

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

Tempe, AZ

August 16, 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.

PRELUDE "Improvisation on My Faith Looks Up to Thee"- OLIVET

PASTORAL WELCOME

HYMN OF INVOCATION

“Christ Be My Leader”
LSB #861, v. 1-3

- 1 Christ be my Leader by night as by day;
 Safe through the darkness, for He is the way.
 Gladly I follow, my future His care,
 Darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.**
- 2 Christ be my Teacher in age as in youth,
 Drifting or doubting, for He is the truth.
 Grant me to trust Him; though shifting as sand,
 Doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.**
- 3 Christ be my Savior in calm as in strife;
 Death cannot hold me, for He is the life.
 Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain
 Can touch my salvation: with Jesus I reign.**

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Please Rise

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

INVOCATION

LSB 167

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

C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

CONFESSION

LSB 167

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C Most merciful God, 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. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

LSB 167

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.

Please Be Seated

SERVICE OF THE WORD

LSB 168-173

INTROIT

Psalm 28:1–2, 6–7; antiphon: v. 8

The Lord is the strength of his people;

he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

To you, O Lord, I call; my rock, be not deaf to me,

lest, if you be silent to me, I become like those who go down to the pit.

Hear the voice of my pleas for mercy, when I cry to you for help,

when I lift up my hands toward your most holy sanctuary.

Blessèd be the Lord!

For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.

The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;

my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to him.

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.

The Lord is the strength of his people;

he is the saving refuge of his anointed.

Please Rise

KYRIE(*Sung*)

LSB 168-169

P In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen.**

THIS IS THE FEAST

LSB 171

P This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

C **Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

Power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and blessing and glory are His.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia, alleluia.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting Father, You give Your children many blessings even though we are undeserving. In every trial and temptation grant us steadfast confidence in Your loving-kindness and mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Please Be Seated

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 56:1,6–8

¹Thus says the Lord:

“Keep justice, and do righteousness,
for soon my salvation will come,
and my deliverance be revealed. . .

⁶“And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord,
to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord,
and to be his servants,
everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it,
and holds fast my covenant—
⁷these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;
their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar;
for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples.”
⁸The Lord God,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares,
“I will gather yet others to him
besides those already gathered.”

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God**

EPISTLE READING

Romans 11:1–2a, 13–15, 28–32

¹I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ²God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. . .

¹³Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry ¹⁴in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. ¹⁵For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead? . . .

²⁸As regards the gospel, they are enemies of God for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. ²⁹For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.

³⁰Just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so they too have

now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. ³²For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God**

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

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ALLELUIA AND VERSE *(Sung)*

LSB 173

C **Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

Please Rise

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 15:21–28

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifteenth chapter.

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

²¹Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²²And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon." ²³But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying out after us." ²⁴He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." ²⁵But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." ²⁶And he answered, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." ²⁷She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." ²⁸Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by Whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, Whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life † of the world to come. Amen.

Please Be Seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY

"In Christ There Is No East or West"
LSB #653, v. 1-5

- 1** In Christ there is no east or west,
In Him no south or north,
But one great fellowship of love
Throughout the whole wide earth.
- 2** With God there is no tribe or race;
In Him we all are one.
He loves us as His children through
Our faith in His dear Son.
- 3** So, brothers, sisters, praise His name
Who died to set us free
From sin, division, hate, and shame,
From spite and enmity!
- 4** Join hands, disciples of the faith,
Whate'er your race may be;
Who serves my Father as His child
Is surely kin to me.
- 5** In Christ now meet both east and west;
In Him meet south and north.
All Christian souls are one in Him
Throughout the whole wide earth.

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SERMON **“A House Of Prayer (Isaiah 56)”**

OFFERING

OFFERTORY (*Sung*)

LSB 176

C What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me? I will

offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

Please Rise

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

LSB 177

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

PROPER PREFACE

P We pray, Holy living and loving God, we praise you for creating the heavens and the Earth and for saving us from the power of sin and death. We thank you for your Son Jesus, who, living among us, healed the sick, fed the hungry and with a love stronger than death gave his life for others. Remember, therefore, His life- giving death and glorious resurrection, we await your promised life for this dying world, that one day we will join with Heaven and earth and all the angels evermore praising you and singing...

SANCTUS

LSB 178

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is**

He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

LSB 178

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, 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. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

LORD'S PRAYER (*Spoken*)

LSB 179

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.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

P 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.”

PAX DOMINI (*Spoken*)

LSB 180

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen

Please Be Seated

AGNUS DEI (*Sing*)

LSB 180

C 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, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"Healer of Our Every Ill"

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"Let Me Count the Ways"

Verse 1

**How many times, Lord, have I been cared for?
Every step, You've been with me.
So many moments, I have been broken.
Only to find, You could fix me.**

Chorus

**Let me count the ways!
Let me count the days that You have been faithful!
Let me count the ways!
Let me count the days that You have been faithful!**

Verse 2

**All of my shortfalls. All of my bad calls.
All of my wrongs met with mercy.
I don't deserve it, but You say I'm worth it.
Again and again, You forgive me. *Chorus***

Bridge

**Let me count the ways!
Let me count the days!
Let me count the ways that You have been faithful! *Repeat***

Verse 3

**There is no end to the times You will rescue
One of Your own from despair.
And Lord, I know this 'cause I am a witness
To all of the times You've been there. *Chorus x2***

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**“Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways”
LSB #707, v. 1-4**

- 1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways
To keep His statutes still!
Oh, that my God would grant me grace
To know and do His will!**
- 2 Order my footsteps by Thy Word
And make my heart sincere;
Let sin have no dominion, Lord,
But keep my conscience clear.**
- 3 Assist my soul, too apt to stray,
A stricter watch to keep;
And should I e'er forget Thy way,**

Restore Thy wand'ring sheep.

