



And when they were in the field,  
Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him.

*Genesis 4:8*

***ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY***

**August 20, 2023**

**Calvary Lutheran Church  
Topeka, Kansas**

\*Indicates to Stand

## ANNOUNCEMENTS and \*OPENING PRAYER

## OPENING HYMN:

"Today Your Mercy Calls Us"

# 915



1 To - day Your mer - cy calls us To wash a - way our sin.  
 2 To - day Your gate is o - pen, And all who en - ter in  
 3 To - day our Fa - ther calls us; His Ho - ly Spir - it waits;  
 4 O all - em - brac - ing Mer - cy, O ev - er - o - pen Door,



How - ev - er great our tres - pass, What - ev - er we have been,  
 Shall find a Fa - ther's wel - come And par - don for their sin.  
 His bless - ed an - gels gath - er A - round the heav'n - ly gates.  
 What should we do with - out You When heart and eye run o'er?



How - ev - er long from mer - cy Our hearts have turned a - way,  
 The past shall be for - got - ten, A pres - ent joy be giv'n,  
 No ques - tion will be asked us How of - ten we have come;  
 When all things seem a - gainst us, To drive us to de - spair,



Your pre - cious blood can wash us And make us clean to - day.  
 A fu - ture grace be prom - ised, A glo - rious crown in heav'n.  
 Al - though we oft have wan - dered, It is our Fa - ther's home.  
 We know one gate is o - pen, One ear will hear our prayer.

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## \*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**

*Isaiah 12:2b-6*



☐ 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."



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:** Genesis 4:1–15

P: Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, “I have gotten a man with the help of the LORD.” And again, she bore his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain a worker of the ground. In the course of time Cain brought to the LORD an offering of the fruit of the ground, and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering, but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell. The LORD said to Cain, “Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen? If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is for you, but you must rule over it.” Cain spoke to Abel his brother. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him. Then the LORD said to Cain, “Where is Abel your brother?” He said, “I do not know; am I my brother’s keeper?” And the LORD said, “What have you done? The voice of your brother’s blood is crying to me from the ground. And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother’s blood from your hand. When you work the ground, it shall no longer yield to you its strength. You shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth.” Cain said to the LORD, “My punishment is greater than I can bear. Behold, you have driven me today away from the ground, and from your face I shall be hidden. I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth, and whoever finds me will kill me.” Then the LORD said to him, “Not so! If anyone kills Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold.” And the LORD put a mark on Cain, lest any who found him should attack him.

**EPISTLE READING:** Ephesians 2:1–10

P: And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, being rich in mercy,

because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

**\*HOLY GOSPEL:** Luke 18:9–14

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighteenth chapter.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

P: Jesus also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and treated others with contempt: “Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.’ But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified, rather than the other. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to You, O Christ.**

**\*RESPONSORY**

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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)*

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**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)*

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**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)*

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**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.**



1 Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive; Oh, may all this  
 2 We de - serve but grief and shame, Yet His words, rich  
 3 Sheep that from the fold did stray No true shep - herd  
 4 I, a sin - ner, come to Thee With a pen - i -



say - ing pon - der Who in sin's de - lu - sions live  
 grace re - veal - ing, Par - don, peace, and life pro - claim;  
 e'er for - sak - eth; Wea - ry souls that lost their way  
 tent con - fes - sion. Sav - ior, mer - cy show to me;



And from God and heav - en wan - der! Here is hope for  
 Here our ills have per - fect heal - ing. Firm - ly in these  
 Christ, the Shep - herd, gent - ly tak - eth In His arms that  
 Grant for all my sins re - mis - sion. Let these words my



all who grieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.  
 words be - lieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.  
 they may live: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.  
 soul re - lieve: Je - sus sin - ners doth re - ceive.

5 Oh, how blest it is to know:  
 Were as scarlet my transgression,  
 It shall be as white as snow  
 By Thy blood and bitter passion;  
 For these words I now believe:  
 Jesus sinners doth receive.

