

**PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW!**

**BIRTHDAYS**

5/10 - Sharon Leriche

**BAPTISMS**

~ None this week ~

**Wedding Anniversaries**

~ None this week ~

**Active Military**

John Ayres, (Niehaus), Michael Hathaway, Travis Hodge (Woebr),  
Devin Linhardt, James Parkman (Pitts), Curtis Wright

**Away at College**

Alison Decker, Wilson Decker, Kate Mullins

**CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP:** (Christ living in His people)

Last Sunday worship attn: 48 (Facebook: 6)

Sunday worship average - 2026: 52

Bible class attn: Sun - 22; Wed - na

Total general offering received - 2026: \$74,477.00

Amount needed to meet 2026 Budget: \$190,000.00

**SERVING OUR LORD**

	May 10	May 17
Altar Guild	Marlene Muraski Kathy Leonard	Marie Woodcock Marilyn Sims
Elder	Bill Crichton	Bob Mullins
Counter	Sally Lane; Rebecca Wegman	Christine Foelsing Rayna Enloe
Fellowship	Dan & Marie Woodcock	Harry & Regi Grodie
Musician	Anita Tissi	Elizabeth Kusterer
Greeter	Sharon Leriche	Marilyn Sims
Sound & Lights	Tim Decker; Bob Mullins	Tim Decker; Bob Mullins
Usher	2	3

**Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church**

12397 Natural Bridge Rd., Bridgeton, MO 63044  
Church (314) 291-2395

May 10, 2026

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**



Chimes: "Joyful, Joyful We Adore You"

**Hymn of Invocation -**

LSB #490- "Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won"

Stand

LSB 184

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✝}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** **A - men.** Matthew 28:19B; [18:20]

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.  
Hebrews 10:22

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**C** **who made heaven and earth.** Psalm 124:8

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,  
**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.** Psalm 32:5

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

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,  
**C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**P** ABSOLUTION [John 20:19-23] LSB 185

**C** [♪] **A - men.**

Stand

LSB 260

**P** This is the day which the Lord has made;  
**C** **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Psalm 118:24

**P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
**C** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

Psalm 113:3

**P** Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;  
**C** **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.**

**P** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.  
**C** **Teach me Your paths.**

**P** Sanctify us in Your truth  
**C** **Your Word is truth.**

**P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
**C** **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

**C** **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**

### Old Testament Canticle

LSB 261

*Refrain*

**C** The Lord God is my strength and my song, and  
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.  
With joy will you draw wa - ter from the  
wells of sal - va - tion. And you will say in that

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** If you would like to celebrate a special event with flowers for the altar, please see the new sign up chart on the wall in the atrium. The cost is \$17.50 for one vase, or \$35.00 for both. Please indicate if you would like to take the flowers home with you after the worship service. To pay: make a check payable to Beautiful Savior and mark for "Altar Flowers."



### YOUR WEEK WITH THE LORD

Sun.	10		<b>SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> <i>Mother's Day</i>
		9:00 am	<b>WORSHIP</b>
		10:30 am	<i>Bible Class &amp; Sunday School</i>
Mon.	11		
Tue.	12		
Wed.	13	10:00 am	Bible Study
		7:00 pm	<i>Narcotics Anonymous</i>
Thur	14	10:15 am	<i>Chair Yoga</i>
		6:00 pm	<b>VBS MEETING</b>
Fri.	15		<b>Narcotics Anonymous</b>
Sat.	16	7:00 pm	<i>Narcotics' Anonymous</i>
Sun.	17		<b>SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>
		9:00 am	<b>WORSHIP [C]</b>
		10:30 am	<i>Bible Class &amp; Sunday School</i>

### **BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMS)**

12397 Natural Bridge Rd, Bridgeton, MO 63044  
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web site: bsclcms.org email: beautifulsavior1@sbcglobal.net

*Sunday worship: 9:00 am; Sunday School/Bible Class 10:30 am*

President: Tim Decker Head Elder: Bill Crichton  
Pastor Tim Ostermeyer (314-650-2997)  
Office Manager: Lisa Sylvester

## Next Sunday's Scripture Readings

Acts 1:12-26; 1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11; John 17:1-11

**REMINDER!** There will be a **Vacation Bible School** meeting on Thursday evening at 7:00 pm for all volunteers to get together and work through the details. Talk to Marlene Muraski if you have questions.

**FEED THE HUNGRY results:** Last Wednesday, volunteers put together **389** lunches for the hungry around St. Patrick Center downtown. Come join us again on **Wednesday, June 3rd** - we could use your help! **Thank you** to all who helped this effort in the name of the Lord Jesus!

## **NEXT SUNDAY IS FOOD SUNDAY!**

Community Helping Ministries (CHM) in Bridgeton is seeking help with restocking their food pantry. **Especially needed: pasta noodles and rice**, along with peanut butter, canned veggies soups, stews and potato mixes, dinner mixes (*tuna/hamburger helper*). Please place your donations beside the altar before worship. Thank you!



