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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.

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Associate Pastor

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Vicar

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Then . . .

you shall see the distinction
between the righteous
and the wicked

Malachi 3:18



As We Gather

There is a phrase familiar to both preschoolers and powerbrokers. When they see that someone else has something they want, they declare, "That's mine!" seizing either toys or territory for themselves. This phrase is not unfamiliar to our God either. But where humans are motivated by selfishness, the Lord acts out of love. He claims you as His own because He loves you and He wants you to be with Him for eternity. You are His treasured possession! He will never leave you behind like a toddler may accidentally abandon her teddy bear, or neglect you like a king would treat those who supported his rival. When the Lord says, "You are Mine," you have His pledge of enduring faithfulness, today and unto eternity!

PRESERVICE MUSIC:***"God So Loved"***

- We The Kingdom

OPENING SONG:***"This is our God"***

**Remember those walls that we called sin and shame?
They were like prisons that we couldn't escape
But He came, and He died, and He rose Those walls are rubble now**

**Remember those giants we called death and grave?
They were like mountains that stood in our way
But He came, and He died, and He rose Those giants are dead now**

Chorus

**Remember those giants we called death and grave?
They were like mountains that stood in our way
But He came, and He died, and He rose Those giants are dead now**

**Remember that fear that took our breath away?
Faith so weak that we could barely pray
But He heard every word, every whisper**

**Now those altars in the wilderness
Tell the story of His faithfulness
Never once did He fail, and He never will (Chorus)**

Bridge

**Who pulled me out of that pit? He did, He did
Who paid for all of our sin? Nobody but Jesus (2x)**

**Who rescued me from that grave? Yahweh, Yahweh
Who gets the glory and praise? Nobody but Jesus
Who rescued me from that grave? Yahweh, Yahweh
Who gets the glory and praise? Nobody but Him (Chorus)**

**He bore the cross, beat the grave
Let Heaven and Earth proclaim
This is our God, King Jesus**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP: ***"Glory to God Forever"***

**Before the world was made,
Before You spoke it to be
You were the King of Kings,
Yah You were, Yah You were**

**And now You're reigning still,
Enthroned above all things
Angels and saints cry out,
We join them as we sing**

Chorus

**Glory to God, Glory to God
Glory to God, Forever
Glory to God, Glory to God
Glory to God, Forever**

**Creator God you gave
Me breath so I could praise
Your great and matchless name,
All my days, all my days**

**So let my whole life be
A blazing offering
A life that shouts and sings
The greatness of the King (Chorus)**

Bridge 2x

**Take my life and let it be
All for You and for Your glory
Take my life and
let it be Yours (Chorus 2x)**

**(Bridge 2x)
(Chorus)**

INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP

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

Amen.

This is the day that the LORD has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD,

and all the families of the nations shall worship before You.

Now thus says the LORD, "Fear not, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name, you are Mine."

THE CONFESSION OF SINS AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The Lord has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

(Please kneel)

Almighty God and Father,

we confess, as Your people, our need for Your merciful kindness. We are prisoners of our own wants, our own traditions, and our own inborn sinfulness. Our actions and interactions often fail as reflections of Your kingdom. Our thoughts and desires often reflect the domain of darkness You have delivered us from. We often act out of our love for ourselves, rather than our love for others or for You. Forgive us and free us, Lord, to love what You love and go where You lead, all by the grace of our Redeemer, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son, Jesus, to die for you, and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word made flesh, 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.**

SONG OF PRAISE:

"Holy Forever"

**A thousand generations
Falling down in worship
To sing the song of ages to the Lamb
And all who've gone before us and
All who will believe
Will sing the song of ages to the Lamb**

Pre-Chorus

**Your name is the highest
Your name is the greatest
Your name stands above them all**

**All thrones and dominions
All powers and positions
Your name stands above them all**

Chorus 1

**And the angels cry, Holy
All creation cries, Holy
You are lifted high, Holy
Holy forever**

**If you've been forgiven and
If you've been redeemed
Sing the song forever to the Lamb
If you walk in freedom and
If you bear His name
Sing the song forever to the Lamb
(We'll sing the song forever and amen!) (Chorus 1)**

Chorus 2

**Hear your people sing, Holy
To the King of Kings, Holy
You will always be, Holy
Holy forever**

(Pre-Chorus 2x)

(Chorus 1 and 2)

**You will always be, Holy
Holy forever**

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THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Malachi 3:13–18 *(The Lord makes His claim on His treasured possession)*

¹³ "Your words have been hard against me, says the LORD. But you say, 'How have we spoken against you?' ¹⁴ You have said, 'It is vain to serve God. What is the profit of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the LORD of hosts? ¹⁵ And now we call the arrogant blessed. Evildoers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape.'"

