

EASTER SUNDAY

March 31, 2024

**Calvary Lutheran Church
Topeka, KS**

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

Divine Service, Setting One

Lutheran Service Book, P. 151-166

**Indicates to Stand*

***OPENING PRAYER**

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN: "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" # 457**



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 But the pains which He en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
 △ 4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



Our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
 Praise e - ter - nal as His love; Al - le - lu - ia!



Who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Now a - bove the sky He's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Praise Him, all ye heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

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: Luke 24:5b–6b; Psalm 8:1, 5–6, 9

P: He is risen! Alleluia!

C: **Why do you seek the living among the dead? Alleluia!**

P: Remember how He told you, Alleluia,

C: **that the Son of Man must be crucified and on the third day rise. Alleluia!**

P: O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!

C: **You have set Your glory above the heavens.**

P: Yet You have made Him a little lower than the heavenly beings

C: **and crowned Him with glory and honor.**

P: You have given Him dominion over the works of Your hands;

C: **You have put all things under His feet.**

P: O LORD, our Lord,

C: **how majestic is Your name in all the earth!**

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.



Lord, have mer - cy.

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



Lord, have mer - cy.

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.



Lord, have mer - cy.

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



Lord, have mer - cy.

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



A - men.

***HYMN OF PRAISE:**


“This is the Feast”

Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9


Refrain




C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

***SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



C: And al - so with you.

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

C: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 25:6–9

P: On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. And He will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of His people He will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, “Behold, this is our God; we have waited for Him, that He might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for Him; let us be glad and rejoice in His salvation.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL: Psalm 118:24, 1

P: This is the day that the Lord has made;

C: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

P: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;

C: for His steadfast love endures forever!

EPISTLE READING: 1 Corinthians 15:1–11

P: Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that He appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then He appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, He appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

LIFT HIGH THE CROSS

A Hymn Concertato for Easter or Ascension

Words by
GEORGE W. KITCHIN*
alt. MICHAEL R. NEWBOLT

CRUCIFER
Music by SYDNEY H. NICHOLSON
Arranged by ROBERT LAU

Introduction: *Choir Only*

REFRAIN: CHOIR AND CONGREGATION

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till
all the world _____ a - dore _____ His sa - cred name.

Verse 1: *Choir Only*

REFRAIN: CHOIR AND CONGREGATION

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REFRAIN: CHOIR AND CONGREGATION

Verse 2: *Choir Only*

REFRAIN: CHOIR AND CONGREGATION

Verse 3: *Choir Only*

VERSE 4: CHOIR AND CONGREGATION

So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be: praise
to the _____ Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

Postlude: *Choir Only*

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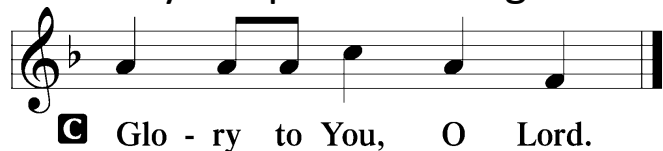
***ALLELUIA and VERSE**



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

***HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 16:1–8**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixteenth chapter.



Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

P: When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. And they were saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?” And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. And he said to them, “Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His disciples and Peter that He is going before you to Galilee. There you will see Him, just as He told you.” And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid..

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



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.

HYMN OF THE DAY: *“The Strife is O’er, the Battle Done”* # 464

Refrain

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

1 The strife is o’er, the bat - tle done;
 2 The pow’rs of death have done their worst,
 3 The three sad days have quick - ly sped,
 4 He broke the age - bound chains of hell;
 5 Lord, by the stripes which wound - ed Thee,

Now is the vic - tor’s tri - umph won;
 But Christ their le - gions hath dis - persed.
 He ris - es glo - rious from the dead.
 The bars from heav’n’s high por - tals fell.
 From death’s dread sting Thy ser - vants free

The Refrain is repeated after st. 5.

Now be the song of praise be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
 All glo - ry to our ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!
 Let hymns of praise His tri - umph tell. Al - le - lu - ia!
 That we may live and sing to Thee. Al - le - lu - ia!

SERMON: "He is Risen, Indeed"

*PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: (Response "hear our prayer") [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: "New Testament Canticle" [1 Corinthians 15; Romans 6]



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.



