

"You go, and do likewise."
[Luke 10:37]

# THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY September 3, 2023

Calvary Lutheran Church Topeka, KS

#### \*Indicates to Stand

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS, \*OPENING PRAYER**



#### \*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: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:8-9

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

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ♣ Son and of the Holy Spirit. [John 20:19-23]

C: Amen.

\*INTROIT: Psalm 74: 20a, 21a, 22a, 23a, 1–2, 19b, 21b

P: Have regard for the covenant, [O Lord];

C: let not the downtrodden turn back in shame.

P: Arise, O God, defend Your cause;

C: do not forget the clamor of Your foes.

P: O God, why do You cast us off forever?

C: Why does Your anger smoke against the sheep of Your pasture?

P: Remember Your congregation,

C: which You have purchased of old,

P: which You have redeemed to be the tribe of Your heritage!

C: Remember Mount Zion, where You have dwelt.

P: Do not forget the life of Your poor forever.

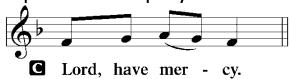
C: Let the poor and needy praise Your name.

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.

**\*KYRIE** ≈ Lord Have Mercy

Mark 10:47

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.



P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



P: 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.



P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



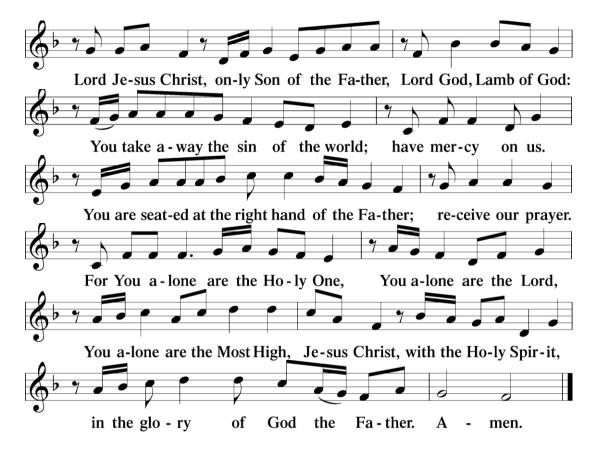
\*Hymn of Praise: "Gloria in Excelsis"

Luke 2:14; John 1:29

P: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



#### \*SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

C: And also with you.

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

C: Amen.

### **OLD TESTAMENT READING:** 2 Chronicles 28:8–15

P: The men of Israel took captive 200,000 of their relatives, women, sons, and daughters. They also took much spoil from them and brought the spoil to Samaria. But a prophet of the LORD was there, whose name was Oded, and he went out to meet the army that came to Samaria and said to them, "Behold, because the LORD, the God of your fathers, was angry with Judah, He gave them into your hand, but you have killed them in a rage that has reached up to heaven. And now you intend to subjugate the people of Judah and Jerusalem, male and female, as your slaves. Have you not sins of your own against the LORD your God? Now hear me, and send back the captives from your relatives whom you have taken, for the fierce wrath of the LORD is upon you." Certain chiefs also of the men of Ephraim, Azariah the son of Johanan, Berechiah the son of Meshillemoth,

Jehizkiah the son of Shallum, and Amasa the son of Hadlai, stood up against those who were coming from the war and said to them, "You shall not bring the captives in here, for you propose to bring upon us guilt against the LORD in addition to our present sins and guilt. For our guilt is already great, and there is fierce wrath against Israel." So the armed men left the captives and the spoil before the princes and all the assembly. And the men who have been mentioned by name rose and took the captives, and with the spoil they clothed all who were naked among them. They clothed them, gave them sandals, provided them with food and drink, and anointed them, and carrying all the feeble among them on donkeys, they brought them to their kinsfolk at Jericho, the city of palm trees. Then they returned to Samaria.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

**GRADUAL:** Psalm 77:14–15

P: You are the God who works wonders;

C: You have made known Your might among the peoples.

P: You with Your arm redeemed Your people,

C: the children of Jacob and Joseph.

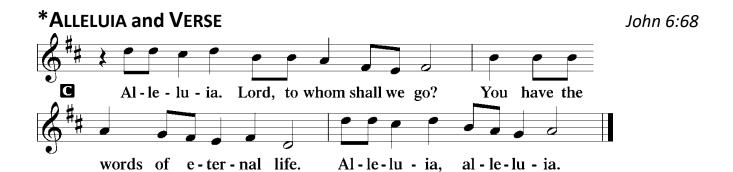
# **EPISTLE READING:** Galatians 3:15–22

P: To give a human example, brothers: even with a man-made covenant, no one annuls it or adds to it once it has been ratified. Now the promises were made to Abraham and to his offspring. It does not say, "And to offsprings," referring to many, but referring to one, "And to your offspring," who is Christ. This is what I mean: the law, which came 430 years afterward, does not annul a covenant previously ratified by God, so as to make the promise void. For if the inheritance comes by the law, it no longer comes by promise; but God gave it to Abraham by a promise. Why then the law? It was added because of transgressions, until the offspring should come to whom the promise had been made, and it was put in place through angels by an intermediary. Now an intermediary implies more than one, but God is one. Is the law then contrary to the promises of God?

