

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Church of the Lutheran Confession

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Divine Worship. 9:30am

Sunday School. . . . 10:45am

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FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 12, 2020

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

Psalm: 86 (Pg. 140)

Prayers: 72 (Pg. 109); **73** (Pg. 109).

Organist: Mr. Walter Priebe

HYMNS: 130 132 370 352

PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: 130 - "O Jesus, King of Glory"

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).

**As with gladness men of old Did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed its light, Leading onward, beaming bright,
So, most gracious Lord, may we Evermore be led by Thee!**

**As with joyful steps they sped, Savior, to Thy lowly bed,
There to bend the knee before Thee whom heaven and earth adore,
So may we with willing feet Ever seek Thy mercy-seat!**

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

CLC CALL NEWS

Bethel Evangelical Lutheran in Morris, MN has called Pastor Mark Bernthal who currently serves Peace thru Christ in Middleton, WI. • Pastor John Hein has returned the call of the CLC Call Committee for Educational Institutions to serve as professor at Immanuel Lutheran College in Eau Claire, WI. • Redeemer Lutheran of Bowdle and Zion Lutheran of Ipswich, SD, have called Pastor Mike Wilke, who currently serves Gethsemane in Saginaw, MI. • Pastor Jim Albrecht has returned the call of Berea Lutheran of Sioux Falls, SD. • Trinity Lutheran in Spokane WA has called Pastor Caleb Schaller, who currently serves as pastor at Messiah Lutheran in Eau Claire, WI. • Faith Lutheran School of Markesan, WI, has called Caleb Noeldner, who is graduating in the spring with a degree in education from UW-EC to be their upper grade teacher and principal.

CLC KINSHIP COMMITTEE

The CLC KINSHIP Committee is seeking sponsors to support overseas orphans and seminary students. Opportunities are expanding in these important fields but can only expand as fast as our financial support allows. One example is the Congregation Confessionnelle Lutheranienne Du Congo (CCLC). The CLC-sponsored seminary in the Congo is hoping to expand their enrollment to fifteen students from their current enrollment of seven. There are eight men waiting to enroll, but we need sponsors to make that enrollment possible. This particular sponsorship is \$40/month. For more information please see, call, email, or text Dan Roehl— danroehl@hotmail.com / 507-381-2042).

Missions/Cooperative Budget Plan Pledge 2020			
<i>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.**</i>			
Amount Pledged 2020		Amount Received 2020	
\$		\$	
The Offerings of Thankful Hearts – Calvary Offerings 1/5/20			
General Fund	Loose Offerings	Missions CBP**	
\$1425.00	\$6.00	\$40.00	
Offerings Total: \$1471.00			

CLCI SEMINARY STUDENT SPONSORSHIP - \$40/MO		
JULY GOAL	RECEIVED 1/5/20	JULY GOAL
\$35.00	\$0	\$35.00

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READINGS FOR HOME DEVOTIONS JANUARY 13-18, 2020

Monday - Isaiah 42:1-7 The spotlight is on “*My Servant, My Elect* (choice) Person who shall administer My sense of justice: Gentiles will have a fair share in My generous way of salvaging humanity (1). Further, Jesus will speak softly, treat tender souls gently, and be totally dedicated to serve humanity (2-4).” Who says so? God the Lord, Creator, Preserver, and Redeemer (5-7).

Tuesday - Matthew 3:13-17 We may not be able to unravel everything in Jesus’ response: “John, I want you to yield on this one, because you and I are obligated to fulfill all righteousness.” However, being baptized marked His inauguration into His public ministry/office as the One who would fulfill all of His Father’s requirements upon Him as Servant/Savior of mankind.

Wednesday - Acts 10:34-38 Another Epiphany was in the making as God opened the heart of a Gentile for Peter to lay out God’s saving grace: God is not a racist (34-35), so when He blessed the Jews with Jesus, that was just the platform from which Jesus launched His blessings outward and forward to the entire human race. Then the Holy Spirit took over (39-48). Hallelujah!

Thursday - Psalm 45 After a short introduction (1) we review the superior qualities of King Jesus (2-5), the qualities of His Kingdom (6-7) and of His presence (8) before we meet His Bride (9-12), His daughters and His sons (13-16)—lovely picture of the Holy Christian Church (2 Cor. 11:2, Rev. 19:7). Since we can never hear/read too much about Jesus, this psalm is a favorite among us.

Friday - Matthew 5:17-20 provides insight into Jesus’ words: “*to fulfill all righteousness.*” Ever since Adam failed his test, it was necessary that somebody, sometime, somewhere would compensate by passing every test perfectly; that was Jesus’ agenda (17-18), which He completed in spite of minimal human support (19). Next, He hands over His A+ report card for us to claim as our own, a record superior to all others (20). Thank You, dear Jesus!

Saturday - Acts 7:1-16 Stephen was being indicted on three counts: 1) He had blasphemed the Temple, 2) God’s Law, and 3) claimed Jesus would destroy the Temple and renovate Jewish religion-culture. How was Stephen going to cope with this three-fold indictment? The Holy Spirit moved him to start with a rehearsal of the foundation of Jewish religion and culture—back to God’s love in choosing Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob as special to His plans. Note how Stephen’s defense centers on God, gracious God, generous God, faithful God. God was with Joseph when his brothers discarded him; God sent famine and *great trouble* in Egypt so that Joseph could rescue his family and nourish them before his earthly pilgrimage ended. Stephen was reverent toward God and God’s ways—which was not sacrilege or blasphemy, but reverence and praise for God. Good tactics. Good defense. Good testimony.



