

IN THE SHADOW OF THE CROSS  
**WE ARE RAISED  
FROM DEATH TO LIFE**

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**CLOSING HYMN — 606**

*For Me to Live Is Jesus*



1 For me to live is Je - sus; To  
2 For Christ, my Lord and broth - er, I  
3 My woes are near - ly o - ver Though  
4 In my last hour, oh, grant me A  
5 A - men! For Christ my Sav - ior Will



die is gain for me. So, when my Sav - ior  
leave this world so dim And glad - ly seek an -  
long and dark the road; My sin his mer - its  
slum - ber soft and still, No doubts to vex or  
grant this un - to me. Your Spir - it lead me



pleas - es, I meet death will - ing - ly.  
oth - er, Where I shall be with him.  
cov - er, And I have peace with God.  
haunt me, Safe an - chored in your will.  
ev - er That I fare hap - pi - ly.

## CLOSING PRAYER

M: We give you thanks, O Lord,  
for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet  
that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament.  
Through this gift you have fed our faith,  
nourished our hope,  
and strengthened our love.  
By your Spirit help us to live as your holy people  
until that day when you will receive us as your guests  
at the wedding supper of the Lamb,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

## THE BLESSING

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace.  
Live in harmony with one another.  
Serve the Lord with gladness.  
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.

C: Amen.

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## WORSHIP NOTES

### THE SEASON OF LENT

The word Lent comes from an Old English word for Spring ("lengten," the time of the year when the days grow longer). For the last 1700 years, the Church has set aside the 40 days between Ash Wednesday and Easter as a time of special preparation. It is a time of repentance and renewal.



During Lent, our rejoicing is muted as we remember our Lord's suffering and death. But it is with a purpose: we know that the Lord who died took up his life again on Easter Sunday morning. So our 40 days of Lent are ones lived in the certain hope of the resurrection.

The color of the season is purple. Purple is the ancient color of royalty. We have this kind of king: he wore a crown of thorns, and carried a cross for us. Thanks be to God!

For the precise counters in the congregation, the Church speaks of only 40 days of Lent because we do not count the Sundays, which retained their significance as "little Easters." That is why they are called "Sundays *in* Lent" and not "Sundays *of* Lent."

So we walk through this Lenten season, solemn but hopeful. We walk *in the shadow of the cross*. Our worship follows this pattern.

#### IN THE SHADOW OF THE CROSS

*The devil is defeated*

*The gift comes by faith*

*The blind can finally see*

*Selfishness is crushed*

*We are raised from death to life*

*King Jesus humbly walked*

### OUR THEME FOR TODAY

*We are raised from death to life.* Inside every person's heart burns a big question. What happens when we die? You cannot find the answer to that question in a laboratory or philosophy textbook. But the Lord of Life has an answer for us. Death is not the end. It is only temporary. But just as our Savior uses his almighty power to raise us from spiritual corpses (unbelief) to spiritual life (faith), so also with his word Jesus will raise our bodies as well. He proves he can do that in the Gospel.

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# AN ORDER OF SERVICE FOR LENT

*By combining a unique confession of sins, a traditional Lenten confession of faith, and carefully chosen lessons, this order of service allows the believer to come to a full awareness of the seriousness of his or her sin, and also to joyfully remember the source of its cure.*

## ✠ The Gathering ✠

### GATHERING SONG

M: (verse 1 — sung)

God of creation,  
Giver of life,  
be the light in our darkness;  
grant us peace in our strife.  
Show us your mercy.  
Give us new birth.  
You have made us your children  
to bear fruit on the earth.

(to Kyrie, verse 1)

M: (verse 2 — sung)

Lord, our Redeemer,  
Healer of souls,  
be the hope that restores us.  
With your touch make us whole.  
Here you speak to us  
through holy Word.  
Send your Spirit among us  
that your voice may be heard.

(to Kyrie, verse 2)

M: (verse 3 — sung)

Spirit, most holy,  
Comforter blest,  
be the fire that consumes us  
and our hearts' welcome guest.  
Form us. Renew us.  
Call us by name.  
Raise us up from the ashes  
and create us again.

