

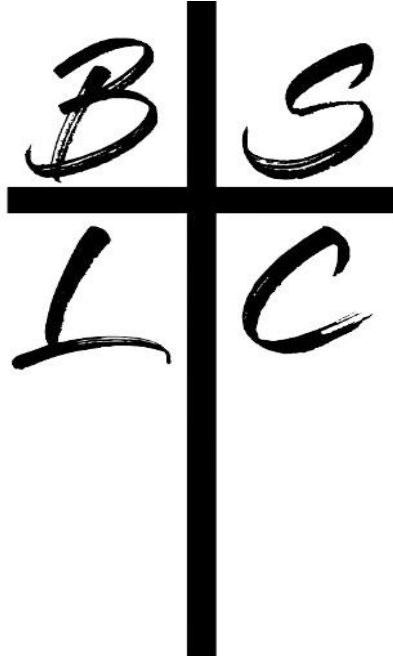
# *Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church*

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*The Ascension (Observed)*

*Divine 4 Service*

*May 17, 2026*

*Pastor Kevin Hahn*

Church Office hours – M-F 7:30am – 12pm

## WELCOME & GREETINGS

### FELLOWSHIP FORMS

**OPENING HYMN**      *All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name*      LSB# 549  
(vs 1,3,5& 7)

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!  
Let angels prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal diadem  
And crown Him Lord of all.  
Bring forth the royal diadem  
And crown Him Lord of all.

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,  
Ye ransomed from the fall,  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace  
And crown Him Lord of all.  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace  
And crown Him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget  
The wormwood and the gall,  
Go, spread your trophies at His feet  
And crown Him Lord of all.  
Go, spread your trophies at His feet  
And crown Him Lord of all.

Oh, that with yonder sacred throng  
We at His feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song  
And crown Him Lord of all.  
We'll join the everlasting song  
And crown Him Lord of all.

**INVOCATION**      *LSB p. 203*

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**      *LSB p. 203*

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C **Amen.**

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?  
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

## INTROIT

Psalm 100 Psalm 101:1

P: I will sing of steadfast love and justice;

C: **to you, O Lord, I will make music.**

P: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

C: **Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!**

P: Know that the Lord, he is God!

C **It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

P: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

C: **Give thanks to him; bless his name!**

P: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever,

C: **and his faithfulness to all generations.**

ALL: **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.**

P: I will sing of steadfast love and justice;

C: **to you, O Lord, I will make music.**

C To God on high be glory  
And peace to all the earth;  
Goodwill from God in heaven  
Proclaimed at Jesus' birth!  
We praise and bless You, Father;  
Your holy name, we sing—  
Our thanks for Your great glory,  
Lord God, our heav'nly King.

To You, O sole-begotten,  
The Father's Son, we pray;  
O Lamb of God, our Savior,  
You take our sins away.  
Have mercy on us, Jesus;  
Receive our heartfelt cry,  
Where You in pow'r are seated  
At God's right hand on high—

For You alone are holy;  
You only are the Lord.  
Forever and forever,  
Be worshiped and adored;  
You with the Holy Spirit  
Alone are Lord Most High,  
In God the Father's glory.  
"Amen!" our glad reply.

SALUTATION

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P The Lord be with you.  
C And also with you.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.  
O King of glory, Lord of hosts, uplifted in triumph far above all  
heavens, leave us not without consolation but send us the Spirit  
of truth whom You promised from the Father; for You live and  
reign with Him and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
C Amen.

## FIRST READING

Acts 1:1-11<sup>(NIV)</sup>

In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: “Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”

Then they gathered around him and asked him, “Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?”

He said to them: “It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. “Men of Galilee,” they said, “why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE

**Ephesians 1:15-23<sup>(NIV)</sup>**

For this reason, ever since I heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God’s people, I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers. I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age

but also in the one to come. And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, <sup>2</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

### **Alleluia and Verse**

C **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

C **These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.**

C **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

### **HOLY GOSPEL**

Luke 24:44-53 <sup>(NIV)</sup>

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the twenty fourth chapter

C Glory to You, O Lord.

He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms."

Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

When he had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them. While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven. Then they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

### **APOSTLES CREED**

C **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.**

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

### **HYMN OF THE**

*A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing*

LSB# 493

A hymn of glory let us sing!  
New hymns throughout the world shall ring:  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Christ, by a road before untrod,  
Ascends unto the throne of God.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The holy apostolic band  
Upon the Mount of Olives stand.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
And with His faithful foll'wers see  
Their Lord ascend in majesty.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

To them the shining angels cry,  
"Why stand and gaze upon the sky?"  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
"This is the Savior," thus they say;

“This is His glorious triumph day!”

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

“You see Him now, ascending high

Up to the portals of the sky.”

