

As We Gather

In our Epistle reading today the Apostle Paul calls on us to put aside those things that would alienate us from the life that God calls us to live – things like greed, impurity, anger, bitterness, and slander. Instead, Paul encourages us to be imitators of God who walk in love just as Jesus did for us. May we build one another up in love as we follow our Lord's example, being "kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another" just as Jesus has forgiven us. May God bless our worship this day to His glory!

Holy Communion

Holy Communion is being celebrated today. It is the belief of the Lutheran Church, based on Jesus' own words, that in this Sacrament His body and blood are really present and that forgiveness of sins and the assurance of salvation are offered to all who come confessing their sins and believing in Him. Communion is therefore offered to those who share this confession of faith. Children who are not yet confirmed are invited to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing. Guests who may have questions about Communion at Mt. Calvary are encouraged to talk to Pastor Brighton.

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

OPENING HYMN: *"May We Thy Precepts, Lord Fulfill"*

Hymn #698

THE INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

BAPTISM (10:45 am service)

Brandon Rockwell

THE CONFESSION OF SINS AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

I sought the LORD, and He answered me

And delivered me from all my fears.

Jesus says, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven.

If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever."

Let us look to Jesus to receive God's help and encouragement in all our needs.

(please kneel)

Almighty God,

I confess that I have relied on my own weak wisdom and works and have neglected Your mercy, love, and deliverance. My sins have made me frustrated at myself and the world around me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and feed me with the food of faith and eternal life. Amen.

Though the journey is too great for you on your own, firmly in these words believe: Jesus' sinners doth receive. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His command and authority, I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE: *"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"*

**Holy God, we praise Thy Name;
Lord of all, we bow before Thee.
All on earth Thy scepter claim,
All in heav'n above adore Thee.
Infinite Thy vast domain,
Everlasting is Thy reign.**

**Holy Father, Holy Son,
Holy Spirit, Three we name Thee;
Though in essence only one,
Undivided God we claim Thee
And, adoring, bend the knee
While we own the mystery.**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. Almighty and eternal God, Your Son, Jesus, triumphed over the prince of demons and freed us from bondage to sin. Help us to stand firm against every assault of Satan, and enable us always to do Your will; through Jesus Christ, 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: 1 Kings 19:1–8 *(Elijah flees Jezebel.)*

¹ Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. ² Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me and more also, if I do not make your life as the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." ³ Then he was afraid, and he arose and ran for his life and came to Beersheba, which belongs to Judah, and left his servant there.

⁴ But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness and came and sat down under a broom tree. And he asked that he might die, saying, "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my fathers." ⁵ And he lay down and slept under a broom tree. And behold, an angel touched him and said to him, "Arise and eat." ⁶ And he looked, and behold, there was at his head a cake baked on hot stones and a jar of water. And he ate and drank and lay down again. ⁷ And the angel of the LORD came again a second time and touched him and said, "Arise and eat, for the journey is too great for you." ⁸ And he arose and ate and drank, and went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb, the mount of God.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE EPISTLE READING: Ephesians 4:17–5:2 (*Walking the new life of love*)

¹⁷ Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. ¹⁸ They are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart. ¹⁹ They have become callous and have given themselves up to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. ²⁰ But that is not the way you learned Christ!— ²¹ assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, ²² to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, ²³ and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, ²⁴ and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

²⁵ Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. ²⁶ Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷ and give no opportunity to the devil. ²⁸ Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. ²⁹ Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹ Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. ³² Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

¹ Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. ² And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

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. John the sixth chapter.

Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 6:35–51 (*"I am the bread of life."*)

³⁵ Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. ³⁶ But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷ All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸ For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹ And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰ For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day."

⁴¹ So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴² They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, 'I have come down from heaven?'" ⁴³ Jesus answered them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. ⁴⁴ No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. ⁴⁵ It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— ⁴⁶ not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷ Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸ I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹ Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰ This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



☐ Praise to You, O Christ.

