

**As We Gather**

Jesus. It's all about Him. It's only about Him. It's always about Him. Today's service helps us to focus upon the One who came once to save us and will come again to claim us as His own forever. The Last Sunday of the Church Year is a day to worship our reigning and coming King. As we will see, He is not a detached King, keeping a safe distance from His people. No, He is a King who loves to come near and show us that our righteousness and salvation are in Him alone. Jesus. It's all about Him and what He has done, is doing, and will do *for you!*

**PRELUDE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING**

**OPENING HYMN:**

*"Come, Thou Almighty King"*

**Hymn #905**

**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**

Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

*(please kneel)*

Almighty God,

**As we kneel before Your holy throne, we confess our unworthiness to be in Your presence. Your Law is perfect and true. We are by nature sinful, and we have failed to do what Your Law commands, and we have done what You tell us not to do. Even when we are unaware of it, our sin separates us from Your holy presence. By the grace You show us in the salvation of Jesus Christ, clothe us in His righteousness, which we wear as Your baptized children. Renew our hearts and strengthen our confidence in You and the free gift of Your righteousness. Amen.**

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

**THE HYMN OF PRAISE: "*Jesus, Your Blood and Righteousness*"**

**Jesus, Your blood and righteousness  
My beauty are, my glorious dress;  
Mid flaming worlds, in these arrayed  
With joy shall I lift up my head.**

**Bold shall I stand in that great day,  
Cleansed and redeemed, no debt to pay;  
For by Your cross absolved I am  
From sin and guilt, from fear and shame.**

**Then shall I praise You and adore  
Your blessed name forevermore,  
Who once, for me and all You made,  
An everlasting ransom paid.**

### **THE PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray: Everlasting Father, You alone are the Lord of heaven and earth! Prepare our hearts for the coming of Your Son that, as we joyfully await His glorious reappearing, we may find in Him our righteousness and salvation; through 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: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14** *(The beginning of God's message to the seven churches.)*

<sup>9</sup>"As I looked, thrones were placed, and the Ancient of Days took his seat; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames; its wheels were burning fire. <sup>10</sup>A stream of fire issued and came out from before him; a thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him; the court sat in judgment, and the books were opened.

<sup>13</sup>"I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. <sup>14</sup>And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**THE SECOND READING: Revelation 1:4b-8** *(Daniel's vision shows God, the "Ancient of Days" ruling over all creation.)*

<sup>4</sup>Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, <sup>5</sup>and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood <sup>6</sup>and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. <sup>7</sup>Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen. <sup>8</sup>"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."





## **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:**

***"How Great Thou Art"***

**Hymn #801**

## **A MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

## **THE POSTLUDE**

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service** will be at 7:00 pm on November 25<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is encouraged to bring non-perishable food items that will be delivered to the Trinity United Methodist Food Bank.

**Midweek Advent services** will be on Wednesdays, December 2, 9 and 16. The service on the 9<sup>th</sup> will primarily be our Children's Christmas Service. Our theme for the services this year is: "Hark the Glad Sound" and we will focus on the song of Zechariah and the Song of the Church as we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Savior. All services are at 7:00 pm and are preceded by a meal at 6:00 pm in the Michael Fellowship Hall.

**Our Altar Flowers were provided this week** by Brent & Michele Durbin in honor of their birthdays, and also in honor of their wedding anniversary.

**New Phone Numbers:** The Brightons have "abandoned" their land line and can now be reached on their cell phones. Pastor's number is 972-8627 and Marcia's number is 972-8673.

**I would like to thank all of my church family** for the prayers, calls, cards and thoughts during my time having fun with the shingles. - Jacque Bohm.

**LWML Mite-y Noisy Can Collection** will be on the 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> of November, so bring your coins/bills. Thank you.

**Thank you!** Our congregation raised over \$4,300 to help with the mounting medical expenses for Evy Keyes' parents in the Philippines. We would love to thank you for the outpouring of love, for your generous giving, your prayers, and your love. A special thanks to those who helped with the cooking, serving, set-up and clean-up. A special thanks also to Pastor Brighton.

- *Kenn and Evy Keyes*

**Mount Calvary has received a gift in memory of Anne Engle** from Don & Monelle Netzing.

**PrimeTimers Christmas Party and White Elephant Gift Exchange** (for those over 50). The PrimeTimers Annual Christmas Party will be held on Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at the Landings Golf Club Restaurant, 309 Stathams Way, Warner Robins. Social time is at 6 PM and dinner will be served at 6:30 PM. The menu will consist of Parmesan Crusted Chicken or Roast Beef with salad, mashed potatoes, peas & carrots, rolls, and iced tea and coffee. Dessert will be apple crisp. The dinners are \$23.00 each. This includes room fee and gratuity. Your checks should be made out to EDNA HICKS. The last day to pay is Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup> as we have signed a contract. In the memo part of the check, write either chicken or beef. Each couple is asked to bring a wrapped white elephant gift for our gift exchange. Please give your checks to Edna Hicks, Marie White or Don Netzing. Please sign up at the service desk. This should be a fun night and we hope to see you there!

**Annual Progressive Christmas Dinner** - Looking forward to starting the Christmas season festivities Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, starting at 5:30 in the Narthex at Church for the appetizers, followed by the dinner in the fellowship hall, and desserts at family homes. Looking for two host homes, so please let one of the members on Board of Fellowship (Keith Dierking, Deb Fingles, Michelle Crawford or Doug Branham) know you would like to host. Sign-up sheets and tickets will be sold at all services beginning November 14/15. Cost will be \$5 per person. Baby-sitting will be available. Dinner menu will be a choice of chicken Marsala or baked ham with various side dishes. We hope to see you there!

**You may obtain Lutheran Hour Ministry daily devotions** at: [www.lhm.org/dailydevotions](http://www.lhm.org/dailydevotions). You may also obtain Bible Study group topic with Project Booklets at: [www.lhm.org/projectconect](http://www.lhm.org/projectconect). With the Advent season fast approaching you may download and print the Lutheran Hour Ministry Advent Devotions or receive the devotions by email at [www.lhm.org/advent](http://www.lhm.org/advent). These are only some of the useful items Lutheran Hour Ministry provides for use in the congregation and also available to give to visitors in the coming months. Check out the LHM display rack in the Narthex for pamphlets on a variety of topics and concerns.

**The Board of Outreach needs members of the congregation to bake cookies.** Each Monday night, our Evangelism Explosion teams visit homes in our community to spread the gospel. These teams also bring a plate of cookies to each home they visit. We need 18 to 20 plates with approximately six cookies per plate. This means we need about ten dozen cookies each week. If you can assist us by baking some cookies, please sign up on the sheet at the information counter after today's service. If you have any questions, you can call Jeff Townsend at 988-9991.

**The Board of Social Ministry** has provided a quick overview of programs and events in which they are currently involved. A Presentation Board providing additional information will remain in the Narthex until the end of November. Please take the time to check on the great things being accomplished. Once the display is removed you will still be able to catch the updates on the Social Ministry Board displayed in Admin hallway. This board currently has a small group to accomplish a great deal. Please consider the things that are being done and if there is a way you would like to help. Next week we will tell you more about how that can be done.

**Mount Calvary's Helping Hands Christmas Dinner!** Christmas Day from 12-2 at First United Methodist Church (205 N. Davis Dr.) we will serve hundreds of people with a warm Christmas dinner. We will need help preparing the event, working in the kitchen, serving food, making deliveries, and much more! If you want to help in any way, big or small, please sign-up on the Helping Hands Christmas Dinner sign-up sheet at the information desk or outside Vicar's office.

**Red Cross Blood Drive:** Tuesday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, MCLC is hosting a blood drive from 3:00 to 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex or come without an appointment. Any questions, ask Bruce Bauman, call 1-800-REDCROSS, or go their website, redcrossblood.org.

### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

**The family of Mildred Wachowiak**, Pat Hickman's mother, who died on November 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Marissa Halsell**, who is struggling with her multiple sclerosis.

**Dwight Miller**, who had his gall bladder removed on November 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Regina Ragan**, who had a bronchoscopy and lung biopsy on November 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Bob Yeager**, who injured his rotator cuff.

