



MARCH 7 & 8, 2020

PRELUDE & WELCOME (SATURDAY)
TROMBONE PRELUDE & WELCOME (SUNDAY)
(* Please stand if able.

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (SATURDAY)**

P: We gather in the name of our baptism, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: God of heaven and earth, you come in close and make us yours. Equip us by your Spirit to confess our sin, embrace your forgiveness, and seek the way you set before us in your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: With honesty of heart, let us confess our sin.

P: Merciful God,

All: forgive us. Our will is handcuffed to sin, and we cannot break free. We have spoken when we should have kept quiet.

We were silent when we should have said something.

We acted when we knew better.

We were still when we know we should have moved.

For the wrong we have done, for the good we have failed to do, have mercy on us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: People of God, look to the ✠ Son, given to heal you and set you free because God loved the world so much. Take hold of life—eternal life!

C: Amen.

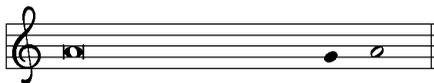
***GATHERING HYMN:** “Remember and Rejoice” **Hymn #454**

***GREETING**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

***KYRIE**



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



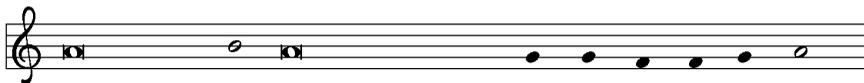
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

(The Prayer of the Day begins the transition toward the reading and the interpretation of the Bible, often telegraphing some of the issues and concerns to be raised by the readings.)

P: Let us pray. O God, our leader and guide, in the waters of baptism you bring us to new birth to live as your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your life to all the world through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C: Amen.

FIRST READING

Genesis 12:1-4a

¹The LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ²I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

^{4a}So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

R: The word of the Lord,

C: Thanks be to God!

SOLO (SATURDAY): Monica Hogue

“Pie Jesu”

by John Rutter

This “Pie Jesu” is a contemporary setting taken from the old Latin Requiem funeral service. The words ask for Jesus to grant peace and rest for those who died and those who suffer. For us today let it be a meditation on the themes of Lent.

PSALM 121 (SUNDAY)

WA: I lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come?

C: My help comes from the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth.

WA: The LORD will not let your foot be moved nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.

C: Behold, the keeper of Israel will neither slumber nor sleep;

WA: the LORD watches over you; the LORD is your shade at your right hand;

C: the sun will not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

WA: The LORD will preserve you from all evil and will keep your life.

C: The LORD will watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth forevermore.

SECOND READING

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

¹What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh?

²For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. ³For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” ⁴Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. ⁵But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

¹³For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”)—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

R: The word of the Lord,

C: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN’S SERMON (SUNDAY)

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Re - turn to the Lord, your God, for he is gra - cious and mer - ci - ful,
slow to an - ger, and a - bound - ing in stead - fast love.

*GOSPEL READING

John 3:1-17

P: The holy gospel according to John,

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” ³Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” ⁴Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” ⁵Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” ⁹Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” ¹⁰Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

¹¹“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

¹⁷“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY:** “The Glory of These Forty Days” **Hymn #320**

HOLY BAPTISM WITH AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM (SUNDAY)

INTRODUCTION

P: God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word, God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God’s mission for the life of the world.

PRESENTATION FOR BAPTISM

P: I present Kaitlyn Morgan Brown for baptism.

P: Kaitlyn Morgan Brown, called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to be baptized into Christ?

Kaitlyn: I do.

P: Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to be baptized into Christ?

Kaitlyn: I do

PRESENTATION FOR AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

P: I present Donald William Wertz, who desires to make public affirmation of baptism.

P: Let us pray. Merciful God, we thank you for this sibling in the Lord Jesus, whom you have made your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called your child to

yourself, enlightened your child with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished your child in the community of faith. Uphold your servant in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ.

A: Amen.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

P: Donald William Wertz, I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

P: Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Donald: I renounce them.

P: Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Donald: I renounce them.

P: Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Donald: I renounce them.

P: All in attendance today, do you believe in God the Father?

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

All: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

All: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

P: Sibling in the Lord affirming baptism today: You have made public profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism: to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Donald: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

P: People of God, do you promise to support those baptized today, and those making public affirmation of their baptism, and to pray for them in their life in Christ?

A: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

P: The Lord be with you.

A: And also with you.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

A: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you. Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

A: Amen.

BAPTISM

P: Kaitlyn Morgan Brown, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

A: Amen.

All: You belong to Christ, in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia.

P: Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Kaitlyn with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

A: Amen.

