

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

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The Baptism of Our Lord

January 13, 2019

Welcome to Beautiful Savior. On this day we remember how our Lord Jesus was baptized by John in the River Jordan. When Jesus was baptized, His Father spoke from the sky and the Holy Spirit alighted upon Jesus as a dove. What wonders are found in Holy Baptism, whereby the filth of our sinfulness is divinely cleansed and we are filled with the Holy Spirit, accepted as children of the Heavenly Father! Let this day be a day of great rejoicing in repentance for all the blood-bought, Baptism-washed children of God! (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 Jan. 20:

Cliff Evans & Mike Brown
Cal Meisner & Rick Mericle

Today's Acolyte:
Acolyte for Jan. 20

Aaron Brechbuhl
Bradley Dittrich

Prepare for Next Sunday's Readings

Old Testament: Isaiah 62:1-5
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11
Gospel: John 2:1-11
Psalm: Psalm 128

STEWARDSHIP

Luke 3:21 – “Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened ...” We know why the people were baptized, but why was Jesus baptized? He didn't need repentance or forgiveness. The answer is that He did it for us. The reason God sent His Son into the world is to fulfill all righteousness for us, to do what we could not do. The whole of Jesus' life, everything He did and said was one great offering to the Father in our stead to fulfill all righteousness for us. With our righteousness fulfilled in Jesus and given to us in Baptism – our hearts now overflow with thanksgiving and praise.



Baptism of Our Lord – With this One, His Son veiled in frail human flesh, the heart of Almighty God is well-pleased (Luke 3:22). Through the same Jesus Christ, He creates, redeems, and calls (Isaiah 43:1-2) every member of our race to be His own beloved child. Since He stands in our place, even our sicknesses and sorrows do not represent punishments but rather opportunities for Him to shower blessing.



Hymn of the Month. This month's hymn, “Songs of Thankfulness and Praise” (LSB #394) is a fine hymn for the Epiphany season. In this season the Scripture readings reveal Jesus as the Son of God in human flesh, come for our salvation. The closing line of each of the five stanzas of this great hymn says, “God in man made manifest.” The word *manifest* means visible; it means that God has shown Himself and revealed Himself for all people to see—not in His bare (and unbearable to us!) majesty, but humbly clothed in our very same human flesh and bone. In this flesh and blood God's eternal Son preached and taught, healed and drove out demons, performed miracles, and finally laid down His life for ours, then rose in glory.



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:
 Pastor Groth @ 303 469-1785 or email tedgroth1970@comcast.net or
 Mike Brown @ 303 438-5766 or E-mail: mbrown_presbslc@comcast.net.
 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, 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, our ELC teacher Janis Abts, Charlotte Davis, Martha Vinquist, Shirley Ehlers, Carla Salazar, Ruby Stolz, and our homebound members: Wilda Davenport, Hub Diedrichs, Linda Frederking, Pat Sall, Bill Schierkolk, Gene & Wyonne Sylvester, Verna Walsh, and Maxine Craiger.



The Flowers adorning our altar this morning have been placed by Mr. and Mrs. Cal (Lynda) Meisner for blessings received for 31 years of marriage.

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

Monday: 08:00 p.m. Adult Drop In Volleyball
 Tuesday: Beautiful Savior Prays
 07:00 p.m. Church Council
 Wednesday: 08:30 a.m. Chapel
 06:00 p.m. Kindergarten Round Up
 Thursday: 10:00 a.m. Bible Class
 Saturday: 09:00 a.m. Christian Doctrine Class
 11:00 a.m. Board of Elders
 Sunday: 09:00 a.m. Divine Service (Sanctity of Life Sunday)
 10:30 a.m. Bible Class
 02:00 p.m. ULC Mission Society @ ULC Boulder

At Worship, Jan. 6: 94 Communed: 78



We Have Some Upcoming Open Sundays on our flower chart, specifically January 20, February 3 and 17 and March 3 and 31. One or two may sign up for a Sunday. The cost is \$25, or if two sign up, it is \$12.50 each. Just sign up, let the church office know what the occasion is, and drop a check in the offering plate with "flowers" indicated on the memo line. You may pick up your flowers following Worship Service, or anytime early in the week following.



