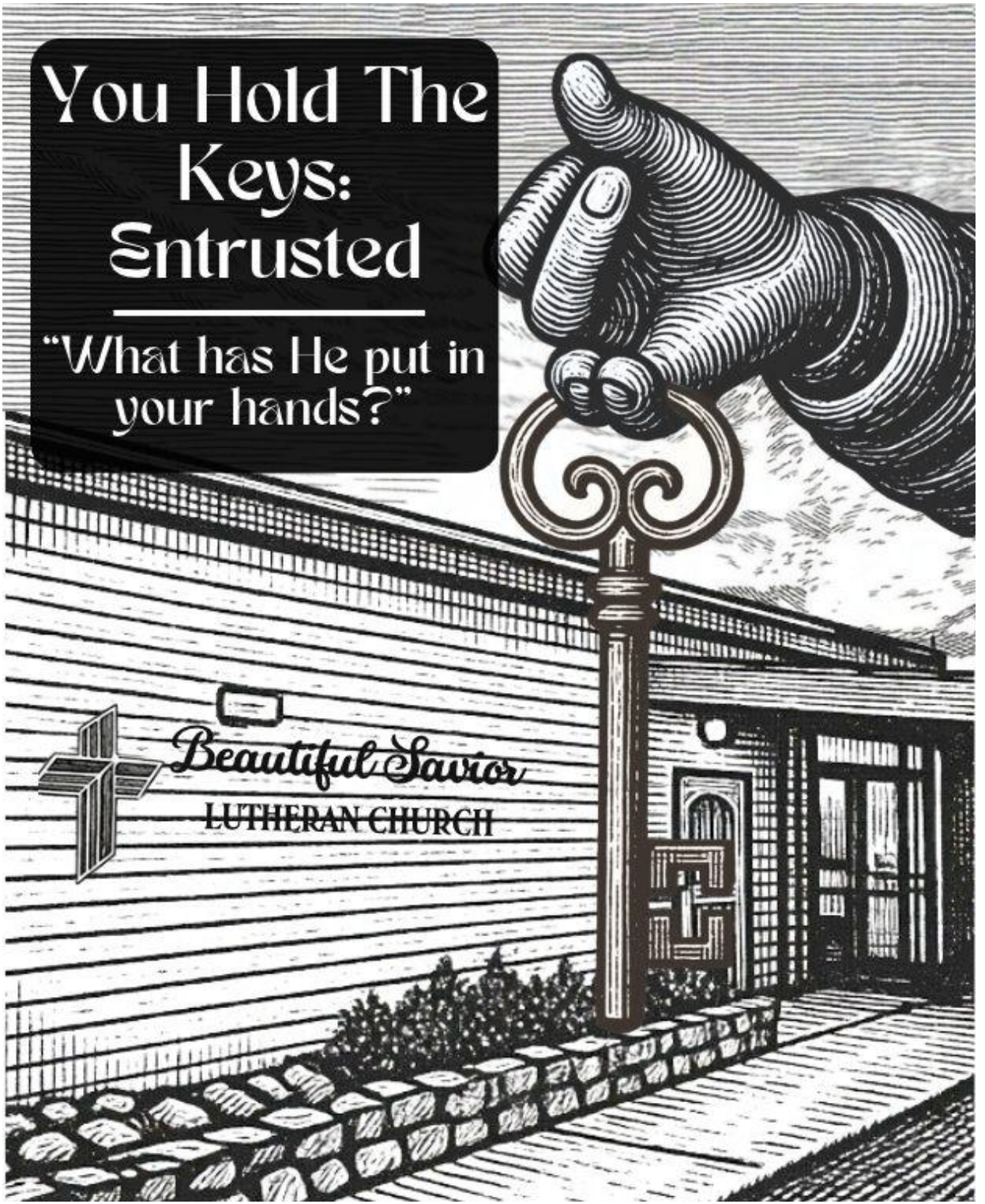
You Hold The Keys: Entrusted

"What has He put in your hands?"



FIRST STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY: ENTRUSTED
Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church
Tempe, AZ

November 15, 2026 **10:00 AM**

AS WE GATHER

Today we begin our two-Sunday stewardship emphasis, “You Hold the Keys.” Every key we carry represents something entrusted to our care. In the Gospel, a master entrusts his property to his servants. As we worship, we remember that our lives, time, abilities, relationships, resources, and opportunities are first gifts from God. Christian stewardship begins not with what God asks from us, but with what He has already given to us in Jesus Christ.

PRELUDE "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending,"
Tune: *Beach Spring,* Settings by D.Cherwien & D.Paxton

PASTORAL WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

P Lord, You have been the dwelling place of Your people from generation to generation.
C All our days are held in Your gracious hands.
P You have entrusted us with gifts, opportunities, relationships, resources, and vocations.
C Everything we have comes from You.
P Teach us to number our days with wisdom.
C Teach us to use faithfully what You have placed into our hands.
P We do not gather to earn Your favor.
C In Jesus Christ, You have already given us Your grace.
P We do not give in order to open heaven.
C Christ has already opened the Kingdom to us.
P Come, let us worship the Lord who gives every good gift.