Alleluia, alleluia!

“Hereafter Jesus you shall see

Returning in great majesty.”

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Be now our joy on earth, O Lord,

And be our future great reward.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Then, throned with You forever, we

Shall praise Your name eternally.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**SERMON**

**WHY**

Luke 24:44-53

**INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS**

**NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED**

**PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH**

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P: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

P: Lord God, King over all the earth, reigning over the nations from on Your holy throne: Graciously receive our prayers and praises. Subdue the devil, the world and our sinful flesh under the feet of Your people, that we may share in the victory Christ has won for us. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Merciful Lord, You have put all things under Jesus' feet and given Him as head to the Church. Have mercy on the congregations where You gather Your people. Give pastors wisdom and insight to hold fast to the message of repentance and the forgiveness of sins. Open the ears of all who hear, that we may rejoice to be Christ's Body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Father of glory, You raised Your only begotten Son from the dead and established Him at Your right hand so that we might be part of Your household forever. Bless our homes as we await our day of resurrection. Be the companion and consolation of those who live in solitude. Strengthen husbands and wives, that their love would exemplify the love between Christ and His Church. Bless parents and children as they gather around Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Almighty God, You have raised Christ from the dead and seated Him at Your right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion. Guide all such authorities on earth, that they may govern wisely, operate with integrity and maintain peace after Your good pleasure. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Heavenly Father, give patience and endurance to all who are sick or in any need, [*especially \_\_\_\_\_*], and heal them according to Your will. Give comfort and hope to all who mourn [*especially \_\_\_\_\_*]. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

## OFFERING

### LORD'S PRAYER

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**C 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.**

**BENEDICTION**

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**P** Let us bless the Lord

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**P** 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.

**C** **Amen.**

**HYMN TO DEPART** On Christ's Ascension I Now Build

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On Christ's ascension I now build  
The hope of my ascension;  
This hope alone has always stilled  
All doubt and apprehension;  
For where the Head is, there as well  
I know His members are to dwell  
When Christ will come and call them.

Since Christ returned to claim His throne,  
Great gifts for me obtaining,  
My heart will rest in Him alone,  
No other rest remaining;  
For where my treasure went before,  
There all my thoughts will ever soar  
To still their deepest yearning.

O grant, dear Lord, this grace to me,  
Recalling Your ascension,  
That I may serve You faithfully  
In thanks for my redemption;  
And then, when all my days will cease,  
Let me depart in joy and peace  
In answer to my pleading.

*\*You may notice that some names have been removed from the prayer list. They have been removed due to no update on their needs. If you would like them to be put back on, we would love to continue to pray. Please let the office know.*

**WE GIVE THANKS & PRAISE TO GOD FOR HIS BLESSINGS:** We ask for beneficial rains and the safety of all travelers.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Rod & Jill Lamp (12yrs.) & Ben & Stephanie Marcy (21 yrs.)

**“We offer prayers of comfort** for the family of Rose McNulty.

**\*WE PRAY FOR GOD’S HEALING TOUCH:** **\*WE PRAY** for those who struggle with chronic conditions or effects of aging; **Joseph Olivas**, advance dementia, cousin of Raegan Anderson; **Art Little**, father of Vicki Goforth; **Jean Niedan**; **Paul Wathen**, Brother-in-Law of David & Shirley Steele; **Don Richert**; **Brian Mahler**.

**\*WE PRAY** for those who battle cancer: **Mike DeBolt**, father in law of Bonnie Van Cura’s granddaughter; **Marilyn Luebke**, Loren Babcock’s cousin; **Shirley Covey**; **Alexandra Golter**, daughter in law of Elizabeth & Randy Golter; **Judy Ketcham**, mother of Nancy Peartree; **Ben Schomp**, longtime friend of Nancy Peartree; **Gwen Books**, friend of the Flynn’s **Matt Moorhead**, friend of the Huebner’s; **Lori Potter**, Lisa Parish’s sister; **Holly**, Janelle Ouderkirk’s sister in law; **Kate Mohr**, daughter of Chris & Bruce Reinboth; **Holly Roesser**, friend of Kerrin Tallmon; **Jeff Crymble**, friend of the Parish’s.

**\*WE PRAY** for those with a variety of health concerns: **Marilyn Kelley**, Jan Hagmann’s sister; **Cheryl Price**, Pastor Hahn’s sister, **David Steele**; **Duane Hawk**; **Stetson & Jordon**, Great Great Grandchildren of Don Staroska, in PICU in Denver; **Gary Herbst**, friend of the Goforth’s and Muller’s; **Joyce Woodman**; Chandra Boeka’s mother; **Heather Axtell**, friend of Bonnie Van Cura; **Byron Fritz**; **Shirley Nielson**.

