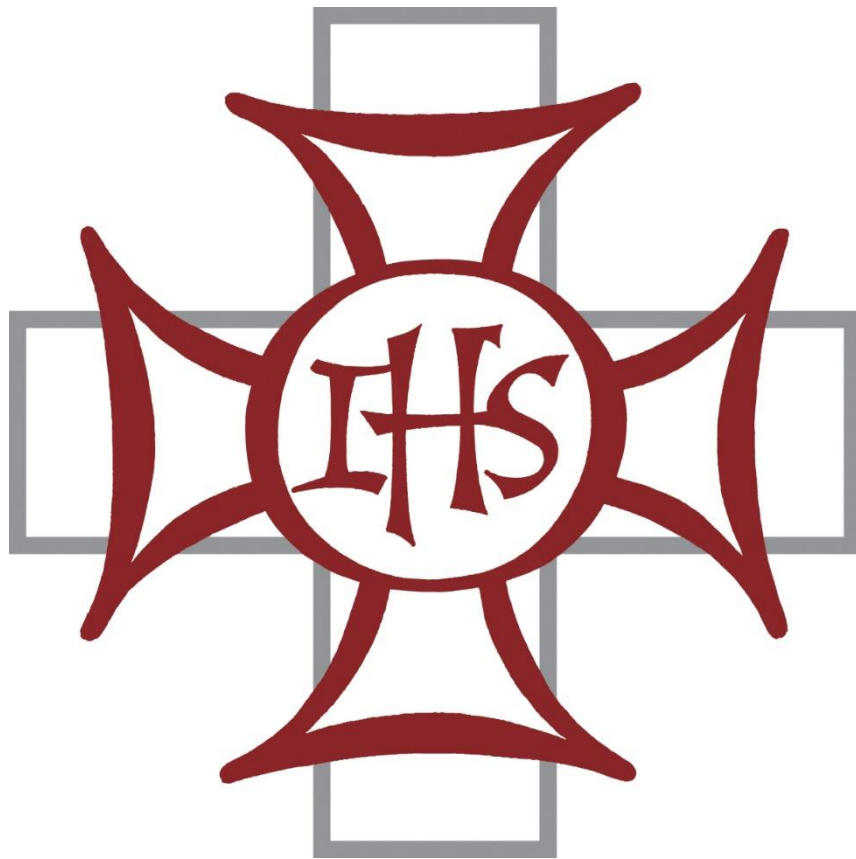


Ninth Sunday after Pentecost  
August 10, 2025



Mount Calvary Ev. Lutheran Church  
San Antonio, Texas

*We realize that it is difficult for some people to stand, or kneel, for long periods of time. Please feel free to sit as necessary during the liturgy and the prayers. Sitting during the confession is also appropriate for those who cannot kneel.*

## DIVINE SERVICE

### SETTING ONE

#### PRELUDE

*Stand*

#### PROCESSIONAL HYMN: Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good

LSB 819



1 Sing praise to God, the high - est good, The au - thor of cre -  
 2 What God's al - might - y pow'r has made, In mer - cy He is  
 3 We sought the Lord in our dis - tress; O God, in mer - cy  
 4 He nev - er shall for - sake His flock, His cho - sen gen - er -  
 5 All who con - fess Christ's ho - ly name, Give God the praise and



a - tion, The God of love who un - der - stood  
 keep - ing. By morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade  
 hear us. Our Sav - ior saw our help - less - ness  
 a - tion; He is their ref - uge and their rock,  
 glo - ry. Let all who know His pow'r pro - claim



Our need for His sal - va - tion. With heal - ing balm our  
 His eye is nev - er sleep - ing. With - in the king - dom  
 And came with peace to cheer us. For this we thank and  
 Their peace and their sal - va - tion. As with a moth - er's  
 A - loud the won - drous sto - ry. Cast ev - 'ry i - dol



souls He fills And ev - 'ry faith - less mur - mur stills:  
 of His might All things are just and good and right:  
 praise the Lord, Who is by one and all a - dored:  
 ten - der hand, He leads His own, His cho - sen band:  
 from its throne, For God is God, and He a - lone:



To God all praise and glo - ry!  
 To God all praise and glo - ry!  
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 To God all praise and glo - ry!