7 Jesus sinners doth receive;  
 Also I have been forgiven;  
 And when I this earth must leave,  
 I shall find an open heaven.  
 Dying, still to Him I cleave:  
 Jesus sinners doth receive.

6 Now my conscience is at peace;  
 From the Law I stand acquitted.  
 Christ hath purchased my release  
 And my ev'ry sin remitted.  
 Naught remains my soul to grieve:  
 Jesus sinners doth receive.

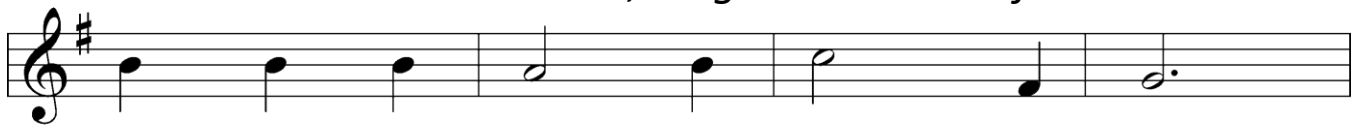
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**HYMN OF RESPONSE:**

*“O Jesus, King Most Wonderful”*

**# 554**



1 O Je - sus, King most won - der - ful!  
 2 When once You vis - it dark - ened hearts,  
 3 O Je - sus, light of all be - low,  
 4 May ev - 'ry heart con - fess Your name,  
 5 Oh, may our tongues for - ev - er bless,



O Con - quer - or re - nowned! O Source of peace in -  
 Then truth be - gins to shine, Then earth - ly van - i -  
 The fount of life and fire, Sur - pass - ing all the  
 For - ev - er You a - dore, And, seek - ing You, it -  
 May we love You a - lone And ev - er in our



ef - fa - ble, In whom all joys are found:  
 ty de - parts, Then kin - dles love di - vine.  
 joys we know, All that we can de - sire:  
 self in - flame To seek You more and more!  
 lives ex - press The im - age of Your own!

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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)*

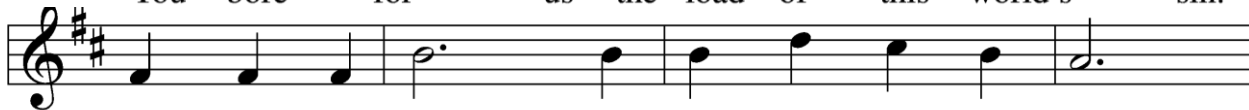
**\*OFFERTORY:** *“Glory to God, We Give You Thanks and Praise”* **# 946 vss. 1-2**



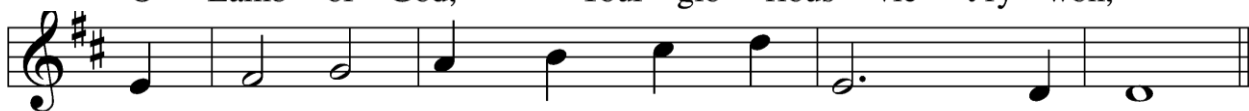
1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;  
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,



Of heav'n - ly joy and earth - ly peace we sing.  
 You bore for us the load of this world's sin.



We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,  
 O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,



Lord God, al - mighty - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.  
 Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.

**\*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: For . . . [*additional bids for prayer may be inserted here*] . . . 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, always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than we either desire or deserve, pour down upon us the abundance of Your mercy, forgiving those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things that we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, 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)**

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**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**

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*Refrain*

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:**      *“From All That Dwell Below the Skies”*      **# 816**



1 From all that dwell be - low the skies      Let the Cre - a - tor's  
 2 E - ter - nal are Thy mer - cies, Lord;      E - ter - nal truth at -  
 Δ 3 All praise to God the Fa - ther be,      All praise, e - ter - nal



praise a - rise;      Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!  
 tends Thy Word.      Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!  
 Son, to Thee.      Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!



Let the Re - deem - er's name be sung      Through ev - 'ry land by  
 Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore      Till suns shall rise and  
 Whom with the Spir - it we a - dore      For - ev - er and for -



ev - 'ry tongue.      Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!  
 set no more.      Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!  
 ev - er - more:      Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia,      al - le - lu - ia!

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**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.

**DUE TODAY! LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTIONS** – Use the insert in the bulletin to subscribe. You can place your completed sheet along with payment in one of the bins on the Office Manager's doors. Please do not put your paperwork/payment in the offering plate. Thanks!

**THE MONTHLY J.O.Y. POTLUCK & BINGO** will be held this coming Tuesday, August 22 starting at 11:30 AM for lunch. You don't have to stay for Bingo – you can just come to enjoy lunch and fellowship. Everyone should bring a dish and/or dessert to share.

**COLLEGE AGE BIBLE STUDY** – Pastor Ockree will be leading a college age Bible study starting this coming Tuesday, August 22. The study will be held every Tuesday evening at Dorothy Iliff's home, 2201 NE 31<sup>st</sup>, Topeka, from 6:30–8:00 PM.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS PARENT/STUDENT MEETING** – A Confirmation parent/student informational meeting will be held this coming Wednesday, August 23, at 6:00 PM in the fellowship hall, to go over expectations and lay out the curriculum for the coming year. Please bring your student/s. Contact Pastor Ockree with any questions.

**THE MONTHLY LADIES BRUNCH** will be held next Saturday, August 26 in the Fellowship Hall starting at 10 AM.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTION** to the next grade will be held next Sunday, August 28 (*because no classes will be held on September 4 due to Labor Day weekend*). On that morning students should check into their current classroom for attendance to be taken and then they will move to a donut celebration in the upstairs north pod. They will also be shown to their new classrooms and introduced to their new teachers if applicable.

**FED TO FEED:** For the month of August (*and at any time of the year*) Calvary is collecting **Backpack Food Items** to help supply the TNO Operation Backpack Program. A list of needed items is included in the bulletin and is also posted on the bulletin board across from the mailboxes. Items should be placed in the bin under the Usher's Table in the Narthex. Thank you!

**THE CHURCH COUNCIL MONTHLY MEETING** has been rescheduled to this coming Thursday, August 24 starting at 6:30 PM. The meeting will be **held in the upstairs SE classroom** as another event is being held in the F. Hall.

**THE TNO BACKPACK PROGRAM** (through various fundraising efforts) has met its September need of \$15,000, which will provide enough food sacks for 871 students each weekend in September. In order to meet needs, TNO has reduced the number of food items to 6 from 8 in each sack, and have put more restrictions on eligibility requirements. Their fundraising efforts will be ongoing for the remainder of the school year.

*To place announcements in the Sunday bulletin contact the church office by 9 AM on Wednesday this week. To place prayer chain requests during evening and weekend hours call Leila Schuh at 785-224-7962; during week days this week call the Church Office.*

**Home Devotional Reading Guide: August 20 – 26**

Lamentations 3 – 5; Esther 1 – 2; Psalm 48 – 54; Colossians 1:1 – 4:6



How would you answer the question of what it means to truly be a Christian?

Maybe you think it means that you are nicer than others, or that you go to church? Maybe it just means to do your best be a good person.

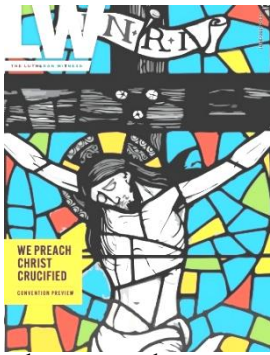
Maybe you think being a Christian is to be judgmental or a hypocrite.

This class will strive to answer what it means to be Christian by introducing the basics of the Christian faith and what they mean for our lives as taught in the Bible and expressed in Luther's Small Catechism. One goal of this class is to provide instruction for those seeking membership at Calvary, but it is open to anyone who wants to learn and grow in the Christian faith. This class will be an enriching experience if you are new to the faith or have been a Christian your entire life.

