

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

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Associate Pastor

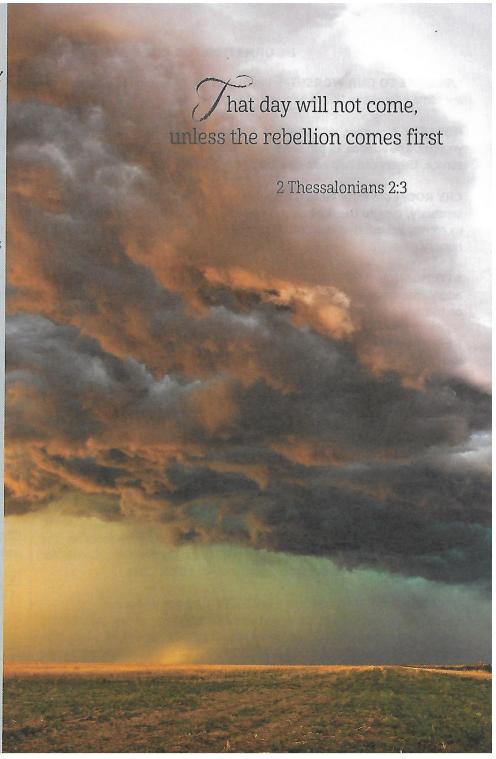
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CONNECTING PEOPLE TO JESUS AND TO ONE ANOTHER TO SERVE THE WORLD

As We Gather

We are not far from the "holiday season." In the secular world, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's roll into one big celebration. It is typical to have holiday traditions around special times of the year. Traditions can serve to make some moments more memorable and meaningful. But sometimes traditions add stress to an already hectic calendar or distract us from the real reason for celebrating. Before jumping headlong into the holiday season, soak up this moment in worship. See how the Lord repeatedly meets us with His best. As we are called, gathered, and enlightened by the Holy Spirit, who gives and sustains the gift of faith still, we are guided by Scripture and led through it to our Savior, Jesus, in whose name we worship in our prayer, our praise, and our thanksgiving for all He has done.

PRELUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

OPENING HYMN: "I Love Your Kingdom, Lord" Hymn #686

INVOCATION

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

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.

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

(Please Stand)

THE ENTRANCE PSALM (*Psalm 115:1-4, 7-8, 17-18*)

Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!

Why should the nations say, "Where is their God?"

Our God is in the heavens; He does all that He pleases.

Their idols are silver and gold, the work of human hands.

They have hands, but do not feel; feet, but do not walk; and they do not make a sound in their throat.

Those who make them become like them; so do all who trust in them.

The dead do not praise the Lord, nor do any who go down into silence.

But we will bless the Lord from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the Lord! Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE:

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Hymn #802

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. Living God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy and pity. Grant us the fullness of Your grace to lay hold of Your promises and live forever in Your presence; 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: Exodus 3:1–15 (The Burning Bush)

¹ Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ² And the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. ³ And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." ⁴ When the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." ⁵ Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." ⁶ And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

⁷ Then the LORD said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, ⁸ and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. ⁹ And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰ Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt."

- ¹¹ But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" ¹² He said, "But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."
- Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" ¹⁴ God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you." ¹⁵ God also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel, 'The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE EPISTLE READING: 2 Thessalonians 2:1–8, 13–17 (*Paul exhorts believers to cling to his faithful teaching and the hope of Christ.*)

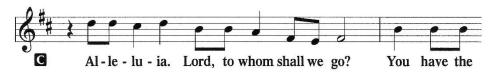
- ¹ Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we ask you, brothers, ² not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come. ³ Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, ⁴ who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God. ⁵ Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? ⁶ And you know what is restraining him now so that he may be revealed in his time. ⁷ For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way. ⁸ And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming.
- ¹³ But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth.
 ¹⁴ To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.
 ¹⁵ So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by our spoken word or by our letter.
 ¹⁶ Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace,
 ¹⁷ comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

(Please Stand)

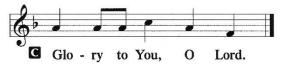
THE ALLELUIA VERSE:





THE HOLY GOSPEL IS ANNOUNCED:

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



THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 20:27–40 (Jesus silences the scribes and Sadducees by witnessing of the God of the living.)

