

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Church of the Lutheran Confession
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Divine Worship. 9:30am

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TRINITY FIFTEEN

September 12, 2021

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

Psalm: 86 (TLH Pg. 140)

Prayers: 3 (TLH Pg. 102) **77** (TLH Pg. 109)

Organist: Mr. Walter Priebe

HYMNS: 456 394 447 396

PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: 456 - "Approach, My Soul, The Mercy Seat"

THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION (TLH Pg.15ff.)

The Invocation... The Confession of Sins... Absolution, -- "Amen."

The Introit... The Gloria Patri (Pg. 16)...The Kyrie (Pg. 17).

Gloria in Excelsis (Pg. 17-19)

The Salutation (Pg. 19) The Collect (Prayer for the Day) -- "Amen."

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: LAMENTATIONS 3:22-30

²² Through the LORD's mercies we are not consumed, Because His compassions fail not. ²³ They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness.

²⁴ "The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "Therefore I hope in Him!"

²⁵ The LORD is good to those who wait for Him, To the soul who seeks Him.

²⁶ It is good that one should hope and wait quietly For the salvation of the LORD.

²⁷ It is good for a man to bear The yoke in his youth. ²⁸ Let him sit alone and keep silent, Because God has laid it on him; ²⁹ Let him put his mouth in the dust— There may yet be hope. ³⁰ Let him give his cheek to the one who strikes him, And be full of reproach.*

CLC CALL NEWS

Pastor Caleb Schaller returned the call of Faith Lutheran Church in Manchester, MO (St. Louis). • Pastor Ben Libby of Ascension Lutheran in Tacoma, WA, has been called by Redeemer Lutheran Church in Cheyenne, WY. • Michael Sprengeler has returned the call of Redeemer Lutheran in Bowdle and Zion Lutheran in Ipswich, SD. • Seminary Graduate Nick Naumann has been called by Living Savior Lutheran in Eden Prairie, MN. • Louise Mayhew has accepted the call to Grace Lutheran School in Valentine NE. • Becky McKenney has returned the call to Grace Lutheran School in Valentine, NE.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

A Vacation Bible School was held two weeks ago at Calvary. We had three students. Thanks to those who helped with teaching, crafts and snacks!

GOD'S CONTINUED BLESSINGS, JONAH

This morning marks the conclusion of Vicar Jonah Albrecht's six-week vicarage at Calvary. Please join me in thanking him for all his hard work under difficult circumstances. Please also continue to pray for Jonah as he continues his studies at Immanuel Lutheran Seminary in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Feel free to come visit anytime!

Missions/Cooperative Budget Plan Pledge 2021		
<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 2021	Received as of 8/22/2021	Amount Remaining
\$5000.00	\$4,315.00	\$685.00

CLCI SEMINARY STUDENT SPONSORSHIP - \$40/MO		
MAY 2023 GOAL	RECEIVED 8/22	MAY 2023 GOAL
\$5.00	\$0	\$5.00

The Offerings of Thankful Hearts – Calvary Offerings 8/22/2021			
General Fund	Loose Offerings	Missions/CBP	ILC Student Aid
\$735.00	\$40.50	\$260.00	\$40.00
Offerings Total: \$1,075.50			

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DAILY BIBLE READINGS FOR DEVOTIONS SEPTEMBER 13-18, 2021

Monday - Isaiah 35:1-7a is part of a larger unit; we already know other chapters of His-story. Idolaters are in for punishment (ch. 34), while God's people receive chastening to strengthen them (1-4) for their earthly pilgrimage. God promised to invigorate ancient Israel for a new life (5-6) in a regenerated country (7)--which sounds much like a preview of heaven.

Tuesday - Mark 7:31-37 In due time, Isaiah's prophecy came to pass, for God sent His Son down to our planet--providing visual and audible proof that God had not forsaken humanity (31-35); supreme proof would come from His empty tomb on Easter morning. *He has done all things well* reads like an epitaph on a headstone, and Jesus deserved that honor more than anyone else.

