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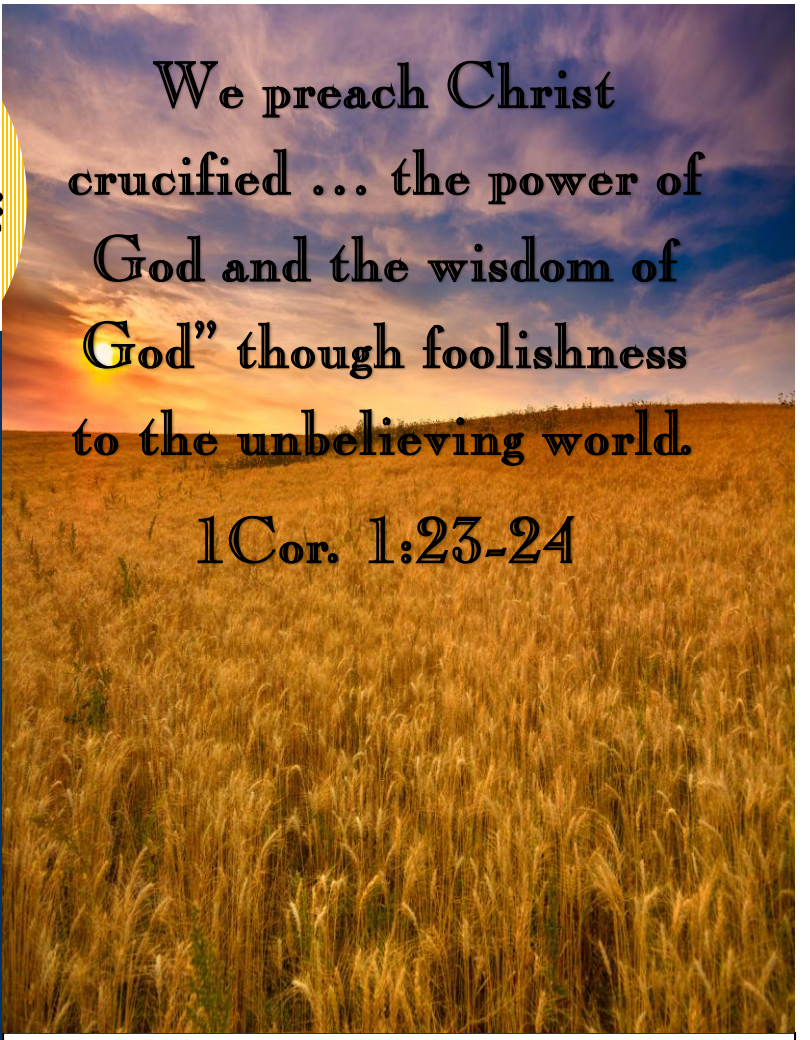


*Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church is a traditional Lutheran Church, faithful to God's Word and His Sacraments. We equip God's people to serve, love, and encourage one another as we grow in our personal relationship with Christ. We reach out to the community as beacons of light, sharing the love of God in Christ Jesus, our Savior.*

# HOLY CROSS DAY
# SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

**The Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

"Sir, we wish to see Jesus" (John 12:21). Then look to His holy cross. For just as Moses lifted up the bronze serpent in the wilderness, so Jesus, when He is "lifted up from the earth, will draw all people" to Himself (John 12:32). "He humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross" to save us (Phil. 2:8). "Everyone who is bitten" by the ancient serpent's venom of sin, "when he sees" Christ "shall live" (Num. 21:8). The true holy cross is lost to history, and we cannot return to Calvary to find our salvation. So, Christ brings the New Testament in His blood to us. "We preach Christ crucified …. the power of God and the wisdom of God," though foolishness to the unbelieving world (1 Cor. 1:23–24). It pleases God, "through the folly" of the cross we preach, "to save those who believe" (1 Cor. 1:21). We find the fruit and benefit of this holy cross poured out in Holy Baptism, spoken in the preaching of Holy Absolution, and delivered in the body and blood given and shed there for us. Thus are we strengthened to take up our crosses, sanctified by His (John 12:25–26).

