

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Church of the Lutheran Confession

450 W. Ohio • Marquette, Michigan

www.calvary.clclutheran.org



Divine Worship. 9:30am

Sunday School/Bible Class. . . 10:45/10:50am

Andrew A. Schaller, Pastor

Church: (906) 226-9372

Parsonage: (906) 228-3566

LENT THREE

March 24, 2019

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

Psalm: 51 (Pg. 134)

Prayers: 51 (Pg. 107); **52** (Pg. 107)

Organist: Mr. Walter Priebe

HYMNS: 224 293 292 785

PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: 224 "Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord!"

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT (Worship Supplement Pg. 12)

The Invocation... The Confession of Sins... Absolution. The Kyrie (Pg. 13)

... Gloria in Excelsis (Pg. 13) Prayer.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON:

PSALM 51

Have mercy upon me, O God, According to Your lovingkindness; According to the multitude of Your tender mercies, Blot out my transgressions. ² Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

³ For I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.

⁴ Against You, You only, have I sinned, And done *this* evil in Your sight— That You may be found just when You speak, *and* blameless when You judge.

⁵ Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin my mother conceived me. ⁶ Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts, And in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom.

EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP

The celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus begins on Sunday April 21st with Easter Breakfast served by the men of Calvary at 8am. There is no Bible Class or Sunday School on Easter Sunday so our worship will follow Breakfast at 9:30am.

CLC CALL NEWS

Resurrection Lutheran Church in Corpus Christi, Texas has called Pastor Mark Bernthal who currently serves Peace Thru Christ in Middleton, WI. • Teacher Andrew Roehl has returned the call of St. John's Lutheran School in Okabena, MN. • Bethel Lutheran of Morris, MN, has called Pastor George Dummann, who currently serves Salem in Eagle Lake, MN. Missionary Peter Evensen will serve Bethel until he travels to Togo, Africa in the beginning of May. • Faith Lutheran School in Markesan, WI, has called Teacher Neil Bernthal of Immanuel Lutheran School in Winter Haven, FL to serve as teacher and principal. • Teacher Nathan Wales has resigned his teaching call at Holy Trinity Lutheran School effective the end of the school year. This was not the result of any conflict within the congregation or school, nor was it the result of an incident. Mr. Wales is looking for new challenges and opportunities for personal growth in a different calling. He will remain in South Carolina and his children will attend the school.

Missions/Cooperative Budget Plan Pledge 2019

The Cooperative Budget Plan (CBP) is a pledge established by the Voters of Calvary to participate in the work of the Church of the Lutheran Confession. The amount given to 'Missions' on your church envelope goes to this pledge. In the event that our offerings fall short of our pledge, the difference will be taken from the Calvary General Fund. In the event that our offerings exceed our pledge, additional funds will be placed in the General Fund.

Amount Pledged 2019	Amount Received as of 3/17/19
\$7000.00	\$1385.00 (-5615.00)

CLCI SEMINARY STUDENT SPONSORSHIP - \$40/MO

APRIL GOAL	RECEIVED 3/17	APRIL GOAL
\$30.00	\$20.00	\$10.00

The Offerings of Thankful Hearts – Calvary Offerings 3/17/19

General Fund	Loose Offerings	Missions (CBP)	CLCI Sem Student
\$1085.00	\$109.25	\$210.00	\$20.00
Offerings Total: \$1424.25			

* Scripture quotations (unless otherwise noted) are taken from the Holy Bible, New King James Version, © 1982 by Thomas Nelson Publishers. All rights reserved.

BIBLE READINGS FOR HOME DEVOTIONS; MARCH 25-30, 2019

Monday - Romans 9&10 Jewish folks were first in line to enjoy God's great love for them, so they should have crowded the gates of heaven (9:1-5). When they didn't, who was to blame? Not God, for God is above blame (6-29). The fault lies in the human heart that dethrones Jesus (30-33) and idolizes self (10:1-13). God has given us the great privilege of publicizing these truths and Jesus (10:14-21) to *a disobedient and contrary people*. Lord, have mercy!

