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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
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A large, close-up photograph of a person's face, likely a man, with his eyes closed and hands clasped in prayer. The lighting is soft, highlighting the texture of his skin and the intensity of his expression. The image occupies the right half of the page.

Always . . .
pray and not lose heart

LUKE 18:1

As We Gather

"Walking with Jesus"—Today, we conclude our Sermon Series "Walking with Jesus." As we conclude, we are reminded that "God walks with sinners." It is easy to lose heart when we do not get what we want. This is true in life and is even true when we bring our wants and desires before the Lord in prayer. In today's Holy Gospel, Jesus speaks a parable to His disciples, who have begun to lose heart in their difficult journey of following Him. Through the example of the persistent widow and unrighteous judge, we also are encouraged to not lose heart as we continue to follow Jesus in faith and as we bring to the Lord in prayer all our desires, laments, injustices, and more, trusting in His perfect will through it all.

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.

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC*"This is Our God"**Phil Wickham***OPENING SONG:***"King of Kings"*

**In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope, without light
Till from heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes**

**To fulfill the law and prophets
To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt**

Chorus

**Praise the Father, Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit, Three in One
God of glory, Majesty
Praise forever to the King of Kings**

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross

For even in Your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake You died (Chorus)

And the morning that You rose
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death

And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored

And the Church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel shall not faint

By His blood and in His Name
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me (Chorus)

Praise forever to the King of Kings

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP (*1 Thessalonians 5:16–18; Philippians 4:6; 1 John 5:14; Jeremiah 29:12; Hebrews 4:16; Psalm 145:18*)

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

Amen.

Pastor: Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

People: **Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.**

Pastor: This is the confidence that we have toward Him, that if we ask anything according to His will He hears us.

People: **Then you will call upon Me and come and pray to Me, and I will hear you.**

Pastor: Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

People: **The LORD is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth.**

THE CONFESSION OF SINS AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Our faith may be small, but God's power is great. Our sins may seem overwhelming, but God's promise of forgiveness is sure. Trusting that God, through the sacrificial suffering and death of Jesus, is able to do for us what we could never do for ourselves. Let us, then, confess our sins.

(Please kneel)

God of grace,

we confess that the seed of faith within us is small. Hope is often absent. Love is frequently inconvenient. Our sin keeps us from responding to you. Tend to us in mercy, so that we may grow in faith. I ask your forgiveness not because of my own worthiness, but purely for the sake of the passion, death, and resurrection of my Savior, Jesus Christ. O Lord, forgive me, and by your Spirit, lead me on the paths of righteous living for your name's sake. 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. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE:

"All in All"

**Worthy, that is what You are
Worthy, King over my heart
There is none like You, there's no one else**

**Mercy, that is what I need
Mercy, with every breath I breathe
Where would I be now all by myself**

Chorus 1

**You are the water for my soul
You are the hands that won't let go
You are the calm within my storm
You are the love that will endure**

**You are the victor in the fight
Over the darkness You're the light
You are the hope I'm hanging on
You are my everlasting song**

**You are my all in all
You are my all in all**

**Holy, heaven and earth cry
Holy, Lord over my life
Where would I be now without Your love
Where would I be now without Your love (Chorus 1)**

**Oh, Jesus, my all in all
Oh, Jesus, my all in all**

Chorus 2

**You are the water for my soul
You are the hands that won't let go
You are the calm within my storm
You are the love that will endure**

**You are the victor in the fight
Over the darkness You're the light
You are the hope I'm hanging on
You are my everlasting song**

Bridge (2x)

**You are my living water
Your love is always strong
You are my hope my all in all**

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THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Genesis 32:22–30 (*Jacob wrestles with God.*)

²² The same night he arose and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³ He took them and sent them across the stream, and everything else that he had. ²⁴ And Jacob was left alone. And a man wrestled with him until the breaking of the day. ²⁵ When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he touched his hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶ Then he said, "Let me go, for the day has broken." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." ²⁷ And he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸ Then he said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed." ²⁹ Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰ So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING: 2 Timothy 3:14–4:5 *(Continuing in and preaching the Word)*

¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵ and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

¹ I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom: ² preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. ³ For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, ⁴ and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths. ⁵ As for you, always be sober-minded, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 18:1–8 *(The parable of the persistent widow)*

¹ And he told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. ² He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. ³ And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, 'Give me justice against my adversary.' ⁴ For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, 'Though I neither fear God nor respect man, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.'" ⁶ And the Lord said, "Hear what the unrighteous judge says. ⁷ And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? ⁸ I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ

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 MESSAGE:

Pastor Pete LeBorious

THE 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 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:

"Friend of Sinners"

**Friend of sinners, Lord of truth
I am falling in love with You
Friend of sinners, Lord of truth
I have fallen in love with You**

Chorus 2x

**Jesus, I love Your name
The name, by which we're saved**

**Friend of sinners, Lord of truth
I am giving my life to You
Friend of sinners, Lord of truth
I have given my life to You**

(Chorus 4x)

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

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.

