



**CALVARY
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Sunday Worship
10:00 a.m.

Bible Class
8:45 a.m. - Sunday

11:00 a.m. – Tuesday

Sunday School
8:45 a.m.



“That they may be one”
John 17:11

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“Forward in Faith and Mission”

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

10 a.m.

May 24, 2020

THE ORGAN PRELUDE *“Holy Art Thou”* (Largo from XERXES) G.F. Handel
Violin and Organ

GREETING

P: Alleluia. Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

OPENING HYMN *“In Christ There is No East or West”* #653



1 In Christ there is no east or west,
2 With God there is no tribe or race;
3 So, brothers, sisters, praise His name
4 Join hands, disciples of the faith,



In Him no south or north, But one great fel - low -
In Him we all are one. He loves us as His
Who died to set us free From sin, di - vi - sion,
What - e'er your race may be; Who serves my Fa - ther



ship of love Through-out the whole wide earth.
chil - dren through Our faith in His dear Son.
hate, and shame, From spite and en - mi - ty!
as His child Is sure - ly kin to me.

†THE INVOCATION/CALLING

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

C: Amen.

† THE CONFESSION/ADMISSION OF SINS

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.

P: Let us 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.

† THE FORGIVENESS/PARDON

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. **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

“A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing”

#493 st. 1, 2, 5



1 A hymn of glo - ry let us sing! New
2 The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band Up -



hymns through - out the world shall ring: Al - le - lu - ia,
on the Mount of Ol - ives stand. Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -
al - le - lu - ia! And with His faith - ful fol - l'wers



trod, As - cends un - to the throne of
see Their Lord as - cend in maj - es -

God. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 ty. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

5 Be now our joy on earth, O Lord,
 And be our future great reward.
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 Then, throned with You forever, we
 Shall praise Your name eternally.
 Alleluia, alleluia!
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

PSALM 68:1-10

**God shall arise, his enemies shall be scattered;
 and those who hate him shall flee before him!**

**² As smoke is driven away, so you shall drive them away;
 as wax melts before fire,
 so the wicked shall perish before God!**

**³ But the righteous shall be glad;
 they shall exult before God;
 they shall be jubilant with joy!**

**⁴ Sing to God, sing praises to his name;
 lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts;
 his name is the LORD;
 exult before him!**

**⁵ Father of the fatherless and protector of widows
 is God in his holy habitation.**

**⁶ God settles the solitary in a home;
 he leads out the prisoners to prosperity,
 but the rebellious dwell in a parched land.**

⁷ **O God, when you went out before your people,
when you marched through the wilderness,
⁸ the earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain,
before God, the One of Sinai,
before God, the God of Israel.
⁹ Rain in abundance, O God, you shed abroad;
you restored your inheritance as it languished;
¹⁰ your flock found a dwelling in it;
in your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy.
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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: The peace of the Lord be with you.

L: Let us pray:

God, our Creator and Redeemer, Your Son our Savior is with You in eternal glory. He prayed that His followers might be one. Make all Christians one with Him as He is one with You, so that in peace and concord we may carry to the world the message of Your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 1:12-26

(Mathias was chosen to be one of the twelve disciples to witness to the resurrection.)

¹² Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³ And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴ All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

¹⁵ In those days Peter stood up among the brothers (the company of persons was in all about 120) and said, ¹⁶ "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus. ¹⁷ For he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." ¹⁸ (Now this man acquired a field with the reward of his wickedness, and falling headlong he burst open in the middle and all his bowels gushed out. ¹⁹ And it

became known to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the field was called in their own language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.)²⁰ “For it is written in the Book of Psalms, ““May his camp become desolate, and let there be no one to dwell in it’; and “Let another take his office.’

²¹ So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²² beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these men must become with us a witness to his resurrection.”²³ And they put forward two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also called Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴ And they prayed and said, “You, Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵ to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.”²⁶ And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Peter 4:12-19; 5:6-11

(Do good and praise God, even through trials and suffering; stand firm in your faith.)

¹² Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³ But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴ If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. ¹⁵ But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. ¹⁶ Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. ¹⁷ For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? ¹⁸ And

“If the righteous is scarcely saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?”

¹⁹ Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good.

⁶ Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, ⁷ casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. ⁸ Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion,

seeking someone to devour. ⁹ Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. ¹⁰ And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹ To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. Alleluia. I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. Alleluia!

✠ THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 17:1-11

(Jesus prays for His followers for their protection, their unity, and their salvation.)

When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, ² since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³ And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴ I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. ⁵ And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

⁶ "I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷ Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. ⁸ For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹ I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰ All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. ¹¹ And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF THE DAY “Crown Him with Many Crowns” #525 st. 1 & 4



1 Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;
4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the grave



Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own.
And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save.



A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And
His glo - ries now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who



hail Him as thy match-less king Through all e - ter - ni - ty.
died e - ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die.

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GOD'S WORD FOR TODAY

Rev. Kevin Barron

✠ THE APOSTLES' CREED/PROFESSION OF FAITH

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 PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

P: Lord in Your mercy.

C: Hear our prayer.

† THE LORD’S PRAYER

C: 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.

HYMN OF ASSURANCE “*You are Mine*”

“I will come to you in the silence
I will lift you from all your fear.
You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice.
Be still and know I am here.