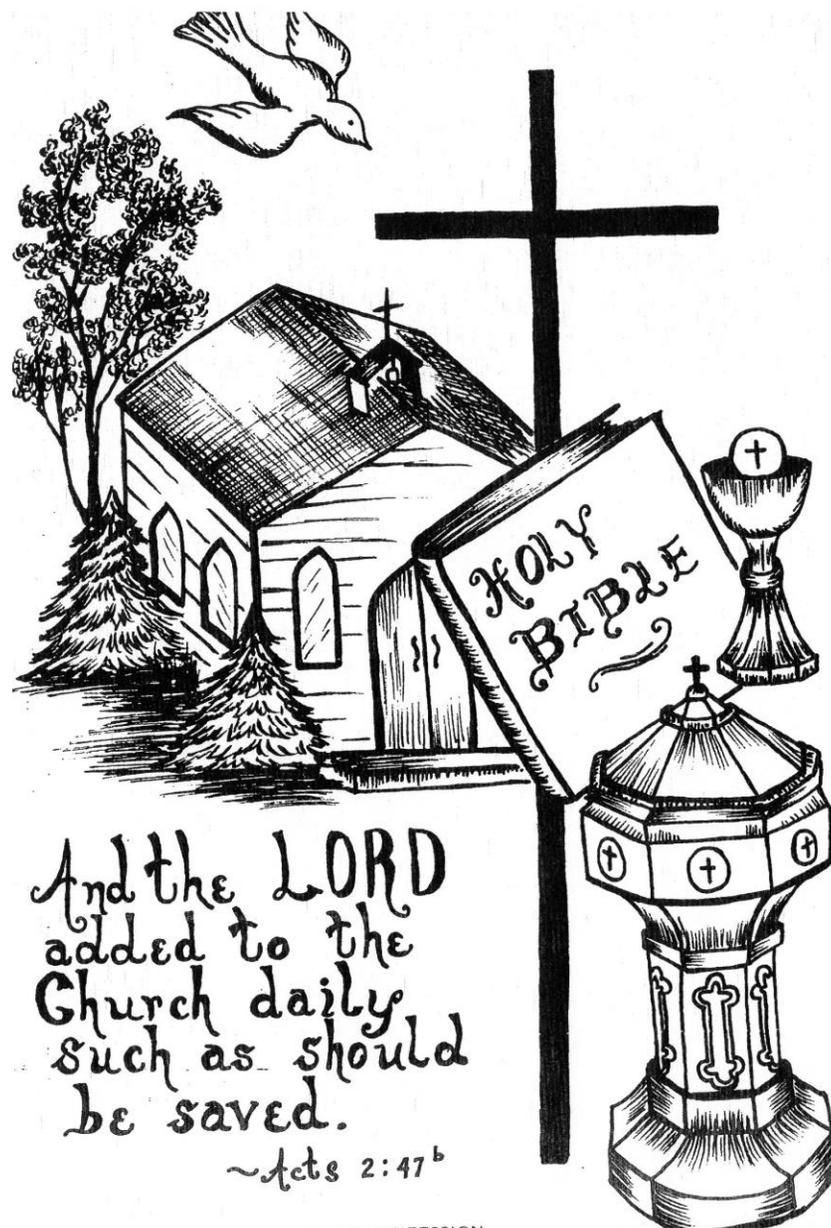
Tuesday - Romans 11 God has always tried hard to salvage Jews—first by using direct means—and when that failed, by indirect means (11-14). *All Israel* (26) does not mean everybody who is Jewish, but rather those who are children of Abraham by faith in Christ Jesus (17-27). God has it all figured out, blue-printed, and put into effect via Jesus, *for of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen.*

Wednesday - Romans 12 We can prevail against the world (1-2) and our own sinful self-esteem (3) by helping one another (4-8) in every way possible (9-21). **Chapter 13:** We keep our hearts and minds attuned to civic duties (1-7), sacred privileges (8-10), and our heavenly goal (11-14).

Thursday - Romans 14 In the Roman congregation converts were faced with their ethnic and cultural differences. Since practicing *kosher* and *Sabbath* was ingrained in Jews and not forbidden by God, the brethren should let it go at that (1-13). After all, *he who serves Christ in these things* (which God has neither forbidden nor commanded), *is acceptable to God* (14-23).

Friday - Romans 15 *We who are strong ought to help others carry their baggage and not make ourselves look better in the process* (1-3). We can learn a lot from the Psalms, especially those which refer to Jesus (4); and having His attitude is a great gift from God (5-6). So, let's get along with one another (7-13)! The Apostle Paul was a Christian gentleman in his mission outreach (14-21) and humble to God's will in making plans for the future (22-33).

