

**As We Gather**

Knowledge, wisdom. These are admiral qualities that we all strive for. But where should we look for them? We certainly gain knowledge through schooling – knowledge to be a teacher, engineer, businesswoman/man, doctor, lawyer, church worker, artist, and the list goes on. But just having knowledge does not necessarily make one wise. In our Old Testament reading today, Solomon speaks of knowledge of the Holy One (God) and wisdom that comes from the fear (reverence, worship) of the Lord as the things worth striving for. Pray that God would increase both our knowledge and wisdom this day as we hear His Word and celebrate His presence among us!

**PRELUDE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING**

**OPENING HYMN:**

*"O Holy Spirit, Enter In"*

**Hymn #913**

**THE INVOCATION**

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

**Amen.**

**THE CONFESSION OF SINS AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

*(Please kneel)*

Most merciful God,

**We confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name.**  
**Amen.**

Almighty God has had mercy on you and has come to you in the person of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. For the sake of His death and resurrection for you, God forgives you all your sins and gives you the strength of faith to serve Him in all faithfulness and love.

**Amen.**

**HYMN OF PRAISE:**

***"The Lord, My God, Be Praised"***

**The Lord, My God, be praised,  
My light, my life from heaven.  
My maker, who to me  
Has soul and body given.  
My Father, who will shield  
And keep me day by day  
And make each moment yield  
New blessings on my way.**

**The Lord, my God, be praised,  
My God the ever living,  
To whom the heav'nly host  
Their laud and praise are giving.  
The Lord, my God, be praised,  
In whose great name I boast,  
God Father, God the Son,  
And God the Holy Ghost.**

**THE PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray. O almighty God our heavenly Father, You have called us to faith through Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Increase in us the gift and miracle of faith to serve You faithfully all our days; through the same, 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 LESSON: Proverbs 9:1-10** *(Invitations of wisdom and of folly)*

<sup>1</sup> Wisdom has built her house; she has hewn her seven pillars. <sup>2</sup> She has slaughtered her beasts; she has mixed her wine; she has also set her table.

<sup>3</sup> She has sent out her young women to call from the highest places in the town, <sup>4</sup> "Whoever is simple, let him turn in here!" To him who lacks sense she says, <sup>5</sup> "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. <sup>6</sup> Leave your simple ways, and live, and walk in the way of insight."

<sup>7</sup> Whoever corrects a scoffer gets himself abuse, and he who reproves a wicked man incurs injury. <sup>8</sup> Do not reprove a scoffer, or he will hate you; reprove a wise man, and he will love you. <sup>9</sup> Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser; teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning.

<sup>10</sup> The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**THE EPISTLE READING: Ephesians 5:6–21** (*Walk as children of light.*)

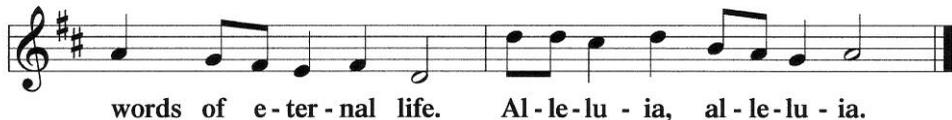
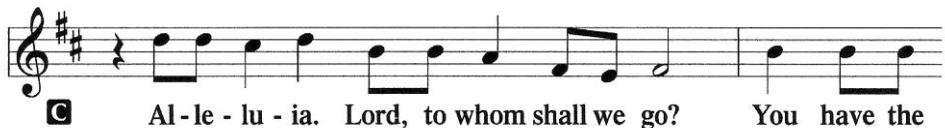
<sup>6</sup> Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. <sup>7</sup> Therefore do not become partners with them; <sup>8</sup> for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light <sup>9</sup> (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), <sup>10</sup> and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. <sup>11</sup> Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. <sup>12</sup> For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. <sup>13</sup> But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, <sup>14</sup> for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

<sup>15</sup> Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, <sup>16</sup> making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup> Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. <sup>18</sup> And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup> addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, <sup>20</sup> giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup> submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

This is the Word of the Lord.

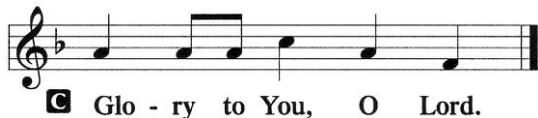
**Thanks be to God.**

**THE ALLELUIA VERSE:**



**THE HOLY GOSPEL IS ANNOUNCED:**

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



**THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 6:51–69** (*Jesus, the bread of eternal life*)

<sup>50</sup> This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. <sup>51</sup> 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."

