



*Lutheran Church –
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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

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Director of Christian
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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.

PRELUDE**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING****OPENING HYMN:*****"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"*****Hymn #411****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:

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

Hymn #761

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. O Lord, almighty and everlasting God, You have commanded us to pray and have promised to hear us. Mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit may direct and govern our hearts in all things that we may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of Your name; 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: 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.

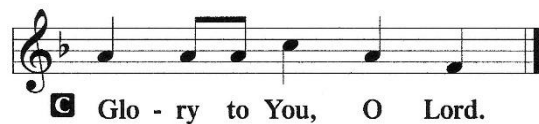
Thanks be to God.

THE ALLELUIA VERSE



THE HOLY GOSPEL IS ANNOUNCED:

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



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.



G 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 CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

Mr. Jamie Dick

THE HYMN OF THE DAY:

"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"

Hymn #685

THE MESSAGE:

Pastor Pete LeBorious

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:

"Consecration Hymn"

Sanctuary Choir

John Ness Beck

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.

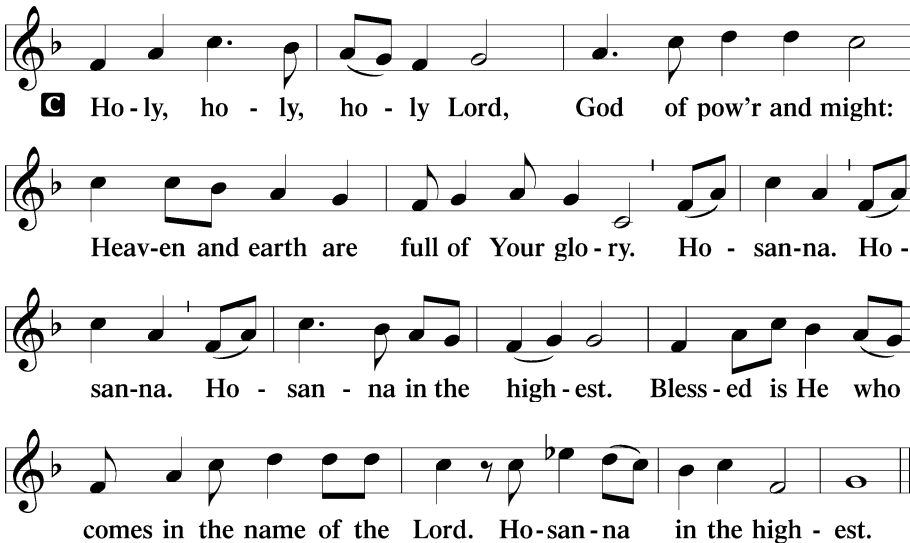
Lift up your hearts.

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

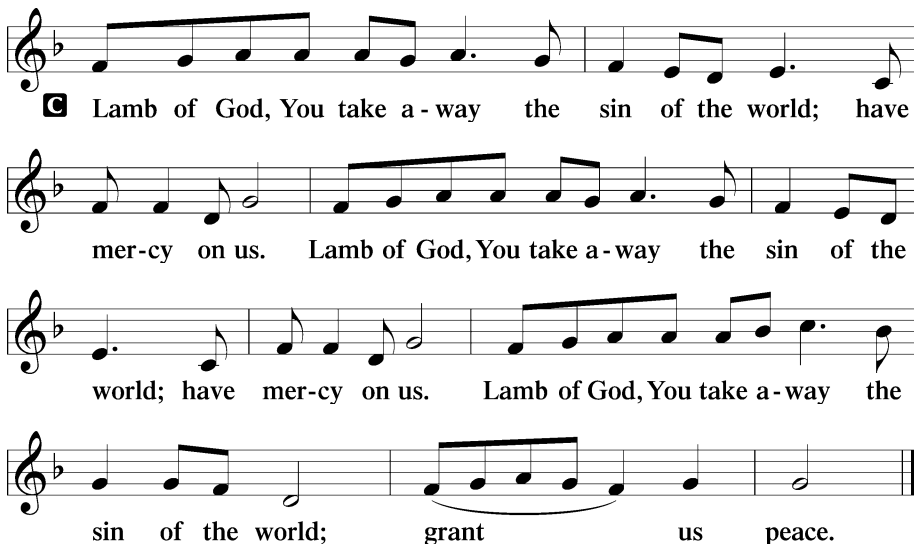
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the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



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:

"Just as I Am, without One Plea"

Hymn #570

"Be Still, My Soul"

Hymn #752

"Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me"

Hymn #722

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 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 into 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.

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.

We know it is early but Social Ministry begins planning for our annual Thanksgiving Basket project in October. Times are tough now for many people and if that includes you or anyone you know, we would love to provide a bag filled with food that includes a turkey. Give names with phone numbers to Maggie Monahan by Oct. 25th of anyone that we could share this Thanksgiving blessing with. All recipient information will be kept confidential.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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).

SERVING US TODAY

PREACHER: Pastor Peter LeBorious. **LITURGIST:** Vicar Zachary Boeyink. **ELDERS:** Eric Gossman (8 am) and Dave Yingling (10:45 am). **ACOLYTES:** Cate Christmas (8 am) and Kelsey Campbell (10:45 am). **USHERS:** Early – Erv Robinson, Paul Keister, Fred Hursey & Steve Kirchoff. Late – Roger Moeller, John Hunter, Dave Yingling & Jim Morey. **LAY READERS:** Steve Soisson (8 am) and Bob Gerstenberger (10:45 am). **ALTAR GUILD:** Liz Hunter, Barbara Locke & Linna Nielsen. **GREETERS:** Paul & Mollie Keister (8 am) and Don Netzing (10:45 am).

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
	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	8:30 pm	Young Adult Bible Study