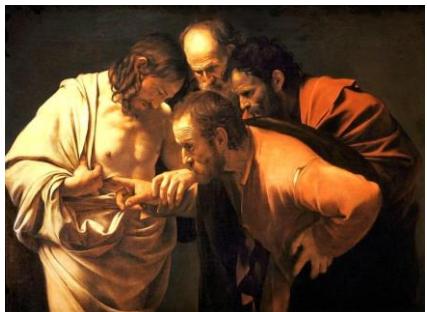


CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Church of the Lutheran Confession
450 W. Ohio • Marquette, Michigan
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Divine Worship. Postponed
Sunday School. . . . Postponed
Bible Study. . . . Postponed
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THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

May 3, 2020

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

Psalm: 100 (Pg. 144)

Prayers: 52 (Pg. 107); **53** (Pg. 107).

Organist: Mr. Walter Priebe

HYMNS: 210 324:1-4 324:5-8 190:1, 5-7

PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: 210 - "The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done"

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).

**Jesus lives! The victory's won! Death no longer can appal me;
Jesus lives! Death's reign is done! From the grave Christ will recall me.
Brighter scenes will then commence; This shall be my confidence.**

**Jesus lives! For me He died, Hence will I, to Jesus living,
Pure in heart and act abide, Praise to Him and glory giving.
Freely God doth aid dispense; This shall be my confidence.**

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

PASTORAL CARE

If you are in need of Pastoral Care, please contact Pastor Schaller by phone or by email, Church 906-226-9372, Cell: 605-880-7886 (Text or Call) E-mail: schtubby@gmail.com Pastor Schaller will continue to send out hard copies to everyone unless they have internet access or request otherwise. If you would like a DVD copy of the service/sermon, please ask and it will be sent. Please check out the website (calvary.clclutheran.org) where you can read, listen to and even watch past and present messages.

CLC CALL NEWS

Immanuel Lutheran High School in Mankato, MN has called Teacher Neil Bernthal to serve as high school math and science teacher beginning the 2020-2021 school year. • Pastor Mark Weis of St. Luke's in Lemmon, SD, has been called to serve as Professor at Immanuel Lutheran High School, College and Seminary. He has accepted that call. • Redeemer Lutheran School in Cheyenne, WY has called Mr. Dan Barthels of Gethsemane MI to be their teacher. • The Call Committee for ILC Graduates has extended the call of Berea Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls, SD to Seminary Graduate Cory Drehle. He has accepted that call. • The Call Committee for ILC Graduates has extended the call of St. Stephen Lutheran School of Mountain View CA to Teaching Graduate Mikkela Hammond. She has accepted that call. • Teacher Quinn Sprengeler, K-8 teacher/principal at Redemption, Lynnwood, WA, has been called by Holy Trinity, West Columbia to teach grades 4-8. • St. Luke's of Lemmon, SD, has called Pastor Michael Gurath who currently serves Holy Cross in Phoenix, AZ.

REGARDING CALVARY OFFERINGS

To the members of Calvary,

As the Treasurer, I can with confidence assure you that we are currently meeting our financial obligations. As the ban on gathering extends into April, it may be prudent for members who make their donations on a weekly basis to consider making their donations by mail to the church at 450 W. Ohio and marking the outside envelope "Atten: May Ushers". For those members who on occasion miss church and then add the missed offering to the next service they attend, they can feel free to contribute at the time regular services are resumed by Council. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 906-249-3544.

*With the Lord's help we will persevere through this difficult time,
Jim Goodman*

<i>The Offerings of Thankful Hearts – Calvary Offerings 4/27/20</i>				
<i>General Fund</i>	<i>Missions/CBP</i>			
\$1895.00	\$110.00			
Total: \$2005.00				

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BIBLE READINGS FOR HOME DEVOTIONS MAY 4-9, 2020

Monday - Acts 6:1-7 Here's how the Christians coped with a logistics problem. When it was discovered that the church's soup-kitchen was neglecting some Greek members, the leaders recalibrated the allocation of their talents, giving top priority to spiritual service. Note: the newly formed Helping Hands Committee was made up of men who spoke Greek and thus were equipped to serve Greek-speaking members of the congregation. Congratulations!

