

**As We Gather**

Elijah called to the Lord for the life of a widow's son, and the Lord delivered him from death. Jesus met another widow at a funeral procession, and death gave up one more victim to the power of His Word. Paul told the story of his own transformation from death to life by the Gospel. This same transforming power is at work in us who were dead in our sin but now are alive to God in Christ. Let us live this new life so that we display the power of God that has saved us in our words and works.

**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:**

*"This Is the Day the Lord Has Made"*

**Hymn #903**

**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**

I will go to the altar of God,

**to God my exceeding joy.**

Our help is in the name of the LORD,

**who made heaven and earth.**

Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

*(please kneel)*

God Almighty,

**I confess before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; therefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.**

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore 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: "Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heav'n and voices raise:  
Sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise;  
He who on the cross a victim, for the world's salvation bled  
Jesus Christ the king of Glory, now is risen from the dead.**

**Alleluia, Christ is risen! Death at last has met defeat:  
See the ancient pow'rs of evil in confusion and retreat;  
Once He died, and once was buried: Now He lives forevermore,  
Jesus Christ, the world's Redeemer. Whom we worship and adore.**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high:  
Alleluia to the Savior who has gained the victory;  
Alleluia, to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity!  
Alleluia, alleluia to the triune Majesty!**

**THE PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray. Gracious Lord, Your grace has rescued Your people from their sins and transformed us into Your own people by Baptism and faith. Give us Your Holy Spirit that we may not fail to show in our lives the faith we confess with our lips and do the good works that glorify You; 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 17:17–24** *(Elijah visits a widow and prays to the Lord to raise her son from death.)*

<sup>17</sup> After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill. And his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. <sup>18</sup> And she said to Elijah, "What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to cause the death of my son!" <sup>19</sup> And he said to her, "Give me your son." And he took him from her arms and carried him up into the upper chamber where he lodged, and laid him on his own bed. <sup>20</sup> And he cried to the LORD, "O LORD my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by killing her son?" <sup>21</sup> Then he stretched himself upon the child three times and cried to the LORD, "O LORD my God, let this child's life come into him again." <sup>22</sup> And the LORD listened to the voice of Elijah. And the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. <sup>23</sup> And Elijah took the child and brought him down from the upper chamber into the house and delivered him to his mother. And Elijah said, "See, your son lives." <sup>24</sup> And the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth."

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**THE EPISTLE READING: Galatians 1:11–24** *(Paul describes how he now preaches the faith he had once tried to destroy.)*

<sup>11</sup> For I would have you know, brothers, that the gospel that was preached by me is not man's gospel. <sup>12</sup> For I did not receive it from any man, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ. <sup>13</sup> For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it. <sup>14</sup> And I was advancing in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. <sup>15</sup> But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and who called me by his grace, <sup>16</sup> was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult with anyone; <sup>17</sup> nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia, and returned again to Damascus.

<sup>18</sup> Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and remained with him fifteen days. <sup>19</sup> But I saw none of the other apostles except James the Lord's brother. <sup>20</sup> (In what I am writing to you, before God, I do not lie!) <sup>21</sup> Then I went into the regions of Syria and Cilicia. <sup>22</sup> And I was still unknown in person to the churches of Judea that are in Christ. <sup>23</sup> They only were hearing it said, "He who used to persecute us is now preaching the faith he once tried to destroy." <sup>24</sup> And they glorified God because of me.

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. Luke the seventh chapter.

Glo-ry to You, O Lord.

**THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 7:11–17** *(Jesus raises up the son of a widow, showing forth His love, mercy, and power over death.)*

<sup>11</sup> Soon afterward he went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him.

<sup>12</sup> As he drew near to the gate of the town, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow, and a considerable crowd from the town was with her. <sup>13</sup> And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." <sup>14</sup> Then he came up and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." <sup>15</sup> And the dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. <sup>16</sup> Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!" <sup>17</sup> And this report about him spread through the whole of Judea and all the surrounding country.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



☐ Praise to You, O Christ.

#### THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

Tim Jacobsmeyer  
Director of Music

#### THE HYMN OF THE DAY:

*"When Peace, Like a River"*

**Hymn #763**

#### THE MESSAGE:

**"Life-Giving Power"**

Pastor David Brighton

#### THE NICENE CREED:

**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 half of the Church Year-also know as the Season of the Church, with emphasis on the Church's role in making disciples of all nations. Think about how you are using the talents God has given you to extend His kingdom.