C And let us receive His gifts with thanksgiving and faith.

HYMN OF INVOCATION "We Praise You, O God"
LSB #785, v. 1-3

1 We praise You, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before You, we kneel and adore You;
We bless Your holy name, glad praises we sing.

2 We worship You, God of our fathers, we bless You;
Through trial and tempest our guide You have been.
When perils o'ertake us, You will not forsake us,
And with Your help, O Lord, our struggles we win.

3 With voices united our praises we offer
And gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.
With You, Lord, beside us, Your strong arm will guide us.
To You, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!

Please Rise

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

INVOCATION **LSB 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.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION **LSB 203**

P Beloved in the Lord, God has placed many gifts into our hands, yet we have not always received them with thanksgiving or used them faithfully. Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

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

P Gracious Father, You are the giver of every good gift.
C Yet we often live as though what we have belongs only to us.
P You entrust us with time.
C We waste it or guard it selfishly.
P You entrust us with abilities.
C We compare them with the gifts of others or bury them in fear.
P You entrust us with resources.
C We cling to them as though our security depended upon them.
P You place neighbors around us to love.
C We overlook their needs and choose our own comfort.
P You have entrusted Your Church with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
C Yet we have been slow to speak, slow to serve, and slow to trust Your promises.
P Almighty God, we confess that we have treated Your gifts as our possessions and Your grace as something we could take for granted.
C Forgive us. Renew us. Give us thankful hearts, generous hands, and faith that trusts You above all things.
P God has not dealt with us according to what we have earned. Jesus Christ has carried our selfishness, fear, and unfaithfulness to the cross. He died for you. He rose for you. By His command and in His stead, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.
P You are forgiven. Heaven is not opened by what you give.
C Christ has opened it for us.

Please Be Seated

SERVICE OF THE WORD **LSB 204-206**

INTROIT *Psalm 90:1–12; antiphon inspired by Stewardship Theme*
Teach us to number our days,

that we may walk in wisdom and faithfulness.

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

You return man to dust and say, “Return, O children of man!”

For a thousand years in your sight are but as yesterday when it is past, or as a watch in the night.

You sweep them away as with a flood; they are like a dream,

like grass that is renewed in the morning:

in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.

For we are brought to an end by your anger; by your wrath we are dismayed.

You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence.

For all our days pass away under your wrath; we bring our years to an end like a sigh.

The years of our life are seventy, or even by reason of strength eighty;

yet their span is but toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away.

Who considers the power of your anger, and your wrath according to the fear of you?

So teach us to number our days that we may get a heart of wisdom.

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.

Teach us to number our days,

that we may walk in wisdom and faithfulness.

Please Rise

KYRIE*(Sung)* **LSB 204**

C Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS LSB 204

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 heavenly 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 heart-felt 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 AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and gracious Father, from Your hand we receive our days, our daily bread, our abilities, and every good gift. Deliver us from fear that buries what You have entrusted to us, and by the Gospel of Your Son give us grateful hearts, willing hands, and faithful lives, that we may use Your gifts in love toward our neighbors and for the work of Your Kingdom; 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 *Zephaniah 1:7–16*

7 Be silent before the Lord God!
For the day of the Lord is near;
the Lord has prepared a sacrifice
and consecrated his guests.
8 And on the day of the Lord's sacrifice—
"I will punish the officials and the king's sons
and all who array themselves in foreign attire.
9 On that day I will punish
everyone who leaps over the threshold,
and those who fill their master's house
with violence and fraud.
10 "On that day," declares the Lord,
"a cry will be heard from the Fish Gate,
a wail from the Second Quarter,
a loud crash from the hills.
11 Wail, O inhabitants of the Mortar!
For all the traders are no more;
all who weigh out silver are cut off.
12 At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps,
and I will punish the men
who are complacent,
those who say in their hearts,
'The Lord will not do good,
nor will he do ill.'
13 Their goods shall be plundered,
and their houses laid waste.
Though they build houses,
they shall not inhabit them;
though they plant vineyards,
they shall not drink wine from them."
14 The great day of the Lord is near,
near and hastening fast;
the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter;

the mighty man cries aloud there.
15 A day of wrath is that day,
a day of distress and anguish,
a day of ruin and devastation,
a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and thick darkness,
16 a day of trumpet blast and battle cry
against the fortified cities
and against the lofty battlements.

