



**MOUNT CALVARY
LUTHERAN**

*Lutheran Church –
Missouri Synod*

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WORSHIP

*Saturday
Praise & Worship
6:00 p.m.*

*Sunday
8:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.*

SUNDAY SCHOOL
Classes for all ages
9:30 a.m.

Andrew Howe
Senior Pastor

Pete LeBorious
Associate Pastor

Jamie Dick
Music Director

Katie Simmons
Director of
Contemporary Worship

Zachary Boeyink
Vicar

Jerry Bisping
Director of Christian
Outreach, Emeritus

*Life does not consist
in the abundance of
... possessions*



LUKE 12:15

As We Gather

Golfers enjoy getting a mulligan—a free shot or do-over. As we look back on our lives, we sometimes see times that we wish we could go back to and have a mulligan. We would like to be able to go back and make a different decision or fix a mistake we made. We cannot turn back time. God gives us something better. He gives us a new life—a fresh start that we get to celebrate every day as we remember our Baptism and the riches God gives us.

Holy Communion

Holy Communion is being celebrated today. It is the belief of the Lutheran Church, based on Jesus' own words, that in this Sacrament His body and blood are really present and that forgiveness of sins and the assurance of salvation are offered to all who come confessing their sins and believing in Him. Communion is therefore offered to those who share this confession of faith. Children who are not yet confirmed are invited to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing. Guests who may have questions about Communion at Mt. Calvary are encouraged to talk to Pastor Andrew or Pastor Pete.

PRELUDE**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING****OPENING HYMN:*****"God of Grace and God of Glory"*****Hymn #850****THE INVOCATION**

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

Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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.

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

(Please kneel)

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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE:

"Praise to the Lord the Almighty"

Hymn #790

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. Lord Jesus, You have set us free and made us a new creation, renewed in knowledge after the image of our creator. Empower us to live this new life in our families, with our friends, and to eat, drink, and find enjoyment in all the riches You graciously give us; for You reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12–14; 2:18–26 (*Enjoying your work is a gift from God.*)

² Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

¹² I the Preacher have been king over Israel in Jerusalem. ¹³ And I applied my heart to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven. It is an unhappy business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with. ¹⁴ I have seen everything that is done under the sun, and behold, all is vanity and a striving after wind.

¹⁸ I hated all my toil in which I toil under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to the man who will come after me, ¹⁹ and who knows whether he will be wise or a fool? Yet he will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. ²⁰ So I turned about and gave my heart up to despair over all the toil of my labors under the sun, ²¹ because sometimes a person who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave everything to be enjoyed by someone who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. ²² What has a man from all the toil and striving of heart with which he toils beneath the sun? ²³ For all his days are full of sorrow, and his work is a vexation. Even in the night his heart does not rest. This also is vanity.

²⁴ There is nothing better for a person than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil. This also, I saw, is from the hand of God, ²⁵ for apart from him who can eat or who can have enjoyment? ²⁶ For to the one who pleases him God has given wisdom and knowledge and joy, but to the sinner he has given the business of gathering and collecting, only to give to one who pleases God. This also is vanity and a striving after wind.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING: Colossians 3:1–11 (*Live as the people you are in Christ.*)

¹ If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³ For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

⁵ Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶ On account of these the wrath of God is coming. ⁷ In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. ⁸ But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. ¹¹ Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

This is the Word of the Lord.

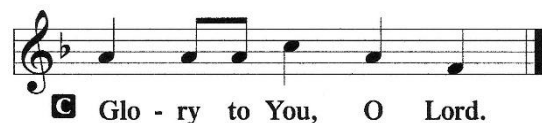
Thanks be to God.

THE ALLELUIA VERSE



THE HOLY GOSPEL IS ANNOUNCED:

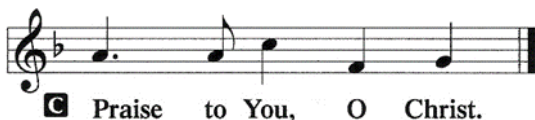
The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.



THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 12:13–21 (*Trust in the Giver of all that is good.*)

¹³ Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." ¹⁴ But he said to him, "Man, who made me a judge or arbitrator over you?" ¹⁵ And he said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions." ¹⁶ And he told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man produced plentifully, ¹⁷ and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' ¹⁸ And he said, 'I will do this: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods.' ¹⁹ And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.'" ²⁰ But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' ²¹ So is the one who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



THE 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 worshipped 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.

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

Vicar Zachary Boeyink

THE HYMN OF THE DAY:

"How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds"

Hymn #524

THE MESSAGE:

Pastor Andrew Howe

TIME OF RESPONSE: *Welcome to worship, we are so glad you are here! You are encouraged to fill out an Attendance Card (There is a side for both our guests and members to fill out, and If you will be coming forward for Holy Communion, please read and sign the "Announcement for Communion" portion of the Attendance Card.), place it in the offering plates, which are located at each entrance of the Sanctuary. If you have an offering, your offering may be placed in these plates, preferably before Worship begins. This helps our usher gather our offerings to bring forward and return them before God.*



If you would like to make your offering at Mount Calvary electronically, an easy way is to use the QR Code on the left to access the Vanco online giving option.

SONG OF RESPONSE:

"What Shall I Render to the Lord"

LSB 159

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRY STAFF BLESSING

THE PRAYERS: After each petition, the Worship Leader will say, *"Lord in Your mercy"*, and the congregation will respond, **"hear our prayer"**.

THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE PREFACE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

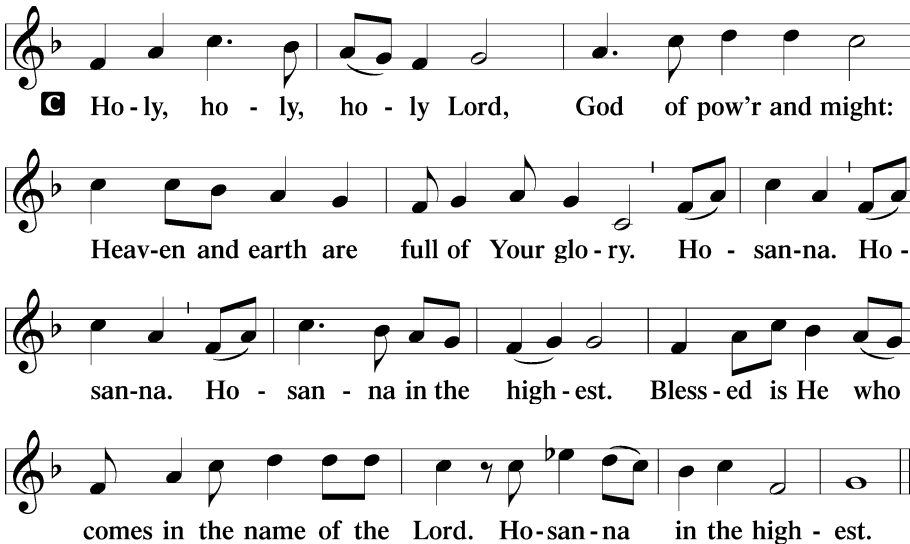
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

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, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



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.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

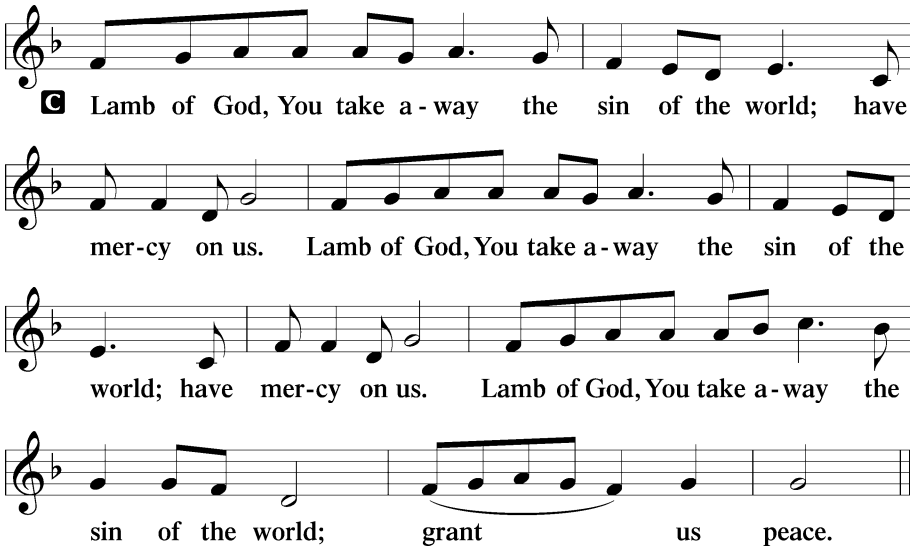
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.



