

# Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church

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**Re / Action**

(it happens when Jesus shows up)

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**Welcome to Calvary!** Thank you for joining us this morning as we worship the God who made us, redeemed us, and calls us his family. I don't know the story which brings you here this morning, but I fully believe God intends to use this time to speak to you. Some of the notes below will help as you engage in worship here at Calvary. At the end of this worship folder you'll find notes on other events and activities. I am glad you're here this morning! God's Peace, Pastor Matt

**Parents with Young Children:** Children are always welcome in worship. If you or your child need some extra space to move about or play, you are welcome to use the toddler room in the back rear corner of the worship space. There are some toys, a changing table, and a window into worship. A parent must accompany their child in the toddler room.

**The Lord's Supper** is celebrated today during worship. God's word tells us that in receiving the bread and wine we also receive the body and blood of Jesus, and the forgiveness they bring. This is an event where forgiveness is received tangibly by faith. The Lord's Supper is for those followers of Jesus and members of his church who believe these things to be true. It is a meal for those who have come to faith, been baptized, and are growing in both knowledge of faith and the community of faith.

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Coming to the Lord's Supper is saying yes to these things:

- I believe all that we confess in the creeds of the Christian Church (Apostles Creed, Nicene Creed (both are found on the front and back inside covers of the hymnals).
- I have been brought into the family of God by baptism in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
- I believe that with the bread and wine we receive the body & blood of Jesus which forgives sin and strengthens faith (this is not the only place forgiveness is received, but in this meal forgiveness is made uniquely tangible).
- I desire full forgiveness & change of life. I repent of all my past sins and desire, by God's grace, to live differently, now and in the future.
- I will faithfully encourage and challenge my brothers and sisters in Christ in the gospel, and I ask them to do the same for me.

If you have any questions or simply want to talk about anything mentioned here, please Pastor Matt or any elder know. We can find time after service or during the week to connect.

**Offerings and Tithes** are gathered as an act of worship this morning. This is our response to the generosity of our God. Offerings can be placed in the plates when they are passed through the pews during worship, or they can be placed in the boxes at the entrance to our worship space. Thank you to all who generously support ministry through this church community.

**Headsets** are available for the hearing impaired. Please notify an usher if you desire one.

**WELCOME**

**INVOCATION SONG**

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

LSB 905

**OLD TESTAMENT & CONFESSION**

Jeremiah 17:5-8

R: Thus says the Lord:

“Cursed is the man who trusts in man and makes flesh his strength,  
whose heart turns away from the Lord.

He is like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see any good come.

He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

P: God’s word can be difficult to hear

**C: Especially when it hits so close to home**

P: What might it mean to trust in man?

**C: It brings to mind the hope we place in governments, employers, family and others.**

P: What could it mean to make flesh your strength?

**C: It calls out our self-sufficiency which displaces our dependence on God and his people.**

P: Why does the prophet mention hearts turning away from the Lord.

**C: Because God’s people had sought joy, confidence and purpose in other things. Sadly, we have too.**

P: So, God’s word has brought you to repentance?

**C: Yes, it has. Now we desire to hear his word of forgiveness and restoration.**

P: That is his desire too. He promised in his word that if we confess our sins he will prove himself faithful and just, and he will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

You have confessed, and he is faithful. You are forgiven! You are restored! In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen

R: “Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord.

He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream,  
and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green,

and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit.”

R: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## EPISTLE READING

1 Corinthians 15: 12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? <sup>13</sup> But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. <sup>14</sup> And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. <sup>15</sup> We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. <sup>16</sup> For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. <sup>17</sup> And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. <sup>18</sup> Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. <sup>19</sup> If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.

<sup>20</sup> But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

R: The Word of the Lord:

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## SONG

“In Christ Alone”

## HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 6: 17-26

R: The Holy Gospel according to St Luke, the sixth chapter.