Refrain

*Do not be afraid, I am with you.
I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me, I will bring you home;
I love you and you are mine.”*

I am the Word that leads all to freedom,
I am the peace the world cannot give.
I will call your name, embracing all your pain.
Stand up, now walk and live! ***Refrain***

† THE BENEDICTION

P: May the God of all grace, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast. To Him be the power for ever and ever. The blessing of Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you now and always. Amen. (1 Peter 5: 10.11)

THE DISMISSAL

P: Christ is risen, just as He said.
Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!
C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

THE CLOSING HYMN *“We are One in the Spirit”*

We are One in The Spirit,
We are One in The Lord.
We are One in The Spirit,
We are One in The Lord.
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

Chorus

***And they'll know we are Christians by our love,
By our Love,
Yes they'll know we are Christians by our love.***

We will walk with each other,
We will walk hand in hand.
We will walk with each other,
We will walk hand in hand.
And together we'll spread the News
that God is in our land. ***Chorus***

We will work with each other,
We will work side by side.
We will work with each other,
We will work side by side.
And we'll guard each man's dignity
And save each man's pride. ***Chorus***

THE POSTLUDE *“Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor”* M. Burkhardt

TODAY'S SERVANTS

Proclaimer: Rev. Kevin Barron
Organist: Barbara Sommer
Violinist: Manfred Reek
Cantor: John Robinson
IT Assistants: Jim McWilliams, Bridget Jones

****OUR LIFE WITH GOD, May 24, 2020****

WELCOME IN JESUS CHRIST!

Prayers for comfort: the family of Walter Eline on his passing, the family of Michael Argondizza (especially Carol & Robert Pinto). Prayers for healing: Claire McDerby, Rev. Roy Axel Coats, Sue Bobo (Gina's friend), Robin Klein (friend of the Sommer family), Amanda Richter, Bev Brown, Bill Romberger (father of Cara Lucas), Tessa Willen (Segal family member), Mary Richter (Amanda's sister-in-law), Linda Watts (Bryan Mackey's mother-in-law), Debbie Middendorf (Heather Mackey's cousin), Al Booth (father of Garrett Booth), Joan Colliflower, Alison Baptiste, Kevin Burns, Pastor Bob Kretzschmar, Helen Abrecht (Betty Hucke's sister), Rachel Negley, Paul Schildwachter, Lavenia White (Rosa White's daughter), Dale & Chris Amendt, Carolyn Underwood, Frances Dunker, Jean Plitt, Drew Wallace (Olive Abt's cousin), Thelma Lucas (Ameous Lucas' mother), Ed Seufert, Alasaro Lucas, and prayers for all the victims of severe weather, and families of gun violence and senseless acts of terror in our world. We also pray for members and relatives of Calvary Lutheran Church whose families are serving in the Armed Forces and First Responders: Allie and Captain Matt DiBasilio, Captain Shelby Seymour, Staff Sergeant Joshua Stinchecum, Sergeant Jacob Negley, Sergeant Benjamin Negley, Trp. Gage Stinchecum, MSP, Corporal Matthew Krauch, BCPD. Call the office for prayer requests, where they will remain for four weeks.

If pastoral assistance is needed, please email Pastor Kevin @ pastorkbarron@gmail.com.

MEMORIAL DAY

This year May 25th we observe Memorial Day to honor and mourn the military personnel who had died while serving in the U.S. Armed Forces. This day was first set aside as a National Holiday after the Civil War in 1865. Our church body of LCMS has eight Chaplains that serve in the ministry to the Armed Forces, deployed overseas and in harm's way. They share the Gospel of Jesus Christ, counsel, provide devotional materials, conduct services, defend their religious liberties, and reach out to veterans and families. To assist in this ministry, you may send a contribution to **LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces, P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861**. We thank our members now active in the military, and our Veterans, especially recognizing those who gave their lives to protect our freedoms.

SPECIAL PRAYERS NEEDED

Many people are struggling during this extended period of isolation: those living with fear

for their health, those whose only out is a trip to the food store or pharmacy; those whose living space is a small room or apartment; those who are working from home or not at all; those who care for children and worry about their losing ground on their education. We pray for them and especially those who are gravely ill from the virus, the overextended medical professionals, those who live with domestic abuse, and those with the extra burden of stress on mental and physical health. Jesus said, "I will never leave you or forsake you."

Grace Place is closed for regular classes for the duration of the COVID 19 virus problem. Plans for ***Grief Share*** are postponed until further notice. Behind the scenes we have submitted a grant application to begin a Career Planning and Mentoring Program for Adults with our computer lab facilities.

Calvary's Biennial Coat Drive! What does that even mean?? Calvary holds a Coat Drive & Giveaway every two years (on even years) by gathering and collecting coats, hats, gloves, etc., anything which could a man, woman or child could use to keep warm during the winter. Since its 2020, it's now again time! The event will be held in the early Fall, date TBD, but we wanted to get ahead of the curve for those folks who are doing Spring cleaning and clearing out their closets - please consider saving your coats and jackets for a time (hopefully, very soon) when you can once again bring them to church for collection. We're also looking for ladies purses, blankets, sweaters, etc. Items can be gently worn, but should be clean and in good condition. See Sunnie Bell or Bridget Jones for more information.

The beautiful red maple in front of Grace Place died and was cut down this past week. We are looking for a shade tree to put back on that hill. If anyone would like to donate a **tree** in honor or in memory of someone special, please contact Barb Sommer.

Grace Place is looking for people who **SEW** or are willing to help put together protective masks for our community. Please contact Rosa White at cupcakegmom1904@gmail.com.

Next Sunday is Pentecost Sunday, the celebration of the sending of the Holy Spirit as Jesus promised. Find something red to wear as a reminder of the fire He gives us for our ministry here on earth.