

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost – July 5, 2020

As we gather **Matt. 11:28** – **“Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”** Jesus has come to do the work so that we might have rest from burdens and labors we are not capable of bearing. He frees us from sin, death, and the demands of the Law. In that peace and rest of Jesus we find a new purpose. His light yoke, which is no burden to bear, is a joy.

✠ THE ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE ✠

THE HYMN: #684 *“Come unto Me, Ye Weary”*

- 1 “Come unto Me, ye weary,
And I will give you rest.”
O blessed voice of Jesus,
Which comes to hearts oppressed!
It tells of benediction,
Of pardon, grace, and peace,
Of joy that hath no ending,
Of love that cannot cease.
- 2 “Come unto Me, ye wand’ers,
And I will give you light.”
O loving voice of Jesus,
Which comes to cheer the night!
Our hearts were filled with sadness,
And we had lost our way;
But Thou hast brought us gladness
And songs at break of day.
- 3 “Come unto Me, ye fainting,
And I will give you life.”
O cheering voice of Jesus,
Which comes to aid our strife!
The foe is stern and eager,
The fight is fierce and long;
But Thou hast made us mighty
And stronger than the strong.
- 4 “And whosoever cometh,
I will not cast him out.”
O patient love of Jesus,
Which drives away our doubt,
Which, though we be unworthy
Of love so great and free,
Invites us very sinners
To come, dear Lord, to Thee!

THE INVOCATION:

- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS:

- P**: Let us then confess our sins unto God our Father.
C: **I, a poor sinner, plead guilty before God of all sins.
I have lived as if God did not matter and as if I mattered most.
My Lord's name I have not honored as I should;
my worship and prayers have faltered.
I have not let His love have its way with me,
and so my love for others has failed.
There are those whom I have hurt, and those whom I have failed to help.
My thoughts and desires have been soiled with sin.
I am sorry for all of this and ask for grace. I want to do better.**

ABSOLUTION:

- P**: God be merciful to you and strengthen your faith.
C: Amen.
- P**: In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C: Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY:

- P**: The Lord be with you.
C: **And also with you.**
P: Let us pray.
Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercy attends us all our days. Be our strength and support amid the wearisome changes of this world, and at life's end grant us Your promised rest and the full joys of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C Amen.



THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Zechariah 9:9–12 (*pew Bible p. 797*)

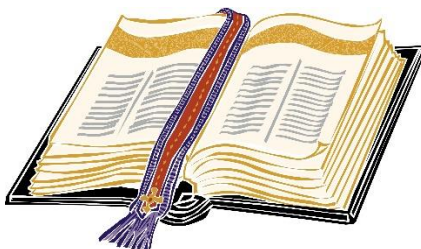
Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is He, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and He shall speak peace to the nations; His rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of My covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

THE EPISTLE: Romans 7:14–25a (*pew Bible p. 943*)

For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 11:25–30 (*pew Bible p. 816*) (*Please stand.*)

At that time Jesus declared, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; yes, Father, for such was Your gracious will. All things have been handed over to Me by My Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal Him. Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.”



THE NICENE CREED:

C 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.

THE HYMN: #570 *“Just as I Am, without One Plea”*

1 Just as I am, without one plea
But that Thy blood was shed for me
And that Thou bidd’st me come to Thee,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

- 2 Just as I am and waiting not
To rid my soul of one dark blot,
To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 3 Just as I am, though tossed about
With many_a conflict, many_a doubt,
Fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 4 Just as I am, poor, wretched, blind;
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,
Yea, all I need, in Thee to find,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 5 Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because Thy promise I believe,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- 6 Just as I am; Thy love unknown
Has broken ev'ry barrier down;
Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

THE SERMON: "Give the Garbage to God"

Pastor Eric Ahlemeyer

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE PREFACE:

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love He blessed us with every spiritual blessing.

He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are His children and to strengthen us when we are weak.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ. To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory forever and ever.

C Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

C 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.

P In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command, and with His own words, we receive His testament:

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD:

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

THE PAX DOMINI:

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

THE AGNUS DEI: #633 *“At the Lamb’s High Feast”* (Verses 1-4)

- 1 At the Lamb’s high feast we sing
Praise to our victorious King,
Who has washed us in the tide
Flowing from His piercèd side.
Alleluia!
- 2 Praise we Him, whose love divine
Gives His sacred blood for wine,
Gives His body for the feast—
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.
Alleluia!
- 3 Where the paschal blood is poured,
Death’s dread angel sheathes the sword;
Israel’s hosts triumphant go
Through the wave that drowns the foe.
Alleluia!
- 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,
Paschal victim, paschal bread;
With sincerity and love
Eat we manna from above.
Alleluia!

THE DISTRIBUTION

THE POST-COMMUNION COLLECT:

- P** Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

THE BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION:

- P** Let us bless the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**
- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.
- C** **Amen.**

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CLOSING HYMN: #699 *"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"*

- 1 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Come unto Me and rest;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
Thy head upon My breast."
I came to Jesus as I was,
So weary, worn, and sad;
I found in Him a resting place,
And He has made me glad.

- 2 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Behold, I freely give
The living water; thirsty one,
Stoop down and drink and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank
Of that life-giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in Him.

- 3 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"I am this dark world's light.
Look unto Me; thy morn shall rise
And all thy day be bright."
I looked to Jesus, and I found
In Him my star, my sun;
And in that light of life I'll walk
Till trav'ling days are done.

WORSHIP SERVICE INFORMATION

***The 3 service format, 8:15, 9:30, & 10:45 a.m., will continue
through the entire month of July.***

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS during the month of July will be
Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**



ANNOUNCEMENTS July 5, 2020



WE WELCOME YOU as honored guests or treasured members.
Before the service, speak to the Lord in prayer.
During the service, listen as the Lord speaks to you through His Holy Word. After the service, speak to one another.

ORDER OF WORSHIP is a printed Divine Service. Refer to the *Worship Insert* for readings, hymns and to guide you through the service. A triangle \triangle preceding a hymn stanza indicates that we stand for the verse(s).

CHANCEL PARAMENTS are green for the season of Pentecost to symbolize the new life in Christ's church.

PARENTS, FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE... A CRY ROOM is located at the back of the nave. Please do not leave children unattended. All the restrooms are equipped with changing tables.

PLEASE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

Dawn Beery	Bev Brummett	Harold Cox	Don Day
Linda Fark Duff	Elizabeth DuVall	Dusty Eckman	Conrad Forks
Helen Forks	Pat Jaeger	Stephanie Krone	Paul Matzat
Ron Rasmus	Ken Shabino	Marlis Snyder	Carolyn Tanner
Jean Taylor	Joan Walter	Phil Walter	Polly Wolf
The Family of Susan Lahman			

Military: Haley (Hampton) & Jesse Luna

Miller's Merry Manor (Plymouth): Vaneada Brettin

Autumn Trace: Betty Wade

Miller's Assisted Living: Shirley Johnson

Thank you to all who valiantly pray for the needs of those on our prayer list every day! We are all comforted when others pray for us. May we always be willing to stand in the gap!

INFORMATION FOR PASTOR AHLEMEYER...Sunday mornings are busy for Pastor Ahlemeyer and he appreciates all the information you give to him. So he won't forget anything, please email him, call the church office, or write down your information on a piece of paper.

MATCHING EXTRA ORDINARY DONATION OPPORTUNITY

An anonymous donor has agreed to match all Extra Ordinary gifts, up to a total of \$50,000, until Thanksgiving 2020. These gifts will be used to pay off the mortgage and secure a sound financial future for Calvary. Extra Ordinary envelopes are available on the cabinet in the Narthex.

As of June 21, we have collected \$25,359.30 that will be matched.