**"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name Of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." (Matthew 28:19)**

### OFFERTORY HYMN:

*"We Praise You, O God"*

**We praise You, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;  
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.  
We lay it before You, we kneel and adore You;  
We bless Your holy name, glad praises we sing.**

**With voices united our praises we offer  
And gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.  
With You, Lord, beside us, Your strong arm will guide us,  
To You, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!**

## THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION

### THE PREFACE

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

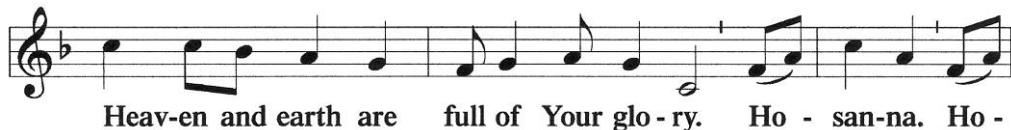
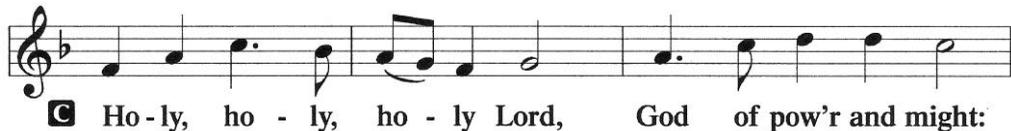
Lift up your hearts.

**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, Holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who raised the dead to new life and still raises us from the death of sin to new life through forgiveness. Lift our voices to You so that with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:



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.**

**L**amb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

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

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:**            *"Lord Jesus Christ, Life Giving Bread"*            Hymn #625  
   *"If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee"*            Hymn #750  
   *"Children of the Heavenly Father"*            Hymn #725

### **THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

Merciful Father, as two widows once found new hope, new life, and great joy in Your grace, continue to shower upon us the grace of Your Son that we may daily be rescued from sin and its death and restored to life in You. Send us forth from this place to boldly proclaim Your transforming Word that all who hear may believe, and believing may have life in Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, 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:**            *"Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me"*            Hymn #722

### **A MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER**

### **THE POSTLUDE**

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Our Altar Flowers were provided this week** by Coyt & Maureen Young, in honor of their 38<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary, and by Don & Monelle Netzing, in honor of their 54<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Vacation Bible School** – Mark your calendar today for this year’s Vacation Bible School—Holy Spirit’s Fruit Stand!! Join us the week of June 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> from 9 am until 12 noon as we become living examples of Christ’s love and as we share Christ’s love with others. Our week will be full of high-energy worship, life application Bible study time, creative crafts, amazing recreation, hilarious puppets, and tasty snacks. **Pre-register today. Pre-K and 3- 7<sup>th</sup> grade.** Look for information in the Narthex or contact Cynthia at mt-cal-dcm@att.net.

**Mount Calvary has received a gift in memory of Jim Nicholas**, Michelle Crawford’s father, from Darron & Valerie Counselman.

**Short-Term Missions.** Are you interested in going on a short-term mission trip this October to Puerto Rico? If so, please speak to Pastor Brighton.

**Puerto Rico Newsletter.** The latest newsletter from Rev. Richard & Gema Schuller is on the Information Desk. The Schullers are back in Puerto Rico and working to start a new mission in the city of Ponce.

**Lee Hopf.** Recent newsletters from Lee Hopf are on the Information Desk.

**Ethiopia Newsletter.** We also received the latest newsletter from Pastor Mark Rabe and family. Pastor Rabe is teaching at the Lutheran seminary in Ethiopia. Check it out at the Information Desk.

**Members of the Week:** Tony & Becky McVay met at Wright State University 30 years ago. Tony was an "Air Force Brat", but calls Dayton, Ohio home. Becky is from New Carlisle, Ohio. Tony enlisted in the Air Force right out of High School, serving as an aircraft structural repairman at Eglin AFB, FL. He worked on all the latest fighter aircraft and in 6 years made Staff Sgt and was accepted to AF Reserve Officer Training at Wright State. He graduated at the top of his class and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant, returning as an Aircraft Maintenance Officer. In 1989 Tony and Becky were married and started their life together. The AF sent them to various exotic places. One of their most memorable was Alaska which offered bear hunting, fishing for salmon, camping and enjoying God's beautiful creation. Becky earned a degree in Environmental Geology from Wright St U. She was fortunate to work for a large Environmental firm that enabled her to participate in large clean-up contracts including Navy Clean Project, EPA super fund sites, and other hazardous cleanups. Becky was also able to serve in many volunteer positions, such as President of the Officers Wives Club and Key Spouse. In these roles she was able to raise money for scholarships, base beautification projects, etc. She was honored as a Holloman AFB's Joan Orr Award winner and nominated for AF recognition. Tony retired from the AF in 2008. After working in the civilian world a while, Tony accepted a job at Robins AFB in 2010. He served as Chief of Plans and Programs until a 2012 reorganization, then became Chief, Communications Focal Point in the 78 ABW Communications Directorate. Becky is "Chief Custodial Engineer" at Mt. Calvary. Tony has 2 daughters, and Tony and Becky have a son Chase who is a Sophomore at Houston County High. They are the proud grandparents of a 3 and a 1 1/2 year old.

