



“You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn to joy.”

John 16:20b

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 21, 2024

**Calvary Lutheran Church
Topeka, KS**

Today at Calvary Lutheran Church, we celebrate our Lord's Supper. If you are a member in good standing of an LCMS congregation, we welcome you to the fellowship of our Lord's Body and Blood at this table. However, if you are a guest, whether from another LCMS congregation or elsewhere, and would like to receive the Lord's Body and Blood in this Sacrament and the forgiveness that He has won by them, we kindly ask that you speak with the pastor before the service.

Divine Service, Setting One

Lutheran Service Book P. 151 – 166

**Indicates to Stand*

WELCOME and *OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN:

"He's Risen, He's Risen"

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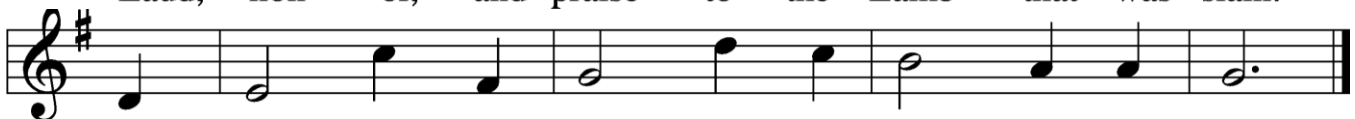
1 He's ris - en, He's ris - en, Christ Je - sus, the Lord;
 2 The foe was tri - um - phant when on Cal - va - ry
 3 But short was their tri - umph; the Sav - ior a - rose,
 4 O, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;
 5 Then sing your ho - san - nas and raise your glad voice;



He o - pened death's pris - on, the in - car - nate, true Word.
 The Lord of cre - a - tion was nailed to the tree.
 And death, hell, and Sa - tan He van - quished, His foes.
 Christ rose, and now o - pen is fair E - den's door.
 Pro - claim the blest tid - ings that all may re - joice.



Break forth, hosts of heav - en, in ju - bi - lant song
 In Sa - tan's do - main did the hosts shout and jeer,
 The con - quer - ing Lord lifts His ban - ner on high;
 For all our trans - gres - sions His blood does a - tone;
 Laud, hon - or, and praise to the Lamb that was slain:



And earth, sea, and moun - tain their prais - es pro - long.
 For Je - sus was slain, whom the e - vil ones fear.
 He lives, yes, He lives, and will nev - er - more die.
 Re - deemed and for - giv - en, we now are His own.
 With Fa - ther and Spir - it He ev - er shall reign.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8-9*

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.)

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: 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.

P: 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. *[John 20:19-23]*

C: Amen.

***INTROIT:** Psalm 66:1–3, 5, 8–9

P: Shout for joy to God, all the earth. Alleluia.

C: Sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise! Alleluia.

P: Say to God, "How awesome are Your deeds!

C: So great is Your power that Your enemies come cringing to You."

P: Come and see what God has done:

C: He is awesome in His deeds toward the children of man.

P: Bless our God, O peoples;

C: let the sound of His praise be heard,

P: who has kept our soul among the living

C: and has not let our feet slip.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

***KYRIE** ~ *Lord Have Mercy*

Mark 10:47

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



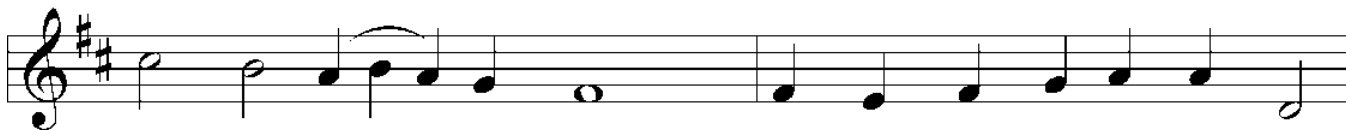
C A - men.

(Please Sing as Noted: All, Choir, Women, & Men)

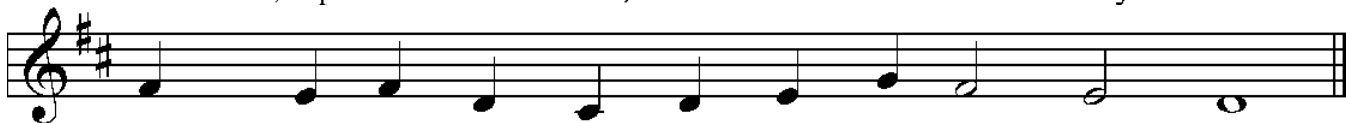
INSTRUMENTAL INTRODUCTION



All 1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to
Choir 2 Praise we Him, whose love di - vine Gives His
Women 3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured, Death's dread
Choir 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal



our vic - to - rious King, Who has washed us in the tide
sa - cred blood for wine, Gives His bod - y for the feast—
an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go
vic - tim, pas - chal bread; With sin - cer - i - ty and love



Flow - ing from His pierc - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
Through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
Eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

Men 5 Mighty Victim from the sky,
Hell's fierce pow'rs beneath You lie;
You have conquered in the fight,
You have brought us life and light. Alleluia!