**\*WE PRAY** for our expectant mothers and the children they carry.

**\*WE PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES OR MISSION PROJECTS:**

**\*WE PRAY** that we would be deliberate sharers of Jesus’ word, grace, and love.

**WE PRAY FOR THESE SPECIAL PETITIONS:**

**\*WE PRAY** for the LCMS, Synod President Harrison, and District President Snow & other officers of our Synod.

**\*WE PRAY** for our nation and its leaders and the men and women serving in our military: **Jordan Harris**, US Army in Colorado Springs; **Bailey Hutton**, US Army in Fort Hood, Tx; **Mitchell Parish**, US Army; **Matthew Russell**, US Marine Corp.; **Benjamin Reehl**, US Army; **D. Logan Miles**, US Marines, MSAU, Quantico, VA., **Nicholas Sydo**, Air Force, deployed.

## **Happening this month:**

May 17 <sup>th</sup>	8:45pm New Member Reception 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship with Board Member Installation and Graduates Recognition
May 18 <sup>th</sup>	5:30pm BOOM Mtg 7pm Trustee Mtg
May 19 <sup>th</sup>	8am Men's Bible Study 3pm Linden Court Service
May 20 <sup>th</sup>	6:15pm Worship Service
May 21 <sup>st</sup>	1:30pm Book Club
May 24 <sup>th</sup>	8:45 Bible Study 10am Worship Service – Communion
May 25 <sup>th</sup>	7pm Ladies Book Club
May 26 <sup>th</sup>	8am Men's Bible Study
May 27 <sup>th</sup>	6:15pm Worship Service
May 31 <sup>st</sup>	10am Joint Worship Service and Potluck with Our Redeemer at MPCC South Campus



Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church and Our Redeemer Lutheran Church will be joining in worship on May 31<sup>st</sup> at 10am at the MPCC South Campus. We will worship together and join in a potluck with the meat dish being provided. Volunteers are needed to usher, sing, read and promote. Visit with Pastor for places you can serve.

## **Three ways to register for VBS!!:**



Use the QR code here or on the VBS postcards located on the VBS table.

Use a paper registration form found on the VBS table. Find a registration link on the church website.

Please register early to facilitate planning.

Come learn about Jesus at VBS July 6-9.



Thank you for the prayers, cards, caring thoughts and kind words for surgery and continued recover...  
David Steele

Thank you, my church family, for the get well and sympathy cards, and your prayers. Each card and each prayer were felt and was certainly appreciated. Mary Babcock.



**LWML MISSION OUTREACH** You are so incredibly, unconditionally, indescribably loved that you are not even capable of understanding how big that love is. God's love for you is so big that it moved Him to pay the debt for your sin. His love is so deep that He took action and gave His most precious beloved Son as the propitiation for your sins. So, when stresses and burdens weigh you down, let the magnitude of His great love rise in your heart and move you to trust God more deeply and humbly every day.



### "Don't Despise Small Beginnings"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: [Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler](#)

Our small efforts to become the people Jesus saved us to be might seem insignificant, but small efforts compound. Acts 1:14



Saturday, June 6, 2026, at 6:30pm is Our Redeemer Lutheran School Night at the Ballpark. \$2 of every ticket sold using the QR code goes directly to ORLS.

# *In Service to the Lord*

Organist: Shary Asher  
Reader: Denise Pettera  
Elders: Rod Christmann and Glenn VanVelson  
Ushers: Bob Lantis, Jeff Boeka, Holden Brunkhardt & Larry Wallace

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>1 Yr. Ago</u>
Sunday	147	94
<u>Offering</u>		
General Fund	\$ 7,638.00	\$ 10,508.00
Synodical Mission	\$ 50.00	\$ .00
Sunday School	\$ 00.00	\$ .00
Dedicated Others	\$ 50.00	\$ 117.00

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Budgeted Expense Needed Monthly for 2026	\$ 39,115.22
Year to Date Income ending April 2026	\$ 90,902.42
Year to Date Expenses ending April 2026	\$ 122,085.62

### Bible Lesson for Sunday May 24th

#### ***The Day of Pentecost***

*Num. 11:24-30      Psalm 25:1-15      Acts 2:1-21      John 7:37-39*

Each Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church (BSLC) Member is:

**Beautifully Saved to Lead to Christ**

### *Welcome*

In the name of Jesus Christ we take immense joy in welcoming you to our worship service today!

If you are a visitor, please complete the attendance form in your pew or fill out a Welcome Card in the pew and place it in the offering plate. We are glad the Lord led you here today!

We ask all attending members to complete the attendance form as it helps us track attendance for our computer records. There is an opportunity on the Welcome Card to make us aware of your prayer request.

\*Assisted listening devices are available for those who need them.

\*\* A nursery is available for small children.

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