



*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

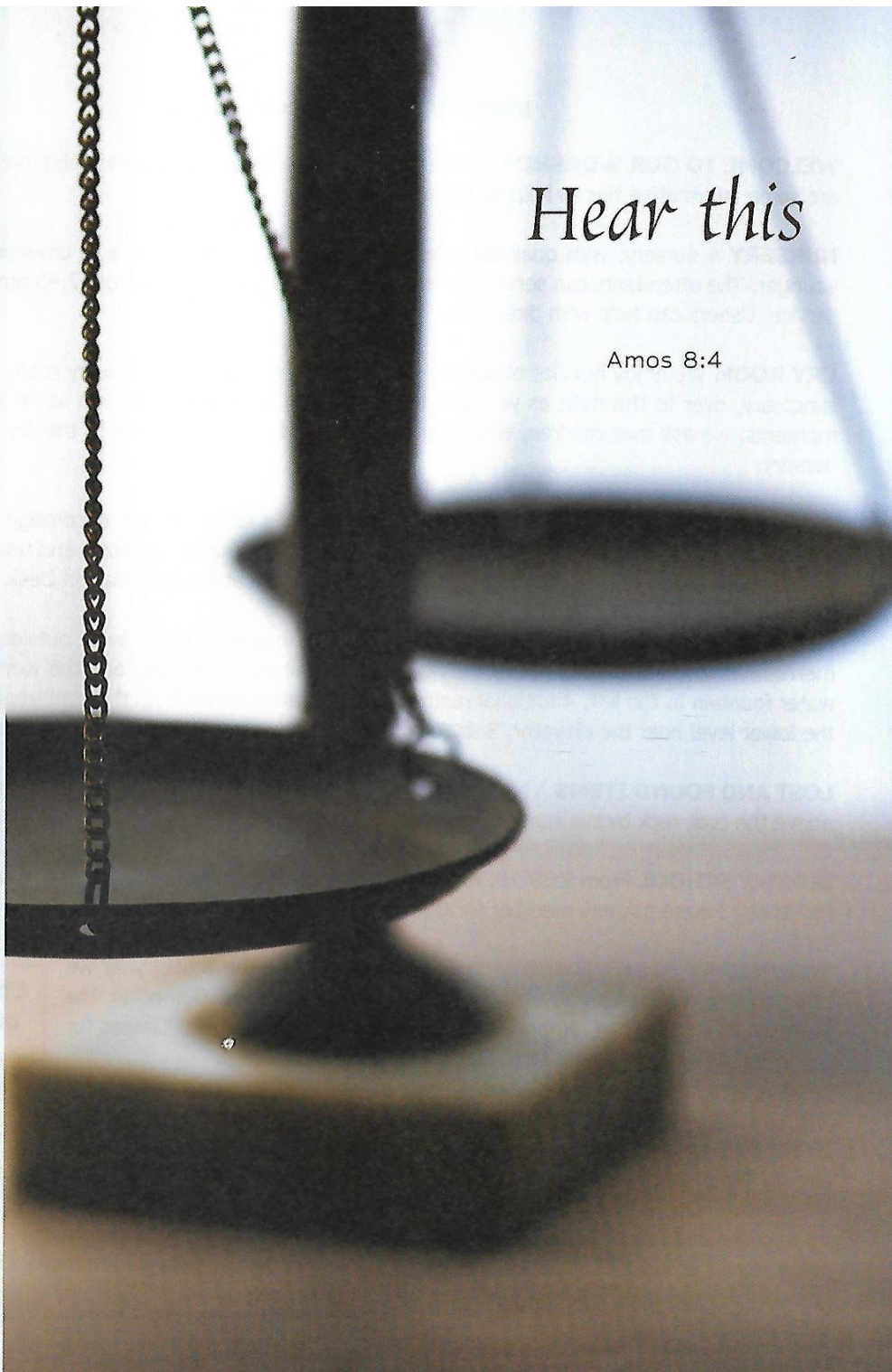
Katie Simmons
Director of
Contemporary Worship

Zachary Boeyink
Vicar

Jerry Bisping
Director of Christian
Outreach, Emeritus

Hear this

Amos 8:4



As We Gather

In Lutheran Worship, we see God coming to us in Word and Sacrament, which stands apart from daily life. Our place of employment, or our school—where we struggle to be “the people of God” amid the temptations and confusing details of living in a world still disfigured by sin, tragedy, selfishness, and death. The prophet Amos reminds us that our worries and distractions can distance us from faith and caring for others. Each day of the week, the demands of the Ten Commandments of God call us back to our need for forgiveness and God’s mercy, grace, help, and love. We gather in Worship to repent, receive forgiveness, and be renewed through Christ, whose sacrifice assures us of redemption and everlasting life, even now.

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:***"Today Your Mercy Calls Us"***Hymn #915****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 My Soul the King of Heaven"

Hymn #793

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. Almighty God, Your Word both condemns and heals, and Your judgments reveal our desperate need as well as Your gracious love for all. Give to Your church the clear vision of Your mercy and grace, that we may be instruments of Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Amos 8:4–7 *(The coming day of bitter mourning.)*

⁴ Hear this, you who trample on the needy and bring the poor of the land to an end, ⁵ saying, "When will the new moon be over, that we may sell grain? And the Sabbath, that we may offer wheat for sale, that we may make the ephah small and the shekel great and deal deceitfully with false balances, ⁶ that we may buy the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals and sell the chaff of the wheat?" ⁷ The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: "Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING: 1 Timothy 2:1–15 *(Pray for all people.)*

¹ First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, ² for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. ³ This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴ who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵ For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶ who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. ⁷ For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

⁸ I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling; ⁹ likewise also that women should adorn themselves in respectable apparel, with modesty and self-control, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly attire, ¹⁰ but with what is proper for women who profess godliness—with good works.

¹¹ Let a woman learn quietly with all submissiveness. ¹² I do not permit a woman to teach or to exercise authority over a man; rather, she is to remain quiet. ¹³ For Adam was formed first, then Eve; ¹⁴ and Adam was not deceived, but the woman was deceived and became a transgressor. ¹⁵ Yet she will be saved through childbearing—if they continue in faith and love and holiness, with self-control.

This is the Word of the Lord.

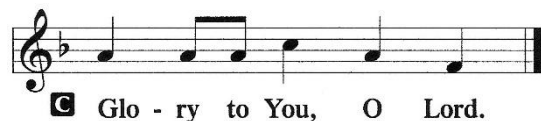
Thanks be to God.

THE ALLELUIA VERSE



THE HOLY GOSPEL IS ANNOUNCED:

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



THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 16:1–15 (*The parable of the dishonest manager.*)

¹ He also said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. ² And he called him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.' ³ And the manager said to himself, 'What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴ I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.' ⁵ So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he said to the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶ He said, 'A hundred measures of oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.' ⁷ Then he said to another, 'And how much do you owe?' He said, 'A hundred measures of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, and write eighty.' ⁸ The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. ⁹ And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.

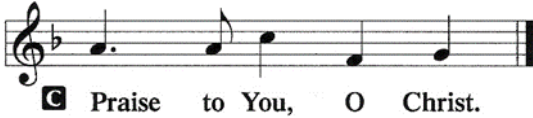
¹⁰ "One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. ¹¹ If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches?

¹² And if you have not been faithful in that which is another's, who will give you that which is your own? ¹³ No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money."

¹⁴ The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him.

¹⁵ And he said to them, "You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of 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:

Mr. Jamie Dick

THE HYMN OF THE DAY:

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Hymn #809

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.

