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August 31, 2025



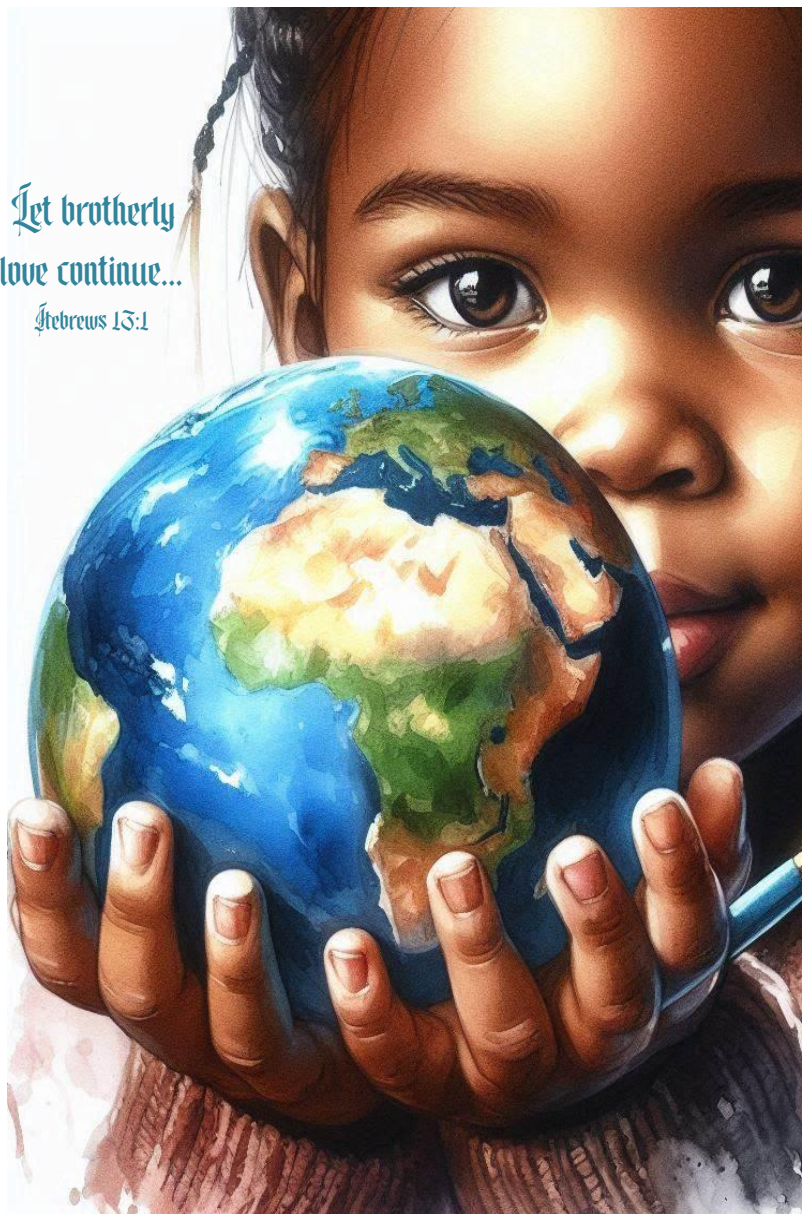
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*Let brotherly
love continue...*
Hebrews 13:1



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PRELUDE

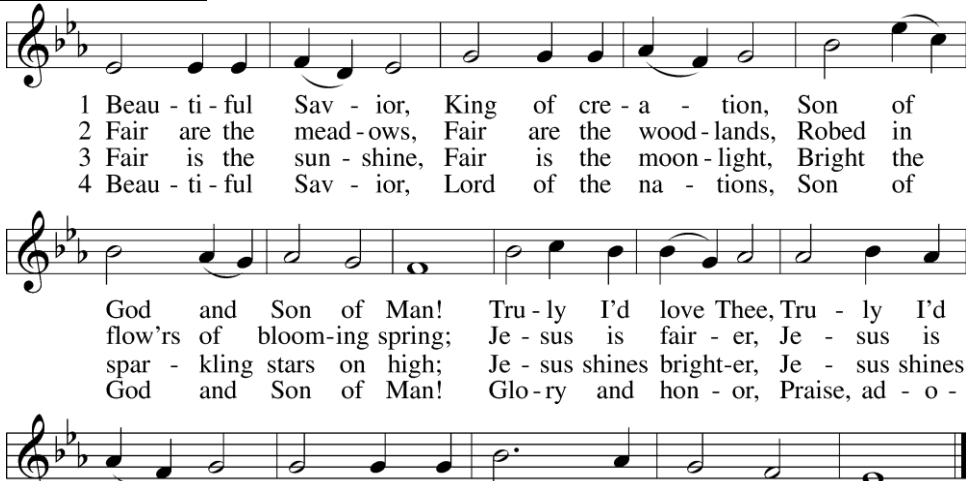
“Prelude and Fugato on Beautiful Savior”

Gordon Young

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

“Beautiful Savior”

LSB 537



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion, Son of
2 Fair are the mead - ows, Fair are the wood - lands, Robed in
3 Fair is the sun - shine, Fair is the moon - light, Bright the
4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions, Son of

God and Son of Man! Tru - ly I'd love Thee, Tru - ly I'd
flow'rs of bloom - ing spring; Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is
spar - kling stars on high; Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines
God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or, Praise, ad - o -

serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
pur - er, He makes our sor - r'wing spir - it sing.
pur - er Than all the an - gels in the sky.
ra - tion Now and for - ev - er - more be Thine!