(to Kyrie, verse 3)

6 Thou has suffered great affliction  
And hast borne it patiently,  
Even death by crucifixion,  
Fully to atone for me.  
Thou didst choose to be tormented  
That my doom should be prevented.  
Thousand, thousand thanks shall be,  
Dearest Jesus, unto thee.

7 Then, for all that wrought my pardon,  
For thy sorrows deep and sore,  
For thine anguish in the garden,  
I will thank thee evermore,  
Thank thee for thy groaning, sighing,  
For thy bleeding and thy dying,  
For that last triumphant cry,  
And shall praise thee, Lord, on high.

### HYMN 309

### *Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord*



1 Draw near and take the bod - y of the Lord,  
2 He that his saints in this world rules and shields  
3 Come for - ward, then, with faith - ful hearts sin - cere,



And drink the ho - ly blood for you out - poured.  
To all be - liev - ers life e - ter - nal yields,  
And take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here.



Of - fered was he for great - est and for least,  
With heav'n - ly bread makes them that hun - ger whole,  
Be - fore your al - tar, Lord, your ser - vants bow;



Him - self the vic - tim and him - self the priest.  
Gives liv - ing wa - ters to the thirs - ty soul.  
In this your feast of love be with us now.

**DISTRIBUTION —** After the first group of communicants receives the Lord's Supper, the congregation will join in singing the distribution hymns:

**HYMN 114**

***Christ, the Life of All the Living***



1 Christ, the Life of all the liv - ing, Christ, the Death of  
 2 Thou, ah, thou hast tak - en on thee Bonds and stripes, a  
 3 Thou hast borne the smit - ing on - ly That my wounds might  
 4 Heart - less scof - fers did sur - round thee, Treat - ing thee with  
 5 Thou hast suf - fered men to bruise thee That from pain I



death, our foe, Who, thy - self for me once giv - ing  
 cru - el rod; Pain and scorn were heaped up - on thee,  
 all be whole; Thou hast suf - fered, sad and lone - ly,  
 cru - el scorn, And with pierc - ing thorns they crowned thee.  
 might be free; False - ly did thy foes ac - cuse thee—



To the dark - est depths of woe— Through thy suf - f'ings,  
 O thou sin - less Son of God! Thus didst thou my  
 Rest to give my wea - ry soul; Yea, the curse of  
 All dis - grace thou, Lord, hast borne That as thine thou  
 Thence I gain se - cu - ri - ty. Com - fort - less thy



death, and mer - it I e - ter - nal life in - her - it.  
 soul de - liv - er From the bonds of sin for - ev - er.  
 God en - dur - ing, Bless - ing un - to me se - cur - ing.  
 might - est own me And with heav'n - ly glo - ry crown me.  
 soul did lan - guish Me to com - fort in my an - guish.

*Refrain*



Thou - sand, thou - sand thanks shall be, Dear - est Je - sus, un - to thee.

**KYRIE<sup>1</sup>**



**ALL:**  
 1. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son,  
 2. Chri - ste e - le - i - son,  
 3. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son,



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son,  
 Chri - ste e - le - i - son,  
 Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son,



Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky - ri -  
 Chri - ste e - le - i - son, Chri -  
 Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky - ri -



e e - le - i - son.  
 ste e - le - i - son.  
 e e - le - i - son.

**INVOCATION**

**M:** The grace of our Lord † Jesus Christ,  
 And the love of God,  
 And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C:** And also with you.

<sup>1</sup> The *Kyrie* is one of the oldest prayers in the Christian church. *Kyrie eleison* means "Lord, have mercy." It is pronounced *keer-ree-ay eh-lay-i-zon*. *Christe eleison* means "Christ, have mercy." It is pronounced *chrees-stay eh-lay-i-zon*.

## PENITENTIAL RITE

M: Coming together as one people,  
we remember the times  
when we have failed to live the Gospel call.  
We ask for the mercy of God,  
who is full of gentleness and love.

M: (sung) Lord Jesus Christ, your word has great power,  
raising up a nation.

