



**CALVARY  
LUTHERAN  
CHURCH**

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*Sunday Worship*  
8:30 a.m. – outside  
10:00 a.m. - inside

*Bible Class – N/A*

*Sunday School – N/A*



*“Come to me, all you who are weary and  
burdened, and I will give you rest.”*

*Matthew 11:28*

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# CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

*“Forward in Faith and Mission”*

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THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10 a.m.

July 5, 2020

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

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## HOLY COMMUNION AT CALVARY

*“Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him” (Psalm 34:8).*



God’s Word teaches the real presence of Christ’s body and blood invisibly in, with and under the bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins. We take seriously the spiritual care of those who commune at our altar. The Word of God states that no one offend against Christ and His Word by denying His true presence and its promise and seal of forgiveness. Because those who eat and drink our Lord’s body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm (see 1 Cor. 11:27–29), and because Holy Communion is a confession of what is taught and believed at this altar (1 Cor. 11:26), any who are not yet instructed, in doubt or who hold a confession (beliefs) differing from that of this congregation (that is, belong to another church body or denomination) and yet desire to receive the Sacrament will want to first speak with the pastor before communing.

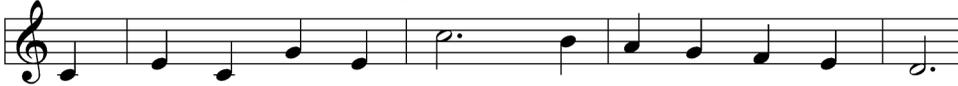
**CALVARY CONNECTION:** Please register your presence at worship using the clip boards located at the center aisle end of each pew. If we already have your current address, phone, email, etc., then, just enter your name, communion and or Pastoral call check-offs. Thank you.

†Means please stand.

## PRE SERVICE MUSIC

### WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, GREETING OF PEACE

#### OPENING HYMN “Before You, Lord, We Bow” #966



1 Be - fore You, Lord, we bow, Our God who reigns a - bove  
2 The na - tion You have blest May well Your love de - clare,  
3 May ev - 'ry moun - tain height, Each vale and for - est green,  
4 Earth, hear your Mak - er's voice; Your great Re - deem - er own;  
5 And when in pow'r He comes, Oh, may our na - tive land



And rules the world be - low, Bound-less in pow'r and love. Our thanks  
From foes and fears at rest, Pro - tect - ed by Your care. For this  
Shine in Your Word's pure light, And its rich fruits be seen! May ev -  
Be - lieve, o - bey, re - joice, And wor - ship Him a - lone. Cast down  
From all its rend - ing tombs Send forth a glo - rious band, A count -



we bring In joy and praise, Our hearts we raise To You, our King!  
bright day, For this fair land—Gifts of Your hand—Our thanks we pay.  
'ry tongue Be tuned to praise And join to raise A grate - ful song.  
your pride, Your sin de - plore, And bow be - fore The Cru - ci - fied.  
less throng, With joy to sing To heav'n's high King Sal - va - tion's song!

#### ✠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.

*(silence for reflection)*

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**            *“God of Our Fathers”*

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand  
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band  
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,  
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past,  
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast;  
Be Thou our ruler, guardian, guide and stay,  
Thy Word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.

From war’s alarms, from deadly pestilence,  
Be Thy strong arm our ever sure defense;  
Thy true religion in our hearts increase,  
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way,  
Lead us from night to never-ending day;  
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,  
And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine.

## THE PSALM 145:1-14

I will extol you, my God and King,  
and bless your name forever and ever.

<sup>2</sup> Every day I will bless you  
and praise your name forever and ever.

<sup>3</sup> Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,  
and his greatness is unsearchable.

<sup>4</sup> One generation shall commend your works to another,  
and shall declare your mighty acts.

<sup>5</sup> On the glorious splendor of your majesty,  
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.

<sup>6</sup> They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds,  
and I will declare your greatness.

<sup>7</sup> They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness  
and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.

<sup>8</sup> The LORD is gracious and merciful,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

<sup>9</sup> The LORD is good to all,  
and his mercy is over all that he has made.

<sup>10</sup> All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,  
and all your saints shall bless you!

<sup>11</sup> They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom  
and tell of your power,

<sup>12</sup> to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds,  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

<sup>13</sup> Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,  
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

The LORD is faithful in all his words  
and kind in all his works.