In Our Next Class we will continue with "Faith Illustrated". Come join us in the sanctuary after service.



Large Print Scripture Reading — Copies of today's Scripture readings in large print can be found on the bookshelf by the main doors to the sanctuary.



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



Children's Message: Psalm 29:3 "The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over many waters."



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.



Pastor Is Starting Fresh with a Church Email List. Pastor Groth requests that every member who would like to be included on a Pastor's Email List beginning in the new year would kindly **fill out a short form with your name and email address.** **The forms and box to drop them in are available on the table in the narthex by the steps.** Even if you believe Pastor already has your correct email address, it will be much appreciated if you will nevertheless take the time to fill out this form. THANK YOU!

THIS MORNING'S LITURGY & HYMNS

Divine Service, Setting One

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Hymns: 596 399 *611 *394 506

Introit

Behold My servant, whom | I uphold,*
My chosen, in whom My | soul delights.

I will tell of | the decree:*

The LORD said to Me, "You are My Son; today I have be- | gotten You.
Ask of Me, and I will make the nations Your | heritage,*
and the ends of the earth Your pos- | session.

You shall break them with a | rod of iron*
and dash them in pieces like a potter's | vessel."

Now therefore, O | kings, be wise;*
be warned, O rulers | of the earth.

Serve the | LORD with fear,*
and rejoice with | trembling.

for His wrath is quickly | kindled.*
Blessèd are all who take ref- | uge in Him.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Behold My servant, whom | I uphold,*
My chosen, in whom My | soul delights.

Collect of the Day

Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament:

Isaiah 43:1-7

Epistle:

Romans 6:1-11

Gospel:

Luke 3:15-22

Sermon:

Luke 3:15-22

Isaiah 43:1-7

43 But now, thus says the LORD, who created you, O Jacob,
And He who formed you, O Israel:
“Fear not, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by your name;
You are Mine.

²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
And through the rivers, they shall not overflow you.
When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned,
Nor shall the flame scorch you.

³For I am the LORD your God,
The Holy One of Israel, your Savior;
I gave Egypt for your ransom,
Ethiopia and Seba in your place.

⁴Since you were precious in My sight,
You have been honored,
And I have loved you;
Therefore I will give men for you,
And people for your life.

⁵Fear not, for I am with you;
I will bring your descendants from the east,
And gather you from the west;

⁶I will say to the north, ‘Give them up!’
And to the south, ‘Do not keep them back!’
Bring My sons from afar,
And My daughters from the ends of the earth—

⁷Everyone who is called by My name,
Whom I have created for My glory;
I have formed him, yes, I have made him.”

Gradual

Praise the Lord, all | nations!*

Extol Him, all | peoples!

For great is His steadfast | love toward us,*

and the faithfulness of the Lord endures for- | ever.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory | due His name;*

bring an offering, and come in- | to His courts!

Romans 6:1-11

⁶What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound? ²Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it? ³Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? ⁴Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection, ⁶knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin. ⁷For he who has died has been freed from sin. ⁸Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, ⁹knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more. Death no longer has dominion over Him. ¹⁰For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. ¹¹Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Luke 3:15-22

¹⁵Now as the people were in expectation, and all reasoned in their hearts about John, whether he was the Christ or not, ¹⁶John answered, saying to all, “I indeed baptize you with water; but One mightier than I is coming, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to loose. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fan is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clean out His threshing floor, and gather the wheat into His barn; but the chaff He will burn with unquenchable fire.”

¹⁸And with many other exhortations he preached to the people. ¹⁹But Herod the tetrarch, being rebuked by him concerning Herodias, his brother Philip’s wife, and for all the evils which Herod had done, ²⁰also added this, above all, that he shut John up in prison.

²¹When all the people were baptized, it came to pass that Jesus also was baptized; and while He prayed, the heaven was opened. ²²And the Holy Spirit descended in bodily form like a dove upon Him, and a voice came from heaven which said, “You are My beloved Son; in You I am well pleased.”