

PALM SUNDAY
March 24, 2024

Calvary Lutheran Church
Topeka, KS

Today at Calvary Lutheran Church, we celebrate our Lord's Supper. If you are a member in good standing of an LCMS congregation, we welcome you to the fellowship of our Lord's Body and Blood at this table. However, if you are a guest, whether from another LCMS congregation or elsewhere, and would like to receive the Lord's Body and Blood in this Sacrament and the forgiveness that He has won by them, we kindly ask that you speak with the pastor before the service.

**Indicates to Stand*

***PROCESSION GOSPEL:** John 12:12–19

P: The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about Him and had been done to Him. The crowd that had been with Him when He called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised Him from the dead continued to bear witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet Him was that they heard He had done this sign. So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after Him."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

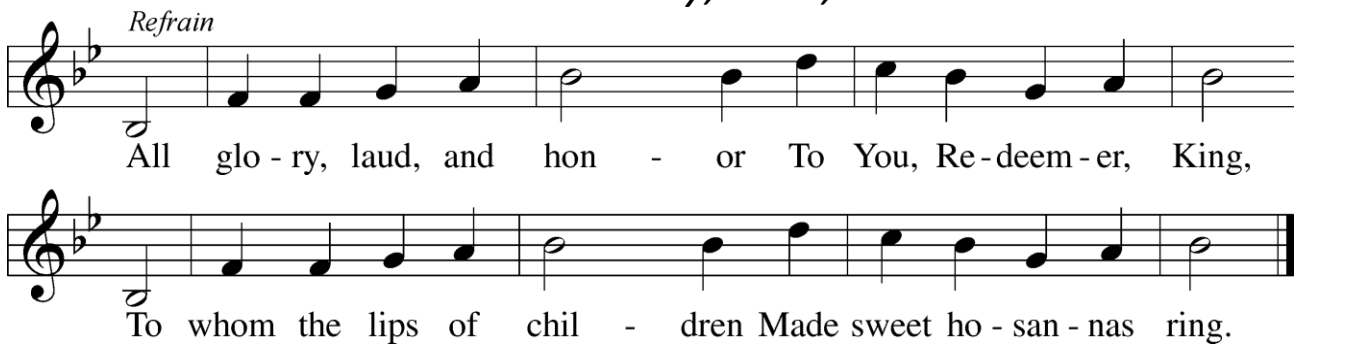
C: Thanks be to God.

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN:**

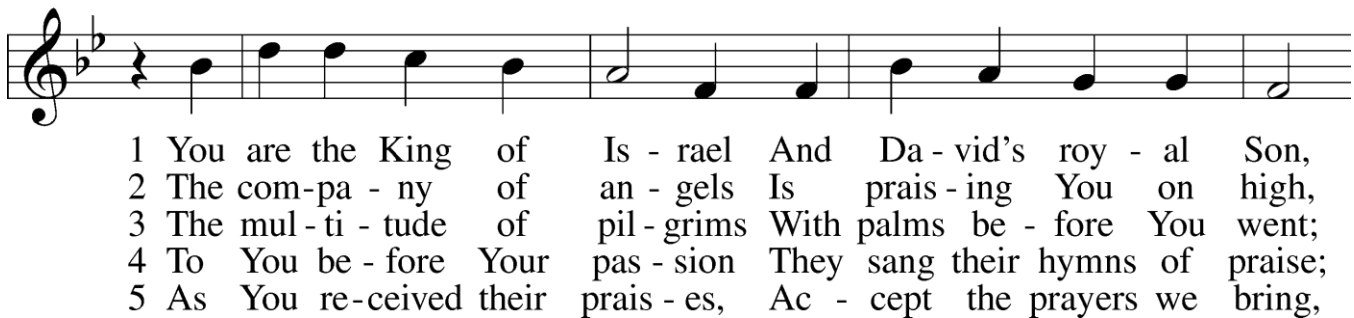
“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