All 6 Now no more can death appall,
Now no more the grave enthrall;
You have opened paradise,
And Your saints in You shall rise. Alleluia!

Choir 7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!
This alone can sin destroy;
From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
Newborn souls in You to be. Alleluia!

INSTRUMENTAL INTERLUDE

All Δ 8 Father, who the crown shall give,
Savior, by whose death we live,
Spirit, guide through all our days:
Three in One, Your name we praise. Alleluia!

***SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



C: And al - so with you.

P: Let us pray. ... one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 40:25–31

P: To whom then will you compare Me, that I should be like Him? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name, by the greatness of His might, and because He is strong in power not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, “My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God”? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; His understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might He increases strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING: 1 John 3:1–3

P: See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know Him. Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when He appears we shall be like Him, because we shall see Him as He is. And everyone who thus hopes in Him purifies himself as He is pure.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

*ALLELUIA and 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.

*HOLY GOSPEL: John 16:16–22

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixteenth chapter.

Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

P: Jesus said: “A little while, and you will see Me no longer; and again a little while, and you will see Me.” So some of His disciples said to one another, “What is this that He says to us, ‘A little while, and you will not see Me, and again a little while, and you will see Me’; and, ‘because I am going to the Father’?” So they were saying, “What does He mean by ‘a little while’? We do not know what He is talking about.” Jesus knew that they wanted to ask Him, so He said to them, “Is this what you are asking yourselves, what I meant by saying, ‘A little while and you will not see Me, and again a little while and you will see Me’? Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. When a woman is giving birth, she has sorrow because her hour has come, but when she has delivered the baby, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world. So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

***NICENE CREED:** *(spoken by all)*

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 worshiped 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.

HYMN OF THE DAY:*“With High Delight Let Us Unite”***# 483**

1 With high de-light Let us u - nite In songs of great
 2 True God, He first From death has burst Forth in - to life,
 3 Let prais-es ring; Give thanks, and bring To Christ our Lord



ju - bi - la - tion. Ye pure in heart, All bear your part,
 all sub-du - ing. His en - e - my Doth van-quished lie;
 ad - o - ra - tion. His hon - or speed By word and deed



Sing Je - sus Christ, our sal - va - tion. To set us
 His death has been death's un - do - ing. “And yours shall
 To ev - 'ry land, ev - 'ry na - tion. So shall His



free For - ev - er, He Is ris'n and sends To all earth's
 be Like vic - to - ry O'er death and grave,” Saith He, who
 love Give us a - bove, From mis - er - y And death set



ends Good news to save ev - 'ry na - tion.
 gave His life for us, life re - new - ing.
 free, All joy and full con - so - la - tion.

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SERMON:*“Patience and Hope”****PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:** *(response “hear our prayer”)**[1 Timothy 2:1-4]*

OFFERING: *(as the offerings are being gathered to glorify our Lord, please sign and pass the red attendance booklet found in the pew)*

***OFFERTORY**

Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19



What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

***PREFACE**

P: The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



C: And al - so with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

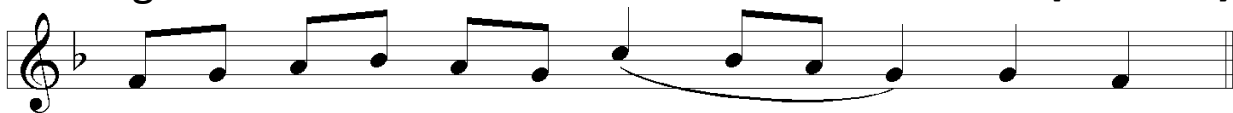
[Colossians 3:1]



C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

[Psalm 136]



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary ... evermore praising you and saying:

***SANCTUS ~ Holy, Holy, Holy**

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



C: 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

***LORD'S PRAYER**

Matthew 6:9-13

P: Hear us as we pray in Jesus' name and as He has taught us:

All: 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 OUR LORD**

[Matthew 26; Mark 14; Luke 22; 1 Corinthians 11]

***PAX DOMINI ~ The Peace of the Lord**

John 20:19

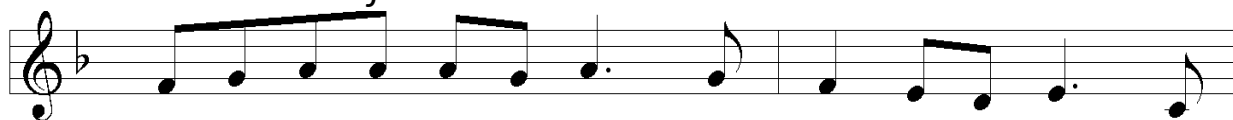
P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



C A - men.

***AGNUS DEI ~ Lamb of God**

John 1:29



C: 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.

After singing "The Agnus Dei," the congregation may be seated.

COMMUNION HYMNS: *"Jesus Lives! The Victory's Won"* # 490

1 Je - sus lives! The vic - t'ry's won! Death no long - er can ap -
 2 Je - sus lives! To Him the throne High a - bove all things is
 3 Je - sus lives! For me He died, Hence will I, to Je - sus
 4 Je - sus lives! I know full well Noth - ing me from Him shall
 5 Je - sus lives! And now is death But the gate of life im -

pall me; Je - sus lives! Death's reign is done!
 giv - en. I shall go where He is gone,
 liv - ing, Pure in heart and act a - bide,
 sev - er. Nei - ther death nor pow'rs of hell
 mor - tal; This shall calm my trem - bling breath

From the grave will Christ re - call me. Bright - er
 Live and reign with Him in heav - en. God is
 Praise to Him and glo - ry giv - ing. All I
 Part me now from Christ for - ev - er. God will
 When I pass its gloom - y por - tal. Faith shall

scenes will then com-mence; This shall be my con - fi - dence.
 faith - ful; doubt-ings, hence! This shall be my con - fi - dence.
 need God will dis - pense; This shall be my con - fi - dence.
 be my sure de - fense; This shall be my con - fi - dence.
 cry, as fails each sense: Je - sus is my con - fi - dence!

"Children of the Heavenly Father"

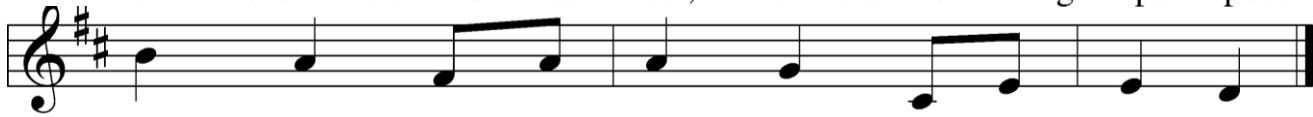
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1 Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther Safe - ly
 2 God His own doth tend and nour - ish; In His
 3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the
 4 Though He giv - eth or He tak - eth, God His



in His bos - om gath - er; Nest - ling bird nor star in
 ho - ly courts they flour - ish. From all e - vil things He
 Lord His chil - dren sev - er; Un - to them His grace He
 chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth; His the lov - ing pur - pose



heav - en Such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
 spares them; In His might - y arms He bears them.
 show - eth, And their sor - rows all He know - eth.
 sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

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"Thanks to Thee, O Christ, Victorious"

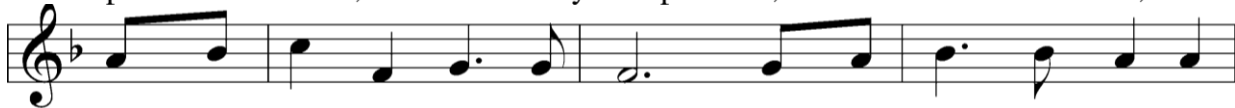
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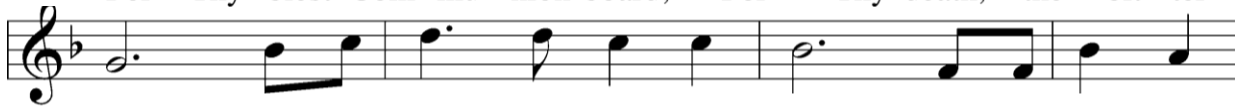
1 Thanks to Thee, O Christ, vic - to - rious! Thanks to Thee, O
 2 Thou hast died for my trans - gres - sion, All my sins on
 3 For the joy Thine ad - vent gave me, For Thy ho - ly,



Lord of Life! Death hath now no pow - er o'er us,
 Thee were laid; Thou hast won for me sal - va - tion,
 pre - cious Word; For Thy Bap - tism, which doth save me,



Thou hast con - quered in the strife. Thanks be - cause Thou didst a -
 On the cross my debt was paid. From the grave I shall a -
 For Thy blest Com - mu - nion board; For Thy death, the bit - ter



rise And hast o - pened par - a - dise! None can ful - ly
 rise And shall meet Thee in the skies. Death it - self is
 scorn, For Thy res - ur - rec - tion morn, Lord, I thank Thee



sing the glo - ry Of the res - ur - rec - tion sto - ry.
 tran - si - to - ry; I shall lift my head in glo - ry.
 and ex - tol Thee, And in heav'n I shall be - hold Thee.

*COMMUNION DISMISSAL

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C: Amen.

*POST COMMUNION CANTICLE: *"Thank the Lord"*



☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

*POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P: Let us pray. ...one God, now and forever.



☐ A - men.

*BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



☐ A - men.

*CLOSING HYMN: "Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"

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1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and voic - es raise:
2 Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en! Death at last has met de - feat:
△ 3 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high:



Sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, Sing to God a hymn of praise;
See the an-cient pow'rs of e - vil In con - fu - sion and re - treat;
Al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior Who has gained the vic - to - ry;



He who on the cross a vic-tim For the world's sal - va - tion bled—
Once He died, and once was bur-ied: Now He lives for - ev - er - more,
Al - le - lu - ia to the Spir-it, Fount of love and sanc-ti - ty!



Je - sus Christ, the King of Glo - ry, Now is ris - en from the dead.
Je - sus Christ, the world's Re - deem - er, Whom we wor-ship and a - dore.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia To the tri - une Maj - es - ty!

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SERVANTS FOR TODAY

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| Preacher: | Pastor Ben Ockree |
| Liturgist: | Deacon Jim LaCrone |
| Organist: | Renee Patzer |
| Choir Director: | Anna Reb |
| Accompanist: | Annette Jackson |
| Acolyte: | Laithen Paulsen |
| Elder: | Tony Zimmerman |
| Sexton: | Connor Ockree |
| Greeters: | Gideon Humphrey, T.J. Humphrey |
| Altar Guild: | Mary North |
| Ushers: | Rick Blush, Bill Arnold, Len Henry, John Guffey |
| Counters: | Don & Linda Harrison |
| Coffee Maker: | Kirk Johnson |
| Mug Detail: | Marcia Coufal, Anna Choitz |
| Mowing Team: | Larry Winter, Stuart Bach |

THIS WEEK IN CALVARY

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| Today: | May Beacon Article Deadline | |
| | Worship Service | 9:00 AM |
| | Sunday School & Bible Study | 10:15 AM |
| | Congregational Voter's Meeting- <i>F. Hall</i> | 11:30 AM |
| | Cornerstone Musical Practice- <i>Crume Rm.</i> | 1:30 PM |
| Tuesday: | J.O.Y. Potluck & Bingo | 11:30 AM |
| Wednesday: | CLLC Chapel | 10:30 AM |
| | Homeschool Chapel | 11:00 AM |
| | Homeschool Lunch- <i>F. Hall</i> | 11:30 AM |
| | Homeschool Classes- <i>North Pod</i> | 12:00 PM |
| | Confirmation Class | 6:00 PM |
| | Choir Practice | 6:00 PM |
| Thursday: | Bulletin Announcement Deadline | 9:00 AM |
| | Morning Break Bible Study | 10:00 AM |
| Friday | Hunter's Ridge AA Meeting- <i>F. Hall</i> | 7:00 PM |
| Saturday: | Confirmand Rehearsal (<i>Questioning & Confirmation</i>) | 10:00 AM |
| | Cornerstone Musical Practice- <i>F. Hall</i> | 1:00 PM |
| Next Sunday: | Worship Service | 9:00 AM |
| | Confirmand Questioning- <i>F. Hall</i> | 10:15 AM |
| | Cornerstone Musical Practice- <i>Crume Rm.</i> | 1:30 PM |
| | End of Year Youth Party | 5:00 PM |

SERVANTS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 28

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| Preacher: | Pastor Ben Ockree |
| Liturgist: | Deacon Jim LaCrone |
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| Counters: | Grace Pasley, Sharon Dooley |
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| Mowing Team: | John Guffey, Kirk Johnson |

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

GUESTS AND MEMBERS: A Nursery and a Cry Room are located in the upper north pod if a need arises. Children's Activity Boards are provided in a bin next to the south Sanctuary doors. Large Print Bulletins and Hearing Devices are available – ask one of the ushers for assistance. Please sign the red Attendance Book found in the pew so we can have a record of your attendance with us. Those needing to sit instead of stand should feel free to do so at any time. If you would like to know more about Calvary or are interested in becoming a member, please talk to the pastor or call the church office.