VOTERS' MEETING

Our next Voters' meeting will be Sunday, July 26, following the 10:45 a.m. service, at approximately 11:45 a.m. There are important decisions to be voted on at this meeting. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend.

WE REJOICE AND SHARE in the joy of our sister in Christ, **Susan Lahman**, as she is now with her Lord Jesus. **Susan** was called to her eternal rest on **Thursday, June 25**. Her funeral was **Tuesday, June 30** at Deaton-Clemens Van Gilder Funeral Home. Please keep **Bill** and the family in your prayers. - **"I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand"** – John 10:28

HEARTFELT THANK YOU

~Thank you for your prayers, cards, and calls for my surgery and recovery. I am so thankful to have Calvary praying for me. Blessings to each of you. **Damaris Story**



~We want to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, and calls during the last days of Juanita. We will miss her, but it is comforting to know she has reached her glorious final destination. Thank you to Pastor Ahlemeyer for his visits with Juanita and pastoral support for her family during this time. We are so blessed. **Ray & Tanya Uhlig**

~Thank you for your prayers and cards sent to Paul Matzat for his 65th birthday. He received more than 40 cards and many more greetings on social media. Paul was diagnosed with ALS in July 2019 and is now confined to his chair. He can no longer speak or swallow & must be fed through a feeding tube. Please pray for the prompt acquisition of a hospital bed and hoyer lift. Your continued prayers are very much appreciated. A picture of Paul and his siblings is on the bulletin board. **Gene Matzat**

TRASH & TREASURE

The Women's Guild Trash & Treasure Sale will be July 31 – August 1. This is a great time to clean out your closets, basement, and garage. Donations of your gently used items are appreciated. You may start bringing in your items the middle of July. The church office is open 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Tuesday - Thursday. Items should be put on the west wall.

10% of all sales from the Trash & Treasure go directly to Mites. Mites are coins put in a mite box and given to Women's Guild. We then send the money to Indiana District LWML and support the Mission Grants that are chosen at convention. A list of the new missions will be on the LWML Board, as well as the list of the new officers for the new biennium starting June 2020 to June 2022. 25% of the mites collected in the Indiana District LWML is kept by the district and 75% is sent on to the National LWML which is also channeled into mission grants on a national level.

The mite box will be out in the next few weeks, along with small mite boxes anyone can take. The mite box is a reminder of the Widow's mite when she gave all she had in thankfulness. We ask for your change, not all you have. Those mites do great work for the Lord in our area and in the world. Millions of dollars have been raised by LWML for over 78 years. We help students preparing to be pastors and teachers and give money to help many mission projects in our area and all over the United States. Mites are mighty, as is our God who uses them and us to perform good things. I am reminded of the Bethel Bible Studies and Blessed to be a Blessing and the LWML is that indeed.

BOARD OF PRESCHOOL EDUCATION MEETING

The Board of Preschool Education will meet on Tuesday, July 7, at 5:00 p.m. We will be discussing the 20-21 school year. Board members please plan to attend.

MISSION STATEMENT OF CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

"To bring alive The Triune God's plan of salvation in the congregation, community, and world (Matthew 28:19-20) by providing an atmosphere for spiritual growth, embracing the Spirit, and sharing our God-given gifts in Christian love."

WELCOME TO CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH!

The people of God at Calvary extend to you a most warm and friendly welcome. Please join us again soon. A "Visitors Packet" is available from an usher. If you are interested in further information about the church, or if you desire to become a member, please contact the church office at 936-2903. Thank you for worshipping at Calvary.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday.

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE: For Your Convenience, Open Every Sunday
7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon

- 8:15 a.m. Worship/Divine Service
- 9:30 a.m. Worship/Divine Service
- 10:45 a.m. Worship/Divine Service

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words and repent of all their sins. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or are not members of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod are asked to refrain from partaking of the Sacrament and speak to pastor.