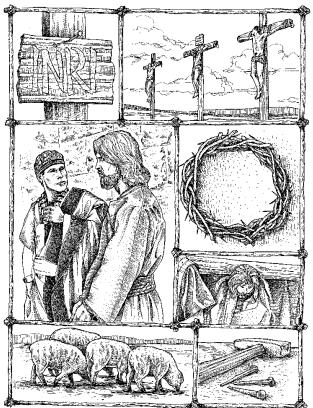


# CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**Divine Worship.....Cancelled**  
**Sunday School.....Cancelled**  
**Bible Study.....Cancelled**  
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## LENT FIVE

March 29, 2020

### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

**Psalm: 22** (Pg. 127)

**Prayers: 28** (Pg. 104); **30** (Pg. 105)

**Organist:** Mr. Walter Priebe

**HYMNS: 149 144 154 179**

### PRAYER

**OPENING HYMN: 149 - "Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain"**

**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:

**GENESIS 12:1-3**

Now the LORD had said to Abram:

"Get out of your country, From your family And from your father's house, To a land that I will show you. <sup>2</sup>I will make you a great nation; I will bless you And make your name great; And you shall be a blessing. <sup>3</sup>I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." \*

### CLC CALL NEWS

Living Savior of Eden Prairie, MN, has called Pastor Samuel Rodebaugh, who currently serves Immanuel Lutheran in Winter Haven, FL. • Teacher Neil Bernthal has returned the call of Holy Trinity, West Columbia, SC to serve as Principal and Upper Grades Teacher. • Mrs. Sarah Ude of Middleton, WI, has returned the call of Faith Lutheran School in Markesan, WI to be their upper grades teacher. • Teacher Joshua Ohlmann has returned the call of Redeemer of Cheyenne, WY to be their principal/teacher. • Immanuel Lutheran in Mankato, MN, has called Mr. Ross Kok, of Holy Cross in Phoenix AZ, to serve as high school math and science teacher beginning with the 2020-2021 school year. • Teacher and Principal Kirsten Gullerud of St. Stephen Lutheran School of Mountain View CA has asked for a peaceful release from her call as teacher and principal to pursue a different path in Wisconsin. St. Stephen has called Claire Abbas, Gethsemane Spokane Valley, WA, to be their next teacher.

### **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. \*\*

<b>Amount Pledged 2020</b>	<b>Received as of 3/22</b>	<b>Amount Remaining</b>
\$7000.00	\$860.00	\$6140.00

<b>Offerings of Thankful Hearts – Calvary Offerings 3/15/20</b>			
<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Loose Offerings</b>	<b>Missions CBP</b>	
\$787.00	\$82.05	\$45.00	
<b>Offerings Total: \$914.05</b>			

<b>CLCI SEMINARY STUDENT SPONSORSHIP - \$40/MO</b>		
<b>JULY GOAL</b>	<b>RECEIVED 3/22</b>	<b>JULY GOAL</b>
\$15.00	\$0	\$15.00

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

## READINGS FOR DEVOTIONS MARCH 30-APRIL 4, 2020

**Monday - Ezekiel 37:1-14** The nightmare quality of this event fades as we realize that resurrection is good, just as breathing is good. God orchestrated this event to counter the pessimism of Jews in Captivity, and perhaps Ezekiel needed a nudge before he could assure others (12) that God intended to open graves and breathe the breath of life into dead bodies. The point being that God is Lord of life after death, and Easter is coming; praise the Lord!

**Tuesday - John 11:1-16** sets the stage, and v. 4 presents the Author's theme—that God uses our illnesses to display His glory, and that Jesus would share in that glory via Lazarus. Jesus didn't just predict it, He orchestrated it. First He had to wait until Lazarus was so thoroughly dead that his corpse was turning rancid. And why did He editorialize on His return visit to Jerusalem (7-10)? Because that visit would be deadly, and His disciples would need to face and understand the reason for His death in Jerusalem. Jesus comes and/or goes according to the best of motives – *- for your sakes.* Thank You, dear Savior!

**Wednesday - Romans 8:11-19** connects Easter and our sanctification: being alive with Jesus means that we live freed from the stench of death, just as Lazarus had experienced by Jesus's power (11-13). Further, since God has adopted us into His family, Satan's chains have dropped away (14-16), and our problems in life are not only temporary—they are quite insignificant (18-19).

**Thursday - Psalm 116** God's gracious Cause produces a godly Effect. On whom? On us! On us who love the Lord because He has *heard our supplications* and attended to our needs. God is good at *delivering souls* (3-4), *preserving the simple* (5-6), and animating corpses (8). *What shall I render to the LORD for all His benefits toward me?* My cup is so full that I'm drinking from the saucer (16-19). [And don't skip over the editorial comment of verse 15.]

**Friday - John 11:17-27** Resurrection is more than paper doctrine; it's a practical reality, as Mary and Martha were about to learn. But first things first: Jesus is the personification of resurrection, embodiment of life everlasting (25-26). **38-45** But what about Lazarus? Was it fair to take him out of heaven and send him back to Earth (and go through it all again) just to please his sisters? It was enough to make Jesus groan in sympathy for Lazarus and for his sisters, too.

