CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Church of the Lutheran Confession

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Divine Worship. 9:30am Final Spring Sunday School. . . 10:45am Final Spring Bible Class. . . 10:50am Andrew A. Schaller, Pastor Church: (906) 226-9372 Parsonage: (906) 228-3566

EASTER FIVE

May 19, 2019

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

Psalm: 100 (Pg. 144) Prayers: 18 (Pg. 103); 15 (Pg. 103). Organist: Mr. Walter Priebe <u>HYMNS</u>: 463:1-6 465 467 477

PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: 463:1-6 "For All the Saints Who from Their Labors Rest"

THE ORDER OF MORNING SERVICE

(TLH Pg.5ff.)

The Invocation... The Confession of Sins... Absolution, -- "Amen." The Introit... The Gloria Patri (Pg. 6)...The Kyrie (Pg. 7).

Though I be by sin o'ertaken, Though I lie in helplessness, Though I be by friends forsaken And must suffer sore distress, Though I be despised, contemned, And by all the world condemned, Though the dark grave yawn before me, Yet the light of hope shines o'er me.

Thou hast died for my transgression, All my sins on Thee were laid; Thou hast won for me salvation, On the cross my debt was paid. From the grave I shall arise And shall meet Thee in the skies. Death itself is transitory; I shall lift my head in glory.

Thanks to Thee, O Christ victorious! Thanks to Thee, O Lord of Life! Death hath now no power o'er us, Thou hast conquered in the strife. Thanks because Thou didst arise And hast opened Paradise! None can fully sing the glory Of the resurrection story.

The Salutation (Pg. 9) ... The Collect -- "Amen."

CALVARY CLEAN-UP DAY

The Calvary Cleanup Day is scheduled for Saturday June 1st. There is a list of projects on the back table.

SPOKESMAN RENEWAL

It's time to renew your Spokesman Registration, please find the sheet on the back table and check the appropriate box and make changes to your address if necessary. Please do it TODAY.

DOWNSTATE

Pastor Schaller is planning to travel downstate this week to visit Barb Koval in Mount Pleasant and hopefully also his parents in Detroit. In an emergency he can be reached on his cell phone: 605-880-7886.

CLC CALL NEWS

Seminary Graduate Samuel Naumann has <u>accepted</u> the call of Resurrection Lutheran Church in Corpus Christi, Texas. • The Call Committee on Graduates has <u>extended</u> the call of Faith Lutheran School in Markesan, WI, to Teaching Graduate Mrs. June Schmid. • Graduate Nathan Buck has <u>accepted</u> the call of Valley Bible Academy of St. John's Lutheran in Clarkston, WA. • Prince of Peace Lutheran in Loveland, CO, has <u>called</u> Pastor Paul Krause, who currently serves Trinity Lutheran in Watertown, SD and Zion Lutheran in Hidewood Township, SD.

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 5/12/19
\$7000.00	\$2770.00
	(-4230.00)

CLCI SEMINARY STUDENT SPONSORSHIP - \$40/MO				
JUNE GOAL RECEIVED 5/12		JULY GOAL		
\$10.00	\$25.00	\$25.00		

The Offerings of Thankful Hearts – Calvary Offerings 5/12/19					
General Fund	Loose	Missions	CLCI Sem		
	Offerings	(CBP)	Student		
\$615.00	\$70.00	\$235.00	\$25.00		
Offerings Total: \$945.00					

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READINGS FOR HOME DEVOTIONS; MAY 20-26, 2019

Monday - Titus, when I say by "according to the faith," I mean in agreement with the fact that God had committed Himself to save sinners before He created time and space. Imagine that! When His celestial timeclock arrived at the proper moment, He publicized His program to humanity and selected me to introduce lost souls to God our Savior. He has selected you to do likewise.

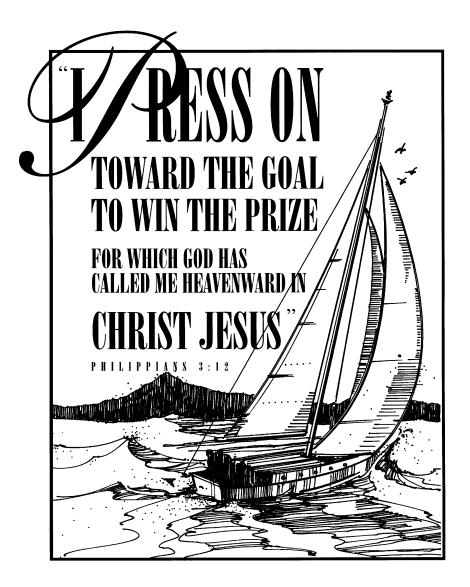
Tuesday – **Titus 1:4-16** Titus, you should appoint clergy who were qualified by stellar conduct at home and in society, with untarnished reputations as stewards of God's business, and orthodox in their theology. It's not an easy task in the face of heavy opposition, and don't let false teachers have their way.

