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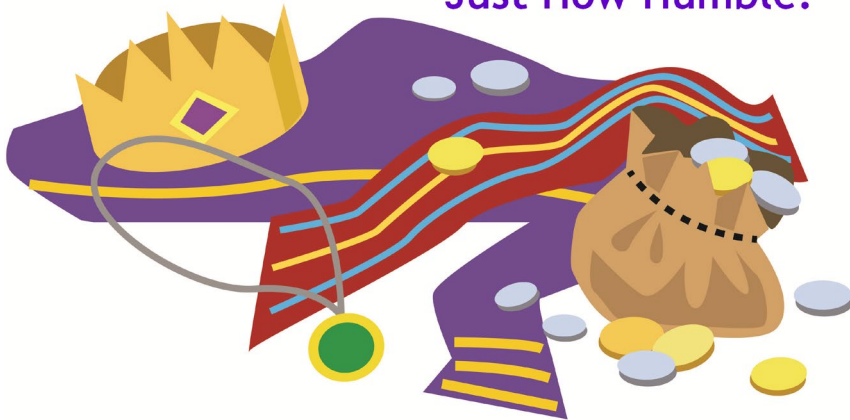
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"Good Teacher,

what must I do to
inherit
eternal life?"

Just How Humble?



WELCOME HOME... Whoever you are...Wherever you come from... Whatever your faith...We're glad you're here to worship with us today. Our prayer and desire is that each will experience the love of Christ and reflect that love in our relationship with one another. We are happy people who for over 70 years have been organized as a caring community of living persons worshipping God and building faith, hope and love into human hearts and home! Please fill out the attendance pad indicating your attendance today.

AS WE GATHER

Growing in the Christian faith means, among other things, an increase of loyalty and love toward our God of grace and a decrease in attachment to and reliance on the illusive promises of the things of this world. This morning Jesus spells out more completely how we can grow in our faith through a question from a rich young man who struggled to prioritize his life.

HEADSETS are available for the hearing impaired. Please notify a greeter or usher if you need one.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION ~ (Communion on 1st & 3rd Sundays)

As Lutherans, we believe that the Body and Blood of Christ are truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine when we receive the Sacrament. We do not believe that the bread and wine somehow mystically "change" into something other than bread and wine, nor do we believe that the bread and wine merely "represent" Christ's Body and Blood; rather we are bound by the words of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ when He said, ***"Take, eat, this is My body" and "Take, drink, this is My blood"***. We believe and teach that when we receive the bread and wine, we are truly receiving the Body and Blood of Christ (because of His divine words). We, therefore also believe the Sacrament of Holy Communion is more than just a memorial, we believe it is Christ truly coming to us and offering His Body and His Blood in an outward sign of His love for us and as an outward assurance of the forgiveness He won for us by His death on the Cross. If you believe this and are baptized, and are repentant of your sins, we would welcome you to commune with us. If you are in doubt, please do not take communion until you have spoken to the Pastor or an Elder. (White grape juice is offered for those who are unable to partake of the red wine. For identification, the cups are placed in the center of the tray. Gluten Free wafer are also in the individual cups of the tray)

GATHERING OF THE TITHES AND OFFERINGS is an act of worship that has been part of Christian worship for decades. It is the Christian's response to the generosity of God and a commitment made between them and Him. At Calvary we have two ways to respond, by using the boxes at the entrances to the sanctuary- or by placing it in the plates as they are passed along the pew.

Flowers on the Altar today are given to the Glory of God by Linda Duvall

OPENING HYMN *"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"*

549, Sta1,2,6,7

INVOCATION AND OPENING VERSICLES

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

C: Amen.