ALL:

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky - ri -  
e e - le - i - son.

M: (sung) Lord Jesus Christ, you give us the Spirit.  
Put to death our misdeeds.

ALL:

Chri - ste e - le - i - son, Chri -  
ste e - le - i - son.

M: (sung) Lord Jesus Christ, you are resurrection.  
You alone can give life.

ALL:

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky - ri -  
e e - le - i - son.

After a brief musical introduction, the congregation joins in singing "Oh Christ, Lamb of God."  
While the congregation is singing this canticle, the usher will direct the first table of communicants to  
come forward.

## O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD *Agnus Dei*

John 1:29

C:

O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. O  
Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. O  
Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us your peace. A -  
men. A - men.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my ☩ body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my ☩ blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.



M: God Almighty has had mercy on us,  
forgiven us our sins for the sake of Jesus ☩ Christ,  
and opened to us life everlasting.

C: Amen.

M: (*sung*)

Up from the ashes  
we now arise,  
and return to our Maker  
who has answered our cries.  
Knowing God’s mercy  
we now stand healed,  
for in Jesus our Savior  
perfect love is revealed.

ALL:

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son,  
Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son,  
Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, Ky-ri -  
e e - le - i - son. <sup>2</sup>

<sup>2</sup> One might ask, “If the minister just proclaimed that my sins were forgiven, why would I sing ‘Lord, have mercy’ again?” It is meant to remind us that we not only need God’s mercy for forgiveness, but we also need it on an ongoing basis, that God might supply all our daily needs.

✠ **The Word** ✠

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

M: Eternal God and Father,  
help us to remember Jesus, who obeyed your will  
and bore the cross for our salvation  
that through his anguish, pain, and death  
we may receive forgiveness of sins and inherit eternal life;  
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.



*After a brief musical introduction, the congregation sings "Holy, Holy, Holy."*

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**  
*Sanctus*

*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*

C:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er,  
God of might: heav'n and earth are full of your glo -  
ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless -  
ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san -  
na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



## ✠ The Sacrament ✠



We follow the historic Christian practice of *close communion*. We ask that only members of Beautiful Savior Lutheran or one of our sister congregations partake of the sacrament. If you are not a member, please speak to one of the pastors before communing.

### OPENING SENTENCES

M: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them up to the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is good and right so to do.**

M: It is truly good and right  
that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks,  
O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
who brought the gift of salvation to all people  
by his death on the tree of the cross,  
so that the devil, who overcame us by a tree  
would in turn by a tree be overcome.  
Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven,  
we praise your holy name and join their glorious song.

<sup>1</sup> The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the LORD and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. <sup>2</sup> He led me back and forth among them, and I saw a great many bones on the floor of the valley, bones that were very dry. <sup>3</sup> He asked me, "Son of man, can these bones live?"

I said, "O Sovereign LORD, you alone know."

<sup>4</sup> Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones and say to them, 'Dry bones, hear the word of the LORD!' <sup>5</sup> This is what the Sovereign LORD says to these bones: I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life. <sup>6</sup> I will attach tendons to you and make flesh come upon you and cover you with skin; I will put breath in you, and you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the LORD.' "

<sup>7</sup> So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I was prophesying, there was a noise, a rattling sound, and the bones came together, bone to bone. <sup>8</sup> I looked, and tendons and flesh appeared on them and skin covered them, but there was no breath in them.

<sup>9</sup> Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to it, 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe into these slain, that they may live.' "

<sup>10</sup> So I prophesied as he commanded me, and breath entered them; they came to life and stood up on their feet—a vast army.

<sup>11</sup> Then he said to me: "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up and our hope is gone; we are cut off.' <sup>12</sup> Therefore prophesy and say to them: 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: O my people, I am going to open your graves and bring you up from them; I will bring you back to the land of Israel. <sup>13</sup> Then you, my people, will know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves and bring you up from them. <sup>14</sup> I will put my Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the LORD have spoken, and I have done it, declares the LORD.' "



## PSALM OF THE DAY

M: I love the Lord, for he heard my voice;

**C: he heard my cry for mercy.**

M: Because he turned his ear to me,

**C: I will call on him as long as I live.**

M: The Lord is gracious and righteous;

**C: our God is full of compassion.**

M: The Lord protects the unwary;

**C: when I was brought low, he saved me.**

M: Return to your rest, my soul,

**C: for the Lord has been good to you.**

M: For you, Lord, have delivered me from death,

**C: my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling,**

M: that I may walk before the Lord

**C: in the land of the living.**

M: What shall I return to the Lord for all his goodness to me?

