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# BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

## LUTHERAN CHURCH

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9:00 AM	Adult Bible Class	<b>Pastor Scott Mews</b>
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### WELCOME!

Thank you for joining us for worship this morning. Our service is centered on our **Beautiful Savior**, Jesus Christ, who lived, died, and rose from the dead so that we have eternal life in him. God reveals this soul-saving message in the Holy Scriptures. This morning we gather to find strength through God's powerful and holy Word. Please let us know how we can best serve you and your family!

**RESTROOMS** Located through the double doors at the back of the sanctuary.

**CHILDREN** We value having children in worship. Coloring pages are available near the mailboxes on the east wall. If you or your children need a moment, please feel free to make use of our Fellowship Hall at the north end of the sanctuary. Sounds of the service can be heard through speakers in that room.

**FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST**  
**OBEY HIS LAW FROM THE HEART**

## 705 Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways

CW 705



- 1 Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways to keep his stat - utes still!
- 2 Or - der my foot - steps by your Word, and make my heart sin - cere;
- 3 As - sist my soul, too apt to stray, a strict - er watch to keep,
- 4 Make me to walk in your com-mands—'tis a de - light - ful road—



Oh, that my God would grant me grace to know and do his will!  
let sin have no do - min-ion, Lord, but keep my con-science clear.  
and should I e'er for - get your way, re - store your wan-d'ring sheep.  
nor let my head or heart or hands of - fend a - gainst my God.

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*Stand*

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

## Confession

CW 173

Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.  
**Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Almighty and merciful Father,**

**we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep.**

**We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts.**

**We have offended you and sinned against your holy law.**

**We have done those things that we should not have done,**

**and we have not done those things that we should have done.**

**Have mercy on us, Lord!**

**Spare us, forgive us, and restore us,**

**according to your promises in Christ Jesus.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

**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.**

# 936 All Glory Be to God Alone

CW 936



1 All glo - ry be to God a - lone, for -  
 2 We praise you, God, and you we bless; we  
 3 Lord God, our King on heav - en's throne, our  
 4 You take the whole world's sin a - way; have  
 5 You on - ly are the Ho - ly One; o'er



ev - er - more the high - est One, who did our  
 wor - ship you in hum - ble - ness. From day to  
 Fa - ther, the Al - might - y One, O Lord, the  
 mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray. You take the  
 all things you are Lord a - lone. O Je - sus



sin - ful race be - friend and grace and peace to  
 day we glo - ri - fy the ev - er - last - ing  
 sole - be - got - ten One, Lord Je - sus Christ, the  
 whole world's sin a - way; O lis - ten to the  
 Christ, we glo - ri - fy you and the Spir - it,



us ex - tend. A - mong man - kind may his good  
 God on high. Of your great glo - ry do we  
 Fa - ther's Son, true God from all e - ter - ni -  
 prayer we say. You sit at God's right hand each  
 Lord Most High; with him you ev - er - more shall



will all hearts with deep thanks - giv - ing fill.  
 sing, and to your throne our thanks we bring.  
 ty, O Lamb of God, to you we flee.  
 day; have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
 be one in the Fa - ther's maj - es - ty.

Text: tr. W. Gustave Polack, 1890–1950, alt.; Martin Luther, 1483–1546, abr.  
 Tune: Gesangbuch . . . Psalmen, Geistliche Lieder, Strassburg, 1541, alt.

# The Word

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

## Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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

*Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-9*

<sup>1</sup>Now, Israel, hear the decrees and laws I am about to teach you. Follow them so that you may live and may go in and take possession of the land the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. <sup>2</sup>Do not add to what I command you and do not subtract from it, but keep the commands of the LORD your God that I give you.

<sup>6</sup>Observe them carefully, for this will show your wisdom and understanding to the nations, who will hear about all these decrees and say, “Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.” <sup>7</sup>What other nation is so great as to have their gods near them the way the LORD our God is near us whenever we pray to him? <sup>8</sup>And what other nation is so great as to have such righteous decrees and laws as this body of laws I am setting before you today?