Certainly not! For if a law had been given that could give life, then righteousness would indeed be by the law. But the Scripture imprisoned everything under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.



**\*HOLY GOSPEL**: Luke 10:23–37

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



Turning to the disciples Jesus said privately, "Blessed are the eyes that see what you see! For I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it." And behold, a lawyer stood up to put Him to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read it?" And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." And He said to him, "You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live." But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. He went

to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." And Jesus said to him, "You go, and do likewise."

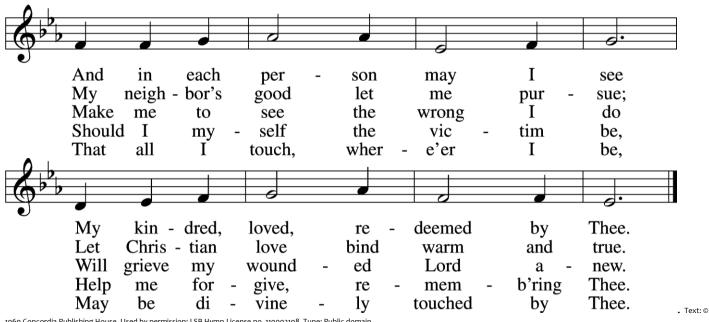
P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



\*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.





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"Consecrated Eyes" **SERMON:** 

#### \*Prayer of the Church

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

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



#### \*PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



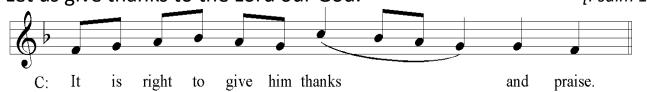
P: Lift up your hearts.

[Colossians 3:1]

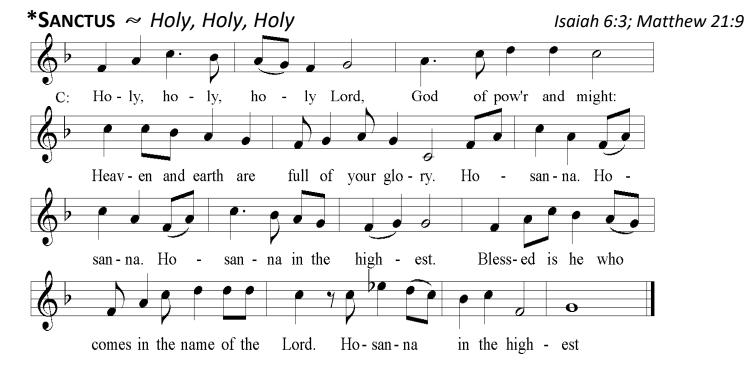


P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

[Psalm 136]



P: It is truly good, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising you and saying:



\*LORD'S PRAYER Matthew 6:9-13

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.

#### \*THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

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

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when he was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My & body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

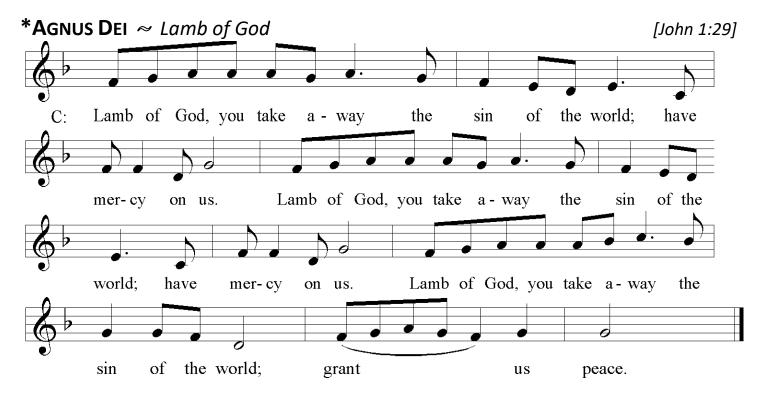
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My \(\Phi\) blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

# **\*Pax Domini** ≈ *The Peace of the Lord*

[John 20:19]