P: Kaitlyn Morgan Brown, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

A: Amen.

WELCOME

P: Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

P: Let us welcome the newly baptized and rejoice with *those* making public affirmation of baptism.

A: We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

WA: Turning our hearts to God who is gracious and merciful, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

WA: Lord Jesus, you are the light that shines in the darkness. You give us new life. As we prepare to call our next Bishop, we pray that you will enlighten our hearts. Be with those who will cast ballots at the Assembly. Let them be guided by your Holy Spirit. Show them, and all of us who you would call to be our next shepherd. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

WA: God of rebirth, empower your church throughout the world to be a voice of hope for those who fear judgment or condemnation. Assure us of your faithfulness and give us confidence to proclaim your salvation for all. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

WA: God of rebirth, your Spirit hovered over the waters and you called creation into being. Nurture and bless all signs of rebirth around us: budding trees and new shoots, thawing lakes and warm breezes, and animals awaking from hibernation. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

WA: God of rebirth, lead the nations in your way of righteousness. Protect those who advocate for the needs of children, migrants, and victims of violence. Give courage to lawmakers, lawyers, judges, and law enforcement officers, guiding them to do justice and to love mercy. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

WA: God of rebirth, give us a new vision of your healing power among us. Restore hope to those who remain in the depths of depression or despair. Bring mercy and relief to those who are injured, sick, or suffering (*especially*). Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

WA: God of rebirth, we thank you for the children of this community and for the people and ministries that care for them (*individuals and ministries in the congregation may be named*). Bless new and expectant parents. Console those who have lost children and those whose desire for children remains unfulfilled. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

WA: God of rebirth, by wind and spirit you call us into life renewed. We give you thanks for all your saints who have inherited your promises (*especially*). Bring us, with them, into your everlasting kingdom. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

WA: According to your steadfast love, O God, hear these and all our prayers as we commend them to you; through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

***SHARING OF THE PEACE**

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERING

***OFFERTORY SONG**

“Create in Me a Clean Heart”



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right
spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of
your sal - va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

WA: Let us pray. God of all goodness,

C: generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant. Amen.

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

(We prepare for Christ to enter our very bodies with the words "The Lord be with you," just as the angel Gabriel once used these same words to announce Jesus' conception in the virgin Mary's womb, e.g. Luke 1:26-28.)

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of four staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff has two measures: "The Lord be with you." and "And al - so with you." The second staff has two measures: "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The third staff has two measures: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The fourth staff has two measures: "It is right to give our thanks and praise." The music is written in a simple, melodic style with quarter and eighth notes, and rests.

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

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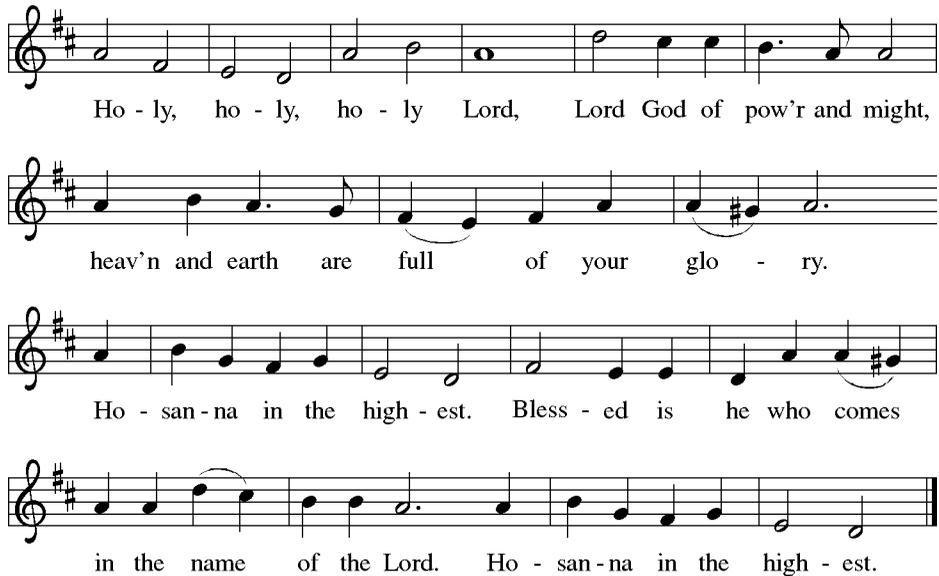
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PREFACE

It is indeed right, our du - ty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,
al-mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ.
You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the
pas - chal feast, that re - newed in the gift of bap - tism,
we may come to the full - ness of your grace.
And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,
we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:

*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
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.

*EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

*LORD'S PRAYER

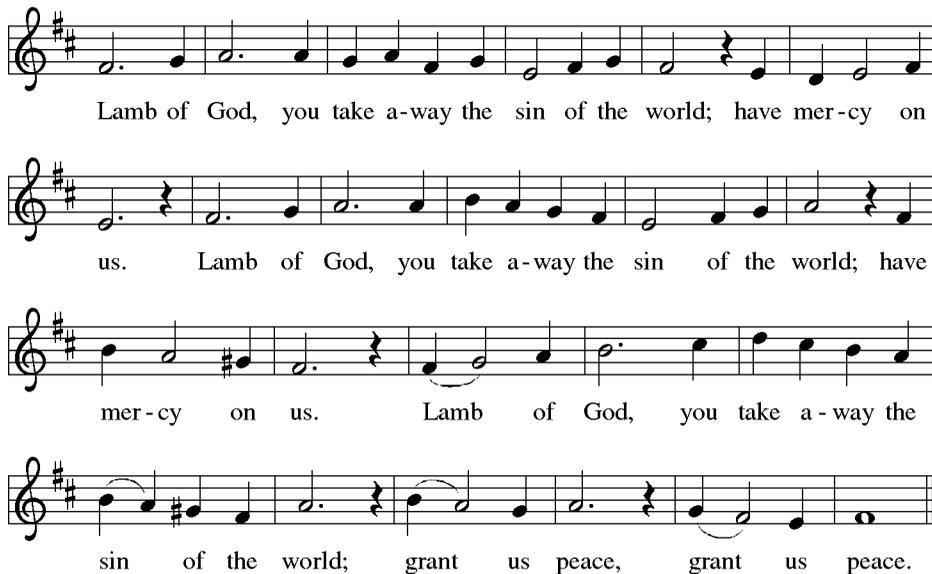
P: Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

C: 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Return to God with all your heart. Receive bread for the journey, drink for the desert.

COMMUNION SONG “Lamb of God”



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, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMNS:	“Restore in Us, O God”	Hymn #328
	“God Loved the World”	Hymn #323
	“As the Grains of Wheat”	Hymn #465

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

WA: Compassionate God,

C: you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be hunger for justice, our alms, a making of peace, and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

***BLESSING**

P: The love of God surround you; the grace of † Christ release you; and the Holy Spirit be your guide and strength, now and forevermore. **A: Amen.**

***SENDING SONG**

“Will You Come and Follow Me”

Hymn #798

***DISMISSAL**

WA: With faith renewed, hope restored, and loved revived, we go,

A: to invite every generation on a shared journey to Christian growth.

POSTLUDE

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The readings for next week are:
Exodus 17:1-7, Psalm 95, Romans 5:1-11, and John 4:5-42



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Mission:

Inviting every generation on a shared journey to Christian growth.

Ash Wednesday Attendance: 110

Last Week's Attendance: February 29 - 92 March 1 - 90

Weekly Schedule:

Sat: 5:30 pm Worship	Sat: 5:30 pm Worship
Sun: 8:30 pm Sunday School	Sun: 8:30 pm Sunday School
8:45 am Worship	8:45 am Worship
9:45 am Adult Sunday School	9:45 am Adult Sunday School
9:45 am Confirmation	9:45 am Confirmation
7:00 pm Volleyball	7:00 pm Volleyball
Wed: 6:30 pm Mid-Week Lenten Service	
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	



To prepare for Easter, Mount Calvary is providing families with elementary and middle school children "Lent in a Box." Each box contains hands-on activities, scripture pages, interactive prayer activities, and stories of people who encounter Jesus. It's our hope that using the activities in each box will help you and your family prepare for Easter not just on Sundays but have meaningful faith conversations throughout the week. See Pastor Jono after worship today if your family hasn't already received its box!

