

**As We Gather**

Thanks to the grace of God working faith in our hearts, we are able to hear the voice of Jesus, our Shepherd. What that would mean, were we to block out competing voices around us, is described in Acts – the members of the early Christian Church were active in teaching, fellowship, worship, prayers, and works of service and charity. Their actions spoke volumes, and many others "heard" Christ through them. We all stray, of course, as did the people to whom Peter wrote in today's Epistle. But in His grace, God calls us back to return to "the Shepherd and Overseer" of our souls. We gather again to hear His voice today.

**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:**

*"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"*

**Hymn #710**

**THE INVOCATION**

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

**Amen.**

**THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION (10:45 am service)**

**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 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:**

**"This is the Feast"**

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Women	1. —	Wor-thy	is	Christ, the Lamb	who was	slain,	whose
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Women	4. Bless	- ing,	hon - or,	glo - ry,	and	might	be to
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*Final Refrain*

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

**THE PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

Let us pray. Almighty God, merciful Father, since You have wakened from death the Shepherd of Your sheep, grant us Your Holy Spirit that when we hear the voice of our Shepherd we may know Him who calls us each by name and follow where He leads; through the same 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 FIRST READING: Acts 2:42–47** *(The early Church grows.)*

<sup>42</sup> And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. <sup>43</sup> And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. <sup>44</sup> And all who believed were together and had all things in common. <sup>45</sup> And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup> And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**THE ANTHEM:** (10:45 am service)

***"Christ Be with Me"***

Sanctuary Choir

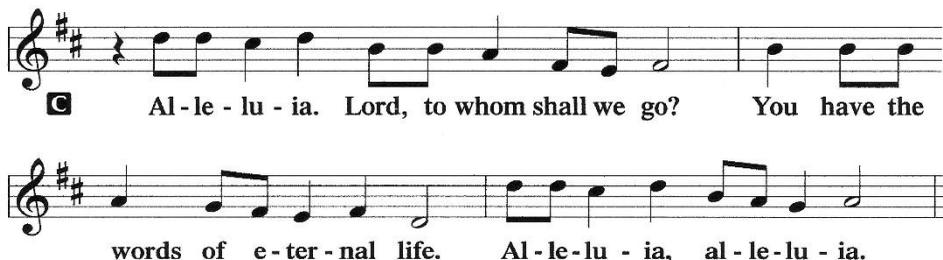
**THE EPISTLE READING: 1 Peter 2:19–25** *(We are healed by our Shepherd's wounds.)*

<sup>19</sup> For this is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. <sup>20</sup> For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God. <sup>21</sup> For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. <sup>22</sup> He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. <sup>23</sup> When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. <sup>24</sup> He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. <sup>25</sup> For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

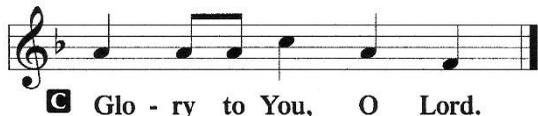
**THE ALLELUIA VERSE:**



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 tenth chapter.



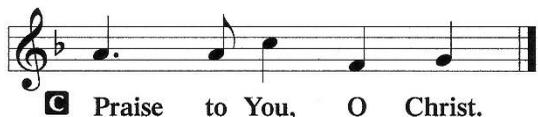
Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

**THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 10:1-10** (*The sheep know their Shepherd's voice.*)

<sup>1</sup> "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber. <sup>2</sup> But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup> To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup> When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. <sup>5</sup> A stranger they will not follow, but they will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers." <sup>6</sup> This figure of speech Jesus used with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

<sup>7</sup> So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. <sup>8</sup> All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. <sup>9</sup> I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. <sup>10</sup> The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Praise to You, O Christ.

**THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:**

Pete LeBorious  
Director of Christian Education

**THE HYMN OF THE DAY:**

*"Thine Forever, God of Love"*

**Hymn #687**

**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 ++**

Jesus' resurrection means forgiveness, new life, and salvation  
for you and me and all believers! Rejoice that He is risen!

**The angel to the women at the tomb'**

**"He is not here, for He has risen, as He said."**

(Matthew 28:6)

**OFFERTORY HYMN:**

***"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 shalt choose.**

## 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. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this day for the glorious resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the world. By His dying He has destroyed death, and by His rising again He has restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