Saturday - Romans 16 Although Paul had never been to Rome, he knew many of the church members, for they had crossed paths before, loved and respected one another (1-16). To protect them, Paul gave a parting warning: Avoid fellowship with purveyors of false doctrine! Why? Because they are causing divisions and offenses contrary to Bible doctrine, are not serving our Lord Jesus Christ but are serving their own self-interests, and by use of linguistic skills are deceiving the hearts of God's dear children (17-18). They are neither Jesus' friends nor yours; so, steer clear of them! *The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.*



CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Lent Three.....March 24, 2019

THE OFFERING HYMN:

(TLH 442:1-2)

Lord of Glory, who hast bought us With Thy life-blood as the price,
Never grudging for the lost ones That tremendous sacrifice;
And with that hast freely given Blessings countless as the sand
To the unthankful and the evil With Thine own unsparing hand;
Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to yield Thee Gladly, freely, of Thine own;
With the sunshine of Thy goodness Melt our thankless hearts of stone
Till our cold and selfish natures, Warmed by Thee, at length believe
That more happy and more blessed 'Tis to give than to receive.

PRAYER(S)...THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN: 292 "Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide"

THE BENEDICTION: Pastor

CONGREGATION: (Spoken) "Amen."

CLOSING HYMN: 785 "Children of the Heavenly Father"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 24, 2019

THIS WEEK

Wednesday: Choir Practice 6pm; Lenten Worship, 7pm.

Sunday: Worship 9:30am; SS 10:45am; Bible Class, 10:50am

CHOIR PRACTICE

The Choir practices Wednesday at 6pm.

LADIES OF CALVARY

The Ladies of Calvary will meet next on Thursday April 11th at 7pm in the Pastor's Office.

MIDWEEK LENTEN WORSHIP

We will again host a Midweek Lenten Service this Wednesday at 7pm. Pastor Schaller will be preaching March 27th and April 10th. Pastor Caleb Schaller will be preaching in between on Wednesday April 3rd. Our Lenten Series is entitled Sermons by the Suffering Servant. There will be coffee and snacks to follow those services.

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday, April 14th and includes our Maundy Thursday Communion Service April 18th at 7pm and our Good Friday Worship at 1pm on Friday April 19th.

⁷ Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. ⁸ Make me hear joy and gladness, *That* the bones You have broken may rejoice. ⁹ Hide Your face from my sins, And blot out all my iniquities.

¹⁰ Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. ¹¹ Do not cast me away from Your presence, and do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.

¹² Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me *by Your* generous Spirit. ¹³ *Then* I will teach transgressors Your ways, and sinners shall be converted to You.

¹⁴ Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed, O God, The God of my salvation, *And* my tongue shall sing aloud of Your righteousness. ¹⁵ O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall show forth Your praise. ¹⁶ For You do not desire sacrifice, or else I would give *it*; You do not delight in burnt offering.

¹⁷ The sacrifices of God *are* a broken spirit, A broken and a contrite heart— These, O God, You will not despise.

¹⁸ Do good in Your good pleasure to Zion; Build the walls of Jerusalem. ¹⁹ Then You shall be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, with burnt offering and whole burnt offering; Then they shall offer bulls on Your altar. *

EPISTLE LESSON:

EPHESIANS 1:3-14

³ Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly *places* in Christ, ⁴ just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, ⁵ having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, ⁶ to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He made us accepted in the Beloved.

⁷ In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace ⁸ which He made to abound toward us in all wisdom and prudence, ⁹ having made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself, ¹⁰ that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth—in Him. ¹¹ In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, ¹² that we who first trusted in Christ should be to the praise of His glory.

¹³ In Him you also *trusted*, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, ¹⁴ who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory. *

GOSPEL LESSON:

JOHN 6:1-15

“These things I have spoken to you, that you should not be made to stumble. ² They will put you out of the synagogues; yes, the time is coming that whoever kills you will think that he offers God service. ³ And these things they will do to you because they have not known the Father nor Me. ⁴ But these things I have told you, that when the time comes, you may remember that I told you of them.

“And these things I did not say to you at the beginning, because I was with you.

⁵ “But now I go away to Him who sent Me, and none of you asks Me, ‘Where are You going?’ ⁶ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. ⁷ Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you. ⁸ And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: ⁹ of sin, because they do not believe in Me; ¹⁰ of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; ¹¹ of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

¹² “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear *them* now.

¹³ However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own *authority*, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare *it* to you. ¹⁵ All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare *it* to you.

ALLELUIA (WS Pg. 14)

CONFESSION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES CREED (WS Pg. 15)

HYMN: 293 “O Holy Spirit, Grant Us Grace”

SERMON:

ACTS 2:37-47

³⁷ Now when they heard *this*, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Men *and* brethren, what shall we do?”

³⁸ Then Peter said to them, “Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call.”

