

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Church of the Lutheran Confession

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*1st Sunday
in Advent*

Divine Worship. 9:30am

Sunday School/Bible Study. 10:45am/10:50am

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ADVENT ONE

November 28, 2021

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

Psalm: 25 (TLH Pg. 128)

Prayers: 70 (Pg. 109); **52** (Pg. 107).

Organist: Mr. Walter Priebe

HYMNS: 65 325 323 329:5

PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: 65 - "When Sinners See Their Lost Condition"

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.

THE PROPHECY CANDLE

The Prophecy Candle begins the Advent Season by remembering those who first spoke the promises concerning the Christ-Child. God used many different men to comfort His people, giving many promises concerning the Advent or Coming of the Savior.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: **JEREMIAH 33:14-16**

¹⁴ "Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ¹⁵ In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶ In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'**

THE CANDLE HYMN: 87:3-4 - "Joy to the World, the Lord is Come"

CLC CALL NEWS

Pastor Rob Sauers has returned the call of Faith Lutheran Church in Manchester, MO. • Pastor David Ude has returned the call of Ascension in Tacoma, WA. • Pastor James Albrecht of St. John's Lutheran in Okabena, MN, has returned the call of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Bowdle, SD and Zion Lutheran Church in Ipswich, SD. • Pastor Neal Radichel of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Mankato MN has been called by Living Savior Lutheran Church in Eden Prairie, MN.

Missions/Cooperative Budget Plan Pledge 2021

*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 2021	Received as of 11/21/2021	Amount Remaining
\$5000.00	\$5,045.00	\$0

CLCI SEMINARY STUDENT SPONSORSHIP - \$40/MO

MAY 2023 GOAL	RECEIVED 11/21	MAY 2023 GOAL
\$5.00	\$0	\$5.00

The Offerings of Thankful Hearts – Calvary Offerings 11/21/2021

General Fund	Loose Offerings	Missions (CBP)	ILC Student Aid (SAF)	
\$960.00	\$25.00	\$20.00	\$50.00	
Offerings Total: \$ 1,055.00				

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READINGS FOR DEVOTIONS NOVEMBER 29-DECEMBER 4, 2021

Monday - Jeremiah 29:1-23 lays out a readable survey of some history. Because the Jewish nation had not heeded God (15-19), He put them (20-23) into detention for 70 years in a foreign land where He expected them to settle in (4-7) but not be taken-in by crazy talk (8-9). Let them rather keep faith that God would manage to get them back to Palestine (10-11), and they could start in again where they had left off (12-14). Lesson: God has ways and means to humble a nation that disses Him.

Tuesday - Luke 19:28-40 It was not a grand entry and would have escaped notice except for two loud announcements. First, the miracle which befit Jesus' lowly service on our behalf (28-35), and then the disciples' broadcast of Him as *the LORD, their Righteousness* (38) --per Ps. 118:26 (37-38). Those who did not see Jesus that way (39-40) still live among us today. Lord, have mercy!

Wednesday - 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 Fast-forward to a missionary's gush of praise for God's work in a foreign land (9-10), followed by his prayer for God to make these converts *increase and abound in love to one another* (and to everyone else, too), so that God would *establish* (fortify and solidify) them to hold their ground in God-pleasing conduct – as they looked ahead to the *coming [Advent] of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints*. Amen!

Thursday - Jeremiah 33:14-16 After God downloaded the bad news that He was about to punish Judah (the South) for the evils they had done to Him, God gave Jeremiah (and all repentant sinners) a bright light at the end of the tunnel. It's Jesus, of course. We knew it all the time because God has told us so more than once; it's the truth which the Apostle Paul was getting across to his countrymen in Rom. 1:17 and 10:4, in 1 Corinthians 1:30; the truth which other apostles emphasized, as in Jeremiah 23:5-6 and 2 Peter 1:1.

Friday - Luke 21:25-36 "It's darkest just before dawn" has some truth to it—for that's the scenario prior to Jesus' second coming/advent (25-28). *Look up* (not downcast) and *lift up your heads* (to receive a blessing) *because your redemption is drawing near*. How about an illustration (29-30)? People get drunk and carouse in futile efforts to escape their anxieties, and absorption in life's problems is a distraction from God's perfect escape plan (27-28).

Saturday - 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 There's a lot of misinformation about Jesus' return; here's the straight of it: Jesus will *descend from heaven with much shouting, the voice of an archangel, and trumpet fanfare* loud enough to wake the dead; God's people will arise from their graves to join up with the rest of us, and in grand assembly *we will meet Jesus* and float up to heaven. Heaven is my home. Heaven is my home.

EPISTLE LESSON:**1 THESSALONIANS 3:9-13**

⁹For what thanksgiving can we return to God for you, for all the joy that we feel for your sake before our God, ¹⁰as we pray most earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith?

