

BLESSED SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2021
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2021

Welcome Pastor Duchow!

The Rev. Gilbert Duchow and his dear wife, Linda, are members of our congregation. Rev. Duchow served the church as pastor for 52 years. Although retired, he maintains a busy schedule preaching and teaching the word of God whenever called upon. We welcome him into our midst as he leads the divine services today here at Blessed Savior. The Lord bless him as he shares the Gospel with us!

“You’re in Good Hands”

Text: Selected verses from Psalm 31

Introduction: In this Psalm, David pours out his heart to the Lord. He’s not hesitant to share his anguish and troubles and struggles. But his pleas to the Lord for strength and help and hope are always anchored in his firm conviction that God is His rock and fortress. So, he confidently commits his life to the Lord, knowing that he has been redeemed by his faithful God and Savior.

Vs. 1 - The fundamental problem in our relationship with God—our sinful human nature.

Vs. 2-3 - We pour out our heart to the Lord, confident that God is our refuge and fortress.

Vs. 3 – We pray with David for God to lead us and guide us.

Vs. 7 – Because God know our struggles, we can even rejoice in the midst of our afflictions.

Vs. 9-10 – Like David, we struggle with the challenges of illness and aging, grief and guilt.

Vs. 14 – Even if we are overwhelmed by troubles, God’s Spirit keep our faith firm to the end.

Vs. 15 – No matter what comes your way, you’re in good hands—God’s hands.

Vs. 5 – We commit our life to the Lord each day and forever, knowing He has redeemed us.

Conclusion: Vs. 24 – As we live all our days in loving service to our Savior, we can be strong and courageous, no matter what challenges we may encounter. For we know that our Lord is with us always on earth, and we will live with our Savior forever in heaven.

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The Lord Jesus Christ Opens Our Eyes to God and Brings Us into His Presence

As He did for blind Bartimaeus, so does the Lord, Jesus Christ, have mercy upon you. With His Word of the Gospel, *"he is calling you"* to Himself, to *"take heart,"* to rise up and live by faith in His forgiveness. He opens your heart and mind to see and know God rightly in Him and to follow Him *"on the way"* of the cross and into life everlasting (Mark 10:49–52). *"He is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him,"* because He is the great High Priest, who offered Himself *"once for all"* as a sacrifice for sins. Since He is risen from the dead and *"exalted above the heavens,"* He *"holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever,"* and *"he always lives to make intercession"* for His people (Heb. 7:24–27). Along with that, He gathers the children of God to Himself by the proclamation of His Gospel, even *"from the farthest parts of the earth."* In mercy He calls them, by the waters of Holy Baptism, *"in a straight path in which they shall not stumble,"* unto life everlasting (Jer. 31:8–9).

SERVICE AND SCHEDULE INFORMATION

SUNDAY MORNING at 9:15am in the Fellowship Hall for a study on the book of Psalms.

TUESDAY LADIES' BIBLE STUDY at 9am in the Fellowship Hall for a study on the Sermon on the Mount.

TUESDAY ZOOM BIBLE STUDY at 7pm. Please contact DCE Jaime Greene at jaimelynn581@gmail.com to receive the Zoom link.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY at 7pm in the Library for a study on 1st & 2nd Timothy.

THURSDAY MORNING at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall for a study on the book of John.

WOMEN'S HOME BIBLE STUDY on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays. Please contact Diane Gihring, Kathy Herbst, or the church office for more information.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 8:30am for a study on Ephesians.

CHARITABLE INFORMATION

FOURTH QUARTER SPECIAL MISSIONS: For the fourth quarter of the year, our Special Missions gifts will support the SOS Center, an agency run by the South Wisconsin District of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod that helps Milwaukee school children and their families. The SOS Center offers after school tutoring, teaches Bible Stories and exemplifies Christian love in action. Many volunteers make this ministry possible!

