BLESSED SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH Thursday, February 27th Sunday, March 1st

An outline of today's sermon:

"OUR TROUBLES AND GOD'S SOLUTION"

Text: Genesis 3:6, 15 "When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it... And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between her offspring and yours; he will crush your head and you will strike his heal."

INTRODUCTION – Here we have the cause and origin of all that is wrong with us. This is the fall into sin. This is when and where Adam and Eve fell to the devil's deceit and were cursed by God to live their lives OUTSIDE of the Garden of Eden. They were banned from Paradise. A Savior was promised right then and there. He would be the woman's offspring and reopen the gate to Paradise. This is the first promise of a Savior!

- 1 The initial beauty and perfection.
- 2 The jealousy of Satan.
- 3 Satan can't stand the thought of being alone!
- 4 Satan's tactics are the same today: he lies.
- 5 Eve's mistake: to engage him in a conversation.
- 6 Jesus' lesson: when tempted, quote Scriptures.
- 7 You and I need to study Scriptures so we can defend ourselves.

CONCLUSION – We are grateful for God's solution to our problem. We also are grateful to our Savior Jesus, who taught us how to resist the devil and his lies and deceitful schemes. Do not ever start an argument with him. Let God defend you with the weapon glorious: Holy Scriptures! Amen

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT Jesus Does Battle in Our Place

In the Garden, man exalts himself to be a god in place of God (Gen. 3:1–21). He succumbs to the temptation of the devil, and eating of the forbidden fruit, he receives death. But in the sin-cursed wilderness, God humbles Himself to become man in place of man (Mt. 4:1–11). He does not eat but fasts and bears the onslaughts of the devil for us that we may be restored to life. Jesus stands as David in our place to do battle against the Goliath, Satan (1 Samuel 17:40–51). Though outwardly Jesus appears weak, yet He comes in the name of the Lord of hosts. He draws from the five smooth stones of the books of Moses and slings the Word of God. The stone sinks into the forehead, and the enemy falls. In Christ we are victorious over the devil. Let us therefore not receive the grace of God in vain (2 Cor. 6:1–10), but seeing that we have a great High Priest, let us come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain help in time of need (Heb 4:14–16).

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY is led by Pastor Sander. This class is studying *2 Kings*. Come and join us at 9:15AM in the Fellowship Hall.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY is led by Pastor Sander at 6:30AM in the Fellowship Hall. This class is studying the Gospel of Luke.

TUESDAY LADIES BIBLE STUDY Join us as we look at rejoicing through trials and triumphs in Paul's letter to the Philippians. Our evening group meets at 7pm. Remember-this group meets at church, but also remotely! If you would like to join, but are unable to make it, you can call in via Skype to participate. Our morning group meets at 9:15am. To get a copy of the book, or to receive the Skype code, please contact Jaime Greene.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY Mr. Graf will be leading a bible class on what scriptures have to say about "forgiveness" and "suffering" from 7:00PM to 8:00PM.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY Pastor Sander leads this Bible Study on the *New Testament* at 9:30AM in the Fellowship Hall, currently studying the Gospel of *Matthew*. Everyone is welcome. **SATURDAY MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** Tom Wartick leads this Bible Study on Ephesians for men of all ages at 8:00AM on the 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for our study and breakfast.

CHARITABLE INFORMATION

SPECIAL MISSIONS Concordia Publishing House is an official agency of the Brazilian Evangelical Lutheran Church. Its mission is to foster doctrinal unity by publishing only books that went through "doctrinal review". May the Lord bless our special gifts of gratitude.

CHURCH INFORMATION

EASTER PLANTS are available for purchase to beautify the altar on Easter. You may place your order on the bulletin board through April 6th. Thank you.

NEW MEMBER CELEBRATION LUNCHEON Please join for a broasted chicken and salad lunch to welcome our new members: Sunday March 15, after the second service. There is a signup sheet in the hallway for side dishes and desserts.

LENTEN MEALS Please plan to participate in our free meals on Wednesday during lent: after the morning serviced and before the evening service.