⁴⁰ And with many other words he testified and exhorted them, saying, “Be saved from this perverse generation.” ⁴¹ Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added *to them*. ⁴² And they continued steadfastly in the apostles’ doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers. ⁴³ Then fear came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common, ⁴⁵ and sold their possessions and goods, and divided them among all, as anyone had need.

⁴⁶ So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, ⁴⁷ praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved. *

HOW MIGHT WE ADD 3000 SOULS TO THE LORD?

In Jerusalem and in Marquette...

- ✓ The Holy Spirit works through Word and Sacrament.
- ✓ The Holy Spirit grants the Gifts of Repentance and Faith.
- ✓ The Holy Spirit produces Devotion and other Godly Attitudes

OFFERTORY: (WS Pg. 16)

THE OFFERINGS OF THANKFUL HEARTS

ACTS

GENERAL:

The Book of Acts takes up the account of Luke after Jesus' ascension into heaven. It tells of the founding of the New Testament church, the spread of the Gospel and the missionary efforts of the disciples, especially Peter and Paul. It shows how the Word of the Lord spread out from Jerusalem to the ends of the earth. (cf. Acts 1:8)

In substance, the book of Acts does not truly deal with the Acts of all eleven [later twelve] Disciples whom Jesus selected personally to be His Witnesses to the ends of the earth. Essentially the book deals only with the mission work of a few of the Apostles.

We see in the Gospels how the WORD OF THE LORD GREW in Palestine and Galilee and in the nearby countries. The Book of Acts shows us how Jesus caused His Word to grow throughout the ancient world -- from Jerusalem to Rome, the center of the ancient world. This is indeed the continuing story of the Christ,

AUTHOR:

God is the author of the Bible. God is therefore the author of this book.

WRITER:

Who was Luke? Luke is called the 'beloved physician' (Colossians 4:14) by Paul and was one of his companions on his journeys and a faithful friend during his imprisonment. Like Mark, Luke was not an Apostle, but was a follower of Jesus and of Paul. Tradition says that he was converted in Antioch. He was most likely a Gentile. He joined Paul at Troas during the second missionary journey (Acts 16:11). He accompanied Paul as far as Philippi but apparently remained there the next 7 years. He was with Paul on his last journey to Jerusalem and according to 2 Timothy 4:11, he was also in Rome during Paul's imprisonment.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of Luke's writing is simply stated in the first 3 verses, to explain to Theophilus what happened after Jesus ascended into heaven. (Cf. Luke 1:1-5 and Acts 1:1-3)

TIME:

This book deals with the period of time from Jesus' ascension into Heaven until the Gospel reached Rome. Nearly all the rest of the books of the New Testament were written during the time period covered by this book. Because of this, we will find more information on certain accounts in other books of the New Testament [especially Paul's Letters and Peter's]. While the events here chronicled occurred at a given point in history, God determined that they should occur in eternity. God's call is not bound by time.

OUTLINE:

- I. The Word of the LORD in Jerusalem (1:1-6:7)
- II. The Word of the LORD triumphs over Persecution (6:8-9:31)
- III. The Word of the LORD becomes a light to the Gentiles (9:32-12:25)
- IV. The Word of the LORD Unites Jew and Gentile in one, free Church (13:1-16:5)
- V. The Word of the Lord goes to Macedonia, Achaia, and Asia (16:6-19:20)
- VI. The Power of the Word of the LORD is made perfect in weakness (19:21-28:31)

LUTHER – "With this book St. Luke teaches the whole Christian church to the end of the world the true chief article of Christian doctrine, that we all must be justified through faith in Jesus Christ alone, without any aid of the law or assistance of our works.... This book might well be called a commentary on the epistles of Paul. For what Paul teaches and impresses with words and texts from the Scriptures, that St. Luke here illustrates and proves with examples and stories, showing that it came to pass, and must come to pass, as Paul teaches, namely, that no law, no work justifies men, but only faith in Christ."

The Disciples or Apostles (save Judas Iscariot of course):

- Peter** - called Simon Peter, Cephas or Simon Bar-Jonas or Son of Jonas.
James - the brother of John, a son of Zebedee, cf. Matthew 10:2).
John- the disciple whom Jesus loved (John 19:26-27), a son of Zebedee Matthew 10:2), brother of James (Jude).
Andrew - Simon Peter's brother
Philip - who witnessed to the Ethiopian (Acts 8:26-40).
Thomas - known as 'doubting Thomas', called 'the twin'. (John 20:24ff.).
Bartholomew - perhaps the same as Nathanael (John 1:45-49, 21:2).
Matthew - the Tax Collector also called Levi Matt 10:3).
James the son of Alphaeus - Most likely the one referred to as 'James the Less', whose mother watched the crucifixion from a distance (Mk. 15:40), surnamed Thaddaeus
Simon the Zealot - also called Zelotes, the Canaanite (Mk. 3:18).
Judas the son of James - also known as Jude (Luke 6:16).

