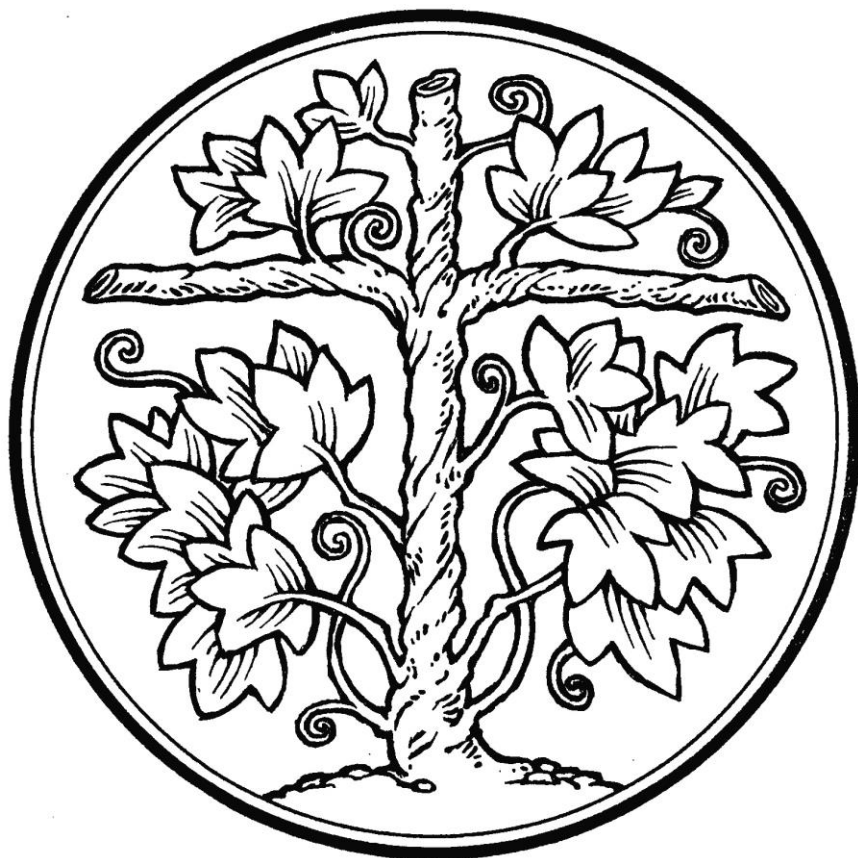


The Fifth Sunday of Easter



April 28, 2024



Beautiful Savior

Lutheran Church

**2605 NW 13th Street, Corvallis, OR
Sunday 10:15 AM**

Welcome to Beautiful Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church! We hope that our service today strengthens your faith and guides your life in service to our Lord.

Beautiful Savior is called "evangelical" because we are dedicated to preaching the gospel, the Word of God, in all of its truth and purity. We are Lutheran because we hold to the teachings of the Lutheran Confessions because they rightly explain the truth of God's Word and reject false teaching.

To Know God's Love, Beautiful Savior uses a form of the historic liturgy to guide our service because it proclaims the gospel and connects us to Christians of the past and around the world. Our entire service will be dedicated to teaching the truth of God's love.

To Show God's Love, we continue to meet together, carry each other's burdens, and encourage each other in Christian love.

To Share God's Love, we welcome all guests and hope you learn something about what God has done for you today. If you have any questions about this service or about our congregation, feel free to ask one of our members or speak to Pastor Tembreull. If you are willing, please fill out a connection card and put it in the offering plate, you can also sign the guestbook at the back of church. All our services are livestreamed for those who are separated from us by distance.

Prayer requests: If you would like to request a prayer in today's service, please speak with pastor or text your request to 5412316189. (You can also then check to make sure your phone is silenced.)

Prayer before Worship: God our Savior, we lift up our hearts to you when we cannot sleep and ask you to grant us rest. Forgive our sins, defeat our enemies, and lead us to delight in you because you have provided Jesus Christ our Lord, and that is all we need. Amen.