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Refrain

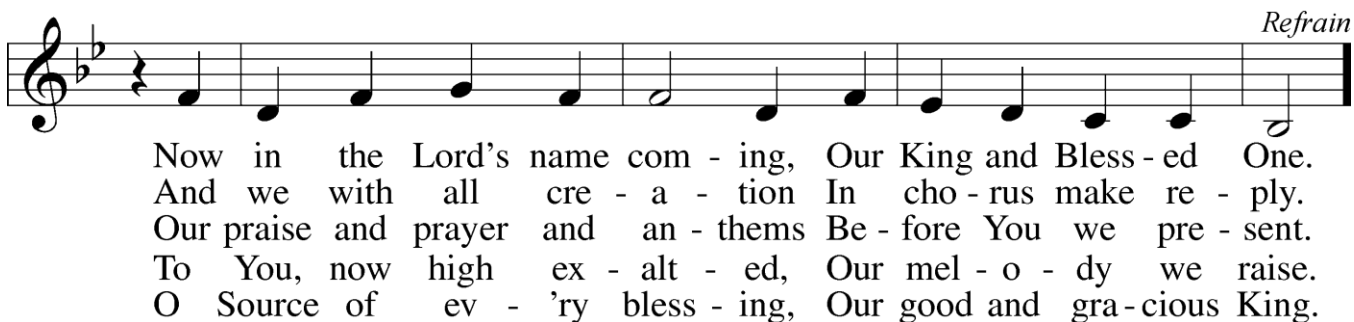


All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or To You, Re - deem - er, King,
To whom the lips of chil - dren Made sweet ho - san - nas ring.



1 You are the King of Is - rael And Da - vid's roy - al Son,
2 The com - pa - ny of an - gels Is prais - ing You on high,
3 The mul - ti - tude of pil - grims With palms be - fore You went;
4 To You be - fore Your pas - sion They sang their hymns of praise;
5 As You re - ceived their prais - es, Ac - cept the prayers we bring,

Refrain



Now in the Lord's name com - ing, Our King and Bless - ed One.
And we with all cre - a - tion In cho - rus make re - ply.
Our praise and prayer and an - thems Be - fore You we pre - sent.
To You, now high ex - alt - ed, Our mel - o - dy we raise.
O Source of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Our good and gra - cious King.

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***CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

(The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism)

P: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen. *Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*

P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. *[Hebrews 10:22]*

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: who made heaven and earth. *Psalm 124:8*

P: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin. *Psalm 32:5*

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination)

P: O almighty God, merciful Father,

C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

[John 20:19-23]

***INTROIT:** Psalm 22:19, 21, 1, 7–8, 11

P: But You, O Lord, do not be far off!

C: O You my help, come quickly to my aid!

P: Save me from the mouth of the lion!

C: You have rescued me from the horns of the wild oxen!

P: My God, my God, why have You forsaken me?

C: Why are You so far from saving me, from the words of my groaning?

P: All who see me mock me;

C: they make mouths at me; they wag their heads;

P: “He trusts in the Lord; let Him deliver him;

C: let Him rescue him, for He delights in him!”

P: Be not far from me, for trouble is near,

C: and there is none to help.

***GLORIA PATRI**



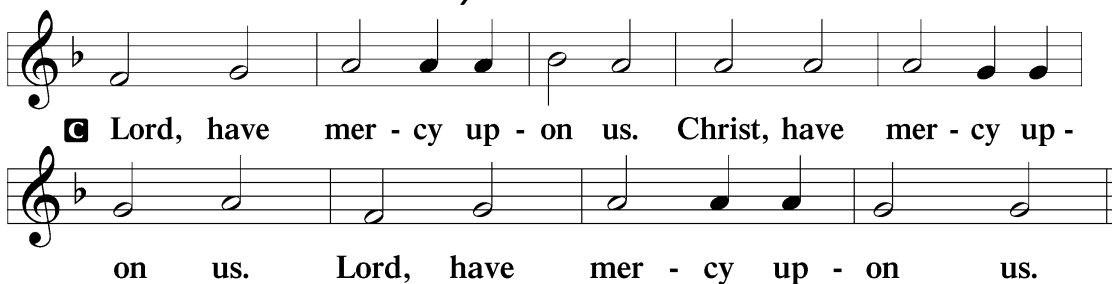
Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