PLEASE NOTE - Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church offers assisted listening devices for our members and guests this morning. If you would like to use one, please speak with an usher.

Guest Book: If you are a visitor, Welcome! Please sign our guest book on the cabinet below the tract display in the entryway. Thank you!

**SERVING AMONG US TODAY**

**The Elder: John Lee**
**The Ushers: Mark Reetz & Andrew Lund**
**The Acolyte: Jonah Schuldheisz**
**The Counters: John & Mark**

*Flowers are placed to the Glory of God by Lisa & Brien Lindstrom in celebration of their 19th wedding anniversary*

**DIVINE SERVICE – SETTING I**
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*If you are unable to, or have trouble standing, please feel free to remain seated at the times we stand.*

**GREETINGS**

**OPENING HYMN . . . . . "The Tree of Life" LSB #561**

*(Please stand)*
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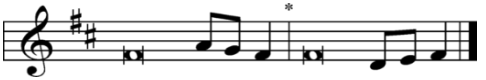
## SERVICE OF THE WORD

**INTROIT** – *Psalm 98:1, 4, 6; antiphon: v. 2*

**The LORD has made known his sal- | vation;***
**he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the | nations.**
**Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done | marvelous things!***
**His right hand and his holy arm have worked salva- | tion for him.**
**Make a joyful noise to the LORD, | all the earth;***
**break forth into joyous song and sing | praises!**
**With trumpets and the sound | of the horn***
**make a joyful noise before the | King, the LORD!**
**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.**
**The LORD has made known his sal- | vation;***
**he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the | nations.**

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**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P: Let us pray . . . Merciful God, Your Son, Jesus Christ, was lifted high upon the cross that He might bear the sins of the world and draw all people to Himself. Grant that we who glory in His death for our redemption may faithfully heed His call to bear the cross and follow Him, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

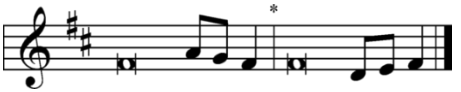
*(Please be seated)*

**THE OLD TESTAMENT – Numbers 21:4-9**

4 From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of
Edom. And the people became impatient on the way. 5 And the people spoke
against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in
the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we loathe this worthless
food." 6 Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the
people, so that many people of Israel died. 7 And the people came to Moses and
said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you. Pray
to the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the
people. 8 And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a fiery serpent and set it on a pole,
and everyone who is bitten, when he sees it, shall live." 9 So Moses made a bronze
serpent and set it on a pole. And if a serpent bit anyone, he would look at the
bronze serpent and live.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**GRADUAL** – *Isaiah 49:22a; John 3:14b-15*

**"Behold, I will lift up my hand to the | nations,***
**and raise my signal to the peoples," | [says the Lord.]**
**So must the Son of Man be | lifted up,***
**that whoever believes in him may have e- | ternal life.**

**EPISTLE – 1 Corinthains 1:18-25**

18 The word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are
being saved it is the power of God. 19 For it is written,

> "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
> and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

20 Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of
this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? 21 For since, in the
wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God
through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. 22 For Jews
demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, 23 but we preach Christ crucified, a
stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, 24 but to those who are called,
both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. 25 For
the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger
than men.

