

"For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

Luke 14:11

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY October 1, 2023

Calvary Lutheran Church Topeka, Kansas

*Indicates to Stand

ANNOUNCEMENTS, *OPENING PRAYER



- 5 Still lift your standard high,Still march in firm array,As pilgrims through the darkness wendTill dawns the golden day. *Refrain*
- 6 At last the march shall end;
 The wearied ones shall rest;
 The pilgrims find their home at last,
 Jerusalem the blest. *Refrain*
- △7 Praise Him who reigns on high,
 The Lord whom we adore:
 The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
 One God forevermore. *Refrain*

*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 altar, 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 \blacksquare Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

*INTROIT: Psalm 119: 137, 124, 1–2, 5–6

P: Righteous are You, O Lord,

C: and right are Your just decrees.

P: Deal with Your servant according to Your steadfast love,

C: and teach me Your statutes.

P: Blessèd are those whose way is blameless,

C: who walk in the law of the Lord!

P: Blessèd are those who keep His testimonies,

C: who seek Him with their whole heart.

P: Oh that my ways may be steadfast

C: in keeping Your statutes!

P: Then I shall not be put to shame,

C: having my eyes fixed on all Your commandments.

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

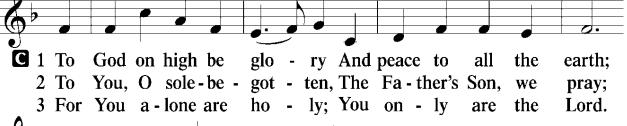
(The Kyrie may be sung once or several times in response to various petitions.)



C 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: Proverbs 25:6–14

P: Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great, for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble. What your eyes have seen do not hastily bring into court, for what will you do in the end, when your neighbor puts you to shame? Argue your case with your neighbor himself, and do not reveal another's secret, lest he who hears you bring shame upon you, and your ill repute have no end. A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in a setting of silver. Like a gold ring or an ornament of gold is a wise reprover to a listening ear. Like the cold of snow in the time of harvest is a faithful messenger to those who send him; he refreshes the soul of his masters. Like clouds and wind without rain is a man who boasts of a gift he does not give.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL: Psalm 33:12, 6

P: Blessèd is the nation whose God is the LORD,

C: the people whom He has chosen as His heritage!

P: By the word of the LORD the heavens were made,

C: and by the breath of His mouth all their host.

Epistle Reading: Ephesians 4:1–6

P: I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

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*ALLELUIA and VERSE C Al - le-lu - ia, al le-lu - ia. al - le-lu - ia. C These things are writ-ten that you may be - lieve that the Christ, Son of God. is the John 20:31 C Al - le - lu - ia, le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia. al

*HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 14:1–11

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

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

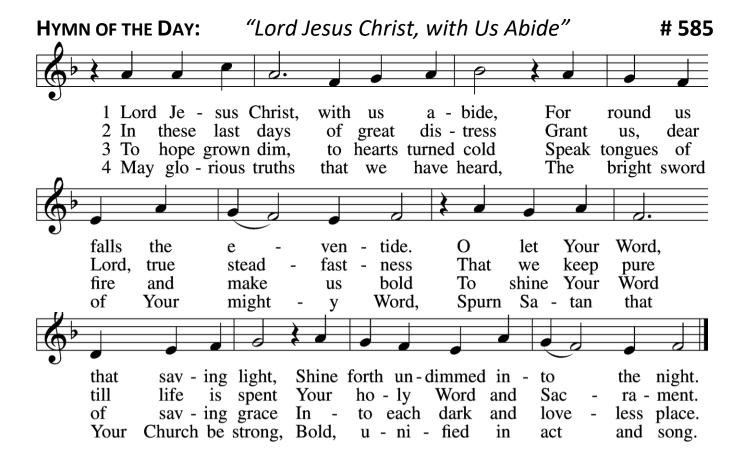
P: One Sabbath, when Jesus went to dine at the house of a ruler of the Pharisees, they were watching Him carefully. And behold, there was a man before Him who had dropsy. And Jesus responded to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath, or not?" But they remained silent. Then He took him and healed him and sent him away. And He said to them, "Which of you, having a son or an ox that has fallen into a well on a Sabbath day, will not immediately pull him out?" And they could not reply to these things. Now He told a parable to those who were invited, when He noticed how they chose the places of honor, saying to them, "When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest someone more distinguished than you be invited by him, and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give your place to this person,' and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit in the lowest place, so that when your host comes he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at table with you. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

*NICENE CREED: (spoken by all)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and Earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



- 5 Restrain, O Lord, the human pride
 That seeks to thrust Your truth aside
 Or with some man-made thoughts or things
 Would dim the words Your Spirit sings.
- Stay with us, Lord, and keep us true;
 Preserve our faith our whole life through—
 Your Word alone our heart's defense,
 The Church's glorious confidence.