P: When I told of my ways, You answered me;

C: teach me Your statutes! Psalm 119:26

P: "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all

C: and servant of all." Mark 9:35b

P: A harvest of righteousness is sown in peace

C: by those who make peace. James 3:18

P: Let us confess our sins to God our Father and so be at peace.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

(Silence for reflection)

P: O Almighty God,

C: we confess to You that we have sinned against You and against one another. In our pride we have neglected our worship, our fellowship, and our care for our neighbor. In Your mercy and grace, forgive us, and renew us that we may humbly follow in Your ways and be peacemakers among our brothers and sisters; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. 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 the Word I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. Peace be with you.

C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE **"Glory Be to God the Father"**

Isb 506 stanza 1

**Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit: Great Jehovah, Three in One!
Glory, glory While eternal ages run!**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray:

All: God, you call us into your ministry to the world and invite us to sing and tell your story to everyone. Teach us how to be those who plant seeds of faith by bearing witness to all we have experienced in relationship with you. Amen!

+ WORD +

FIRST LESSON

Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Seek the LORD and live, lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph,
and it devour, with none to quench it for Bethel,

⁷ O you who turn justice to wormwood and cast down righteousness to the earth!

¹⁰ They hate him who reproves in the gate, and they abhor him who speaks the truth.

¹¹ Therefore because you trample on the poor and you exact taxes of grain from him,
you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not dwell in them;
you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.

¹² For I know how many are your transgressions and how great are your sins—
you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and turn aside the needy in the gate.

¹³ Therefore he who is prudent will keep silent in such a time, for it is an evil time.

¹⁴ Seek good, and not evil, that you may live;
and so the LORD, the God of hosts, will be with you, as you have said.

¹⁵ Hate evil, and love good, and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the LORD, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM (*Our only trust is in God.*)

Psalm 119:25-32

P: My soul clings to the dust;

C: **give me life according to Your Word!**

P: When I told of my ways, You answered me;

C: **teach me Your statutes!**

P: Make me understand the way of Your precepts,

C: **and I will meditate on Your wondrous works.**

P: My soul melts away for sorrow;

C: **strengthen me according to Your Word!**

P: Put false ways far from me

C: **and graciously teach me Your Law!**

P: I have chosen the way of faithfulness;

C: **I set Your rules before me.**

P: I cling to Your testimonies, O Lord;

C: **let me not be put to shame!**

P: I will run in the way of Your commandments

C: **when You enlarge my heart!**

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son*

C: **and to the Holy Spirit;**

P: as it was in the beginning,*

C: **is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 3:12-19

¹²Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. ¹³But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. ¹⁴For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. ¹⁵As it is said, “Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.”

¹⁶For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? ¹⁷And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? ¹⁸And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? ¹⁹So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL (*Whoever would be first must be last and servant of all.*) *Mark 10:17-22*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the tenth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁷And as he was setting out on his journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ¹⁸And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good except God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: ‘Do not murder, Do not commit adultery, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Do not defraud, Honor your father and mother.’” ²⁰And he said to him, “Teacher, all these I have kept from my youth.” ²¹And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, “You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.” ²²Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON HYMN *"Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us"* Isb 851, Stanza 1,2,4

SERMON *"Just How Humble, Lord?"* *Chaplain Erik Neider*

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PRAYER QUILT BLESSING

PRAYERS

OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"We Give Thee But Thine Own"

Isb 781 sta 1 & 2

LORD'S PRAYER

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

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.

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord

C: Thanks be to God!

CLOSING HYMN

"Savior, Again to Your Dear Name"

Isb 917 sta 1 & 2

Thank you for worshipping with us.

We Pray For . . .

PEACE IN THE WORLD

President Trump and our Country, State, and City Leaders; - For our Calvary Family serving in the Armed Forces: Thomas Caspersen U.S. Navy, Shelby McKemy, U.S.M.C, Jonathan Ellis U.S.M.C., Talitha Benz U.S.M.C. Jordan Jendersee, U.S. Army; Steven Derrick Arndt U.S. Navy, USS Coronado, Colter King, Victor Mitchell US Navy

CANCER WARRIORS

Ralph Foskett; Carmen Caspersen, Gisela Binder, Jane Arndt

HEALING

Kevin Dorr; Gene Curler, Irene Berndt, Paul Hoffman and Paul Hoffman Jr.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Birthdays: Linda Duvall & Virginia Oliver 14th Sandi Elliott 18th Anniversaries: none

EXPECTANT MOTHERS

Vicki Blank due in January

Did You Know . . .