THE CONGREGATIONAL VOTER'S MEETING will be held today starting at 11:30 AM. Lunch will be served. The primary task will be to elect officers for the coming year. We will also be voting to move forward with adding a canopy to the north downstairs entrance, and an update on the placement of a deaconess intern will be given. The nominees are:

President – Kirk Johnson

Vice President – Mike Ewing

Treasurer – Stuart Bach

Recording Secretary – Joann LaCrone

Financial Secretary – Valerie Thieme

Board of Elders, Position # 1 – Don Harrison

Board of Stewardship & Finance Chair – Macie Smith

Board of Trustee's Chair – John Guffey

Upon election, these officers will be installed and begin their leadership roles on July 1, 2024.

THE MONTHLY J.O.Y. POTLUCK will be held this coming Tuesday, April 23 at 11:30 AM. Attendees are welcome to stay after lunch and play Bingo, but it is not required. You are welcome to just come for lunch and a little visiting if you prefer! Please bring a dish to share. Everyone over high school age is welcome.

YOUTH CONFIRMAND QUESTIONING WILL BE HELD next Sunday, April 28, in the Fellowship Hall during the Sunday school hour. Our confirmands this year are Jace Carter, Chloe Keehn, Laithen Paulsen, Carly Simpson, Duval Thieme, and Jack Williams. Everyone is encouraged to attend questioning to help support our young Christians.

SUNDAY SCHOOL & ADULT BIBLE CLASSES WILL NOT BE HELD next Sunday, April 28, due to the confirmand questioning. We encourage all students to attend the questioning with their parents.

YOUTH CONFIRMATION WILL BE HELD on Sunday, May 5, during the worship service. We once again encourage members to attend worship that day to encourage our young Christian members.

ATTENTION GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE SENIORS. Calvary will be holding a Baccalaureate Service on Thursday, May 9, 2024, at 6:30 PM, for all graduating seniors in the congregation. This is a Christian based service that honors and celebrates the graduates. Students should plan on wearing their cap and gown to the service. Please let Tamara Ockree know by April 28th if your senior would like to be a part of the service or if you have any questions.

THE CLLC IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO HELP WITH LUNCH. This includes getting food carts ready, dishing out prepared food for lunch, taking carts to rooms, picking carts back up, and cleaning up after lunch. This is an 11 AM to 1 PM need. We are looking for 5 different people to take a day so no one is overloaded. If you are interested, please contact Brenda Watson at the center, 785-783-2121 or cllctopekadirector@gmail.com.

FED TO FEED: During the month of April Calvary is collecting **Bagged Cereal** to help supply the TNO Food Pantry. Items should be placed in the bin under the Usher's Table. Thank you!

ITEMS NEEDED FOR CLLC: We will be collecting **Paper Towels** for the CLLC during April. There is a blue tub under the mailboxes for to place the donations. Thanks so much!

To place announcements or prayer concerns in next Sunday's bulletin contact the church office by 9 AM on Thursdays. Prayer concerns printed in the bulletin do not replace prayer chain requests. To place a prayer chain request during evening and weekend hours please call Leila Schuh at 785-224-7962; during week days call the Church Office.