¹⁶ Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed his name. ¹⁷ "They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. ¹⁸ Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE EPISTLE READING: Colossians 1:13–20 (*By His blood, the Christ who holds all things together also holds us in His kingdom.*)

¹³ He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶ For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷ And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 23:27–43 (*On the cross, Jesus is enthroned as King and speaks of forgiveness and paradise.*)

²⁷ And there followed him a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. ²⁸ But turning to them Jesus said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹ For behold, the days are coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!' ³⁰ Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us,' and to the hills, 'Cover us.' ³¹ For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

³² Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³ And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴ And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. ³⁵ And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹ And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³ And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ

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.

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:

"What a Beautiful Name"

**You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord Most High
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ**

**What a beautiful Name it is
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King**

**What a beautiful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus**

**You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus You brought heaven down
My sin was great, Your love was greater
What could separate us now?**

**What a wonderful Name it is
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King**

**What a wonderful Name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus**

**What a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus**

**Death could not hold You
The veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave**

**The heavens are roaring
The praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again**

**You have no rival,
You have no equal
Now and for ever God You reign**

**Yours is the kingdom,
Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all Names**

**What a powerful Name it is
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King**

**What a powerful Name it is
Nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus**

**What a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus (Repeat)**

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THE DEDICATION OF 2026 PLEDGES

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 SONG: *"Glorious Day"*

**I was buried beneath my shame
Who could carry that kind of weight
It was my tomb 'til I met You**

**I was breathing but not alive
All my failures I tried to hide
It was my tomb 'til I met You**

Chorus

**('Cause when) You called my name (and) I ran out of that grave
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day
You called my name (and) I ran out of that grave
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day**

**Now Your mercy has saved my soul
Now Your freedom is all that I know
The old made new, Jesus when I met You (Chorus)**

Bridge

**I needed rescue, my sin was heavy
But chains break at the weight of Your glory
I needed shelter, I was an orphan
Now You call me a citizen of Heaven**

**When I was broken, You were my healing
Now Your love is the air that I'm breathing
I have a future, my eyes are open
'Cause when You called my name
I ran out of that grave! (Chorus)**

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 Caroline Martin, in memory of Ken Martin's November 23rd birthday.

Noisy Can Collection: Since there will be no service on November 29th, our only Noisy Can Collection will be on Sunday, November 30th.

Mount Calvary has received a donation in memory of Marvin Hopf (Mike's dad), from John & Liz Hunter.

Mount Calvary has received a donation in memory of Dawna Dugan, Dina Gossman's sister, from John & Liz Hunter.

SCAM ALERT- never respond to an email or text from the Pastors or any staff asking for "assistance," a "favor," or even a "please reply to this note." They end up asking for "gift cards." We will NOT reach out in this manner. This year, we have had several phishing scams pretending to be Pastor Andrew. It will likely increase as we near the holiday season. The pastoral staff has resources to help those in need through the alms fund. When in doubt, you can call our pastors directly.

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.

Join us on Sunday, December 7th for an evening full of food and holiday cheer at the annual Progressive Dinner. Appetizers in The Annex at 5 pm will kick off the night. Dinner follows at 6 m in the Fellowship Hall. Desserts at Jo Drinkhahn or Pastor Andrew's house. Santa will stop by for free photos! Childcare will be available so everyone can relax and enjoy the evening! Tickets are \$5.00 per person and go on sale November 22 at the Information Desk. Stop by to sign up and see more details.

Blood Drive Results — I want to thank all of the volunteers and donors that helped the Red Cross collect **20 units** of blood at OUR blood drive on November 13th. The surge in last minute donors help make it another success. Our next blood drive is on **March 12th, 2026**. If able to donate, please consider donating during at least one of our three annual blood drives each year. Also, please encourage family members or friends to donate. Again, thank you.

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Party Schedule for Youth/Young Adults: Participants are asked to bring their favorite holiday goodie to share for each of the following parties.

Middle School – Friday, December 5th, 6-8 pm in the Annex. Youth are also asked to bring \$10 to help cover the costs of the Angel Tree presents we will be shopping for as part of our party.

College/Young Adult – Sunday, December 14th, 6-9 pm at Sonja & Pastor Pete's home. Participants are also asked to bring a gift (valued around \$15) for the exchange.

High School – Sunday, December 21st, 6-8 pm at Sonja & Pastor Pete's home. Participants are also asked to bring a gift (valued around \$15) for the exchange.

