

### Sunday, August 25, 2024 Year B, Lectionary 21



Weekly Sunday Service: 10:00am – 11:00am

Join us on Zoom: <u>Click Here</u> Meeting ID: **840 5961 8157** Passcode: C@lvary876

# Looking ahead...

**August 27** — Book Club at Margaret's

**September 1** — Ecumenical Worship at First Congregational United Church of Christ

**September 4** — Not-so-Youth Group

**September 7** — Quilting and Knitting

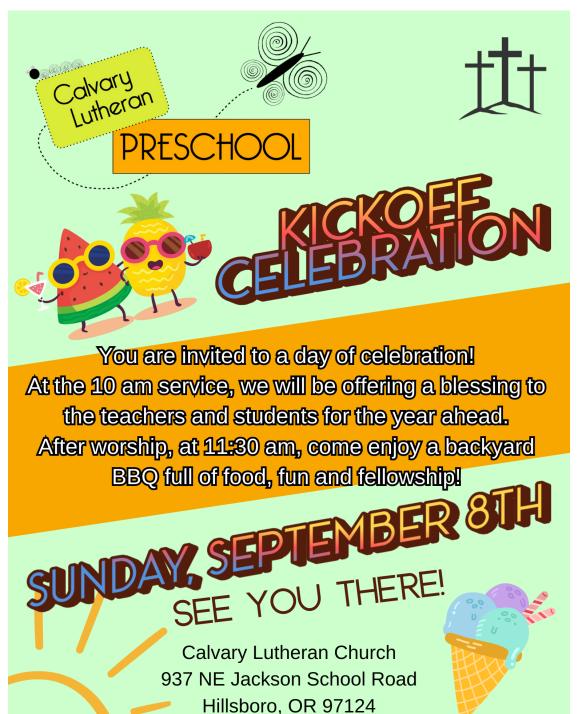
# The Not-So-Youth Group Come As You Are!

You are invited to a bi-monthly gathering, on the FIRST and THIRD WEDNESDAYS of each month, to share in food, games and conversation.

This is a space for all, no matter your faith background; this is just a space to be together in community. So come, have some food, have some fun and be just who you are!

The next Gathering is September 4th at 6 pm

**NEEDED:** Volunteers to help with the BBQ and to bring food. If you can help, let Pastor Rachel know!



# Last Week's Attendance

In-Person: 25

**Zoom:** 3

Calvary General Fund Financial Report			
	July 2024	YTD 2024	
Income	\$12,107.23	\$81,260.68	
Expenses	\$14,583.33	\$102,083.31	
(+/-)	(\$2,476.10)	(\$19,716.15)	

### See What's Happening This Week at Calvary

Sunday, August 25—14th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 am Worship In-person & Zoom – Sanctuary

11:30 am Bible Study—Library

2:00 pm Life Center Pentecostal Worship – Sanctuary

4:00 pm Nueva Vida Worship—Sanctuary

Monday, August 26

7:00 pm Life Center Pentecostal Music Rehearsal - Sanctuary

Tuesday, August 27

1:30 pm Book Club at Margaret's

Wednesday, August 28

7:00 pm Life Center Pentecostal Prayers – Sanctuary

Thursday, August 29

6:00 pm Nueva Vida Prayer Service

6:30 pm Women's AA – Fellowship Hall

Friday, August 30

6:30 pm TGIF AA Meeting

Saturday, August 31

6:00 pm Nueva Vida Evening Vigil

Sunday, September 1—15th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 am Ecumenical Worship at First Congregational United Church of

Christ

11:30 am Bible Study—Library

2:00 pm Life Center Pentecostal Worship – Sanctuary

4:00 pm Nueva Vida Worship—Sanctuary

### Welcome to Calvary Lutheran Church

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Out of a world of cut-throat competition, of winners-and-losers, and too many left behind we come together.

The world's ways are not our ways. The world's ways are not Christ's ways.

Out of a world of hatred, violence, individualism, and life-taking power we gather as Koinonia, as God's people.

God's ways are inclusive, expansive, and life-giving for all peoples.

Come and worship the One whose love knows no limits! Swim and splash in the cleansing waters of divine community! Resurrect your spirits and souls in worship of the One!

Praise be to the Everlasting One! Amen.