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Tune: Melchior Vulpus, c. 1570–1615

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*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**C Amen.**

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

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

1 John 1:8-9

*Kneel/Stand ~ Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

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

**© 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]*

[John 20:19-23]

**C Amen.**

*Stand*

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*Psalm 147:8–11; antiphon: v. 7*



Sing to the LORD with thanks- | giving;\*  
make melody to our God | on the lyre!

**He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain | for the earth;\*  
he makes grass grow | on the hills.**

He gives to the | beasts their food,\*  
and to the young ravens | that cry.

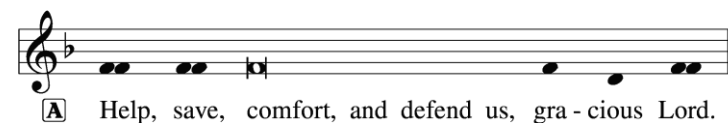
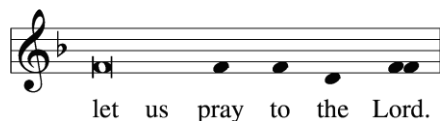
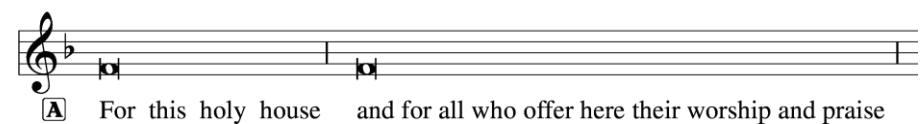
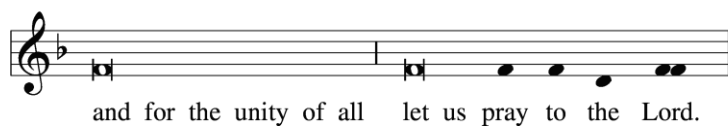
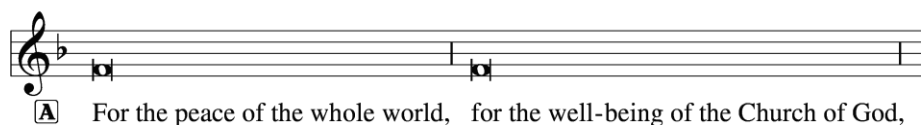
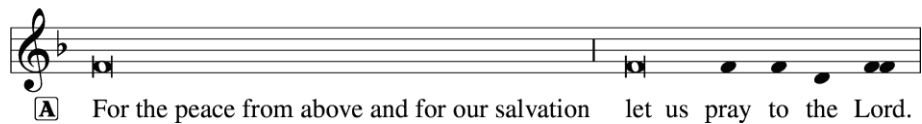
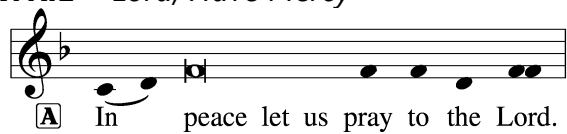
**His delight is not in the strength | of the horse,\*  
nor his pleasure in the legs | of a man,  
but the LORD takes pleasure in those who | fear him,\*  
in those who hope in his | steadfast love.**

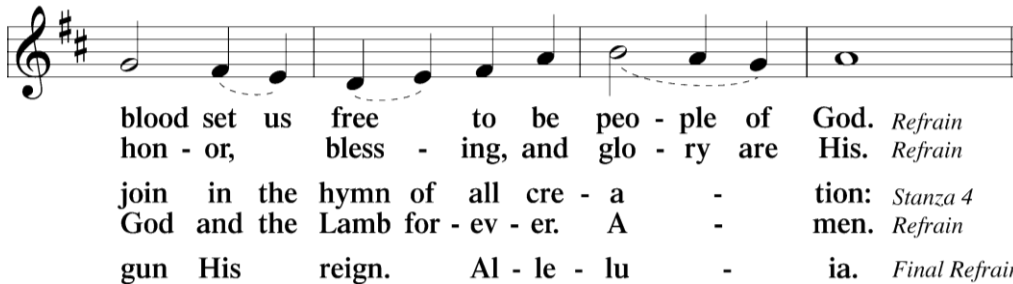
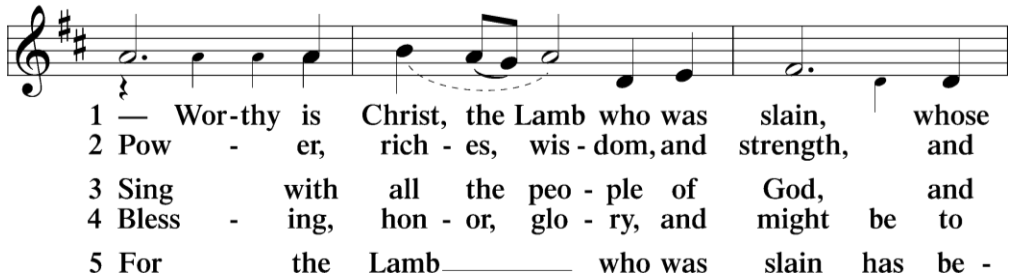
**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*  
and to the Holy | Spirit;  
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

Sing to the LORD with thanks- | giving;\*  
make melody to our God | on the lyre!

# KYRIE ~ Lord, Have Mercy

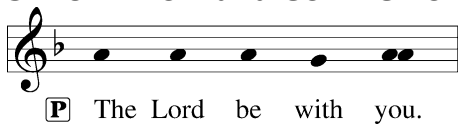
Mark 10:47





## SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

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2 Timothy 4:22

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, it is by Your grace that we live as Your people who offer acceptable service. Grant that we may walk by faith, and not by sight, in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

Genesis 15:1–6

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." <sup>2</sup>But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" <sup>3</sup>And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir." <sup>4</sup>And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir." <sup>5</sup>And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." <sup>6</sup>And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE**

Hebrews 11:1–16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. <sup>2</sup>For by it the people of old received their commendation. <sup>3</sup>By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible. <sup>4</sup>By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. <sup>5</sup>By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. <sup>6</sup>And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. <sup>7</sup>By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

<sup>8</sup>By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. <sup>9</sup>By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. <sup>10</sup>For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. <sup>11</sup>By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. <sup>12</sup>Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore. <sup>13</sup>These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. <sup>14</sup>For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. <sup>15</sup>If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. <sup>16</sup>But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## ALLELUIA AND VERSE

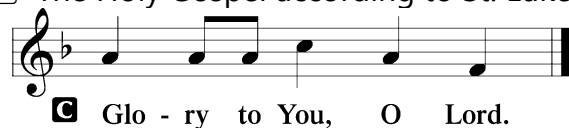
John 6:68



## HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 12:22-34

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.



[Jesus] said to his disciples, "Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat, nor about your body, what you will put on. <sup>23</sup>For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. <sup>24</sup>Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! <sup>25</sup>And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? <sup>26</sup>If then you are not able to do as small a thing as that, why are you anxious about the rest? <sup>27</sup>Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. <sup>28</sup>But if God so clothes the grass, which is alive in the field today, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! <sup>29</sup>And do not seek what you are to eat and what you are to drink, nor be worried. <sup>30</sup>For all the nations of the world seek after these things, and your Father knows that you need them. <sup>31</sup>Instead, seek his kingdom, and these things will be added to you.

<sup>32</sup>"Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. <sup>33</sup>Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. <sup>34</sup>For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,  
 2 Un - der the shad - ow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se - cure;  
 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood Or earth re - ceived her frame,  
 4 A thou - sand a - ges in Thy sight Are like an eve - ning gone,



Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home:  
 Suf - fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.  
 From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.  
 Short as the watch that ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.

- 5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,  
 Soon bears us all away;  
 We fly forgotten as a dream  
 Dies at the op'ning day.
- 6 O God, our help in ages past,  
 Our hope for years to come,  
 Be Thou our guard while troubles last  
 And our eternal home!

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**SERMON:** By Faith

HEBREWS 11:1-16

Rev. Mike Middaugh

*Stand*

## NICENE CREED

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is 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.**



## OFFERTORY: For the Beauty of the Earth

OAR 332



1 For the beau - ty of the earth, For the glo - ry of the skies,  
2 For the won - der of each hour Of the day and of the night,  
3 For Your-self, best gift di - vine To the world so free - ly giv'n;



For the love which from our birth O - ver and a - round us lies:  
Hill and vale and tree and flow'r, Sun and moon and stars of light:  
A - gent of God's grand de - sign, Peace on earth and joy in heav'n:

*Refrain*



Christ, our Lord, to You we raise This our hymn of grate-ful praise.

*Sit*

## GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Our offering is our way of saying, "Thank you" to God for all His gifts to us and to support His work here at Mt. Calvary and around the world. To all our guests this morning, we are happy to have you with us, but **you are under no obligation to give an offering**. But we would request your prayers for our ministry. We ask all present to please complete an attendance card found in the pew and place it in the offering plate in order that we have a record of your worshipping with us.*

## VOLUNTARY

*Stand*

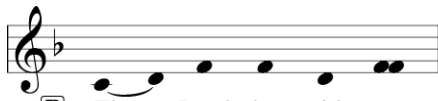
## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

1 Timothy 2:1-4

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

### PREFACE

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**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

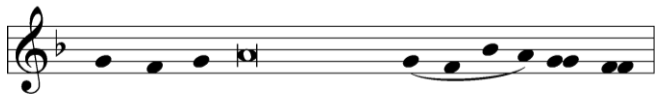


**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them to the Lord.

2 Timothy 4:22



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



**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## **SANCTUS**

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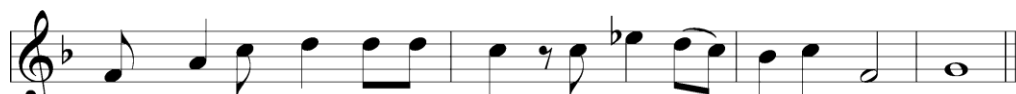
**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



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.

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on us and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

## 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.**

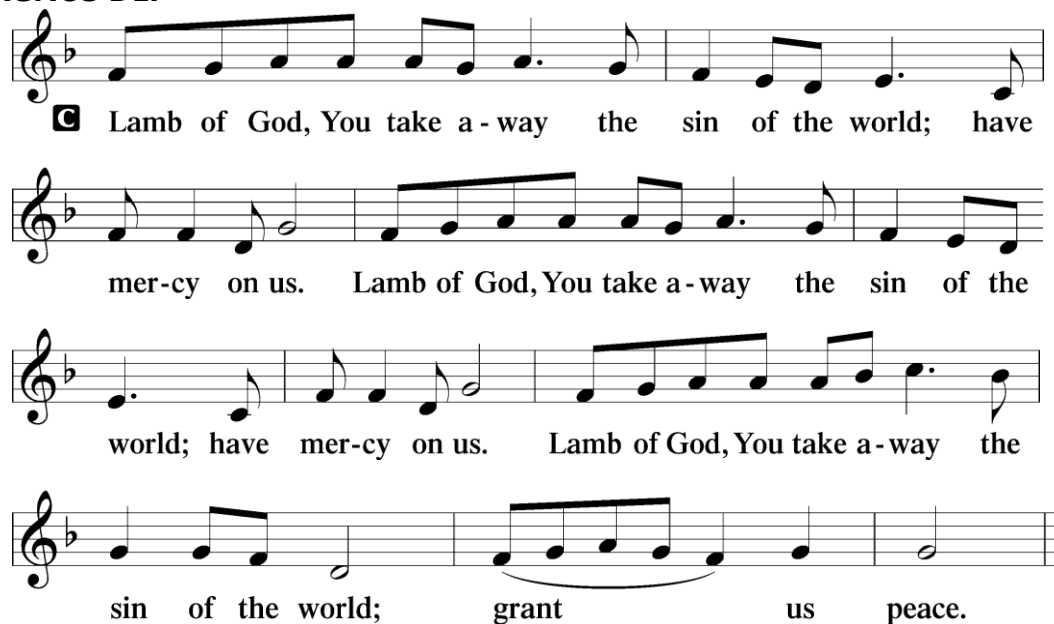
**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of me." In the same way also he took the cup after supper, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

## AGNUS DEI

LSB 163



**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.

*Sit*

## DISTRIBUTION

*The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:*

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.  
**Amen.**

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

**Amen.**

## DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

### OAR 257 Bread of Heaven, Living Manna

1 Bread of heav - en, liv - ing man - na,  
2 Bread of heav - en, liv - ing man - na,  
3 Bread of heav - en, liv - ing man - na,

Love and mer - cy You ex - ude;  
Sure Your prom - ise— faith - ful, true:  
Bread the an - cients nev - er knew;

Per - fect of - f'ring, free - ly giv - en  
"Take and eat; this bread here bro - ken  
You, Lord Je - sus, came from heav - en,

On the blood-marked Pas - chal rood;  
Is My bod - y giv'n for you.  
That our world be fed by You;

Bread un - leav - ened, Lamb un - blem - ished,  
Take and drink; this cup of bless - ing  
Now in You we nev - er hun - ger,

Free - ing sin - bound slaves from strife:  
Is My ver - y blood out - poured."  
And be - liev - ing, thirst no more;

Feed us on our des - ert jour - ney,  
With thanks - giv - ing— sins for - giv - en—  
Liv - ing in You, Lord, we ev - er

Ho - ly Je - sus, Bread of Life.  
We will ev - er bless You, Lord!  
Have our be - ing and a - dore.

### LSB 711 Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

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.

Text: Hymns for the Young, 1836, 4th ed., London, alt.

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## LSB 735 Have No Fear, Little Flock

1 Have no fear, lit - tle flock; Have no fear, lit - tle  
2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; Have good cheer, lit - tle  
3 Praise the Lord high a - bove; Praise the Lord high a -  
4 Thank - ful hearts raise to God; Thank - ful hearts raise to

flock, For the Fa - ther has cho - sen To  
flock, For the Fa - ther will keep you In  
bove, For He stoops down to heal you, Up -  
God, For He stays close be - side you, In

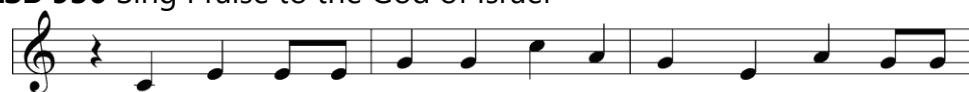
give you the King - dom; Have no fear, lit - tle flock!  
His love for - ev - er; Have good cheer, lit - tle flock!  
lift and re - store you; Praise the Lord high a - bove!  
all things works with you; Thank - ful hearts raise to God!

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## LSB 936 Sing Praise to the God of Israel



1 Sing praise to the God of Is - ra - el! Sing praise for His  
 2 God spoke by the proph - ets long a - go, His prom - ise on  
 3 You, child, will go on be - fore the Lord As proph - et, His  
 4 O bright, ris - ing Sun, now shine on us In need of il -



vis - i - ta - tion! Re - deem - ing His peo - ple from their sin,  
 oath re - call - ing— To A - bra - ham made in for - mer years:  
 way pre - par - ing; To speak on be - half of God Most High,  
 lu - mi - na - tion; Come scat - ter the shades of sin and death



Ac - com - plish - ing their sal - va - tion, Up - rais - ing a  
 Of van - quish - ing foes ap - pall - ing, That those He de -  
 His coun - sel of truth de - clar - ing: Rich mer - cy and  
 And shat - ter their dom - i - na - tion. Be guid - ing our



might - y horn with - in The house of His ser - vant Da - vid!  
 liv - ered from their fears Might glad - ly and tru - ly serve Him.  
 grace for all where - by In - iq - ui - ty is for - giv - en.  
 foot - steps on the path Of peace, in Your pres - ence dawn - ing!

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*Stand*

## THE DISMISSAL

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart  $\text{✠}$  in peace.

**C** Amen.

## POST COMMUNION CANTICLE ~ Thank the Lord (Divine Service Setting Two)

LSB 181



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev - 'ry-one what



He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -



joice 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 -



## POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

**P** Let us pray.

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.

## BENEDICTION

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

## RECESSIONAL HYMN: Come, We That Love the Lord

LSB 669



1 Come, we that love the Lord, And let our joys be  
2 Let those re - fuse to sing Who nev - er knew our  
3 The hill of Zi - on yields A thou - sand sa - cred  
4 Then let our songs a - bound, And ev - 'ry tear be



known; Join in a song with sweet ac - cord,  
God; But chil - dren of the heav'n - ly King,  
sweets Be - fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields,  
dry; We're march - ing through Em - man - uel's ground,



Join in a song with sweet ac - cord And thus sur -  
But chil - dren of the heav'n - ly King May speak their  
Be - fore we reach the heav'n - ly fields, Or walk the  
We're march - ing through Em - man - uel's ground To fair - er



round the throne, And thus sur-round the throne.  
joys a - broad, May speak their joys a - broad.  
gold - en streets, Or walk the gold - en streets.  
worlds on high, To fair - er worlds on high.



*Refrain*  
We're march - ing to Zi - on, Beau - ti - ful, beau - ti - ful Zi - on;



We're march-ing up-ward to Zi - on, The beau-ti-ful cit-y of God.

## POSTLUDE

**LSB** (Lutheran Service Book 2006)

**OAR** (On And All Rejoice 2021) Hymnal Supplement to LSB

## SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Presiding Minister: Rev. Mike Middaugh

Organist: Rev. Craig Meissler

Elders: Karl Johnson                      Mike Wille                      Lamar Gillian

Ushers: Steve Melancon              Martin Aguilar

Daniel Ochoa                      Wally Mencke

Greeters: Virginia Axtell              Lisa Gerlich

## HOLY COMMUNION

- If you are a member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and desire to take communion, please indicate on the Attendance Card found in the pew and place in the offering plate. Because participation in the Lord's Supper is a public declaration of the Christian Faith which is confessed at this altar (Acts 2:42; 1 John 1:3; 1 Tim. 1:3; 4:16; 6:3-10; 2 Tim. 1:13; Rom. 16:17) those who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, are asked to respectfully refrain from participation today and speak with a pastor after the Divine Service. If you are not communing but wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest once you are kneeled at the communion rail.
- Both the common cup and individual cups are offered at each table simultaneously. If you desire the common cup, please hold your hands open and the pastor will provide it to you, while the elders serve the individual cups. It is proper to take hold of the cup when receiving the common cup. This helps prevent spilling and greatly assist the pastor.

## ALCOHOL-REMOVED WINE/GLUTEN-FREE WAFERS AVAILABLE

- For those who are allergic, or for health reasons, and unable to drink regular wine, alcohol-removed wine is available for Holy Communion. The alcohol-removed wine is white in color and in the individual cups in the center of each tray.
- Gluten-free wafers are also available. Please notify one of the pastors before the service that you would prefer the gluten-free option. The reception of this wine and the gluten-free wafers in no way affects the theological meaning or benefits of this Sacrament.

**CHILDREN & WORSHIP** We love children and are happy they are here with us! Just as a child learns to speak by imitating the voice of mom or dad, so too a child learns to worship by participating in the service at an early age. If you have questions about how to incorporate your child into the worship life of the congregation in an age-appropriate way, please see one of the pastors. **Assistance for children with special needs during worship and Sunday school is also available – see an usher for details.** A **nursery** is also available. Parents can use it when quieting a child or changing a diaper. The service can be heard in the nursery. **Activity items** are available for your child(ren) in the narthex. Please make sure all items are returned at the end of the service.