<sup>9</sup>Only be careful, and watch yourselves closely so that you do not forget the things your eyes have seen or let them fade from your heart as long as you live. Teach them to your children and to their children after them.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## 119G Your Word Is a Lamp to My Feet

*Psalm 119G*

*Refrain*



Oh, how I / love your law!  
I meditate on it / all day long.  
Your commands are always / with me  
and make me wiser than my / enemies.  
I have more insight than all my / teachers,  
for I meditate on your / statutes. *Refrain*

I have kept my feet from every / evil path  
so that I might o- / bey your word.  
How sweet are your words / to my taste,  
sweeter than honey / to my mouth!  
I gain understanding from your / precepts;  
therefore I hate every / wrong path.  
**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son**  
**and to the Holy / Spirit,**  
**as it was in the be- / ginning,**  
**is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

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## Second Reading

Romans 9:30—10:4

<sup>30</sup>What then shall we say? That the Gentiles, who did not pursue righteousness, have obtained it, a righteousness that is by faith; <sup>31</sup>but the people of Israel, who pursued the law as the way of righteousness, have not attained their goal. <sup>32</sup>Why not? Because they pursued it not by faith but as if it were by works. They stumbled over the stumbling stone. <sup>33</sup>As it is written:

“See, I lay in Zion a stone that causes people to stumble  
and a rock that makes them fall,  
and the one who believes in him will never be put to shame.”

<sup>1</sup>Brothers and sisters, my heart’s desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved. <sup>2</sup>For I can testify about them that they are zealous for God, but their zeal is not based on knowledge. <sup>3</sup>Since they did not know the righteousness of God and sought to establish their own, they did not submit to God’s righteousness. <sup>4</sup>Christ is the culmination of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

## Gospel Acclamation

Jeremiah 15:16

Alleluia, “When your words came, I ate them; they were my joy and my heart’s delight.” Alleluia.

## Gospel

Mark 7:1–8, 14–15, 21–23

<sup>1</sup>The Pharisees and some of the teachers of the law who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus <sup>2</sup>and saw some of his disciples eating food with hands that were defiled, that is, unwashed. <sup>3</sup>(The Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they give their hands a ceremonial washing, holding to the tradition of the elders. <sup>4</sup>When they come from the marketplace they do not eat unless they wash. And they observe many other traditions, such as the washing of cups, pitchers and kettles.)



<sup>5</sup>So the Pharisees and teachers of the law asked Jesus, “Why don’t your disciples live according to the tradition of the elders instead of eating their food with defiled hands?”

<sup>6</sup>He replied, “Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you hypocrites; as it is written:

“ These people honor me with their lips,  
but their hearts are far from me.

<sup>7</sup>They worship me in vain;  
their teachings are merely human rules.’

<sup>8</sup>You have let go of the commands of God and are holding on to human traditions.”

<sup>14</sup>Again Jesus called the crowd to him and said, “Listen to me, everyone, and understand this. <sup>15</sup>Nothing outside a person can defile them by going into them. Rather, it is what comes out of a person that defiles them.”

<sup>21</sup>For it is from within, out of a person’s heart, that evil thoughts come— sexual immorality, theft, murder, <sup>22</sup>adultery, greed, malice, deceit, lewdness, envy, slander, arrogance and folly. <sup>23</sup>All these evils come from inside and defile a person.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

## **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*

## 740 O God, My Faithful God

CW 740



1 O God, my faith - ful God, O Foun-tain ev - er flow - ing,  
2 Grant me the strength to do with read - y heart and will - ing  
3 Keep me from say - ing things that lat - er need re - call - ing;  
4 Lord, let me win my foes with kind - ly words and ac - tions,



who good and per - fect gifts in mer - cy are be - stow - ing,  
what - ev - er you com - mand, my call - ing here ful - fill - ing,  
grant that no i - dle words may from my lips be fall - ing,  
and let me find good friends for coun - sel and cor - rec - tion.



give me a health - y frame, and may I have with - in  
that I do what I should while trust - ing you to bless  
but when with - in my place I must and ought to speak,  
Help me, as you have taught, to love both great and small



a con-science free from blame, a soul un - hurt by sin.  
the out - come for my good, for you must give suc - cess.  
then fill my words with grace lest I of - fend the weak.  
and by your Spir - it's might to live in peace with all.

