

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Church of the Lutheran Confession
450 W. Ohio • Marquette, Michigan
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Divine Worship..... 9:30am
Sunday School.... 10:45am
Bible Study.... 10:50am
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LENT TWO

March 8, 2020

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

Psalm: 115 (Pg. 147)

Prayers: Morning Prayer (Pg. 118); 55 (Pg. 107).

Organist: Mr. Walter Priebe

HYMNS: 142:1-4 154 370 785

PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: 142:1-4 - "A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth"

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).

**Upon the cross extended, See, world, thy Lord suspended,
Thy Savior yields His breath. The Prince of Life from heaven
Himself hath freely given To shame and blows and bitter death.**

**Thy cross I'll place before me, Its saving power be o'er me,
Wherever I may be; Thine innocence revealing,
Thy love and mercy sealing, The pledge of truth and constancy.**

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

CLC CALL NEWS

Missionary Peter Evenson has returned the call of Bethel Evangelical Lutheran in Morris, MN • Pastor Michael Gurath has returned the call of Berea Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls, SD • Pastor Matthew Hanel has returned the call of Living Savior of Eden Prairie, MN. • Holy Trinity, West Columbia, SC has called Teacher Neil Berenthal to serve as Principal and Upper Grades Teacher. Teacher Berenthal currently serves at Immanuel Lutheran School in Winter Haven, FL. • Pastor Terrel Kesterson has returned the call of Redeemer in Bowdle and Zion in Ipswich, SD. • Mrs. Sarah Ude of Middleton, WI, has been called by Faith Lutheran School in Markesan, WI to be their upper grades teacher. • Redeemer of Cheyenne, WY has called Teacher Joshua Ohlmann to be their principal/teacher.

NOMINATIONS FOR ILC PRESIDENT

Nominations for ILC President: The Board of Regents announces the following nominations for the office of President of Immanuel Lutheran College: Professors Paul Naumann, Daniel Schierenbeck, and John Ude. The term of this call is for two years, extending to the end of Academic Year 2022. All comments from members of CLC congregations regarding these candidates are to be received by April 11, 2020 (postmarked by April 1), to: Mr. James Burkhardt; 217 Windy Lane; Rockwall, TX 75087; email: jeb6217@yahoo.com.

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. The Fiscal year of the CLC runs from December 1- November 30 each year. In the event that our offerings exceed our pledge, additional funds will be placed in the General Fund. ***

Amount Pledged 2020	Received as of 3/1	Amount Remaining
\$7000.00	\$725.00	\$6275.00

The Offerings of Thankful Hearts – Calvary Offerings 3/1/20

General Fund	Loose Offerings	Missions CBP**	Cathy Heideman Memorial	
\$885.00	\$39.50	\$65.00	\$100.00	
Offerings Total: \$1089.50				

CLCI SEMINARY STUDENT SPONSORSHIP - \$40/MO

JULY GOAL	RECEIVED 3/1/20	JULY GOAL
\$15.00	\$0	\$15.00

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READINGS FOR HOME DEVOTIONS MARCH 9-14, 2020

Monday - Genesis 12:1-8 Eleven generations after the Flood, Jehovah selected Abram for a special purpose that would change the world. It meant leaving family ties and heathen surroundings behind (1), so God assured Abram he would gain great blessings (2-3). Abram and Sarai packed up, walked 400+ miles overland to Palestine, Canaanite country (4-6). What next? God told him; Abram's response was so positive that he built worship centers in heathen Canaan . . . to honor Jehovah. Good public relations for Jehovah!

