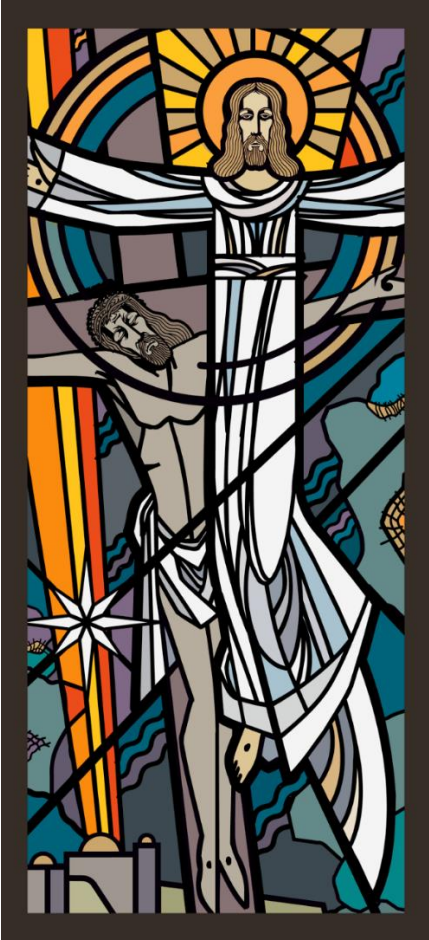




## **W**elcome to Beautiful Savior!

**Address:** 5631 North Adams Road,  
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304

**Phone:** 248.646.5041

**Web Site:** [www.bslcmi.org](http://www.bslcmi.org)

**IN JESUS'S NAME, WE:**

**Bring Glory to God through fulfilling worship.**

**Serve God's people, both within our congregation and without.**

**Learn about the Lord's will for us through sharing and teaching.**

**Connect within our membership and reach out to connect with others.**

### **Acts: The Early Church Story** ***"Malta: A Divinely-directed Detour"*** **August 28, 2022 9:00 a.m.**

While Paul traveled to Rome to appeal his case to Emperor Nero, his prison vessel was shipwrecked on the Island of Malta. The islanders greeted him with hospitality, and while there, he healed the father of an island leader named Publius. Tradition holds that being stranded over a winter on the island is why the whole island became follows of Jesus before almost any other large group of people. We are reminded by his story that detours in life, while sometimes frustrating and even frightening, can be part of God's plan for good.

---

---

P: Pastor

C: Congregation

A: Assistant Minister

---

---

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

### GATHERING WORSHIP MUSIC

*“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”*

Joel Raney

*“Be Still, My Soul”*

Ringers: Shelley Beck, Marilyn Lochner,  
Mary Reed, Julie Steinmayer

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*(Please kneel as you are able during a time of silence for reflection and self-examination.)*

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God, whose steadfast love endures forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Merciful God,

**C: we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.**

P: Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of ✝ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.

**C: Amen.**

### THE GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

- 1 My life flows on in endless song;  
above earth's lamentation,  
I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn  
that hails a new creation.

*Refrain*

No storm can shake my inmost calm  
while to that Rock I'm clinging.  
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,  
how can I keep from singing?

- 2 Through all the tumult and the strife,  
I hear that music ringing.  
It finds an echo in my soul.  
How can I keep from singing? *Refrain*

- 4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,  
a fountain ever springing!  
All things are mine since I am his!  
How can I keep from singing? *Refrain*

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. O God, you resist those who are proud and give grace to those who are humble.  
Give us the humility of your Son, that we may embody the generosity of Jesus Christ, our  
Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

### BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR MISSION STATEMENT

P: Although as individuals we are unique in many and various ways, we gather as a congregation  
for a common mission.

**C: In Jesus's name, we:**

Bring Glory to God through fulfilling worship,  
Serve God's people, both within our congregation and without,  
Learn about the Lord's will for us through sharing and teaching, and  
Connect within our membership and reach out to connect with others.

*(Please be seated.)*

### MISSION MOMENT

“Prayer Team”

Jan Haefner

## MEMORY VERSE

*John 16:13a*

Laura Hall

A: Together, let us recite the memory verse:

**C: When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own but will speak whatever he hears.**

## INTRODUCTION TO THE READING

### FIRST READING

*Acts 28:7-10*

A: The first reading is from the book of Acts, the twenty-eighth chapter.