CHURCH INFORMATION

PASTORAL CARE: Pastor Sander will be on vacation from October 17th - 31st. If you are in need of Pastoral care, please contact the church office and we will put you in touch with the pastor on call.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS JOB OPENING: We are currently searching for someone to fill a part-time maintenance and custodian position we have open here at church. Part of the position would include, but is not limited to, light custodial work, maintenance of the building, and setting up for events. For a full job description and to apply, please contact the church office.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD BOXES There's just a couple more weeks left to fill those boxes for Operation Christmas Child! Empty boxes and idea lists are available in the Narthex. All boxes are due back by November 7th and can be placed above the mailbox cubbies. We are also looking for some help in delivering the boxes to the drop-off location the week of November 15th. If you are interested in helping, please contact the church office.

FREE LITTLE LIBRARIES We are excited to now have 2 free little libraries on our campus! The one located near the church entrance is for all ages, and the one office/Preschool entrance is geared more for children. We look forward to stocking these libraries with books that everyone can enjoy! A great big thank you to Lee Roloff for his work in building and installing these for us!

LAY READERS We are currently looking to add new lay readers to our rotation. As a lay reader, you would assist in the Worship Service by reading both the Old Testament reading and the Epistle Lesson. If you are interested, please contact Carla Herried or the church office.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: We are looking for people to rotate and take turns serving coffee which includes making coffee, setting up, and cleaning up after church. If you are willing to serve in this way, please contact Janet Steinhaus.

COLLEGE ADDRESSES: Do you have a college student who is living on campus or at home? We'd love to stay in contact with them! Please send their mailing address to jaimelynn581@gmail.com

LCMS YOUTH GATHERING REGISTRATION: We are one step closer to the 2022 LCMS Youth Gathering in Houston, TX this July! We are currently preparing for registration in less than a month, and we need you to fill out the paper registration form and submit your \$150 non-refundable deposit. If you need to obtain a paper registration form, please contact Jaime Greene. All forms and deposits are due on Sunday, October 24th when we have our meeting at 5pm.

YOUTH GROUP: All 6th-12th graders are invited to Youth Group on Sunday, October 24th from 6-8pm. Friends are welcome!

THRIVENT GRANTS: If you are a Thrivent member and are eligible for the Action Team grants and have not used them yet for 2021 please contact Jaime or Jennifer. We have a few projects in mind and would like to accomplish them if you are interested in sharing your Action Team grant.

MILITARY MINISTRY: We have now partnered with the USO in Korea to send packages to 5 USO locations and 11 outreach locations and help in their support of newly arrived service members and families in quarantine. For a list of wanted donation items, please see the bin in the Fellowship Hall. As we approach Halloween, we would love to send any extra candy you have! Please note: we cannot accept food with an expired "best by" date. We are still looking for a volunteer to keep in contact with the military personnel on our correspondence list. If you would like more information on the duties, or any questions, please contact Bev Krause or Jaime Greene.

RADIO CHURCH SERVICES

SUN 6:30AM—WTMJ (AM 620) LUTHERAN HOUR &

SUN 7:00AM—WJYI (AM 1340) LUTHERAN

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSIONS

We pray for those undergoing medical treatment:

Judy Adeline Karen Nancy Ralph Marlene Karena Kay Collin

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

Bulletins are sponsored by Don & Deb Marx in celebration of their granddaughter, Louisa's, 1st birthday.

WEEKLY CALENDAR FOR October 21 – October 31

THUR	11:00am	Young at Heart-Zoo trip
	7:00pm	Worship and Communion
SAT	8:30am	Men's Bible Study
	9:00am	Handbell Rehearsal
SUN	8:00am	Worship and Communion
	9:15am	Education Hour
	10:30am	Worship and Communion
	5:00pm	Youth Gathering Meeting
	6:00pm	Youth Group
MON	Scrip Orders Due	
	6:30pm	Women's Ministry Board Meeting
TUES	9:00am	Ladies Bible Study
	6:30pm	Women's Home Bible Study
	7:00pm	Zoom Bible Study
WED	9:00am	Quilters
	7:00pm	Bible Study
	7:00pm	Confirmation
THUR	9:30am	Bible Study
	7:00pm	Worship
SAT	9:00am	Handbell Rehearsal
SUN	8:00am	Worship
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Attendance: 196 **Offerings:** \$8,818 **Needed Weekly:** \$11,800