¹¹Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, ¹²and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, ¹³so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints. **

GOSPEL LESSON:**LUKE 21:25-36**

²⁵“And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, ²⁶people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

²⁹And he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. ³⁰As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴“But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. ³⁵For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.” **

ALLELUIA (WS Pg. 14)

CONFESSION OF FAITH:

THE APOSTLES' CREED (WS Pg. 15)

HYMN: 325 – “O Thou that Hear'st when Sinners Cry”

SERMON:

PSALM 51:16-17

¹⁶ For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it; you will not be pleased with a burnt offering. ¹⁷ The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.**

CHRISTMAS PREPARATIONS –

THE DECORATIONS THAT PLEASE GOD

OFFERTORY: (WS Pg. 16)

THE OFFERINGS

The offerings will be gathered in the usual way.

THE OFFERING HYMN:

(TLH 69:4,6)

Arise, ye poor and needy! The King provides for you; He comes with succor speedy, With mercy ever new. Receive your gracious King, The Giver of all blessing, Hail Him, His name confessing, And glad hosannas sing.

Oh, rich the gifts Thou bringest, Thyself made poor and weak! O Love beyond expression, That thus can sinners seek! For this, O Lord, will we Our joyous tribute bring Thee And glad hosannas sing Thee And ever grateful be.

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

HYMN: 323 - "With Broken Heart and Contrite Sigh"

THE BENEDICTION: Pastor

CONGREGATION: (Spoken) "Amen."

CLOSING HYMN: 329:5 - "From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee "



ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 28, 2021

CHRISTMAS CAROLING

As is our tradition, during the Sundays in Advent (November 28, December 5, 12, 19) those who are present at 9:15am will choose and sing Christmas Carols.

CHOIR PRACTICE/MIDWEEK ADVENT WORSHIP

The Church Choir will practice on Wednesday at 6pm. Our First Midweek Advent Service will follow at 7pm.

MIDWEEK ADVENT WORSHIP

Our Midweek Advent Series this year (beginning December 1st) is entitled: **Slowing Down for Christmas**. It involves these three texts: Titus 2:11-14; James 1:19-20; Luke 2:10-11. Can you figure out the three things we seek to slow down during Advent? If not, join us and find out.

UPCOMING EVENTS

On Sunday October 17th the Voters of Calvary met to discuss the past quarter (July, August, September) and look forward to the coming quarter (October, November, December). The Annual Council Meeting is set for Sunday January 9th after worship and the Annual Voter's Meeting the following Sunday, January 16th also after worship. The following events were noted and are also noted here:

- **Wednesday December 1st** – First Midweek Advent Service 7pm
- **Sunday December 5th** – Second Sunday in Advent
- **Wednesday December 8th** – Second Midweek Advent Service 7pm
- **Saturday December 11th** – Calvary Christmas Dinner/Party
- **Sunday December 12th** – Third Sunday in Advent
- **Wednesday December 15th** – Final Midweek Advent Service 7pm
- **Sunday December 19th** – Fourth Sunday in Advent
- **Friday December 24th** – Christmas Eve Service 7pm
- **Saturday December 25th** – Christmas Day Service 10am
- **Sunday December 26th** – Christmas One Service
- **Friday December 31st** – New Year's Eve Communion Service 7pm

CALVARY CHRISTMAS PARTY/DINNER

The 2021 Calvary Christmas Party/Dinner is scheduled for Saturday December 11th in the Fellowship Hall. The Meal will include Chicken Breast and comes at a cost of \$5 person. Please sign up on the back table if you plan to attend to allow us to purchase and prepare the proper amount of food for the dinner. A \$5 gift exchange (male and female) is also planned.

HYMN WITH BROKEN HEART AND CONTRITE SIGH

1. With broken heart and contrite sigh, A trembling sinner, Lord, I cry. Thy pardoning grace is rich and free,-- O God, be merciful to me!
2. I smite upon my troubled breast, With deep and conscious guilt opprest: Christ and His cross my only plea,-- O God, be merciful to me!
3. Far off I stand with tearful eyes Nor dare uplift them to the skies; But Thou dost all my anguish see,-- O God, be merciful to me!
4. Nor alms nor deeds that I have done Can for a single sin atone. To Calvary alone I flee,-- O God, be merciful to me!
5. And when, redeemed from sin and hell, With all the ransomed throng I dwell, My raptured song shall ever be, God has been merciful to me! Amen.

HYMN FROM DEPTHS OF WOE I CRY TO THEE

5. Though great our sins and sore our woes, His grace much more aboundeth; His helping love no limit knows, Our utmost need it soundeth. Our shepherd good and true is He, Who will at last His Israel free From all their sin and sorrow. Amen.

HYMN SHEET

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

PSALM 25

¹To You, O LORD, I lift up my soul. ²O my God, I trust in You; Let me not be ashamed; Let not my enemies triumph over me. ³Indeed, let no one who waits on You be ashamed; Let those be ashamed who deal treacherously without cause.