**HE WHO HAS
THE SON HAS LIFE;
HE WHO DOES NOT HAVE
THE SON OF GOD
DOES NOT HAVE LIFE.**

1 JOHN 5:12

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Epiphany One.....Sunday January 12, 2020

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON:**ISAIAH 61:1-3**

“The Spirit of the Lord GOD *is* upon Me, Because the LORD has anointed Me To preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives, And the opening of the prison to *those who are* bound; ²To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn, ³To console those who mourn in Zion, To give them beauty for ashes, The oil of joy for mourning, The garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; That they may be called trees of righteousness, The planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified.” *

EPISTLE LESSON:**EPHESIANS 6:1-4**

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right [Exodus 20:12, Deuteronomy 5:16]. ²“Honor your father and mother,” which is the first commandment with promise: ³“that it may be well with you and you may live long on the earth.”

⁴And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord. *

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

Pastor: Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel:

Congregation: He only does wonderful things, praise His name forever.

Pastor: Oh, that humankind would praise the LORD for His goodness:

Congregation: For his mercy and love. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Pastor: Make a joyful noise to the LORD:

Congregation: Serve the LORD with gladness. Hallelujah!

(Sung) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

"Glory be to Thee, O Lord!"

GOSPEL LESSON:**MARK 10:13-16**

[cf. also Matthew 19:13–15; Luke 18:15–17]

¹³Then they brought little children to Him, that He might touch them; but the disciples rebuked those who brought *them*. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw *it*, He was greatly displeased and said to them, “Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. ¹⁵Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it.” ¹⁶And He took them up in His arms, laid *His* hands on them, and blessed them. *

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ!"

CONFESSION OF FAITH:

APOSTLES CREED (PG. 12)

HYMN: 132 – “O God of God, O Light of Light”

THE SERMON:

1 JOHN 5:11-13

¹¹ And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. ¹² He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. ¹³ These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.

THE ONE GIFT WE DARE NOT LOSE

THE OFFERINGS OF THANKFUL HEARTS

THE OFFERING HYMN:

(TLH 127:3-4)

As they offered gifts most rare At Thy cradle, rude and bare,
So may we with holy joy, Pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to Thee, our heavenly King!
Holy Jesus, every day Keep us in the narrow way;
And when earthly things are past. Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds Thy glory hide.

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

HYMN: 370 – “My Hope is Built on Nothing Less”

THE COLLECT: Pastor

CONGREGATION: (Sung) "Amen."

THE BENEDICTION: Pastor

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

CLOSING HYMN: 352 – “O Savior, Precious Savior”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 12, 2020

TODAY:

10:45am: Sunday School – OT#4 – The Flood

10:55am: Council Meeting Pastor's Office

3pm: Game Day

THIS WEEK

Wednesday: Bible Study, 7pm

Sunday: Worship 9:30; SS 10:45; Voter's Meeting 10:55am

CHRISTMAS UN-DECORATING

The Calvary Church Sanctuary will be 'un-decorated' this morning after worship. Those who are able to help take down and store the decorations will do so after Sunday School opening.

LET THE GAME (SNACK) DAYS COMMENCE

Our first Game Day of the New Year is tentatively scheduled for this afternoon at 3pm. Please bring a snack and a game and join us.

CHURCH CHOIR PRACTICE

The Church Choir will not practice during the month of January. Practice resumes on Wednesday February 5th at 6pm.

LADIES OF CALVARY

The Ladies of Calvary next meet on Thursday February 13th at 7pm in the Pastor's office. During that meeting they will nominate and elect ladies by ballot to serve in 2020.

CALVARY INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

“In the event of a snowstorm of a serious nature, the Pastor in conjunction with the President and Vice President will determine whether or not to hold services. This will be done based on conditions and the official statements and recommendations of local authorities. This will be done recognizing that the government authorities have been established by God, (cf. Romans 13:1ff) and ought to be obeyed unless their commands conflict with God's Word.”

“In the event that services are cancelled, a call tree shall be established whereby the membership will be notified promptly.”

While the 'call tree' has not yet been established, please note that in the event of a cancellation the Radio Results Network family of Radio Stations (100.3 The Point; The Maverick 96.7; The Bay 94.9, GLQ 97.1, Kool 105.5) and WLUC TV6 are notified and will relay our cancellation and a post will be made on our Facebook Page. If you are unsure, you may also call the Pastor.

CATHERINE HEIDEMAN

This past Tuesday, January 7th the Lord Jesus took the soul of Catherine Heideman to Himself in Heaven. We thank the LORD for all the blessings that He showered upon Catherine, chief of which is a living faith in Jesus as her Savior. Catherine's funeral was on Friday. If you were unable to attend and would like a copy of the bulletin and sermon, speak with Pastor Schaller. God grant that this serve to remind us all that we are mortal and to cling with the Spirit's help to Jesus in life and in death.