<sup>52</sup> The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" <sup>53</sup> So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you.

<sup>54</sup> Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. <sup>55</sup> For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. <sup>56</sup> Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. <sup>57</sup> As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. <sup>58</sup> This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like the bread the fathers ate, and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever." <sup>59</sup> Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as he taught at Capernaum.

<sup>60</sup> When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?" <sup>61</sup> But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, "Do you take offense at this? <sup>62</sup> Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? <sup>63</sup> It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. <sup>64</sup> But there are some of you who do not believe." (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) <sup>65</sup> And he said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father."

<sup>66</sup> After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. <sup>67</sup> So Jesus said to the Twelve, "Do you want to go away as well?" <sup>68</sup> Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, <sup>69</sup> and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

## **THE CHILDRENS MESSAGE**

Pastor Brighton

## **HYMN OF THE DAY:**

*"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"*

**Hymn #411**

## **THE MESSAGE**

**"Knowledge/Wisdom Anyone? Seek the Lord!"**

Pastor Brighton

## **THE THIRD ARTICLE OF THE APOSTLES CREED AND EXPLANATION:**

**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.**

What does this mean?

**I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.**

## **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:**

***"Take My Life and Let It Be"***

**Take my life and let it be  
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee;  
Take my moments and my days,  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise.**

**Take my silver and my gold,  
Not a mite would I withhold;  
Take my intellect and use  
Every power as Thou shall chose.**

**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**

**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 us and keep us. The Lord make His face shine on us and be gracious to us. The Lord look upon us with favor and give us peace.

**Amen.**

**THE CLOSING HYMN:**

***"Let Us Ever Walk With Jesus"***

**Hymn #685**

**A MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

**THE POSTLUDE**

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Our Altar Flowers were provided this week** by Paul & Dottie Brown, in honor of their 6<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary; by Cheryl Hernandez, in loving memory of her husband Dennis; and by Bill & Carol Quednow in honor of their 55<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Our Member of the week, Carolyn Burnam**, originally hails from the Milwaukee area. Two weeks after she graduated from high school in 1960, she left for San Antonio (and her first ride in an airplane), where she attended the USAF basic training camp. Her first duty assignment was Chanute AFB, IL. The following year she met and married Burtus and the year after that they started their family. "In those days," the AF did not allow pregnant women to continue active duty service, so Carolyn became a full-time mother and housewife, following Burt's AF career. After their 3 children were all in school, Carolyn got back into the military workforce, serving several years in the MI & IL Air National Guard and the Air Force Reserves. Their move to Warner Robins in 1992 resulted from her career (Burt was now retired from the AF). She spent her career working for the AF as a civilian employee, retiring in 2004. Sadly, Burt passed away in 2006. Carolyn feels very blessed to have such wonderful friends and church family here. Several years ago she met Roger Moeller in Sunday School class at Mt Calvary and feels blessed with their friendship. Golf, theater, and traveling are a few things that keep her busy.

**Newsletter Deadline:** Please have all items for the September Newsletter in to the office by August 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Thanks be to God and thanks to my church family** at Mt Calvary for all the prayers, cards, calls and flowers during my recent surgery. My love to all – Lorraine Jenson

**As you may have noticed, we now have badly needed new vinyl floors** in the men's and women's restrooms in the education wing. Thanks to Carolyn Burnam, they were installed mainly with the \$250 she received from the *Thrivent Action Team* that she set up as a Thrivent member. If you are a Thrivent member, please check out the *Thrivent Action Team* fliers in the narthex or on the Thrivent bulletin board in the front entrance and consider using your *Thrivent Action Team* money to help out Mt Calvary or our community.

**Potty Training Without Tears** – Is your child ready for potty training? Do you know the signs of readiness to insure the best possible outcomes? Come as we explore the when, how and skills needed before beginning potty training. This is a "Lunch N Lear" session, August 20, 11:30 am – 12:30 pm, at the WR Recreation Department, 800 Watson Blvd, McIntyre Room. Call 923-5923 to Register. Reservations are required. \$6 per lunch (payable at event). No cost if you bring your own lunch.

**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 distributing water bottles** with our new logo. Initially, we are giving one bottle per family. After a few weeks, we will give any of the remaining bottles to any person who would like one. If your family does not yet have a water bottle, please stop by the information desk after the service and pick one up.

**Craft & Chat** – Please join us for a morning of crafting of your choice and fellowship. We meet the third Wednesday of the month (this Wednesday) at 9:30 am in the annex. Please join us if you would like to learn how to knit or crochet or if you just want to sit and chat.

**Senior Fellowship** - Come join us for Senior Fellowship **Thursday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 am**, in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a brief Bible study, a game or two, recognition of birthdays and anniversaries, a great time, and a delicious pot luck lunch. If, for some reason you cannot make a dish, bring yourself, there is always plenty of really delicious food.

### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

**Marrissa Halsell**, daughter of Walt and Cheryl Stafford, who has been diagnosed with multiple sclerosis.

**Courage Trasmer**, thanks that she has been transferred from Atlanta to the NICU at Children's Hospital in Macon.

**Tessa Gossman**, who is home recovering following surgery to remove a burst appendix.

**Ray Snow**, who is hospitalized.

**Doug Hartman**, who is hospitalized.

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

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

### **Keep In Your Prayers**

Josie Kong, Tony Kong, Annie Hyde, Sherry Parsons, Lorraine Jenson, Karen Harmon, Tricia Nicolosi 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.)*

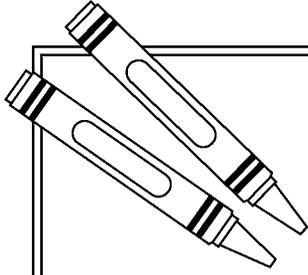
### **Those Battling Cancer**

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.





# Just for **KIDS**

## Work ... Work ... Work!

“The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it.” (Genesis 2:15)

Ever since Adam, people have worked! Here are some occupations of people who lived in Bible times. Find them in the puzzle. Circle them.



APOTHECARY  
BAKER  
BARBER  
BUTLER  
CARPENTER  
CHAMBERLAIN  
CLERK  
CONFECTIONER  
COPPERSMITH  
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FARMER  
FISHERMAN  
FULLER  
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LAWYER  
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MUSICIAN  
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RECORDER  
SAILOR  
SALESWOMAN  
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SCRIBE  
SERVANT  
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## SERVING US TODAY

**PREACHER:** Pastor David Brighton. **LITURGIST:** Pastor David Brighton/Vicar Tim Staffeld.  
**ELDERS:** Laird Van Gorder (8 am) and Bill Gragg (10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Andrew LeBorious (8 am) and Zoe Bowden (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:** Steve Kirchoff (8 am) and Cindy Schafer (10:45 am). **SLIDE PREPARER:** Debi Cole.  
**PROJECTIONISTS:** Tanner Gossman (8 am) and Josh Johnson (10:45 am).

## SERVING US NEXT WEEK

**ELDERS:** Tony McVay (Sat 6 pm), Brian Harper (Sun 8 am) and Bob Gerstenberger (Sun 10:45 am).  
**ACOLYTES:** Open (Sat 6 pm), Nathan LeBorious (8 am) and Maddy Hagemann (10:45 am). **ALTAR GUILD:** Marcia Brighton, Valerie Counselman, Denise Forehand & Nancy Hoar. **LAY READERS:** Becky McVay (Sat 6 pm), Lexie Hadley (8 am) and John Hunter (Sun 10:45 am). **GREETERS:** Jack & Janet Morse (Sun 8 am) and Betty Cummings (Sun 10:45 am).

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Isaiah 29:11-19 and Ephesians 5:22-33

## ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

**Saturday – 75 Early – 88 Late – 175 Total – 338**

## THIS WEEK AT MOUNT CALVARY

Sunday	6:30 pm	TAG Night
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Staff Retreat</b>	
	6:20 pm	Evangelism Callers
	6:30 pm	Women's Small Group
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Staff Retreat</b>	
	6:30 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal
	6:30 pm	Elder Visits
Wednesday	9:30 am	Craft & Chat
	5:30 pm	Dinner
	6:00 pm	Adult Bible Classes
	6:15 pm	Children/Youth Classes
Thursday	10:00 am	Ladies Bible Study
	11:00 am	Senior Fellowship
Saturday	5:00 pm	Adult Bible Study