A: This is the Word of the Lord.
**C: Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand)*
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**HOLY GOSPEL – John 12:20-33**
P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 12th chapter.
**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

20 Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some
Greeks. 21 So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and
asked him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." 22 Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew
and Philip went and told Jesus. 23 And Jesus answered them, "The hour has
come for the Son of Man to be glorified. 24 Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a
grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it
bears much fruit. 25 Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in
this world will keep it for eternal life. 26 If anyone serves me, he must follow

me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.
27"Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. 28Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." 29The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." 30Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. 31Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. 32And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." 33He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.
**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

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*(Please be seated)*
**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**
**SERMON HYMN . . . . . .."Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle" LSB # 454**
**SERMON . . . . . ."The Foolishness of God" (John 12:20-33)**

*(Please stand)*
**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**
P: Lord, in Your Mercy:
**C: Hear our Prayer.**

*(Please be seated)*
**OFFERING**
*(Please stand)*
**OFFERTORY . . . . . .page 159**

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

*This morning we celebrate the Sacrament of the Altar, a feast of forgiveness in which we partake of the true body and blood of Christ along with the visible elements of bread and wine. The Bible gives specific instructions about the Lord's Supper. As it can be received to one's spiritual blessing or to one's spiritual harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), the Lord's Table must be approached with sincere faith and a Biblical*

*understanding. That's why all who are new to the Lutheran faith are instructed about this sacred meal before attending the Lord's Supper. Moreover, this Sacrament is also a testimony of our oneness in what we believe (1 Corinthians 10:17). All guests who wish to receive the Sacrament are asked to speak with Pastor Schuldheisz or the Elder of the Day before the service.*
*(If unable to kneel, please remain standing. If you take the individual cup please wait for the pastor with the common cup to say, "Take, drink," before drinking.)*

**ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION . . . . . page 160-164**

*(Please be seated)*
**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS . . . . . LSB #'s 637, 639, 642, 540**
*(Please stand)*
**THANK THE LORD. . . . . .page 164**
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**CLOSING HYMN . . . . . "Crown Him with Many Crowns" LSB # 525**

*(Please be seated)*
**ANNOUNCEMENTS**
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| THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 14, 2025 | |
|---|---|
| **SUNDAY** | 9:30 a.m. – D.S. I<br>11:00 a.m. - Adult Bible Study & Children's Sunday School |
| **MONDAY** | |
| **TUESDAY** | 10:00 a.m. – Women's Bible Study |
| **WEDNESDAY** | |
| **THURSDAY** | |
| **FRIDAY** | **Office Closed** |
| **SATURDAY** | |
| **UPCOMING EVENTS** | 9/25 – Stewardship Meeting<br>10/5 – Pumpkin Pie Fest<br>10/15 – Church Council Meeting<br>10/19 – October Fest<br>10/26 – Quarterly Voter's Meeting |

| OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE FOR: SEPTEMBER 7, 2025 | |
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| **OFFERING: $12,223.00** | **ATTENDANCE CHURCH SERVICE: 129** |
| **SPECIAL: $2.00** | **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: 35** |
| **PRESCHOOL: $1,052.00** | **YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: 19** |
| **SUNDAY SCHOOL: $0** | |
| **TOTAL DEPOSIT: $13,277.00** | |

| ELDER ASSIGNMENTS | |
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| **ELDER** | **ASSIGNMENTS** |
| **Ron Schill** (253-293-8176) | **Adams – Crady** |
| **Brien Lindstrom** (206-300-8955) | **DeLaPaz – Hunsberger** |
| **Matt Perkovich** (253-840-1863) | **Ireland – Lund** |
| **John Lee** (253-653-0388) | **Lundin – Riveness** |
| **David Vetter** (253-240-7289) | **Roemer – Young** |

## EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY – JOIN US!

- **Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class –** Our Bible Study is on the Prophet Jonah, which began on July 20th.
- **The Women's Bible Class** meets at 10:00 AM on Tuesday mornings September through May in the conference room. Please join our group as we begin a new study on the Book of Ephesians. Together we will study Paul's letter to the Ephesians and see how God speaks to us concerning the way we live our lives personally, with our families, and in our church and community.
- **Men's Bible Study –** Second Saturday of the month, 8-9 a.m., in the fellowship hall. We are studying the book of Ephesians. We will meet on September 13th.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

- **Today, we will study "The Fall and a Promise."** The slithery serpent caused Eve to doubt God's Word with one simple question: "Did God actually say . . .?" (Genesis 3:1). Seeking to gain wisdom, Eve and Adam rebel against their Creator. Suddenly aware of their condition before God, they vainly attempt to hide their sinful exposure. With sin comes punishment that is just; yet our

heavenly Father does not leave humankind without hope. Instead, He promises One who will come to rescue His people from the jaws of death and Satan. As a family, discuss the importance of God's promise of the Savior.