EASTER BASKETS FOR OUR HOME-BOUND MEMBERS If you would like to bring Joy to a home0bound member- we have 29 of them-consider taking an Easter basket and fill it the treats to one of them! Names and suggested items are on the tags attached.

MILWAUKEE ADMIRALS GAME Join Blessed Savior at the Admirals hockey game on Sunday, March 22nd at 3pm. We will also have the chance to sing "God Bless America" while the kids play the handbells. Tickets are \$15 for adults, and \$7.50 for kids (ages 2-14) and seniors (ages 62 and up). Please sign up on the bulletin board by March 12 with how many tickets you want, and indicate if you are willing to sing or play bells.

VBS Volunteer Meeting If you are interested or plan on volunteering for VBS this summer please plan on attending a volunteer meeting on Monday, March 23rd at 6:30. We will go over the schedule, receive some materials, and get to know one another! If you have questions or need further information please see Jennifer Leinss.

WOMEN'S NIGHT OUT is hosted by Mount Olive Lutheran Church on Friday, March 27 at 6pm. Tickets are \$25 and include dinner, music and a presentation by Tera Elness. To reserve your spot, please contact Women's Ministry through the church office.

LENT FAMILY DEVOTIONS are available on the table in the Narthex. Each bag includes everything you need to walk through the season of Lent together as a family, including family devotions, a project and Scripture readings. Each week a new bag will be provided for you. If you miss a week, please contact Jaime Greene to get the materials you need. These devotions are designed for families with kids ages birth-5th grade. Preschool families will receive their weekly bags at chapel time.

SCRIP has added some new retailers to the supply we have on hand. We now have Ulta and Marshalls/TJ Maxx available for immediate purchase at the table in the hallway. Both cards are \$25.

PRESCHOOL NOW ENROLLING: We are now accepting enrollment for the 2020-2021 school year! We have openings in our 2K, 3K, and 4K classes. If you have a child in this age group or know someone looking for a quality Christian preschool education please tell them about us! For more information or to register please see Jennifer Leinss or email preschool@bslc-wi.org. Remember if you are a member of Blessed Savior you receive a member discount with tuition!

READY, SET, GOLD: It is only February, but it is never too early to think about Vacation Bible School! Ready, Set, Gold will be coming to Blessed Savior June 15th-19th 2020 from 9:00-11:30. We are currently searching for VVV's (Very, Valuable, Volunteers) to make this week possible. If you are interested or already willing to sign up please see the children's ministry bulletin board in the hallway! Take an Olympic journey through the Bible with us and get ready to win!

RADIO CHURCH SERVICES

SUN 6:30AM—WTMJ (AM 620) LUTHERAN HOUR & SUN 7:00AM—WJYI (AM 1340) LUTHERAN RADIO

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSIONS

Harold Potterton Jan Seeber Arliss Reiner Adeline Steinhart Karena Fawe Pat Mundstock

We also remember in our prayers these friends and relatives of our members:

Jamie, Tim, Oliver & Maddie

Ellie Sippel Joyce & Cindy Schmidt Connie Daugherty

Peter L. Mary Gagliano Cindy Bohlmann

We pray the Lord to watch over those who are serving in the military:

Jason Burkee Mary Edwards Randall Schick Cory Kasfeldt Elyse Hoeg Garrett Hoeg Kevin Meyer Carlos Siguenza

WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR MAR 1-8

SUN 8:00AM Worship & Communion

9:15AM Education Hour

10:30AM Worship

MON SCRIP Orders Due

TUES 6:30AM Bible Study

9:15AM Ladies Bible Study 7:00PM Ladies Bible Study

WED 9:00AM Quilters

11:00AM Worship & Lunch
7:00PM Worship & Dinner
7:15PM Choir Rehearsal
7:15PM Adult Bible Study
7:15PM Confirmation

THURS 9:30AM Bible Study

7:00PM Worship & Communion

FRI 6:00PM Craft Night

SAT 9:00AM Handbell Choir Rehearsal

SUN 8:00AM Worship

9:15AM Education Hour

10:30AM Worship & Communion6:00PM Sunday Night Fellowship

Last Week's Attendance: 313 Offerings: \$6,403.31 Needed Weekly: \$10,365.00