

BLESSED SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH

Thursday, November 12

Sunday, November 15

“Our God, Our Help, in Every Age”

Introduction: As we approach a new church year and the turning of the calendar, we turn to Psalm 90 and a favorite hymn, “Our God, Our Help, in Ages Past,” for insights into God’s perspective on time, and our use of the time He gives us for His glory and service. Our message will be shared in four meditations.

1 – “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms,” based on Psalm 90:1-2 & hymn vs. 1 & 3

- a. God is always there for us when we need someone to lean on.
- b. Part of our mission is to pass on the faith to future generations.

2 – “Living Beyond Time,” based on Psalm 90:3-4 and hymn vs. 4

- a. We are bound by the limitations of human time, but God lives beyond time.
- b. The Holy Spirit moves us to use our time wisely in the service of our Savior.

3 – “Here Today—Gone Tomorrow,” based on Psalm 90:5-10 and hymn vs. 5

- a. The passing of a year reminds us that we are only passing through this world.
- b. None of us know what joys or heartaches await us in the new year.
- c. But we know by faith in the risen Christ where we will spend eternity.

4 – “Living our Days Aright in God’s Sight,” based on Psalm 90:12 and hymn vs. 6

- a. God asks us to make the most of the days and years He gives us on earth.
- b. We are Christ’s hands and feet and voice—until He calls us home to heaven

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
God's Gift of Forgiveness Engenders Our Forgiveness of Others

The Day of the Lord is *"near and hastening fast,"* and it will be *"a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation"* (Zeph. 1:14, 15). The Lord will search out and punish *"the men who are complacent"* concerning His Word, *"who fill their master's house with violence and fraud"* (Zeph. 1:9, 12). Then all their works and efforts will be for nothing: *"Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them"* (Zeph. 1:13). But those who fear, love and trust in the Lord are *"good and faithful"* stewards of His property (Matt. 25:21). They live by faith in His free gift of forgiveness, and they multiply His goods in the loving forgiveness of their neighbor, and *"the master of those servants"* settles His accounts with them by the gracious reckoning of His Gospel (Matt. 25:19). Likewise, *"God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ"* (1 Thess. 5:9). Therefore, let us also *"put on the breastplate of faith and love"* in our dealings with one another (1 Thess. 5:8).

CHARITABLE INFORMATION

SPECIAL MISSIONS – Our Special Missions project for the last quarter of the year 2020 is the ministry to the deaf, specifically the work done at and through "Evangelical Emmanuel Lutheran Congregation do the Deaf". This congregation is located in West Allis (2306 S 98th Street). The Rev. William Palmer has been their pastor for the last 34 years. They minister to all deaf of the Greater Milwaukee area. This is a worthy cause and your gifts to Special Missions will sustain the proclamation of the Gospel in sign language!

Grateful Thanks, for bringing your mites. We are now over \$20,000 toward the goal of \$30,000 for grant #1, Church Worker Students. If you keep bringing your change and, paper money is welcome, the goal would be met, and we can give them an early Christmas gift. If you would like to give a special gift by check, make it payable to LWML-SWD.

BIBLE STUDY

ONLINE BIBLE STUDY If you are interested in participating in an online Bible Study on the book of Psalms, please contact Jaime Greene at jaimelynn581@gmail.com. The study is held on Zoom at 9am and 7pm each Tuesday.

CHURCH INFORMATION

YOUTH GROUP On Sunday, November 22nd, we'll do our annual shopping competition for the food pantry, but with a twist! Rather than shopping in the store, we'll compete with online shopping to see who can get the most for their money! Parents and students in grades 6-12 will receive more information via email. If you are not on our email list, please contact Jaime Greene at jaimlynn581@gmail.com

GOOSECHASE Join us as we go on an online scavenger hunt, using the app "goosechase". Here's how to play: download the goosechase app and create an account. Search for the game "Goosechase through the Scriptures" or by using the game code WKX44P. The password is praiseandthanksgiving. As a family or individual, look up each Bible reference clue and find what the verse is referring to. Then, take a picture of that item and submit it. Extra points will be given for creativity and for including one of your family/team members in the picture. The goosechase runs from November 1-30 and the winning team will receive a \$25 gift card! Happy chasing!

SCRIP While SCRIP gift cards may not be available for purchase on Sunday mornings, you are still able to purchase cards through our order forms. Simply fill out your order, include your payment (checks can be made out to Blessed Savior Lutheran), and place it in the SCRIP mailbox, which is located on the north side of the Narthex. The order forms are available near the SCRIP bulletin board in the hallway. Your order will be placed in your church mailbox when it arrives unless other arrangements are made. If you have any questions, please contact Jaime Greene at jaimelynn581@gmail.com.

BUDGET REVIEW Due to restrictions on gathering safely in large numbers, the Church Council has decided to not hold a Fall Voter's Meeting. Rather, the Council will be voting on the church budget for 2021. If you have questions or concerns regarding the budget, please reach out to Council Chairman Bob Kunz at bobkunz1988@gmail.com. If you would like a copy of the 2021 Proposed Budget, please contact the church office.

YOUTUBE AND FACEBOOK We are excited to introduce two new weekly segments on our YouTube channel (Blessed Savior Lutheran-New Berlin) and Facebook (@BlessedSaviorNBWI), in addition to our regularly posted material. If you haven't already followed or liked these pages, please do so! It's a great way to stay connected!

The **Mission Lamp** is the LWML newsletter from the South WI District, found on the website, LWML-SWD.org. The Mission Lamp box is easily seen on the home page. The November issue has an article by **Kathy Herbst about her mentor Gerry Burkee**. Also see many interesting articles and projects done by societies for Lutheran World Relief and other mission groups.

THANKSGIVING WORSHIP Please make plans to join us in praise and thanksgiving at our Thanksgiving Worship Services. We will worship in person on Wednesday, November 25 at 7pm and Thursday, November 26 at 9am. An online Worship Service will be posted on Wednesday morning for you to use at home.

FLOWERS, BULLETINS, & SPECIAL MISSIONS SIGN-UP If you would like to sign up for flowers, bulletins, or special mission contact the church office by email blessedsavior.nb.lcms@gmail.com, or call 262-786-6465.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSIONS

We pray for those undergoing medical treatment:

Chuck Arliss Judy Joyce Karen Rob
Adeline Richard John Nora Carol

Bulletins are donated by Helmut & Lorna Sperl in celebration of great-grandson Sullivan's 2nd birthday and Jim & Anita Burow in celebration of their 52nd Anniversary.

Memorial is donated by Cindy Petta in celebration of her sainted parents, Joe & Pat Stahl.

Special intercessions: please pray for all health care workers in America and the world, for all first responders, truck drivers and essential workers.

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

Last Week's Attendance: 118

Last Week's Offerings: \$16,947.00

YouTube Attendance: 70

Needed Weekly: \$10,365.00