⁴Show me Your ways, O LORD; Teach me Your paths. ⁵Lead me in Your truth and teach me, For You *are* the God of my salvation; On You I wait all the day.

⁶Remember, O LORD, Your tender mercies and Your lovingkindnesses, For they *are* from of old. ⁷Do not remember the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions; According to Your mercy remember me, For Your goodness' sake, O LORD.

⁸Good and upright *is* the LORD; Therefore He teaches sinners in the way. ⁹The humble He guides in justice, And the humble He teaches His way. ¹⁰All the paths of the LORD *are* mercy and truth, To such as keep His covenant and His testimonies. ¹¹For Your name's sake, O LORD, Pardon my iniquity, for it *is* great.

¹²Who *is* the man that fears the LORD? Him shall He teach in the way He chooses. ¹³He himself shall dwell in prosperity, And his descendants shall inherit the earth. ¹⁴The secret of the LORD *is* with those who fear Him, And He will show them His covenant. ¹⁵My eyes *are* ever toward the LORD, For He shall pluck my feet out of the net.

¹⁶Turn Yourself to me, and have mercy on me, For I *am* desolate and afflicted. ¹⁷The troubles of my heart have enlarged; Bring me out of my distresses! ¹⁸Look on my affliction and my pain, And forgive all my sins. ¹⁹Consider my enemies, for they are many; And they hate me with cruel hatred. ²⁰Keep my soul, and deliver me; Let me not be ashamed, for I put my trust in You. ²¹Let integrity and uprightness preserve me, For I wait for You.

²²Redeem Israel, O God, Out of all their troubles! *

PRAYERS BEFORE WORSHIP

FOR HUMILITY

O God, you resist the proud and give grace to the humble. Grant to us true humility, like Your son has revealed it in Himself, that we may never provoke your wrath, but be made partakers of the gifts of Your grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FOR PENITENCE

Merciful Father, give us grace that we may never presume to sin; but if at any time we offend Your divine majesty, may we also truly repent and lament our offense and by a living faith obtain remission of all our sins, solely through the merits of Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

HYMN WHEN SINNERS SEE THEIR LOST CONDITION

1. When sinners see their lost condition And feel the pressing load of sin And Jesus cometh on His mission To heal the sin-sick heart within, All grief must flee before His grace, And joy divine will take its place.

2. When Jesus enters meek and lowly To fill the home with sweetest peace; When hearts have felt His blessing holy And found from sin complete release, Then light and calm within shall reign And hearts divided love again.

3. When Jesus enters land and nation And moves the people with His love; When, yielding to His kind persuasion, Our hearts His truth and blessing prove, Then shall our life on earth be blest, The peace of God on us shall rest.

4. When Jesus comes, --O blessed story!-- He works a change in heart and life; God's kingdom comes with power and glory To young and old, to man and wife; Through Sacrament and living Word Faith, love, and hope are now conferred.

5. Then stilled are cries and lamentation, Then loosed is Satan's every band, In death is hope and consolation, The soul is safe in Jesus' hand. When we shall walk through death's dark vale, His rod and staff shall never fail.

6. Oh, may He soon to every nation Find entrance where He is unknown, With life and light and full salvation, That heathendom may be o'erthrown And healing to the hearts may come In heathen land and Christian home! Amen.

ALLELUIA

Pastor: "Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it."

Congregation (Sung): "Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

HYMN O THOU THAT HEAR'ST WHEN SINNERS CRY

1. O Thou that hear'st when sinners cry Though all my crimes before Thee lie, Behold them not with angry look, But blot their memory from Thy book.

2. Create my nature pure within And form my soul averse to sin; Let Thy good Spirit ne'er depart Nor hide Thy presence from my heart.

3. I cannot live without Thy light, Cast out and banish from Thy sight; Thy holy joys, my God, restore And guard me that I fall no more.

4. Though I have grieved Thy Spirit, Lord, His help and comfort still afford And let me now come near Thy throne To plead the merits of Thy Son.

5. A broken heart, my God, my King, Is all the sacrifice I bring. Look down, O Lord, with pitying eye And save the soul condemned to die.

6. Oh, may Thy love inspire my tongue Salvation shall be all my song; And all my powers shall join to bless The Lord, my Strength and Righteousness. Amen.

OFFERING HYMN ARISE, SONS OF THE KINGDOM

Arise, ye poor and needy! The King provides for you; He comes with succor speedy, With mercy ever new. Receive your gracious King, The Giver of all blessing, Hail Him, His name confessing, And glad hosannas sing.

Oh, rich the gifts Thou bringest, Thyself made poor and weak! O Love beyond expression, That thus can sinners seek! For this, O Lord, will we Our joyous tribute bring Thee And glad hosannas sing Thee And ever grateful be.