**Saturday - Acts 9:32-35** is the short version of a miracle. **36-42** is more detailed, for Tabitha was popular, her funeral was well attended, and everyone eulogized her. Peter turned his back on all the hubbub and took the matter to Jesus, who evidently was willing to release her from heaven, re-energizing her nervous system so she could open her eyes, see Peter, sit up, take his hand, and walk with him out of the funeral parlor. It was most impressive (42).



<sup>9</sup>Then was fulfilled what was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying, "And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the value of Him who was priced, whom they of the children of Israel priced, <sup>10</sup> and gave them for the potter's field, as the LORD directed me."

**CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Lent Five.....March 29, 2020

## OFFERINGS DURING THE QUARANTINE

I have been asked on a number of occasions what to do about offerings during the quarantine period. Those who have stopped by with offerings have placed them in the bags on the altar. The church is locked (save the back-basement door during the day). The Council will need to discuss this matter and decide something in the near future. Whatever decision is reached, please keep in mind that our needs at Calvary continue whether we have face to face worship services...or not. If you have any input on this matter, feel free to contact Pastor Schaller or one of the Council Members by phone.

## EPISTLE LESSON:

## **1 CORINTHIANS 1:21-31**

<sup>21</sup> For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup> For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom; <sup>23</sup> but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness, <sup>24</sup> but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup> Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

<sup>26</sup> For you see your calling, brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, *are called*. <sup>27</sup> But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty; <sup>28</sup> and the base things of the world and the things which are despised God has chosen, and the things which are not, to bring to nothing the things that are, <sup>29</sup> that no flesh should glory in His presence. <sup>30</sup> But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God—and righteousness and sanctification and redemption—<sup>31</sup> that, as it is written,

“He who glories, let him glory in the LORD.” \*

## GOSPEL LESSON:

## **MATTHEW 10:32-42**

<sup>32</sup> “Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. <sup>33</sup> But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.

<sup>34</sup> “Do not think that I came to bring peace on earth. I did not come to bring peace but a sword. <sup>35</sup> For I have come to ‘set a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law’; <sup>36</sup> and ‘a man’s enemies will be those of his own household.’ <sup>37</sup> He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. <sup>38</sup> And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me. <sup>39</sup> He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for My sake will find it.

<sup>40</sup> “He who receives you receives Me, and he who receives Me receives Him who sent Me. <sup>41</sup> He who receives a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet’s reward. And he who receives a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall receive a righteous man’s reward.

<sup>42</sup> And whoever gives one of these little ones only a cup of cold water in the name of a disciple, assuredly, I say to you, he shall by no means lose his reward.” \*

**ALLELUIA** (WS Pg. 14)

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

**HYMN: 144 – “Jesus, Grant that Balm and Healing”**

**SERMON:**

**MATTHEW 27:3-10**

[cf. also Acts 1:18, 19]

<sup>3</sup> Then Judas, His betrayer, seeing that He had been condemned, was remorseful and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, <sup>4</sup> saying, “I have sinned by betraying innocent blood.”

And they said, “What is that to us? You see to it!”

<sup>5</sup> Then he threw down the pieces of silver in the temple and departed, and went and hanged himself.

<sup>6</sup> But the chief priests took the silver pieces and said, “It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, because they are the price of blood.” <sup>7</sup> And they consulted together and bought with them the potter’s field, to bury strangers in. <sup>8</sup> Therefore that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day.

<sup>9</sup> Then was fulfilled what was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying, “And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the value of Him who was priced, whom they of the children of Israel priced, <sup>10</sup> and gave them for the potter’s field, as the LORD directed me.” \*

## **ANOTHER REMARKABLE EVENT IN HOLY WEEK**

THE PURCHASE OF THE POTTER’S FIELD



**OFFERTORY:** (WS Pg. 16)

**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: 154 - “Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed”**

**THE BENEDICTION:** Pastor

**CONGREGATION:** (Spoken) "Amen."

**CLOSING HYMN: 179 - “On My Heart Imprint Thine Image”**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

March 29, 2020

### **THIS MORNING**

**Sunday School:** Cancelled

**Bible Study:** Cancelled

### **THIS WEEK**

**Wednesday:** Choir Practice, Midweek Lenten Worship - Cancelled

**Sunday:** Worship 9:30am; SS 10:45; BC 10:50am - Cancelled

### **“STAY HOME, STAY SAFE” – EXECUTIVE ORDER**

On March 23<sup>d</sup> Michigan Governor Gretchen Witmer signed Executive Order 2020-21 which directed all Michiganders to stay home or six feet away from others during the COVID -19 crisis. This is in effect from 12:01 March 24<sup>th</sup> for the next three weeks (until April 13, 2020 at 11:59pm). It appears then that our Easter Celebration this year will be of the online variety. While this decision is yet to be made officially, it appears as if such things as our Easter Breakfast and face to face celebration may be put on hold this year. We will, nevertheless, celebrate the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ.