

HYMN OF PRAISE:

"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

**Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; His the scepter, His the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation has redeemed us by His blood."**

**Alleluia! Bread of heaven, here on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! Here the sinful flee to You from day to day.
Intercessor, Friend of sinners, Earth's Redeemer, hear our plea
Where the song of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. O Lord, You granted Your prophets strength to resist the temptations of the devil and courage to proclaim repentance. Give us pure hearts and minds to follow Your Son faithfully even into suffering and death; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

(Please be seated.)

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Amos 7:7–15 *(Amos stands up against a false prophet and the king.)*

¹This is what the Lord GOD showed me: behold, he was forming locusts when the latter growth was just beginning to sprout, and behold, it was the latter growth after the king's mowings. ²When they had finished eating the grass of the land, I said, "O Lord GOD, please forgive! How can Jacob stand? He is so small!" ³The LORD relented concerning this: "It shall not be," said the LORD.

⁴This is what the Lord GOD showed me: behold, the Lord GOD was calling for a judgment by fire, and it devoured the great deep and was eating up the land. ⁵Then I said, "O Lord GOD, please cease! How can Jacob stand? He is so small!" ⁶The LORD relented concerning this: "This also shall not be," said the Lord GOD.

⁷This is what he showed me: behold, the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. ⁸And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "Behold, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass by them; ⁹the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

¹⁰Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the midst of the house of Israel. The land is not able to bear all his words.

¹¹For thus Amos has said, "'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'"

¹²And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, and eat bread there, and prophesy there, ¹³but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

¹⁴ Then Amos answered and said to Amaziah, "I was no prophet, nor a prophet's son, but I was a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore figs. ¹⁵ But the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE EPISTLE READING: Ephesians 1:3–14 (*Our eternal inheritance is sure because of God's grace in Christ.*)

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴ even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love ⁵ he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, ⁶ to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. ⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, ⁸ which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight ⁹ making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ ¹⁰ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

¹¹ In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, ¹² so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

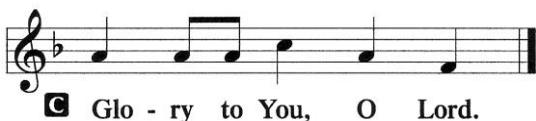
THE ALLELUIA VERSE;



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL IS ANNOUNCED:

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the sixth chapter.



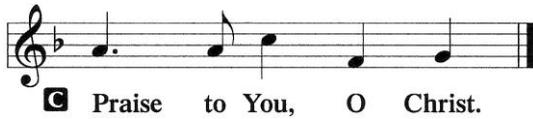
Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 6:14–29 (*Herod thinks that Jesus is John the Baptist come back to life.*)

¹⁴ King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some said, "John the Baptist has been raised from the dead. That is why these miraculous powers are at work in him." ¹⁵ But others said, "He is Elijah." And others said, "He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." ¹⁶ But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." ¹⁷ For it was Herod who had sent and seized John and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because he had married her. ¹⁸ For John had been saying to Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." ¹⁹ And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to put him to death. But she could not, ²⁰ for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he kept him safe. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed, and yet he heard him gladly.

²¹ But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his nobles and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee. ²² For when Herodias's daughter came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests. And the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it to you." ²³ And he vowed to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, up to half of my kingdom." ²⁴ And she went out and said to her mother, "For what should I ask?" And she said, "The head of John the Baptist." ²⁵ And she came in immediately with haste to the king and asked, saying, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." ²⁶ And the king was exceedingly sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he did not want to break his word to her. ²⁷ And immediately the king sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison ²⁸ and brought his head on a platter and gave it to the girl, and the girl gave it to her mother. ²⁹ When his disciples heard of it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



THE CHILDRENS MESSAGE

Vicar Kevin Thomson

HYMN OF THE DAY:

"In Christ Alone"

**In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my Light, my Strength, my Song;
This Cornerstone, this Solid Ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.**

**In Christ alone, who took on flesh;
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied;
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.**

**There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.**

**No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.**

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THE MESSAGE

"Give God the Praise"

Vicar Kevin Thomson

THE APOSTLES' CREED (8:00 am service)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE GATHERING OF THE TITHES AND OFFERINGS

++ The Stewardship Thought ++

**The Pentecost season is the "non-festival" time of the Church year.
It is the time for the Church to grow in faith and to go make disciples!
"Go and make disciples of all nations!" (Matthew 38:19)**

THE OFFERTORY: *"Lord of All Good"*

**Lord of all good, our gifts we bring You now.
Use them Your holy purpose to fulfill.
Tokens of love and pledges they shall be
That our whole life is offered to Your will.**

**Father, whose bounty all creation shows;
Christ, by whose willing sacrifice we live;
Spirit, from whom all life in fullness flows:
To You with grateful hearts ourselves we give.**

THE PRAYERS: After each petition, the Worship Leader will say, *"Lord in Your mercy,"* and the congregation will respond, *"Hear our prayer."*

THE LORD'S PRAYER (8:00 am service)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN: *"Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing"* **Hymn #924**

A MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

THE POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our Altar Flowers were provided this week by Jim & Ruth Aden, in honor of their 56th wedding anniversary, and by the Hadley family in loving memory of their son, Trevor Hadley.

Member of the Week Arnold (Arnie) Reule was born in 1935 on a farm near Ashley, ND. Arnie had 12 brothers and sisters!!! He attended High School in Ashley. After graduation Arnie moved to St. Paul, MN for a little over a year, working as an Addressograph operator. He joined the Air Force in 1955 and after training for Supply Records Clerk, was sent to Iceland for a year. Back in the states, he married Marlene. After a 2.5 year tour of duty in France, Arnie got discharged. He decided to reenlist and went to Keesler AFB to be an Aircraft Electronic Radio Repair Tech. He was then assigned to Minot, ND, Otis AFB MA, Craig AFB, Thailand, Germany and then Robins AFB. He worked on all types of aircraft. He retired from the Air Force in 1973 and went to work for Civil Service. He retired from that in 1999. Arnie and Marlene had twin sons Gaylord, who lives in Warner Robins and Gregory who lives in Thomaston. Arnie also has 2 grandsons, Gregory and Joseph. In 2010, Arnie's wife Marlene died. Going back to his Lutheran roots, Arnie started to attend Mt. Calvary in 2011. He and Carol Combs became special friends, but sadly he lost her also. Arnie loves to volunteer and assisted with the laying of the flooring in the Fellowship Hall. At home he works with wood, building birdhouses and wooden toys. He attends Sunday School, Wednesday night church and belongs to a ChristCare Group. He is grateful for the friendly folks here at Mt. Calvary.

New Custodian Selected – The Personnel Committee has selected Becky McVay as the new Custodian for Mount Calvary. Becky started on July 7, 2015 and will be responsible for keeping the inside of the main building and the annex clean. The Trustees are looking forward to working with Becky to keep both the inside and outside of our property clean and beautiful.

I would like to thank God for his healing hands and comfort. Also my Mount Calvary family for all the support, prayers, food, kind words and cards before surgery and during my continued recovery. It meant and continues to mean so much to my family and I. God Bless! - Fred Tamer

Needed: Used couch and easy chair. A family has fallen on hard times and could use the help. Contact Jerry Bisping for more info @ jerrytony@windstream.net or 478-988-1432.

Mount Calvary has received gifts in memory of Helen "Wani" Moore, Molly Townsend's mom, from Jan Langston and Betty Cummings.

Deployed or TDY Pictures are needed: Pete needs pictures of all military personnel & civilian contractors who were out of town in the service of their country when the directory pictures were being taken. Digital copies of personal pictures will work the best. Please let Pete know you would like your military person included in this section of the directory and get him the picture as soon as possible!

Vicar Moving: TAG youth will be moving both Vicars this week. (New vicar some time on Tuesday, Old vicar at 10 am on Friday) If you are in Middle School or High School and are planning to help out, you need to sign up in the Annex so Pete can text you when the new vicar is going to arrive.

Heads Up! The new church directory is about ready to go to print. If you've delayed sending any updates in to the office, you should do it right away. For example, one common discrepancy is that adult children are shown living with their parents long after they've moved to their own residences.

Mom's Playgroup will be taking the rest of the summer off and will resume some time in September. - See you then!

Summer Sunday School – Please volunteer to be a summer Sunday School teacher for our Pre-K to 5th grade students. Our regular teachers are on vacation for 2 months, and we need YOU! We have crafts, scrapbooking, Stories with Jesus, movies, and Pre-K. The dates are July 19 and July 26. If you could help for at least 2 Sundays, that would be great! Please contact Cynthia Nelson at mt-cal-dcm@att.net or leave a note in her DCM mailbox. Thank you for teaching our Kids for Christ!!

TAG Trip to Six Flags: Both the Middle & High School groups will be going to Six Flags on Wednesday, July 15th. We will meet at the Annex at 8:00 am and should return around 5:30. The cost for the day is \$30/person plus money for lunch. You must sign up for this trip (even if you have a season pass) so Pete can be sure to have enough drivers!

The Board of Outreach is now taking orders for "polo type" shirts with our logo embroidered on the left chest. A member of the Board of Outreach will be available after each service for you to place your order. The shirts are royal blue with the logo embroidered in white. Sizes Small thru XL will cost \$25; XXL and XXXL will cost \$27. August 9 will be the last day to place your order.

SLDT (Student Leadership Development Team) News: Active High School Youth interested in serving on the Fall Session of the SLDT need to fill out an application (or reapplication) and turn it in to Pete no later than Sunday, July 26th. Youth applying should also plan on attending the Fall Planning Retreat from 5:00 Friday (July 31st) through 4:00 Saturday (August 1st)!

TAG Serving At The Middle Georgia Community Food Bank: High School Youth will be serving at the food bank on Wednesday, July 22nd. We will be at the Annex at 8:00 am and should return around 4:00 pm. There is no cost for the day and lunch will be provided. Youth should come ready to work!