Help support Idonis (Donny) King, a recent graduate from Concordia Seminary with a Call to serve as Missionary to the City; Our City—St. Louis! Reaching out and connecting people to Jesus is one of the important things that will make St. Louis even better. Donny is the perfect fit, because Donny is great with people. He sees people for who they are, children of God, and he treats them that way. Donny is also one of a growing number of pastors and leaders in St. Louis that are joining together to find new ways to reach out to all those people who come from many different places, all of who need a Savior. To help support this Ministry, use the special envelopes on the table in the atrium. Checks should be made payable to Beautiful Savior.

“If you’re a single parent, don’t count yourself out ... If you’re widowed or divorced, don’t count yourself out. If you’ve never married, don’t count yourself out. We sinners are all in this together. We want to see the relevance of faith for our daily lives. We hear the religious talk and we humbly ask, ‘How does this apply to me?’ The answer is that the glory of Christ’s resurrection is for us all. It continues in the message of forgiveness and hope we experience each time we gather together.” *Rev. Dr. Dale Meyer, Speaker Emeritus of “The Lutheran Hour” – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*



day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call up-on His name,  
make known His deeds a-mong the peo-ple, pro-  
claim that His name is ex-alt-ed."  
*Refrain*  
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and  
He has be-come my sal-va-tion.  
Sing prais-es to the Lord, for He has done  
glo-rious-ly; let this be made known in all the  
earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O in-  
hab-i-tants of Zi-on, for great in your midst is the  
Ho-ly One of Is-ra-el.  
*Refrain*  
The Lord God is my strength and my song, and

He has be - come my sal - va - tion.  
 Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son  
 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;  
 as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will  
 be for - ev - er. A - men.  
*Refrain*  
 The Lord God is my strength and my song, and  
 He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

### Introit

LSB186

Your Word is a lamp to my feet **and a light to my path.**  
 Forever, O LORD, Your Word **is firmly fixed in the heavens.** Your  
 faithfulness endures to all generations; **You have established the  
 earth, and it stands fast.** By Your appointment they stand this day,  
**for all things are Your servants.** If Your law had not been my de-  
 light, **I would have perished in my affliction.** I will never forget  
 Your precepts, **for by them You have given me life.**  
 Your Word is a lamp to my feet **and a light to my path.**

### Salutation and Collect of the Day 2 Timothy 4:22 LSB 189

- P** The Lord be with you.
- G** [♪] **And with thy spirit**

**P** Let us pray. O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy  
 inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right

### Comfort and Hope in God's Steadfast Love

*"Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!" (Ps 118:1 ESV)*

Psalm 118 is a song of triumph and trust, a hymn of thanksgiving that resonates deeply with God's children, pointing us to the comfort and hope found in God's unchanging love and His saving work through Jesus Christ. As we meditate on this psalm, we are reminded that, no matter the trials we face, God's steadfast love is our refuge and our reason for hope.

The psalmist begins and ends with a call to give thanks for God's goodness and His *hesed*—His steadfast, covenantal love that never fails (vv. 1, 29). This love is most fully revealed in the cross of Christ. When the psalmist declares, "The Lord is on my side; I will not fear. What can man do to me?" (v. 6), we hear echoes of the confidence we have through faith in Christ. Sin, death, and the devil have no ultimate power over us because Jesus has conquered them all. In our moments of fear, doubt, or sorrow, this truth brings profound comfort: God is for us, and His love will never abandon us.

Martin Luther himself often turned to the Psalms for comfort, especially in times of trial. He understood that our salvation rests not on our own strength but on God's grace alone. Psalm 118:14 proclaims, "The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation." This is the heart of the Gospel: Christ, our salvation, is God's gift to us, received through faith. When we feel weak or overwhelmed, we can rest in the assurance that Jesus is our strength, carrying us through every storm.

The psalmist reflects on times of distress, saying, "Out of my distress I called on the Lord; the Lord answered me and set me free" (v. 5). This verse invites us to recall God's faithfulness in our own lives—how He has delivered us in the past and promises to do so again. This hope is anchored in the resurrection of Jesus, "The stone that the builders rejected" (v. 22), who has become the cornerstone of our faith. Christ's victory over death assures us that no suffering is final, and no darkness can overcome His light.

In our daily lives, we may face rejection, loss, or uncertainty, but Psalm 118 reminds us that God's plan is greater than human failure. The rejected stone—Jesus—has become the foundation of our hope. As Lutherans, we cling to the promise of the Gospel: through Baptism, we are united to Christ's death and resurrection, and through the Lord's Supper, we receive His body and blood for forgiveness and strength. These means of grace sustain us, giving us hope to face each day with courage.

