Doctrine Class
 11:00 a.m. Board of Elders
 Sunday, 11/11: 09:00 a.m. Divine Service (Veterans' Day)
 10:30 a.m. Bible Class
 12:00 p.m. Choir Practice

At Worship, Oct. 28: 91 Communed: 81



Today's Sermon on Matthew 5:1-12 was written by the Rev. Dr. Jeffrey A. Gibbs, professor of exegetical theology at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri.



Butter Braids Sales —It's that time of year...Beautiful Savior Day School is selling Butter Braid pastries and Yumbana gluten free products to raise money. If you are interested in purchasing Butter Braids please take a form off of the table, ask a student, or call the school office. Thank you for your continued support, we really appreciate it.



The November 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.



We Have Begun 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.



Voter Guide Available. With election day approaching, Beautiful Savior has again been provided with non-partisan voter guides from the organization Faith & Freedom Coalition. The guides provide a side-by-side snapshot of the views of Colorado's gubernatorial candidates Jared Polis and Walker Stapleton on issues important to Christians. The voter guides do not advocate the election or defeat of any candidate or party. They have been reviewed by expert legal counsel and are in full compliance with IRS rules and regulations concerning voter education activities by 501(c)(3) organizations, including churches. Voter guides are available on the tables in the school lobby area.



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

Divine Service, Setting One

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Hymns: 822 677 *733 *563 *680 821

Introit

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

In You, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame;
in Your righteousness deliver me.

For You are my rock and my fortress;

and for Your name's sake You lead me and guide me.

Into Your hand I commit my spirit;

You have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

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

Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading:

Revelation 7:2-17

Epistle

1 John 3:1-3

Holy Gospel:

Matthew 5:1-12

Sermon: "Good News We Need"

Matthew 5:1-12

Revelation 7:2-17

² Then I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God. And he cried with a loud voice to the four angels to whom it was granted to harm the earth and the sea, ³ saying, "Do not harm the earth, the sea, or the trees till we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads." ⁴ And I heard the number of those who were sealed. One hundred and forty-four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel were sealed:

⁵ of the tribe of Judah twelve thousand were sealed;
of the tribe of Reuben twelve thousand were sealed;
of the tribe of Gad twelve thousand were sealed;
⁶ of the tribe of Asher twelve thousand were sealed;
of the tribe of Naphtali twelve thousand were sealed;
of the tribe of Manasseh twelve thousand were sealed;
⁷ of the tribe of Simeon twelve thousand were sealed;
of the tribe of Levi twelve thousand were sealed;
of the tribe of Issachar twelve thousand were sealed;
⁸ of the tribe of Zebulun twelve thousand were sealed;
of the tribe of Joseph twelve thousand were sealed;
of the tribe of Benjamin twelve thousand were sealed.

⁹ After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹ All the angels stood around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹² saying:

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom,
Thanksgiving and honor and power and might,
Be to our God forever and ever.
Amen."

¹³ Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, "Who are these arrayed in white robes, and where did they come from?"

¹⁴ And I said to him, "Sir, you know."

So he said to me, "These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵ Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His temple. And He who sits on the throne will dwell among them.

¹⁶ They shall neither hunger anymore nor thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any heat; ¹⁷ for the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will

shepherd them and lead them to living fountains of waters. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Gradual

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

**Blessèd are those whose strength is in You,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.**

1 John 3:1-3

³ Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. ² Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. ³ And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

Matthew 5:1-12

⁵ And seeing the multitudes, He went up on a mountain, and when He was seated His disciples came to Him. ² Then He opened His mouth and taught them, saying:

³ "Blessed are the poor in spirit,

For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴ Blessed are those who mourn,

For they shall be comforted.

⁵ Blessed are the meek,

For they shall inherit the earth.

⁶ Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,

For they shall be filled.

⁷ Blessed are the merciful,

For they shall obtain mercy.

⁸ Blessed are the pure in heart,

For they shall see God.

⁹ Blessed are the peacemakers,

For they shall be called sons of God.

¹⁰ Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,

For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹ "Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. ¹² Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

**Prayer of the Church
All Saints' Sunday
November 4, 2018**

P: O most gracious and holy Lord God, You have deigned to bestow Your holiness upon Your people, declaring us to be saints before Your throne. For Your holy church, the gathering of the saints in heaven and on earth; for the congregations and pastors which faithfully serve the ministry of Word and sacraments;

C: With the glorious company of apostles we praise You.

P: For Your glorious creation and all the gifts which we find there; for the governments of the earth, instruments of Your justice and providence;

C: With the noble fellowship of prophets we praise You.

P: For those who, because of their confession of Your holy name, are being slandered, ridiculed and persecuted; for those in peril for the sake of Your truth and Your Word:

C: With the white-robed army of martyrs we praise You.

P: For the merciful good works done in Your name which You accomplish in us; for the saints who are before Your throne and serve You day and night in the temple:

C: Throughout the world the holy Church acclaim You.

P: Mercifully grant that in Christ Your saints may find love, hope, justice, and peace. For these and all gifts:

C: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

P: As Your saints, we intercede for the whole world: for all nations, for all rulers and magistrates, for schools and educators, for artists and scientists, for those in business and services:

C: Come, O Lord, and help Your people.

P: Almighty God, with whom do live the souls of all the faithful departed who after they are delivered from the burden of their flesh, are in perfect joy and peace; we give you thanks and praise for the good examples of all these Your servants, who having finished their course of faith, do now rest from their labors. We today especially remember the saints of Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church who have departed from among us to reign with You for all eternity; for **Eric Thompson * Ron Davis * Margie Lou Greer * Carol White * Tom Baldwin * Larry Rotvold * Joey Fricke * Bill Gardner * Irene Lombardi * Jim Park * Wanda Renzelman * Melva Anderson * Rowena Davis * David Vogel * Verna Rotvold * Don Sall * Doris Hintz * Art Groth * John McDaniel * Pat Hanket * Richard Acker * Linda Duchrow * Bob Davis, Sr. * * ***

We implore You gracious Father, that we, with all those who are departed in the true faith of Your Holy Name may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in Your eternal and everlasting glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Come, O Lord, and help Your people.

P: We pray for all sorts and conditions of people: to those in doubt, grant certainty; to those in distress over their sins, grant forgiveness; to those who have strayed from the company of Your saints, speak Your Word through us to call them back; to those who are weary and burdened, grant rest; to those who are in the limbo of depression, grant purpose; to those in difficult relationships, grant forbearance; to those in the bondage of others, grant strength and freedom; to the shamed, grant restoration; to the sick, grant healing; to the chronically ill, grant patience; to the dying, grant peace:

C: Come, O Lord, and help Your people.

P: With all Your saints, of heaven and earth, of today and ages past, we pray:

C: "Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." [Rev. 7:12]