G 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.

DISTRIBUTION *(Today, an Usher will invite your pew to come forward to receive the bread and individual cup or common cup. The center cups in each tray are white grape juice for those who cannot drink alcohol. There is a basket to put your used cup into.)*

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

"Take My Life and Let it Be"

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

Hymn #700

Hymn #784

Hymn #761

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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. **Amen.**

THE BENEDICTION

The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make His face shine on us and be gracious to us. The Lord look upon us with favor and give us peace.

Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN:

"Rejoice, the Lord is King"

Rejoice, the Lord is King!

Your Lord and King adore;

**Rejoice, give thanks, and sing,
And triumph evermore:**

Refrain

**Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**

**Our Savior Jesus reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When he had purged our stains,
He took his seat above (Refrain)**

**His kingdom cannot fail;
He rules o'er earth and heav'n;
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus giv'n (Refrain)**

**He sits at God's right hand
Till all his foes submit
And bow to his command
And fall beneath his feet (Refrain)**

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A MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

THE POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mount Calvary has received donations in memory of Bill Zeuner from Chris & Angela Selle, Beth Ann Warnock, Bob & Glenda Day and Don & Monelle Netzing.

Red Cross Blood Drive Results – Mt Calvary hosted another Red Cross blood drive on July 17th. The event resulted in **20 units of blood** being collected. I would like to thank all of the blood donors and volunteers that helped make our drive another success. If you can donate, the Red Cross is always looking for donors to participate in any of their local ongoing blood drives. Check their Redcrossblood.org website for locations and times. **Looking ahead, our next Mt Calvary blood drive is scheduled for Thursday, November 13th.** Please mark your calendar and spread the word about that date. Blood supplies are always in short supply but more so during the holiday season. Roger Moeller, Mt Calvary Blood Drive Coordinator.

Griefshare Support Group: Have you or someone you know experienced the pain of losing a loved one? Please consider joining us at GriefShare this August. A GriefShare support group is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief. Through this 13-week group, you'll discover what to expect in the days ahead and what's "normal" in grief. Since there are no neat, orderly stages of grief, you'll learn helpful ways of coping with grief, in all its unpredictability—and gain solid support each step of the way. Our first session is August 4th from 6-8 pm. Contact Tammy Jenkins, Pastor Andrew or griefshare.org for more information.

Teachers Needed! As we prepare for another year of Christian Education, we are still looking to add members to our Sunday School team. If you can help with teaching, crafts, scrapbooking, or movies, we would love for you to join us. Talk to Pastor Pete if you are able to help out with any of these ministry areas! We are currently making adjustments to our Wednesday night children's ministry... watch for more details.

Rebecca's Garden Volunteer Orientation Meeting: An orientation meeting for all those volunteering for the 25/26 Rebecca's Garden school year will be held on Saturday, August 23, from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. in the Mount Calvary Fellowship Hall. Please contact Karen Harmon at 478-918-3685 with any questions.

Wednesday Nights Resume: To try to reduce confusion over times, we have simplified our Wednesday Night schedule this Fall: Dinner is at 5:30. All classes (Adult, High School, Confirmation, and Children's Music) begin at 6:15. Choir begins at 7:30.