**C: I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.**

M: I will fulfill my vows to the Lord

**C: in the presence of all his people.**

M: I will sacrifice a thank offering to you

**C: and call on the name of the Lord. Praise the Lord!**

## Psalm 116

### ✠ The Prayers ✠

#### THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

*Prayers and petitions are offered on behalf of the Church*

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

*Silent prayer*

M: Into your hands, Father, we place ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

**C: Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.  
Amen.**



## SERMON

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

### *The Nicene Creed*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of his Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.  
He suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He shall come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, and giver of Life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the body and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.

## THANK OFFERING

## SECOND LESSON

## Romans 8:11-19

<sup>11</sup>And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit, who lives in you.

<sup>12</sup>Therefore, brothers, we have an obligation—but it is not to the sinful nature, to live according to it.

<sup>13</sup>For if you live according to the sinful nature, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live, <sup>14</sup>because those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.

<sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father." <sup>16</sup>The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. <sup>17</sup>Now if we are children, then we are heirs— heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

<sup>18</sup>I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. <sup>19</sup>The creation waits in eager expectation for the sons of God to be revealed.



## VERSE OF THE DAY

## Mark 10:45

*M: Refrain*

*C: Refrain*



*M:* The Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve and to give his life as a ransom.

*C: Refrain (sung twice)*

<sup>17</sup>On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. <sup>18</sup>Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, <sup>19</sup>and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. <sup>20</sup>When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home.

<sup>21</sup>"Lord," Martha said to Jesus, "if you had been here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup>But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask."

<sup>23</sup>Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again."

<sup>24</sup>Martha answered, "I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day."

<sup>25</sup>Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; <sup>26</sup>and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

<sup>27</sup>"Yes, Lord," she told him, "I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who was to come into the world."

<sup>38</sup>Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. <sup>39</sup>"Take away the stone," he said.

"But, Lord," said Martha, the sister of the dead man, "by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days."

<sup>40</sup>Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?"

<sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. <sup>42</sup>I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me."

<sup>43</sup>When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup>The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face.

Jesus said to them, "Take off the grave clothes and let him go."

<sup>45</sup>Therefore many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.



M: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!



1 My song is love un - known, My Sav - ior's love to  
 2 He came from his blest throne Sal - va - tion to be -  
 3 Some - times they strew his way And his sweet prais - es  
 4 Why? What has my Lord done? What makes this rage and  
 5 They rise and needs will have My dear Lord made a -



me, Love to the love - less shown That they might  
 stow, But such dis - dain! So few The longed - for  
 sing, Re - sound - ing all the day Ho - san - nas  
 spite? He made the lame to run; He gave the  
 way. A mur - der - er they save; The Prince of



love - ly be. Oh, who am I That for my  
 Christ would know! But oh, my friend, My friend in -  
 to blind their King. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" Is all their  
 blind their sight. Sweet in - ju - ries! Yet they at  
 life they slay. Yet cheer - ful he To suff'r - ing



sake My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?  
 deed, Who at my need His life did spend!  
 breath, And for his death They thirst and cry.  
 these Them - selves dis - please And 'gainst him rise.  
 goes That he his foes From death might free.

6 In life no house, no home  
 My Lord on earth might have;  
 In death no friendly tomb  
 But what a stranger gave.  
 What may I say?  
 Heav'n was his home  
 But mine the tomb  
 Wherein he lay.

7 Here might I stay and sing;  
 No story so divine,  
 Never was love, dear King,  
 Never was grief like thine.  
 This is my friend,  
 In whose sweet praise  
 I all my days  
 Could gladly spend!