

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 12, 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:

Lord, we praise you for rescuing us, averting accidents, sparing us from illness, and preserving our reputations against malicious accusers. Above all, we praise you for rescuing us from the accusations of Satan so that no sin can be charged against us. You defend your people, and we are grateful; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

605 From All That Dwell below the Skies

- 1 From all that dwell below the skies
let the Creator's praise arise.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Let the Redeemer's name be sung
through ev'ry land, by ev'ry tongue.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 Eternal are your mercies, Lord;
eternal truth attends your Word.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Your praise shall sound from shore to shore
till suns shall rise and set no more.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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Stand

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

Confession

CW 172

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.

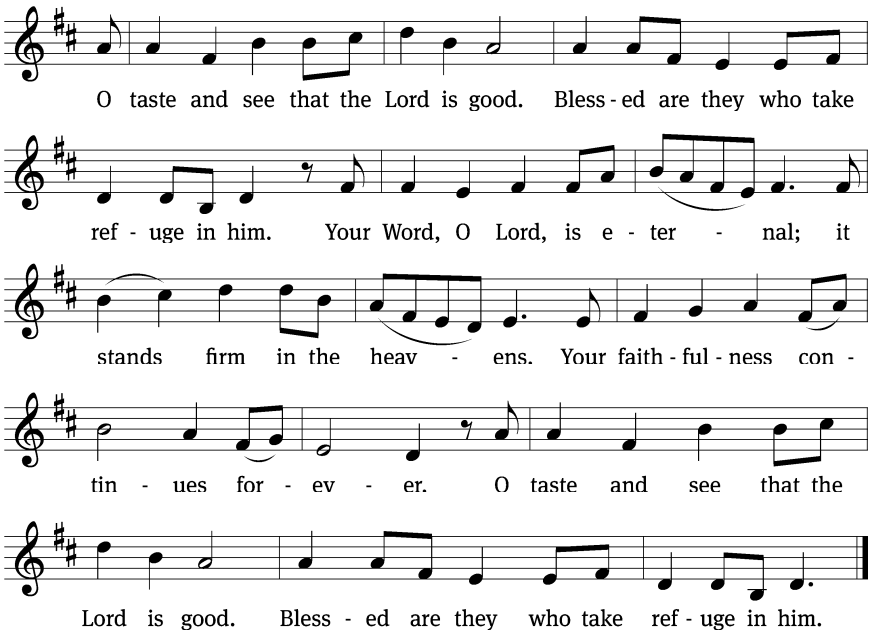
**Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by
nature and have sinned against you in my
thoughts, words, and actions. I have not loved
you with my whole heart; I have not loved
others as I should.**

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.**

965 O Taste and See



O taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless-ed are they who take
ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e - ter - nal; it
stands firm in the heav - ens. Your faith - ful - ness con -
tin - ues for - ev - er. O taste and see that the
Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

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Lord, Have Mercy

CW 174

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.

The Word

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

(EHV)

Let us pray. Almighty God, your Son our Savior was taken up in glory and intercedes for us at your right hand. Through your living and abiding Word, give us hearts to know him and faith to follow where he has gone; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Reading

Acts 6:1-9, 7:2a, 51-60 (EHV)

In those days, as the number of disciples was increasing, a complaint arose from the Greek-speaking Jews against the Hebrew-speaking Jews, because their widows were being overlooked in the daily distribution of food.

²So the Twelve called together the whole group of disciples and said, "It is not right for us to neglect the word of God in order to wait on tables. ³Brothers, carefully select from among you seven men with good reputations, who are full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom. We will put them in charge of this service. ⁴But we will devote ourselves to prayer and the ministry of the word."

⁵This proposal pleased the entire group. They chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, also Philip, Procorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicholas, a proselyte from Antioch.

⁶They had these men stand before the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

⁷The word of God kept on spreading, and the number of disciples in Jerusalem increased greatly. Also a large group of priests became obedient to the faith.

⁸Now Stephen, full of grace and power, was doing great wonders and miraculous signs among the people. ⁹Some men who were from what is called the Synagogue of the Freedmen (Cyrenians, Alexandrians, and some from Cilicia and Asia) rose up and disputed with Stephen.

^{7:2}Stephen said, "Gentlemen, brothers and fathers, listen!

⁵¹"You stiff-necked people, with uncircumcised hearts and ears! You always resist the Holy Spirit! You are doing just what your fathers did. ⁵²Which of the prophets did your fathers not persecute? They killed those who prophesied the coming of the Righteous One, and now you have become his betrayers and murderers—⁵³you who received the law as transmitted by angels, but did not keep it."

⁵⁴When they heard these things, they were furious and gnashed their teeth at him. ⁵⁵But Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed up into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶He said, "Look, I see heaven opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God."

⁵⁷But they screamed at the top of their voices, covered their ears, and rushed at him with one purpose in mind. ⁵⁸They threw him out of the city and stoned him. The witnesses laid their cloaks at the feet of a young man named Saul.

⁵⁹While they were stoning Stephen, he called out, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit!" ⁶⁰Then he fell to his knees and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." After he said this, he fell asleep.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

124C If God Had Not Been on Our Side



1 If God had not been on our side and had not
2 Their fu - rious wrath, did God per - mit, would sure - ly
3 Blest be the LORD, who foiled their threat that they could



come to aid us, our foes with all their pow'r and
have con - sumed us and as a deep and yawn - ing
not de - vour us. Our souls, like birds, es - caped their



pride would sure - ly have dis - mayed us, for we, his
pit with life and limb en - tombed us. A hell - ish
net; they could not o - ver - pow'r us. The snare is



flock, would have to fear the dev - il's wolves, both far and
storm would o'er us roll from Sa - tan, who de - sires our
bro - ken— we are free! Our help - er and our strength is



near, who rise in might a - gainst us.
soul and seeks to o - ver - whelm us.
he who made the earth and heav - ens.