CHOIR ANTHEM:

"God of Heaven" (Sorensen)

Sanctuary Choir

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:



THE LORD'S PRAYER

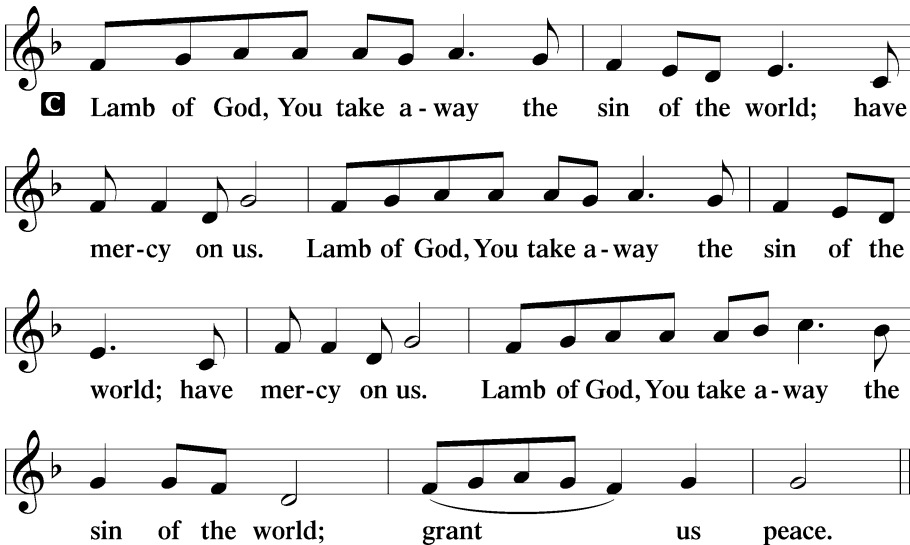
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the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



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.

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. You may place your individual cup on the communion rail after you have communed.)*

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"
"Beautiful Savior"
"Just As I Am, Without One Plea"

Hymn #739
Hymn #537
Hymn #570

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:

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Hymn #770

A MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

THE POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our Altar Flowers are provided this week by Debbie Hardy in memory of the 92nd birthday of her father, Norman Jones, and by Eugene & Lois O'Neal in loving memory of Joel Clark.

Mount Calvary has received donations in memory of Joseph Bellinger Jr., Lois Harter's son, from John & Liz Hunter and Joan Smith.

Mount Calvary has received a donation in memory of Jeffrey Harter, Dave's son, from Joan Smith.

Mount Calvary has received a donation in memory of Doug Fingles Sr., Doug's son, from John & Liz Hunter.

Mount Calvary has received donations in memory of Judy Nicholas, Michelle Crawford's mother, from John & Liz Hunter, Dave & Linna Nielsen, Doug & Deb Fingles, Steve & Jan Kirchoff and Joan Smith.

October Newsletter Deadline: Please have all items for the October Newsletter to the office by September 22nd.

College Midweek Bible Study: We've made the switch for our college Bible Study. This group meets online every Wednesday at 8:30. If you (or a college student you know) are interested in joining us, e-mail Pastor Pete (DCEPete@gmail.com) to receive a link.

Special Opportunity to Serve: We are in need of volunteers - All are welcome to join the **Altar Guild**. Whether you can give a little time or a lot, your hands and heart can make a difference. No prior experience is needed—just a willing spirit! If you feel called to serve, please reach out to **Toli Van Buskirk / 478-396-1395 / altarguildmclc@gmail.com**.

"Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms." – 1 Peter 4:10

Attention All Men: We are experiencing a shortage of Ushers for all services. This service to God and Mt. Calvary does not take up any of your free time. The Ushers provide the Elders with a support team to pass out bulletins, greet people at sanctuary door, assist with communion, ensure we have an accurate attendance count, and following services check sanctuary to ensure all is in order for the following service. Each Ushers team is scheduled for three (3) months each year in addition to the requirements of special services during our church year. This may seem like a lot of effort but in reality is very easy to accomplish. If you are interested or have further questions please contact Don Parrott at cell number 478-335-3684 or email at parrottd1@cox.net.

