

**Sunday Worship Schedule**  
**9:00 – Traditional**  
**11:15 – Contemporary style**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 10:15**  
**Service of the Word for Wholeness**

Jesus called twelve common people to be his first followers who did uncommon things to change the world. This week, we learn about another apostle named Judas, one who was tenderhearted and asked Jesus insightful questions.

*Flowers Given in Loving Memory of Sue Hoffman*

## GATHERING WORSHIP MUSIC     *“At the Cross (Love Ran Red)”*

Chris Tomlin

*“Forever Home Run”*

David Lochner

*“Your Grace Is Enough”*  
*“Is He Worthy”*

P: Let us pray. O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

P: Although as individuals we are unique in many and various ways, we gather as a congregation for a common mission.

**C: Beautiful Savior is a biblically grounded community who unites to follow and share the way of Jesus.**

*Proverbs 3:13-14*

Marilyn Lochner

A: Together, let us recite the memory verse:

**C: Happy are those who find wisdom, and those who get understanding, for her income is better than silver, and her revenue better than gold.**

*Hebrews 13:1-6*

A: The reading according to Hebrews, the thirteenth chapter.

Let mutual love continue. <sup>2</sup> Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. <sup>3</sup> Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. <sup>4</sup> Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. <sup>5</sup> Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." <sup>6</sup> So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?"

A: The word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL

*John 14:15-24*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>15</sup>“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. <sup>16</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. <sup>17</sup>This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. <sup>18</sup>“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. <sup>19</sup>In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. <sup>20</sup>On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup>They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.” <sup>22</sup>Judas (not Iscariot) said to him, “Lord, how is it that you will reveal yourself to us, and not to the world?” <sup>23</sup>Jesus answered him, “Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. <sup>24</sup>Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

## CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Ken Fouty

## SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Niklaus C. Schillack, Senior Pastor

## SONG OF THE DAY

*“Your Love, O Lord”*

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Marilyn Lochner

A: Let us pray for the church, the creation, and the whole people of God, for God is near.

*A brief silence.*

A: Raise up faithful leaders for your church around the world. Inspire global missionaries with a spirit of accompaniment, as they walk alongside our partners in the gospel in solidarity, interdependence, and mutuality to share the good news of Jesus. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

A: Safeguard rivers and lakes from pollution. Sustain the work of conservationists, policy makers, and advocacy groups seeking to protect fresh water sources. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

A: Bridge divisions across partisan lines. Strengthen cooperative efforts among lawmakers who enact policies that protect our neighbors who are most vulnerable. Teach us to love our collective nation more and hate our political opponents less. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

A: Embrace all who suffer in isolation: for those who are incarcerated or detained, those who are fleeing from unsafe environments, and those who are sick or homebound (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). Reassure them of your care in all times and places. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

A: Guide the leaders of this congregation. In these late summer weeks, inspire their planning for a new program year ahead. Kindle in us a spirit of collaboration and support for their work. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

A: With thanksgiving, we remember the cloud of witnesses who surround us (*especially those we now name aloud or in the quiet of our hearts*). By the example of their faith, enable us to run with perseverance the race set before us, until that day when we join their unending praise. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

A: Faithful Lord, we pray that deep and persistent prayer permeates our congregation, not only as we seek your will for an associate pastor, but also as we seek your vision for our Beautiful Savior community. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

A: Confident in God's presence and promise, we entrust our prayers to the one who always receives them; through Jesus Christ, our wisdom and companion.

C: Amen.

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

## STEWARDSHIP READING

*1 Corinthians 16:1-2a*

Now concerning the collection for the saints: you should follow the directions I gave to the churches of Galatia. On the first day of every week, each of you is to put aside and save whatever extra you earn...

## OFFERING

*"Oceans/You Make Me Brave"*

Soloists: Marilyn Lochner & Kelly Newell Bass: David Lochner

## OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray. Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

## HOLY COMMUNION

## POST HOLY COMMUNION BLESSING

## BLESSING

## SENDING SONG

*"10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"*

## DISMISSAL

The collage consists of four posters arranged in a 2x2 grid. The top-left poster is for 'GriefShare' with a green leaf graphic and text: 'GriefShare®', 'NEXT SESSION BEGINS AUGUST 26', 'SESSIONS ON TUESDAY NIGHTS AT 6:30 P.M.', and 'BSLCMI.ORG/POST/GRIEF2025SUMMER'. The top-right poster is for 'MEN'S Luncheon' with a red circle logo and text: '3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month noon', 'All men of the church are welcome—invite a friend!', 'Lukich Family Dining 3900 Rochester Rd. Troy, MI', and 'No need to RSVP—just come! No agenda, just time to chat'. The bottom-left poster is for 'PLUG INTO THE POWER OF GOD' with a green background and text: 'PLUG INTO THE POWER OF GOD', 'SUNDAYS SEPTEMBER 7—21', and 'Discover the incredible power God gives you through spiritual gifts.' The bottom-right poster is for 'Bible JOURNEY' with a magnifying glass over a book and text: 'Bible JOURNEY', 'The Book of Ruth', 'Mondays at 7 pm', 'BSLC Welcome Center', 'No commitment required. Attend on the weeks you are able.', and 'August 4, 11, 18, 25'.



# FOREVER HOME RUN

*Benefitting Legacy Adoption Services*

**SATURDAY  
OCTOBER  
4<sup>TH</sup> 2025**

Join us for more than just a race. This is your opportunity to help foster kids find forever homes, raise awareness and support adoptive families!

#### **Forever Home Run Includes:**

- Family friendly festival with bounce house, games & more at 9:00 a.m.
- Professionally timed & certified 5K course
- Race bib and timing chip
- T-shirt and finisher's medal
- Virtual 5K option

#### **5K Run/Walk**

9 a.m.

#### **Family Festival Begins**

9 a.m.

#### **1K Dress-Up Dash**

10:30 a.m.

**Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church**  
5631 N. Adams Rd. Bloomfield Hills

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