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SERMON: "Humiliation v. Humility"

*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)



*PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you. 2 Timothy 4:22

C: And also with you.

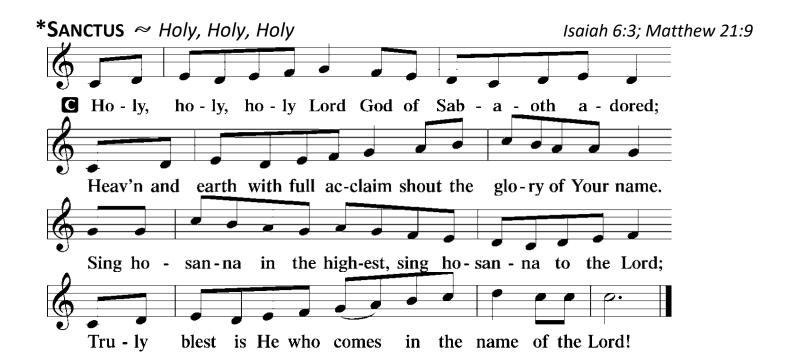
P: Lift up your hearts.

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.

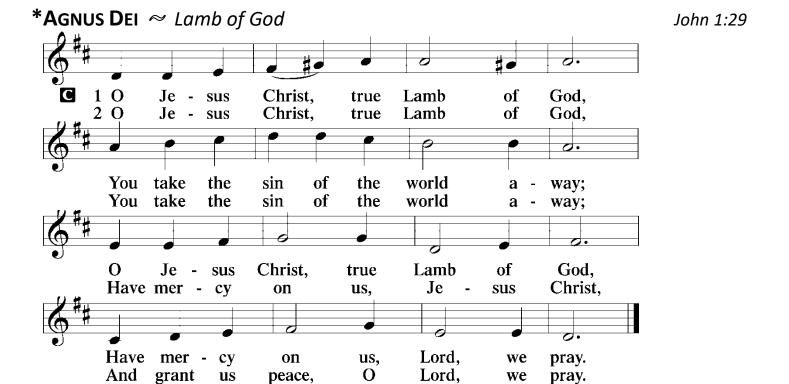
P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My & body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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

John 20:19

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

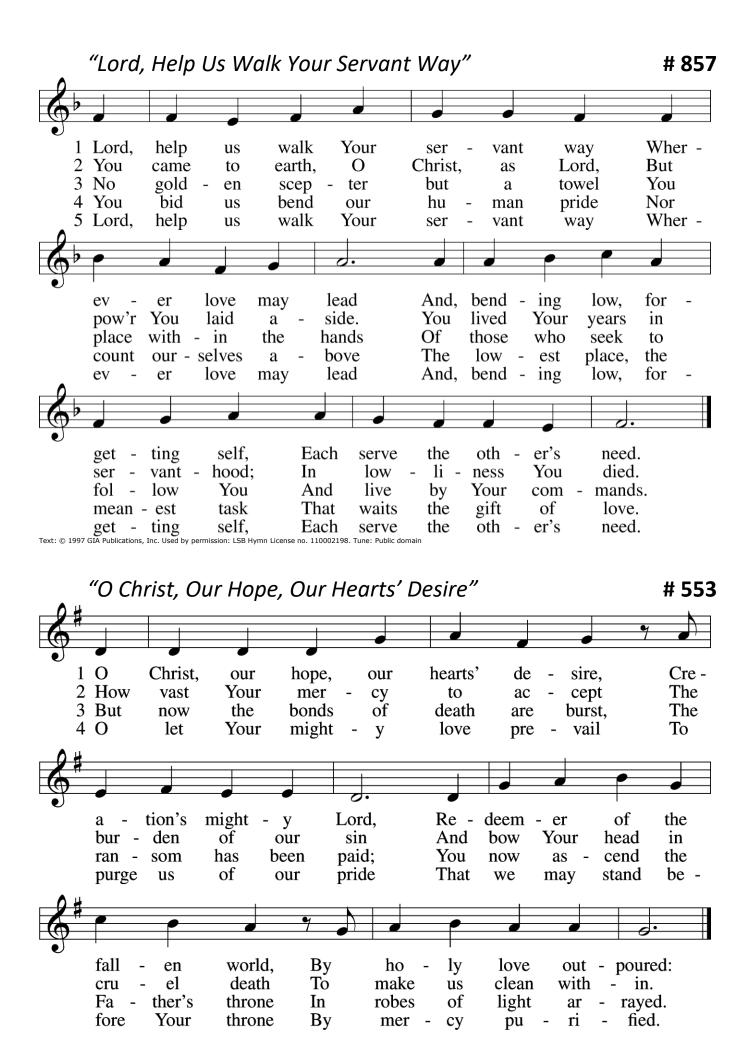
C: Amen.



