

# THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

## Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

### Tempe, AZ

April 12, 2026

10:00 AM

*As we worship together, please respond to the Pastor (“P”) or the Reader (“R”) in the bolded sections labeled “C” for Congregational Response.*

### CASUAL SUNDAY

#### **PRAISE MEDLEY**

“Alleluia No. 1 (Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks)”

Chorus

**Alleluia, alleluia,**  
**Give thanks to the Risen Lord!**  
**Alleluia, alleluia,**  
**Give praise to His Name!**

Verse 1

**Jesus is Lord of all the earth;**  
**He is the King of creation. *Chorus***

Verse 2

**Spread the good news o'er all the earth:**  
**Jesus has died and has risen! *Chorus***

Verse 3

**We have been crucified with Christ,**  
**Now we shall live forever! *Chorus***

Verse 4

**God has proclaimed the just reward:**  
**Life for all men, alleluia! *Chorus***

Verse 5

**Come, let us praise the Living God!  
Joyfully sing to our Saviour! *Chorus***

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“Low In The Grave He Lay (Christ Arose)”

Verse 1

**Low in the grave He lay: Jesus, my Saviour.  
Waiting the coming day, Jesus, my Lord.**

Chorus

**Up from the grave, He arose  
With a mighty triumph o'er His foes!  
He arose a victor from the dark domain.  
And He lives forever with His saints to reign.  
He arose! He arose!  
Hallelujah, Christ arose!**

Verse 2

**Vainly, they watch His bed. Jesus, my Saviour.  
Vainly, they seal the dead. Jesus, my Lord. *Chorus***

Verse 3

**Death cannot keep his prey. Jesus, my Saviour.  
He tore the bars away. Jesus, my Lord. *Chorus***

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“Mighty To Save”

Verse 1

**Ev'ryone needs compassion,**

**Love that's never failing,  
Let mercy fall on me.  
Ev'ryone needs forgiveness,  
The kindness of a Saviour,  
The hope of nations.**

Chorus

**Saviour, He can move the mountains.  
My God is mighty to save!  
He is mighty to save!  
Forever, Author of salvation.  
He rose and conquered the grave!  
Jesus conquered the grave!**

Verse 2

**So take me as You find me,  
All my fears and failures.  
Fill my life again.  
I give my life to follow.  
Ev'rything I believe in,  
Now I surrender. *Chorus***

Bridge

**Shine your light and let the whole world see!  
We're singing, For the glory of the risen King!  
Jesus, Shine your light and let the whole world see!  
We're singing, For the glory of the risen King! *Chorus***

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**PASTORAL WELCOME**

*Please Rise*

## INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

## CALL TO WORSHIP

P Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

C **According to His great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.**

P Through Christ we have an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for us.

C **Though we do not see Him now, we believe in Him and we rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory.**

P For we are receiving the outcome of our faith,

C **the salvation of our souls.**

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## CONFESSION

P Brothers and sisters in Christ, the risen Lord came to His fearful disciples and spoke peace to them. Yet we confess that we often live not in the peace of Christ, but in fear, doubt, and sin. Let us come before our gracious Father, confessing our sins and trusting in His mercy.

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

C **Merciful Father, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. Like Thomas, we struggle with doubt. Like the disciples, we hide in fear. Like those who forget Your works, we fail to trust Your promises. Forgive us for the sake of Jesus Christ, who died and rose again for us. Grant us faith to believe Your Word, joy in**

**Your salvation, and boldness to confess with Thomas: “My Lord and my God.” Amen.**

## **ABSOLUTION**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. The risen Christ stood among His disciples and declared, “Peace be with you.” That same peace is yours today. 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.**

*Please Be Seated*

## **SERVICE OF THE WORD**

### **INTROIT**

*Psalm 105:1–5, 8; antiphon: 1 Peter 2:2–3*

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—

**if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.**

Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name;

**make known his deeds among the peoples!**

Sing to him, sing praises to him;

**tell of all his wondrous works!**

Glory in his holy name;

**let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!**

Seek the Lord and his strength;

**seek his presence continually!**

Remember the wondrous works that he has done,

**his miracles, and the judgments he uttered.**

He remembers his covenant forever,

**the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.**

**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.**

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—

**if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.**

*Please Rise*

**KYRIE** (*Spoken*)

**C Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy**

**GLORIA**

WOV #640

**C Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!  
Glory to God, glory to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant that we who have celebrated the Lord's resurrection may by Your grace confess in our life and conversation that Jesus is Lord and God; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

*Please Be Seated*

**FIRST READING**

*Acts 5:29–42*

<sup>29</sup>But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. <sup>30</sup>The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. <sup>31</sup>God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. <sup>32</sup>And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy

Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.”