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Second Reading

1 John 5:1–6 (EHV)

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the God who has given birth also loves one who has been born of him. ²This is how we know that we love the children of God: when we love God and keep his commands. ³In fact, this is love for God: that we keep

his commands. And his commands are not burdensome, ⁴because everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world: our faith. ⁵Who is the one who overcomes the world? Only the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.

⁶This is the one who came by water and blood: Jesus Christ. He did not come by the water alone but by the water and by the blood. The Spirit is the one who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Stand

Gospel Acclamation

John 14:18 (EHV)

Alleluia. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Alleluia.

Gospel

John 17:11b-19 (EHV)

“Holy Father, protect them by your name, which you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I kept those you gave me safe in your name. I protected them and not one of them was destroyed, except the son of destruction, so that the Scripture might be fulfilled.

¹³“But now I am coming to you, and I am saying these things in the world, so that they may be filled with my joy. ¹⁴I have given them your word. The world hated them, because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵I am not asking that you

take them out of the world, but that you protect them from the Evil One. ¹⁶They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world.

¹⁷“Sanctify them by the truth. Your word is truth. ¹⁸As you sent me into the world, I also sent them into the world. ¹⁹I sanctify myself for them, so they also may be sanctified by the truth.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

512 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

- 1 All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem
and crown him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem
and crown him Lord of all.
- 2 Crown him, ye martyrs of our God
who from his altar call;
extol the stem of Jesse's rod
and crown him Lord of all.
Extol the stem of Jesse's rod
and crown him Lord of all.
- 3 Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
ye ransomed from the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace
and crown him Lord of all.
Hail him who saves you by his grace
and crown him Lord of all.

- 4 Ye Gentile sinners, ne'er forget
the wormwood and the gall;
go spread your trophies at his feet
and crown him Lord of all.
Go spread your trophies at his feet
and crown him Lord of all.
- 5 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe
on this terrestrial ball
to him all majesty ascribe
and crown him Lord of all.
To him all majesty ascribe
and crown him Lord of all.
- 6 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
we at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song
and crown him Lord of all.
We'll join the everlasting song
and crown him Lord of all.

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Sermon

1 John 5:1-6

(Re)Born to Overcome the World

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

O Lord, our God most high, you have ascended amid shouts of joy. You, Lord, are awesome. **You are the great king over all the earth.**

You have ascended on high, and have given gifts to your people. Equip us for service to one another, that we may build up your body with strength and numbers, and proclaim your truth in love. You, Lord, are awesome. **You are the great king over all the earth.**

Join your church together as one body, grow it and built it up in love. Send us forth as the members of your body to do your work on earth. You, Lord, are awesome. **You are the great king over all the earth.**

Open our minds so that we can understand the Scriptures. Open our lips to proclaim repentance and forgiveness in your name to people near and far. You, Lord, are awesome. **You are the great king over all the earth.**

You are our living Lord, sitting at the right hand of your Father, governing all things for the good of your church. You have not left us as orphans, but have given us your Word and your Spirit. Restore joy to your people with the Word of your resurrection and ascension. You, Lord, are awesome. **You are the great king over all the earth.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

Almighty God and Father, grant that we may set our minds on heavenly things, and that we may be heavenly minded, since we believe that your only

Son, our Savior Jesus Christ has ascended into heaven, and that when he comes again, he will take us to himself in heaven; through our dear Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one true God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

839 Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

- 1 Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
let me hide myself in thee;
let the water and the blood,
from thy riven side which flowed,
be of sin the double cure:
cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
- 2 Not the labors of my hands
can fulfill thy law's demands;
could my zeal no respite know,
could my tears forever flow,
all for sin could not atone;
thou must save and thou alone.
- 3 Nothing in my hand I bring,
simply to thy cross I cling;
naked, come to thee for dress,
helpless, look to thee for grace;
foul, I to the fountain fly;
wash me, Savior, or I die.
- 4 While I draw this fleeting breath,
when mine eyelids close in death,
when I soar to worlds unknown,
see thee on thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
let me hide myself in thee.

Stand

Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart that, being strengthened and comforted by your holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life; 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.

730 Blest Be the Tie That Binds

- 1 Blest be the tie that binds
our hearts in Christian love;
the fellowship of kindred minds
is like to that above.
- 2 Before our Father's throne
we pour our ardent prayers;
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
our comforts and our cares.
- 3 We share our mutual woes,
our mutual burdens bear,
and often for each other flows
the sympathizing tear.
- 4 When here our pathways part,
we suffer bitter pain;
yet, one in Christ and one in heart,
we hope to meet again.
- 5 From sorrow, toil, and pain,
and sin we shall be free
and perfect love and friendship reign
through all eternity.

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Door offering: St. Paul encourages us in Galatians 5, “Let us not become weary of doing good...so then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, and especially to those who belong to the household of faith.” Injuries have taken away Nathan Domer’s ability to work. The council approved financial assistance to help him; however, to further assist him in this time of need we will collect a door offering this week and next.

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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