March 7 & 8, 2020

Greeters: 5:30 Jeff & Michele Wingard 8:45 Jonathan & Melanie Perry
Reader: 5:30 Missy Brodt 8:45 Jan Mertz
Worship Assist: 5:30 Joan Hunter 8:45 Harold Ashcraft
Comm. Assist: 5:30 Deb Rychak 8:45 Laura Bower
Acolyte: 5:30 8:45 Levi Hockensmith
Crucifer 8:45 Sunniva Pawlowski
Ushers: 5:30 Kevin & Chris Oleska 8:45 Kierisa & Thomas Hockensmith
Communion Bread: Sat. & Sun. Jim & Christine Koshute
Altar Guild: Helen Dyak, Lois Gallus, Debbie Ferrin, and Sharon Stull

March 14 & 15, 2020

Greeters: 5:30 Leonard & Nancy Strihan 8:45 Ruth Ann Wolfe & Foor Family
Reader: 5:30 Anita Brodt 8:45 Gretel Kaltenbaugh
Worship Assist: 5:30 Noelle Berkey 8:45 Lois Sholtis
Comm. Assist: 5:30 Deb Rychak 8:45 Teresa Lumley
Acolyte: 5:30 8:45 Luke Raho
Crucifer 8:45 Austin Yarnick
Ushers: 5:30 Brian Hiltz & Jeff Wingard 8:45 David Raho & Patti Sliko
Communion Bread: Sat. & Sun. Brent & Ida Mary Williams

Remember Bill Sabo, Patti Sliko, and Dianne Thoburn who are known to be hospitalized.

Remember these individuals for whom prayer was requested: Karen Finnegan, Porter, Charlotte, Bob and Family, Andy, Mary Lou, Jean, Florence, Heidi, Gene, Harry and Debbie Mogart, Presley, Josh, John and Kathy, Joe and Marge, Marlene Barrick, Linda, Mary Ann, Sam, Ted, Tyler, Mary Anne, Jim Balogh, Ford Family, Ken Sliko, Harry, Linda, Bill, Elisa, Nathan, Brian, Bree, John, Gindlesperger Family, Mary Kay Mostoller, Linda, Patti, Lona, Pat Custer, Barb, Jill, Dave, Karen, Lauren, Billy, Mike, Larry and Sandy, Jim and Beth Rice, Maggie, Jan Louder, Larry, Michelle, Shelia, Janice, Claudia Plows, Monica, Rick Gallus, Kathy, Dick and Linda, Darlene, Andrew Wilcox, Dolly, Chiz, Patti, Scott, Dorothy, Midge, Mary, Denny, Shirley, Dave, Jennifer, Rita, Sylvia, Don, Landon, Dwane, Harold, Donna, Katherine Kinzey, Jack W., Emanuel, Jean Wechtenhiser, and Sharon Naugle.

VISITORS' AND GENERAL INFORMATION

Attention: Parents/Grandparents

Is your little one having a bad day? Please feel free to utilize our new lounge, sometimes referred to as “the cry room,” at any time. It’s the room right off the narthex with the sliding glass doors. Besides the big comfy couches, there is a closet with lots of toys to occupy someone’s time and attention. You won’t be totally isolated from the service because there are speakers which carry the service from the nave. Should you have any questions, contact an usher or greeter.

Busy Bags

There are bags in the Narthex to keep your little ones busy during church. Please feel free to help yourself. They are located near the flower chart.

Please Recycle Bulletins

If you won’t be using it at home, please put your used bulletin in one of the blue bins found in the narthex.

Public Wi-Fi

Login:

john316guest

Handicap Accessible Bathroom

There is a handicapped accessible bathroom at the end of the narthex corridor in which the elevator is found.

Audio Recordings

Weekly readings, sermons, and special music are now available at www.mt-calvarylutheran.org. Click on the link at the bottom of the web page.

Prayer List Submissions

Please help us keep the prayer list organized and up to date. Provided they arrive in the church office by 2 PM on Wednesday, new names will be added to the prayer list before the publication of that weekend’s bulletin. Once on the prayer list, names will remain there for three weeks unless a longer period has been specifically requested. Names can be submitted to our secretary, Sue Cade, by phone or emailed to Sue at cades@mt-calvarylutheran.org

Bulletin Information Submissions

The bulletin is printed by noon on Thursdays. Please have all of your announcements to Sue Cade by Tuesday afternoon. Announcements should be emailed to caedes@mt-calvarylutheran.org. You should also include Pastor Scott on any and all announcements that you send so he can be aware of them during the editing process. Pastor Scott's email address is sklimke6@gmail.com

Electronic Newsletter

We are able to send the Hilltopper electronically. If you would like your newsletter emailed to you, please email Sue Cade at caedes@mt-calvarylutheran.org. This way emails will be correct. Sending the newsletter through email will make us more efficient. If you have any questions, please call Sue Cade at 814-266-4859.

Mt. Calvary Press Release

You now have an opportunity to sponsor the Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church notice in the Saturday issue of the Johnstown Tribune-Democrat newspaper! We are asking if any of our members are interested in sponsoring this ad for 1 week. The cost is \$11.00. We are also giving you the opportunity to place this as an Honorarium or Memorial, if you wish.