<sup>33</sup>When they heard this, they were enraged and wanted to kill them. <sup>34</sup>But a Pharisee in the council named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law held in honor by all the people, stood up and gave orders to put the men outside for a little while. <sup>35</sup>And he said to them, “Men of Israel, take care what you are about to do with these men. <sup>36</sup>For before these days Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody, and a number of men, about four hundred, joined him. He was killed, and all who followed him were dispersed and came to nothing. <sup>37</sup>After him Judas the Galilean rose up in the days of the census and drew away some of the people after him. He too perished, and all who followed him were scattered. <sup>38</sup>So in the present case I tell you, keep away from these men and let them alone, for if this plan or this undertaking is of man, it will fail; <sup>39</sup>but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You might even be found opposing God!” So they took his advice, <sup>40</sup>and when they had called in the apostles, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. <sup>41</sup>Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name. <sup>42</sup>And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

**R** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God

## **EPISTLE READING**

*1 Peter 1:3–9*

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup>to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup>who by God’s power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup>In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, <sup>7</sup>so that the tested

genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup>Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, <sup>9</sup>obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

R This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God**

### **SPECIAL MUSIC**

"I Am the Resurrection"

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*Please Rise*

**ALLELUIA** (*Sung*)

WOV #613

**C Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia!**

*L The Word of the Lord lasts forever. What is the Word that is living? It is brought to us through His Son Jesus Christ.*

**C Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia!**

### **HOLY GOSPEL**

*John 20:19–31*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

**C Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>19</sup>On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup>When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." <sup>22</sup>And when he had said this,

he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you withhold forgiveness from anyone, it is withheld.”

<sup>24</sup>Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.”

<sup>26</sup>Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe.”

<sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; <sup>31</sup>but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **APOSTLE’S 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.**

*Please Be Seated*

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

“Cornerstone”

Verse 1

**My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name. *Repeat***

Chorus

**Christ alone, cornerstone,  
Weak made strong in the Savior's love.  
Through the storm, He is Lord,  
Lord of all.**

Verse 2

**When darkness seems to hide His face,  
I rest on His unchanging grace.  
In every high and stormy gale,  
My anchor holds within the veil.  
My anchor holds within the veil. *Chorus***

Interlude

**He is Lord, Lord of all. *Chorus x2***

Verse 3

**When He shall come with trumpet sound,  
Oh, may I then in Him be found.**

**Dressed in His righteousness alone,  
Faultless stand before the throne. *Chorus***

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## **SERMON**

## **“Living Hope”**

### **OFFERING HYMN (*Sung*)**

**“Jesus Paid It All (Christ I Owe)”**

Verse 1

**I hear the Savior say  
Thy strength indeed is small  
Child of weakness watch and pray  
Find in Me thine all in all**

Chorus

**Jesus paid it all  
All to Him I owe  
Sin had left a crimson stain  
He washed it white as snow**

Verse 2

**Lord, now indeed I find  
Thy power and Thine alone  
Can change the leper's spots  
And melt the heart of stone. *Chorus***

Verse 3

**For nothing good have I  
Whereby Thy grace to claim  
I'll wash my garments white  
In the blood of Calvary's Lamb *Chorus***

*Please Rise*

## **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

*(Congregation response to petitions: **Hear our prayer**)*

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.

### **BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION**

**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.**

*Please Be Seated*

### **CLOSING HYMN**

“My Redeemer Lives”