Psalm 118 calls us to live in gratitude: "This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it" (v. 24). Each day is a gift from God, an opportunity to trust in His mercy and share His love with others. We are called to respond to God's grace with lives of worship and service, knowing that our salvation is secure in Christ. Even in the midst of trials, we can say with the psalmist, "I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord" (v. 17). Our hope is not in our circumstances but in the God who has redeemed us.

*Rev. Brian K. Thieme  
 Pastor, Trinity Lutheran Church, Columbia, Mo.  
 Missouri District*



# Vacation Bible School

July 13-15, 2026

6:00 - 8:30 pm

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church

12397 Natural Bridge Road

Bridgeton, MO 63044

314-291-2395



Please pray for our Vacation Bible School program.

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and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** [♪] A - men.

Sit

## First Reading

Acts 17:16-31

<sup>16</sup>Now while Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. <sup>17</sup>So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. <sup>18</sup>Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, "What does this babbler wish to say?" Others said, "He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities"—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. <sup>19</sup>And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, "May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting?" <sup>20</sup>For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean." <sup>21</sup>Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

<sup>22</sup>So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: "Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. <sup>23</sup>For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, 'To the unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. <sup>24</sup>The God Who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, <sup>25</sup>nor is He served by human hands, as though He needed anything, since He Himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. <sup>26</sup>And He made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, <sup>27</sup>that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward Him and find Him. Yet He is actually not far from each one of us, <sup>28</sup>for **"In Him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said, "For we are indeed His offspring."** <sup>29</sup>Being then God's offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. <sup>30</sup>The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now He commands all people everywhere to repent, <sup>31</sup>because He has fixed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by a Man Whom He has appointed; and of this He has given assurance to all by raising Him from the dead."

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

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## Epistle

### 1 Peter 3:13-22

<sup>13</sup>Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? <sup>14</sup>But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, <sup>15</sup>but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; <sup>16</sup>yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. <sup>17</sup>For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

<sup>18</sup>For Christ also suffered once for sins, the Righteous for the unrighteous, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the Spirit, <sup>19</sup>in Which He went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, <sup>20</sup>because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. <sup>21</sup>Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, <sup>22</sup>Who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to Him.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

### Hymn:

LSB #594 - "God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It"

*Stand*

## Gospel

### John 14:15-21

**P** The Holy Gospel according to John, the fourteenth chapter.

**C** **[J]** **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>15</sup>[Jesus said:] "If you love Me, you will keep My commandments.

<sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, <sup>17</sup>even the Spirit of truth, Whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him. You know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.

<sup>18</sup>"I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. <sup>19</sup>Yet a little while and the world will see Me no more, but you will see Me. Because I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup>In that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup>Whoever has My commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves Me. And he

lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to  
sin and a - live to God in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.  
*Refrain*  
Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -  
lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## Salutation and Benedicamus

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **[J]** **And with thy spirit.**

**P** Bless we the Lord.

**C** **[J]** **Thanks be to God.**

LSB 201  
2 Timothy 4:22

Psalm 103:1

## Benediction (with choir)

[Numbers 6:24-26]

LSB 202

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you  
and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you  
and give you peace.

**C** **[J]** **A - men; A - men; A - - men.**

## Closing Hymn:

LSB #805 - "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Sit*

## Announcements and Dismissal



**New Testament Canticle**

LSB 266

*Refrain*

**C** Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.

Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.

Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.

*Refrain*

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He

who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** [♪] **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

**Responsory**

LSB 221

*Verse* *To Refrain*

**L** 1 Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.  
 2 Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.  
 3 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

*Refrain*

**C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glo-ry dwells.

**Apostles' Creed**

LSB 264

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

And 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.

And 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.

*Sit*

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

**Sermon Hymn:**  
 LSB #578 - "Thy Strong Word"

**SERMON**

*Stand*

**P** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Amen.

*Philippians 4:7*

**C** [*♪*] **Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.**

**Peace \* Offering \* Attendance**

**Hymn:**

LSB #821- "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

**Prayer of the Church**

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

**L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, especially...*Linda Wehmeyer, Marie Woodcock, Judy Middendorf, Kathy Leonard, Gayle Kramer, Jim Farr, Doug Green, Carrie Borsa, Denise, Janice Martin, Fran Neuzil, Russell Maxwell, Bill, Mark, Preston Pooumbus, Kristina Crichton, Jerry Hahn, Kristin Rogers, Carol Geisler, Nancy, Allison, Travis Brown, Roy Anders, Stan & Dorothy Barsky, Nickie, Sandy, John Morgan, LeRoy & Fran Ettlting, Dee Uebel*

let us pray to the Lord:

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

**Lord's Prayer**

[Matthew 6:9-13]

LSB 264

**P** 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.

**C** [*♪*] **For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. A - men.**

*Stand*

**Collect for the Word**

LSB 265

**P** Blessed Lord, You have caused All Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **A - men.**

**Morning Prayer**

LSB 266

**C** **I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.**