Anniversary Celebration Announcement: With great joy we announce the celebration of Mount Calvary's 45th Anniversary. Join us @ 5:30 pm on October 26th, 2025 for a special celebratory dinner in the Fellowship Hall. We are "fixing our eyes on Jesus" as we honor our past and move forward in God's faithfulness. Invitations with RSVP information will be sent out soon. Please RSVP when that comes available.

Young Adult Small Group: Our Young Adults meets for Bible Study every Sunday (8:30 pm) at Sonja & Pastor Pete's home (413 Erin Way).

Confirmation Workshop – 8th Grade Youth: This is the first of three workshops required for 8th grade youth planning on being confirmed in the spring. Due to the Voters Assembly this workshop was moved to Sunday, October 5th, from noon-1:30. Lunch will be provided for the youth. While I know this is the beginning of Fall Break, it is important for your child to be there!

Sunday School Team Meeting: The Children's Sunday School Team will meet this Sunday, September 21st, from Noon-1:30. We will be cover the next two rotations, the SonShine Shop, and the new door locking system. A light lunch will be provided.

Voters' Assembly: The next regularly scheduled Voters' Assembly will be on Sunday, September 28th following late service. Lunch will be served at Noon with the meeting beginning no later than 12:30. We hope to see you there.

Change of Plans – Middle School Youth: Keep the date, change the name. We have replaced the FL/GA District Middle School Gathering with a retreat. The weekend is still the same (November 7th-9th) but we won't be leaving until 5:00 Friday afternoon. In addition the cost for the weekend is only \$75 (financial assistance is available).

TAG Night – High School: High School Youth are encouraged to join us THIS SUNDAY, September 21st, from 6:30-8:00 in the Annex for games, snacks, movie clips, and a Bible-centered discussion of life. Friends are always welcome!

Trunk-Or-Treat – Church Outreach Event: Mark your calendars for Wednesday, October 29th! In addition to Trunk-Or-Treating that evening, there will also be the Pumpkin Patch, Inflatables, A Pumpkin Decorating Contest, A Costume Parade & Contest, and a Hot Dog Dinner. Sign-Ups will be out next weekend for Trunks and helpers.

Pumpkin Patch

Open daily (October 9th – 31st) Noon-7:00 pm

Invite family, friends, and neighbors to come for some fun and buy a pumpkin

WAGONS NEEDED! We need a few garden wagons for the pumpkin patch. If you can help us out in this area, you can drop the off in Pastor Pete's office anytime after October 1st.

Pumpkin Patch Set-Up – TAG Families: Saturday, October 4th, from 10-Noon. The more helpers we have helping, the quicker we will be done with setting up.

Pumpkin Unloading – TAG Families & Anyone else who wants to help: Thursday, October 9th. We should find out the exact time the truck will arrive the day before and Pastor Pete will let you know when to show up and help unload. There will be pizza and drinks for workers.

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)

Volunteer Tutors Needed for Rebecca's Garden

Since 2016, Rebecca's Garden Tutoring and Mentoring Program (RG@MC) has been Mount Calvary's ongoing ministry to our "neighborhood" in partnership with Shirley Hills Elementary School. This year, we have received an increased number of student referrals who are performing below grade level. As a result, we are in need of additional volunteer tutors to teach basic reading and math, once a week, for about an hour on most Tuesdays (except holidays) from September 2025 through April 2026. No teaching or tutoring experience is necessary, and we have plenty of resources and human helpers available to guide you through each step.

Finally, if you have ever read a story book to or played a counting/numbers game with a young friend, sibling, your child or grandchild, then you are more than qualified to be a tutor for Rebecca's Garden. Oh, and the pay is incredible! You will experience a heartwarming and priceless reward by helping an elementary student, who simply needs a warm smile and support, to learn and reinforce the basic skills for succeeding academically. If you are able to make a difference by tutoring a student, please contact **Karen Harmon at (478) 918-3685**.

The Mount Calvary 45th Anniversary Directory pictures will be taken October 2-5. Deadline for reserving your photo shoot is September 28, 2025. As current, new, or joining members, you are an important part of this history. Do not miss out on the chance to be represented. You may use the QR code below, sign up at the Information Desk or call Debby Miller (316-573-6565)



PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Nick Kesler, Liz Hunter's brother, who is recovering from an illness.

