

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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THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 26, 2020

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

Psalm: 38 (Pg. 132)

Prayers: Morning Prayer (Pg. 118); **12** (Pg. 103)

Organist: Mr. Walter Priebe

HYMNS: 372 134 381 784

PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: 372 - "Through Jesus' Blood and Merit"

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:

JEREMIAH 33:6-9

⁶ Behold, I will bring it health and healing; I will heal them and reveal to them the abundance of peace and truth. ⁷ And I will cause the captives of Judah and the captives of Israel to return, and will rebuild those places as at the first. ⁸ I will cleanse them from all their iniquity by which they have sinned against Me, and I will pardon all their iniquities by which they have sinned and by which they have transgressed against Me. ⁹ Then it shall be to Me a name of joy, a praise, and an honor before all nations of the earth, who shall hear all the good that I do to them; they shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and all the prosperity that I provide for it.' *

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Next Sunday we will resume Sunday Bible Study. We will begin our study of our Enemy, Satan.

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. • Pastor Mike Wilke has returned the call of Redeemer Lutheran of Bowdle and Zion Lutheran of Ipswich, SD. • Berea Lutheran of Sioux Falls, SD has called Pastor David Schaller who currently serves Redeemer in Sister Lakes, MI. • Pastor Caleb Schaller has returned the call of Trinity Lutheran in Spokane WA • 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. • Living Savior of Eden Prairie, MN, has called Pastor Mark Tiefel, who currently serves Redemption in Lynnwood, WA. • Immanuel Lutheran High School in Mankato MN, has called Mr. Darin Lau of Eau Claire, WI to be their science and math teacher for the 2020-2021 school year. • Holy Trinity Lutheran School in West Columbia, SC, has called Paul Tiefel III of Eau Claire to be full-time teacher and principal; Leah Fossum of West Columbia as part time teacher in preschool and kindergarten for one year; and Deana Pfeiffer of West Columbia as part time teacher in the upper grades for one year.

Missions/Cooperative Budget Plan Pledge 2020

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 2020	Amount Received as of 2020
\$	\$

Offerings of Thankful Hearts – Calvary Offerings 1/19/20

General Fund	Loose Offerings	Missions CBP**	VBS/SS
\$325.00	\$13.00	\$5.00	\$5.76

Offerings Total: \$348.76

CLCI SEMINARY STUDENT SPONSORSHIP - \$40/MO		
JULY GOAL	RECEIVED 1/19	JULY GOAL
\$35.00	\$0	\$35.00

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READINGS FOR DEVOTIONS JANUARY 27-FEBRUARY 1, 2020

Monday - Isaiah 9:1-4 The northern frontier had been invaded so often that it was called *Galilee of the Gentiles*. Jesus favored that heathenish locale for His ministrations for the good reason that those folks were doomed without His intervention. So, the light of His loving mercy shone on them (2). Praise God, for Jesus has conquered heathen hearts all over the globe, and those hearts rejoice that Messiah has removed their burden of sin. We understand.