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





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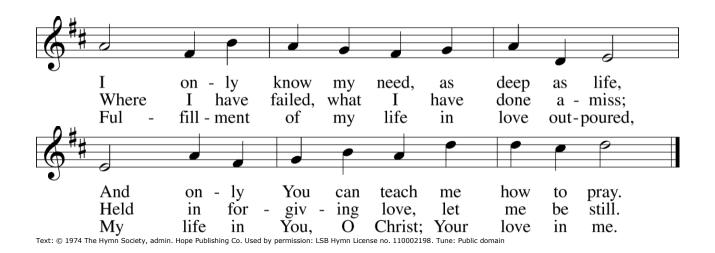
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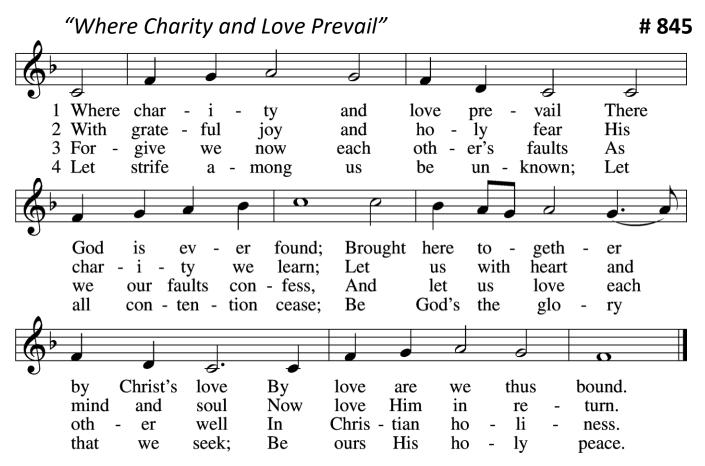
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- 5 Let us recall that in our midstDwells Christ, His only Son;As members of His body joinedWe are in Him made one.
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- For love excludes no race or clan
  That names the Savior's name;
  His family embraces all
  Whose Father is the same.

### \*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.

\*Post-Communion Canticle: "Nunc Dimittis" ~ Song of Simeon Luke 2:29-32



#### \*Post-Communion Collect

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

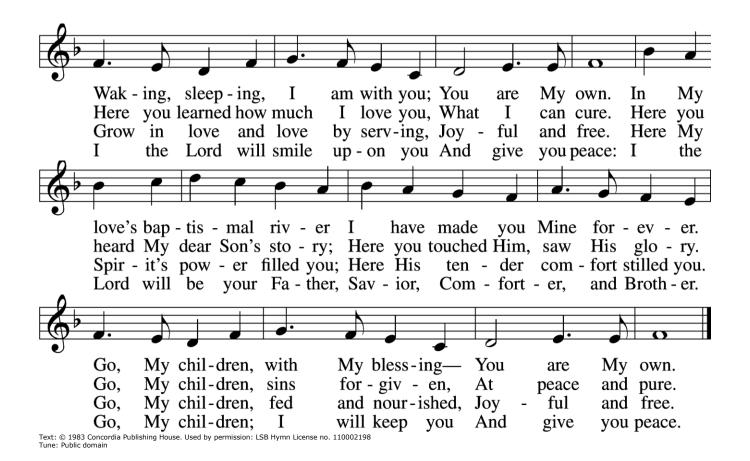


\*BENEDICTION Numbers 6:24-26

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and № give you peace.







#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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 privately with the pastor before the service.

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.

**2024 PLEDGE CARDS AND TIME & TALENT SHEETS HAVE BEEN PLACED IN YOUR CHURCH MAILBOXES.** Calvary's Consecration Sunday will be September 27. Please prayerfully consider what you will contribute to the work and ministry of Calvary in the coming year as you fill out your pledge cards and time & talent sheets, which will brought before God during Divine service that day.

THERE WILL BE NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR ADULT BIBLE STUDY held this morning due to it being Labor Day weekend.

**THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED** tomorrow, Monday, September 4, for the Labor Day holiday. We will be back in the office on Tuesday the 5<sup>th</sup>.

**COLLEGE AGE BIBLE STUDY** – Pastor Ockree is leading an in-depth study of the Gospel of John for college age (18-25) each Tuesday evening from 6:30-8:00 PM. The study is held at <u>Iliff Recital Hall</u>, 2201 NE  $31^{st}$ , Topeka. Contact Pastor Ockree with questions.

**CONFIRMATION CLASSES WILL BEGIN** this coming Wednesday, September 6, at 6 PM at the church for 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> graders. They will meet in the upstairs north pod large classroom. The 5<sup>th</sup> grade will do their work at home.

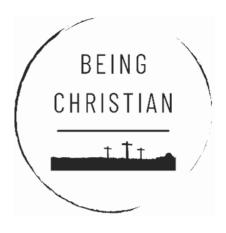
**THE THURSDAY MORNING BREAK BIBLE STUDY** will start meeting again this coming Thursday, September 7, at 10 AM. The study will be on Exodus. We will meet in the upstairs SE classroom.