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

Cynthia Nelson, Director of Children's Ministries

THE HYMN OF THE DAY: *"Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways"* **Hymn #707**

THE MESSAGE: *"Walking in Love"* Pastor Brighton

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (10:45 am service) Sean Palmer, Brandon and Beth Rockwell

THE NICENE CREED (8:00 am service)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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

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)**

OFFERTORY HYMN: ***"Renew Me, O Eternal Light"***

**Renew me, O eternal Light,
And let my heart and soul be bright,
Illumined with the light of grace
That issues from Your holy face.**

**Create in me a new heart, Lord,
That gladly I obey Your Word.
Let what You will be my desire,
And with new life my soul inspire.**

THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE PREFACE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, to whom You draw sinners by faith to receive Your gift of life and salvation. He is the living bread that came down from heaven, that if anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
 Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
 san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 WORDS OF INSTITUTION

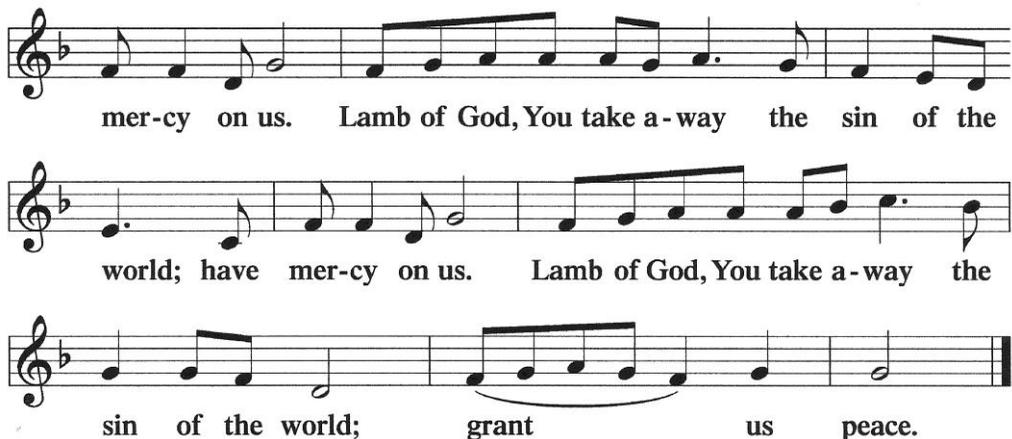
THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.



C Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have



THE DISTRIBUTION *(The center cup in each tray is white grape juice for pregnant moms or those allergic to alcohol.)*

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:	<i>"Lord Jesus Christ, Life Giving Bread"</i>	Hymn #625
	<i>"Holy, Holy, Holy"</i>	Hymn #507
	<i>"Your Table I Approach"</i>	Hymn #628

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Receive our thanks to You, Lord God, that You have here fed us with the bread that comes down from heaven. Increase our faith and strength for our journey now until Your Son raises us up on the Last Day; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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:	<i>"Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"</i>	Hymn #918
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A MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

THE POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members of the Week: Tim & Hannah Klopfenstein. Tim started life in northern Indiana and lived there til he was 15, when his family moved to Pensacola, Florida, which he considers home. Hannah grew up in Mobile, Alabama. In 1981, Tim retired from the Navy after 24 years, during which he earned degrees in both Mathematics and Meteorology. He went to the Episcopal Seminary at the University of the South, in Sewanee, Tennessee. He later earned his Doctorate in Ministry from Graduate Theological Foundation of Oxford and Rome. In 2005, he retired from active parish priest life after 21 years. Tim has 2 daughters and 5 grandchildren. 2006 was a busy year with Tim and Hannah getting married and moving to Warner Robins from Mobile. They believe that God led them to Mount Calvary in the summer of 2014 to fill a huge void in their spiritual lives. That void began to be filled almost immediately, the very first Sunday, with the word of God being seen, felt and heard.

Our Altar Flowers were provided this week by Dwight & Marlene Miller, in memory Lilli Beecher's baptism.

Men's Breakfast – Guys! It's time to sign up at the Information Desk for this month's breakfast. We'll meet at 8:00 am in the Michael Fellowship Hall on **Saturday, August 15th**. Join us for good food and fellowship. Those "young men" of high school age and older are invited!

Daytime Callers share Christ's love and concern with shut-ins and others who need to know that we at Mt. Calvary care for them. We meet this Monday, August 10th, in the **church conference room** at **11:00 am**.

Family Promise is participating in the Ruby Tuesday Community GiveBack Program. On Aug 18 & 19 and Aug 25 & 26, Ruby Tuesday will give back 20% of purchase to Family Promise. You must present a flyer (available at the Information Desk in the narthex). You can't use other coupons or discounts during the GiveBack Program.