THE DISTRIBUTION *(An Usher will invite your pew to come forward to receive the bread and individual cup. The center cups in each tray are white grape juice for those who cannot drink alcohol)*

THE DISTRIBUTION SONGS: *"O Come to the Altar"*

**Are you hurting and broken within
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin
Jesus is calling**

**Have you come to the end of yourself
Do you thirst for a drink from the well
Jesus is calling**

Chorus

**O come to the altar
The Father's arms are open wide
Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ**

**Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today there's no reason to wait
Jesus is calling**

**Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes a new life is born
Jesus is calling (Chorus 2x)**

Bridge (2x)

**Oh what a Savior
Isn't he wonderful
Sing alleluia, Christ is risen**

**Bow down before him
For he is Lord of all
Sing alleluia, Christ is risen (Chorus 2x)**

**Bear your cross as you wait for the crown
Tell the world of the treasure you've found**

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THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the gift of His body and blood may abide in Him and He in us, that we may be filled with the power of His endless life, now and forever.

Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

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.

Amen.

THE CLOSING SONG: *"Battle Belongs"*

**When all I see is the battle, You see my victory
When all I see is the mountain, You see a mountain moved
And as I walk through the shadow, Your love surrounds me
There's nothing to fear now for I am safe with You**

Chorus

**So when I fight, I'll fight on my knees
With my hands lifted high
Oh God, the battle belongs to You
And every fear I lay at Your feet
I'll sing through the night
Oh God, the battle belongs to You**

**And if You are for me, who can be against me?
For Jesus there's nothing impossible for You
When all I see are the ashes, You see the beauty
When all I see is a cross, God, You see the empty tomb (Chorus)**

Bridge (2x)

**Almighty fortress, You go before us
Nothing can stand against the power of our God
You shine in the shadow, You win every battle
Nothing can stand against the power of our God**

**So when I fight, I'll fight on my knees
With my hands lifted high
Oh God, the battle belongs to You**

**And every fear I lay at Your feet
I'll sing through the night
Oh God, the battle belongs to You**

Oh God, the battle belongs to You

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THE SENDING

Go in peace!

And serve the Lord. Thanks be to God!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our Altar Flowers are provided this week by Edna Hicks in memory of Crawford Hicks.

Mount Calvary has received a donation in memory of Rebekah Guilford, Sylvia Guilford's granddaughter, from Bruce & Barbara Bauman.

Mount Calvary has received a donation in memory of Judy Nicholas, Michelle Crawford's mother, from Bruce & Barbara Bauman.

EVENT - October 22nd, 6 PM, Fellowship Hall. You are invited to attend a seminar on Estate Planning. Come and find out what may be the best option for you to ensure that the treasures God has granted you are distributed according to your wishes when that time comes.

November Newsletter Deadline: Please have all items for the November Newsletter in to the church office by October 23rd.

From Pastor Laird Van Gorder: for those who knew Ned Meyers from Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Macon: Ned, who was 97 years young, passed away on October 13th.

Trunk-Or-Treat – Church Outreach Event: Wednesday, October 29th! We need people to sign-up to have a TRUNK. There is a sign-up sheet on the welcome center.

Thank you to all who have returned or completed a Veterans Verification Form. Please have all forms and pictures to Cynthia Trichinotis at ctrichin@gmail.com or in her mailbox by October 31st.

College Midweek Bible Study: This group meets online every Wednesday at 8:30. If you are interested in joining us, e-mail Pastor Pete (DCEPete@gmail.com) to receive a link.

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Veterans Day Celebration: Join us on Sunday, November 9th, as we honor our Veterans! Following the late service, the Board of Fellowship will host a special lunch in appreciation of our Veterans. If you plan to attend, please sign up at the Information Counter.