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

**GATHERING SONG** 

ELW 805 Lead On, O King Eternal!

### **GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

### **KYRIE**



### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Holy God, your word feeds your people with life that is eternal. Direct our choices and preserve us in your truth, that, renouncing what is false and evil, we may live in you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

### YOUTH MESSAGE

### FIRST READING Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-17a

"I now call upon you to revere and serve YHWH completely and sincerely. Cast off the gods that your ancestors worshiped beyond the Euphrates and in Egypt, and worship YHWH alone. If you do not want to worship YHWH, then make the decision today whom you will worship, even if it is the gods of your ancestors beyond the Euphrates or the gods of the Amorites in whose country you live. As for me and my household, we will worship YHWH." Then the people responded, "Far be it from us to abandon YHWH to worship other gods. It was YHWH our God who brought us and our ancestors up and out of the land of slavery. YHWH performed those great signs before our eyes. YHWH protected us on the entire journey..."

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

### PSALM Psalm 34:15-22

The eyes of YHWH are on those who do justice, and God's ears are open to their cry.

The face of YHWH is turned against evildoers to cut off their memory from the earth.

But the just cry out, and YHWH hears, and saves them from all their troubles.

YHWH is close to the brokenhearted and rescues those whose spirits are crushed.

Many are the afflictions of the just;

but YHWH delivers them from all their troubles.

YHWH protects their very bones, and not one of them will be broken.

Calamity will strike down these vicious curs, and the haters of justice will be condemned.

YHWH ransoms the lives of the faithful, and none who take refuge in God will see punishment.

### **SECOND READING Ephesians 6:10-20**

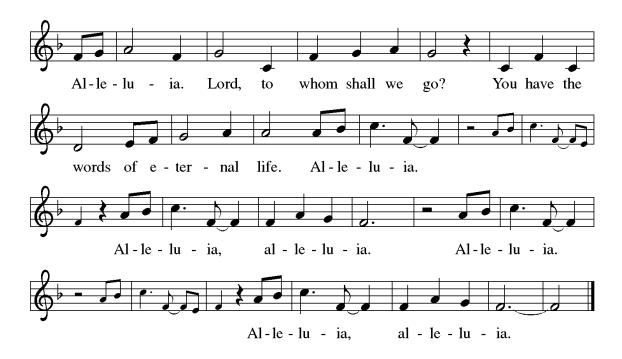
Finally, draw your strength from Christ and from the strength of that mighty power. Put on the full armor of God so that you can stand firm against the tactics of the Devil. Our battle ultimately is not against human forces, but against the sovereignties and powers, the rulers of the world of darkness, and the evil spirits of the heavenly realms. You must put on the armor of God if you are to resist on the evil day and, having done everything you can, to hold your ground. Stand fast then, with truth as the belt around your waist, justice as your breastplate, and zeal to spread the Good News of peace as your footgear. In all circumstances, hold faith up before you as your shield; it will help you extinguish the fiery darts of the Evil One. Put on the helmet of salvation, and carry the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Always pray in the Spirit, with all your prayers and petitions. Pray constantly and attentively for all God's holy people. Pray also for me, that God will open my mouth and put words on my lips<sub>8</sub>

that I may boldly make known the mystery of the Good News—that mystery for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may have courage to proclaim it as I ought.

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



### GOSPEL READING John 6:56-69

[Jesus said,] "Everyone who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me, and I live in them. Just as the living Abba God sent me and I have life because of Abba God, so those who feed on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. It's not the kind of bread

your ancestors ate, for they died; whoever eats this kind of bread will live forever." Jesus spoke these words while teaching in the synagogue in Capernaum.

Many of his disciples remarked, "We can't put up with this kind of talk! How can anyone take it seriously?" Jesus was fully aware that the disciples were murmuring in protest at what he had said. "Is this a stumbling block for you?" he asked them. "What, then, if you were to see the Chosen One ascend to where the Chosen One came from? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh in itself is useless. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and life. Yet among you there are some who don't believe." Jesus knew from the start, of course, those who would refuse to believe and the one who would betray him. He went on to say: "This is why I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by Abba God."