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

EPISTLE READING *1 Thessalonians 5:1–11*

1 Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you
have no need to have anything written to you. 2 For you yourselves
are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the
night. 3 While people are saying, “There is peace and security,” then
sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon
a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. 4 But you are not in
darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. 5 For you
are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or
of the darkness. 6 So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us
keep awake and be sober. 7 For those who sleep, sleep at night, and
those who get drunk, are drunk at night. 8 But since we belong to the
day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love,
and for a helmet the hope of salvation. 9 For God has not destined us
for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus
Christ, 10 who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we
might live with him. 11 Therefore encourage one another and build
one another up, just as you are doing.

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

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Please Rise

ALLELUIA AND VERSE *(Sung)* **LSB 205**

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

HOLY GOSPEL *Matthew 25:14–30*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.
C Glory to You, O Lord.

14[Jesus said:] “For it will be like a man going on a journey, who
called his servants and entrusted to them his property. 15To one he gave
five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability.
Then he went away. 16He who had received the five talents went at once
and traded with them, and he made five talents more. 17So also he who
had the two talents made two talents more. 18But he who had received the
one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master’s money. 19Now
after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts
with them. 20And he who had received the five talents came forward,
bringing five talents more, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to me five
talents; here I have made five talents more.’ 21His master said to him,
‘Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I
will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’ 22And he also
who had the two talents came forward, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to
me two talents; here I have made two talents more.’ 23His master said to
him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a
little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’ 24He also
who had received the one talent came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew
you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering

where you scattered no seed, [25]so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' [26]But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed and gather where I scattered no seed? [27]Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. [28]So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. [29]For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. [30]And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

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 "We Give Thee But Thine Own"
LSB #781, v. 1-6

1 We give Thee but Thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

2 May we Thy bounties thus
As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us,
To Thee our firstfruits give!

3 Oh, hearts are bruised and dead,
And homes are bare and cold,
And lambs for whom the Shepherd bled
Are straying from the fold.

4 To comfort and to bless,
To find a balm for woe,
To tend the lone and fatherless
Is angels' work below.

5 The captive to release,
To God the lost to bring,

To teach the way of life and peace,
It is a Christ-like thing.

6 And we believe Thy Word,
Though dim our faith may be:
Whate'er for Thine we do, O Lord,
We do it unto Thee.

SERMON "What Has He Put in Your Hands?"

OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Jesus, Priceless Treasure"
LSB #743, v. 1, 4

1 Jesus, priceless treasure,
Fount of purest pleasure,
Truest friend to me,
Ah, how long in anguish
Shall my spirit languish,
Yearning, Lord, for Thee?
Thou art mine, O Lamb divine!
I will suffer naught to hide Thee;
Naught I ask beside Thee.

4 Hence, all earthly treasure!
Jesus is my pleasure,
Jesus is my choice.
Hence, all empty glory!
Naught to me thy story
Told with tempting voice.
Pain or loss, Or shame or cross,
Shall not from my Savior move me
Since He deigns to love me.

PRAYER OVER THE HOUSEHOLD STEWARDSHIP PACKETS

P Gracious Father, bless these materials and the households who receive them. As we consider the gifts You have placed into our hands, keep our attention fixed upon Your greater gift to us in Jesus Christ. Grant us wisdom in our decisions, freedom from fear, and joy in supporting the work through which Your Gospel is proclaimed and our neighbors are served; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Please Rise

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*(After Pastor petitions with "*Lord of every gift,*" please respond with "***Make us faithful stewards.***")*

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE **LSB 208**

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 unto the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P Holy Father, we give You thanks because every good gift comes from Your gracious hand. Above all, You have given Your only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us upon the cross and rose again that we might receive forgiveness, life, and an inheritance that cannot perish. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all Your saints, we praise Your glorious name:

SANCTUS **LSB 208**

C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored; heav'n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name. Sing hosanna in

the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord; Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING **LSB 209**

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth. You give us our daily bread and sustain every moment of our lives. Yet Your greatest gift is Your Son, Jesus Christ, who took our poverty upon Himself that we might become rich in Your grace. As He now gives us His true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins, strengthen our faith in His promises. Free us from fear and self-reliance. Teach us to receive all things with thanksgiving and to use what You entrust to us in loving service to our neighbor, until Christ comes again in glory.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER *(Spoken)* **LSB 209**

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 **LSB 209**

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 209**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI *(Sing)* **LSB 210**

C O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.
O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, you take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, and grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Please Be Seated

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"What Gift Can We Bring"- Jane Marshall
Piano Solo

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"The Gifts Christ Freely Gives"
LSB #602, v. 1-6

1 The gifts Christ freely gives
He gives to you and me
To be His Church, His bride,
His chosen, saved and free!
Saints blest with these rich gifts
Are children who proclaim
That they were won by Christ
And cling to His strong name.