Prayer Petitions for the Week of April 21-27

- Alleluia, Christ is Risen!
- For our Office Manager, Joann.
- For Pastor Ockree and Deacon LaCrone as they serve us.
- For blessings as we work to place a deaconess intern.
- For our musicians: Renee, Annette, Anna, the choir, and instrumentalists.
- For our Janitor, Sarah.
- For the CLLC: For Brenda, the teachers, and staff there. For one lead teacher.
- For our members (one every day): Olen & Carol Buchanan. Jenny Burleigh. Bob Calderwood. Rosella Calderwood. Sandy Carter. Larry Cattoor. Jesse Chapman and family.
- For the sick, those undergoing procedures, and those recovering: Brody Boyd, Wanda Fay, Loren Johannes, Tim Leatherman, Amanda Russell, Tate Russell, Glenn Wehking, Barb Wehking.
- For those with chronic ailments: Wendy Humphrey, Kay Foster, Connor Hurd, Shiela Jones, Phil Lawrence, Arleen Marston, Bob Ockree, Juan Alvarez, Abbie Alvarez, Ashton Alvarez, Alijah Alvarez, Teddy Schuh, Pastor Hopkins.
- For our shut-ins: Vernon Bean, Rosella Calderwood, Maureen Clemens, Florence Deutsch, Grace Dienstbier, Karen Dreasher, DonnaRae Eissler, Dianne Hatesohl, Shiela Jones, Arleen Marston, Barbara Northcutt, Bob Ockree, Sam & Mary Randol, Sally Short, and Ron Stuewe.
- For the work of the strategic planning committee as it takes up the task of providing faithful guidance for all at Calvary.
- For Calvary: That we would grow in the Word. For our Sunday morning classes, youth group, the young adults' class, Being Christian, Morning Break. For women's and men's groups, OWLS, Prayers & Stitching.
- For confirmands: Evelyn Guffey, Cecelia Humphrey, Violet Ockree, Cora Russell, Brody Boyd, Anabelle Clausen, Abriella Guenther, Sophia Humphrey, Chloe Keehn, Lilly Ketchum, Elinor Ockree, Barrett Riener, Jack Williams, Jace Carter, Laithen Paulsen, Carly Simpson, Duval Thieme.
- For the Being Christian Class and all attending.
- For our missions and ministry: Topeka North Outreach, West Africa Mission, Lifeline Pregnancy Center. Our Stephen Ministers.
- For those who serve in our Armed Forces: especially Dawson Podlena and Jeremy Innes. Pray for our chaplains and ministry to the armed services.

- For generosity to support and grow God's mission here at Calvary.
- For those celebrating birthdays this week: Laura Douglas, Wilbur Schwant, Hazel Minnmann, Landre Paulsen, Doug Diekhoff.
- For those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week: Jake & Amanda Russell, 2 yrs; Dave & Shelley Duffey, 25 yrs.

Pray the Lord's Prayer and say the Creed daily, using a devotional resource.

Sunday: Pray for worship: That we would grow in faith in who Jesus is for us. Give thanks for the blessings of Word and Sacrament. Give thanks for our fellowship and blessings in continued unity. Pray that God bless Calvary and her people both physically and spiritually. Pray that we can see past suffering to the eternal joy Christ has won for us on the cross. For our congregational meeting this day.

Monday: Pray for the whole Church: For those who suffer for their faith. For the Synod & President Harrison. For the Kansas District & President Panzer. For our circuit & Visitor Kilgo. For the saints of Prince of Peace & Pastor DeHope. For the saints of St. Paul, Coffeyville, & Pastor Franson.

Tuesday: Pray for our society: For our government, President Biden, governor Kelly, and local leaders. For those in need, the unemployed, the poor, the hungry, and the helpless. For help in a troubled world. For an end to the war in the Ukraine and the war between Israel and Gaza. For an end to gun violence. For those afflicted by bad weather and other disasters. For an end to abortion, exploitation, and all evils in the world. For the truth of God to guide us over the lies of Satan.

Wednesday: Pray for our witness: That we would give testify to Christ in what we say and do. That Christ's light would shine in our lives, and we would forgive as we are forgiven. That we would always speak the Truth in love. For God to grow His Church here at Calvary.

Thursday: Pray for thankfulness: That we would count our blessings casting aside anxiety, fear, and doubt. For a loving heart for those in need and for a generous heart to help as we can, that we may be a blessing to others. For the homeless, the widowed, orphans, the immigrant, and the stranger among us, especially those from Ukraine in our midst. For the afflicted and suffering.

Friday: Pray for Calvary: Our faith, unity, love, and fellowship. That more would join our fellowship and our love would be evident to all who visit. For generosity to support and grow God's purpose among us. For the Stewardship Committee and their service to us.

Saturday: Pray for our vocations: For blessing and joy in our duties. For husbands & wives, parents & children. For those who live alone. For the unemployed and underemployed. For employers looking for workers. For those struggling financially and facing instability. For those who are homeless and lack other necessities of life. For all who do construction work.

**The Lord almighty bless ✠ us and
direct our days and our deeds in His peace.**

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH AND LEARNING CENTER

Church Office Hours: Mon-Fri, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Sunday Worship Service: 9:00 AM

(All Worship Services are live-streamed on Facebook)

Sunday School and Adult Bible Class: 10:15 AM

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