<sup>7</sup>Now in the vicinity of that place were lands belonging to the leading man of the island, named Publius, who received us and entertained us hospitably for three days. <sup>8</sup>It so happened that the father of Publius lay sick in bed with fever and dysentery. Paul visited him and cured him by praying and putting his hands on him. <sup>9</sup>After this happened, the rest of the people on the island who had diseases also came and were cured. <sup>10</sup>They bestowed many honors on us, and when we were about to sail, they put on board all the provisions we needed.

A: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

## VERSE



## GOSPEL

*Mark 1:21-34*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>21</sup>They went to Capernaum, and when the Sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. <sup>22</sup>They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes. <sup>23</sup>Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, <sup>24</sup>and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." <sup>25</sup>But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be quiet and come out of him!" <sup>26</sup>And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. <sup>27</sup>They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new

teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” <sup>28</sup> At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee. <sup>29</sup> As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. <sup>30</sup> Now Simon’s mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. <sup>31</sup> He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. <sup>32</sup> That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed by demons. <sup>33</sup> And the whole city was gathered around the door. <sup>34</sup> And he cured many who were sick with various diseases and cast out many demons, and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

P: The gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(Please be seated.)*

## **CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

Karyn Parker, Children’s Ministries Coordinator

## **SERMON**

The Rev. Dr. Niklaus C. Schillack, Senior Pastor

*“Malta: A Divinely-directed Detour”*

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

*“Lord of All Hopefulness”*

**ELW 765**

- 1 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,  
whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy:  
be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,  
your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
- 2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,  
whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe:  
be there at our labors, and give us, we pray,  
your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
- 3 Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,  
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace:  
be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,  
your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

- 4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,  
whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm:  
be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,  
your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

## **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

A: Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One in prayer.

*A brief silence.*

A: For the church and its leaders, we pray. Uphold all deacons, pastors, and bishops who serve and teach your people. Awaken in your church a spirit of invitation that reaches ever outward. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: For the well-being of creation and its inhabitants, we pray. Stir in us reverent awe for the beauty of the natural world, for oceans and lakes, rivers and streams, forests and deserts. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: For all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, we pray. Be present with those who live in isolation or fear, especially those who are incarcerated or detained. Comfort all who are sick or grieving (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: For this congregation and its ministries, we pray. Prepare children, teachers, and youth ministry leaders for a new year of learning. Embolden our witness to invite others to the table. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: For all the saints who confessed God's name, we give thanks (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). May we cling to the promise of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today, and forever. Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

A: Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.

**C: Amen.**

## **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

**What is the Sharing of the Peace?**

The sharing of the peace is more than a time to say, "Hello." It is an ancient tradition, dating back to the time of Jesus. Its purpose is to provide us with a chance to be at peace with one another before sharing Holy Communion. Also, it reminds us that Jesus brings us closer together in Holy Communion, and that the unity he gives is stronger than anything that can divide us.

**How Do We Share the Peace?**

At their own discretion, people greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you" or "God's peace." Afterwards, we are seated for the offering.

*(Please be seated.)*

**STEWARDSHIP READING**

*Ecclesiastes 5:13*

There is a grievous ill that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owners to their hurt...

**OFFERING**

*"Lord of the Dance"*

Joel Raney

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

**OFFERING PRAYER**

P: Together, let us pray:

**C: God of abundance: you have set before us a plentiful harvest. As we feast on your goodness, strengthen us to labor in your field, and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all, in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

**THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

**C: Amen.**

**LORD'S PRAYER**

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray ...

**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.**

*(Please be seated.)*

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

### **POST HOLY COMMUNION BLESSING**

P: May the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C: Amen.**

*(Please stand as you are able.)*

### **PRAYER AFTER HOLY COMMUNION**

P: Together, let us pray:

**C: Life-giving God, through this meal you have bandaged our wounds and fed us with your mercy. Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger, that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

### **BLESSING**

P: The God of peace, Father, ✝ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

**C: Amen.**

### **SENDING HYMN**

*“Praise and Thanks and Adoration”*

**ELW 783**

- 1 Praise and thanks and adoration,  
Son of God, to you we give,  
for you chose to serve creation,  
died that sinners all might live.  
Dear Lord Jesus, guide my way;  
faithful let me day by day  
follow where your steps are leading,  
find adventure, joys exceeding!

- 2 Hold me ever in your keeping,  
comfort me in pain and strife;  
through my laughter and my weeping,  
lift me to a nobler life.  
Draw my fervent love to you;  
constant hope and faith renew  
in your birth, your life and passion,  
in your death and resurrection.

## **DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

**C: We will! Thanks be to God!**

P: And next time ...