Classes start **Sunday, September 17**, and will be held every Sunday until **December 10** (13 weeks). Classes begin at **1pm** and conclude around **2:30**. Mark your calendars and invite a friend who is curious about what we believe.

Snacks will be provided.

**Sign-up forms can be found on the Usher's Table in the church narthex.**



## *The Lutheran Witness*

(order forms can be found on the Usher's Table)

*The Lutheran Witness*, the official periodical of the Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod, provides you with stories about —

- your fellow Christians
- current events
- your church
- the Synod
- what the Bible has to say about the issues and decisions you face daily

The annual subscription cost is \$30, an increase after none for 5 years.

The subscription year runs from November 1, 2023 to October 31, 2024.

Please return order form and payment to the church office **NO LATER THAN Sunday, August 20, 2023.** Checks should be made payable to 'Calvary Lutheran Church'.

**\*Please do not place orders in the collection plate!**

### Servants for Today

<b>Preacher:</b>	Deacon Jim LaCrone
<b>Organist:</b>	Annette Jackson
<b>Acolyte:</b>	Jace Carter
<b>Elder:</b>	Larry Winter
<b>Greeters:</b>	Wanda Fay, Cindy Rohnke
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Greta Trimble
<b>Ushers:</b>	Rick Blush, Bill Arnold, David Eberhart, A.J. Velasquez
<b>Counters:</b>	Don & Linda Harrison
<b>Coffee Makers:</b>	Larry & Bonnie Winter
<b>Mug Detail:</b>	Larry & Bonnie Winter



## Mowing Schedule

*Thank You to this Week's Mowers – Rick Blush, Kirk Johnson*

*Next Weekend – Bill Arnold, Allan Jackson*

## THIS WEEK IN CALVARY

<b>Today:</b>	Lutheran Witness Subscription Deadline	
	September Beacon Article Deadline	
	Worship Service	9:00 AM
	Sunday School/Adult Bible Study	10:15 AM
	Young Men's Group <i>at Guffey's House</i>	6:00 PM
<b>Monday:</b>	Cornerstone Choir Practice-F. Hall	11:00 AM
<b>Tuesday:</b>	J. O. Y. Potluck & Bingo	11:30 AM
	College Bible Study-at Iliff's House	6:30 PM
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Confirmation Parent/Student Meeting	6:00 PM
<b>Thursday:</b>	Bulletin Announcement Deadline	9:00 AM
	Church Council Meeting- <i>Upstairs SE Classroom</i>	6:30 PM
	Lutheran's for Life Event- <i>F. Hall</i>	6:30 PM
<b>Friday:</b>	Hunter's Ridge AA Meeting in F. Hall	7:00 PM
<b>Saturday:</b>	Ladies Brunch	10::00 AM
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	Sunday School Promotion Day	
	Worship Service	9:00 AM
	Sunday School/Adult Bible Study	10:15 AM

## SERVANTS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 27

<b>Preacher:</b>	Pastor Ben Ockree
<b>Organist:</b>	Renee Patzer
<b>Acolyte:</b>	Laithen Paulsen
<b>Elder:</b>	Kirk Johnson
<b>Greeters:</b>	Marcia Coufal, Gail Cox
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	Greta Trimble
<b>Ushers:</b>	Rick Blush, Bill Arnold, David Eberhart, A.J. Velasquez
<b>Counters:</b>	Grace Pasley, Sharon Dooley
<b>Coffee Maker:</b>	Larry & Bonnie Winter
<b>Mug Detail:</b>	Clausen Family

