



“I am the Good Shepherd.”

John 10:11a

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 14, 2024

**Calvary Lutheran Church
Topeka, KS**

SERVICE OF PRAYER AND PREACHING

**Indicates to Stand*

ANNOUNCEMENTS and *OPENING PRAYER

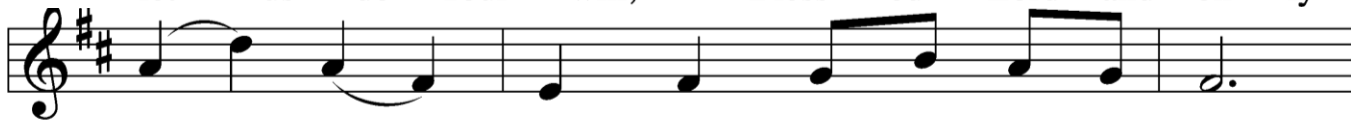
OPENING HYMN: "Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us" # 711



1 Sav - ior, like a shep - herd lead us; Much we
2 We are Yours; in love be - friend us, Be the
3 You have prom - ised to re - ceive us, Poor and
4 Ear - ly let us seek Your fa - vor, Ear - ly



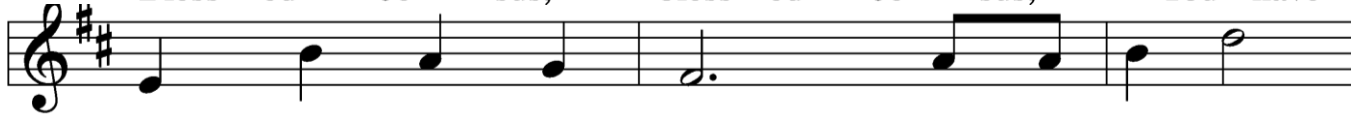
need Your ten - der care. In Your pleas - ant pas - tures
guard - ian of our way; Keep Your flock, from sin de -
sin - ful though we be; You have mer - cy to re -
let us do Your will; Bless - ed Lord and on - ly



feed us, For our use Your fold pre - pare.
fend us, Seek us when we go a - stray.
lieve us, Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.
Sav - ior, With Your love our spir - its fill.



Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, You have
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, Hear us
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, Ear - ly
Bless - ed Je - sus, bless - ed Je - sus, You have



bought us; we are Yours. Bless - ed Je - sus,
chil - dren when we pray. Bless - ed Je - sus,
let us turn to You. Bless - ed Je - sus,
loved us, love us still. Bless - ed Je - sus,



bless - ed Je - sus, You have bought us; we are Yours.
bless - ed Je - sus, Hear us chil - dren when we pray.
bless - ed Je - sus, Ear - ly let us turn to You.
bless - ed Je - sus, You have loved us, love us still.

*OPENING VERSICLES

P: This is the day which the Lord has made;

C: **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Psalm 118:24

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C: **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

Psalm 113:3

P: Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

C: **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.**

Psalm 84:10

P: Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

C: **Teach me Your paths.**

Psalm 25:4

P: Sanctify us in Your truth.

C: **Your Word is truth.**

John 17:17

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C: **The name of the Lord is to be praised.**

Psalm 113:3

ALL: 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.

*OLD TESTAMENT CANTICLE

Refrain

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.
With joy will you draw wa - ter from the
wells of sal - va - tion. And you will say in that
day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call up - on His name,
make known His deeds a - mong the peo - ples, pro -

claim that His name is ex - alt - ed.”

Refrain

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and

He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

Sing prais - es to the Lord, for He has done

glo - rious - ly; let this be made known in all the

earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O in -

hab - i - tants of Zi - on, for great in your midst is the

Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

Refrain

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and

He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son

and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will

be for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain

The Lord God is my strength and my song, and

He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Ezekiel 34:11–16

P: “For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I Myself will search for My sheep and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out My sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. I Myself will be the shepherd of My sheep, and I Myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING: 1 Peter 2:21–25

P: For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in His steps. He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in His mouth. When He was reviled, He did not revile in return; when He suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting Himself to Him who judges justly. He Himself

bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***HOLY GOSPEL:** John 10:11–16

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the tenth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

P: Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down His life for the sheep. He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know My own and My own know Me, just as the Father knows Me and I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to My voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

***RESPONSORY**

P: Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens. *Psalm 119:89*

C: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. *Psalm 26:8*

P: Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it. *Luke 11:28*

C: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. *Psalm 26:8*

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

C: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. *Psalm 26:8*

***TEN COMMANDMENTS:** *(spoken by all)*

You shall have no other gods. You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God. Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. Honor your father and your mother. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

***APOSTLES' CREED:** *(spoken by all)*

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.

***LORD'S PRAYER:** *(spoken by all)*

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.

HYMN OF THE DAY: *"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"*

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1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But yet in
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul He lead - eth And, where the ver - dant
 love He sought me And on His shoul - der
 Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my



I am His And He is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 gent - ly laid And home re - joic - ing brought me.
 com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
 Thine unction grace bestoweth;
 And, oh, what transport of delight
 From Thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so through all the length of days
 Thy goodness faileth never;
 Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise
 Within Thy house forever!

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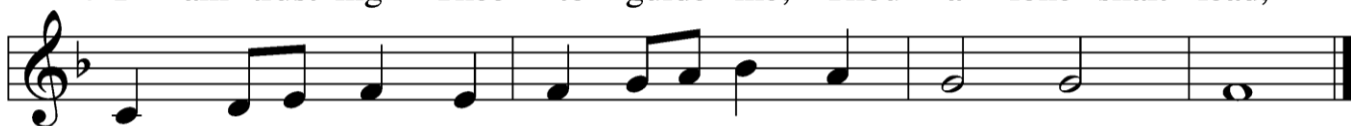
SERMON

HYMN OF RESPONSE: *"I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus"*

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1 I am trust - ing Thee, Lord Je - sus, Trust - ing on - ly Thee;
 2 I am trust - ing Thee for par - don; At Thy feet I bow,
 3 I am trust - ing Thee for cleans - ing In the crim - son flood;
 4 I am trust - ing Thee to guide me; Thou a - lone shalt lead,



Trust - ing Thee for full sal - va - tion, Great and free.
 For Thy grace and ten - der mer - cy Trust - ing now.
 Trust - ing Thee to make me ho - ly By Thy blood.
 Ev - 'ry day and hour sup - ply - ing All my need.

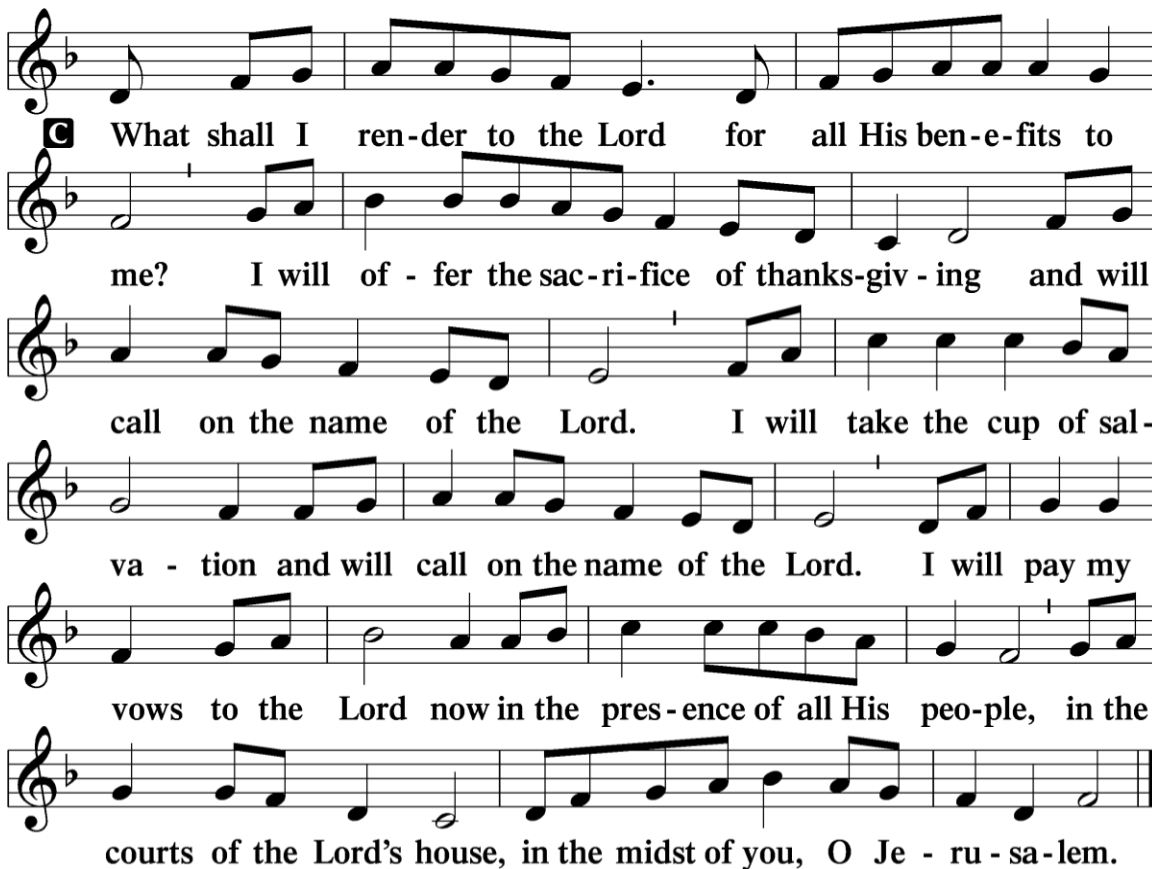
5 I am trusting Thee for power;
Thine can never fail.
Words which Thou Thyself shalt give me
Must prevail.