- **Reminder to Sunday School students and parents:** The preschool recently had their carpets cleaned, and we are starting a new policy of no food/drink (besides water) in the preschool room. Please finish all snacks/drinks in the fellowship hall before heading to the preschool room for Sunday School hour. Thank you for helping us to be good stewards of the preschool space we "borrow" on Sunday mornings.
- **Calling all aspiring Sunday School teachers!** If you have ever considered teaching Sunday School, now is the time to take that next step. We are in need of a teacher for the early elementary (1st-3rd grade) class. This teacher could sign up to teach the full year or commit on a part-time basis, such as a couple months spaced out over the Sunday school year (Sept - June) or teaching 1 full unit (14 lessons). Training/mentoring is available, if desired. It would be guaranteed to be a fulfilling experience for you! Also, the teacher of our upper elementary (4th-6th grade) class would be willing to share teaching duties with an aspiring Sunday School teacher. We use the Enduring Faith curriculum from Concordia Publishing House - it's easy to follow and has lots of options to modify and cater the curriculum to your teaching style and the interests of the kids in the class. We are always in need of substitute teachers as well, and this can be a great way to try out teaching with minimal initial commitment. Please speak with or email Lisa Lindstrom to express your interest or ask any questions (206-491-9849, lisa.lindstrom78@gmail.com).

## PRESCHOOL

- **Come by and check out the Preschool books…**If you're looking for some new preschool-aged books, you are welcome to take the ones you like. Books are on the table in the kitchen seating area.
- Beautiful Savior Preschool continues with open enrollment. Questions can be directed to Kathy Heddlesten, Director. Registration forms for the 2025-2026 school year are available from Kathy Heddlesten and the church office.

## SENIOR SAINTS

- **Senior Saints** will gather on Wednesday, October 8 at noon for a potluck lunch and program. Jeri Simonson will host. The theme will be "Celebrating Beautiful Savior's 65th Anniversary." Soon a sign-up sheet for food items will appear in

the usual location. All adults are welcome. Please bring any photos or other memorabilia that will showcase God's glory in planting our congregation.

## FELLOWSHIP

- Pumpkin Pie Fest time is here: Mark your calendar for Sunday October 5th. Please bake up your favorite pumpkin pie or pumpkin dessert to share. There is a sign-up sheet by the drinking fountain. **We will welcome in our new members on this Sunday**. Everyone is welcome to join us in welcoming in our new members.
- On October 19th we will celebrate **October Fest** with brats and root beer. Please see the sign-up sheet by the drinking fountain to help us out with salads, fruit, and veggie trays. fellowship will provide the brats and root beer. Everyone is welcome to join us.

## STEWARDSHIP

- The Stewardship committee is collecting non-perishable food items (particularly peanut butter) for the next six weeks or so. Items may be left in the boxes in the Narthex and the entryway outside the offices.

## LWML

**Mite change can be brought anytime and put into the Big Mite Box in the Narthex.**

## LUTHERAN RESOURCES

- BOOK OF PROVERBS BIBLE STUDY… The Word of the Lord Endures Forever is a daily 15-minute verse-by-verse Bible study produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Will Weedon. Pastor Weedon recently started a study on the Book of Proverbs. You can listen at your convenience at thewordendures.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, Tune In, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

## IN OUR PRAYERS

### CANCER

- **Jon Dotson** (Miller)
- **Michael Fogt** (member) morpheaform skin cancer, will start treatment soon
- **Adeline Henning** (Hunsberger) – undergoing cancer treatment
- **Mike Schliebe** (member) – esophageal cancer