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

COMMUNION HYMNS





5 Christ Jesus, be our present joy,Our future great reward;Our only glory, may it beTo glory in the Lord!

△6 All praise to You, ascended Lord;
 All glory ever be
 To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
 Through all eternity!

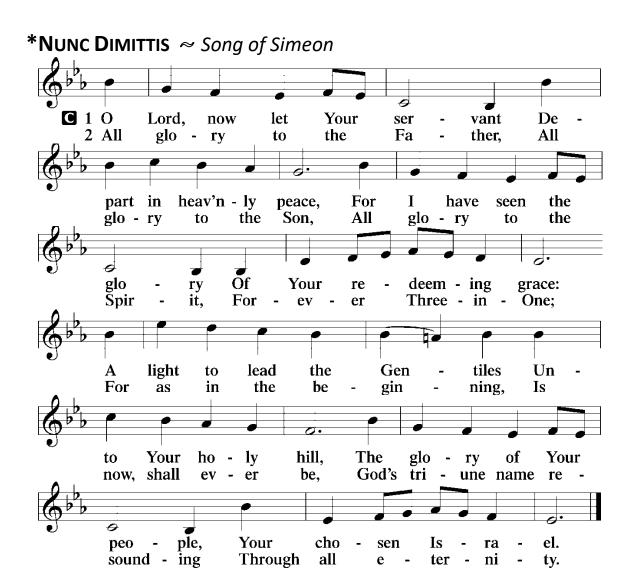
Luke 2:29-32

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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.



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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

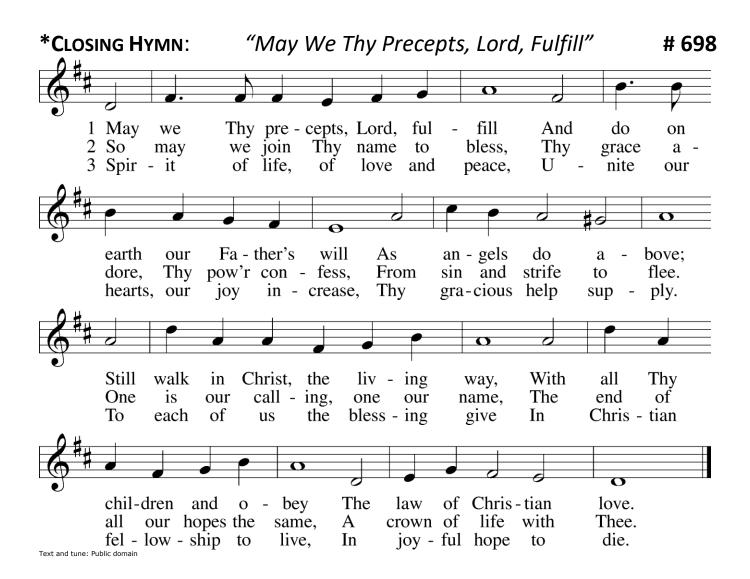
P: Let us bless the Lord.

[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.

DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER WE WILL BE PRINTING out the entire service, minus the hymns, in the regular bulletin (the large print will continue as usual). So members have full information, the print cost will increase from \$6 per week to approx. \$50 per week, depending on length of readings and etc. to provide the full print. The Elders would like your opinion on this new format. Please contact one of the Elders to inform if this new format is favorable or not for you.

2024 PLEDGE CARDS AND TIME & TALENT SHEETS: If you didn't get yours brought in last week, there is still time to do so. You can put them in the mailbox of Aric Harrington, Board of Stewardship Chair, or turn them in to the church office. We would like to get them in within the next week so we can prepare the 2024 Operating Budget in time for the Voter's Meeting on Oct. 29. Thanks!

A VIDEO DOORBELL/AUTOMATIC DOOR OPENER has been added to the outside south entry door nearest the office. If the door is locked during office hours and staff is in the office, you can push the doorbell to talk to staff and to be let in the door. We are looking at eventually mounting the same on the basement entrance.