**WELCOME TO WORSHIP** During this hour, God comes to us in His Word and Sacrament, and we respond in prayer and praise! Here are a few practical tips for minimizing distractions and maximizing participation:

- **IN ORDER THAT WE HAVE** a record of your worshipping with us, we would ask all present to **please complete an attendance card** found in the pew and place in the offering plate.
- We ask that you turn off or put away your phones and electronic devices so that you can participate fully in what God is doing during this special time dedicated to Him.
- While it is sometimes necessary to quiet an infant or toddler with a small snack or a bottle, **we ask that no other foods or beverages** be brought into the sanctuary.
- The ministerial staff is always available to you should you have spiritual care needs. Please contact the front office to arrange for pastoral care.

## **MIDWEEK STUDIES**

**Tuesday Morning Class** | Tues | 10:00-11:30am **Class resumes Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>.**

**Men's Study** | 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed | 6:00pm {Church gym} All men are invited! Contact Matt Wegner.

**Men's Study** | 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat | 8:00-9:30am {Parish Hall} The study of Acts. Led by Daniel Ochoa.

**Women's Study** | 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon | 7:30-8:30pm {Meets at members' homes} Contact Shirley Wille.

**Women's Study** | 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mon | 6:00-7:30pm {Library} Our topic is *Cultivating Contentment*.

## **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WORSHIP SERVICES** continue to be live streamed and archived on our website. Bible class/Sunday school for all ages is at 8:45am with our Divine Service at 10:00am.

**FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TODAY** to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for His many blessings by Pat & Marshall Leiber in honor of family birthdays; and by Jodi and John Sacks in memory of Jodi's parents.

**PRAYERS** – Anna Morrison, Alex Hansmann at Methodist Metro Rehab, Jan Miyauchi undergoing treatment, Natalie Russell, Patsy Bond, Ann McNeel, Jeff Harwood, Barbara Krywoszej, Sandy Krywoszej, Darrell Donnell, Heidi Farmer, Eulalia Aguilar, Joshua Gabel, Debbie Kuehling, Dave Weller, Hayley Trujillo, our home-bound members: Tammy Greinke, Katie Klann, Olga Mencke, Karen Price, Christine Prinz.

**PASTORAL CARE, VISITATION, & PRAYERS** – If it is your desire to share a health condition, hospitalization, or procedure for which you would like a pastoral visit, it is important for us to know as much information ahead of time as possible. Please contact the church office with all the pertinent information. If you are hospitalized or in rehab, it helps us a great deal to keep us updated as to where you are as well as the room number if possible. If you wish for you or your loved one to be included in the Prayers of the Church on Sunday morning, please contact the church office as soon as you can. **LORD'S SUPPER** – If you are physically unable to get to church and would like to receive the Lord's Supper in your home, please contact the church office so that we can schedule a date and time with one of the pastors.



**SANDWICHES FOR CAM – JOIN US!** We have been preparing **300 sandwiches** two times per month for Christian Assistance Ministries. (CAM). CAM currently distributes 300 sandwiches **per day** to those in need in our community. Please consider volunteering an

hour of your time to help with the sandwich making. Interested? **THE NEXT SANDWICH MAKING DAY WILL BE THIS TUESDAY, AUGUST 12<sup>TH</sup> AT 10:00AM.**



**YOU CAN HELP FUND THE PURCHASE OF SANDWICH SUPPLIES BY MAKING A CONTRIBUTION IN THE BREAD BOX LOCATED ON THE TABLE IN THE NARTHEX.**

**NO BRAILLE** during the month of August.

**NO QUILTING** during the month of August.

**THE YOUTH ARE DOING A BACK-TO-SCHOOL SHOE DRIVE** for the month of July and we are asking the congregation to join us in collecting new and gently used kids tennis shoes for Zapatos, Inc of San Antonio. Zapatos, Inc distributes tennis shoes to the children in our local area who need Zapatos most and we thought this would be a great drive to do right before kids head back to school. There will be a box in the gym for collection. You can also provide monetary donations on their website [www.zapatosinc.org](http://www.zapatosinc.org). Let them know you are with Mount Calvary and they will let us know our total impact at the end of our drive.

**SHARED SPACE** – We are asking all individuals/groups to remember to clean up after themselves. Much of our space is shared with others and it is not fair for others to clean and put up after someone else. If you spill something, clean it up. If you use any dishes in either kitchen, **please wash, dry, and put them back where they belong**. If you use the refrigerators, please note that items left in there for an extended period will be thrown away in their containers. Thank you for your help!

