

As We Gather

A Good Samaritan. This phrase has become a cliché in our culture today that some use without much thought, but how many know the account from which this phrase comes? Today, we hear Jesus tell a parable involving the Good Samaritan in the Holy Gospel. Consider just who this "Good Samaritan" is. Perhaps the One who embodies this Good Samaritan best is our Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ. Jesus comes to us, beaten up by sin and the devil, as good as dead. Yet Jesus touches us with His Word and shelters us in His Church. Taking His love and service even further, Jesus lays down His life for us in His sacrificial death. Having been loved this way, we now "go and do likewise."

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

OPENING HYMN:

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

Hymn #807

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

Scripture says, "You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people,

But you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD."

We have not always loved the Lord with all our heart or loved our neighbors as ourselves. Because we are by nature sinful, we are too often eager to hate, take vengeance, or bear a grudge. In repentance, let us confess our sins to God our Father.

(please kneel)

Most merciful God,

We confess that 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.

God has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption and the forgiveness of sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become His very children 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.

HYMN OF PRAISE:

"Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace"

**Lord of all nations, grant me grace
To love all people ev'ry race;
And in each person may I see
My kindred , loved, redeemed by Thee.**

**With Thine own love may I be filled
And by Thy Holy Spirit willed,
That all I touch, where'er I be,
May be divinely touched by Thee.**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. O Lord God, in Your deep compassion You rescue us from whatever may hurt us. Teach us to love You above all things and to love our neighbors as ourselves; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

(Please be seated.)

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Leviticus 19:9–18 (*"You shall love your neighbor as yourself."*)

⁹ "When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field right up to its edge, neither shall you gather the gleanings after your harvest. ¹⁰ And you shall not strip your vineyard bare, neither shall you gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard. You shall leave them for the poor and for the sojourner: I am the LORD your God.

¹¹ "You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; you shall not lie to one another. ¹² You shall not swear by my name falsely, and so profane the name of your God: I am the LORD.

¹³ "You shall not oppress your neighbor or rob him. The wages of a hired worker shall not remain with you all night until the morning. ¹⁴ You shall not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind, but you shall fear your God: I am the LORD.

¹⁵ "You shall do no injustice in court. You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor. ¹⁶ You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: I am the LORD.

¹⁷ "You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him. ¹⁸ You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE EPISTLE READING: Colossians 1:1–14 (*Christ has delivered us from darkness.*)

¹ Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

² To the saints and faithful brothers in Christ at Colossae:

³ We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, ⁴ since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵ because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel, ⁶ which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and increasing—as it also does among you, since the day you heard it and understood the grace of God in truth, ⁷ just as you learned it from Epaphras our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf ⁸ and has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

⁹ And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰ so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God. ¹¹ May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy, ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. ¹³ He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

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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 tenth chapter.

Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

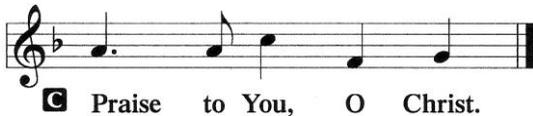
THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 10:25–37 (*The parable of the "Good Samaritan."*)

²⁵ And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶ He said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read it?"

²⁷ And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸ And he said to him, "You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live."

²⁹ But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰ Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. ³⁴ He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵ And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" ³⁷ He said, "The one who showed him mercy." And Jesus said to him, "You go, and do likewise."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

Tim Jacobsmeyer
Director of Music

THE HYMN OF THE DAY: *"Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us"*

Hymn #851

A Visit from a Teacher of the Law

THE MESSAGE *"The One Samaritan"*

Vicar Tim Staffeld

COMMISSIONING OF YOUTH TEAM TO THE NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING

THE APOSTLES' CREED:

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 half of the Church Year-also known 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: *"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 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: *"Son of God, Eternal Savior"*

Hymn #842

A MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

THE POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our Altar Flowers were provided this week by John & Ruth Lange in honor of the marriage of their son David Lange and Gaelle Boudoul, and by Doug & Deb Fingles in honor of the birthdays of Jenny & Patrick.

Thank You! Courtney and I want to thank all of you for your gifts and making our going away party special. We are abundantly blessed. We wish we had time to thank all of you personally. Thank you for a great year! You will continue to be in our prayers, as we hope you continue to pray for us. God Bless! - Vicar Tim

Time to do a new Church Directory: Please give some thought to letting me know if you've moved, gone from land lines to cell phones, have children that have married and/or moved away. While I realize the custom is to wait until the new one is printed, then check it and let me know it's not correct, I'd appreciate knowing of changes BEFORE I print the new directory. I'll print out a draft directory of the information that I currently have on everyone and place it on the table by the front door. What you see there is what will be in the new directory because it's the most current information I have. - Jack

Van Drivers Needed! On August 16th, Rebecca's Garden of Hope, our tutoring/mentoring program will begin. We have received permission for our church van to be in the bus line at three area elementary schools so that we can transport children to church for the tutoring sessions. We need several drivers and "ride along" folks to keep them company. The time commitment is every Tuesday from about 3:00 pm till 4:30 pm. We hope to have multiple drivers and "ride along" folks. Please talk to DCE Pete LeBorious or Pastor Brighton if you are interested, or to get more information to help you make a decision.