**G** 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

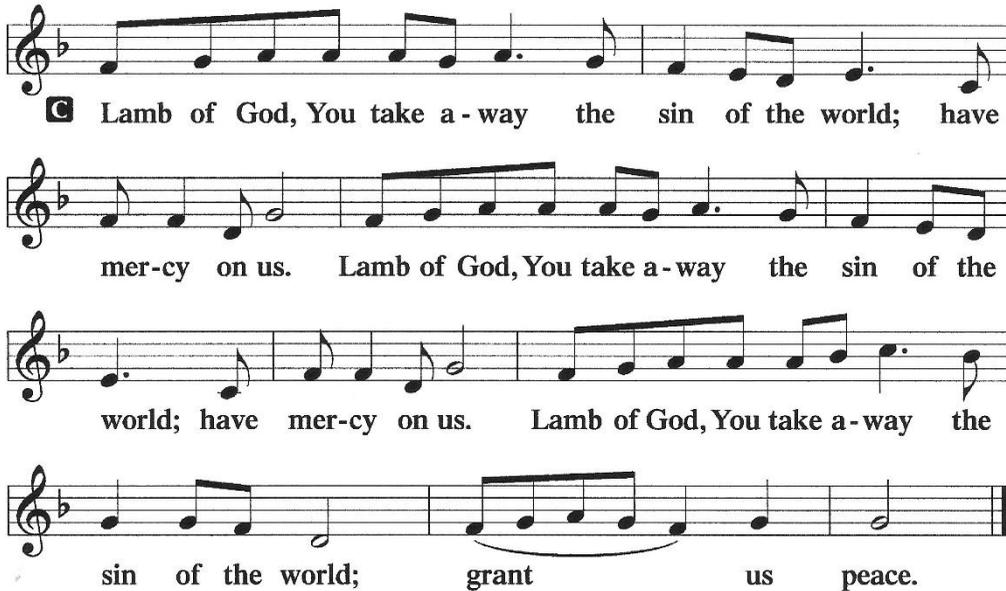
**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the 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.**



☐ 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; 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:** *"What Is This Bread"*

**Hymn #629**

*"Awake, My Heart, With Gladness"* Stz 1-3, 6, 7

**Hymn #467**

*"O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee"*

**Hymn # 632**

## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord Jesus, Good Shepherd, You have protected Your flock by Your death and resurrection, and in this Sacrament have nurtured the faith within us. Grant us such faith that we always listen to Your voice and follow You in paths of righteousness, for You live and reign with the Father 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 Tim & Karen West, in honor of their wedding anniversary.

**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 4, June 11, June 18, June 25, July 2, July 9, July 16, July 23, and July 30. If you could help for at least 2 Sundays, that would be great! Please contact Cynthia Nelson or leave a note in her DCM mailbox. Thank you for teaching our Kids for Christ!!

**"Little Ladies Mother/Daughter Tea Party"** - Just one more week until our special FREE Tea Party for Moms and their little girls (ages 3-10 years). This is a completely different event than last year's "Ladies Tea" put on by the Youth. If mom can't come, a female family member may fill that slot! If you didn't get an invitation, please just sign up on the sheet in the Narthex. The date is Saturday, May 13 at 11:00 a.m. Girls are invited to wear their prettiest party dress, and come ready to enjoy a VERY "girly" lunch with mom, as well as a little craft to make for Mother's Day. If you would like to attend, you must RSVP (by calling/texting Ruthie at 397-0630 or emailing to bigbluiz@att.net) by May 6<sup>th</sup>, as there will special things for each little girl! Questions? Contact Ruthie, Becky, Suzanne, Hannah or Heather on the Board of Fellowship

**Help Needed!** - To make our "Mother/Daughter Tea Party" special, we'd love to have help from some of you ladies in the congregation. If you have the gift of preparing dainty pastries or finger foods, it would make the party even more special for the girls. Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex if you are willing to help. Thank you! Board of Fellowship

**Key Found in the Mite-y Noisy Can Collection:** If you lost a brass-colored key about the time we collected mites this past weekend, check with Jack in the office to see if that's the one we found.

**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, May 8<sup>th</sup>, in the church conference room at 11:00 am.**

**Mount Calvary has received memorial donations in memory of Ruth Fitzgerald** from Joan Steese and Carolyn & Mark Proulx.

**Church Softball Team!** We have two games this week – Monday at 6:30 pm and Tuesday at 8:30 pm. Come on out and cheer on your team! All games are played at Peavy Field.

**Time for a New Church Directory** – If you have any changes for the directory, please let Jack know soon. The three most common omissions are 1) dropping a land line and switching to cell-only telephones, 2) adult children moving from the family home, and 3) just changing phone numbers.

**Attention All Men:** The Men's Breakfast for the month of May will be held on Saturday, May 20 at 8:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. The next Men's Breakfast will be in September, the cooks are taking a summer hiatus. So, put your name on the Sign Up Sheet at the Information Desk and join us for food, fellowship and a devotion. It's a Guy Thing!

**If you would like an Easter lily,** feel free to take one home. Please leave the drip pans at the church. Thank You! – Altar Guild

**HS TAG Night:** There will be a TAG Night for all High School Youth this Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30 – 8:00 in the Annex. Join us for food, fun, and fellowship as we explore God's Word and wrap up our "Recess" series!

