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8:30 a.m. – outside
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“Lord, let my heart be good soil.”

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

“Forward in Faith and Mission”

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10 a.m.

July 12, 2020

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 “Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty” #901 st. 1-4



1 O - pen now thy gates of beau - ty; Zi - on, let me
2 Gra - cious God, I come be - fore Thee; Come Thou al - so
3 Here Thy praise is glad - ly chant - ed; Here Thy seed is
4 Thou my faith in - crease and quick - en; Let me keep Thy



en - ter there, Where my soul in joy - ful du - ty
un - to me. Where we find Thee and a - dore Thee,
du - ly sown. Let my soul, where it is plant - ed,
gift di - vine, How - so - e'er temp - ta - tions thick - en;



Waits for Him who an - swers prayer. Oh, how bless - ed
There a heav'n on earth must be. To my heart, O
Bring forth pre - cious sheaves a - lone, So that all I
May Thy Word still o'er me shine As my guid - ing



is this place, Filled with sol - ace, light, and grace!
en - ter Thou; Let it be Thy tem - ple now!
hear may be Fruit - ful un - to life in me.
star through life, As my com - fort in all strife.

† THE INVOCATION/CALLING

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

C: Amen.

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth.

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

✠ THE CONFESSION/ADMISSION OF SINS

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

(silence for reflection)

✠ THE FORGIVENESS/PARDON

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE PRAISE *“Now the Feast and Celebration”*

Refrain



Now the feast and cel - e - bra-tion, all of cre - a - tion

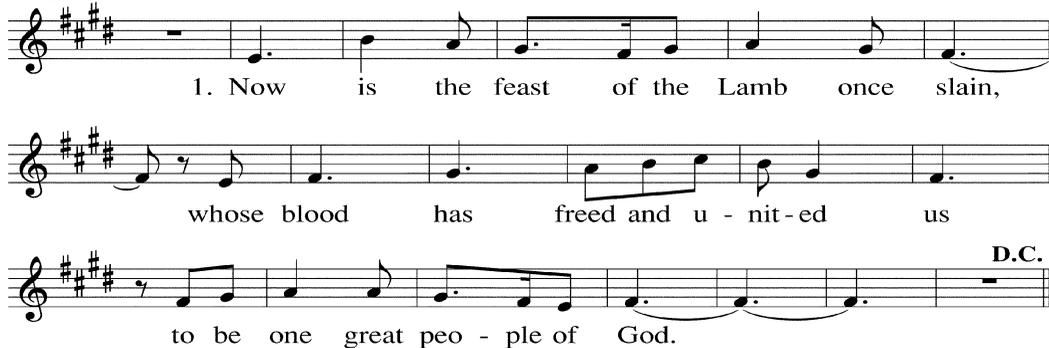


sings for joy, to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!

Verse 1



1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain,
whose blood has freed and u - nit - ed us
to be one great peo - ple of God. **D.C.**

Verse 2



2. Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and might, all hon - or and
glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er. **D.C.**

Verse 3



3. For God has come to dwell with us, to make us
peo - ple of God; to make all things new. **D.C.**

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THE PSALM 65

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion,
and to you shall vows be performed.

²O you who hear prayer,
to you shall all flesh come.

³When iniquities prevail against me,
you atone for our transgressions.

⁴Blessed is the one you choose and bring near,
to dwell in your courts!

We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house,
the holiness of your temple!

⁵ By awesome deeds you answer us with righteousness,
O God of our salvation,
the hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the farthest seas;
⁶ the one who by his strength established the mountains,
being girded with might;
⁷ who stills the roaring of the seas,
the roaring of their waves,
the tumult of the peoples,
⁸ so that those who dwell at the ends of the earth are in awe at your signs.
You make the going out of the morning and the evening to shout for joy.
⁹ You visit the earth and water it; ^[b]
you greatly enrich it;
the river of God is full of water;
you provide their grain,
for so you have prepared it.
¹⁰ You water its furrows abundantly,
settling its ridges,
softening it with showers,
and blessing its growth.
¹¹ You crown the year with your bounty;
your wagon tracks overflow with abundance.
¹² The pastures of the wilderness overflow,
the hills gird themselves with joy,
¹³ the meadows clothe themselves with flocks,
the valleys deck themselves with grain,
they shout and sing together for joy.

**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:

Almighty God, we thank You for planting in us the seed of Your Word. By Your Holy Spirit help us to receive it with joy, live according to it, and grow in faith and hope and love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 55:10–13

(God's Word accomplishes its purpose.)

¹⁰“For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven
and do not return there but water the earth,

making it bring forth and sprout,
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,

¹¹so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty,

but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

¹²“For you shall go out in joy
and be led forth in peace;
the mountains and the hills before you
shall break forth into singing,
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

¹³Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;
and it shall make a name for the LORD,
an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 8:12–17

(Children of God are led by the Spirit and live, not driven by the desires of the flesh.)

¹²So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. ¹³For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.

¹⁵For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs— heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

THE HYMN “*Lord, Let My Heart be Good Soil*” (sing twice)

Lord, let my heart be good soil,
open to the seed of your Word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil,
where love can grow and peace is understood.

When my heart is hard,
break the stone away.

When my heart is cold,
warm it with the day.

When my heart is lost,
lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart,

Lord, let my heart,

Lord, let my heart be good soil.

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✠ **THE HOLY GOSPEL**

Matthew 13:1–9, 18–23

(The Word of God is heard by many but not always understood or well received.)