Thank you, Mt Calvary! Linda O'Donnell, President and Jacque Bohm, Treasurer of LWML, delivered your generous donations of 58 pairs of new pajamas on Monday, November 17th. Pajamas will be wrapped and delivered by Jambos to children entering the foster care system throughout the state of Georgia. Each child receives a new pair of pj's rolled and with a Bible verse. Want to know more? Go to jambosdonates.org

Luke2: A Christmas Story: Mount Calvary is offering each of you a chance to wear a shirt to promote the gospel. How, you ask? The Luke2 project is a faith-based ministry promoting Christian faith and the gospel by wearing a t-shirt. We will be selling beginning November 22nd after each service on Saturday and Sunday. We will also be available before and after the Advent Service in the Narthex. The T-shirts will be sold at \$15.00 each by cash or check (Mt Calvary Lutheran Church). Credit cards will be accepted, and the cost will be \$16.00, to cover the processing.

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.

Angel Tree: The Angel tree is now up in the Narthex and individual angels have been placed on the tree. We have requests from individuals of all ages. There are also gift card requests for Family Promise. Return your gift in a gift bag with the angel you chose attached to the handle or outside of the bag and place it in the conference room located directly across from the office kitchen. Gift Cards can be placed in the small red "Gift Card" box on the bookshelf in Vicar's office. Please have all gifts ready for distribution by December 7th. Thanks in advance for your generosity and support!

Thanksgiving Baskets: On Thursday, November 20th, our Social Ministry Board distributed 22 Thanksgiving Bags filled with all kinds of Thanksgiving food items including a Turkey. This was quite an undertaking and we can't thank you enough for all the help that was received. From buying food and turkeys, to storing the turkeys and helping to separate and distribute the bags. . . . you made Thanksgiving Day special for 22 families! A special thank you to Alyce Quillin and Eugene O'Neal for applying and receiving a Thrivent Action Team Card which helped to pay for a large portion of the cost for this project!

November 30th – Hanging of the Greens: *Come one, come all* as we work together as a one church body to prepare for the Advent and Christmas seasons—many hands make light work. We will begin immediately following the 10 am service.

Pictures taken for the Pictorial Directory in October are in. You can pick yours up on the Information Desk.

The date for makeup pictures is December 4th. Please stop at the Information Desk to sign up for your appointment time. Either Marcia Brighton, Mike Hopf or Debbly Miller will be there to help after each service.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

The family of Dawna Dugan, Dina Gossman's sister, who died November 14th.

Lisa Starkman, continued prayers for healing.

Malaki, Elizabeth and Lonny Walker's grandson, who is battling an illness.

Andy, Elizabeth and Lonny Walker's son-in-law, who is battling an illness.

Cynthia Trichinotis, who is having some ongoing health issues.

Joan Steese, who is having some health issues.

Jay Foertner, Vicar Zachary's friend, who has fallen and broken several bones.

(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

Barbara Bauman, Susan McEachern, Barbara Mabee, Sue Glaser, Chris Mabee, 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).

Those Battling Cancer

Pastor Aaron Sterling, 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 Pete LeBorious. **LITURGIST:** Pastor Pete LeBorious. **ELDER:** Rob Crawford.
LAY READER: Pruett Burge. **ALTAR GUILD:** Whitney Howe, Deb Fingles & Lexie Hadley.

SERVING US NEXT WEEK

ELDER: Eric Gossman. **ACOLYTE:** Cate Christmas. **LAY READER:** John Hunter. **ALTAR GUILD:** Marcia Brighton, Toli Van Buskirk & Carrie Wurdeman. **GREETERS:** Betty Cummings & Nancy Hoar.

Last Week's Attendance

Saturday – 41 Early – 83 Late – 85 Total – 209

THIS WEEK AT MOUNT CALVARY

Today	12:00 pm	Confirmation Workshop for 8 th Grade
	6:30 pm	SLDT Meeting
	8:30 pm	Young Adult Bible Study
Monday	1:00 pm	Women's Small Group
	7:15 pm	Bell Choir
Wednesday	9:30 am	Stitch N Chat
	6:30 pm	Thanksgiving Worship
Thursday	Closed for Thanksgiving	
Friday	Closed for Thanksgiving	
Next Sunday	10:00 am	Worship Service
	11:00 am	Hanging of the Greens
	6:30 pm	Christmas Decoration of the Annex (High School)

Helping Hands Dinner, December 25th:

Vicar Zachary is calling for volunteers and donations for this year's helping hands dinner on Christmas day. We are expecting up to 500 people this year which means that we need everything we can get. There is a sign-up to contribute to this ministry in a variety of ways on the information desk as well as a turkey and ham donation sheet. Volunteers are not limited to Mt. Calvary members, so if you know anyone who is interested please reach out to them or let the vicar know in writing so he can reach out. Please ensure that all donated meats are cooked beforehand. See Vicar Zachary with any additional donations or if you have any questions. "Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord"- Proverbs 19:17