

THE LIVING LORD PRODUCES ACTIVE FAITH



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BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

LUTHERAN CHURCH

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9:00 AM	Adult Bible Class Sunday School	Pastor Scott Mews (971) 251-2221
10:00 AM	Worship Service	scott.mews@gmail.com

Beautiful Savior practices close communion. This means that biblical conversation with our church and a unified confession of faith take place beforehand. It is our desire to share in the eternal blessings of this Sacrament according to the instructions that God himself gives. For a further explanation, contact Pastor Mews at any time.

A PERSONAL PRAYER **BEFORE** COMMUNION

Lord, I am not worthy to be a guest at your holy table. But you are the friend of sinners, and you will not cast me out. This bread is your body, which bore my sins upon the tree. This wine is your blood, which purifies me from all guilt. At your invitation, I come rejoicing. Receive me, my Savior. Amen.

A PERSONAL PRAYER **AFTER** COMMUNION

Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing me in this sacrament with your body and blood. You have given me forgiveness, life, and salvation. Let me always remain in you as a branch remains in the vine. Send me out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

WELCOME!

Thank you for joining us for worship this morning. Our service is centered on our **Beautiful Savior**, Jesus Christ, who lived, died, and rose from the dead so that we have eternal life in him. God reveals this soul-saving message in the Holy Scriptures. This morning we gather to find strength through God's powerful and holy Word. Please let us know how we can best serve you and your family!

RESTROOMS Located through the double doors at the end of the sanctuary.

CHILDREN We value having children in worship. Coloring pages are available near the mailboxes on the east wall. If you or your children need a moment, please feel free to make use of our Fellowship Hall at the north end of the sanctuary. Sounds of the service can be heard through speakers in that room.

MATERIALS The entire service is printed in this worship folder.

WORSHIP NOTES: 5th Sunday of Easter

Generally, our actions are shaped by our beliefs. People who eat low-carb diets do so, probably not because they hate pasta, but because they believe it healthiest. If a man buys stock in a company, it probably is because he believes in their business plan. Our beliefs shape our behavior. This is true of Christians' belief in the resurrection. We believe that Christ's resurrection means our resurrection to a glorious eternal life is guaranteed. That inevitably shapes how we will act now. However, it is not simply the facts of the resurrection that shape our behavior. It is the person of the resurrection. Jesus is not some wise, dead sage whose advice is contained in dusty books. Jesus lives!

Therefore, through his Word, he is able to work on our minds and hearts, molding them to his perfect will. Here is a resurrection reality. Jesus fills us with his Spirit, not only so that we have faith, but also so that we produce the fruits of faith he seeks.

OUR THEME FOR TODAY

The Living Lord Produces Active Faith



ORDER OF SERVICE

The Common Service is a version of the historic liturgy of the Christian church.

OPENING HYMN 732 (773)

In Unity and Peace

Refrain

How good it is and how pleas-ant to live in u-ni-ty and peace.

How good it is and how pleas-ant to live to-geth-er in one Lord.

(Last time only)

to live to - geth - er in one Lord.

1 In the name of our Lord__ Je - sus Christ, a -
2 Live a life that is wor - thy of your call, be
3 Share the love that has joined_ us as one, u -

gree in ev - 'ry-thing you say.____ May there__ be no di-
hum - ble, gen - tle, and pa-tient. Bear with each oth - er in
nite in spir - it and i - deals.____ Nev - er be ri - vals, do

vi - sions a - mong you, but be u - nit - ed in one mind.
ways that are lov - ing, pre - serve the u - ni - ty of faith.
not be con - ceit - ed, but look to oth - ers in their need.



For there is one Lord, one faith, one God of us all.
For there is one Lord, one faith, one God of us all.
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INVOCATION

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.



C: A - men.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

LORD, HAVE MERCY

Kyrie



C: Lord, have mer - cy on us. Christ, have mer - cy



on us. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son † and of the Holy Spirit.



C: A - men.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Glory be to God



C: **Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.**



We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



God the Fa-ther al - mighty. O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the



sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the



sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of
 God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on - ly are holy;
 you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,
 are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

BE SEATED



FIRST LESSON

Acts 4:32-37

³²All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. ³³With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all ³⁴that there were no needy persons among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales ³⁵and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need.

³⁶Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus, whom the apostles called Barnabas (which means "son of encouragement"), ³⁷sold a field he owned and brought the money and put it at the apostles' feet.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 31 (found on page 9)

SECOND LESSON

1 John 3:18-24

¹⁸Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.

