

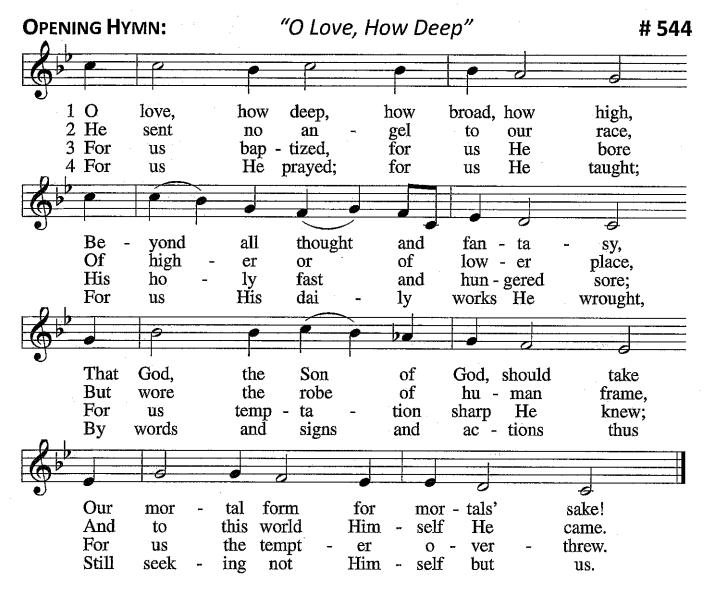
"God has visited His people!"
[Luke 7:16]

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Consecration Sunday September 24, 2023

Calvary Lutheran Church Topeka, Kansas

*Indicates to Stand

ANNOUNCEMENTS, *OPENING PRAYER



- 5 For us by wickedness betrayed,
 For us, in crown of thorns arrayed,
 He bore the shameful cross and death;
 For us He gave His dying breath.
- 6 For us He rose from death again;
 For us He went on high to reign;
 For us He sent His Spirit here
 To guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.
- △ 7 All glory to our Lord and God For love so deep, so high, so broad; The Trinity whom we adore Forever and forevermore.

*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P: In the name of the Father and of the

■ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

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

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

C: who made heaven and earth.

Psalm 124:8

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared. Psalm 130:3-4

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this alter, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

C: Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 A Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

*INTROIT: Psalm 86:3, 5, 1, 7, 12–13

P: Be gracious to me, O Lord,

C: for to You do I cry all the day.

P: For You, O Lord, are good and forgiving,

C: abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon You.

P: Incline Your ear, O Lord, and answer me,

C: for I am poor and needy.

P: In the day of my trouble I call upon You,

C: for You answer me.

P: I give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,

C: and I will glorify Your name forever.

P: For great is Your steadfast love toward me;

C: You have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.

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

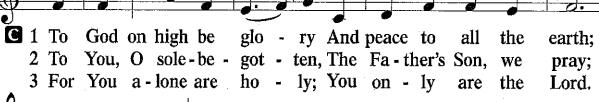
(The Kyrie may be sung once or several times in response to various petitions.)



Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

*GLORIA IN EXCELSIS ≈ Glory to God in the Highest

Luke 2:14; John 1:29





Good-will from God in heav - en Pro-claimed at Je-sus' birth!

O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.

For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing— Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry, You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King. Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—In God the Fa-ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

*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: 1 Kings 17:17–24

After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became **P**: ill. And his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. And she said to Elijah, "What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to cause the death of my son!" And he said to her, "Give me your son." And he took him from her arms and carried him up into the upper chamber where he lodged, and laid him on his own bed. And he cried to the LORD, "O LORD my God, have You brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by killing her son?" Then he stretched himself upon the child three times and cried to the LORD, "O LORD my God, let this child's life come into him again." And the LORD listened to the voice of Elijah. And the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. And Elijah took the child and brought him down from the upper chamber into the house and delivered him to his mother. And Elijah said, "See, your son lives." And the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth."

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL: Psalm 102:15–16

P: Nations will fear the name of the LORD,

C: and all the kings of the earth will fear Your glory.

P: For the LORD builds up Zion;

C: He appears in his glory.

EPISTLE READING: Ephesians 3:13–21

P: So I ask you not to lose heart over what I am suffering for you, which is your glory. For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of His glory He may grant you to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height

and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.



*HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 7:11–17

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

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

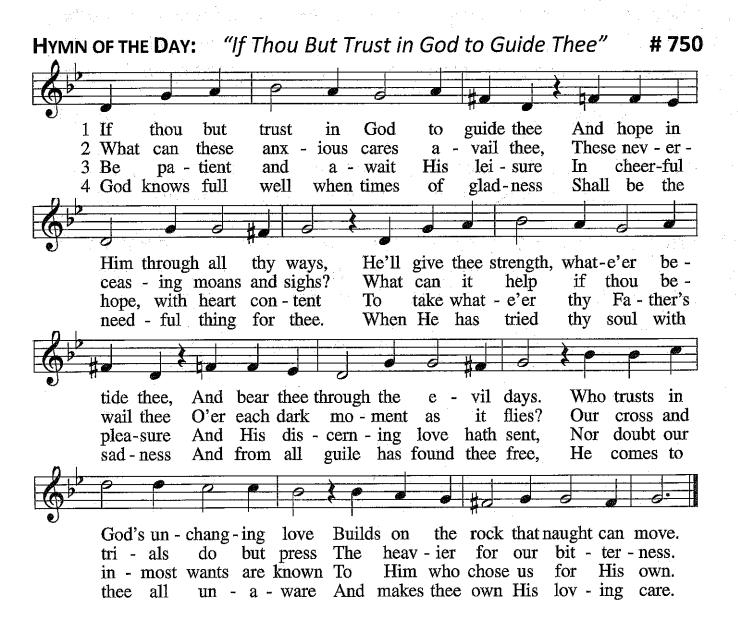
P: Soon afterward Jesus went to a town called Nain, and His disciples and a great crowd went with Him. As He drew near to the gate of the town, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow, and a considerable crowd from the town was with her. And when the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." Then He came up and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And He said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And the dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited His people!" And this report about Him spread through the whole of Judea and all the surrounding country.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

*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.



- 5 Nor think amid the fiery trial
 That God hath cast thee off unheard,
 That he whose hopes meet no denial
 Must surely be of God preferred.
 Time passes and much change doth bring
 And sets a bound to ev'rything.
- 6 All are alike before the Highest;
 'Tis easy for our God, we know,
 To raise thee up, though low thou liest,
 To make the rich man poor and low.
 True wonders still by Him are wrought
 Who setteth up and brings to naught.

Sing, pray, and keep His ways unswerving,
Perform thy duties faithfully,
And trust His Word; though undeserving,
Thou yet shalt find it true for thee.
God never yet forsook in need
The soul that trusted Him indeed.

SERMON: "Consecrated Life"

COMMITMENT OF RESPONSE CARDS — Ushers will direct sections up one at a time (At this time the congregation will bring forward our completed Pledge Cards and Time & Talent Sheets and place them in the chest at the foot of the Cross.)

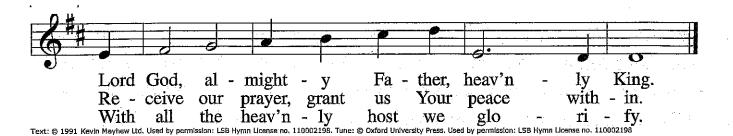
*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

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. 1-3





*PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

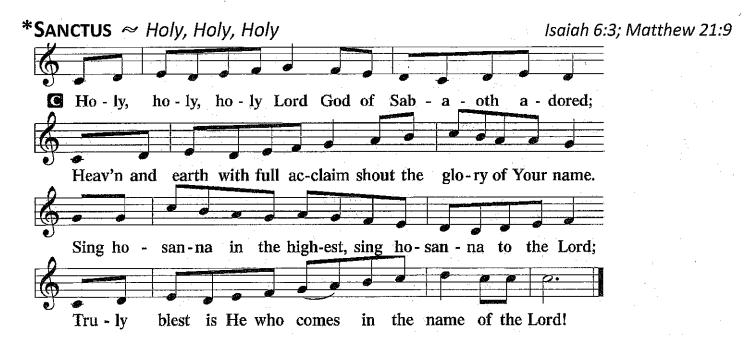
[Colossians 3:11]

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

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

[Psalm 136]

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



*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.

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."