6 I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus;
Never let me fall.
I am trusting Thee forever
And for all.

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OFFERING: *(as the offerings are being gathered to glorify our Lord, please sign and pass the red attendance booklet found in the pew)*

***OFFERTORY**



What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-
va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

***PRAYER**

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and
with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

***COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P: Almighty and everlasting God, . . . one God, now and forever

C: Amen.

***COLLECT FOR THE WORD**

P: Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives on reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

***MORNING PRAYER:** *(spoken by all)*

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

***NEW TESTAMENT CANTICLE**

Refrain



C Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -
lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.



Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.



Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.

Refrain



Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -
lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He



lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to



sin and a - live to God in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.

Refrain

Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -
lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

***BLESSING**

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

[Psalm 103:1]

P: The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.

C: **Amen.**

***CLOSING HYMN:**

"The Lamb"

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1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, But You have
2 Your Gift of love they cru - ci - fied, They laughed and
3 I was so lost, I should have died, But You have
sent Him from Your side To walk up - on this guilt - y
scorned Him as He died: The hum - ble King they named a
brought me to Your side To be led by Your staff and
rod, And to be - come the Lamb of God.
fraud, And sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God.
rod, And to be called a lamb of God.

Refrain

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God!
O wash me in His pre - cious blood, My Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

SERVANTS FOR TODAY

Preacher: Deacon Jim LaCrone
Organist: Annette Jackson
Acolyte: Barrett Riener
Elder: Michael Reb
Sexton: Connor Ockree
Greeters: John & Sarah Guffey
Altar Guild: Mary North
Ushers: Rick Blush, Bill Arnold, Len Henry, John Guffey
Counters: Bill Arnold, Rick Blush
Coffee Maker: Kirk Johnson
Mug Detail: Mary North, Kathy Kalinka
Mowing Team: Terry Bargmann, Bill Arnold

THIS WEEK IN CALVARY

Today:	Worship Service	9:00 AM
	Sunday School & Bible Study	10:15 AM
	Cornerstone Musical Practice-Crume Rm.	1:30 PM
Monday:	Cornerstone Testing-F. Hall, Crume Rm. SS Rms.	7:30 AM
	Knehans Memorial Service	2:00 PM
Tuesday:	Cornerstone Testing-F. Hall, Crume Rm. SS Rms.	7:30 AM
Wednesday:	CLLC/Homeschool Chapel Services	10:30 & 11 AM
	Homeschool Lunch/Classes-F. Hall/North Pod	11:30 AM
	Confirmation Class	6:00 PM
	Choir Practice	6:00 PM
Thursday:	Bulletin Announcement Deadline	9:00 AM
	Morning Break Bible Study	10:00 AM
	Church Council Meeting	6:30 PM
Friday	Hunter's Ridge AA Meeting-F. Hall	7:00 PM
Saturday:	Cornerstone Musical Practice-F. Hall	1:00 PM
	Cornerstone Talent Show-F. Hall	3:00 PM
Next Sunday:	May Beacon Article Deadline	
	Worship Service	9:00 AM
	Sunday School & Bible Study	10:15 AM
	Congregational Voter's Meeting	11:30 AM
	Cornerstone Musical Practice-Crume Rm.	1:30 PM