## **Prayer Petitions for the Week of August 20-26**

- Pray that the Church would continue to grow in faithfulness in Christ united as His people.
- Give thanks that we can meet for worship and be blessed in Word and Sacrament for our forgiveness, life, and salvation.
- Pray for our families. For Paul & Debbie Bille. For Bryson Blasche. For Chantel Blasche and Pierson. For Sheridan Blasche. For Rick & Sandi Blush. For Cassie Boyd. For Jason Brandt.
- Pray for the sick and those recovering from sickness or procedures: Teddy Schuh, Phil LaCrone, Jim Lohrbach, Karen Tipton. For those with chronic ailments: Vernon Bean, Wendy Humphrey, Ralph Knehans, Joye Slocum, Rosella Calderwood, Kay Foster, Connor Hurd, Phil Lawrence, Arleen Marston, Bob Ockree, Juan Alvarez, Abbie Alvarez, Ashton Alvarez, Alijah Alvarez, Teddy Schuh, Pastor Hopkins.
- Pray for our shut-ins: Vernon Bean, Rosella Calderwood, Florence Deutsch, Grace Dienstbier, Karen Dreasher, DonnaRae Eissler, Dianne Hatesohl, Ralph Knehans, Dick LaCrone, Arleen Marston, Barbara Northcutt, Bob Ockree, Sam & Mary Randol, Sally Short, Joye Slocum, and Ron Stuewe.
- Pray for our pregnant mothers and their children: Annie Alvarez.
- Pray that Christian education will continue in our homes. That Adult Bible class would grow. That our Sunday School teachers and students would be blessed. That more education and fellowship opportunities would come.
- Pray for confirmation this year that students and their families would be diligent and grow in faith together.
- Pray for our new college age Bible class starting this week.
- Pray for those celebrating birthdays this week: Jake Russell, Erika Tipton, John Turner, Tamara Ockree, Penny Stanley, Trey Duffey, Roger Pusch, Josh Raburn, Andrew Bach, Rae Zimmerman, Connie Poort.
- Pray for those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week: Roger & Joy Pusch, 48 yrs.
- Pray for all who serve in our military, especially Jeremy Innes & Dawson Podlena. Pray for our chaplains and ministry to the armed services.
- Pray for the CLLC. For Miss Melissa, the staff, and all the children there.
- Pray for the saints of St. John's, Pastors Wright & Belcher, and Cantor Bethany Johnson.

- Pray for the saints of Immanuel, Canton, and Pastor Slater.
- Pray for the whole Church of God, for her reconciliation, peace, and for her renewal in the Spirit. For unity at Calvary and the return of those who have strayed from the flock of God.
- Pray for the holy ministry and all ministers of the Church. For President Harrison, for the Synod. For President Panzer and the Kansas District.
- Pray for all people in society and for all Christians in their vocations. For all musicians and artists.
- Pray for all in civil authority. For the leaders of the nations of the world. For President Biden and the government of the United States. For Governor Kelly and the government of Kansas. For all our local communities and their leaders.
- Pray for an end to conflict especially the war in the Ukraine.
- Pray for an end to gun violence and peace in the hearts of all.
- Pray for an end to abortion, exploitation, and all other evils in the world.
- Pray that we would have a heart of love for the refugee, the immigrant, and the stranger among us. Pray that we would be able to help the Ukrainian immigrants in our midst in Topeka.
- Pray for those afflicted by bad weather and other disasters.
- Pray for the Christians who are risking their lives to live their faith. Pray that God's peace would reign everywhere, and that the gospel be proclaimed. Pray for all those who need our prayer. For the unemployed and underemployed. For employers looking for workers. For those who are homeless and lack other necessities of life.
- Pray for the mission of the Church. For the ministry of Topeka North Outreach. For the West Africa Mission including Guinea and the seminary at Togo. For the proclamation of the Gospel into all the world. For Lifeline and their ministry to parents and children, especially the Pregnancy Center. For the work of our Prayers & Stitching Ministry at Calvary. Pray for our Stephen Ministers and other caring ministries that we would faithfully work to meet the needs of God's people.
- Pray for respect for God's creation. To guard against the perils of abundance. For generous hearts that almsgiving would abound at Calvary that we would be dispensaries of God's good blessings.
- Pray for growth in our benevolence fund and in our mission giving.

- Pray for the renewal of the Church. For faithful Christian witness that more would be brought into Christ's fellowship. For growing obedience to God's Word. For an increase in love for one another.
- Pray that in Christ we would resist sin crouching at our door and do well according to God's gracious word.

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

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