***KYRIE** ~ *Lord Have Mercy*

Mark 10:47

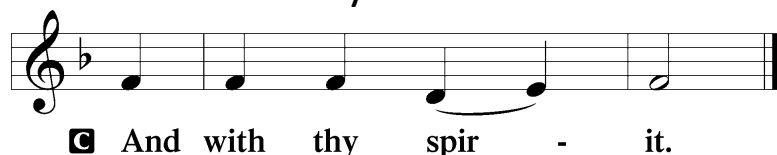


Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

***SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

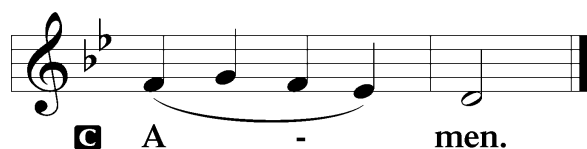
2 Timothy 4:22



And with thy spir - it.

P: Let us pray.

. . . one God, now and forever.



A - men.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Zechariah 9:9-12

P: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is He, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and He shall speak peace to the nations; His rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of My covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL: Psalm 73:23b–24, 1

P: You hold my right hand.

C: You guide me with Your counsel, and afterward You will receive me to glory.

P: Truly God is good to Israel,

C: to those who are pure in heart.

EPISTLE READING: Philippians 2:5-11

P: Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though He was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made Himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

CHOIR: *“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”*

***THE HOLY GOSPEL:** Matthew 21:1-9

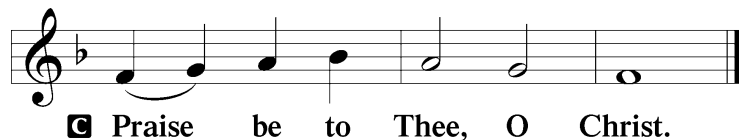
P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the sixth chapter.



G Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

P: When they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, "Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.'" The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

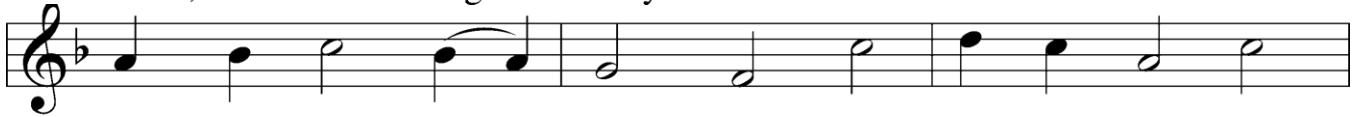


***APOSTLES' CREED:** *(spoken by all)*

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.



1 A Lamb goes un - com - plain - ing forth, The
 2 This Lamb is Christ, the soul's great friend, The
 3 "Yes, Fa - ther, yes, most will - ing - ly I'll
 4 Lord, when Your glo - ry I shall see And



guilt of sin - ners bear - ing And, lad - en with the
 Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, Whom God the Fa - ther
 bear what You com - mand Me. My will con - forms to
 taste Your king - dom's plea - sure, Your blood my roy - al



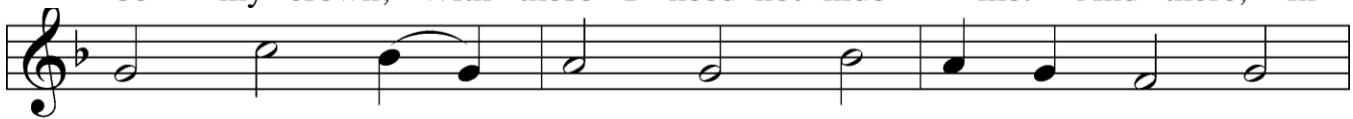
sins of earth, None else the bur - den shar - ing; Goes
 chose to send To gain for us His fa - vor. "Go
 Your de - cree, I'll do what You have asked Me." O
 robe shall be, My joy be - yond all mea - sure! When



pa - tient on, grows weak and faint, To slaugh - ter led with -
 forth, My Son," the Fa - ther said, "And free My chil - dren
 won - drous Love, what have You done! The Fa - ther of - fers
 I ap - pear be - fore Your throne, Your righ - teous - ness shall



out com - plaint, That spot - less life to of - fer, He bears the
 from their dread Of guilt and con - dem - na - tion. The wrath and
 up His Son, De - sir - ing our sal - va - tion. O Love, how
 be my crown; With these I need not hide me. And there, in



stripes, the wounds, the lies, The mock - er - y, and
 stripes are hard to bear, But by Your pas - sion
 strong You are to save! You lay the One in -
 gar - ments rich - ly wrought, As Your own bride shall



yet re - plies, "All this I glad - ly suf - fer."
 they will share The fruit of Your sal - va - tion."
 to the grave Who built the earth's foun - da - tion.
 we be brought To stand in joy be - side You.