**Summer Sunday School** – Please volunteer to be a summer Sunday School teacher for our Pre-K to 5<sup>th</sup> 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 June 5, June 12, June 19, June 26, July 10, July 17, July 24, and July 31. 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!!

**Wheelchairs & Walkers to loan:** Over the years, people have donated wheelchairs & walkers and even a shower bath stool to the church. If you need any of these for visiting relatives or post-surgery or whatever, they are available at no charge with no time limit. Just ask Jack or Pastor for their location.

**Church Directory in PDF Format** – If you want a current to-the-minute church directory, just call or e-mail the church office. Our secretary can take 1 minute to create a PDF that's easy to use and up-to-date, then e-mail it to you.

**Women, are you looking for a Bible class that is for women but only meets once a month?** Do you enjoy morning classes but only have time for one a month? Do you like small intimate classes? Good! We have just the right one for you. Come and join us in the Cry Room the first Wednesday of the month. We are nominally part of the LWML and we are called Morning Glories. We start at 9:30 the first Wednesday of each month and we would love to see you.

**Don't forget "The Fish", our own Mount Calvary free classified ad page.** Check out the current issue on the bulletin boards and the table by the front doors to see what's for sale and what services our members can help you with. If you have items you'd like to sell or have publicized, contact Susan Wallace at 227-1915 or e-mail her at mixedsilles02@gmail.com.

### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

**Paul Van Gorder**, Laird's nephew, whose leukemia has returned.

#### **Keep In Your Prayers**

Jerry Eschke (Margaret McLaughlin's son), Betsy Luppino, JoAnn Smith, Carol LeBorious (Pete's mother), Michael Longbine, Hiltraud Culpepper, Sherry Parsons, Mason Snow (grandson of Ray & Doris Snow), Marrissa Halsell, Margaret Frazier, Josh Johnson, Monika Reynolds, Charleen Beahm, Pat Aldredge, Mike Finnegan (Barbara Jernigan's brother), Josie Kong (Evy Keyes' mom), Deloris Denzine 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: Mary Jahnke (Joe's sister), Barry Rice (Becky McVay's brother), Norma Young (Melinda Hopf's aunt), Paula Babcock, Kathy Grube, 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**

Benjamin Brighton, Emily Whaley, Rodney Hood, Matthew Forehand, 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 Dave Brighton. **LITURGIST:** Pastor Dave Brighton/Vicar Tim Staffeld.  
**ELDERS:** Glen Thompson (8 am) and Bob Gerstenberger (10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Sway Cronin (8 am) and Tyler Longbine (10:45 am). **USHERS:** Early – Erv Robinson, Paul Keister, Fred Hursey, Steve Kirchoff & Eric Gossman. Late – Dwight Miller, Roger Moeller, John Hunter, Jim Morey & Cameron Mastenbrook. **ALTAR GUILD:** Sallie Brinkley, Barbara Locke, Sherry Parsons & Pat Stetzler.  
**LAY READERS:** Steve Kirchoff (8 am) and Jeff Townsend (10:45 am). **SLIDE PREPARER:** Roger Moeller. **PROJECTIONISTS:** Early – Tanner Gossman. Late – Trevor Hudlin.

## SERVING US NEXT WEEK

**ELDERS:** Rob Crawford (Sat 6 pm), Eric Jenkins (Sun 8 am) and Mark Burnette (Sun 10:45 am).  
**ACOLYTES:** Cody Halsell (Sat 6 pm), Nathan LeBorious (Sun 8 am) and Colton Wurdeman (Sun 10:45 am). **ALTAR GUILD:** Deb Fingles, Kathy Grube, Susan Julson & Linna Nielsen. **LAY READERS:** Rob Crawford (Sat 6 pm), Lexie Hadley (Sun 8 am) and Dave Harter (Sun 10:45 am). **GREETERS:** Gary & Lexie Hadley (Sun 8 am) and John & Marie White (Sun 10:45 am).

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

2 Samuel 11:26-12:10, 13-14 and Galatians 2:15-21; 3:10-14

## ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

**Saturday – 53 Early – 80 Late – 137 Total - 270**

## THIS WEEK AT MOUNT CALVARY

Today	6:30 pm	National Youth Gathering Meeting
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Vacation Bible School (9 – Noon) thru Friday</b>	
	6:20 pm	Evangelism Callers
	6:30 pm	Women's Small Group
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Boards
	7:30 pm	Elders
Wednesday	12 – 4 pm	High School @ Rigby's
Saturday	5:00 pm	Adult Bible Study
	5:00 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<b>NEW MEMBER SUNDAY</b>	
	6:30 pm	SLDT Meeting