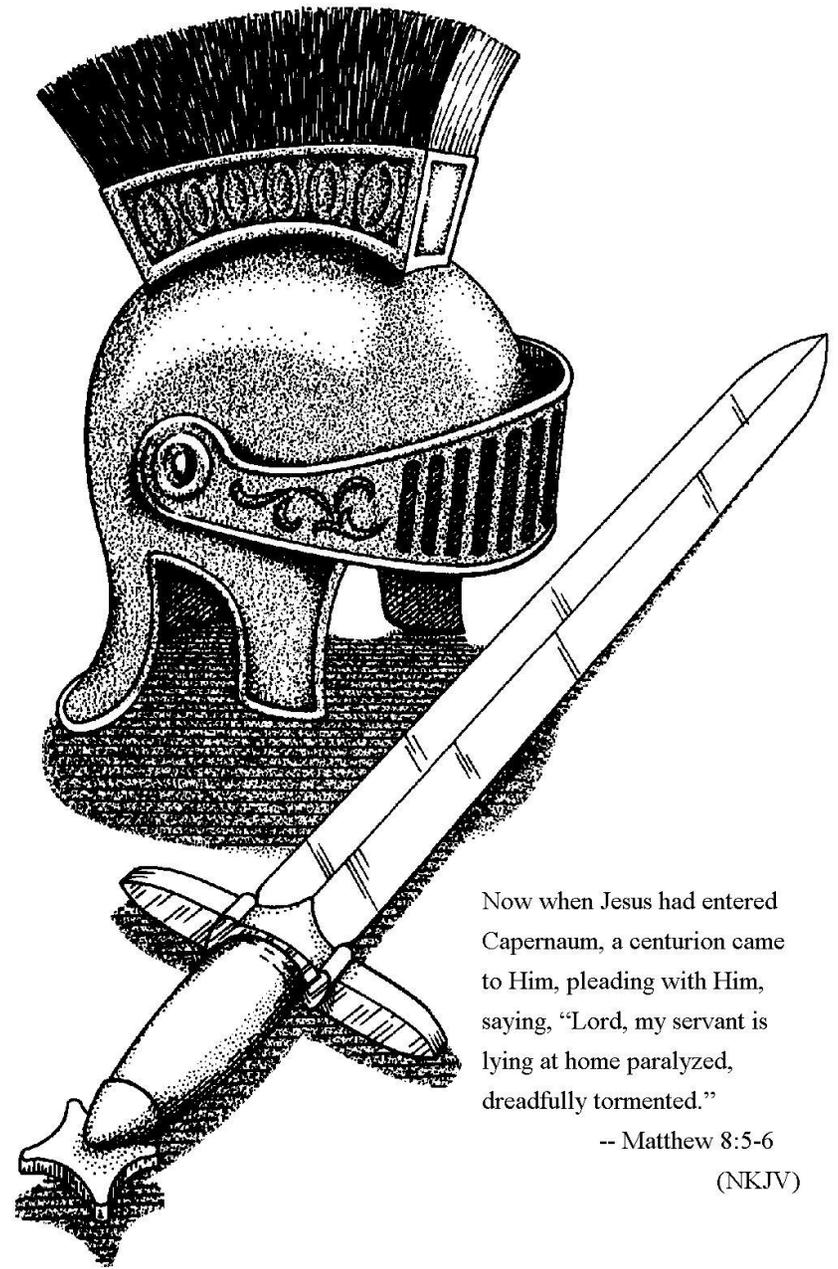
Tuesday - Matthew 4:12-25 presents the itinerary of Jesus up north, where Isaiah knew He would be going (12-17). Was Jesus successful? Yes, for one-by-one men joined His group and left their secular occupations behind. Onward and forward! With these men as His witnesses and co-workers, Jesus healed souls and bodies. That's what people needed, and it made Him popular (23-25).

Wednesday - 1 Corinthians 1:10-17 The Christian congregation of Corinth proves that enlightenment is an on-going project. For example, members who had been instructed by Apollos favored him; others favored Paul for similar reason; and Peter was favored by others. That attitude was short-changing God, who had sent ALL their shepherds to serve them. [When you have winners, you also have losers—and Christians shouldn't play that game.] Lord, have mercy!

Thursday - Psalm 27 God had enlightened psalmist David to realize he was safe in God's hands (1-3), and he wanted to stay there (4-6). What brought David to that conviction? Evidence. Evidence that God had supported him in the past (7-9), so he had good reason to face the future with the same confidence (10). Dear reader, keep on with your learning (11) and depending (14)!

Friday - Matthew 5:43-48 We keep on being enlightened by the Holy Spirit as we delve into God's Word, and in His Sermon on the Mount Jesus gives us some correctives on true religion. Is it a tough assignment for us who understand and appreciate God's love— to have sympathetic, caring love for folks whose souls are riddled with hate for Christians and steaming against Christian influences? It's contrary to human nature, but God has shared His own nature with us, which enables His children to face difficult situations as He has always faced them—with sympathy, with compassion, with love to rescue souls headed for hell. That's godly love, and it's perfect love (48).

Saturday - Acts 7:17-36 God knows how to manipulate events and people to fit His plans, but humans are slow learners; it took eighty years to straighten Moses out. Note: Moses had to become a follower before he could become a leader—and when God did send a *ruler and deliverer* to the Jews, that's the man whom the Jews *rejected* (35). Stephen was not bad-mouthing Moses, but defending him (36). Good testimony; good defense. Stay tuned.



Now when Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to Him, pleading with Him, saying, "Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, dreadfully tormented."

-- Matthew 8:5-6

(NKJV)

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Third Sunday after the Epiphany.....January 26, 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.