Concert and Release Celebration: On Sunday, July 19th at 4:00 PM in the Michael Fellowship Hall, Tim Jacobsmeyer will be presenting a concert of music from his new CD, "Piano Musings." The concert is free of charge and will include refreshments afterwards. CDs, download cards, artwork, and other related items will be available. Please make plans to attend.

Looking for a place to "fit in" at church? The Altar Guild can always use a few more hands, especially in the summer months. What does Altar Guild do? Well, there are six teams of ladies (4-5 on each team), that work about every 3 months for 2 weeks in a row. They make sure the altar is clean and prepared for each service. That means filling candles, preparing for communion, changing the colors of the paraments on the altar when needed, etc. We have wonderful teams of ladies, and you would have LOTS of help working with a group as you learn what needs to be done. If interested, contact Ruthie Radcliff at 397-0630 or bigbluiz@att.net.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Angleen Trasmer, who is hospitalized on bed rest until her baby is born.

Liz Hunter, who is recovering from a broken toe.

Karen Harmon, who is recovering from knee surgery.

Patti Griswold, who is recovering from surgery.

Keep In Your Prayers

Tricia Nicolosi, Sherry Parsons, Kurt Rover, Jay Wallace (son of James & Emily Wallace), Rosie Schulz, Fred Tamer, Dave Radcliff, Jeanene Crawford, Arnie Reule, Carol Quednow, Heather Yarbrough and Karen Johnson.

(NOTE: Those listed under "Keep in your prayers" are removed from the list after eight weeks. If there is someone you would like to keep on the list for another eight weeks, please contact the church office.)

Those Battling Cancer

Those battling cancer: Margaret Frazier, Mary Jahnke (Joe's sister), Barry Rice (Becky McVay's brother), Norma Young (Melinda Hopf's aunt), John Hoar, Paula Babcock, Kathy Grube, Chet Branscom, Jace Cumbie (son of Amanda McVay's boyfriend), Mary Schwope (Michele Durbin's aunt), Jeannette Poniske (Fred Tamer's mom), Bruce Oswalt (Krystal Ferguson's father), Gary Jennings (Margaret Jennings' son), Elaine Mead (Jeannie Hawkins' aunt) and Fred Diehl.

Those Serving our Country in Dangerous Areas

Chris Walker, J. T. Cole, Christopher Dierking, Christopher Mittuch, Thomas Kaiser Guilford, Darrin Landis, Denver Yarbrough, Michael Welch, Jonathan Fetchik and Christian Corbitt, for safety and good health as they serve our country in dangerous areas.

Chris Walker, Karen Johnson's son, will be deploying to Afghanistan soon.

SERVING US TODAY

PREACHER: Vicar Kevin Thomson. **LITURGIST:** Pastor David Brighton. **ELDERS:** Brian Harper (8 am) and John Hunter (10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Andrew LeBorious (8 am) and Breanna Cook (10:45 am). **USHERS:** Early – Laird Van Gorder, Brent Durbin, Dick Kesler & Kent Hansen. Late – D. J. Nelson, Don Netzing, Adam Beecher, Dave Miller, Bob Day & Larry Ellgass. **ALTAR GUILD:** Sue Glaser, Barbara Mabee, Ginger Martin, Kathy Robinson & Sharon Suckow. **LAY READERS:** Dick Kesler (8 am) and D. J. Nelson (10:45 am). **SLIDE PREPARER:** Gary Webb. **PROJECTIONISTS:** Louis Foss (8 am) and Sean Palmer (10:45 am).

SERVING US NEXT WEEK

ELDERS: Tony McVay (Sat 6 pm), Eric Jenkins (Sun 8 am) and Bob Gerstenberger (Sun 10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Christopher Crawford (Sat 6 pm), Nathan LeBorious (8 am) and Zoe Bowden (Sun 10:45 am). **ALTAR GUILD:** Sue Glaser, Barbara Mabee, Ginger Martin, Kathy Robinson & Sharon Suckow. **LAY READERS:** David Miller (Sat 6 pm), Bob Reynolds (Sun 8 am) and Jim Morey (Sun 10:45 am). **GREETERS:** Barbara Locke (Sun 8 am) and Champ & Pat Aldredge (Sun 10:45 am).

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Jeremiah 23:1-6 and Ephesians 2:11-22

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Saturday – 33 Early – 64 Late – 133 Total – 230

THIS WEEK AT MOUNT CALVARY

Today	12:00 pm	Vicar Kevin's Farewell Luncheon
Monday	6:20 pm	Evangelism Callers
	6:30 pm	Women's Small Group
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	Council
Wednesday	8 am – 5:30 pm	TAG Trip to Six Flags
	9:30 am	Craft & Chat
Thursday	9:30 am	Mom's Play Group
	10:00 am	Ladies Bible Study
Saturday	5:00 pm	Adult Bible Study
Next Sunday	4:00 pm	Piano Musings Concert by Tim Jacobsmeyer
	6:30 pm	TAG Night