SERMON: "Mercy-Seeking Faith"

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

***OFFERTORY**

Psalm 51:10-12



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 Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

***PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

***PREFACE**

P: The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



And with thy spir - it.

P: Lift up your hearts.

[Colossians 3:1]



We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

[Psalm 136]



It is meet and right so to do.

P: It is truly meet, right, and salutary. . . evermore praising You and saying:

***SANCTUS** ~ *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,
bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.
Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

Matthew 6:9-13

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

***THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

[Matthew 26; Mark 14; Luke 22; 1 Corinthians 11]

***PAX DOMINI** ~ *The Peace of the Lord*

John 20:19

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

A - men.

***AGNUS DEI** ~ *Lamb of God*

John 1:29

□ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

After singing “The Agnus Dei,” the congregation may be seated.

COMMUNION HYMNS: *“Ride On, Ride On in Majesty”* # 441

1 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Hark! All the
2 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly
3 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! The an - gel
4 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! Thy last and
5 Ride on, ride on in maj - es - ty! In low - ly

tribes ho - san - na cry. O Sav - ior meek, pur -
pomp ride on to die. O Christ, Thy tri - umphs
ar - mies of the sky Look down with sad and
fierc - est strife is nigh. The Fa - ther on His
pomp ride on to die. Bow Thy meek head to

sue Thy road, With palms and scat - tered gar - ments strowed.
now be - gin O'er cap - tive death and con - quered sin.
won - d'ring eyes To see the ap - proach - ing sac - ri - fice.
sap - phire throne A - waits His own a - noint - ed Son.
mor - tal pain, Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.

"Jesus Comes Today with Healing"

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1 Je - sus comes to - day with heal - ing, Knock - ing at my
2 Christ Him - self, the priest pre - sid - ing, Yet in bread and
3 Un - der bread and wine, though low - ly, I re - ceive the
4 God de - scends with heav'n - ly pow - er, Gives Him - self to



door, ap - peal - ing, Of - f'ring par - don, grace, and peace.
wine a - bid - ing In this ho - ly sac - ra - ment,
Sav - ior ho - ly, Blood and bod - y, giv'n for me,
me this hour In this or - di - nar - y sign.



He Him - self makes prep - a - ra - tion, And I hear His
Gives the bread of life, once bro - ken, And the cup, the
Ver - y Lamb of God from heav - en, Who to bit - ter
On my tongue His pledge re - ceiv - ing, I ac - cept His



in - vi - ta - tion: "Come and taste the bless - ed feast."
pre - cious to - ken Of His sa - cred cov - e - nant.
death was giv - en, Hung up - on the curs - ed tree.
grace, be - liev - ing That I taste His love di - vine.

5 Let me praise God's boundless favor,
Whose own feast of love I savor,
Bidden by His gracious call.
Wedding garments He provides me,
With a robe of white He hides me,
Fits me for the royal hall.

6 Now have I found consolation,
Comfort in my tribulation,
Balm to heal the troubled soul.
God, my shield from ev'ry terror,
Cleanses me from sin and error,
Makes my wounded spirit whole.

"Jesus! Name of Wondrous Love"

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1 Je - sus! Name of won-drous love, Name all oth - er names a - bove,
2 Je - sus! Name de - creed of old, To the maid-en moth - er told,
3 Je - sus! Name of price - less worth To the fall - en of the earth
4 Je - sus! Name of mer - cy mild, Giv - en to the ho - ly Child



Un - to which must ev - 'ry knee Bow in deep hu - mil - i - ty.
Kneel-ing in her low-ly cell, By the an - gel Ga - bri - el.
For the prom - ise that it gave, "Je - sus shall His peo-ple save."
When the cup of hu-man woe First He tast - ed here be - low.