**Margaret Frazier**, who is now at home following surgery to repair a broken jaw she suffered in a fall.

**Josie Kong**, Evvy Keyes' mom, who has been diagnosed with hydrocephalus (water on the brain) and a brain tumor.

**Tony Kong**, Evvy Keyes' dad, who is still in the ICU, and on a ventilator.

**Deaglan Lovett**, Jennifer O'Donnell's infant son, who is in the NICU at Coliseum Hospital.

### **Keep In Your Prayers**

Jan Clark, Chet Branscom, Ralph Wenrick, Jacque Bohm, Rosie Schulz, Diane McCall, Courage Trasmer, Paul Brown, Nancy Hoar, Monika Reynolds, Gary Webb, Yekabu Gedru 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: Ken Reilly, Anne Harter (daughter of Dick & Susan Kesler), 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, Mary Schwope (Michele Durbin's aunt), Jeannette Poniske (Fred Tamer's mom), Bruce Oswalt (Krystal Ferguson's father), Gary Jennings (Margaret Jennings' son) and Elaine Mead (Jeannie Hawkins' aunt).

### **Those Serving our Country in Dangerous Areas**

Jake Huffman, 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.



"We'd prefer that you fill out your name in our guest ledger."



"I hope you don't think I'm presumptuous.  
I died at a costume party."



# Why we're thankful

Leaves falling from trees are a sign of autumn's arrival. Giving thanks to God is a sign of our gratitude for his many blessings.

**Directions:** Using the words in the leaves, discover why it's good for us to thank God. (Hint: Use word length to help you.)

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16:34, NIV

Answers: "Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever." 1 Chronicles 16:34, NIV

## SERVING US TODAY

**PREACHER:** Rev. Mark Bowditch. **LITURGIST:** Vicar Tim Staffeld. **ELDERS:** Eric Gossman (8 am) and D. J. Nelson (10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Garrett Counselman (8 am) and Carlee Toler (10:45 am). **USHERS:** Early – Laird Van Gorder, Brent Durbin, Dick Kesler & Kent Hansen. Late – D. J. Nelson, Don Netzinger, Adam Beecher, Dave Miller, Bob Day & Larry Ellgass. **ALTAR GUILD:** Marcia Brighton, Valerie Counselman, Denise Forehand & Nancy Hoar. **LAY READERS:** Carol Yeager (8 am) and D. J. Nelson (10:45 am). **SLIDE PREPARER:** Debi Cole. **PROJECTIONISTS:** Nick Jenkins (8 am) and Steven Dimes (10:45 am).

## SERVING US NEXT WEEK

**ELDERS:** Eric Gossman (Wed 7 pm), Rob Crawford (Sat 6 pm), Darron Counselman (Sun 8 am) and Bob Gerstenberger (Sun 10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Garrett Counselman (Wed 7 pm), Sara Van Lannen (Sat 6 pm), Andrew LeBorious (8 am) and Zoe Bowden (10:45 am). **ALTAR GUILD:** Cindy Branham, Anita McIntyre, JoAnn Smith & Arlene Zeuner. **LAY READERS:** Rob Crawford (Sat 6 pm), Kent Hansen (8 am) and Don Netzinger (Sun 10:45 am). **GREETERS:** Pat Stetzler (Sun 8 am) and Earl & Dot Bogardus (Sun 10:45 am).

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Jeremiah 33:14-16 and 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

## ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

**Saturday – 46 Early – 89 Late – 156 Total – 291**

## THIS WEEK AT MOUNT CALVARY

Sunday	6:30 pm	SLDT Meeting
Monday	10:00 am	Annex Cleaning
	6:20 pm	Evangelism Callers
	6:30 pm	Women's Small Group
Tuesday	10:00 am	Annex Cleaning
	3 – 7 pm	Red Cross Blood Drive
	6:30 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Worship
	7:45 pm	Sanctuary Choir (after Worship)
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Office Closed for Thanksgiving</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Office Closed for Thanksgiving</b>	
Saturday	5:00 pm	Adult Bible Study



Hanging  
of the  
Greens

**Hanging of the Greens** will take place after church on Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup> around 12:45. We'll have some pizza immediately following the service down in the MFH, then come upstairs to help decorate the tree in the narthex, hang wreaths, and put out the nativity. Everyone is invited to come and help! Many hands make light work! - Ruthie Radcliff, Altar Guild