SERVANTS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 21

Preacher:	Pastor Ben Ockree
Liturgist:	Deacon Jim LaCrone
Organist:	Renee Patzer
Choir Director:	Anna Reb
Accompanist:	Annette Jackson
Acolyte:	Laithen Paulsen
Elder:	Tony Zimmerman
Sexton:	Connor Ockree
Greeters:	Gideon Humphrey, T.J. Humphrey
Altar Guild:	Mary North
Ushers:	Rick Blush, Bill Arnold, Len Henry, John Guffey
Counters:	Don & Linda Harrison
Coffee Maker:	Kirk Johnson
Mug Detail:	Marcia Coufal, Anna Choitz
Mowing Team:	Larry Winter, Stuart Bach

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

GUESTS AND MEMBERS: A Nursery and a Cry Room are located in the upper north pod if a need arises. Children's Activity Boards are provided in a bin next to the south Sanctuary doors. Large Print Bulletins and Hearing Devices are available – ask one of the ushers for assistance. Please sign the red Attendance Book found in the pew so we can have a record of your attendance with us. Those needing to sit instead of stand should feel free to do so at any time. If you would like to know more about Calvary or are interested in becoming a member, please talk to the pastor or call the church office.

THE CONGREGATIONAL VOTER'S MEETING will be held next Sunday, April 21 starting at 11:30 AM. Lunch will be served. The primary task will be to elect officers for the coming year. We will also be voting to move forward with adding a canopy to the north downstairs entrance, and an update on the placement of a deaconess intern will be given. The nominees are:

President – Kirk Johnson	Vice President – Mike Ewing
Board of Elders – Don Harrison	Recording Secretary - Joann LaCrone
Financial Secretary – Valerie Thieme	Board of Trustee's Chair – John Guffey
Treasurer – Stuart Bach	Board of Stewardship & Finance Chair – Macie Smith

Upon election, these officers will be installed on July 1, 2024.

THE CLLC BOARD WOULD LIKE TO ANNOUNCE that the new CLLC Director is Brenda Watson. Brenda has been employed at the CLLC for 2 years and has a lot of experience with children. We welcome her as Director. Please pray for her and her guidance with the children, parents, and staff of the CLLC. Welcome Brenda!

FED TO FEED: During the month of April Calvary is collecting **Bagged Cereal** to help supply the TNO Food Pantry. Items should be placed in the bin under the Usher's Table. Thank you!

ITEMS NEEDED FOR CLLC: We will be collecting **Paper Towels** for the CLLC during April. There is a blue tub under the mailboxes for to place the donations. Thanks so much!

To place announcements or prayer concerns in next Sunday's bulletin contact the church office by 9 AM on Thursdays. Prayer concerns printed in the bulletin do not replace prayer chain requests. To place a prayer chain request during evening and weekend hours please call Leila Schuh at 785-224-7962; during week days call the Church Office.

Prayer Petitions for the Week of April 14-20

- Alleluia, Christ is Risen!
- For our Office Manager, Joann.
- For Pastor Ockree and Deacon LaCrone as they serve us.
- For blessings as we work to place a deaconess intern.
- For our musicians: Renee, Annette, Anna, the choir, and instrumentalists.
- For the CLLC: For Brenda, the teachers, and staff there. For one lead teacher.
- For our members (one every day): Mark Brockhoff. Steven Brockhoff. Chris & Diana Brodine and family. Natalie Brodine. Josh & Stacy Brohaugh and family. Linda Bruggeman. Chuck & Dean Brunkow.
- For the sick, those undergoing procedures, and those recovering: JoDee Brockhoff, Wanda Fay, Loren Johannes, Tim Leatherman, Amanda Russell, Glenn Wehking, Barb Wehking.
- For those with chronic ailments: Vernon Bean, Wendy Humphrey, Kay Foster, Connor Hurd, Shiela Jones, Phil Lawrence, Arleen Marston, Bob Ockree, Juan Alvarez, Abbie Alvarez, Ashton Alvarez, Alijah Alvarez, Teddy Schuh, Pastor Hopkins.