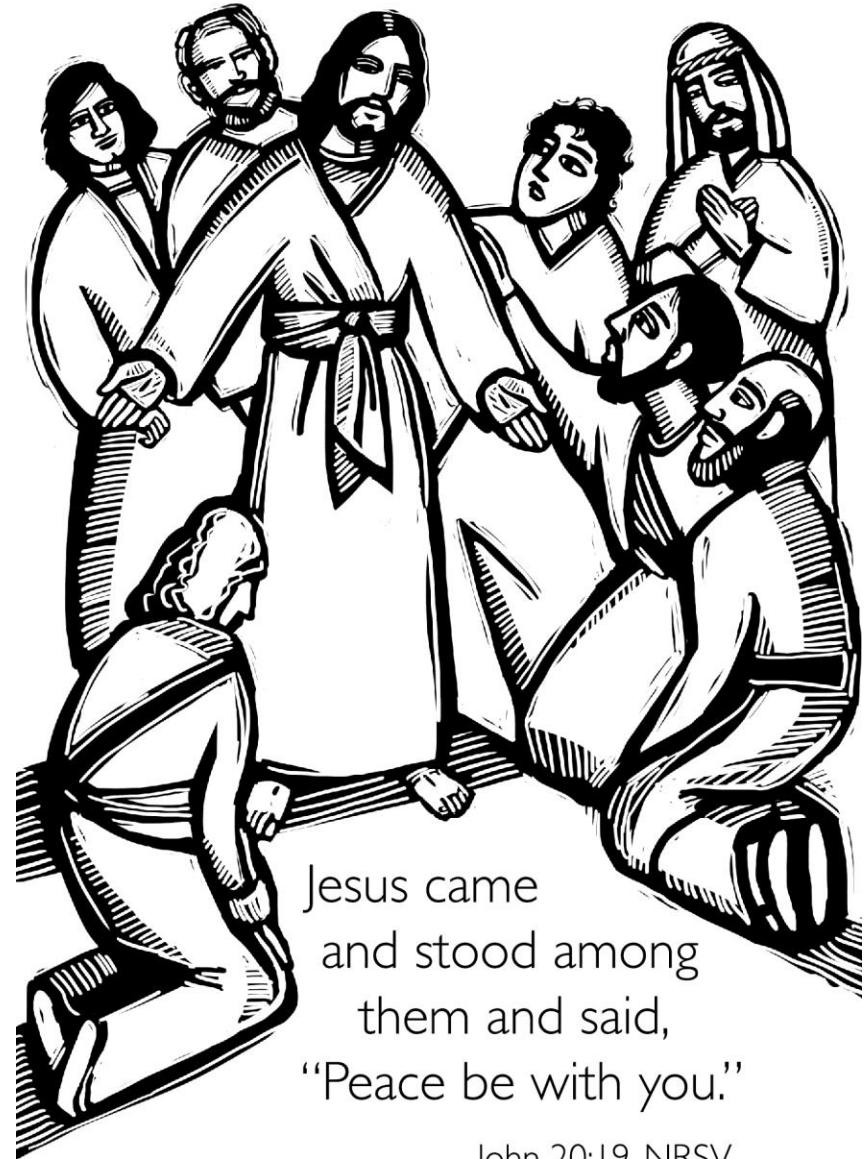
Tuesday - John 10:1-6 Jesus expects us to cope with false teachers who try to get into the fellowship by side-stepping Jesus or by climbing over the back fence. The God-pleasing shepherd, however, enters via Jesus and is recognized by the doorkeeper. Every one of us is the *doorkeeper* of our heart, for we open to Jesus but shut out the *stranger* (false teacher). Since Jesus *knows us by our name*, and we recognize His voice in His Word, we follow Him—but we run away from the *stranger*. (Cf. more clarification on Friday.)