631 Speak, O Savior, I Am Listening

- 1 Speak, O Savior, I am list'ning, as a servant to
his lord. Let me show respect and honor
to your holy, precious Word,
that each day, my whole life through,
I may serve and follow you.
Let your Word e'er be my pleasure
and my heart's most precious treasure.
- 2 Oh, what blessing to be near you and to listen to
your voice; let me ever love and fear you,
let your Word still be my choice!
Many hardened sinners, Lord,
flee in terror at your Word;
but to all who feel sin's burden
you give peace and words of pardon.
- 3 Lord, your words are waters living where I
quench my thirsty needs. Lord, your words are
bread life-giving; on your words my spirit feeds.
Lord, your words will be my light
thro' death's cold and dreary night;
yes, they are my sword prevailing
and my cup of joy unailing.
- 4 As I pray, dear Jesus, hear me; let your words in
me take root. May your Spirit e'er be near me
that I bear abundant fruit.
May I daily sing your praise,
from my heart glad anthems raise,
till my highest praise is given
in the endless joy of heaven.

Stand

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

Amen.

Confession

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved you with my whole heart; I have not loved others as I should. I deserve your punishment both now and forever.

But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins with his innocent suffering and death.

Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Silence for meditation and reflection

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called 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.

Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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

Amen.

Glory to God in the Highest



Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo - ple on earth.




Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther. We



wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your



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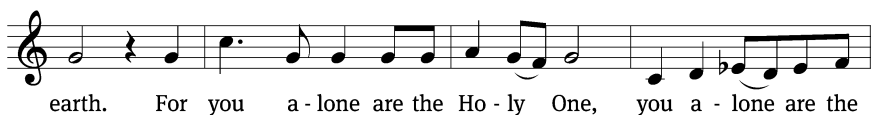
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Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,



with the Ho - ly Spir - it in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.



Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo-ple on earth.



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God.

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The Word

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. O God, you form the minds of your faithful people into a single will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that among the many changes of this world, our hearts may ever yearn for the lasting joys of heaven; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Be seated

First Reading

Acts 4:32–37 (EHV)

The whole group of believers was one in heart and soul. No one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they held everything in common. ³³The apostles continued to testify about the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ with great power, and abundant

grace was on all of them. ³⁴There was not a needy person among them. For from time to time those who were owners of lands or houses sold them, brought the proceeds received from what was sold, ³⁵and laid it at the apostles' feet. It was distributed to each one according to what anyone needed.

³⁶Joseph, who was called Barnabas by the apostles (which is translated "son of encouragement"), a Levite, a native of Cyprus, ³⁷sold a field that belonged to him. He brought the money and laid it at the apostles' feet.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 63

You, God, are my God, **earnestly I seek you;**
I thirst for you, **my whole being longs for you,**
in a dry and parched land
where there is no water.

I have seen you in the sanctuary
and beheld your power and your glory.

Because your love is better than life,
my lips will glorify you.

I will praise you as long as I live,
and in your name I will lift up my hands.

Because you are my help,
I sing in the shadow of your wings.
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.

Second Reading

1 John 3:18–24 (EHV)

Dear children, let us love not only with word or with our tongue, but also in action and truth.

¹⁹This is how we know that we are of the truth and how we will set our hearts at rest in his presence: ²⁰If our hearts condemn us, God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. ²¹Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God. ²²We also receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commands and do what is pleasing in his sight. ²³This then is his command: that we believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and that we love one another just as he commanded us. ²⁴The one who keeps his commands remains in God and God in him. This is how we know that he remains in us: We know it from the Spirit, whom he has given to us.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

John 15:5

Alleluia. I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit. Alleluia.

Gospel

John 15:1–8 (EHV)

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. ²Every branch in me that does not bear fruit, he is

going to cut off. And he prunes every branch that does bear fruit, so that it will bear more fruit.

³“You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. ⁴Remain in me, and I am going to remain in you. A branch cannot bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Likewise, you cannot bear fruit unless you remain in me.