THE MONTHLY OPERATION BACKPACK ASSEMBLY will be held this coming Thursday, October 5, 6 PM at Indian Creek Grade School, 43rd & Indian Creek Rd., north side. Volunteers age 7 (with parent) and up are needed. TNO provides food sacks for up to <u>871 students each week</u> at North Topeka, Seaman area, and Oakland area schools.

DELIVERY DRIVERS NEEDED FOR TNO OPERATION BACKPACK FOOD SACKS -

Three schools need delivery drivers as some of the volunteers from last year are not able to deliver this school year. Please contact Trudy Filkins at 785-431-6003 if you or someone you know are willing to help out with weekly deliveries.

FED TO FEED: During the month of October Calvary will be collecting <u>Canned</u> <u>Soup</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!

Home Devotional Reading Guide: Oct 1 – 7

Ezekiel 28 – 34

Psalm 89 - 95

Hebrews 3:1 - 7:10

SERVANTS FOR TODAY

Preacher: Pastor Ben Ockree

Liturgist: Deacon Jim LaCrone

Organist: Renee Patzer

Acolyte: Chloe Keehn

Elder: Larry Winter

Greeters: Wanda Fay, Cindy Rohnke

Altar Guild: Shelley Duffey

Ushers: Terry Bargmann, John Guffey, Timothy Humphrey,

T. J. Humphrey

Counters: Tamara Ockree, Heather Williams

Coffee Maker: Kirk Johnson

Mug Detail: Tony & Rae Zimmerman

Mowing Schedule

Thank You to this Week's Mowers – Rick Blush, Wilbur Schwant Next Weekend – Dave Duffey, Trent Duffey

THIS WEEK IN CALVARY

Today:	Worship Service	9:00 AM
	Sunday School and Adult Bible Study	10:15 AM
	Being Christian Class-Confirmation Rm.	1:00 PM
Monday:	Cornerstone Choir Practice-F. Hall	11:00 AM
Tuesday:	College Bible Study-at Iliff Recital Hall	6:30 PM
Wednesday:	Confirmation Class-Upstairs North Classroom	6:00 PM
	Stephen Ministry-Upstairs SE 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- <i>F. Hall</i>	7:00 PM
Saturday:	Ladies Brunch	10:00 AM
	Calvary's Fall Oktoberfest	5:00 PM
Next Sunday:	Worship Service	9:00 AM
	Sunday School and Adult Bible Study	10:15 AM
	Being Christian Class-Confirmation Rm.	1:00 PM

SERVANTS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

Preacher: Pastor Ben Ockree
Liturgist: Deacon Jim LaCrone
Organist: Annette Jackson

Acolyte: Cora Russell Elder: Kirk Johnson

Greeters: Marica Coufal, Gail Cox

Altar Guild: Shelley Duffey

Ushers: Terry Bargmann, John Guffey, Timothy Humphrey,

T. J. Humphrey

Counters: Rick & Sandi Blush

Coffee Maker: Kirk Johnson

Mug Detail: Mary North, Kathy Kalinka

Prayer Petitions for the Week of October 1-7

- 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: Grace Dienstbier. Sharon Dooley. Laura Douglas. Richard Douglas. Carmen Drager. Windy Drager. Karen Dreasher.
- Pray for the sick and those recovering from sickness or procedures: Teddy Schuh, Kevin Choitz, Chris Ketchum, Shari Piel. For those having procedures: Trent Duffey, Loren Johannes. 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.
- Rejoice that Annie Alvarez has had her baby. Pray for the health and recovery of mother and daughter, and especially that Arabella will be safely brought to the waters of Holy Baptism.
- 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 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: Deniece Detjen, Adam LaCrone, Ella Schuh, Leo Bach, Roddy Schwant, Cathy Johannes, Mary Randol.
- Pray for those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week: Casey & Tamra Simpson, 18 yrs; Phil & Sue LaCrone, 36 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 St. John's, Pastors Wright & Belcher, and Cantor Bethany Johnson.
- Pray for the saints of Mount Calvary, Wamego, and Pastor Price.
- 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 grandparents.
- 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. 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 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 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.
- Pray for growth in our benevolence fund and in our mission giving.
- Pray for humility to come before God as the sinners we are and faith to trust that He will exalt us in Christ's forgiveness.

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</u> <u>evening and weekend hours</u> please call Leila Schuh at 785-224-7962; <u>during</u> <u>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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