

# **Seventh Sunday of Easter**

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# BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# **Our Mission**

"To Know Jesus and to Make Him Known"

# **Our Vision**

Educate, Equip and Encourage ourselves and our families through worship and study, and engage our community through discipleship, example and Acts of Kindness, using the unique gifts bestowed on each member of our congregation by the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

# **Worship Information**

**Parents with Young Children**: We encourage families to worship together. **Worship Bulletin:** Our order of service is printed out in your worship folder.

Worship Form: There are 5 "Movements" in our Worship.

- God grants us the gift of forgiveness.
- God speaks to us from His Word.
- God receives our offerings and prayers.
- God offers us His real presence in Holy Communion.
- God blesses us and sends us out.

**Communion:** Please read the Statement of Communion below.

(If you are *gluten intolerant* please speak with Pastor or an elder prior to the worship service so we can accommodate you.)

#### STATEMENT OF COMMUNION

#### BECAUSE THE WORD OF GOD TEACHES THAT:

- We are all sinners in need of forgiveness.
- Jesus is our only Savior from sin through His death and resurrection.
- The True Body and Blood of Christ is present in the Sacrament of the Holy Communion
  - Please see Pastor if you have any questions about this or do not believe in the Lord's Supper in this way. You are welcome to come forward for a blessing if you are not communing.
- Please see Pastor if there is something going on in your life that needs the attention of Christ in private confession and absolution.

**AS WE GATHER--** How close must we be to achieve unity? For us sinners, separation of even a little bit compromises unity. What we need is a single source to unite us. It is our singular Savior who is the only source of true unity. Our Readings today show us the one church continuing and Matthias elected to sit in Judas's chair. Jesus promises power to His followers and tells them to stay close and do His will. And our Lord even prays that they might be one with Him even as He is one with the Father. Today we need to hear the Word of God to find strength for continuing our being the one Body of Christ.

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#### WELCOME to GUESTS & VISITORS

Hymns will be from the Lutheran Service Book (LSB).

#### **№ PREPARATION**

**HYMN** 

"In Adam We Have All Been One"

LSB 569, vs.1-4

## **INVOCATION**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ♥ Son and of the Holy

Spirit.

People: Amen.

#### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: We are one at first because we all sinned. Let us confess

our sin and sinfulness to God, our heavenly Father.

People: We confess, Lord our God, that we have sinned in our

thoughts, our rashly spoken words, and in acting for our own benefit, and not out of love. We cannot help ourselves, for we have fallen from being Your good creation. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us for Jesus'

sake.

Pastor: In His great love our Father sent His only-begotten Son to

pay for all sin and to rise victorious. We are one because of that gracious act! As an ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\maltese$  Son and of the Holy

Spirit.

People: Amen.

HYMN "In Adam We Have All Been One" LSB 569, vs.5-6

#### **₩** WORD **₩**

**PSALM** Psalm 133

Pastor: Today's psalm points to our unity as forgiven sinners. Our

unity is with those who preceded us in the Old Testament, for we know that all who trust in Christ, the fulfillment of all God's promises, are children of God and brothers and sisters

of one another. Let us speak the psalm in unison.

People: Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell

in unity!

It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the

beard,

on the beard of Aaron, running down on the collar of his

robes!

It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains

of Zion!

For there the Lord has commanded the blessing, life

forevermore.

**KYRIE** 

Pastor: Lord, have mercy on us.

People: Help us know the love that You have given us.

Pastor: Christ, have mercy on us.

People: Help us show the love that You have given us.

Pastor: Lord, have mercy on us.

People: Help us tell the love that You have given us.

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**HYMN OF PRAISE** "This Is the Feast" LSB 155

**SALUTATION** 

Pastor: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray. Lord Jesus, only-begotten Son of the Father,

People: grant us faith to see beyond earthly divisions to the unity

that exists between You and everyone who trusts in You

for eternal salvation,

Pastor: for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one

God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

**FIRST READING** Acts 1:12–26 (Matthias is chosen to fill Judas's

place.)

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE** Revelation 22:1–6, 12–20 (John sees a vision of heaven's

perfection and glory.)

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**HOLY GOSPEL** John 17:20–26 (Jesus prays for us, "that they may

all be one.")

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth

chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN "Oh, What Their Joy" LSB 675

**SERMON** "What's on Your Mind?" John 17:20-21

**CREED** Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for ourselves, the church around the world, and all

people in their various conditions. For our brothers and sisters

in the one church here and wherever the Gospel is proclaimed, that the Holy Spirit would guide and govern

those who call Jesus Lord and that they be led into the way of truth. For those attending the North Wisconsin District

Convention later today and into tomorrow, please guide their discussions and their fellowship. Let us pray to the Lord.

People: Grant that they keep the faith in the unity of spirit and the

**bond of peace. Grant that they please You in all they do.** For those who sit in places of authority in this world, that God

bless them and protect them, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Grant that they respond to His grace by following His will

and His commandments.

Pastor: For those who travel, that they reach their destinations safely,

serving Christ wherever they go, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Grant them wisdom and protection wherever they may

be.

Pastor:

Pastor: For all who raise crops and tend herds, all who distribute the

world's bounty, and all who manage the resources of God's

good creation, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Open their eyes to see their efforts as serving God by

ministering to the needs of people here and around the

world.

Pastor: For all who call out to God for healing and comfort,

[especially . . .], that He visit and relieve them in His gracious

plans for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People: Open doors of opportunity that we may aid their recovery

and peace.

Pastor: Into Your hands we commend ourselves and all for whom we

pray, trusting in Your mercy, heavenly Father, for the sake of

our Savior, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: Amen.

# **OFFERTORY** (in offering plate at entrance to sanctuary)



Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

#### **♥ SACRAMENT ♥**

**PREFACE** 2 Timothy 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People:** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

SANCTUS "Holy, Holy, Holy" LSB 507, vs.1

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;

Holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

# PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Thanks and praise to You, O Lord our God, for You have

prepared salvation for us and all in the church who trust in Your promises of forgiveness, life, and salvation, which come

to us in this Sacrament of Christ's body and blood.

People: Amen.

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD** *Matthew* 26:26–28; *Mark* 14:22–24;

Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed,

took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ♣ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of

Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ♣ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as

you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

**PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST** 1 Cor. 11:26: Revelation 22:20

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim

the Lord's death until He comes.

People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, remember us in Your kingdom and

teach us to pray:

#### LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9–13

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you. Amen.



Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

#### COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

See LSB 329: Christian Questions with Their Answers prepared by Dr. Martin Luther for those who intend to go to the Sacrament.

NOTE: Pastor will come around again, offering the COMMON CUP.



# **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

"Brothers and Sisters in Christ" AGPS 78

1 Sing Alleluia! Amen! Let your prayers and your praises ascend. Lift up your voices and sing to our Lord God, our Savior and King! Here brought together by grace. We are gathered as friends in this place.

Chorus: And assembled as one, in the name of the Son, Lifting hearts, lifting hands, Celebrating as friends, And proclaiming the Lord, All our praises afford. We are brothers and sisters in Christ.

- 2 Man walked alone and in need, Without faith, hope, or promise or creed; Wandering aimlessly lost unaware of the staggering cost; That God in His mercy would save All His people from death and the grave. [Chorus]
- 3 Lord, teach us how to proclaim All Your goodness, Your love and Your name! Lord, teach us how to forgive, and in love teach us Lord, how to live. Raising our voices in song, Help us tell all the world we belong. [Chorus]

"Lord Jesus Christ, We Humbly Pray" LSB 623
"Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings" LSB 782

## **COMMUNION DISMISSAL**

Pastor: Now this, the Body and Blood of Christ, crucified, risen and

ascended, strengthen you, nourish you and keep you steadfast

in the true faith to life everlasting. Depart in peace.

People: Amen.

**BENEDICTION** *Numbers* 6:24–26

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ₱ give you peace.

People: Amen.

**HYMN** "Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise" LSB 680, vs.1-3

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **SENDING**

Pastor: Go in peace! Serve the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God.