5 Jesus! Only name that's giv'n
Under all the mighty heav'n
Whereby those to sin enslaved
Burst their fetters and are saved.

6 Jesus! Name of wondrous love,
Human name of God above;
Pleading only this, we flee
Helpless, O our God, to Thee.

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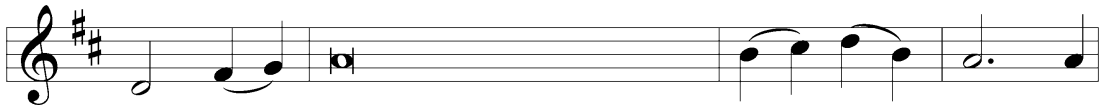
***COMMUNION DISMISSAL**

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C: Amen.

***NUNC DIMITTIS** ~ *Song of Simeon*

Luke 2:29-32



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-



cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

***THANKSGIVING**

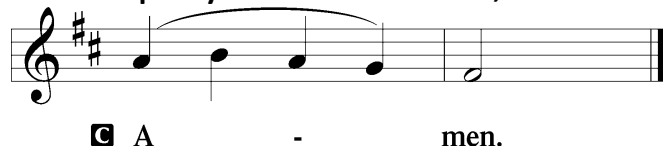
Psalm 107:1

P: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.



and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

P: Let us pray: . . . one God, now and forever.

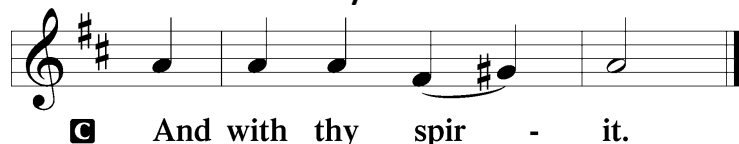


A - men.

***SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS**

P: The Lord be with you.

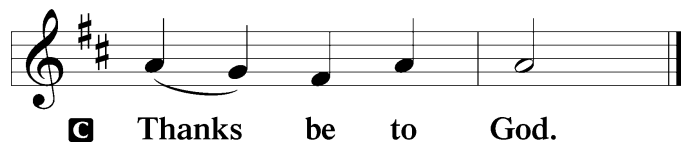
2 Timothy 4:22



And with thy spir - it.

P: Bless we the Lord.

[Psalm 103:1]



Thanks be to God.

***BENEDICTION**

Numbers 6:24-26

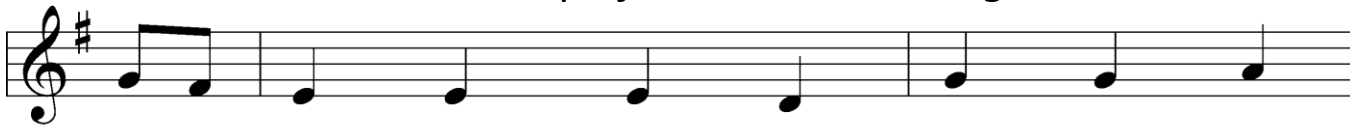
P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face Shine Upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✕ give you peace.



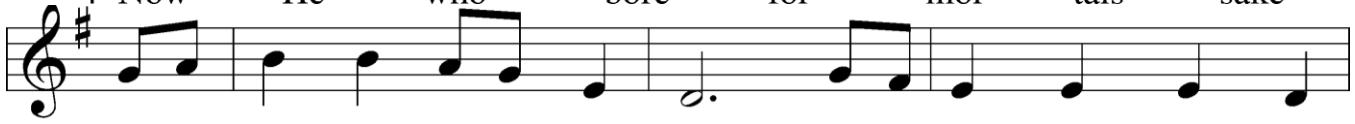
A-men, a-men, a - men.