Team Building Retreat – Middle School Youth & Parents: Our Middle School Youth will gathering August 22nd & 23rd for a weekend of faith and fellowship building. Our Bible Study and Worship theme for the weekend is "Walking With God." In addition to Bible Studies and Worship we will be doing team building activities. The event goes from 5:00 Friday evening to 5:00 Saturday evening. NEW THIS YEAR! We are encouraging ALL PARENTS to join us Friday night to get to know one another better through Bible Study and team building activities.

Rally Day: We will begin another year of Christian Education with Rally Day on Sunday, August 3rd. Our 3rd grade children will receive a Bible, 6th graders will be walked across the lawn to the Youth Annex, and a new year of classes will begin for everyone!

Special Voters Meeting on Sunday, August 10 - We are hosting a special Voters Meeting on Sunday, August 10 at 12:00 pm to vote on the Brighton Memorial Pavilion. Lunch will be provided before our meeting begins. Packets of information have been placed at the information counter. Please consider participating in this meeting.

- Church Council

College Midweek Bible Study: We have begun a new group for our college age students. Currently we are meeting in person at the McDonalds on the corner of Lake Joy and Russel Parkway every Wednesday at 8:30 pm. Later this month we will be switching to a Zoom study so that our away college students can stay connected. (This class will also be Wednesdays at 8:30 pm.) Talk to Pastor Pete for more details.

TAG Fall Family Kick-Off: Sunday, August 3rd, 5:30-8:00. Join us for fellowship/games, dinner, and a time of sharing information. This event is for all families with young people going into grades 6-12 this school year. We look forward to seeing you there!

Friday Night Party – Middle School Youth: The first Party of the school year is this Friday, August 8th, from 6-9 pm in the Annex. Youth gather for games, snacks, pizza, and a Christ-centered devotion. The cost is only \$5/person and friends are welcome.

Young Adult Small Group: Our Young Adults (23+) will kick off the new year with a cook out at Pastor Pete and Sonja's home (413 Erin Way) on Sunday, August 31st, from 5:30-8 pm. We will resume meeting for Bible Study the following week (September 7th) at 8:30.

In Partnership with Jambos, LWML Ladies Guild is Hosting a Pajama Drive

When: The month of September

Where: Here at Mount Calvary

You ask, what is Jambos? Jambos is a nonprofit organization on a mission to bring comfort to children in foster care system by providing them with brand new pajamas. It is important that you participate by giving the gift of comfort to children in Foster Care and sharing light with countless families. You will be spreading joy across Georgia when you donate NEW, with tags still on them, pajamas in sizes from preemie/newborn all the way up to adult XXL. Thank you in advance for your generosity in giving pajamas. - Sharing God's Love - Jacque Bohm (coordinator)

Partners with Shirley Hills Elementary School: Shirley Hills Elementary School has again partnered with RG@MC to provide free after-school tutoring to eligible SH students during the 2025/26 school years. RG@MC will meet after school on Tuesdays from **3:45 p.m. to 5:45 p.m.**, beginning **September 9, 2025**, through **April 28, 2026**. Student transportation from school to Mount Calvary is provided by the church van. Mount Calvary provides transportation home in the van for up to 13 students. Undertaking a church ministry, even as worthwhile and rewarding as RG@MC, is not for the faint of heart. Prayerful planning, implementation and ongoing administration require much time, effort, commitment, patience, perseverance and especially faith. By the grace of God, each year, faithful volunteers from our congregation have served as tutors, mentors, administrators, cooks, caregivers, music leaders, van drivers and riders, and helpers. And each year, more volunteers are needed. If you would like to volunteer to help or have questions, please contact: **Karen Harmon at (478) 918-3685**

Volunteers Needed. October will be here before we know it. The Assimilation Board needs volunteers to work with them on the new 45th Anniversary Picture Directory. We want to make sure that the new directory is a quality product and represents our church's past and present accurately. Volunteers from our senior youth group are encouraged to sign up as well. Please contact Debby Miller 316-573-6565 for more information. There will also be a sign-up sheet on the information counter.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

The family of Martha Ann Carter, Sheila Grube's mother, who died on July 29th.