And he came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, <sup>18</sup> who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. And those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. <sup>19</sup> And all the crowd sought to touch him, for power came out from him and healed them all.

<sup>20</sup> And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

<sup>21</sup> “Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you shall be satisfied.

“Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh.

<sup>22</sup> “Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and revile you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man! <sup>23</sup> Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets.

<sup>24</sup> “But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

<sup>25</sup> “Woe to you who are full now, for you shall be hungry.

“Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep.

<sup>26</sup> “Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets.

R: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you O Christ.**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**SONG** "May We Thy Precepts, Lord, Fulfill" LSB 698

**SERMON**

**NICENE CREED** (printed in the back of the hymnal)

**OFFERING**

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (printed in the back of the hymnal)

**THE LORD'S SUPPER**

**SONGS DURING THE DISTRIBUTION**

Take My Life and Let It Be LSB 783  
Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness (v1-4) LSB 636 (v1-4)

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**BLESSING**

**CLOSING SONG** "From All That Dwell Below the Skies" LSB 842

*Thank you for worshiping with us. Please accept our invitation to come often.*

Flowers on the altar today are given to the Glory of God  
by Maren Gianinni in honor of sister, Linda's Birthday.

## **We Pray For . . .**

**For Family Serving in Harms Way:** *Thomas Caspersen U.S. Navy, Shelby McKemy, 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, Jane Arndt, Jonathan Ellis, (Steve's brother)*

### **Healing**

*Kevin Dorr; Gene Curler, Irene Berndt, Paul Hoffman and Paul Hoffman Jr. Norma Werth, Sandra Elliott, Carole Adams*

### **Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week**

*Birthdays: none Anniversaries: none*

## ***Did You Know . . .***

**Congregational Meeting TODAY** following the worship service. We will discuss and voting on the 2019 Budget. Please make every effort to stay for this meeting. Faithful visitors are welcome to attend without voting.

**House Warming** at Pastor Matt & Sherrah's today from 2-5pm. You are all invited. Their address is 15832 Via Cordova, San Lorenzo.

**Lea's Christian School** will be having their annual Fundraising Auction on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. and you are all invited to attend. Raffle tickets will be available via Margie Luehrs on Sunday mornings, beginning March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

**Want Some Inspiration for Mission?** Join friends from Calvary as we head to Stockton for the CNH District Missions Conference on Saturday, March 16. We've got plenty of seats and we want to bring more people along. We'll leave from church at 8:00am and return by 5:00pm. Speak with one of the elders or Pastor Matt if you'd like to be added to the group. Cost is \$25 which includes lunch and lots of great conversation!

**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 CalvaryShop with SCRIP (gift cards). We keep a small inventory and we place our orders on Sunday afternoon (2 p.m.) so that you will receive your cards by the next Sunday. **NEW** - You may also shop and place your order online, reload cards, and get e-cards. To order online you must register and sign up for Prestopay at [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com). If you would like to only reload cards contact Margie Luehrs. We can work out something without Prestopay. Enrollment code: 9AF2LD9C9L86.

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**Choice dollars** Assign to Calvary from qualifying Thrivent products.

### Scheduled Ministry this Week at Calvary

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| Today     | 9:00 a.m. | Worship Service                    |
|           | 10:15     | Voter's Meeting (Budget)           |
| Wednesday | 9:00 a.m. | Prayer Quilters                    |
|           | 11:30     | Prayer Gathering – conference room |

### Attendance Last Week

2018 9:00 a.m.—63  
2017 9:00 a.m.—51

### Giving Report Last Week

\$4,112.00  
\$2,382.00

### Service Participants

Preacher: Pastor Matt Behrens  
Organist: Carmen Caspersen  
Greeters: Bev Green & Marian Holland  
Gatherers: Steve Arionus & Phil Glock

### Elder Board

Hank Blank  
Gerry Luehrs  
Dave Mueller  
Dave Schultz

Usher: Phil Caspersen  
Reader: Gerry Luehrs