*CLOSING HYMN: "No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet"

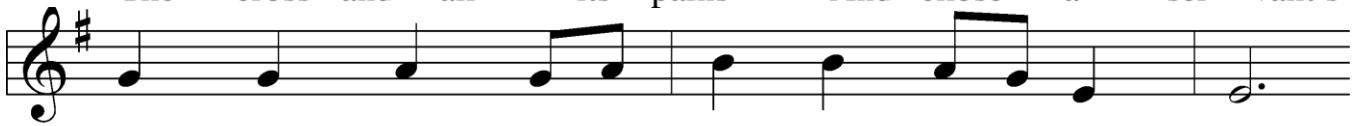
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1 No tramp of sol - diers' march - ing feet
 2 And yet He comes. The chil - dren cheer;
 3 What fad - ing flow'rs His road a - dorn;
 4 Now He who bore for mor - tals' sake



With ban - ners and with drums, No sound of mu - sic's
 With palms His path is strown. With ev - 'ry step the
 The palms, how soon laid down! No bloom or leaf but
 The cross and all its pains And chose a ser - vant's



mar - tial beat: "The King of glo - ry comes!"
 cross draws near: The King of glo - ry's throne.
 on - ly thorn The King of glo - ry's crown.
 form to take, The King of glo - ry reigns.



To - greet what pomp of king - ly pride
 A - stride a colt He pass - es by
 The sol - diers mock, the rab - ble cries,
 Ho - san - na to the Sav - ior's name



No bells in tri - umph ring, No cit - y gates swing
 As loud ho - san - nas ring, Or else the ver - y
 The streets with tu - mult ring, As Pi - late to the
 Till heav - en's raf - ters ring, And all the ran - somed



o - pen wide: "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"
 stones would cry "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"
 mob re - plies, "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"
 host pro - claim "Be - hold, be - hold your King!"

SERVANTS FOR TODAY

Preacher: Pastor Ben Ockree
Organist: Renee Patzer
Choir Director: Anna Reb
Acolyte: Elinor Ockree
Crucifer: Brody Boyd
Elder: Kirk Johnson
Sexton: T. J. Humphrey
Greeters: Sue LaCrone, Becky Martin
Altar Guild: Marcia Coufal
Ushers: Phil LaCrone, Wilbur Schwant, John Guffey, Eric Ketchum, Jason Ketchum
Counters: Grace Pasley, Sharon Dooley
Coffee Makers: Mary North
Mug Detail: Larry & Bonnie Winter

SERVANTS FOR MAUNDY THURSDAY, MARCH 28

Preacher: Pastor Ben Ockree
Organist: Annette Jackson
Choir Director: Anna Reb
Acolyte: Jace Carter
Elder: Michael Reb
Sexton: T. J. Humphrey
Altar Guild: Leila Schuh, Joann LaCrone

SERVANTS FOR GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29

Preacher: Pastor Ben Ockree
Assistant: Deacon Jim LaCrone
Organist: Renee Patzer
Choir Director: Anna Reb
Accompanist: Annette Jackson
Acolyte: Duval Thieme
Elder: Tony Zimmerman
Sexton: T. J. Humphrey
Altar Guild: Leila Schuh, Joann LaCrone

SERVANTS FOR VIGIL OF EASTER SATURDAY, MARCH 30

Preacher: Pastor Ben Ockree
Organist: Renee Patzer
Acolyte: Elder in Charge
Elder: Kirk Johnson
Sexton: T. J. Humphrey
Altar Guild: Leila Schuh, Joann LaCrone

SERVANTS FOR EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31

Preacher: Pastor Ben Ockree
Liturgist: Deacon Jim LaCrone
Organist: Annette Jackson
Choir Director: Anna Reb
Acolyte – 7:30 AM: Ockree
Acolyte – 10 AM: Jack Williams
Crucifer – 7:30 AM: Levi Clausen
Crucifer – 10 AM: Gideon Humphrey
Elder – 7:30 AM: Larry Winter
Elder – 10 AM: Don Harrison
Sexton: T. J. Humphrey
Greeters – 7:30 AM: Marcia Coufal, Gail Cox
Greeters – 10 AM: Wanda Fay, Anna Choitz, Cindy Rohnke
Altar Guild: Marcia Coufal
Ushers: Phil LaCrone, Wilbur Schwant, John Guffey,
Eric Ketchum, Jason Ketchum
Counters: Heather Williams, Tamara Ockree
Coffee Makers: Easter Breakfast Team
Mug Detail: Easter Breakfast Team

THIS WEEK IN CALVARY

Today: Palm Sunday
Worship Service 9:00 AM
Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:15 AM
Cornerstone Musical Practice-Crume Rm. 1:30 PM
Youth Group Dinner & Bible Study 5:00 PM