MIDWEEK LENTEN WORSHIP

The Penitential Season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 26th. We will have our annual soup/sandwich supper on February 26th with our Communion Service to follow. We plan to have a pulpit exchange with St. Peter’s of Stambaugh and Messiah of Eau Claire, WI during the Lenten Season. Midweek Lenten services run from February 26th to April 1st at 7pm. Our Maundy Thursday Communion Service will be held on Thursday April 9th and our Good Friday Worship on Friday April 10th. Easter Sunday falls on Sunday April 12th in 2020.

EPISTLE LESSON:

HEBREWS 11:1-16

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. ² For by it the elders obtained a *good* testimony.

³ By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible.

⁴ By faith Abel offered to God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, through which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts; and through it he being dead still speaks.

⁵ By faith Enoch was taken away so that he did not see death, *“and was not found, because God had taken him”*; for before he was taken he had this testimony, that he pleased God. ⁶ But without faith *it is* impossible to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and *that* He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

⁷ By faith Noah, being divinely warned of things not yet seen, moved with godly fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his household, by which he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith.

⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹ By faith he dwelt in the land of promise as *in* a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise; ¹⁰ for he waited for the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker *is* God.

¹¹ By faith Sarah herself also received strength to conceive seed, and she bore a child when she was past the age, because she judged Him faithful who had promised. ¹² Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born *as many* as the stars of the sky in multitude—innumerable as the sand which is by the seashore.

¹³ These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off were assured of them, embraced *them* and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. ¹⁴ For those who say such things declare plainly that they seek a homeland. ¹⁵ And truly if they had called to mind that *country* from which they had come out, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ But now they desire a better, that is, a heavenly *country*. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared a city for them. *

GOSPEL LESSON:**LUKE 17:5-10**

⁵ And the apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith."

⁶ So the Lord said, "If you have faith as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be pulled up by the roots and be planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." ⁷ And which of you, having a servant plowing or tending sheep, will say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come at once and sit down to eat'? ⁸ But will he not rather say to him, 'Prepare something for my supper, and gird yourself and serve me till I have eaten and drunk, and afterward you will eat and drink'? ⁹ Does he thank that servant because he did the things that were commanded him? I think not. ¹⁰ So likewise you, when you have done all those things which you are commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants. We have done what was our duty to do.' " *

ALLELUIA (WS Pg. 14)

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

HYMN: 134 - "What Child Is This?"

SERMON:**MATTHEW 8:5-13**

⁵ Now when Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to Him, pleading with Him, ⁶ saying, "Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, dreadfully tormented." ⁷ And Jesus said to him, "I will come and heal him." ⁸ The centurion answered and said, "Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only speak a word, and my servant will be healed. ⁹ For I also am a man under authority, having soldiers under me. And I say to this one, 'Go,' and he goes; and to another, 'Come,' and he comes; and to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it." ¹⁰ When Jesus heard it, He marveled, and said to those who followed, "Assuredly, I say to you, I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel!" ¹¹ And I say to you that many will come from east and west, and sit down with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven. ¹² But the sons of the kingdom will be cast out into outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." ¹³ Then Jesus said to the centurion, "Go your way; and as you have believed, so let it be done for you." And his servant was healed that same hour.

ARE YOU LIKE THE CENTURION?

OFFERTORY: (WS Pg. 16)

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: 381 - "Of the Father's Love Begotten"

THE BENEDICTION: Pastor

CONGREGATION: (Spoken) "Amen."

CLOSING HYMN: 784 - "Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 26, 2020

THIS MORNING

Sunday School: NT#9 – The First Disciples

Calvary Voter's Meeting: Immediately Following Sunday School Opening

THIS WEEK

Wednesday: Bible Study 7pm

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

LET THE GAME (SNACK) DAYS CONTINUE!

Last Sunday was our first Game Day of the New Year. Our next Game/Snack Day is scheduled for the second Sunday in February, Sunday February 9th at 3pm (In case you are wondering, the Superbowl is scheduled for Sunday February 2, 2020). Please bring a snack and a game and join us.

CHURCH CHOIR PRACTICE

The Church Choir resume 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.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Our Wednesday evening Bible Study continues this week with our ongoing study of the Psalms. We will have Wednesday Bible Study for the next four weeks, leading up to the season of Lent.