Concordia Bible Sale – If you've been thinking about getting a study Bible or one of the other myriad Bibles from Concordia, this is the time to do it. There's no hurry because the sale runs from now through September. You can save up to 33% on the Bibles. We have a listing and descriptions of the available Bibles (currently in the office). When Pastor Brighton returns from vacation, we'll decide how and where to display the information for the best dissemination. This notice is just a heads up for you to start thinking about it.

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. ***This is the last day to place your order.***

Wednesday Nights Resume: Our midweek program of Christian Fellowship & education will resume on Wednesday, August 12th with **Dinner @ 5:30**, Adult **Bible Classes @ 6:00**, and **Children & Youth Classes @ 6:15**. We hope you can join us as we connect with Jesus and one another!

Middle School Back-To-School Retreat: This team-building retreat will be run from 6 pm Friday the 14th through 7:00 pm Saturday the 15th. Our Bible Study theme for the weekend is "God's Plan!" It will be held in the Annex at a cost of only \$25/child to cover meals.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Courage Lei Trasmer, newborn daughter of Mark & Angleen Trasmer, who did not have to have surgery and may be coming home soon.

The family of Catherine Schafer, 92-year-old mother of Gary Schafer, who recently died.

Doris Snow, who is hospitalized with flu-like symptoms.

John Hoar, who is hospitalized.

Dwight Miller, who has a large hematoma in his leg.

Tony Kong (Evy Keyes' father) who is on dialysis and breathing on oxygen.

Josie Kong (Evy Keyes' mother) who is hospitalized with fluid in her lungs.

Larry Ellgass, who is recovering from surgery on his arteries.

Annie Hyde, 96-year-old great-grandmother of Devon and Paige Ringer, who is recovering from a double mastectomy.

Keep In Your Prayers

Sherry Parsons, Lorraine Jenson, Karen Harmon, Tricia Nicolosi, 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), 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, Darrin Landis, Denver Yarbrough, Michael Welch, Jonathan Fetchik and Christian Corbitt, for safety and good health as they serve our country in dangerous areas.

SERVING US TODAY

PREACHER: Pastor David Brighton. **LITURGIST:** Vicar Tim Staffeld. **ELDERS:** Laird Van Gorder (8 am) and Adam Beecher (10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Carolyn Harper (8 am) and Breanna Cook (10:45 am). **USHERS:** Early – Brian Harper, David Rossman, Bob Yeager & Richard Uitto. Late – Mike Hopf, Bruce Bauman, Dave Harter, Ed Bodony & Earl Bogardus. **ALTAR GUILD:** Deb Fingles, Kathy Grube, Jeannie Hawkins, Susan Julson, Linna Nielsen. **LAY READERS:** Deb Fingles (8 am) and Roger Moeller (10:45 am). **SLIDE PREPARER:** Debi Cole. **PROJECTIONISTS:** Tanner Gossman (8 am) and Josh Johnson (10:45 am).

SERVING US NEXT WEEK

ELDERS: Rob Crawford (Sat 6 pm), Laird Van Gorder (Sun 8 am) and Bill Gragg (Sun 10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Christopher Crawford (Sat 6 pm), Andrew LeBorious (8 am) and Zoe Bowden (10:45 am). **ALTAR GUILD:** Deb Fingles, Kathy Grube, Jeannie Hawkins, Susan Julson, Linna Nielsen. **LAY READERS:** Keith Dierking (Sat 6 pm), Steve Kirchoff (8 am) and Cindy Schafer (Sun 10:45 am). **GREETERS:** Alyce Quillin & Margaret McLaughlin (Sun 8 am) and Dave & Lois Harter (Sun 10:45 am).

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Proverbs 9:1-10 and Ephesians 5:6-21

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Saturday – 54 Early – 119 Late – 149 Total – 322

THIS WEEK AT MOUNT CALVARY

Sunday	RALLY DAY	
	12:00 pm	Rebecca's Garden of Hope Workshop
	6:30 pm	SLDT Meeting
Monday	11:00 am	Daytime Callers
	6:20 pm	Evangelism Callers
	6:30 pm	Women's Small Group
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	Council
Wednesday	Follow the Leader Begins	
	5:30 pm	Dinner
	6:00 pm	Adult Bible Classes
	6:15 pm	Children/Youth Classes
Thursday	10:00 am	Ladies Bible Study
Friday	MS Back-to-School Retreat (6 pm – Sat 7 pm)	
Saturday	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast
	5:00 pm	Adult Bible Study
	7 – 10 pm	HS Outreach Party
Next Sunday	6:30 pm	TAG Night