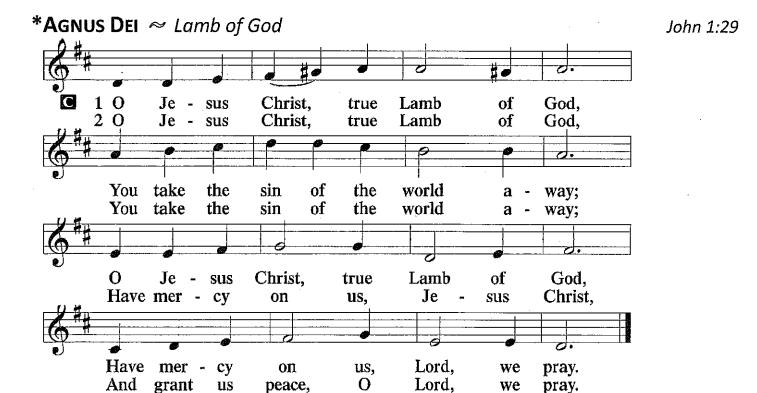
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My & blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

*PAX DOMINI ≈ The Peace of the Lord

John 20:19

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

C: Amen.



(After singing "The Agnus Dei," the congregation may be seated.)

COMMUNION HYMNS

Text and tune: Public domain

"Chief of Sinners Though I Be" #611 1 Chief of sin - ners though I shed His be, Je sus sus' love, 2 Oh, the height of Je -High the er than 3 On - ly im - part the Je - sus can Balm to heal 4 Chief of sin - ners though I be, Christ is all in 5 O Say - ior, help af - ford By Your Spir - it my live Died that might high, blood for me. Ι on heav'ns a - bove, Deep - er than the depths of sea, wound - ed for - giv'n, heart, Peace that flows from sin all to me: All my wants to Him are known, Your Word! heart would stray, and When my way - ward I might nev die. As Lives that the branch is er Last - ing ter ni - ty! Love that found meas e -Joy that lifts the soul to heav'n, Faith and hope to Αĺ His own. He the sor - rows are sus - tains my Keep me in the Grace in time of nar row way; vine, Ι His, and He mine. to the am Found me when I sought Him not. won - drous thought! God with the way that E - noch trod. walk In hid life Safe with Him from earth - ly strife. den While Ι live and when die. sup - ply need





*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 Collect

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

C: Amen.

*BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

P: Let us bless the Lord.

[Psalm 103:1]

C: Thanks be to God.

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.

C: Amen.

Numbers 6:24-26



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.

TODAY IS COMMITMENT SUNDAY. We will bring our completed 2024 Pledge Cards and Time & Talent sheets before God and place them in the chest at the foot of the cross during the worship service. At the appropriate time <u>Ushers will bring up one pew section at a time</u>. We hope that you have prayerfully considered what you will contribute to the work and ministry of Calvary in the coming year. Cards/forms were placed in your church mailbox a few weeks ago and extras can be found on the Usher's table in the Narthex. If you forgot your items today, you can still turn them in within the next week. Thank you!

PASTOR'S "BEING CHRISTIAN" NEW MEMBER CLASS HAS STARTED. It's not too late start attending! Class meets in the big classroom in the upstairs north pod. Class will be held every Sunday from 1-2:30 PM until December 10 (13 weeks). If you are interested in becoming a Calvary Member or are a member just wanting a refresher course, this class is for you! Talk to Pastor Ockree if you are interested.

YOUTH GROUP will meet tonight in the Youth Rm. Dinner is provided with Bible study from 5–6:30 and free time from 6:30–7:30. The group meets the 2^{nd} & 4^{th} Sundays.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR CALVARY'S OKTOBERFEST FALL FESTIVAL which will be held on Saturday, October 7, starting at 5 PM. We are planning food, fellowship, and fun for everyone! Watch for more information to come in the next few weeks.

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

FLOWER FUND – To help beautify Calvary's sanctuary, we would like to bolster our Flower Fund so fresh flowers can be provided by Calvary on more Sundays. A nice floral arrangement costs approximately \$75. You may not want to provide an entire arrangement, but may be willing to give a smaller amount. If you would like to contribute, please mark your check/envelope as "Flower Fund" and place in the plate. This can be done at any time. **Reminder**, if you would like to provide flowers on a particular Sunday for a special occasion, fill out the flower form on <u>calvarytopeka.org</u> found under the "Information" tab or contact the church office to get your date reserved.