Wednesday - Chapter 2 Titus, set high standards for older members in the congregation as well as for younger members. You will be on trial, too, so watch yourself! Being free from Satan's dominance does not mean you are free from societal responsibilities, but it does mean being more like Christ. Jesus has prepared us to be His own special people, eager to do good works in His service.

Thursday - Chapter 3:1-8 Titus, some things deserve repetition: the way we treat others reflects on God; other folks need God's love, just as we needed God's love when we were worldly. God wants sinners to know His facts of life: *According to His mercy He saved us, justified us by His grace, making us heirs of eternal life*. Repeat it, then go over the same ground again, and review.

Friday - Chapter 3:9-15 Titus, when Christians argue about religion, that may do some good, but that's also the way Satan sows division within the fellowship. Destructive error is hidden in shabby theology. If a person stays warped after you have corrected him, don't hobnob with him; he's his own worst enemy.

Saturday - Philemon, I am sending this written appeal to you to be generous and forgiving to Onesimus, whom the Spirit converted during my incarceration. Onesimus definitely wronged you, for when a slave runs away/escapes from his master, he is not only acting illegally, he is also cheating. However, I am appealing to you as a man well-known for his faith-life and his good work in the church fellowship. Now then, here's the point: It will please me, an *old man, a prisoner of Jesus Christ,* if you receive Onesimus back into your household without punishing him. I am sending him back to you because he is a convert, and I expect that you will *receive him as you would receive me, as a beloved brother. Yes, dear brother, let me have joy from you in the Lord; refresh my heart in the Lord.* I have such confidence in our Christian friendship and your compliance that I am adding another request: please *prepare a guest room for me,* because when God gets me out of jail, I intend to visit you. Until we meet again, God be with you. Amen.



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Easter Five......May 19, 2019

SERMON:

PHILIPPIANS 3:18-21

¹⁸ For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: ¹⁹ whose end is destruction, whose god is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame who set their mind on earthly things. ²⁰ For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself.*

THE CROSS HAS ENEMIES AND FRIENDS

THE OFFERINGS OF THANKFUL HEARTS

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: 467 – "Built on the Rock the Church doth Stand"

THE COLLECT: Pastor CONGREGATION: (Sung) "Amen."

THE BENEDICTION: Pastor

CONGREGATION: (Sung) "Amen, Amen, Amen."

CLOSING HYMN: 477 – "Lord Jesus, Thou the Church's Head"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 19, 2019

THIS WEEK

<u>Wednesday:</u> Choir Practice 6pm <u>Sunday</u>: Worship 9:30am

ASCENSION DAY SERVICE

Ascension Day Worship is scheduled for Thursday May 30th at 7pm.

THE LESSON:

ACTS 13:44-52

⁴⁴ On the next Sabbath almost the whole city came together to hear the word of God. ⁴⁵ But when the Jews saw the multitudes, they were filled with envy; and contradicting and blaspheming, they opposed the things spoken by Paul. ⁴⁶ Then Paul and Barnabas grew bold and said, "It was necessary that the word of God should be spoken to you first; but since you reject it, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, behold, we turn to the Gentiles. ⁴⁷ For so the Lord has commanded us [Isaiah 42:6]:

'I have set you as a light to the Gentiles, That you should be for salvation to the ends of the earth.'"

⁴⁸ Now when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad and glorified the word of the Lord. And as many as had been appointed to eternal life believed.

⁴⁹ And the word of the Lord was being spread throughout all the region. ⁵⁰ But the Jews stirred up the devout and prominent women and the chief men of the city, raised up persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them from their region. ⁵¹ But they shook off the dust from their feet against them, and came to Iconium. ⁵² And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit. *

EPISTLE LESSON:

PHILIPPIANS 1:1-30

Paul and Timothy, bondservants of Jesus Christ,

To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons: ² Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, ⁴ always in every prayer of mine making request for you all with joy, ⁵ for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until now, ⁶ being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete *it* until the day of Jesus Christ; ⁷ just as it is right for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart, inasmuch as both in my chains and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel, you all are partakers with me of grace. ⁸ For God is my witness, how greatly I long for you all with the affection of Jesus Christ.

⁹ And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment, ¹⁰ that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of

Christ, ¹¹ being filled with the fruits of righteousness which *are* by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

¹² But I want you to know, brethren, that the things *which happened* to me have actually turned out for the furtherance of the gospel, ¹³ so that it has become evident to the whole palace guard, and to all the rest, that my chains are in Christ; ¹⁴ and most of the brethren in the Lord, having become confident by my chains, are much more bold to speak the word without fear.