**C: ... we'll invite a friend!**

## **POSTLUDE**

*"Now Thank We All Our God"*

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

***We thank you for worshiping with us today.***

***We hope to worship with you again in the near future!***

***Many thanks to all those on our tech team  
for making this livestream service possible.***

Liturgy from Sundays and Seasons.com. Copyright © 2022 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #SAS021097.

New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

## **HELPFUL INFORMATION**

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES – The 9:00 & 11:15 a.m. worship services will be livestreamed through our website and YouTube pages. People can gather with us in the Sanctuary at 9 a.m. to worship in a more traditional style in person. We offer a more contemporary style worship service at 11:15 a.m. People can also worship in their homes with the livestream at 9 or 11:15 a.m., as well as access the recording of either service any time after worship concludes.

On the third Sundays of the month, we will offer a Service of the Word for Wholeness at 10:15 in our Chapel. This twenty-minute service gives you an opportunity to receive and give support for wholeness and strength. The Word will be spoken with laying on of hands and anointing with oil. We will pray for those in need by name, receive personal prayer, and share in the fellowship of others in need.

## **SERVING THIS MONTH**

### **Readers**

|           |                 |
|-----------|-----------------|
| August 7  | Shelley Beck    |
| August 14 | Simon Stefaniak |
| August 21 | Tammy Dukatz    |
| August 28 | Laura Hall      |

### **Ushers**

|           |                                |
|-----------|--------------------------------|
| August 7  | Tim Jehowski & Gino Saliccioli |
| August 14 | Luke Hall & Chuck Benson       |
| August 21 | Luke Hall & Chuck Benson       |
| August 28 | Tim Jehowski & Cheryl Jehowski |

### **PowerPoint**

|           |                    |
|-----------|--------------------|
| August 7  | Chuck Biebelhausen |
| August 14 | Nancy Geik         |
| August 21 | Gwen Fitzgerald    |
| August 28 | Karen Brant        |

### **Communion Assistants**

|           |                                |
|-----------|--------------------------------|
| August 7  | S. Siems/L. Wade/S. Beck       |
| August 14 | D. Eurich/K. Eurich/B. Barbour |
| August 21 | W. Geik/A. Venola/B. Hoffman   |
| August 28 | C/K Beibelhausen/K. Barrett    |

## **STAFF MEMBERS**

The Rev. Dr. Niklaus C. Schillack  
Senior Pastor  
[prnik@bslcmi.org](mailto:prnik@bslcmi.org)

Helen Blicharz  
Office Manager  
[office@bslcmi.org](mailto:office@bslcmi.org)

Wade Jehowski  
Student Ministries Coordinator  
[Beautifulyouth@bslcmi.org](mailto:Beautifulyouth@bslcmi.org)

Beth Jamieson  
Bookkeeper  
[bookkeeper@bslcmi.org](mailto:bookkeeper@bslcmi.org)

Dave Eicher  
Worship Technology Coordinator  
[worshiptech@bslcmi.org](mailto:worshiptech@bslcmi.org)

John Wenskay  
Property Caretaker

The Rev. Dr. Philip Hemke, Pastor Emeritus  
Pastor for Care Ministries  
[care@bslcmi.org](mailto:care@bslcmi.org)

Julie Steinmayer  
Minister of Music  
[jsteinmayer@bslcmi.org](mailto:jsteinmayer@bslcmi.org)

Karyn Parker  
Children's Ministries Coordinator  
[Beautifulkids@bslcmi.org](mailto:Beautifulkids@bslcmi.org)

Chris Ford  
Sound Technician  
[cford@bslcmi.org](mailto:cford@bslcmi.org)

Alan Sidock  
Custodian

## **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Kristin Albani, President  
[kristinalbani@gmail.com](mailto:kristinalbani@gmail.com)

Stephanie Siems  
[pssiems@gmail.com](mailto:pssiems@gmail.com)

Bob Hoffman  
[bobbysue@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bobbysue@sbcglobal.net)

Tom Barlow, Vice President  
[tebarlow@comcast.net](mailto:tebarlow@comcast.net)

Shelley Beck  
[Beckfab4@yahoo.com](mailto:Beckfab4@yahoo.com)

Cheryl Jehowski  
[cmjehowski@gmail.com](mailto:cmjehowski@gmail.com)

Mike Cunningham, Secretary  
[Vumike\\_21@yahoo.com](mailto:Vumike_21@yahoo.com)

Cheryl Gonda  
[Ce.gonda@gmail.com](mailto:Ce.gonda@gmail.com)

Kathy Moede  
[kjmoede@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kjmoede@sbcglobal.net)