Coming to Warner Robins this September: On September 23-24, Second Baptist Church of Warner Robins (2503 Moody Road) will host "Fresh Grounded Faith," an encouraging weekend in the Word for the women of Warner Robins. The cost is \$44 for individual tickets or \$39 for groups of ten or more, if purchased by August 29th. A sign-up sheet will be on the Information Desk next month. Speakers include Jennifer Rothschild and Karen Abercrombie, who played Miss Clara in the movie, "War Room."

Back-2-School Bash: Housing Authorities of the City of Warner Robins will help kids get back to school by giving away 5,000 book bags with all the essential school supplies during their 6th Annual Back-2-School Bash. This event will be held on Friday, July 22, at McConnell Talbert Stadium Parking lot on South Davis Drive from 9:00 am till 12:00 pm. There will be free haircuts for the young men given by the Barbers from Central Georgia Technical College. Mount Calvary will have a booth assisting with the distribution of book bags and handing out pencils, t-shirts and information about our church. We ask that you pray for a successful turnout and those children that need the supplies will be able to receive them. If you should have any questions please contact Jan Clark of the Social Ministry.

Thanks to my special friends, Nancy Hoar and Betty Cummings for all their care while my daughters were on vacation. - Libby McCarty.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Deloris Lewis, who will be having back surgery on July 12th.

Phyllis Yeager (Bob's mom), who had a cancerous lump removed from her arm.

Monelle Netzinger, who will be traveling to The Mayo Clinic on July 25th for a consultation to figure out how to handle the issues with her back that are causing her so much pain.

Paul Keister, who is recovering from hip replacement surgery.

Jake Huffman, who is recovering from having his appendix removed.

Keep In Your Prayers

Jerry Bisping, Rachel Harmon (granddaughter of John & Karen Harmon), Jerry Eschke (Margaret McLaughlin's son), Betsy Luppino, Carol LeBorious (Pete's mother), Sherry Parsons, Mason Snow (grandson of Ray & Doris Snow), 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: Paul Van Gorder (Laird's nephew), 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

Aaron Gittner, Benjamin Brighton, Emily Whaley, Rodney Hood, 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: Vicar Tim Staffeld. **LITURGIST:** Vicar Tim Staffeld. **ELDERS:** Bob Yeager (8 am) and Bill Gragg (10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Carolyn Harper (8 am) and Tyler Longbine (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:** Lois Harter, Melinda Hopf, Ruth Miller, Suzanne O'Daniel and Maureen Young. **LAY READERS:** Bob Yeager (8 am) and Barbara Bauman (10:45 am). **SLIDE PREPARER:** Debi Cole. **PROJECTIONISTS:** Early – Louis Foss. Late – Josh Johnson.

SERVING US NEXT WEEK

ELDERS: Kenn Keyes (Sat 6 pm), Gary Hadley (Sun 8 am) and Bob Gerstenberger (Sun 10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Sara Van Lannen (Sat 6 pm), Sway Cronin (Sun 8 am) and Carlee Toler (Sun 10:45 am). **ALTAR GUILD:** Lois Harter, Melinda Hopf, Ruth Miller, Suzanne O'Daniel and Maureen Young. **LAY READERS:** Keith Dierking (Sat 6 pm), Kent Hansen (Sun 8 am) and Dave Harter (Sun 10:45 am). **GREETERS:** Laird & Judy Van Gorder (Sun 8 am) and Earl & Dot Bogardus (Sun 10:45 am).

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Genesis 18:1-14 and Colossians 1:21-29

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Saturday – 59 Early –86 Late – 135 Total - 280

THIS WEEK AT MOUNT CALVARY

Monday	11:00 am	Daytime Callers
	6:20 pm	Evangelism Callers
	6:30 pm	Women's Small Group
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Council
Wednesday	8 am-11pm	TAG to Six Flags
Thursday	10:00 am	Ladies Bible Study
Friday	4 – 5 pm	NYG Luggage Drop Off
Saturday	8:00 am	HS Leaves for National Youth Gathering
	5:00 pm	Adult Bible Study
	5:00 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal
Next Sunday		National Youth Gathering thru Thursday