<u>Home Devotional Reading Guide: Sept 24 – Oct 1</u>

Ezekiel 21 – 27

Psalm 82 - 88

Titus 2-3; Philemon; Hebrews 1-2

SERVANTS FOR TODAY

Preacher:

Pastor Ben Ockree

Liturgist:

Deacon Jim LaCrone

Organist:

Renee Patzer

Acolyte:

Brody Boyd

Elder:

Kirk Johnson

Greeters:

Sue LaCrone, Becky Martin

Altar Guild:

Linda Devoe

Ushers:

Stuart Bach, Rae Zimmerman, Connor Ockree, Mike Ewing

Counters:

Grace Pasley, Sharon Dooley

Coffee Maker:

Marcia Coufal

Mug Detail:

Clausen Family

Mowing Schedule

Thank You to this Week's Mowers – Dave Duffey, Trent Duffey

Next Weekend – Rick Lush, Wilbur Schwant

THIS WEEK IN CALVARY

| Today: | Consecration Sunday |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| | Worship Service 9:00 AM |
| • | Sunday School and Adult Bible Study 10:15 AM |
| | Being Christian Class-Confirmation Rm. 1:00 PM |
| | Youth Group Dinner & Bible Study-Youth Rm. 5:00 PM |
| Monday: | Cornerstone Choir Practice- <i>F. Hall</i> 11:00 AM |
| Tuesday: | J.O.Y. Potluck & Bingo 11:00 AM |
| | College Bible Study-at Iliff Recital Hall 6:30 PM |
| Wednesday: | Confirmation Class- <i>Upstairs North Classroom</i> 6:00 PM |
| | Stephen Ministry- <i>Upstairs SE Classroom</i> 6:00 PM |
| Thursday: | Bulletin Announcement Deadline 9:00 AM |
| | Morning Break Bible Study- <i>Upstairs SE Classroom</i> 10:00 AM |
| • | Lutheran's for Life Youth4Life Presentation-F. Hall 6:30 PM |
| Friday: | Hunter's Ridge AA Meeting- <i>F. Hall</i> 7:00 PM |
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Lily Ketchum

Elder:

Larry Winter

Greeters:

Wanda Fay, Cindy Rohnke

Altar Guild:

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Ushers:

Terry Bargmann, John Guffey, Timothy Humphrey,

T. J. Humphrey

Counters:

Tamara Ockree, Heather Williams

Coffee Maker:

Kirk Johnson

Mug Detail:

Tony & Rae Zimmerman

Prayer Petitions for the Week of September 24-30

- Pray that we would grow in faithfulness in Christ united as His people.
- Give thanks for Calvary, that we can meet for worship and be blessed in Word and Sacrament for our forgiveness, life, and salvation. For our unity and the return of those who have strayed.
- Pray for our families: Jacob & Lori Crawford and family. Karys & Stacey Deiter and family. David & Deniece Detjen. Florence Deutsch. Linda DeVoe. Mike Devoe. Doug & Belinda Diekhoff and family.
- Pray for the sick and those recovering from sickness or procedures: Teddy Schuh, Kevin Choitz, Annette Jackson, Chris Ketchum, Jim Lohrbach, Shari Piel. 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 our new college age Bible class. For our Being Christian 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, Lilly Ketchum, Elinor Ockree, Jack Williams, Jace Carter, Laithen Paulsen, Carly Simpson, Duval Thieme.
- Pray for those celebrating birthdays this week: Tim Leatherman, Carly Simpson, Laura Ollek, Zeke Guffey, Casey Simpson.
- Pray for those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week: Judy & Jim Edwards, 28 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 whole Church of God. For her peace and renewal in the Spirit.
- Pray for the saints of Faith, Pastors Heine & Albrecht, Vicar Jeff Lane, and DCEs Heather McCormick & Hannah Elsey.
- Pray for the saints of Messiah, Emporia, and Pastor Hosch.
- Pray for the holy ministry and all ministers of the LCMS. 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 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 all staff workers, full and parttime.
- 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 help in a troubled world. For an end to the war in the Ukraine. For an end to gun violence and peace in the hearts of all. For those afflicted by bad weather and other disasters. For an end to abortion, exploitation, and all other evils in the world. For the truth of God to guide us over the lies of Satan.
- 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 the Christians who are risking their lives to live their faith. Pray for the reign of God's peace and that the gospel be proclaimed.
- 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.
- · Pray for growth in our benevolence fund and in our mission giving.
- Pray that we would be helped and defended by God's heavenly angels.
- Pray that we would live our consecrated lives given to us in our Baptism and that in Christ we eternal life and victory over death itself.

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 <u>9 AM on Thursdays</u>. Prayer concerns printed in the bulletin do not replace prayer chain requests. To place a prayer chain request <u>during evening and weekend hours</u> please call Leila Schuh at 785-224-7962; <u>during week days</u> call or email 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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