¹⁵ Some indeed preach Christ even from envy and strife, and some also from goodwill: ¹⁶ The former preach Christ from selfish ambition, not sincerely, supposing to add affliction to my chains; ¹⁷ but the latter out of love, knowing that I am appointed for the defense of the gospel. ¹⁸ What then? Only *that* in every way, whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is preached; and in this I rejoice, yes, and will rejoice.

¹⁹ For I know that this will turn out for my deliverance through your prayer and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, ²⁰ according to my earnest expectation and hope that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. ²¹ For to me, to live *is* Christ, and to die *is* gain. ²² But if *I* live on in the flesh, this *will mean* fruit from *my* labor; yet what I shall choose I cannot tell. ²³ For I am hard-pressed between the two, having a desire to depart and be with Christ, *which is* far better. ²⁴ Nevertheless to remain in the flesh *is* more needful for you. ²⁵ And being confident of this, I know that I shall remain and continue with you all for your progress and joy of faith, ²⁶ that your rejoicing for me may be more abundant in Jesus Christ by my coming to you again.

²⁷ Only let your conduct be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of your affairs, that you stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸ and not in any way terrified by your adversaries, which is to them a proof of perdition, but to you of salvation, and that from God. ²⁹ For to you it has been granted on behalf of Christ, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake, ³⁰ having the same conflict which you saw in me and now hear *is* in me. *

THE GRADUAL -- (A Prayer for the Sunday read responsively)

Pastor: Christ is Risen from the Dead!

Congregation: He is Risen, Indeed. Hallelujah!

P: The right hand of the LORD is exalted;

<u>C:</u> The right hand of the LORD works valiantly! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

<u>P</u>: Christ, being raised from the dead, dies no more;

C: Death has no power over Him! Hallelujah!

(Sung) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

"Glory be to Thee, O Lord!"

GOSPEL LESSON:

MATTHEW 5:13-20

¹³ "You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men.

¹⁴ "You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all *who are* in the house. ¹⁶ Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

¹⁷ "Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. ¹⁸ For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled. ¹⁹ Whoever therefore breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does and teaches *them*, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I say to you, that unless your righteousness exceeds *the righteousness* of the scribes and Pharisees, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven. *

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ!"

CONFESSION OF FAITH:

APOSTLES CREED (PG. 12)

HYMN: 465 – "Christ Is Our Cornerstone"

COLOSSIANS

GENERAL:

The epistle to the Colossians is named after the city to which Paul wrote, Colossae (1:1, 23; 4:18). Colossae means 'tall pillars or columns." Colossae was a city in the province of Phrygia on the banks of the river Lycus. The city was near to Laodicea and Hierapolis. Paul also wanted the letter read in the nearby city of Laodicea (4:16). Colossae was a minor city about 100 miles east of Ephesus in the region of the seven churches mentioned in Revelation 1-3. Colossae was once a bustling city famous for its glossy black wool. But the time of Paul, it was already getting smaller.

Colossians is also one of Paul's Captivity Letters, written while he was in prison in Rome (4:7; Eph. 6:21).

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BACKGROUND:

Similar to the letter to the Romans, it seems that Paul had never visited the Christians in Colossae (1:4-8; 2:1) even though he had been in Phrygia twice (Acts 16:6, 18:23). It seems that a man named Epaphras probably founded the churches there. During Paul's 3rd Missionary Journey he spent some 3 years in Ephesus, during which the word was spread throughout the whole of Asia. Perhaps Epaphras was brought to faith during this time. Epaphras also brought the Gospel to other cities in the Lycus Valley and visited Paul while in prison (4:12,13; Philemon 23). Paul mentions 10 friends or fellow workers in the epistle to the Colossians that shows us that Paul sent out other men to preach the gospel in other localities.

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Luke (4:14)

PURPOSE:

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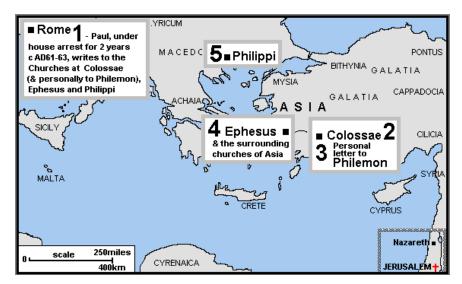
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In Christ you have complete Righteousness by Faith (1:1-29); In Christ you have all knowledge (2:1-10) In Christ you have all sanctification and a new life (2:11-23)

OUTLINE:

- Supremacy of Christ in the Church (1:1-2:23) Ι.
- II. Submission to Christ in the Church (3:1-4:18)

The new movement at Colossae meant evil because it was an attack on Jesus Christ. But God turned it for good. He gave us in Paul's letter to the Colossians a proclamation of the Lord Jesus in fullness and depth. Because of the letter to the Colossians we confess that he is "God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten not made, being of one substance with the Father."



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