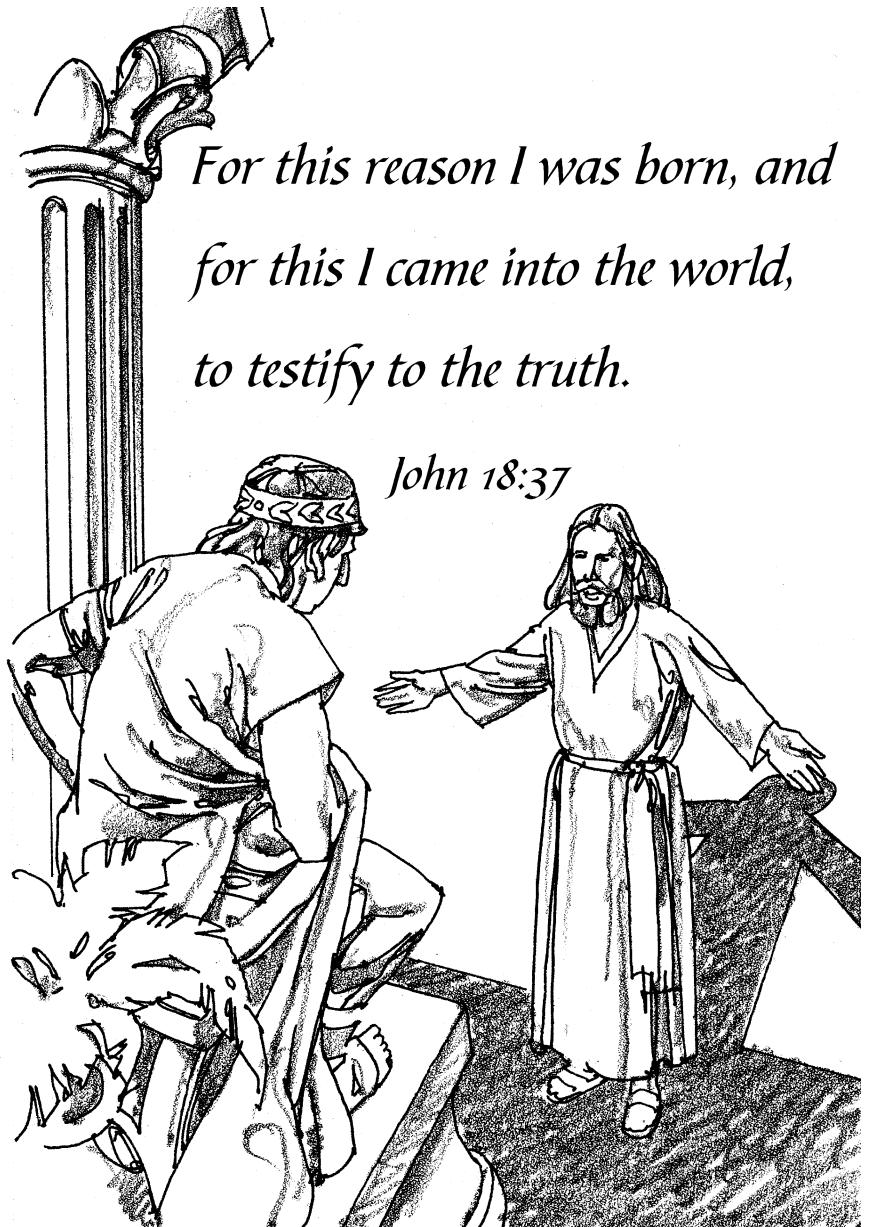
Tuesday - John 4:5-26 In His search-and-rescue mission, Jesus hiked around the land of Palestine; He found a woman whose Bible knowledge was murky, so He clarified. She suffered from a soiled life-style (17-18) as well as from a muddled concept of true religion, so Jesus clarified those for her also. Bottom line: Jesus found her, stirred her soul, and introduced her to God's religion.

Wednesday - Romans 4:1-5,13-17 There are only two religions: God's religion and the human religion. What's the human religion? Try to impress God with your good behavior. (God is not impressed.) What is God's religion? Save humans without their help. Abraham appreciated God's religion and depended on God to save humans. (That's what saving faith is all about.) Amen!

Thursday - Psalm 121 God puts His religion into practice—that is, He pities us and loves to come to our aid. He is strong (1-2), stays awake (3-4), puts us into His holy circle (5-6), and preserves us from all evil as we travel through life. Repeat: "God is my Father, I am His child, and He loves me."

Friday - John 4:27-42 merits closer attention. Since water is essential to life, and since a bubbling spring produces pure water—Jesus is saying that He controls the well-spring essential to spiritual life. What is this spring water? It's God's Word, which the thirsty soul can imbibe and which the Spirit keeps bubbling inside hearts and souls from here to eternity. Jesus invites thirsty travelers to come to Him and drink the spring water of God's Word.

Saturday - Acts 9:1-9 Saul, the super Pharisee (Philippians 3:5-6), was victimized by Satan and misled to hunt down and punish Jews who had drunk the water of life from Jesus and His disciples. So Jesus had to set him straight. It took a miracle -- but then, every conversion is a miracle. Our strong God reached down, knocked Saul off his high horse, and took away his eyesight to render him utterly helpless. Such tough love was hard on Saul; he had no other choice but to surrender. For seventy-two hours he was too upset to eat because the evidence was unavoidable that he had been fighting against Jesus, enthroned in heaven and positively the authentic Messiah. What next? Would God knock him down with the other fist -- or lift him up? Stay tuned.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 8, 2020

TODAY:

10:45am: Sunday School – NT#33 – Jesus speaks about Taxes

10:55am: Bible Study – Our Enemy Satan, Revelation 20:1-3

3pm: Game/Snack Day

THIS WEEK

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

Thursday: Ladies of Calvary, 7pm

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

GAME/SNACK DAY

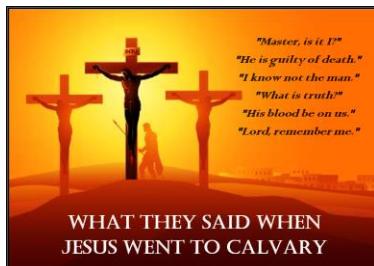
Our March Game Day will commence this afternoon at 3pm.