Wednesday - James 1:17-27 From the view at the top, we are *a kind of first fruits of His creatures*--which is a picturesque way of saying that God claims us first and foremost. On the receiving end, we are given thought and speech--to speak up as God's defense witnesses. No sense getting angry about it (19-20) or using gutter language on the witness stand (21)--and our actions speak louder than our words (22-23). In sum, let's keep an eye on our own failings (23-24) while we get busy with things God has given us to do (25-27).

Thursday - Psalm 146 We don't have to be Jewish to join the psalmist in praising God, for as long as we have lungs and voices, we will add our praise to God (2), for our time of grace is NOW, not later (3-4). We have good reason to praise Father, Creator of heaven and Earth, CEO over planet Earth, and the Healer of souls festering with sin (8-9). Forever more (10).

Friday - Mark 8:11-21 is not a discourse about home-baked bread, but a warning against home-baked false doctrine (11-15). The disciples were slow to catch the drift (16), so Jesus spelled it out (17-20)--that He was more interested in the sourdough of false doctrine than in Taystee bread, and so are we. God's bread suits our taste, and we pray that we shall never tire of dining on it, snacking on it, and serving it wherever we can--both to ourselves and to others at our table. God's Word is heavenly manna.

Saturday - James 1:25 What is meant with the *perfect law of liberty*, anyway? Well, since Christ has freed us from Satan's domination (and God's condemnation), we are free as birds to serve whomever we wish. We are free to serve God and the impulses of His Holy Spirit. That's not only swell, it's perfect! Being at liberty to choose whom to serve -- is a wonderful way to live. May God bless and keep us, smile upon us, and give us peace of conscience while we serve Him as best we can, come what may! Amen, Lord Jesus!



*Jacob was left
alone; and a man
wrestled with him
until daybreak.*

Genesis 32:24

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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THIS MORNING: Sunday School 10:45; Bible Study 10:50am

THIS WEEK

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

VISITOR/LARGE PRINT BULLETINS

There are a number of Visitor Bulletins on the back table for those who are new to our liturgy and worship. If you see a visitor who might benefit from these bulletins, please make them aware of them. There are also a couple of larger print bulletins and more will be produced if necessary.

CHURCH PICNIC

A big thank you to those who brought dishes to pass for the church picnic a few weekends ago.

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Our Bible Study on the Harmony of the Gospels will resume this morning following worship with Vicar Jonah Albrecht conducting the Bible Study. Join us!

OUT OF TOWN

Pastor Schaller will be out of town next week (Monday September 13th thru Friday September 17th). In an emergency he may be reached by text on Wednesday and Thursday.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Our Wednesday Bible Study on the Psalms will resume on Wednesday October 6th at 7pm.

CHOIR PRACTICE

Choir Practice for those comfortable will resume on Wednesday October 6th at 6pm.

CLC CONVENTION PROCEEDINGS

There are two hard copies of the 2021 CLC Convention Proceedings in white three-ring binders on the back table for those interested. If anyone else is interested, the proceedings may be found at: tinyurl.com/2021-clc-proc.

HARVEST FESTIVAL SCHEDULED

This year's Harvest Festival is scheduled to take place on Sunday October 24th.

EPISTLE LESSON:

ROMANS 8:26-30

²⁶ Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. ²⁷ Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit *is*, because He makes intercession for the saints according to *the will of God*.

²⁸ And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to *His* purpose. ²⁹ For whom He foreknew, He also predestined *to be* conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. ³⁰ Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified. *

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

Pastor: It is better to trust in the Lord:

Congregation: **Than to put confidence in man.**

Pastor: It is better to trust in the Lord:

Congregation: **Than to put confidence in princes.**

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Pastor: My heart is steadfast, O God!

Congregation: **I will sing and make melody with all my being!**

Hallelujah!

(Sung) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

"Glory be to Thee, O Lord!"

GOSPEL LESSON:

LUKE 11:5-13

⁵ And He said to them, **"Which of you shall have a friend, and go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves; ⁶for a friend of mine has come to me on his journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; ⁷and he will answer from within and say, 'Do not trouble me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give to you'?"**

⁸ **I say to you, though he will not rise and give to him because he is his friend, yet because of his persistence he will rise and give him as many as he needs.**

⁹ **"So I say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. ¹⁰For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. ¹¹If a son asks for bread from any father among you, will he give him a stone?"**

Or if *he asks* for a fish, will he give him a serpent instead of a fish? ¹² Or if he asks for an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will *your heavenly Father* give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!"*

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ!"

