THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church
Tempe, AZ

November 8, 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

"Here I Am To Worship"

Verse 1
Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see
Beauty that made
This heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

Chorus
So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

Verse 2
King of all days
Oh so highly exalted

Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor *Chorus*

Bridge
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross *Chorus*

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"Give Me Oil In My Lamp"

Verse 1
Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning, keep me burning
Give me oil in my lamp, I pray.
Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning, keep me burning
Keep me burning till the break of day.

Refrain
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
Sing hosanna to the King of kings!
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
Sing hosanna to the King!

Verse 2
Give me love in my heart, keep me sharing, keep me sharing.
Give me love in my heart, I pray.
Give me love in my heart, keep me sharing, keep me sharing
Keep me sharing till the break of day. *Refrain*

Verse 3
Give me joy in my heart, keep me singing, keep me singing
Give me joy in my heart, I pray.

Give me joy in my heart, keep me singing, keep me singing
Keep me singing till the break of day. *Refrain*

Verse 4
Give me faith in my heart, keep me praying, keep me praying
Give me faith in my heart, I pray.
Give me faith in my heart, keep me praying, keep me praying
Keep me praying till the break of day. *Refrain*

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 The Lord has promised to come again, and His people wait with hope and expectation.
C We lift our eyes to Christ, our Savior and our coming King!
P At midnight the cry rang out: "Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him."
C Lord, keep us watchful and ready for Your coming!
P For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first.
C And so we will always be with the Lord!
P Therefore, let us not grow weary in faith or lose sight of His promises. Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.
C As we wait for Christ's return, strengthen our faith and lead us to lives of love and service.
P Come, let us worship the Bridegroom who has come to save us, who is present with us now, and who will come again in glory!

C Amen! Come, Lord Jesus!

CONFESSION

P Our Lord Jesus calls us to watch and be ready, for we do not know the day or the hour of His return. Yet, like the foolish virgins in His parable, we confess that we have often lived as though His coming were far away. We have allowed the distractions of this world to draw our eyes away from Christ. We have neglected His Word, grown complacent in faith, and failed to live as people awaiting the return of our King. Let us therefore confess our sins before God our Father, trusting in His mercy through Jesus Christ.

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

P Let us confess our sins to God.

C Merciful Father, we confess that we have not always lived as people prepared for Your Son's return. We have been distracted by the concerns of this world, careless in our faith, and slow to love our neighbors. Too often, our worship has been empty, our hope has grown dim, and our lives have failed to reflect the righteousness and mercy You desire. Forgive us for the sake of Jesus Christ. Keep our lamps burning with the faith Your Holy Spirit gives. Awaken us by Your Word, strengthen us through Your promises, and prepare us to welcome our Savior with joy when He comes again. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

P Hear the good news! The Bridegroom has not forgotten His people. Jesus Christ has come into this world to seek and save sinners. By His death and resurrection, He has conquered sin and death and opened the kingdom of heaven to all who trust in Him. Our hope is not in how perfectly we have watched and waited, but in the faithfulness of the Savior who has promised to return. As a called and ordained 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 Amen.

P Therefore, encourage one another with these words: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again!

C Thanks be to God! Amen.

Please Be Seated

SERVICE OF THE WORD

INTROIT *Psalm 84:1, 9–12; antiphon: v. 3*

Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young,

at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

How lovely is your dwelling place,

O Lord of hosts!

Behold our shield, O God;

look on the face of your anointed!

For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favor and honor.

No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.

O Lord of hosts,

blessèd is the one who trusts in you!

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.

Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young,

at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Please Rise

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.
Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Son to lead home His bride, the Church, that with all the company of the redeemed we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C Amen.

Please Be Seated

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

P Beloved in the Lord, our Lord Jesus Christ said to His apostles: "Whoever confesses Me before men, I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven." Lift up your hearts, therefore, to the God of all grace and joyfully give answer to what I now ask you in the name of the Lord.

Do you this day in the presence of God and of this congregation acknowledge the gifts that God has given you?
R Yes, I do.
P Do you renounce the devil and all his works and all his ways?
R Yes, I renounce him.
P Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord, and in the Holy Spirit?

R *Yes, I believe in God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit*

P Do you hold all the prophetic and apostolic Scriptures to be the inspired Word of God and the doctrine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, drawn from them and confessed in the Small Catechism, to be faithful and true?

R *I do.*

P Do you intend to hear the Word of God and receive the Lord's Supper faithfully?