²⁷ There came to him some Sadducees, those who deny that there is a resurrection, ²⁸ and they asked him a question, saying, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, having a wife but no children, the man must take the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. ²⁹ Now there were seven brothers. The first took a wife, and died without children. ³⁰ And the second ³¹ and the third took her, and likewise all seven left no children and died. ³² Afterward the woman also died. ³³ In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had her as wife." ³⁴ And Jesus said to them, "The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage, ³⁵ but those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and to the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage, ³⁶ for they cannot die anymore, because they are equal to angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. ³⁷ But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed, in the passage about the bush, where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. ³⁸ Now he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for all live to him." ³⁹ Then some of the scribes answered, "Teacher, you have spoken well." ⁴⁰ For they no longer dared to ask him any question.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



THE APOSTLES' CREED:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

(Please be seated.)

THE CHILDRENS MESSAGE:

Mr. Jamie Dick

CHILDREN'S CHOIR(10:45 am):

"Jonah Medley"

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:

"Eternal Father Strong to Save"

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 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 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 HYMN:

"Here I Am, Lord"

I, the Lord of the sea and sky, I have heard my people cry All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.
I who have made the stars of the night,
I will make their darkness bright
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Chorus

Here I am, Lord. Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

I the Lord of the snow and rain,
I have born my people' pain
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their heart's of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send? (Chorus)

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied
I will give my life to them
Whom shall I send? (Chorus)

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A MOMENT FOR SILENT PRAYER

THE POSTLUDE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Our Altar Flowers are provided this week</u> by Maggie Monahan, in loving memory of her husband Charles' birthday on November 10th.

<u>Mount Calvary has received donations in memory of Marvin Hopf</u> (Mike's dad), from Joan Smith, Jim & Barbara Morey, Bruce & Barbara Bauman, Jan & Steve Kirchoff and Brian & Laura Harper.

<u>Mount Calvary has received a donation in memory of Judy Nicholas</u>, Michelle Crawford's mother, from Brian & Laura Harper.

GriefShare: Surviving the Holidays Seminar. The holiday season can be especially difficult when you're grieving the loss of a loved one. If you or someone you know is struggling, we invite you to join us for *GriefShare: Surviving the Holidays*—a gentle, supportive seminar designed to offer hope and practical help during this season. Join us on Monday, November 17, from 6–8 pm in classroom 1 of MFH for this one-night event. For more information, please reach out to Pastor Howe, Tammy Jenkins, or visit GriefShare.org. You don't have to face the holidays alone—support and comfort are available.

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<u>College Midweek Bible Study:</u> 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.

<u>Mark Your Calendars!</u> The Annual Progressive Dinner will be held on Sunday, December 7. If you're interested in hosting appetizers or desserts this year, please contact Paula Babcock or Darron Counselman.

High School Fall Team/Service Retreat: This retreat is for all High School Youth and will be November 14th & 15th (Friday @ 5:00 through Saturday @ 5:00). We will be doing a combination of team building and service activities and our Bible Study & Worship theme is "Shift!" The cost for the retreat is only \$25/person to cover meals and program expenses.

Red Cross Blood Drive - Mount Calvary will be hosting another blood drive on Thursday, November 13th, from 2-7 PM in our fellowship hall. Every day, blood donors help patients of all ages. However, right now, hospital blood product needs are outpacing the number of blood donations. If able to donate, please consider donating during our drive. Also, please encourage family and friends to donate. All appointments need to be scheduled through the Red Cross website http://www.redcrossblood.org. If you are not sure if you can donate, please visit the same website, and check out their eligibility requirements. We also need volunteers to help check-in donors and to hand out refreshments on Nov 13th. One hour time slots are available starting @ 2 pm and ending @ 6 pm. If you have any questions, need help registering or want to help with OUR drive, please call or text Roger Moeller @ 478 320-2696 or email him @ rogermoeller@cox.net.

Young Adult Bible Study: The young adult resume meeting at Sonja and Pastor Pete's (413 Erin Way) from 8:30-10 pm. They will next week. They are currently studying the Gospel of Matthew.