CONFESSION OF FAITH:

THE NICENE CREED

HYMN: 394 - *"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"*

SERMON:

GENESIS 32:22-32

²² And he arose that night and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven sons, and crossed over the ford of Jabbok. ²³ He took them, sent them over the brook, and sent over what he had. ²⁴ Then Jacob was left alone; and a Man wrestled with him until the breaking of day.

²⁵ Now when He saw that He did not prevail against him, He touched the socket of his hip; and the socket of Jacob's hip was out of joint as He wrestled with him. ²⁶ And He said, "Let Me go, for the day breaks." But he said, "I will not let You go unless You bless me!"

²⁷ So He said to him, "What *is* your name?" He said, "Jacob."

²⁸ And He said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel; for you have struggled with God and with men, and have prevailed."

²⁹ Then Jacob asked, saying, "Tell *me* Your name, I pray." And He said, "Why *is* it *that* you ask about My name?" And He blessed him there.

³⁰ So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel: "For I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved." ³¹ Just as he crossed over Peniel the sun rose on him, and he limped on his hip. ³² Therefore to this day the children of Israel do not eat the muscle that shrank, which *is* on the hip socket, because He touched the socket of Jacob's hip in the muscle that shrank. *

WRESTLE WITH GOD WITH FAITH

Preaching: Vicar Jonah Albrecht

THE OFFERINGS

In order to minimize contact with the ushers, you are asked to please leave your offerings in the basket on the table in the fellowship hall either before or after worship.

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 INSTALLATION OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Heather Parent

Abigail Hellmann

Alice Schaller

HYMN: 447 - *"Fight the Good Fight with All Thy Might"*

THE LITURGY: (Pg. 24ff)

The Preface, The Sanctus (Pg. 26), The Lord's Prayer, The Words of Institution, The Pax Domini, The Agnus Dei (Pg. 28).

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT:



The Lord's Supper is described in 1 Corinthians 11:23-32 as a most precious medicine for the soul. Like all medicines, of course, it must be used at the right time for the right purpose by the right person, lest it do more harm than good. Single use communion sets are on the far back table in the fellowship hall.

We ask all visitors to speak to the pastor before taking the sacrament, especially if you have not communed here before. The Lord's Supper will be received standing or seated in the pews. You are asked to dispose of the empties in the small disposals at the direction of the ushers.

THE LITURGY: (Pg. 29ff)

The Nunc Dimittis, The Thanksgiving; Prayer, "Amen." The Salutation; The Benedicamus.

THE BENEDICTION: Pastor

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

CLOSING HYMN: 396 - *"Oh, For a Faith That Will Not Shrink"*

HYMN SHEET

(An effort to reduce the points of contact for the time being.)

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

PSALM 86

- ¹ Bow down Your ear, O LORD, hear me; For I *am* poor and needy.
- ² Preserve my life, for I *am* holy; You are my God; Save Your servant
who trusts in You!
- ³ Be merciful to me, O Lord, For I cry to You all day long.
- ⁴ Rejoice the soul of Your servant, For to You, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
- ⁵ For You, Lord, *are* good, and ready to forgive, And abundant in mercy
to all those who call upon You.
- ⁶ Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer; And attend to the voice of my
supplications.
- ⁷ In the day of my trouble I will call upon You, For You will answer me.
- ⁸ Among the gods *there is* none like You, O Lord; Nor *are there any*
works like Your works.
- ⁹ All nations whom You have made Shall come and worship before You,
O Lord, And shall glorify Your name.
- ¹⁰ For You *are* great, and do wondrous things; You alone *are* God.
- ¹¹ Teach me Your way, O LORD; I will walk in Your truth; Unite my heart
to fear Your name.
- ¹² I will praise You, O Lord my God, with all my heart, And I will glorify
Your name forevermore.
- ¹³ For great *is* Your mercy toward me, And You have delivered my soul
from the depths of Sheol.
- ¹⁴ O God, the proud have risen against me, And a mob of violent *men*
have sought my life, And have not set You before them.
- ¹⁵ But You, O Lord, *are* a God full of compassion, and gracious,
Longsuffering and abundant in mercy and truth.
- ¹⁶ Oh, turn to me, and have mercy on me! Give Your strength to Your
servant, And save the son of Your maidservant.
- ¹⁷ Show me a sign for good, That those who hate me may see *it* and be
ashamed, Because You, LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