Text: tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.; Johann Heermann, 1585–1647, abr.  
Tune: Neu-vermehrtes . . . Gesangbuch, 3rd ed., Meiningen, 1693  
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## Sermon

Stand

### 942 Create in Me a Clean Heart

CW 942



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right



spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your



pres-ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -



store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,



and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

Text: The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, rev.  
Tune: The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, rev. James E. Engel, 1925–1989  
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## Offering

### 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, *[especially...]*.

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. 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.**

## **Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

# Hymn

CW 404



1 Je - sus, grant that balm and heal - ing in your ho - ly  
 2 Should some lust or sharp temp - ta - tion fas - ci - nate my  
 3 If the world my heart en - tic - es with the broad and  
 4 Ev - 'ry wound that pains or grieves me by your wounds, Lord,  
 5 O my God, my rock and tow - er, grant that in your



wounds I find, ev - 'ry hour that I am feel - ing pains of  
 sin - ful mind, let me think a - bout your pas - sion, and new  
 eas - y road, with se - duc - tive, sin - ful vic - es, let me  
 is made whole; when I'm weak, your cross re - vives me, grant - ing  
 death I trust, know - ing death has lost its pow - er since you



bod - y and of mind. Should some e - vil thought with - in  
 cour - age I shall find. Or should Sa - tan press me hard,  
 weigh the aw - ful load you were will - ing to en - dure.  
 new life to my soul. Yes, your com - fort ren - ders sweet  
 crushed it in the dust. Sav - ior, let your ag - o - ny



tempt my treach-'rous heart to sin, show the per - il,  
 let me then be on my guard, say - ing, "Christ for  
 Help me flee all thoughts im - pure, mas - ter - ing each  
 ev - 'ry bit - ter cup I meet; for your all - a -  
 ev - er help and com - fort me; when I die be



and from sin - ning keep me ere its first be - gin - ning.  
 me was wound - ed," that the tempt - er flee con - found - ed.  
 wild temp - ta - tion, calm in prayer and med - i - ta - tion.  
 ton - ing pas - sion has pro - cured my soul's sal - va - tion.  
 my pro - tec - tion, light and life and res - ur - rec - tion.

*Stand*

## Prayer

How can I thank you, Father, for allowing me to worship in your house today! I have heard the promises of your love in the gospel. I have praised you, confessed you, and prayed for your blessings. I have been strengthened by the witness and worship of others. Keep my faith strong as I live out the tasks of my life, take away my doubts and fears, and give me courage to share the good news of your Son wherever I go and however I can.

## 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.**

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# 757 Gracious Savior, Gentle Shepherd

CW 757



1 Gra - cious Sav - ior, gen - tle Shep - herd, chil - dren all are  
 2 Ten - der Shep - herd, nev - er leave them, nev - er let them  
 3 By your ho - ly Word in - struct them, fill their minds with  
 4 Taught to love the ho - ly prais - es which on earth your



dear to you; may your lov - ing arms en - fold them  
 go a - stray; by your warn - ing love di - rect - ed,  
 heav'n - ly light; by your pow'r - ful grace con - vince them  
 chil - dren sing, with their lips and hearts, sin - cere - ly,



in your care their whole life through. By your tend - ing  
 may they walk the nar - row way. Thus di - rect them,  
 al - ways to ap - prove what's right. Let them feel your  
 glad thank - of - f'rings may they bring, then with all the



and pro - tect - ing keep them safe in all they do.  
 thus de - fend them lest they fall an eas - y prey.  
 yoke is eas - y, let them find your bur - den light.  
 saints in glo - ry join to praise their Lord and King.

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