Last Chance to Get Your Faces in the 45th Anniversary Pictorial Directory: The company that is working with us on creating the directory has offered to do a make-up day if enough people are interested. If you ARE interested, please write your name and phone number on the Pictorial Directory Make Up roster on the information desk. Once we know what the response is, the company will designate a date for the photography sessions.

Faith Lutheran's Free Community Clothing Closet is especially in need of gently used children's clothing, ages infant through teen, jackets, men's T-shirts and size small women's clothing. A donation bin is available across from the lower level elevator. If you have questions, please contact Ruth Lange (478-235-5586). Thank you for your donations to support our community.

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.

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).

Young Adult Bible Class: Young Adults gather for fellowship and to study the Gospel of Matthew Sundays, @ 8:30 at Sonja and Pastor Pete's home (413 Erin Way).

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.

Instruction for Bazaar Items Contributors: If you will be bringing items for us to sell at the Christmas Bazaar, please write a description on the Christmas Bazaar sign-up sheet on the Information Desk. Items should be brought to the Annex between 9 am and 1 pm on Friday, November 21st for set-up.

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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

The family of Marvin Hopf, Mikes father, who died on October 14th.

Charles Hudock, Carol Yeager's brother, who is recovering from a pacemaker procedure.

Laura Harper, who is recovering from surgery.

Marie Louise Parkinson, Barb Mabee's friend, who has been moved to hospice with a brain tumor.

Nick Kesler, Liz Hunter's brother, who is in need of a liver transplant.

Keith Busha, who is in need of prayers of healing and seeking a diagnosis from his doctors.

Shelly Bowen Carson, Amy White's friend, who is recovering from a stroke.

John "Jack" Trichnotis, Cynthia Trichinotis' grandson, who is recovering from a heart ablation

For those impacted by the government shutdown

(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

Nick Kesler (Liz Hunter's brother), Frank McVay (Tony's father), Walt Seefeld, Beth Strickland, Grayson Adams, Linda Phillips, Lisalee Starkman, Bobby Platt (Joan Smith's son-in-law), Pastor Craig Michaelson (an LCMS pastor in Las Vegas, Liz Hunter, Jennifer Boeyink, Vicar Zachary's stepmother, Pastor Gerhard Michael, George Schulz, Richard Uitto, Jimmy Eschke (Alyce Quillin's cousin), Susan McEachern, Andy Doute (Elizabeth and Lonny Walker's son-in-law).

Those Battling Cancer

Pastor Aaron Sterling, 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).

LERT Chainsaw Training: The Florida-Georgia District will provide Lutheran Early Response Team (LERT) Chainsaw training **at Mt Calvary Lutheran Church on Saturday, November 15th, from 8 - 5**. The chainsaw training serves to increase our dedicated LERT volunteers' capabilities share the love of Christ by helping those who haven't the means or skills to perform this dangerous work following a disaster. The District wants to equip LERT members with the ability to provide this service safely and efficiently. You must have previously completed the LERT basic training class to participate in this class. They could train us if we need basic on November 14th. **Training Costs:** Morning classroom only (Work on LERT chainsaw team but not as chainsaw operator) –\$15 per individual or \$25 per couple. Morning and Afternoon (LERT qualified Chainsaw Operator) – \$50 per individual, \$85 per couple, or \$100 per family (3 or more). Contact Pastor Andrew if you are interested.

SERVING US TODAY

PREACHER: Pastor Peter LeBorious. **LITURGIST:** Pastor Pete LeBorious. **ELDER:** Bill Bohm. **LAY READER:** Bill Bohm. **ALTAR GUILD:** Liz Hunter, Barbara Locke & Linna Nielsen.

SERVING US NEXT WEEK

ELDERS: Rob Crawford (Sat 6 pm), Don Barnes (Sun 8 am) and Walt Seefeld (Sun 10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Kelsey Campbell (Sun 8 am) and Lily Beecher (Sun 10:45 am). **LAY READERS:** Rob Crawford (Sat 6 pm), Doug Fingles (Sun 8 am) and Jeff Grube (Sun 10:45 am). **ALTAR GUILD:** Valerie Counselman, Nancy Hoar & Kim Leslie. **GREETERS:** Doug & Deb Fingles (Sun 8 am) and Kevin & Paula Babcock (10:45 am).

Last Week's Attendance

Saturday – 31 Early – 65 Late – 91 Total – 187

THIS WEEK AT MOUNT CALVARY

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