PRAYERS BEFORE WORSHIP

General

Almighty God, who has given us commandment to pray for the gift of the Holy Ghost, most heartily we beseech You through Jesus Christ, our Advocate, to grant us Your Holy Spirit that He may quicken our hearts by Your saving Word and lead us into all truth, that He may guide, instruct, enlighten, govern, comfort, and sanctify us unto everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

For An Answer to Prayer

Almighty God, who has promised to hear the petitions of those who ask in Your Son's name, we beseech You mercifully to incline Your ears to us who have now made our prayers and supplications to You; and grant that those things which we have faithfully asked according to Thy will may effectually be obtained to the relief of our necessity and to the setting forth of Your glory; through Jesus Christ, You Son, our Lord. Amen.

HYMN APPROACH, MY SOUL, THY MERCY SEAT

1. Approach, my soul, the mercy-seat Where Jesus answers prayer; There humbly fall before His feet, For none can perish there.
2. Thy promise is my only plea, With this I venture nigh; Thou callest burdened souls to Thee, And such, O Lord, am I.
3. Bowed down beneath a load of sin, By Satan sorely pressed, By wars without and fears within, I come to Thee for rest.
4. Be Thou my Shield and Hiding-place, That, sheltered near Thy side, I may my fierce Accuser face And tell him Thou hast died.
5. O wondrous Love, to bleed and die, To bear the cross and shame, That guilty sinners such as I Might plead Thy gracious name!

HYMN

MY FAITH LOOKS UP TO THEE

1. My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine. Now hear me while I pray; Take all my guilt away; Oh, let me from this day Be wholly Thine!
2. May Thy rich grace impart Strength to my fainting heart, My zeal inspire! As Thou hast died for me, Oh, may my love to Thee Pure, warm, and changeless be, A living fire!
3. While life's dark maze I tread And griefs around me spread, Be Thou my Guide. Bid darkness turn to day, Wipe sorrow's tears away, Nor let me ever stray From Thee aside.
4. When ends life's transient dream, When death's cold, sullen stream Shall o'er me roll, Blest Savior, then, in love, Fear and distrust remove; Oh, bear me safe above, A ransomed soul!

OFFERING HYMN

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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.

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HYMN FIGHT THE GOOD FIGHT WITH ALL THY MIGHT

1. Fight the good fight With all thy might; Christ is thy Strength and Christ thy Right. Lay hold on life, and it shall be Thy joy and crown eternally.
2. Run the straight race Thro' God's good grace; Lift up thine eyes and seek His face. Life with its way before us lies; Christ is the Path and Christ the Prize.
3. Cast care aside; Upon thy Guide Lean, and His mercy will provide; Lean, and the trusting soul shall prove Christ is its Life and Christ its Love.
4. Faint not nor fear, His arms are near; He changeth not, and thou art dear. Only believe, and thou shalt see That Christ is All in all to thee.

HYMN OH, FOR A FAITH THAT WILL NOT SHRINK

1. Oh, for a faith that will not shrink Tho' pressed by many a foe;
That will not tremble on the brink Of poverty or woe;
2. That will not murmur nor complain Beneath the chast'ning rod,
But in the hour of grief or pain Can lean upon its God;
3. A faith that shines more bright and clear When tempests rage
without; That, when in danger, knows no fear, In darkness feels
no doubt;
4. That bears unmoved the world's dread frown Nor heeds its
scornful smile; That sin's wild ocean cannot drown Nor Satan's
arts beguile;
5. A faith that keeps the narrow way Till life's last spark is fled And
with a pure and heavenly ray Lights up the dying bed.
6. Lord give us such a faith as this; And then, whate'er may come,
We'll taste e'en now the hallowed bliss Of an eternal home.