Help Needed: Coffee servers on Fridays, 9:45 – 10:45 a.m. at Wittenberg Manor. Contact Linda Dutton at 510 584-6724 if you are able to help weekly or occasionally.

Free Grief Share Classes at Prince of Peace – 13 weekly sessions beginning Nov 10th. A special “Surviving the Holidays” session will be held Nov. 3rd from 9am – Noon. Call POP at 793-3366 to register or see the flyers on the table in the narthex.

Lea’s School Fall Festival (Pumpkin Patch) will be held on Friday, October 19. We'll start setting up at 8:30 a.m. if anyone would like to help with this. Parishioners are invited to help with manning booths, games etc. Lots of fun! Fellowship with parents. Great getting acquainted/bonding activity. The children come out at 9:45 a.m... Fun starts at 10 a.m. ends about 11:30 a.m. Cleanup begins once the children are in the classroom.

FYI: Flowers are needed for the first Sunday in November just in case someone has a desire to fill that spot. Thank You.

Reformation Offering: Have you ever wanted to give a boost of encouragement to someone who is doing selfless and sacrificial Christ - centered work? Your gifts through the Reformation Offering did this last year for Caleb, Terry, Audrey, Eric, and others. “It is always about Jesus.” We will receive a special Reformation Offering on October 28th. Please prayerfully consider your response.

Amazon Smile: Thank you to everyone that has been using Amazon Smile. As you know we get donation checks from Amazon whenever you make purchases on Amazon Smile and link it to Calvary Lutheran. This is another of our third Source funding, aka Free Money.

SCRIP (gift cards) purchase gift cards and a percentage is given to Calvary. We have a small inventory but 100s of vendors available for order. Special orders take 2 weeks but for \$5 extra you can receive it in a week. Some cards can be refilled. Available in office Tuesday - Thursday 9a.m. - 2p.m. Sunday after church at the information booth. Cash or checks accepted.

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Office Depot 5% given back. Use ID number 70014535 on every purchase.

Choice dollars Assign to Calvary from qualifying Thrivent products.

We thank Chaplain Erik Neider for his message today and for leading us in worship.

Reformation Festival Service/Oktoberfest - October 28th at Zion Lutheran in Piedmont. The service is at 2:00pm followed by an Oktoberfest celebration dinner with live polka music by the Joe Smiell Band. Tickets are \$15 for children and \$5 for children under 12. You can purchase them online at www.zionlutheran.net or before or after the service.

New LCEF Investment Opportunity Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) is celebrating their 40th Anniversary with a special investment opportunity. You can earn 4% on a 40-month term note. Plus, your investment enables LCEF to help finance new church buildings. Act soon because it's a limited time offer. More details and an application are available at www.cnh-lcms.org under the LCEF tab.

Scheduled Ministry this Week at Calvary

Today	9:00 a.m. 10:15	Worship Service Bible Class
Wednesday	9:00 a.m. 11:30	Prayer Quilt Ministry Prayer Gathering – conference room
Sunday (21 st)	9:00 a.m.	Worship/Communion

Attendance Last Week

2018 9:00 a.m.—61
2017 9:00 a.m.—57

Giving Report Last Week

\$6,031.00
\$5,693.00

Service Participants

Preacher: Chaplain Erik Neider
Organist: Barbara Adams
Greeters: Sandi Elliott & Audrey Ohanesian
Gatherers: Steve Ellis
Usher: Lyle Kreger & Bill Oliver
Reader/Children's Message: Hank Blank

Elder Board

Hank Blank
Gerry Luehrs
Dave Mueller
Dave Schultz