⁵“I am the Vine; you are the branches. The one who remains in me and I in him is the one who bears much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. ⁶If anyone does not remain in me, he is thrown away like a branch and withers. Such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸My Father is glorified by this: that you continue to bear much fruit and prove to be my disciples.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

446 Jesus Christ, My Sure Defense

1 Jesus Christ, my sure defense
and my Savior, now is living!
Knowing this, my confidence
rests upon the hope he's giving,
though the night of death be fraught
still with many'—an anxious thought.

- 2 Jesus, my Redeemer, lives;
I, too, unto life shall waken.
Endless joy my Savior gives;
shall my courage then be shaken?
Shall I fear, or could the head
rise and leave his members dead?
- 3 No, too closely am I bound
unto him by hope forever;
faith's strong hand the rock has found,
grasped it, and will leave it never.
Even death now cannot part
from its Lord the trusting heart.
- 4 I am flesh and must return
unto dust, whence I am taken;
but by faith I now discern
that from death I shall awaken
with my Savior to abide
in his glory, at his side.
- 5 Glorified, I shall anew
with this flesh then be enshrouded;
in this body I shall view
God, my Lord, with eyes unclouded;
in this flesh I then shall see
Jesus Christ eternally.

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Sermon

1 John 3:18-24

Now What? Live in this Resurrection Reality

Stand

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the
Father Almighty. From there 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.**

Be seated

Offering

Guests do not need to feel obligated to give an offering; you are our guest and we are happy to share the gospel with you. Please consider filling out a Connection Card to place it in the offering plate.

Anyone who wants to request a special prayer can also text 5412316189 or place one of the green cards in the plate so that the congregation may join their hearts in praying for your need.

Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace. **Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.**

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase. **Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.**

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith. **Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.**

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws. **Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.**

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture. Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous. **Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.**

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity, []. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith. Have mercy on those for whom death draws near. **Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.**

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors, [1]. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness. **Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.**

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

Amen.

729 Son of God, Eternal Savior

- 1 Son of God, eternal Savior,
source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us,
hallows all our human race,
you our head, who, throned in glory,
for your own will ever plead:
fill us with your love and pity,
heal our wrongs and help our need.

- 2 Bind us all as one together
in your Church's sacred fold,
weak and healthy, poor and wealthy,
sad and joyful, young and old.
Is there want or pain or sorrow?
Make us all the burden share.
Are there spirits crushed and broken?
Teach us, Lord, to soothe their care.

- 3 As you, Lord, have lived for others,
so may we for others live.
Freely have your gifts been granted;
freely may your servants give.
Yours the gold and yours the silver,
yours the wealth of land and sea;
we but stewards of your bounty
held in solemn trust will be.
- 4 Son of God, eternal Savior,
source of life and truth and grace,
Word made flesh, whose birth among us
hallows all our human race,
by your praying, by your willing
that your people should be one,
grant, O grant our hope's fruition:
here on earth your will be done.

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Stand

Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious
to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and † give you
peace.
Amen.

513 In You Is Gladness

- 1 In you is gladness amid all sadness,
 Jesus, sunshine of my heart.
 By you are given the gifts of heaven,
 you the true Redeemer are.
 Our souls are waking, our bonds are breaking;
 who trusts you surely has built securely
 and stands forever. Alleluia!
 Our hearts are pining to see your shining,
 dying or living to you are clinging
 now and forever. Alleluia!
- 2 If he is ours, we fear no powers,
 not of earth or sin or death.
 He sees and blesses in worst distresses;
 he can change them with a breath.
 Wherefore the story tell of his glory
 with hearts and voices; all heav'n rejoices
 in him forever. Alleluia!
 We shout for gladness, win over sadness,
 love him and praise him
 and still shall raise him
 glad hymns forever. Alleluia!

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Ascension Service: 40 days after he rose from the dead, our Lord Jesus ascended to the right hand of God where he rules all things with power for us his church. We will celebrate this joyful day, May 9th at 6:30.

Bible Study continues each Sunday. Our Bible Study on the Lord's Supper, the Feast For You, is nearing its close. You can find these studies on our YouTube page. I do encourage you to give them a listen. If you have questions that arise as you watch, please ask Pastor Tembreull either in email or in person. He loves answering questions about God's Word.

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