Monday:	Cornerstone Choir Practice-F. Hall	11:00 AM
Thursday:	Bulletin Announcement Deadline	9:00 AM
	Choir Practice	6:00 PM
	Maundy Thursday Worship Service	7:00 PM
Friday	Choir Practice	6:00 PM
	Good Friday Worship Service	7:00 PM
	Hunter's Ridge AA Meeting-Gym	7:00 PM
Saturday:	Cornerstone Musical Practice-F. Hall	1:00 PM
	Vigil of Easter Worship Service	6:00 PM
Next Sunday:	Easter Sunday	
	Choir Practice	7:15 AM
	Sunrise Worship Service	7:30 AM
	Easter Fellowship Breakfast	8:45 AM
	Festival Worship Service	10:00 AM

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.

REMINDER – Pledges for the *Answering the Harvest Call* Deaconess Intern campaign, are **due today**. Please place your blue pledge card in the chest located in the narthex. All pledged dollars need to be given by May 31, 2025. Offerings envelopes should be marked “**Harvest Call.**” If you have questions, please contact Pastor Ockree or Bill Arnold.

THE MONTHLY J.O.Y. POTLUCK LUNCH will be held this Tuesday, March 26 at 11:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. We will play Bingo after lunch but if you'd rather come for lunch only, that's fine too! Please bring a dish to share and maybe a dessert. We hope to see you there!

CALVARY'S HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE will be as follows:

Thursday	March 28	Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 PM
Friday	March 29	Good Friday Service 7:00 PM
Saturday	March 30	Vigil of Easter Service 6:00 PM
Sunday	March 31	Easter Sunrise Worship Service <u>7:30 AM</u> Easter Fellowship Breakfast 8:45 AM Easter Festival Worship Service <u>10:00 AM</u>

EASTER BREAKFAST – The Boards of Education and Outreach, along with the youth of Calvary, will be serving pastries and yogurt parfaits in between the Easter services. Breakfast will be served from 8:45 AM to about 9:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. We would love for everyone to join us for food and fellowship!

THRIVENT MEMBERS - DON'T FORGET TO DIRECT YOUR CHOICE DOLLARS by March 31, 2024 to help support Calvary Lutheran Church or Calvary Lutheran Learning Center. Calvary received \$2,235.00 in grant funding from Choice Dollars® in 2023. Go to www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice or call 1-800-847-4836 to learn more and to direct your dollars. Thank you!

FED TO FEED: During the month of March Calvary is collecting Canned Meats and during April will collect Bagged Cereal to help supply the TNO Food Pantry. Items should be placed in the bin under the Usher's Table.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR CLLC: During March CLLC has been asking for Ziplock style baggies. We will let you know this week what they will ask for during April. There is a blue tub under the mailboxes for to place the donations.

CALVARY LUTHERAN LEARNING CENTER HAS THE FOLLOWING JOB OPENING:

- Lead Teacher for Infant Room.

If interested in any of these positions or know someone who may be interested, please contact Janice Sellers at 785-554-6280 or by email at jsellers54@gmail.com.

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 March 24-30

- Pray for a penitent heart and living faith to grow throughout Lent. For all our special services this week.
- 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 our Janitor Sarah.
- For the CLLC: For the teachers and staff there. Pray for a new director.
- For our members (one every day): Ethan Wurtz. Jeff Zimmerman. Tony & Rae Zimmerman. Juan & Annie Alvarez and family. B.J. Arnold. Bill Arnold. Andrew & Shelby Bach and family.
- For the sick, those undergoing procedures, and those recovering: JoDee Brockhoff, Wanda Fay, Loren Johannes, 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: Jim Lohrbach, Timothy Humphrey, Mary North, Michelle Ensley.
- For those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week: David & Deniece Detjen, 49 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 for repentance and love this Holy Week.

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. Pastors Heine & Albrecht, Vicar Jeff Lane, and DCE's Heather McCormick & Hannah Elsey. For the saints of St. Luke, Kansas City, & Pastor Kammrath.

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. For obedient hearts of love this Maundy Thursday.

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. To contemplate the death of Christ.

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 a blessed Easter Vigil.

**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

Regular 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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