- **Christina** (DeLaPaz) –cancer diagnosis
- **Marylin** – (LaMonte) breast cancer
- **Kristi Ancira –** (former member) breast cancer, melanoma
- **Michael Roach** (Hunsberger) undergoing cancer treatment
- **Marie Byarlay** (member) will start maintenance chemotherapy in November
- **Steve Ostrom** (Miller) – terminal cancer
- **Karen Kramp** (member) - prayers for healing after cancer surgery
- **Joe Kelly** (Kramp) - prayers for continued healing after cancer treatment
- **Warren** (Schliebe) – thyroid cancer has returned
- **Dorthe-Lind Thornton** (Schill) – breast cancer
- **Veronica** (Mendes) – diagnosed with breast cancer
- **John** (Westmark) – diagnosed with acute leukemia
- **Angela Firman** (Jannsen) – stage 4 breast cancer
- **Ron Schill** (member) – prostate cancer
- **Don Schill** (R. Schill brother) – diagnosed with bladder cancer
- **John Bratek** (M. McNally brother) – diagnosed with liver cancer

**SICK AND HEALING**

- **Erika Lyimo** (Augustine) – pneumonia, undergoing treatment with antibiotics
- **Jeff Billingsley** (Schiebe) – upcoming heart valve replacement
- **Tom Mayfield** (Clemans) – will have hip replacement surgery
- **Aaron** (T. Hall) – praying for the medical team to properly diagnose him and for healing
- **Cyndy Schliebe** (member) – recovering from back surgery
- **Carol Raphael** (member) – fell and cracked her pelvis, also head and ear injury

**STRENGTH & GUIDANCE**

- **Laurie Miller** (member) – loss of younger brother, Chris Starr
- **George Height, Master Gunnery Sgt.** (Clemans) several ongoing ailments, caring for his wife Donna
- **Donna Height** (Clemans) serious heart and liver problems. She is currently at home following a hospital stay
- **Nanette** (LaMonte) – liver problems
- **Jolecia** (LaMonte) – liver problems
- **John Kritsonas** (LaMonte) massive heart attack
- **Leonna** (LaMonte) release from addiction

- **Matt Bonney** (Carlington's son-in-law) – he and his crew have been sent to California to fight the wildfires. Prayers for the family, especially his wife Melanie and 9 year old son Thomas while he is away.
- **Braden Bibel** (Schill) – USAF, deployed to the Middle East. Prayers for protection
- **The Leighton family** (Blinsmon) prayers for healing and strength for Miles after being in a serious car accident. Good News, Miles is now officially on the liver transplant list. He no longer has the NG tube and is able to eat on this own. Prayers for his wife Aki, children Vincent and Remilia, while they care for him and adjust to his hospitalization
- **Louise Dunn** (member) – guidance while in Zambia

**BEREAVEMENT**

- **The Vetter Family** (members) – at the loss of Nodira's father

**SHUT-IN MEMBERS – Ken Giese Judy Rittierodt**

**MEN & WOMEN SERVING OUR COUNTRY**

**ARMY**

**Gerad Nelson, Special Forces** (Lee)
**Jimmy Soto** (DeLaPaz)
**Anna Grace Adams** (member)

**MARINES**

**Chaplain Mario Ancira, Lt.**

**NAVY**

**Logan Tiefel** (member)
**Alex Klein** (Shill)
**Bre Carey** (member)

**AIR FORCE**

**Robert Paz, Col.** (DeLaPaz)
**Aime Cox** (Blinsmon)
**Devvin Cruz** (Blinsmon)
**Jasmin Rodriguez** (Blinsmon)
**Jacob Goucher** (Blinsmon)
**Ana Correa** (Blinsmon)
**Greg Adams, II** (member)
**Michael Broch, Major** (Hunsberger)
**Sean Wilson, Captain** (member)
**Kirsten Bibel** (Shill)
**Braden Bibel** (Shill)