Pauline Stadler, Joan Smith's sister-in-law, who is recovering at a rehab center.

Grayson Adams, who is recovering from double eye surgery.

Pastor Aaron Sterling, a former vicar of Mt. Calvary, who has been diagnosed with cancer and recovering from surgery.

Bobby Platt, Joan Smith's son-in-law, who is recovering from back surgery.

Beth Strickland, who is recovering from shoulder surgery.

Linda Phillips, who is recovering from a heart procedure.

Mollie Keister, who is recovering from shoulder surgery.

Lisalee Starkman, who is recovering from surgery.

(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

Pastor Craig Michaelson (an LCMS pastor in Las Vegas, Liz Hunter, Jennifer Boeyink, Vicar Zachary's stepmother, Pastor Gerhard Michael, George Schulz, Debbie Hardy, Richard Uitto, Jimmy Eschke (Alyce Quillin's cousin), Susan McEachern, Andy Doute (Elizabeth and Lonny Walker's son-in-law), Marie White, Allen Hickman, Barbara Bauman, Gerry Mabee (Carl's brother), Dave Nielsen, Cynthia Trichinotis and Sue Glaser.

Those Battling Cancer

Dawna Dugan (Dina Gossman's sister), Bob Yeager, Marie White, Chris Mabee, Michael Deskin (Walt & Cheryl Stafford's son-in-law), Andy Doute (Elizabeth and Lonny Walker's son-in-law), Jeff Grube, John Hanrahan (Mark Dieckmann's brother-in-law), 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:** Pastor Pete LeBorious. **ELDERS:** Eric Gossman (8 am) and Joe Johnson (10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Michael Nuckels (8 am) and Lily Beecher (10:45 am). **USHERS:** Early – Don Parrott, Darron Counselman & Mark Dieckmann. Late – Paul Ferguson, Sam Culpepper & Chuck Mollenkopf. **LAY READERS:** Deb Fingles (8 am) and Pat Aldredge (10:45 am). **ALTAR GUILD:** Linda Busha, Deb Fingles, Lexie Hadley, Benjamin Nuckels & Pat Sperry. **GREETERS:** Doug & Deb Fingles (8 am) and Betty Cummings & Nancy Hoar (10:45 am).

SERVING US NEXT WEEK

ELDERS: Bill Bohm (Sat 6 pm), Don Barnes (Sun 8 am) and Dave Yingling (Sun 10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Jude Van Buskirk (Sun 8 am) and Alysa Curenton (Sun 10:45 am). **LAY READERS:** Rhoda Reilly (Sat 6 pm), Eric Gossman (Sun 8 am) and Jim Morey (Sun 10:45 am). **ALTAR GUILD:** Linda Busha, Deb Fingles, Lexie Hadley & Pat Sperry. **GREETERS:** Gary & Lexie Hadley (Sun 8 am) and Roger & Gina Peterson (10:45 am).

Last Week's Attendance

Saturday – 45 Early – 84 Late – 112 Total – 241

THIS WEEK AT MOUNT CALVARY

Today	12-1:30 pm	Sunday School Team Meeting
	6:30 pm	TAG Night
Monday	8:30 pm	Young Adult Bible Study
	1:00 pm	Women's Small Group
	6:00 pm	GriefShare Support Group
Tuesday	7:15 pm	Bell Choir
	3:45 pm	RG&MC Tutoring
Wednesday	9:30 am	Stitch N Chat
	5:30 pm	Dinner
	6:15 pm	Christian Education
	7:30 pm	Sanctuary Choir
	8:30 pm	College Bible Study
Thursday	10:00 am	Ladies Bible Study
	4:30 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal
Saturday	5:00 pm	Adult Bible Study
Next Sunday	12:00 pm	Voters Meeting
	6:30 pm	SLDT Meeting
	8:30 pm	Young Adult Bible Study