The family of Sam Burmer, Luci Dick's cousin, who died on July 30th.

Gerry Mabee, Carl's brother, who has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease.

Don Parrott, who is recovering from a procedure.

Bob Yeager, who has been hospitalized in Atlanta and recovering from a procedure.

Dave Nielsen, who has transitioned to a rehab center.

Cynthia Trichinotis, who is recovering from a procedure.

Dawna Dugan, Dina Gossman's sister, who is going through radiation therapy and chemotherapy for throat cancer.

(NOTE: Those listed under "Keep in your prayers" are removed from the list after eight weeks. If there is someone you would like to keep on the list for another eight weeks, please contact the church office.)

Keep In Your Prayers

Sue Glaser, Beverly Bachmeier (Katherine Eubanks and Richard Uitto's sister), Eugene O'Neal, Jean Clark (Judy Parrott's sister), Marie White, Karen Harmon, Ned Watson, Melinda Hopf, Ross Paoletta (Cynthia Trichinotis' son) and Regina Ragan.

Those Battling Cancer

Bob Yeager, Marie White, Chris Mabee, Dan Adams (Daniel's father), Michael Deskin (Walt & Cheryl Stafford's son-in-law), Andy Doute (Elizabeth and Lonny Walker's son-in-law), Diane Adair (Joan Smith's sister), Lori Stadler (Joan Smith's niece), Jeff Grube, John Hanrahan (Mark Dieckmann's brother-in-law), Judy Nicholas (Michelle Crawford's mother), Jenny Tillery (Ed and Kim Rekau's daughter), Walt Stafford, Erika Swaim (Marcia Brighton's mother), Scott Ramsey (Amanda McVay's uncle), Allison Brewer (Jan and Steve Kirchoff's daughter), Marcia Copeland (Maggie Monahan's sister), Jenny Hursey (Fred & Nancy's daughter-in-law), Wilson Baughman, Tom Guilford (Sylvia's oldest son), Matt Voskuil (Debi Cole's son), Jamey Sillence and Norma Young (Melinda Hopf's aunt).

SERVING US TODAY

PREACHER: Pastor Andrew Howe. **LITURGIST:** Vicar Zachary Boeyink. **ELDERS:** John Van Buskirk (8 am) and Walt Seefeld (10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Lily Johnson (8 am) and Lily Johnson (10:45 am). **LAY READERS:** Doug Fingles (8 am) and Seth Nelson (10:45 am). **ALTAR GUILD:** Ginger Martin, Linda O'Donnell & Kathy Robinson. **GREETERS:** Tyson Van Lannen (Sun 8 am) and Betty Cummings & Nancy Hoar (Sun (10:45 am)).

SERVING US NEXT WEEK

ELDERS: Bill Bohm (Sat 6 pm), Mark Dieckmann (Sun 8 am) and Dave Yingling (Sun 10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Michael Nuckels (Sun 8 am) and Alyson Curenton (Sun 10:45 am). **LAY READERS:** Rob Crawford (Sat 6 pm), Kathy Robinson (Sun 8 am) and Mary Ellen Gragg (Sun 10:45 am). **ALTAR GUILD:** Liz Hunter, Barbara Locke & Linna Nielsen. **GREETERS:** Darron & Val Counselman (Sun 8 am) and Dave & Ruthie Radcliff (10:45 am).

Last Week's Attendance

Saturday – 29 Early – 74 Late – 115 Total – 218

THIS WEEK AT MOUNT CALVARY

Today	RALLY DAY	
	5:30 pm	TAG Fall Family Kick-Off
Monday	6:00 pm	GriefShare Support Group
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Boards
	7:00 pm	Elders
Wednesday	10:00 am	Morning Glories
	5:30 pm	Dinner
	6:15 pm	Christian Education
	8:30 pm	College Bible Study
Thursday	10:00 am	Ladies Bible Study
	6:00 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal
Friday	6 – 9 pm	Middle School Party
Saturday	5:00 pm	Adult Bible Study
Next Sunday	12:00 pm	Voters Meeting
	6:30 pm	SLDT Meeting