From this time on, many of the disciples broke away and wouldn't remain in the company of Jesus. Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Are you going to leave me, too?" Simon Peter answered, "Rabbi, where would we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe; we're convinced that you are the Holy One of God."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

**SERMON** 

Pastor Rachel Kramer

**HYMN OF THE DAY** ELW 638 Blessed Assurance (vs 1 & 3)

### **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

## **Prayer List**

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<u>vve Pray for Those Especially:</u>		Jann Patton
Jim Bany	Carol Dougall	Kourtney Peterson
Theresa Becker	Daniel Dougall	Edie & John Pyle
Harold Britton	& the Forest Grove	Betty Shannon
Bette Carlisle	National Guard Units	Diana Thompson

Cathie Carlisle Gail Nagel Erickson

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Kim Cawrse Wayne Godaire The Friends and Family of

Shirley Clergy Merle Kind Judy Wallin

Monica Deitchman Shelley Kubik Danny Dillard Rik Mayfield

### PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> If you would like a name added to the Prayer List, let the church office know. Names will be removed from the list after a month, unless you tell us to keep them on. Thank you.\*\*\*

### LITURGY OF THE HOLY TABLE

### **OFFERING HYMN** ELW 465 As the Grains of Wheat

#### OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, Bread of life,

you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

Amen.

(Please stand as you are able)

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Holy One be with you.

And also with you.

Open your hearts to the One who is Love

We open our hearts to you, O God.

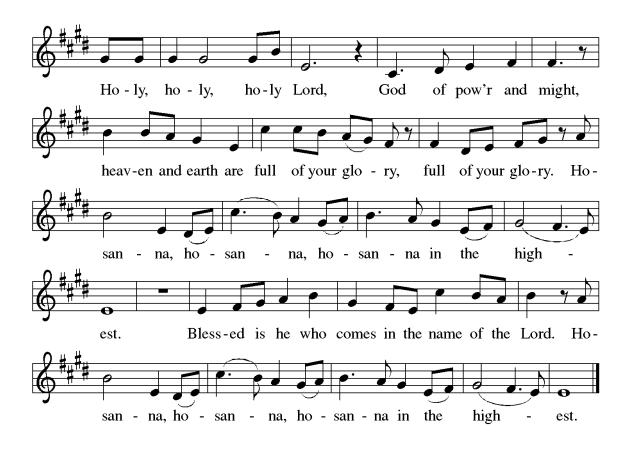
Let us give thanks to God who takes risks for love.

For the courage of the Holy that lives in us, we give thanks.

### **PREFACE**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,... we praise your name, saying:

### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



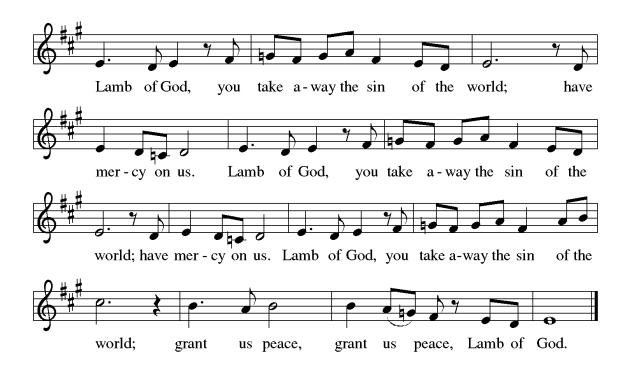
### **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

### **DISTRIBUTION**

### **COMMUNION HYMNS**

### Lamb of God



### All Who Are Thirsty



### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray:

God, we give you thanks for this meal that nourishes us in body and spirit; for a taste of your dreams; for the earth that gifts us these resources; and for these bodies of ours through which you take on flesh. May our gratitude produce faithfulness and our faithfulness produce justice. Amen.

### **SENDING**

**BLESSING** (Stand as you are able)

**SENDING SONG** ELW 618 Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer (vs. 1 & 3)

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. We are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

### **Special Thanks to Those Who Served Today**

Preacher and Presider: Pastor Rachel Kramer

Altar Guild: Judy Britton

Worship Assistant: Ross Patton

Lector: Chuck Wilkison

**Ushers:** Gary Clark & Dianne Pratt **Flowers:** Judy & Harold Britton

Coffee Hour: Kathleen Murphy & Chuck Wilkison