Important Update on Make-up Sessions for Directory Pictures: Make up Photo Sessions will not be scheduled until we have at least 30 appointments. Right now, we have approximately 20 appointments on the sign-up sheet at the Informational Desk (families of 4 or more will count as 2 appointments). Potential dates with 30 appointments – December 4th or the 8th, 35-38 appointments – December 13th or the 14th (All pictures are guaranteed to be back before Christmas). Time is running out to secure the above dates. please sign up ASAP or contact Debby Miller 316-573-6565.

We would like to thank everyone who participated in the Linus Project this year. Your generosity and support made a huge difference. Thank you to all those who made blankets, donated money or materials and all who prayed for our project. After Christmas' we'll start on next year's project. Thank you again and have lovely holidays from Linda Phillips and Diane Doyle.

Smoked Boston Butts are available for sale by the Men's Group of Christ Lutheran in Perry. Pick-up is the day before Thanksgiving on Wednesday, November 26 from 2-4 pm. The cost is \$45 payable at time of pick-up, for an 8-10 pound Boston Butt. Proceeds are used towards various mission projects. To order, call or text Ric Davis at 478-342-5723.

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

Barbara Mabee, who is recovering from wrist surgery.

Susan McEachern, who is in need of prayers of healing.

Barbara Bauman, who is recovering from pacemaker surgery.

Sue Glaser, who was hospitalized with pneumonia.

Chris Mabee, who will continue with chemo treatment for the next two weeks.

Cliff Hardy, Debbie's uncle, who is battling stage 4 cancer.

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

Keith Busha, Pat Aldredge, John "Jack" Trichinotis (Cynthia Trichinotis' grandson), Laura Harper, Charles Hudock (Carol Yeager's brother), Shelly Bowen Carson (Amy White's friend), Nick Kesler (Liz Hunter's brother), Frank McVay (Tony's father), Beth Strickland, Grayson Adams, Linda Phillips, Bobby Platt (Joan Smith'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 Andrew Howe. **LITURGIST**: Pastor Andrew Howe. **ELDERS**: Mark Dieckmann (8 am) and Walt Seefeld (10:45 am). **ACOLYTES**: Open (8 am) and Open (10:45 am). **USHERS**: Early – Doug Fingles, Eric Gossman, Keith Busha & Keith Busha. Late – Bob Day, Don Netzinger, Adam Beecher & Steve Hetes. **LAY READERS**: Carrie Wurdeman (8 am) and Bonnie Hudlin (10:45 am). **ALTAR GUILD**: Dina Gossman, Suzanne O'Daniel & Ruthie Radcliff. **GREETERS**: Gary & Lexie Hadley (8 am) and Roger & Gina Peterson (10:45 am).

SERVING US NEXT WEEK

ELDERS: Rob Crawford (Sat 6 pm), Don Barnes (Sun 8 am) and Dave Yingling (Sun 10:45 am). **ACOLYTES**: Michael Nuckels (Sun 8 am) and Sara Mathews (Sun 10:45 am). **LAY READERS**: Ginger Martin (Sat 6 pm), Darron Counselman (Sun 8 am) and D. J. Nelson (Sun 10:45 am). **ALTAR GUILD**: Whitney Howe, Deb Fingles, Lexie Hadley & Pat Sperry. **GREETERS**: Eric & Dina Gossman (Sun 8 am) and Dave & Ruthie Radcliff (10:45 am).

<u>Last Week's Attendance</u> Saturday – 34 Early – 81 Late – 108 Total – 223

	THIS WEEK AT MOI	UNT CALVARY
Today	12:00 nm	Votorans' Lunch

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	6:30 pm	SLDT Meeting
	8:30 pm	Young Adult Bible Study
Monday	10:00 am	Ladies Guild
	1:00 pm	Women's Small Group
	6:00 pm	GriefShare Support Group
	7:15 pm	Bell Choir
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Council
Wednesday	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
Friday	5:00 pm	Fall Retreat – High School
		(thru Saturday 5 pm)
Saturday	5:00 pm	Adult Bible Study
Next Sunday	6:00 pm	TAG Night
	8:30 pm	Young Adult Bible Study