INVOCATION *Matthew 28:19b*

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: ♪ Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: It is God who executes judgment,

People: **putting down one and lifting up another.** *Psalm 75:6-8*

Pastor: Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled,

People: **And he who humbles himself will be exalted.** *Luke 14:11*

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Almighty God,
People: **we are a disobedient people who have forsaken Your ways and chosen the desires of our own hearts over Your Word. In thought, word, and deed we have sinned against You and against one another, done what is evil, and failed to do what is good. In pride we have sought to repair our sinful condition and have failed. We are sorry for all our sins, and we pray You to forgive us for the sake of Jesus Christ, Your Son, asking You to send also Your Holy Spirit that we may amend our sinful lives and live to the praise of Your glory; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

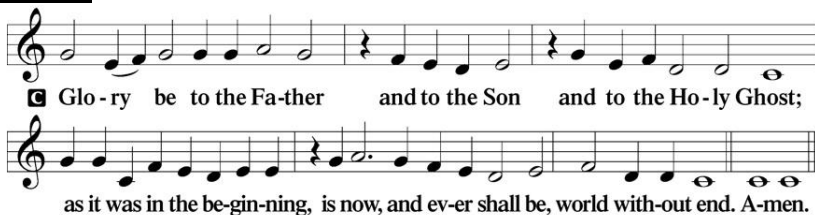
Pastor: Be comforted, dear people, for the Lord has heard Your cry for mercy and forgiven You for the sake of Your Savior Jesus Christ, our Lord. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: ♪ **Amen.**

THE INTROIT *Psalm 75:1–2, 6, 9; antiphon: v. 7*

Pastor/Choir: It is God who executes judgment, putting down one and lifting up another. We give thanks to you, O God; we give thanks, for your name is near. We recount your wondrous deeds. At the set time that I appoint I will judge with equity. For not from the east or from the west and not from the wilderness comes lifting up, But I will declare it forever; I will sing praises to the God of Jacob.

THE GLORIA PATRI



THE KYRIE *Mt 9:27, 15:22*

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People: ♪ **Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

“We Praise You, O God”

LSB 785



1 We praise You, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor;
 2 We wor - ship You, God of our fa - thers, we bless You;
 3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer

In grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.
 Through tri - al and tem - pest our guide You have been.
 And glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.

We lay it be - fore You, we kneel and a - dore You;
 When per - ils o'er - take us, You will not for - sake us,
 With You, Lord, be - side us, Your strong arm will guide us.

We bless Your ho - ly name, glad prais - es we sing.
 And with Your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.
 To You, our great Re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

THE SALUTATION 2 Timothy 4:22

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People:



■ And with thy spir - it.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: O Lord, You resist the proud and give grace to the humble. Give to us the true humility of Your Son, Jesus Christ, that we shed all arrogant and prideful ways that would condemn us and by Your grace learn to love and serve You above all and to love and serve our neighbor as Christ has loved us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **♪ Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT

Proverbs 25:2-10

(Do not put yourself forward.)

²It is the glory of God to conceal things, but the glory of kings is to search things out.

³As the heavens for height, and the earth for depth, so the heart of kings is unsearchable.

⁴Take away the dross from the silver, and the smith has material for a vessel; ⁵take away the wicked from the presence of the king, and his throne will be established in righteousness. ⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great, ⁷for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

What your eyes have seen ⁸ do not hastily bring into court, for what will you do in the end, when your neighbor puts you to shame? ⁹ Argue your case with your neighbor himself, and do not reveal another's secret, ¹⁰lest he who hears you bring shame upon you, and your ill repute have no end.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

Hebrews 13:1-17

(Sacrifices Pleasing to God)

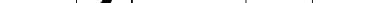
¹Let brotherly love continue. ² Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. ³ Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body. ⁴ Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous. ⁵Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." ⁶So we can confidently say, "The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?"

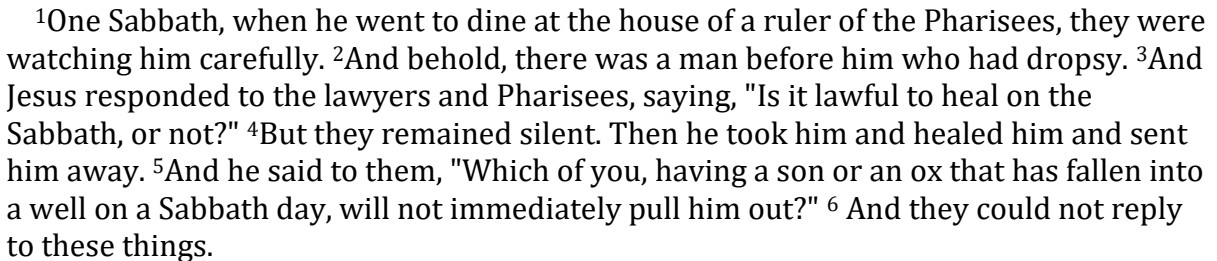
⁷Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

⁹ Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings, for it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited those devoted to them. ¹⁰We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. ¹¹ For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the holy places by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. ¹² So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. ¹³ Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured. ¹⁴ For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. ¹⁵ Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. ¹⁶ Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

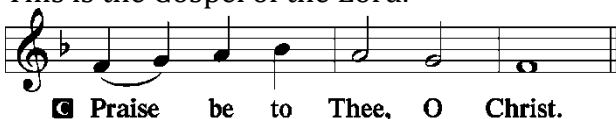
Luke 14:1-14

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the fourteenth chapter.
 People: 



¹²He said also to the man who had invited him, "When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. ¹³But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, ¹⁴and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just."

People:



THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father
before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not
made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who
for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven; and was incarnate by
the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us
under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again
according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of
the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the
dead, whose kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the
Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and
glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and
apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look
for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

HYMN OF THE DAY

"It is Well with My Soul"

LSB 763



1 When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way; When
2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, Let
3 He lives— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; My
4 And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight, The



sor - rows, like sea bil - lows, roll; What - ev - er my lot, Thou hast
this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, That Christ hath re - gard - ed my
sin, not in part, but the whole, Is nailed to His cross, and I
clouds be rolled back as a scroll, The trum - pet shall sound and the



taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.
help - less es - tate And hath shed His own blood for my soul.
bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
Lord shall de - scend; E - ven so it is well with my soul.

Refrain



It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

SERMON

"Before All Worlds"

John 1:2

Rev. D. Lee Andrzejewski, Head Pastor
Historic Trinity Lutheran Church

OFFERTORY

LSB 704 v. 3-4



3 Cre - ate in me a new heart, Lord, That glad - ly
4 Grant that I on - ly You may love And seek those
I o - bey Your Word. Let what You will be
things which are a - bove Till I be - hold You
my de - sire, And with new life my soul in - spire.
face to face, O Light e - ter - nal, through Your grace.

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VOLUNTARY

"Minuet (Berenice)"

G. F. Handel

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for the work you have entrusted us to do. We ask only to be worthy of that trust. Help us to be faithful in very small things, realizing it is there where we will learn to be worthy of your trust in greater things, and to be faithful to the great treasure of Your Word which You have placed into our care. Remind us what of that wonder, and joy, peace, love, and hope that we would always be eager to encourage others to trade in their burdens with the blood of the cross; their anxieties for Your peace; their despair and darkness for your delight and light.

People:



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer;
When I call an - swer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O
Lord, hear my prayer; Come and lis - ten to me. O

Pastor: Help us realize how much more work there is to do, Lord, so that we see this world through Your eyes, and serve You with all of our hearts, and love those around us with Yours. For all those times we've left that work undone, we ask for your grace. Forgive us for those times we have served you half-heartedly and for the opportunities to serve you where we have shrunk in fear.

People:



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer;
When I call an - swer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O
Lord, hear my prayer; Come and lis-ten to me. O

Pastor: Please Lord, be with us when we are fearful to make us faithful. Be with us when we are faithful to make us fruitful. Be with us when we are fruitful to make us humble. Be with us when we are humble to make us grateful. For it is only by Your grace that we were chosen to serve You, and only by Your strength that we are able to serve, and only by Your faithfulness that we pray this prayer to You today: Take a mustard seeds of faith and let them grow wild, Lord!

People:



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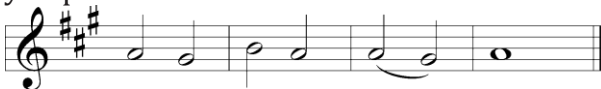
LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

BENEDICTION Num 6:24-26

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The † Lord lift his countenance upon you and give you peace.

People:



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

"My Soul Rejoices"

LSB 933



1 My soul re - joic - es, My spir - it voic - es— Sing the
2 His arm now bar - ing, His strength de - clar - ing— Sing the



great - ness of the Lord! For God my Sav - ior Has shown me
great - ness of the Lord! The proud He scat - ters, Their rule He



fa - vor— Sing the great - ness of the Lord! With praise and
shat - ters— Sing the great - ness of the Lord! Op - pres - sion



bles - sing, Join in con - fess - ing God, who is sole - ly Might - y and
halt - ed; The meek ex - alt - ed. Full are the hun - gry; Emp - ty, the



ho - ly— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord! His mer - cy
wealth - y— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord! Here is the



sure - ly Shall rest se - cure - ly On all who fear Him,
to - ken All that was spo - ken To A - br'ham's off - spring



Love and re - vere Him— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord!
God is ful - fill - ing— O sing the great - ness of God the Lord!

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POSTLUDE

"My Soul Rejoices"

J. S. Bach