<sup>14</sup> **The LORD upholds all who are falling  
and raises up all who are bowed down.**

**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.

**C: And also with you.**

L: Let us pray:

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, Your mercy attends us all our days. Be our strength and support amid the wearisome changes of this world, and at life's end grant us Your promised rest and the full joys of Your salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## **THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

### **THE FIRST LESSON**

Zechariah 9:9-12

*(The Messiah King will come to bring peace and restore the nation.)*

<sup>9</sup>Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

Behold, your king is coming to you;

righteous and having salvation is he,

humble and mounted on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

<sup>10</sup>I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war horse from Jerusalem;

and the battle bow shall be cut off,

and he shall speak peace to the nations;

his rule shall be from sea to sea,

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

<sup>11</sup>As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

<sup>12</sup>Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;

today I declare that I will restore to you double.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 7:14–25a

*(There is a constant struggle between wanting to do good and the pull of evil, only delivered by Christ.)*

<sup>14</sup>We know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. <sup>15</sup>I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate.

<sup>16</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. <sup>17</sup>So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. <sup>18</sup>For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. <sup>19</sup>For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. <sup>20</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.

<sup>21</sup>So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. <sup>22</sup>For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, <sup>23</sup>but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. <sup>24</sup>Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? <sup>25</sup>Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

***Alleluia! Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth; You have revealed these things to infants. Alleluia!***

## †THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 11:25-30

*(Jesus offers rest to the weary and burdened.)*

<sup>25</sup>At that time Jesus declared, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; <sup>26</sup>yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. <sup>27</sup>All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. <sup>28</sup>Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup>Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup>For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**HYMN OF THE DAY** “*Eternal Father, Strong to Save*” #717



1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, Whose arm hath bound the  
 2 O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain, O'er which our traf - fic  
 3 O Spir - it, whom the Fa - ther sent To spread a - broad the  
 4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, Our peo - ple shield in



rest - less wave, Who bidd'st the might - y o - cean deep Its  
 runs a - main By moun - tain pass or val - ley low; Wher -  
 fir - ma - ment; O Wind of heav - en, by Thy might Save  
 dan - ger's hour; From rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, Pro -



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we  
 ev - er, Lord, Thy peo - ple go, Pro - tect them by Thy  
 all who dare the ea - gle's flight, And keep them by Thy  
 tect them where - so - e'er they go; Thus ev - er - more shall



cry to Thee For those in per - il on the sea.  
 guard - ing hand From ev - 'ry per - il on the land.  
 watch - ful care From ev - 'ry per - il in the air.  
 rise to Thee Glad praise from air and land and sea.

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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.**

# HISTORICAL COMMENTS

Michael Bell

## THE HYMN

“God Bless Our Native Land”

#965



1 God bless our na - tive land; Firm may she ev - er stand  
2 So shall our prayers a - rise To God a - bove the skies;



Through storm and night. When the wild tem - pests rave, Rul - er of  
On Him we wait. Thou who art ev - er nigh, Guard-ing with



wind and wave, Do Thou our coun - try save By Thy great might.  
watch-ful eye, To Thee a - loud we cry: God save the state!

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## THE GATHERING OF GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

*(The gathering of gifts and offerings should be placed in the basket near the entrance of the worship area.)*

### † 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.

### † WORDS OF INSTITUTION FOR THE LORD’S SUPPER/ BLESSING OF BREAD AND WINE

## † THE INVITATION

P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always

**C: And also with you.**

P: The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, for the feast is ready.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

## THE DISTRIBUTION

(The distribution will be in your seats at the 8:30 a.m. service and Continuous Communion at the 10:00 a.m. service.)

## HYMN OF ASSURANCE

*“Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us”*

#711



1 Sav - ior, like a shep - herd lead us; Much we  
2 We are Yours; in love be - friend us, Be the  
3 You have prom - ised to re - ceive us, Poor and  
4 Ear - ly let us seek Your fa - vor, Ear - ly



need Your ten - der care. In Your pleas - ant pas - tures  
guard - ian of our way; Keep Your flock, from sin de -  
sin - ful though we be; You have mer - cy to re -  
let us do Your will; Bless - ed Lord and on - ly



feed us, For our use Your fold pre - pare.  
fend us, Seek us when we go a - stray.  
lieve us, Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.  
Sav - ior, With Your love our spir - its fill.



Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, You have  
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, Hear us  
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, Ear - ly  
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, You have



bought us; we are Yours. Bless - ed Je - sus,  
 chil - dren when we pray. Bless - ed Je - sus,  
 let us turn to You. Bless - ed Je - sus,  
 loved us, love us still. Bless - ed Je - sus,



bless - ed Je - sus, You have bought us; we are Yours.  
 bless - ed Je - sus, Hear us chil - dren when we pray.  
 bless - ed Je - sus, Ear - ly let us turn to You.  
 bless - ed Je - sus, You have loved us, love us still.