**FED TO FEED:** During the month of September Calvary will collect **Spaghetti Sauce & Packaged Pasta** to help supply the TNO Food Pantry. Items should be placed in the bin under the Usher's Table in the Narthex. Thank you!

**NOTE** - **MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR CALVARY'S OKTOBERFEST FALL FESTIVAL** which will be held on Saturday, October 7, time still to be determined. We are planning food, fellowship, and fun for everyone! Watch for more information to come in the next few weeks.

<u>Home Devotional Reading Guide: Sept 3 – 9</u>

Esther 10, Ezekiel 1-6; Psalm 62 - 682 Thessalonians 1 - 3, 1 Timothy 1 - 2



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 **1 pm** 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.

# **SERVANTS FOR TODAY**

**Preacher:** Pastor Ben Ockree

**Organist:** Renee Patzer

Acolyte: Carly Simpson

Elder: Michael Reb

**Greeters:** Dean Brunkow, Roddy Schwant

Altar Guild: Linda Devoe

**Ushers:** Stuart Bach, Rae Zimmerman, Connor Ockree, Mike Ewing

**Counters:** Tamara Ockree, Heather Williams

Coffee Maker: Marcia Coufal

Mug Detail: Tony & Rae Zimmerman

#### **Mowing Schedule**

Thank You to this Week's Mowers – Bill Arnold, Stuart Bach Next Weekend – Larry Winter, Allan Jackson

# **THIS WEEK IN CALVARY**

**Today:** Worship Service 9:00 AM

No Sunday School or Adult Bible Study

**Monday:** Church Office Closed – Labor Day

Tuesday: College Bible Study-at Iliff Recital Hall 6:30 PM

**Wednesday:** Confirmation Class-upstairs north large classroom 6:00 PM

**Thursday:** Bulletin Announcement Deadline 9:00 AM

Morning Break Bible Study-*Upstairs SE Classroom* 10:00 AM

Board of Elders 7:00 PM

Friday: Hunter's Ridge AA Meeting-F. Hall 7:00 PM

Saturday: Prayers & Stitching Meeting 9:00 AM

Next Sunday: Worship Service 9:00 AM

Sunday School and Adult Bible Study 10:15 AM

# **SERVANTS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10**

**Preacher:** Deacon Jim LaCrone

Organist: Annette Jackson Acolyte: Anabelle Clausen

**Elder:** Don Harrison

**Greeters:** Connor Ockree, Mike Ewing

**Altar Guild:** Linda Devoe

**Ushers:** Stuart Bach, Rae Zimmerman, Connor Ockree, Mike Ewing

**Counters:** Rick & Sandi Blush

Coffee Maker: Marcia Coufal

Mug Detail: Mary North, Kathy Kalinka

## **Prayer Petitions for the Week of September 3-9**

- 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 Natalie Brodine. For Josh & Stacy Brohaugh and Alison. For Linda Bruggeman. For Chuck & Dean Brunkow. For Olen & Carol Buchanan. For Jenny Burleigh. For Bob Calderwood.
- Pray for the sick and those recovering from sickness or procedures: Teddy Schuh, Phil LaCrone, Annette Jackson, Ralph Knehans, Jim Lohrbach. 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.
- For the family of Pastor Timmothy Heath who was called home to glory on Monday. Be especially his wife Susanna and all the saints at Trinity in Holton.
- 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 our new college age Bible class.
- Pray for confirmation this year that students and their families would be diligent and grow in faith together. For Evelyn Guffey, Abriella Guenther, Cecelia Humphrey, Violet Ockree, Cora Russell, Brody Boyd, Anabelle Clausen, Sophia Humphrey, Chloe Keehn, Elinor Ockree, Jack Williams, Jace Carter, Laithen Paulsen, Carly Simpson, Duval Thieme.
- Pray for those celebrating birthdays this week: Chuck Connell, Gabi Voss, Ralph Knehans, Wendy Humphrey, Kimbra Henry, Connor Hurd, Boone Smith, Stuart Bach, Kent Schuh, Duval Thieme.
- 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 whole Church of God, for her reconciliation, peace, and 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 saints of Redeemer and Pastor Kilgo.

- Pray for the saints of King of Kings, Gardner, and Pastor Wehmeier.
- 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 Plumbers, electricians, and other tradespersons.
- 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 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 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 that God would grant us sanctified eyes to see the needs of others and serve them as good neighbors even as Christ serves us.

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

To place announcements or prayer concerns in the Sunday bulletin contact the church office by 9 AM on Wednesday this week. 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 this week call the Church Office.

#### **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 4211 NW Topeka Blvd.

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