- For our shut-ins: Vernon Bean, Rosella Calderwood, Florence Deutsch, Grace Dienstbier, Karen Dreasher, DonnaRae Eissler, Dianne Hatesohl, Shiela Jones, Arleen Marston, Barbara Northcutt, Bob Ockree, Sam & Mary Randol, Sally Short, and Ron Stuewe.
- For the work of the strategic planning committee as it takes up the task of providing faithful guidance for all at Calvary.
- For Calvary: That we would grow in the Word. For our Sunday morning classes, youth group, the young adults' class, Being Christian, Morning Break. For women's and men's groups, OWLS, Prayers & Stitching.
- For confirmands: Evelyn Guffey, Cecelia Humphrey, Violet Ockree, Cora Russell, Brody Boyd, Anabelle Clausen, Abriella Guenther, Sophia Humphrey, Chloe Keehn, Lilly Ketchum, Elinor Ockree, Barrett Riener, Jack Williams, Jace Carter, Laithen Paulsen, Carly Simpson, Duval Thieme.
- For the Being Christian Class and all attending.
- For our missions and ministry: Topeka North Outreach, West Africa Mission, Lifeline Pregnancy Center. Our Stephen Ministers.
- For those who serve in our Armed Forces: especially Dawson Podlena and Jeremy Innes. Pray for our chaplains and ministry to the armed services.
- For generosity to support and grow God's mission here at Calvary.
- For those celebrating birthdays this week: Kirk Johnson, T.J. Humphrey, Weston Lee, Kevin Choitz, Rebekah Ollek, Haley Schwant.
- For those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week: John & Sarah Guffey, 23 yrs; Bob & Shelley Dugan, 45 yrs.

Pray the Lord's Prayer and say the Creed daily, using a devotional resource.

Sunday: Pray for worship: That we would grow in faith in who Jesus is for us. Give thanks for the blessings of Word and Sacrament. Give thanks for our fellowship and blessings in continued unity. Pray that God bless Calvary and her people both physically and spiritually. Pray that we receive the comfort of our Good Shepherd.

Monday: Pray for the whole Church: For those who suffer for their faith. For the Synod & President Harrison. For the Kansas District & President Panzer. For our circuit & Visitor Kilgo. For the saints of Redeemer and Pastor Kilgo. For the saints of St. Paul, Cheney, and blessing in vacancy.

Tuesday: Pray for our society: For our government, President Biden, governor Kelly, and local leaders. For those in need, the unemployed, the poor, the hungry, and the helpless. For help in a troubled world. For an end to the war in the Ukraine and the war between Israel and Gaza. For an end to gun violence. For those afflicted by bad weather and other disasters. For an end to abortion, exploitation, and all evils in the world. For the truth of God to guide us over the lies of Satan.

Wednesday: Pray for our witness: That we would give testify to Christ in what we say and do. That Christ's light would shine in our lives, and we would forgive as we are forgiven. That we would always speak the Truth in love. For God to grow His Church here at Calvary.

Thursday: Pray for thankfulness: That we would count our blessings casting aside anxiety, fear, and doubt. For a loving heart for those in need and for a generous heart to help as we can, that we may be a blessing to others. For the homeless, the widowed, orphans, the immigrant, and the stranger among us, especially those from Ukraine in our midst. For the afflicted and suffering.

Friday: Pray for Calvary: Our faith, unity, love, and fellowship. That more would join our fellowship and our love would be evident to all who visit. For generosity to support and grow God's purpose among us. For the Stewardship Committee and their service to us.

Saturday: Pray for our vocations: For blessing and joy in our duties. For husbands & wives, parents & children. For those who live alone. For the unemployed and underemployed. For employers looking for workers. For those struggling financially and facing instability. For those who are homeless and lack other necessities of life. For who work in factories and do maintenance.

**The Lord almighty bless ✠ us and
direct our days and our deeds in His peace.**

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH & LEARNING CENTER

Church Office Hours: Mon-Fri, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Sunday Worship Service: 9:00 AM

(All Worship Services are live-streamed on Facebook)

Sunday School and Adult Bible Class: 10:15 AM

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