Verse

**I know He rescued my soul.**

**His blood has covered my sin.**

**I believe, I believe!**

**My shame, He's taken away.**

**My pain is healed in His name.**

**I believe, I believe! *Pre-Chorus***

Pre-Chorus

**I'll raise a banner!**

**'Cause my Lord has conquered the grave! *Chorus***

Chorus

**My Redeemer lives**

**My Redeemer lives**

**My Redeemer lives**

**My Redeemer lives**

*Verse*

Bridge

**You lift my burdens.**

**I'll rise with You.**

**I'm dancing on this mountaintop**

**To see Your kingdom come! *Chorus x2***

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**POSTLUDE**

**"My Redeemer Lives" *Reprise***

## **THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR**

**Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**

**8:30 AM** Sunday Morning Bible Study

**9:30 AM** Choir Rehearsal

**10 AM** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter Worship

**11:30 AM** Fellowship

**Monday, April 13<sup>th</sup>**

**12 PM** LWML Women's Bible Study

**7:30 PM** The Evening Word

**Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup>**

**4-7 PM** La Mesa

**Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>**

**10 AM** GriefShare 13-Week Program

**Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>**

**8:30 AM** Sunday Morning Bible Study

**9:30 AM** Choir Rehearsal

**10 AM** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter Worship

**11:30 AM** Fellowship

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**Guitarist:**

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**Song Leader:**

Charles Haynes

**Banjo:**

Debbie Bergman

**Bass Guitar:**

Doug Bergman

**Lector Reader:**

Charlotte Grefe

**Special Music:**

The Beautiful Savior Singers

**Acolyte:**

Benjamin Greer

**Greeter:**

Debra McPeters

**Visitors**, please sign (with a complete address) our Guest Book on the

podium in the entryway before you leave and/or complete a grey/cream “Worship Information” card found in the pew in front of you.

**Members** are also encouraged to complete a “Worship Information” card (you can update address and phone number, request a pastoral visit).

**Giving Electronically** please go to [easytithe.com/BSLCTempe](http://easytithe.com/BSLCTempe) and choose “One-Time” or “Recurring” before choosing a fund: General Budget, LWML, Missions, Air conditioners, La Mesa, Staff Continuing Education, Vacation Bible School, and Other. Please specify when selecting Other.

**Pastor Tim's Office Hours:** He is available Monday through Thursday, 10am - 3pm as well as by appointment. Pastor Tim will use the rest of his time to attending to members, meetings, and creating connections for the church in our community. His cell phone number is 480-536-2256.

**Prayer Cards:** In the pews is a prayer card that can be filled out and placed in the offering plate. Please check the box at the bottom of the card if you want the prayer to be added to our Email Prayer Chain.

**Attendance for Holy Week:**

**Palm Sunday Worship Service— 54**

**The Living Last Supper— 73**

**Good Friday: Sights, Sounds, and Smells— 27**

**Good Friday Tenebrae— 35**

**Easter Vigil Worship Service— 7**

**Easter Sunrise Service— 35**

**Easter Worship Service— 51**

**La Mesa Attendance for 04-02-26**

**Meal— 148**

**Worship— 63**

**Income report for 04-02-2026**

**Weekly Envelopes: \$215.00**

**Total: \$215.00**

**Income report for 04-03-2026**

**Loose Plate: \$165.00**

**Weekly Envelopes: \$195.00**

**Total: \$360.00**

**Income report for 04-05-2026**

**Designated Gifts: \$246.00**

**Loose Plate: \$576.00**

**Weekly Envelopes: \$3805.00**

**Other: \$90**

**Total: \$4717.00**

**PRAYER LIST**

**For Healing:**

Christy Bergman; Rikki Anderson; Cindy Koch; Wendy Sievers; Pam; Debbie Jonas; Paul Beetham; Barbara Willford; Marianne Lemkau; Pat Carlin; André Safford; Dawn Robson; Bev Dase; Tim Timm; Jacob Hutson; Gladys Meyer; Corsene Grady; Cyndi Calender; Schatzi; Kristen; Ryanne Flannery; Brenda Frank; Barbara Watnick; Rick Frank; Jan Safford; Marion Trautmann; Scharlene Wallace; Michael Tiberg; Erika Guzzi

**For Strength and Support:**

Dave Mendham; Beth Hutson; the Frank family; Natalia Goschie; Mark, Libby, and Waylon; Cari, Michelle, and Dave; Natalie Conley; Jeri Meeks; John Pope and his family

**For Comfort:**

The Lohmeyer family; The Muntzinger and Schumm Families; the Spallek family and friends;

**In Thanksgiving:**

For our hard-working volunteers

**For the Church**

For our sister congregations and their ministries,

**For the World:**

Our nation and our leaders to govern with a mindset that reflects the heart of Christ; All nations dealing with hardships; All those who serve our nation in the armed forces and locally as firefighters, paramedics, and law enforcement; Peace among all nations.