Sponsored by _____

In Honor/Memory of _____ How Many Weeks _____

Thanks to Monica Hogue for singing at our Saturday service.
Monica lives in Lorreto, PA and sings at St. Michael's Basicila.

—REMINDER—

Please check the various bulletin boards for information on activities happening in the church.

Sequanota's Wacky Bowling



Sequanota's Wacky Bowling Fundraiser is **Sunday, March 8th at Richland Lanes from 3-5pm**. This is a great event that allows our youth (and adults) to support the ministry of Sequanota. You don't have to be good at bowling—this is wacky, “creative” bowling that is fun and funny for all ages and abilities, but lanes for regular bowling are also available. Prizes for strikes, highest score, and the congregation with the most participants. Bring a few extra dollars for the raffle; win a Sequanota t-shirt, mug, or bandana. \$20/person covers two games and shoe rental. Since you could almost throw a bowling ball at Richland Lanes from Mt. Calvary, it would be a shame if we didn't have a sizable group. See Pastor Jonathan to sign up.

WELCA 2020

During 2020, our WELCA group will focus efforts in our church family's health, wellness and spiritual needs. Please be sure to look at the bulletin board as you enter the narthex. WELCA will have it decorated during the year with valuable information on these topics.



You can help us "SPRING" into healthy habits during the month of March by contributing to this bulletin board. Paper flowers will be available on the table in front of the bulletin board. Take a minute and write a spiritual, health or wellness tip on a flower and put it in the basket also located on the table. A WELCA member will hang your flower on the bulletin board. Help WELCA fill the bulletin board with good health and wellness!

2020 Wednesday Lenten Luncheons

March 11 Mount Calvary Lutheran

March 18 Beulah United Methodist

March 25 Belmont United Methodist

April 1 Oakland United Methodist

The cost of the lunch is \$7.00. We are also asking everyone to bring a **canned good** or make a **monetary donation** to the Walnut Grove Food Pantry. Luncheons will begin at noon with a 10-15-minute worship service to be planned by the host congregation's minister or other designated person. The general format of worship is a hymn or two, scripture reading, meditation, and prayer.

“Faith” Stomper Statue



Mount Calvary has a new visitor, you may have noticed it in the narthex. The "Faith" Stomper statue is a community art project created as part of the Allegheny Synod youth event in November 2019 and symbolizes our faith being part of how we respond to mental health issues. The statue has been traveling to various congregations and will spend the next few months here in Johnstown. If you're interested in learning more about how our own youth contributed to decorating the statue, talk to any of the students who attended the State College youth event last fall.

Hospital Stays

If you must go to the hospital, please let the admittance department know that you are affiliated with Mount Calvary. We have no way of knowing unless you tell the hospital., have family or a friend call us. Pastor can't come and visit if we don't know your there.

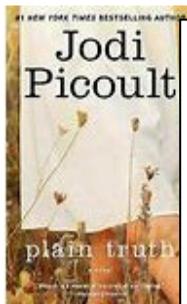
Girl Scout Cookie Booth

Savannah Foor will be selling cookies after church services on:

Saturday, March 14th and

Sunday, March 15th

Pre-Ordered Cookies will be available after church Sunday, March 8th.



Book Discussion

Title: Plain Truth
By Jodi Picoult

April 13, at 6:30 pm

Spring Clean Out

Through the years, the church has accumulated many items tucked away in various storage areas. Just like our own homes that need an occasional cleaning out, so does our church.

The Property committee will meet **Saturday, April 4 at 9:00 a.m.** to do a spring cleaning. We are looking at items that have not been used for some time. If you are aware of any of these items that you had donated to the church and would like to keep them, please post a note on them and mark it “saved” along with your name and phone number (or call the office).

All unused items will be donated to the church yard sale to raise money for other projects.



SATURDAY, MAY 9, 2020
8 AM – 1 PM

Anyone wishing to donate any unwanted items for the Flea Market on May 9, may bring them into the church and place them in the new classroom (old lounge) starting in April.

Please no adult clothes or shoes – just kids clothing and shoes. Thank you so much for your support.

Backyard Ministries

If you would like to support Backyard Ministries, the bin will still be in the narthex. Each week throughout the summer we hand out about 50 snack bags a week at the end of our visits. The snack bags include a lollipop, a pack of cookies, a pack of crackers, and a fruit bar. There is also a need for zip lock bags (small or medium sized). If you have any questions, please contact Mike Kozak at 244-6880. Thank you for your continued support!