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## COMMUNION DISMISSAL

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

### †THE BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.**

### THE DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## THE CLOSING HYMN

*“America the Beautiful”*

Oh, beautiful for spacious skies,  
For amber waves of grain,  
For purple mountain majesties  
Above the fruited plain!  
America! America!  
God shed his grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood  
From sea to shining sea.

Oh, beautiful for pilgrim feet,  
Whose stern, impassioned stress  
A thoroughfare of freedom beat  
Across the wilderness!  
America! America!  
God mend thine ev'ry flaw,  
Confirm thy soul in self-control,  
Thy liberty in law.

O beautiful for heroes proved  
In liberating strife,  
Who more than self their country loved,  
And mercy more than life!  
America! America!  
May God thy gold refine,  
Till all success be nobleness,  
And every gain divine.

## TODAY'S SERVANTS

**Proclaimer:** Rev. Kevin Barron  
**Organist:** Barbara Sommer  
**Cantor/Reader:** Laura Higgins  
**Historian:** Michael Bell  
**IT Assistants:** Jim McWilliams, Bridget Jones

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## **\*\*OUR LIFE WITH GOD, July 5, 2020\*\***

### **WELCOME IN JESUS CHRIST!**

*Prayers for healing: Claire McDerby, Rev. Roy Axel Coats, Sue Bobo (Gina's friend), David Quiram, 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), 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, 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. 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](mailto:pastorkbarron@gmail.com).

**Two Year Anniversary: July 1<sup>st</sup> will mark Pastor Barron serving as our Pastor for two years. We thank God for sending him to be our Shepherd and ask God's continued blessing on his ministry among us. Pastor, Leslie, Caleb and Nate – we are so happy to have you here as part of Calvary's family.**

**We want to congratulate all Graduates of 2020 for completion of the requirements leading to their respective degrees from high schools or colleges!** Even though the lack of festivities during this pandemic time surrounding the graduations was not ever imagined by the young people or their families, we all are very proud of your accomplishments and wish you God's richest blessings in your future lives and career paths.

#### **Our Graduates list includes:**

**High School – Abigail Hinson, Nick Givens, Julianna Merendino, Myah Stokes, Jonathan Scruggs, Maeve Mackey, Sam Lassahn, Tori Lassahn, Emma Nolet, Marlon Smith.**

**College - Allison Sabatino, Sydney Segal, Savannah Seymour, Tomi Lucas, Rachel Lewis, Ben Lewis, Celeste Pinto.**

Please send in additional names of those connected to Calvary who are also celebrating this year.

#### **HOLD ON TO JESUS**

In the continued time of restrictions to our everyday lives, at home, at work, together with friends and family, we look to many different things to find a way to face them with confidence or stay strong through them. Apart from the Word of God, nothing is truly certain and nothing else is lasting. We have the eternal Word, Jesus Christ, as a gift from our heavenly Father. He supports us in the midst of life's uncertainties and brings us safely to victory through our struggles to "better than normal life" by His death and resurrection. We have His promise of eternal life and the promise of a sure and certain strength in the face of so many things that are uncertain in our world. "Peace I leave unto you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." (John 14: 27)

Grace Place team members and friends put together **75 MASKS** to be distributed to people in the community, one medical center, and one assisted living facility. Thanks for all the sewing!

On Wednesday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, Grace Place will host a **LUNCH & LEARN** session from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. with a premier speaker from Gilchrist Hospice in Towson, Marci Scher, and the multiple services they provide. A free lunch will be served but reservations are required, as seating is limited. Please email: [calvarylutheran.gpdir@gmail.com](mailto:calvarylutheran.gpdir@gmail.com)

Programs at Grace Place have been on hold for our COVID19 restrictions. However, the **GRIEFSHARE** sessions will start in October. Those who are interested in participating in the weekly classes, please email [calvarylutheran.gppdir@gmail.com](mailto:calvarylutheran.gppdir@gmail.com). There is so much sadness and grief in our community due to the coronavirus, share the invitation to those you know who are directly hurting.

**Calvary's Annual Backpack & School Supplies Event:** Calvary will be holding its annual neighborhood Backpack & Schools Supplies giveaway on Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, noon-3pm. Backpacks have been donated, so we're asking for your donations or cash support to fill the backpacks. There will be a large, marked bin in the entrance hallway where you can drop off supplies. Targeted supplies include: three ring binders, folders, spiral notebooks (wide rule), pencils, pens, crayons, erasers, glue and glue sticks, lined paper (wide rule), and rulers. See any Outreach Board member, Sunnie Bell, or Bridget Jones with any questions, to make cash donations, or to help out the day of the event. Your continued support of this community event is most appreciated!

**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.