R *I do, by the grace of God.*

P Do you intend to live according to the Word of God, and in faith, word, and deed to remain true to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, even to death?

R *I do, by the grace of God.*

P Do you intend to continue steadfast in this confession and Church and to suffer all, even death, rather that fall away from it?

R *I do, by the grace of God.*

P Do you desire to become a member of this congregation?

R *Yes, I do.*

P Will you support the work our gracious Lord has given this congregation with your prayers and the gifts God has given you?

R *I will, with the help of God.*

P Upon this your confession of faith, I acknowledge publicly that you are members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church and of this congregation. Receive the Lord's Supper and participate with us in all the blessings of salvation that our Lord has given to His Church, in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Let us pray.
Lord, God, heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for Your great goodness in bringing these Your sons and daughters to the knowledge of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, and enabling them both with the heart to believe and with the mouth to confess His

saving name. Grant that by Your Word and Spirit they may continue steadfast in the one true faith in the fellowship of this congregation as together we await the day when all who have fought the good fight of faith shall receive the crown of righteousness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

P The grace of our † Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

C Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Amos 5:18–24*

18 Woe to you who desire the day of the Lord!
Why would you have the day of the Lord?
It is darkness, and not light,
19 as if a man fled from a lion,
and a bear met him,
or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall,
and a serpent bit him.
20 Is not the day of the Lord darkness, and not light,
and gloom with no brightness in it?
21 "I hate, I despise your feasts,
and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.
22 Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,
I will not accept them;
and the peace offerings of your fattened animals,
I will not look upon them.
23 Take away from me the noise of your songs;
to the melody of your harps I will not listen.
24 But let justice roll down like waters,
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream."

R This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING *1 Thessalonians 4:13–18*

13But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about
those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who
have no hope. 14For since we believe that Jesus died and rose
again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who
have fallen asleep. 15For this we declare to you by a word from the
Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord,
will not precede those who have fallen asleep. 16For the Lord himself
will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of
an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the
dead in Christ will rise first. 17Then we who are alive, who are left,
will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord
in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. 18Therefore
encourage one another with these words.

R This is the Word of the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC "All You Works of God, Bless the Lord" - LSB #930

Please Rise

ALLELUIA *(Sung)* WOV #612
C Halle, Halle, Hallelujah *(Repeat 3x)*
Hallelujah, Hallelujah

HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 25:1–13*
P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.
C Glory to You, O Lord.

1[Jesus said:] “The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who
took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. 2Five of them
were foolish, and five were wise. 3For when the foolish took their
lamps, they took no oil with them, 4but the wise took flasks of oil with

their lamps. [5]As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. [6]But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' [7]Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. [8]And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' [9]But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' [10]And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. [11]Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' [12]But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' [13]Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

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 “Speak O Lord”

Verse 1
Speak O Lord as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word
Take Your truth plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory

Verse 2
Teach us Lord full obedience
Holy reverence true humility
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity
Cause our faith to rise
Cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority
Words of power that can never fail
Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Verse 3
Speak O Lord and renew our minds
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak O Lord till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory

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SERMON **“Running On Empty”**

OFFERING HYMN *(Sung)* “Thy Word”

Chorus
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet
And a light unto my path

Verse 1
When I feel afraid
And I think I've lost my way
Still You're there right beside me
Nothing will I fear
As long as You are near
Please be near me to the end *Chorus*

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Please Rise

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH
(Congregation response to petitions: ***Hear our prayer)***

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.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

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 *(Sung)* "Holy, Holy"
TOSB #74, v. 1

1 Holy, holy,
Holy, holy,
Holy, holy, Lord God almighty;
And we lift our hearts before You as a token of our love,
Holy, holy,
Holy, holy

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

AGNUS DEI *(Spoken)*

P Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
C Have mercy on us.

PAX DOMINI *(Spoken)*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

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"O Come To The Altar"

Verse 1
Are you hurting and broken within
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin
Jesus is calling
Have you come to the end of yourself
Do you thirst for a drink from the well
Jesus is calling

Chorus
O come to the altar
The Father's arms are open wide
Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ

Verse 2
Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today there's no reason to wait
Jesus is calling
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes a new life is born
Jesus is calling *Chorus*

Bridge
Oh what a Savior
Isn't he wonderful

Sing alleluia Christ is risen
Bow down before him
For he is Lord of all
Sing alleluia Christ is risen *Chorus x2*

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"Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness"
LSB #636, v. 1-8

1 Soul, adorn yourself with gladness,
Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,
Come into the daylight's splendor,
There with joy your praises render.
Bless the One whose grace unbounded
This amazing banquet founded;
He, though heav'nly, high, and holy,
Deigns to dwell with you most lowly.