CHOIR PRACTICE

The Church Choir will practice this Wednesday at 6pm.

LADIES OF CALVARY

The Ladies of Calvary meet this Thursday at 7pm in the Pastor's office.



PREACHING SCHEDULE

- 3/11 – “**What is Truth?**”
Pastor Bruce Naumann
- 3/18 – “**I do not know the Man!**”
Pastor Paul Tiefel
- 3/25 – “**His Blood be on us and on our Children**” Pastor Andrew Schaller
- 4/1 – “**Jesus, remember me**”
Pastor Norman Greve

MIDWEEK LENTEN WORSHIP

The Penitential Season of Lent has begun. We plan to have a pulpit exchange with St. Peter's of Stambaugh and Messiah of Eau Claire, WI. Midweek Lenten services run until April 1st at 7pm. Pastor Bruce Naumann will be our preacher this coming Wednesday, March 11th. 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 and will be preceded by our annual Easter Breakfast served by the men of Calvary. The menu for Easter Breakfast will be posted in the fellowship hall.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON:

ISAIAH 45:20-25

²⁰ “Assemble yourselves and come; Draw near together, You who have escaped from the nations. They have no knowledge, Who carry the wood of their carved image, And pray to a god that cannot save. ²¹ Tell and bring forth your case; Yes, let them take counsel together. Who has declared this from ancient time? Who has told it from that time? Have not I, the LORD? And there is no other God besides Me, A just God and a Savior; There is none besides Me.

²² “Look to Me, and be saved, All you ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other. ²³ I have sworn by Myself; The word has gone out of My mouth in righteousness, And shall not return, That to Me every knee shall bow, Every tongue shall take an oath. ²⁴ He shall say, ‘Surely in the LORD I have righteousness and strength. To Him men shall come, And all shall be ashamed Who are incensed against Him. ²⁵ In the LORD all the descendants of Israel Shall be justified, and shall glory.’ ” *

CHURCH CHOIR:

JESUS I WILL PONDER NOW

EPISTLE LESSON:

JAMES 5:13-20

¹³ Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing psalms. ¹⁴ Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.

¹⁶ Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. ¹⁷ Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain; and it did not rain on the land for three years and six months. ¹⁸ And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth produced its fruit.

¹⁹ Brethren, if anyone among you wanders from the truth, and someone turns him back, ²⁰ let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save a soul from death and cover a multitude of sins. *

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

Pastor: The troubles of my heart are enlarged, O LORD:

Congregation: Bring me out of my distresses.

Pastor: Look upon my affliction and my pain:

Congregation: Forgive all my sins, O Lord. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Pastor: Remember me, O LORD:

Congregation: Visit me with Your Salvation. Hallelujah!

(Sung) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

"Glory be to Thee, O Lord!"

GOSPEL LESSON:

MARK 9:17-29

¹⁷ Then one of the crowd answered and said, "Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit. ¹⁸ And wherever it seizes him, it throws him down; he foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth, and becomes rigid. So I spoke to Your disciples, that they should cast it out, but they could not."

¹⁹ He answered him and said, "**O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him to Me.**" ²⁰ Then they brought him to Him. And when he saw Him, immediately the spirit convulsed him, and he fell on the ground and wallowed, foaming at the mouth.

²¹ So He asked his father, "**How long has this been happening to him?**"

And he said, "From childhood. ²² And often he has thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us."

²³ Jesus said to him, "**If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes.**"

²⁴ Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!"

²⁵ When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "**Deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, come out of him and enter him no more!**" ²⁶ Then the spirit cried out, convulsed him greatly, and came out of him. And he became as one dead, so that many said, "He is dead." ²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose.

²⁸ And when He had come into the house, His disciples asked Him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?"

²⁹ So He said to them, "**This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting.**" *

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ!"

CONFESION OF FAITH:

APOSTLES CREED (PG. 12)

HYMN: 154 – "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed"

THE SERMON:

MATTHEW 27:19-20

¹⁹ While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent to him, saying, "Have nothing to do with that just Man, for I have suffered many things today in a dream because of Him."

²⁰ But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitudes that they should ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus. *

ANOTHER REMARKABLE EVENT IN HOLY WEEK

THE DREAM OF PONTIUS PILATE'S WIFE

THE OFFERINGS OF THANKFUL HEARTS

THE OFFERING HYMN:

(TLH 171:6-8)

The load Thou takest on Thee, That pressed so sorely on me,
It crushed me to the ground. The cross for me enduring,
The crown for me securing, My healing in Thy wounds is found.

A crown of thorns Thou wearest, My shame and scorn Thou bearest,
That I might ransomed be. My Bondsman, ever willing,
My place with patience filling, From sin and guilt hast made me free.
Thy cords of love, my Savior, Bind me to Thee forever,
I am no longer mine. To Thee I gladly tender
All that my life can render And all I have to Thee resign.

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: 785 – "Children of the Heavenly Father"