**CONCORDIA PUBLISHING HOUSE** is having a Bible sale! The 2025 Bible Sale is going on now, and you can take 25% off with code BIBLES25. That's 25% off a new children's Bible, a devotional Bible, or even a genuine leather study Bible. Go to [www.CPH.org](http://www.CPH.org) to order.

**BIBLES NEEDED! CHRISTIAN ASSISTANCE MINISTRY** is in need of bibles. If you have any bibles at home that you no longer need, please consider donating them to CAM. Remove any personal information from them before donating. A bin for CAM is available in the Parish Hall foyer.

**CHRISTIAN ASSISTANCE MINISTRY (CAM)** in desperate need of 1 lb bags of rice. Your donations are greatly appreciated!

**ANIMAL DEFENSE LEAGUE URGENT NEEDS:** Canned Dog Food, Canned Cat Food, Blankets, Dog Treats, XL KONG Toys, Bottles, KMR (1st step), Puppy Esbilac, Puppy pads, Miracle nipples, Food scales, Heating pads, and Warming discs. All food items should be unopened. Please separate newspapers and empty medicine bottles into bags.

**THE LUTHERAN HOUR – August 17<sup>th</sup>, "The Stuttering Man of Destiny"** Guest Speaker: Dr. Oswald Hoffmann. Archives August--Dr. Oswald Hoffmann recounts the story of Moses. (Exodus 4:10-12) Times/Stations: 6:00am on WOAI 1200; 9:00am on KAWZ 88.7 FM; or 8:00am on KWED 1580 AM (Seguin).

**READ, LISTEN, WATCH** – 1517.org is a nonprofit organization that exists to declare and defend the Good News that you are forgiven and free on account of Christ alone. 1517 features hundreds of podcasts, articles, and videos all with the purpose of preaching and teaching Reformation Theology and Christ for You. 1517 is a completely free resource thanks to partnership and support from dozens of LCMS churches here in Texas, and around the country. If you have not already, go to 1517.org to access their large library of online resources.



**A LIFE QUOTE FOR SUNDAY, August 10<sup>th</sup>:** "Our Lord Jesus Christ assures us that the Heavenly Father makes His love for our kind evident in sunshine and rainfall (Matthew 5:45) along with sparrows and lilies (Matthew 6:25-33). So, we may expect to learn about the sanctity of every human life not only from His Word but also from His world." *Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)*

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK**      Sunday – 133      Adult Class – 57      PreK-HS - 5

<b>Giving:</b>	<u><b>Jan</b></u>	<u><b>Feb</b></u>	<u><b>March</b></u>	<u><b>April</b></u>	<u><b>YTD</b></u>
	\$ 51,229	\$87,393	\$51,045	\$68,964	\$258,631
<b>Expenses:</b>	\$ 63,634	\$81,121	\$57,366	\$116,499	\$318,620
<b>Giving:</b>	<b>May - \$34,740</b>	<b>June - \$54,921</b>			
<b>2025 Budget:</b>	Yearly: \$936,894	Monthly: \$78,075	Weekly: \$18,018		

### CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 10, 2025

Today	8:30am	Fellowship/Coffee
	8:45am	Sunday school/Adult Bible class
	10:00am	Divine Service w/ Holy Communion
Monday	6:00pm	Women's Bible Study
Tuesday	10:00am	CAM Sandwich Making
Wednesday		<b>NO QUILTING</b>
Friday	7:00pm	AA – Shook Big Book Group {Parish Hall}
Saturday	8:00am	Men's Bible Study
Next Sunday	8:30am	Fellowship/Coffee
	8:45am	Sunday school/Adult Bible class
	10:00am	Divine Service w/ Holy Communion

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

August

10	Carolyn Royce
11	Darrell Donnell
	Laine Lane
	Kurt Leiber
	Karen Twiefel
12	Louree Greehey
14	Joy Miller
	Ge Newman
16	David O. Cobb
	Don Farris



### **MOUNT CALVARY STAFF**

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