2 The gifts flow from the font
Where He calls us His own;
New life He gives that makes
Us His and His alone.

Here He forgives our sins
With water and His Word;
The triune God Himself
Gives pow'r to call Him Lord.

3 The gifts of grace and peace
From absolution flow;
The pastor's words are Christ's
For us to trust and know.
Forgiveness that we need
Is granted to us there;
The Lord of mercy sends
Us forth in His blest care.

4 The gifts are there each day
The holy Word is read;
God's children listen, hear,
Receive, and they are fed.
Christ fills them with Himself,
Blest words that give them life,
Restoring and refreshing
Them for this world's strife.

5 The gifts are in the feast,
Gifts far more than we see;
Beneath the bread and wine
Is food from Calvary.
The body and the blood
Remove our ev'ry sin;
We leave His presence in
His peace, renewed again.

6 All glory to the One
Who lavishes such love;

The triune God in love
Assures our life above.
His means of grace for us
Are gifts He loves to give;
All thanks and praise for His
Great love by which we live!

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"The Lamb"
LSB #547, v. 1-5

1 The Lamb, the Lamb,
O Father, where's the sacrifice?
Faith sees, believes
God will provide the Lamb of price! *Refrain*

Refrain Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me His own!
The Lamb is reigning on His throne!

2 The Lamb, the Lamb,
One perfect final offering.
The Lamb, the Lamb,
Let earth join heav'n His praise to sing. *Refrain*

3 The Lamb, the Lamb,
As wayward sheep their shepherd kill
So still, His will
On our behalf the Law to fill. *Refrain*

4 He sighs, He dies,
He takes my sin and wretchedness.
He lives, forgives,
He gives me His own righteousness. *Refrain*

5 He rose, He rose,
My heart with thanks now overflows.
His song prolong
Till ev'ry heart to Him belong. *Refrain*

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Please Rise

NUNC DIMITTUS *(Sing)* **LSB 211**

C O Lord, now let Your servant Depart in heav'nly peace, For I have seen the glory Of Your redeeming grace: A light to lead the Gentiles Unto Your holy hill, the glory of Your people, Your chosen Israel.

All glory to the Father, All glory to the Son, All glory to the Spirit, Forever Three in One; For as in the beginning, Is now, shall ever be, God's triune name resounding Through all eternity.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT **LSB 212**

P Let us pray.
Gracious Father, You have again placed into our hands and mouths the priceless treasure of Your Son's body and blood for our forgiveness. Strengthen us through this gift to live as thankful stewards of all You provide. Send us into our homes, vocations, congregation, and community ready to love our neighbors and faithfully use what You have entrusted to us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

BENEDICTION

P The Father, who gives every good gift, keep you in His grace.

C Amen.

P The Son †, who gave Himself for you and opened the Kingdom by His cross and resurrection, keep you in His peace.

C Amen.

P The Holy Spirit, who calls and equips you for lives of faith and service, make you faithful with everything God has placed into your hands.

C Amen.

P The blessing of Almighty God, the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit, remain with you always.

C Amen.

Please Be Seated

CLOSING HYMN "Take My Life and Let It Be"
LSB #783, v. 1, 4-6

1 Take my life and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

4 Take my silver and my gold,
Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect and use
Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it Thine,
It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is Thine own,
It shall be Thy royal throne.

6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour
At Thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee.

POSTLUDE "Allegretto" - Georg Bohm

THIS WEEK AT BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

Sunday, November 15th
8:30 AM Sunday Bible Study
9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal
10 AM Entrusted- Stewardship Sunday Worship
11:30 AM Fellowship
Monday, November 16th
12 PM LWML Women's Bible Study
Thursday, November 19th
4-7 PM La Mesa
4:30 PM Organ Stop Pizza
Sunday, November 22nd
8:30 AM Sunday Bible Study
9:30 AM Choir Rehearsal
10 AM For This Season- Stewardship Sunday Worship
11:30 AM Fellowship
11:30 AM Voter's Meeting- Budget

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Acolyte:	Leilani and Roman Anderson
Greeters:	Charlotte Grefe
Communion Elder:	Dawson Chatfield
Assisting Elder:	Don Calender
Altar:	Charlotte Grefe, Bobbie Littou, Dave Mendham

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 11-08-2026:
Sunday Bible Study— 9
Sunday Worship Service— 39
LWML Women's Bible Study— 6

La Mesa Attendance for 11-05-26
Meal— 180
Worship— 43

Income report for 11-08-2026
Designated Gifts: $73.00
Loose Plate: $100.00
Weekly Envelopes: $13,681.00
Total: $13,854.00

PRAYER LIST

For Healing:
Christy Bergman; Cindy Koch; Wendy Sievers; Debbie Jonas; Paul Beetham; Barbara Willford; Marianne Lemkau; 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; Karen

For Comfort:
Jan, the Safford family and the family of Donna Smiley;

In Thanksgiving:
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.*