**Mission Trip Meeting:** There will be a meeting for all youth and chaperones planning on attending this Summer's Mission Trip on Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30-8 pm in the Annex. We will be finalizing our group covenant, voting on our recreational activities, and selecting "seating buddies." This will be the final meeting before we leave for our trip next month.

**Middle School Party:** All youth in grades 6-8 are encouraged to join us this Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, from 6-9 pm in the Annex for our monthly Party. The cost is \$5/person to cover snacks, pop, and pizza. Join us for a fun filled Friday night!

**Mount Calvary's Annual Golf Tournament – RESCHEDULED!**

The tournament has been rescheduled for Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, with lunch @ 1:00 and tee-off @ 2:00. It will be held at Waterford Country Club. The cost is \$45/golfer includes lunch, 18 holes of golf, & cart. Mulligans (3/\$5), Red Bombs (\$5), & Free Throws (\$10) will for sale at check-in. All proceeds go to help benefit the Youth Ministry Program of Mount Calvary Lutheran Church. Sign your team up at the Welcome Center today!



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## **PRAYER CONCERNS**

**Marilu Cowan**, who has a compression fracture of a vertebrae in her back.

**Susan Kesler**, who is at home under hospice care.

**Dot Bogardus**, who has shingles.

**Bev Ellgass**, who has shingles.

**Ann Nicely**, Margaret McLaughlin's daughter, who is recovering from surgery.

**Steve Hetes**, who returned home on Friday.

**D. J. Nelson**, who is recovering from surgery to have a cyst removed from his abdomen.

### **Keep In Your Prayers**

Helen Giese, Ralph Wenrick, Frances Trichinotis (John's mother), Kathy Clark (Barb Jernigan's sister), Cynthia Trichinotis, Shirley Ermi, John Steese (Joan's son), Katilyn Yarbrough, Bev Ellgass, Pat Aldredge, 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**

Jeanne Day (Bob's mom), Chet Branscom, Jace Cumbie (Amanda McVay's boyfriend's son), Diana Iverson (Bonnie Hudlin's sister-in-law), Barry Rice (Becky McVay's brother), Norma Young (Melinda Hopf's aunt), Kathy Grube, Mary Schwope (Michele Durbin's aunt), Jeannette Poniske (Fred Tamer's mom) and Bruce Oswald (Krystal Ferguson's father).

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

Darrin Landis, Denver Yarbrough, 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:** Pastor David Brighton/Vicar Aaron Sterling. **ELDERS:** Eric Gossman (8 am) and Bill Gragg (Sun 10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Taitum Gossman (8 am) and Libby Parsons (10:45 am). **USHERS:** Early – Darron Counselman, Dale Hawkins & Roger Foss. Late – Sam Culpepper, Dale Channell, Champ Aldredge & Mark Burnette. **ALTAR GUILD:** Marcia Brighton, Valerie Counselman, Denise Forehand and Nancy Hoar. **LAY READERS:** Carol Yeager (8 am) and Carolyn Burnam (10:45 am). **SLIDE PREPARER:** Christi Bacon. **PROJECTIONISTS:** Early – Tanner Gossman. Late – Kyle Webb.

### SERVING US NEXT WEEK

**ELDERS:** Rob Crawford (Sat 6 pm), Gary Hadley (Sun 8 am) and Don Netzinger (Sun 10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Caleb Durbin (Sat 6 pm), Tucker Gossman (Sun 8 am) and Colton Wurdeman (Sun 10:45 am). **ALTAR GUILD:** Marcia Brighton, Valerie Counselman, Denise Forehand and Nancy Hoar. **LAY READERS:** John Trichinotis (Sat 6 pm), Glen Thompson (Sun 8 am), and Pat Aldredge (Sun 10:45 am). **GREETERS:** Paul & Mollie Keister (8 am) and Betty Cummings & Nancy Hoar (10:45 am).

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Acts 6:1-9, 7:2a, 51-60 and 1 Peter 2:2-10

### ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

**Saturday 6 pm – 55    Sunday 8 am – 71    Sunday 10:45 am – 125    Total – 251**  
**Karenni Worship - 65**

### THIS WEEK AT MOUNT CALVARY

<b>Today</b>	<b>CONFIRMATION DAY</b>	
	11:00 AM	Karenni Worship Service (Annex)
	6:30 pm	TAG Night
Monday	10:00 am	Ladies Guild
	11:00 am	Daytime Callers
	6:20 pm	Evangelism Callers
	6:30 pm	Women's Small Group
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Council
Wednesday	6:30-8 pm	Mission Trip Meeting (Annex)
Thursday	9:30 am	Reformation 500 Meeting
	10:00 am	Ladies Bible Study
Friday	6 – 9 pm	Middle School Party
Saturday	11 am-1 pm	Little Ladies Mother/Daughter Tea Party
	3:00 pm	Karenni Bible Study (Annex)
	5:00 pm	Adult Bible Study
	6:00 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal
Next Sunday	11:00 AM	Karenni Worship Service (Annex)

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