- 4 Make me to walk in Thy commands—
 'Tis a delightful road—
 Nor let my head or heart or hands
 Offend against my God.**

Please Rise

THANK THE LORD *(Sing)* **LSB 181**

- C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has
 done. Let ev'ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear
 His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in
 joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.**

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT **LSB 183**

- P Let us pray.
 We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us
 through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You
 would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in
 fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our
 Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now
 and forever.**
- C Amen.**

BENEDICTION **LSB 183**

- 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 **"Earth and All Stars"**

- 3 Trumpet and pipes! Loud clashing cymbals!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Harp, lute, and lyre! Loud humming cellos!
Sing to the Lord a new song! *Refrain***

**Refrain He has done marvelous things.
I too will praise Him with a new song!**

- 4 Engines and steel! Loud pounding hammers!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Limestone and beams! Loud building workers!
Sing to the Lord a new song! *Refrain***

- 5 Classrooms and labs! Loud boiling test tubes!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Athlete and band! Loud cheering people!
Sing to the Lord a new song! *Refrain***

- 6 Knowledge and truth! Loud sounding wisdom!
Sing to the Lord a new song!
Daughter and son! Loud praying members!
Sing to the Lord a new song! *Refrain***

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POSTLUDE "O For a Thousand Voices" - Setting by David Cherwien

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

Sunday, August 16th

8:30 AM Sunday Bible Study

9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal

10 AM 12th Sunday After Pentecost Worship

11:30 AM Fellowship

Thursday, August 20th

4-7 PM La Mesa

Sunday, August 23rd

8:30 AM Sunday Bible Study

9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal

10 AM 13th Sunday After Pentecost Worship

11:30 AM Fellowship

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Ellen Brown

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Beautiful Savior Singers

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Audra Littou

Acolyte:

Benjamin Greer

Greeter:

Charlotte Grefe

Communion Elder:

Don Calender

Assisting Elder:

Wendell Robson

Altar:

Wendell Robson, Benjamin Greer, Jan Safford

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 and choose “One-Time” or “Recurring” before choosing a fund: General Budget, Peter Spallek Memorial, Raise the Roof Campaign, 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 Week of 08-09-2026:

Sunday Bible Study— 7

Sunday Worship Service— 32

La Mesa Attendance for 08-06-26

Meal— 122

Worship— 29

Baptisms— 2

Income report for 08-09-2026

Designated Gifts: \$2102.00

Loose Plate: \$20.00

Weekly Envelopes: \$2256.00

Total: \$4378.00

Raise the Roof Campaign Total: \$55,836.28

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; Jacob Hutson; Gladys Meyer; Corsene Grady; Cyndi Calender; Kristen; Brenda Frank; Rynne Flannery; Rick Frank; Marion Trautmann; Scharlene Wallace; Michael Tiberg; Erika Guzzi; Pastor Jonathan Stites; Mike Wake; Mary; Dave Mendham; Marsha Beetham; Ellen Brown

For Strength and Support:

Beth Hutson; the Frank family; Natalia Goschie; Mark, Libby, and Waylon; Cari, Michelle, and Dave; Natalie Conley;

For Comfort:

The family of Sharol; The families and congregations of Pastor Pope

In Thanksgiving:

For the successful surgeries and recoveries of our members

For the Church:

For our sister congregations and their ministries;

For the World:

For Menasha, Wisconsin; 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.



COMMUNION... OUR UNDERSTANDING

According to the Scriptures, by participating in Holy Communion, you are partaking in the Feast to come with believers all over the world- before us and after us. Jesus taught his disciples himself that in, with, and underneath the bread and wine is his own Body and Blood. Therefore, we ought to examine ourselves before communing in three ways:

- *We recognize that we are sinners and ultimately unworthy*
- *We believe in Jesus Christ as our Savior, in his Word, and in his promises*
- *We intend to live as forgiven people guided by the Holy Spirit*

If this is what you believe, if this is what you confess, then we welcome you to join us for the Lord's Supper at the Table. Please speak with Pastor before or after the service if you have any other questions.

Other Notes:

- *White Grape Juice is offered in the place of wine for those who cannot drink wine. These are the cups in the middle of the tray. We do not offer gluten-free communion bread at this time, but please let the pastor know if it is needed for future services.*
- *The Blood of Christ is offered both in individual glasses or with the Common Cup. If you wish to receive from the Common Cup, please lift your eyes and hands as it passes.*
- *Children and Adults not instructed are still encouraged to join us at the Table to receive a separate blessing.*