Wednesday - 1 Peter 2:19-25 Following our *conscience toward God* means that we cope with life's problems in a God-pleasing manner. As prime example, Jesus responded to His tribulations (21-24) by buckling up, enduring Calvary, death, and the grave. And why was He so self-sacrificing? So that He could bear our burdens and get us out from under our sin, death, and grave. We respond by staying as close to Jesus as we can, pandemic or no pandemic (25).

Thursday - Psalm 23 Now, picture yourself as a sheep, at ease with Jesus because you know you can trust Him. You learned to depend on Him for the food and drink of His Word (1-3). When you feel chilled by dark times, you know you can depend on Jesus to get you through to the other side (4). Safely. All in all, the goodness of the Good Shepherd shall support you forever more.

Friday - John 10:7-18 Jesus is not only the best Shepherd; He also functions as the entry into God's inner circle of protection. He outclasses both false shepherds and hired hands; He totally bonds with both Jewish sheep and Gentile sheep—for which He has His Father's full backing and love. Thank You, Jesus!

Sat Acts 10:24-33 Cornelius was a Gentile sheep, wandering and trying to find his way home. If he knew Psalm 23 and Isaiah 53, he still needed help to understand what God meant. In short, he needed Jesus, and God was bringing him and Peter together so that Peter could connect him with Jesus. God is good at salvaging wandering souls, one at a time, and sometimes in a way that is miraculous—but usually the connection is made by a child of God meeting with a lost sheep, one-on-one. When God nudges us forward (by the oddest of circumstances) to lead someone to Jesus, we *have done well*. (The COVID-19 pandemic may be such a circumstance.) Stay tuned.



Jesus came
and stood among
them and said,
“Peace be with you.”

John 20:19, NRSV

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Third Sunday after Easter Sunday May 3, 2020

ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 3, 2020

THIS WEEK

Wednesday: Choir Practice – Cancelled; Bible Study - Postponed

Sunday: Worship – Online

STAY HOME, STAY SAFE EXTENDED

On Friday April 24th, Governor Whitmer extended the “Stay Home, Stay Safe” Executive Order through May 15th, 2020. While this extension has relaxed some of the social distancing features it still makes ‘all public and private gatherings of any number of people occurring among persons not part of a single household...prohibited.’ It further requires that masks be worn when entering an enclosed public space like a grocery store.

We had hoped to resume services this coming Sunday, May 3rd but it appears that our online services will have to continue until May 15th (Including Sunday May 3rd and Mother’s Day May 10th).

As before, written, audio and video sermons will be posted on the church website. This week Pastor Schaller will also begin posting an online Bible Class. Check it out at: calvary.clclutheran.org. If you are in the Marquette Area and don’t have internet access, you may park in the Calvary Parking Lot and have access to the Calvary Internet, which would enable you to download sermon video, audio, bulletin and Bible Class Video for use at home...call Pastor Schaller for information.

DAILY REST RENEWAL

As many of you know, our church body (Church of the Lutheran Confession – CLC) produces a daily devotion book quarterly with devotions for every day of the year. If you subscribed last year, then you have received 3 Daily Rest Booklets (or 4). You may renew directly (by e-mail or phone in the front of the booklet) at a cost of \$18 per year or Calvary can handle it as a bulk subscription like the Spokesman. It is suggested that you take care of your own subscription, since only two individuals expressed a desire to have it handled through the congregation.