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# **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:**

OLD TESTAMENT READING Genesis 11:1-9
EPISTLE Acts 2:1-21
HOLY GOSPEL John 14:23-31

# TITHE & OFFERING – our sacrifice of thanksgiving to the Lord

Our "**tithes**" are our first fruits returned to God in proportional, joyful, thankful and faithful response to His grace. "**Offerings**" are special gifts for ministries, memorials and needs over and above the tithe.

(If you are a guest, we welcome you as a guest. Please do not feel obligated to give an offering unless you feel moved to do so by the Spirit.)

# May Financial Recap:

May Givings (Thank you!): \$ 9,529 Monthly Need: \$17,812.08 Shortage: - \$ 8,283.08

Scrip Profit from 5/12-5/18: \$13.50

Parking Lot Project: \$70.623

Goal: \$100,000 (\$16,345.34 remains on the \$50,000 loan.) <u>Life Quotes:</u> June 1 "Watch and prepare for Jesus to return. Set your hearts on Him and on your life in Him. He is the beginning and end, the purpose and goal of your life. So there's no need for tears as you see Him ascend. He is with you always. He will come back for His people soon. Then we will appear with Him in glory." Rev. Peter Sulzle, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

## **CALENDAR:**

Tuesdays—9am Orphan Grain Train packing

Tuesdays—4:30-6pm, Grief Share

Fridays—10-11:30am, Friday morning Bible study

June 7—2:30pm Pastor Leech's Installation with reception following





# **Call Process:**

Update: Pastor Joseph Leech has accepted our call to serve as the next Pastor at Beautiful Savior! Praise God!

# **Installation:**

# Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm

# **Welcome Gift:**

There is a box in the narthex for donations towards a gift card shower for Pastor Joe and Gayle. Please give as you feel moved. We will accept donations through June 1<sup>st</sup>. There is also a card for **everyone** to sign.

# **Reception:**

Following the service on June 7<sup>th</sup>, we will host a reception with meat and cheese trays, crackers, bars, veggies, and fruit. There are sign up sheets in the narthex. This will be a great time of fellowship as we welcome the Leeches to Beautiful Savior. Thank you for your help!

Grief Share Classes: Tuesdays, 4:30-6pm through June 10th. Pastor Dan is facilitating, and the topic of discussion on June 3 is "Hope and Resilience." When we are deeply rooted in God, we are the most resilient and able to withstand life's trials and losses. This week's discussion will help you find strength and hope again. Resilience grows the more you ground yourself in God's truth.

**Friday Study:** Pastor Dan is leading "You are Never Alone" based on the book by Max Lucado. This study explores Christ's miracles and how He is still at work in our lives. June 6<sup>th</sup> is session 10: "He Saw and Believed."

<u>Lawnmowers Needed:</u> We will need volunteers to mow the lawn throughout the summer. Please sign up on the board in the narthex. We have a super nice "new-to-us" riding mower!



<u>Wausau Woodchucks:</u> Join us at Faith and Family Day at the Ballpark!

# **Sunday, July 13, 1:05pm**

For \$15.50 you will get a ticket to the game, one brat or hotdog, and a soda or water. If we get 20

people, everyone will also get a hat! RSVP to Teresa by June 22<sup>nd</sup>, secretary@bsavior.onmicrosoft.com, 715-341-2898, or sign up on the sheet in the narthex. Sign up now; we'll collect money later.

June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 11am Bible Class: Join Chaplain Mark Lewis from Compassus Hospice during our regular Bible Study time. He will help us understand the true meaning of hospice and the support that comes along with it. He will help dispel any misconceptions and answer

whatever questions you may have about Hospice.



# Beautiful Savior Lutheran Prayer List: 6/1/2025 – 6/7/2025

# Ongoing prayers for Grief & Loss: (Named & Not Named):

Family of Art Holford; Schultz Family; Family of Sharon Hughes; Family of Lynda Helmrick

## Situations:

Suicide Attempts, Cancer, Christian Parenting, Caregivers, AODA (those struggling with alcohol and other substance abuse), those struggling with mental health

Military: Devante; Emily; Nick

## Pending Diagnosis & Treatment:

Ken Resch (Father of Julie Barge); Sandy Wagoner

# **Hospitalized/Recovering:**

## Circuit 17:

St Luke-Rapids (continuing the Call process for a Pastor); Bethlehem-Nekoosa (continuing the Call process for a Pastor); Prayers of thanksgiving as Pastor Joseph Leech has accepted our call to serve at Beautiful Savior

**Shut-ins:** Mary S.; Anita C.

#### **Birthdays:**

6/2 Ron Thies

6/4 Linda Mueller

6/7 Raef Jagielo

6/7 Seth Peters

# **Baptism Birthdays:**

6/1 Marlys Gross

6/2 Charlotte Crozier

6/2 James Crozier

6/4 Shirley Ann Schultz

## **Anniversaries:**

6/3 Marv & Lori Hopp (53 yrs)

\*\*\*Please let us know if you have any prayer requests – Thank you! \*\*\*

## Missions:

First Choice Resource Center

Camp Luther

Peace Campus Center & Pastor Andy

Weden

St. Paul Lutheran Elementary School

Immanuel Lutheran School Future Lutheran High School

Wycliffe & Lutheran Bible Translators

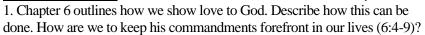
& Linda Jordan

J.P. & Aimee Cima & Family Orphan Grain Train Center

Christ Care / Carpenter's Crew

# Week 23 "Bible in a Year" Questions:

# **Deuteronomy 5-11:**



- 2. In Chapter 7, Moses reminds the people that God will drive out seven nations "larger and stronger than you." Why were they to "destroy them completely," not be afraid of them, and not have pity on them?
- 3. If the Israelites obeyed the commands of the Lord, what was the blessing they were promised? However, if they didn't obey, what was the curse? (11:26-32)

## Isaiah 33-39:

- 1. Isaiah 34:1-4: This is referring to the "day of the LORD." What are some things today that make the LORD angry with all nations?
- 2. How does Hezekiah show full reliance on God when Jerusalem is threatened by Sennacherib, the King of Assyria (ch.36-37)? How does God respond?
- 3. When Hezekiah becomes very ill in ch.38, God again answers his prayer. What does God promise him in 38:5 and 39:8?
- 4. Should Hezekiah have shown the Babylonian men everything in his palace/kingdom? Perhaps this is a preview of things to come (ch.39)?

# Psalm 88-96:

1. Psalm 90 begins Book IV of the Psalms. In contrast to Book III (Psalms 73-89) which focuses on the realities of human suffering and God's faithfulness through our sufferings, Book IV (Psalms 90-106) shifts towards praise and thanksgiving. Copy down 2-3 verses from Psalms 90-96 that could become praise verses for you this week.

# **General Questions to consider:**

- 1. What did you learn from this week's readings?
- 2. Is there something in these readings that surprised you?
- 3. What is one passage that encourages or challenges you? How?

#### First Reading: Acts 1:12-26

12Then [the apostles] returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. <sup>13</sup>And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. <sup>14</sup>All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

15In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, 16"Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. 17For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." 18(Now this man bought a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. 19And it became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.) 20"For it is written in the Book of Psalms,

"'May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it';

and

"'Let another take his office.'

<sup>21</sup> So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, <sup>22</sup>beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection." <sup>23</sup>And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. <sup>24</sup>And they prayed and said, "You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen <sup>25</sup>to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." <sup>26</sup>And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

#### Epistle: Revelation 22:1-6, 12-20

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb 2through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. 3No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him.

They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. 5And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

6And he said to me, "These words are trustworthy and true. And the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place."...

12"Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay everyone for what he has done. <sup>13</sup>I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

<sup>14</sup>Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates. <sup>15</sup>Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

16"1, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

<sup>17</sup>The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

18] warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, 19 and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

20He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

#### Holy Gospel: John 17:20-26

20[lesus said:] "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, 21that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. 22The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, 23I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. 24Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. 25O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. 26I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."



About the Cover: It is a blessing when the church works in unison. But where does that unity come from? By Holy Baptism, we are united to Christ's death and resurrection and are children of God. Because we are children of God, we are also brothers and sisters in Christ. It is beautiful when we confess to one another, forgive one another, dwell in that unity accomplished by Jesus, and function in unison around Him.