¹That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ²And great crowds gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat down. And the whole crowd stood on the beach. ³And he told them many things in parables, saying: “A sower went out to sow. ⁴And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. ⁵Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, ⁶but when the sun rose they were scorched. And since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸Other seeds fell on good soil and produced grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹He who has ears, let him hear.

¹⁸“Hear then the parable of the sower: ¹⁹When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what has been sown in his heart. This is what was sown along the path. ²⁰As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy, ²¹yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while, and when tribulation or persecution arises on

account of the word, immediately he falls away. ²²As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. ²³As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Thy Strong Word”

#578 st. 1, 2, 3, 5



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At Thy
 2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, Dark as
 3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us righ - teous; Bright with
 5 Give us lips to sing Thy glo - ry, Tongues Thy



speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed
 night and deep as death, Broke the light of
 Thine own ho - li - ness, Glo - rious now, we
 mer - cy to pro - claim, Throats that shout the



light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run.
 Thy sal - va - tion, Breathed Thine own life - breath - ing breath.
 press toward glo - ry, And our lives our hopes con - fess.
 hope that fills us, Mouths to speak Thy ho - ly name.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! May the



Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
 light which Thou dost send Fill our songs with



al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
al - le - lu - ias, Al - le - lu - ias with - out end!

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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 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 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” #686



1 Come, Thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Tune my heart to
2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer, Hith - er by Thy
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con -
4 Oh, that day when freed from sin - ning, I shall see Thy



sing Thy grace; Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing,
help I've come; And I hope, by Thy good plea - sure,
strained to be; Let that grace now like a fet - ter
love - ly face; Clothed then in the blood - washed lin - en,



Call for songs of loud - est praise. While the hope of end - less
Safe - ly to ar - rive at home. Je - sus sought me when a
Bind my wan - d'ring heart to Thee: Prone to wan - der, Lord, I
How I'll sing Thy won - drous grace! Come, my Lord, no long - er



glo - ry Fills my heart with joy and love, Teach me
strang - er, Wan - d'ring from the fold of God; He, to
feel it; Prone to leave the God I love. Here's my
tar - ry; Take my ran - som'd soul a - way; Send Thine



ev - er to a - dore Thee; May I still Thy good - ness prove.
 res - cue me from dan - ger, In - ter - posed His pre - cious blood.
 heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts a - bove.
 an - gels soon to car - ry Me to realms of end - less day.

COMMUNION DISMISSAL

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in living-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; 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

“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”

#643



1 Sent forth by God’s bless - ing, Our true faith con - fess - ing,
 2 With praise and thanks - giv - ing To God ev - er - liv - ing,



The peo - ple of God from His dwell - ing take leave.
 The tasks of our ev - ’ry - day life we will face.

The Sup - per is end - ed. O now be ex - tend - ed
 Our faith ev - er shar - ing, In love ev - er car - ing,

The fruits of this ser - vice in all who be - lieve.
 Em - brac - ing His chil - dren of each tribe and race.

The seed of His teach - ing, Re - cep - tive souls reach - ing,
 With Your feast You feed us, With Your light now lead us;

Shall blos - som in ac - tion for God and for all.
 U - nite us as one in this life that we share.

His grace did in - vite us, His love shall u - nite us
 Then may all the liv - ing With praise and thanks - giv - ing

To work for God's king - dom and an - swer His call.
 Give hon - or to Christ and His name that we bear.

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TODAY'S SERVANTS

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Cantor/Reader: Bridget Jones
IT Assistants: Jim McWilliams, Bridget Jones

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****OUR LIFE WITH GOD, July 12, 2020****

WELCOME IN JESUS CHRIST!

Prayers for comfort: The family of Wendell Richter on his passing, the family of Christopher Daneker Sr. on his passing, the family of Brad Brintnall (BLHS/Concordia alumni) on his passing. Prayers for healing: Linda Davis, 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 Kretschmar, 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.

Two Year Anniversary: July 1st marked 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.

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 29th**, 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. The topic will be "COVID 19 and Caregivers." Weather permitting, we will be outside (70's), otherwise we will be in the Library/Music Room with A.C. and nearby restrooms, of course with social distancing except for families. **A free lunch will be served but reservations are required, as seating is limited. Please email: 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. 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 16th (please note date change)** noon -3 p.m. Backpacks have been donated, so we're asking for your donations or cash support to fill the backpacks. Although no one is really sure exactly what "school" will look like this year, we do feel families will still need basic 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). There will be a large, marked bin in the entrance hallway where you can drop off supplies. See any Outreach Board member, Sunnie Bell, or Bridget Jones with any questions or to make cash donations. Your help on the day of the event will be most appreciated as well - every precaution will be taken to be safe with each other and our neighbors. 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.

As we continue in our restricted living society these days, it helps our own health and well-being to look beyond our own homes and family to see those in need of help. Many have lost jobs, others have work hours lowered, and others need a helping hand with the children constantly home. Limited food is a major problem, which leaves no money for rent, gasoline for the family car, and ordinary extras like detergent from the store. Christ said "I was hungry and you fed me, I was thirsty and you gave me to drink, sick and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me." Look for Jesus in those around you, for He is often in disguise-- in the poor, the homeless, the sick, the stressed, and even the neighbor who just waves to you. Allow Him to use you as He wants. We can meet the needs in simple and direct ways as we share compassion and love to each child of God. **Reminder:** the office has packets of information for you or others you know on free food sites; saving a little money on food reserves the remaining for bills.

A memorial service was held for Nancy Brown on Saturday, July 11th, former member of Calvary and enthusiastic member of the Adult Choir. God's blessings to her family and friends.