HOLY COMMUNION

The last time that we celebrated Holy Communion at Calvary was Sunday March 1st. We have since postponed other opportunities to receive the sacrament (Palm Sunday, April 5th; Maundy Thursday April 9th and now Sunday May 3rd) it is possible to celebrate the sacrament privately (and safely) by contacting Pastor Schaller directly. In some cases, CLC congregations have sent out communion wine and unleavened bread and offered it during the online service. Individual Bread/Wine packets have been ordered for this purpose. Please contact Pastor Schaller if you have an opinion on the matter.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON:

ISAIAH 38:9-22

⁹This is the writing of Hezekiah king of Judah, when he had been sick and had recovered from his sickness:

¹⁰I said, “In the prime of my life I shall go to the gates of Sheol; I am deprived of the remainder of my years.” ¹¹I said, “I shall not see YAH, The LORD in the land of the living; I shall observe man no more among the inhabitants of the world. ¹²My life span is gone, Taken from me like a shepherd’s tent; I have cut off my life like a weaver. He cuts me off from the loom; From day until night You make an end of me. ¹³I have considered until morning— Like a lion, So He breaks all my bones; From day until night You make an end of me. ¹⁴Like a crane or a swallow, so I chattered; I mourned like a dove; My eyes fail from looking upward. O LORD, I am oppressed; Undertake for me!

¹⁵“What shall I say? He has both spoken to me, And He Himself has done it. I shall walk carefully all my years In the bitterness of my soul. ¹⁶O LORD, by these things men live; And in all these things is the life of my spirit; So You will restore me and make me live. ¹⁷Indeed it was for my own peace That I had great bitterness; But You have lovingly delivered my soul from the pit of corruption, For You have cast all my sins behind Your back. ¹⁸For Sheol cannot thank You, Death cannot praise You; Those who go down to the pit cannot hope for Your truth. ¹⁹The living, the living man, he shall praise You, As I do this day; The father shall make known Your truth to the children.

²⁰“The LORD was ready to save me; Therefore we will sing my songs with stringed instruments All the days of our life, in the house of the LORD.”

²¹Now Isaiah had said, “Let them take a lump of figs, and apply it as a poultice on the boil, and he shall recover.”

²²And Hezekiah had said, “What is the sign that I shall go up to the house of the LORD?” *



He is arisen! Glorious word! Now reconciled is God, my Lord; The gates of heaven are open. My Jesus did triumphant die, And Satan's arrows broken lie, Destroyed hell's direst weapon. Oh, hear What cheer! Christ victorious Riseth glorious, Life He giveth-- He was dead, but see, He liveth!

EPISTLE LESSON:**HEBREWS 4:14-16**

¹⁴ Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast *our* confession. ¹⁵ For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all *points* tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need. *

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

Pastor: This is the day which the Lord has made:

Congregation: We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Pastor: The LORD has sent redemption to His People:

Congregation: Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Pastor: It was necessary that Christ suffer and rise from the dead;

Congregation: He has entered into His glory! Hallelujah!

(Sung) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

"Glory be to Thee, O Lord!"

GOSPEL LESSON:**JOHN 14:1-11**

"Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. ² In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴ And where I go you know, and the way you know."

⁵ Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?"

⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. ⁷ If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him."

⁸ Philip said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us."

⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own authority; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works.

¹¹ Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father in Me, or else believe Me for the sake of the works themselves. *

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ!"

CONFESION OF FAITH:**APOSTLES CREED (PG. 12)**

HYMN: 324:1-4 - "Jesus Sinners Doth Receive"

THE SERMON:**JOHN 20:19-23**

[cf. also Mark 16:14; Luke 24:36–43]

¹⁹ Then, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you." ²⁰ When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.

²¹ So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." ²² And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." *

CHRIST'S PEACE IS FOR THE WHOLE WORLD**THE OFFERINGS OF THANKFUL HEARTS****THE OFFERING HYMN:**

(TLH 441:1-2,6)

We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our first-fruits give!

And we believe Thy Word, Though dim our faith may be:
Whate'er for Thine we do, O Lord, We do it unto Thee.

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

HYMN: 324:5-8 - "Jesus Sinners Doth Receive"

THE COLLECT: Pastor

CONGREGATION: (Sung) "Amen."

THE BENEDICTION: Pastor

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

CLOSING HYMN: 190:1,5-7 – "Christ the Lord is Risen Again"