¹⁹This is how we know that we belong to the truth and how we set our hearts at rest in his presence: ²⁰If our hearts condemn us, we know that God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God ²²and receive from him anything we ask, because we keep his commands and do what pleases him. ²³And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us. ²⁴The one who keeps God's commands lives in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us.

Refrain



Sure-ly, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and
 not be a - fraid. For the Lord is my strong-hold and my
 sure de-fense, and he will be my Sav - ior.

Psalm tone



In you, O Lord, I have taken / refuge;
 deliver me in your / righteousness.
 Be my rock of / refuge;
 a strong fortress to / save me.
 Into your hands I commit my / spirit;
 redeem me, O Lord, the / God of truth. *Refrain*

My times are / in your hands,
 save me in your un- / failing love,
 How great is your / goodness,
 which you have stored up for those who / fear you.
 You heard my cry for / mercy,
 when I called to / you for help.

**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. *Refrain***

VERSE OF THE DAY

John 15:5

C: Alleluia! I am the vine; you are the branches.

If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit. Alleluia!



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

STAND

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



C: Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!

GOSPEL LESSON

John 15:1-8

¹I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. ²He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. ³You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. ⁴Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.

⁵I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. ⁷If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

CONFESSION OF FAITH

NICENE CREED

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and became truly human.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY 469 (163)

Welcome! Happy Morning



1 "Wel - come, hap - py morn - ing!" age to age shall say;
 2 Mak - er and Re - deem - er, life and health of all,
 3 Source of all things liv - ing, you came down to die,
 4 Free the souls long pris - oned, bound with Sa - tan's chain;



"Hell to - day is van - quished; heav'n is won to - day!"
 God from heav'n be - hold - ing hu - man na - ture's fall,
 plumbed the depths of hell to raise us up on high.
 all that now is fall - en raise to life a - gain.



Lo, the dead is liv - ing, God for - ev - er - more!
 of the Fa - ther's God - head you, the on - ly Son,
 Come, then, true and faith - ful, come, ful - fill your word;
 Show your face in bright - ness; shine in ev - 'ry land



Him, their true Cre - a - tor, all his works a - dore.
 man - kind to de - liv - er man - hood did put on.
 this is your third morn - ing— rise, O bur - ied Lord.
 as in E - den's gar - den when the world be - gan.

Refrain



"Wel - come, hap - py morn - ing!" age to age shall say;




"Hell to - day is van - quished; heav'n is won to - day!"

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SERMON

STAND

After the sermon, the congregation sings:



C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

BE SEATED

OFFERING

The members of Beautiful Savior have joined together in the grace of giving (2 Corinthians 8:7) to do the Lord's work of sharing the message of Jesus. To our visitors, you are our guests. While your gifts are indeed welcome, please feel no obligation to give.

****The offering plate is located in the back near the Fellowship Hall doors.****

Giving Offerings Electronically

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church can receive offerings electronically through a secure website. Visit beautiful-savior.org/giving and tap the blue "Give" button. Gifts can be given from a bank account, debit card or credit card.

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Prayers and petitions are made on behalf of the Church

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.



THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.



C: We lift them up un - to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



C: It is good and right so to do.

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock till he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Sanctus

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -
 na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -
 na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

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



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

Agnus Dei

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us your peace. A - men.

DISTRIBUTION

Personal Prayers for before & after Communion are printed on page 2.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN 676 (376)

Take & Eat

Refrain

Take and eat, take and eat, this is my bod - y

giv - en up for you. Take and drink, take and drink,

this is my blood giv - en up for you.

1 I am the Word that spoke and light was made;
 3 I am the Lamb that takes a - way your sin;
 5 I am the light that came in - to the world;

I am the seed that died to be re - born;
 I am the gate that guards you night and day;
 I am the light that dark - ness can - not hide;

I am the bread that comes from heav'n a - bove;
 you are my flock: you know the shep-herd's voice;
 I am the Morn - ing Star that nev - er sets;

Refrain

I am the vine that fills your cup with joy.
 you are my own: your ran - som is my blood.
 lift up your face, in you my light will shine.

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THANKSGIVING

SONG OF SIMEON

Nunc Dimittis

C: Lord, now you let your servant de - part in peace ac-cord-ing
to your word. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have pre-
pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the
Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.

M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

CLOSING PRAYER

M: We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

BLESSING

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - - men.

CLOSING HYMN 721 (411)

What a Friend We Have in Jesus



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged— take it to the Lord in prayer.
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— take it to the Lord in prayer.



Oh, what peace we of - ten for - feit, oh, what need - less pain we bear,
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?
Do your friends de - spite, for - sake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer.



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness— take it to the Lord in prayer.
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a sol - ace there.

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