ACTS

GENERAL:

The Book of Acts takes up the account of Luke after Jesus' ascension into heaven. It tells of the founding of the New Testament church, the spread of the Gospel and the missionary efforts of the disciples, especially Peter and Paul. It shows how the Word of the Lord spread out from Jerusalem to the ends of the earth. (cf. Acts 1:8)

In substance, the book of Acts does not truly deal with the Acts of all eleven [later twelve] Disciples whom Jesus selected personally to be His Witnesses to the ends of the earth. Essentially the book deals only with the mission work of a few of the Apostles.

We see in the Gospels how the WORD OF THE LORD GREW in Palestine and Galilee and in the nearby countries. The Book of Acts shows us how Jesus caused His Word to grow throughout the ancient world -- from Jerusalem to Rome, the center of the ancient world. This is indeed the continuing story of the Christ,

AUTHOR:

God is the author of the Bible. God is therefore the author of this book.

WRITER:

Who was Luke? Luke is called the 'beloved physician' (Colossians 4:14) by Paul and was one of his companions on his journeys and a faithful friend during his imprisonment. Like Mark, Luke was not an Apostle, but was a follower of Jesus and of Paul. Tradition says that he was converted in Antioch. He was most likely a Gentile. He joined Paul at Troas during the second missionary journey (Acts 16:11). He accompanied Paul as far as Philippi but apparently remained there the next 7 years. He was with Paul on his last journey to Jerusalem and according to 2 Timothy 4:11, he was also in Rome during Paul's imprisonment.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of Luke's writing is simply stated in the first 3 verses, to explain to Theophilus what happened after Jesus ascended into heaven. (Cf. Luke 1:1-5 and Acts 1:1-3)

TIME:

This book deals with the period of time from Jesus' ascension into Heaven until the Gospel reached Rome. Nearly all the rest of the books of the New Testament were written during the time period covered by this book. Because of this, we will find more information on certain accounts in other books of the New Testament [especially Paul's Letters and Peter's]. While the events here chronicled occurred at a given point in history, God determined that they should occur in eternity. God's call is not bound by time.

OUTLINE:

- I. The Word of the LORD in Jerusalem (1:1-6:7)
- II. The Word of the LORD triumphs over Persecution (6:8-9:31)
- III. The Word of the LORD becomes a light to the Gentiles (9:32-12:25)
- IV. The Word of the LORD Unites Jew and Gentile in one, free Church (13:1-16:5)
- V. The Word of the Lord goes to Macedonia, Achaia, and Asia (16:6-19:20)
- VI. The Power of the Word of the LORD is made perfect in weakness (19:21-28:31)

LUTHER – "With this book St. Luke teaches the whole Christian church to the end of the world the true chief article of Christian doctrine, that we all must be justified through faith in Jesus Christ alone, without any aid of the law or assistance of our works.... This book might well be called a commentary on the epistles of Paul. For what Paul teaches and impresses with words and texts from the Scriptures, that St. Luke here illustrates and proves with examples and stories, showing that it came to pass, and must come to pass, as Paul teaches, namely, that no law, no work justifies men, but only faith in Christ."

The Disciples or Apostles (save Judas Iscariot of course):

- Peter** - called Simon Peter, Cephas or Simon Bar-Jonas or Son of Jonas.
James - the brother of John, a son of Zebedee, cf. Matthew 10:2).
John- the disciple whom Jesus loved (John 19:26-27), a son of Zebedee (Matthew 10:2), brother of James (Jude).
Andrew - Simon Peter's brother
Philip - who witnessed to the Ethiopian (Acts 8:26-40).
Thomas - known as 'doubting Thomas', called 'the twin'. (John 20:24ff.).
Bartholomew - perhaps the same as Nathanael (John 1:45-49, 21:2).
Matthew - the Tax Collector also called Levi (Matt 10:3).
James the son of Alphaeus - Most likely the one referred to as 'James the Less', whose mother watched the crucifixion from a distance (Mk. 15:40), surnamed Thaddaeus
Simon the Zealot - also called Zelotes, the Canaanite (Mk. 3:18).
Judas the son of James - also known as Jude (Luke 6:16).