5 Jesus, source of lasting pleasure,
Truest friend, and dearest treasure,
Peace beyond all understanding,
Joy into all life expanding:
Humbly now, I bow before You;
Love incarnate, I adore You;
Worthily let me receive You
And, so favored, never leave You.

6 Jesus, sun of life, my splendor,
Jesus, friend of friends, most tender,
Jesus, joy of my desiring,
Fount of life, my soul inspiring:
At Your feet I cry, my maker,
Let me be a fit partaker
Of this blessèd food from heaven,

For our good, Your glory, given.

8 Jesus, bread of life, I pray You,
Let me gladly here obey You.
By Your love I am invited,
Be Your love with love requited;
By this Supper let me measure,
Lord, how vast and deep love's treasure.
Through the gift of grace You give me
As Your guest in heav'n receive me.

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Living God, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world.

C Amen

BENEDICTION

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 "This Little Light of Mine"
TOSB #235, v.1-5

1 This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine;
This little light of mine, I'm going to let it shine; *Refrain*

Refrain Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

2 Don't you try to blow it out; I'm going to let it shine.
Don't you try to blow it out; I'm going to let it shine. *Refrain*

3 Hide it under a bushel? No! I'm going to let it shine,
Hide it under a bushel? No! I'm going to let it shine, *Refrain*

4 All around the neighborhood; I'm going to let it shine.
All around the neighborhood; I'm going to let it shine.
Refrain

5 Hold it high so all can see; I'm going let it shine.
Hold it high so all can see; I'm going let it shine. *Refrain*

POSTLUDE "This Little Light of Mine" (Reprise)

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

Sunday, November 8th
8:30 AM Sunday Bible Study
9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal
10 AM 24th Sunday After Pentecost Worship
11:30 AM Fellowship
Monday, November 9th
12 PM LWML Women's Bible Study
Thursday, November 12th
4-7 PM La Mesa
Saturday, November 14th
10 AM GriefShare: Surviving the Holidays
Sunday, November 15th
8:30 AM Sunday Bible Study
9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal
10 AM Entrusted- Stewardship Sunday Worship
11:30 AM Fellowship

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Serving us at Worship:

Pastor:	Rev. Tim Anderson
Dir. of Music /Pianist:	Ellen Brown
Song Leader:	Charles Haynes
Guitarist:	Christy Arnold
Special Music:	The Beautiful Savior Singers
Lector Readers:	Charlotte Grefe
Acolyte:	Dave Mendham
Greeters:	Benjamin Greer
Communion Elder:	Wendell Robson
Assisting Elder:	Dawson Chatfield
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 "giving.myamplify.io/app/giving/bslctempe" and choose "One-Time" or "Recurring" before choosing a fund: General Budget, Pastor John Pope Memorial, LWML, Missions, 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 11-01-2026:
Sunday Bible Study— 9
Sunday Worship Service— 51
LWML Women's Bible Study— 5

La Mesa Attendance for 10-29-26
Meal— 165
Worship— 40

Income report for 11-01-2026
Designated Gifts: $1172.00
Loose Plate: $23.00
Weekly Envelopes: $2197.00
Total: $2392.00

PRAYER LIST

For Healing:
Christy Bergman; Cindy Koch; Wendy Sievers; Debbie Jonas; Paul Beetham; Barbara Willford; Marianne Lemkau; Pat Carlin; Dawn Robson; Bev Dase; Jacob Hutson; Gladys Meyer; Corsene Grady; Cyndi Calender; Brenda Frank; Ryanne Flannery; Rick Frank; Marion Trautmann; Scharlene Wallace; Michael Tiberg; Erika Guzzi; Mike Wake; Dave Mendham; Marsha Beetham; Carolyn Merworth; Ellie Powers; Mike Zabatowski

For Strength and Support:
Beth Hutson; the Frank family; Mark, Libby, and Waylon; Cari, Michelle, and Dave;

For Comfort:
Jan, the Safford family and the family of Donna Smiley; Ben and the Greer family; Marc's family and Carol Knott

In Thanksgiving:
For Mary's successful surgery and recovery; For the abiding and caring Spirit of this congregation.

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.



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.*