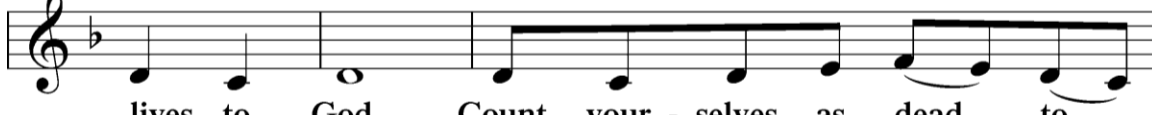
Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -



lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He

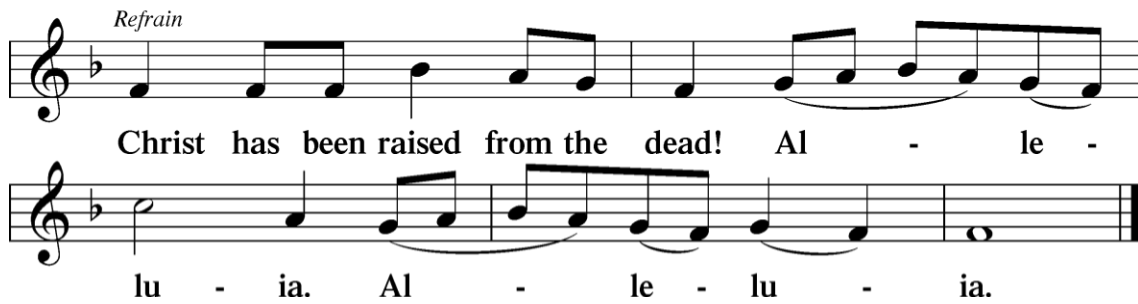


lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to



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.

COMMUNION STATEMENT

*PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22



C: And al - so with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

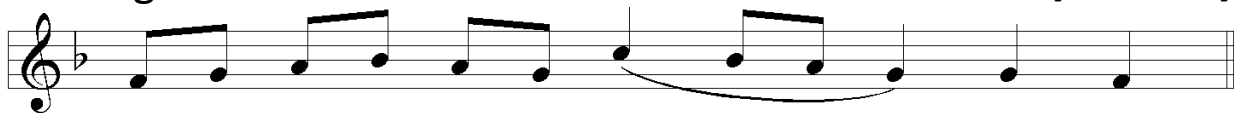
[Colossians 3:1]



C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

[Psalm 136]



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

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

*SANCTUS ~ *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -



san - na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est

***LORD'S PRAYER**

Matthew 6:9-13

P: Hear us as we pray in Jesus' name and as He has taught us:

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

***THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

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

PAX DOMINI ~ *The Peace of the Lord

John 20:19

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



AGNUS DEI ~ *Lamb of God

John 1:29

C: Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

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

COMMUNION HYMNS

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

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1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com - fort
2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -
3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to
4 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; He lives to



once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.
in the sky; He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.
soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who
ter - nal - ly to save; He lives all - glo - rious
plead for me a - bove; He lives my hun - gry
guide me with His eye; He lives to com - fort

- 5 He lives to silence all my fears;
He lives to wipe away my tears;
He lives to calm my troubled heart;
He lives all blessings to impart.
- 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;
He lives and loves me to the end;
He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing;
He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
- 7 He lives and grants me daily breath;
He lives, and I shall conquer death;
He lives my mansion to prepare;
He lives to bring me safely there.
- 8 He lives, all glory to His name!
He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

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1 "Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day!" Saints on earth and an - gels say;
2 Love's re - deem - ing work is done, Fought the fight, the bat - tle won;
3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ hath burst the gates of hell.
4 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King! Where, O death, is now thy sting?



Raise your joys and tri - umphs high; Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, re - ply.
Lo! Our Sun's e - clipse is o'er; Lo! He sets in blood no more.
Death in vain for - bids His rise; Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.
Once He died our souls to save; Where thy vic - to - ry, O grave?

5 Soar we now where Christ has led;
Foll'wing our exalted Head.
Made like Him, like Him we rise;
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

6 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n!
Praise to Thee by both be giv'n!
Thee we greet triumphant now:
Hail, the resurrection, Thou!

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"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing"

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1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; Bring flow'rs of song to
3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry That love, that life which
4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, And sing to - day with



of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
strew His way; Let all the world re - joice and say:
can - not die, And sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
one ac - cord The life laid down, the life re - stored:



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, al - le - lu - ia!

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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.

***POST COMMUNION CANTICLE: "Thank the Lord"**



☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

***POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

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



☐ A - men.

***BENEDICTION**

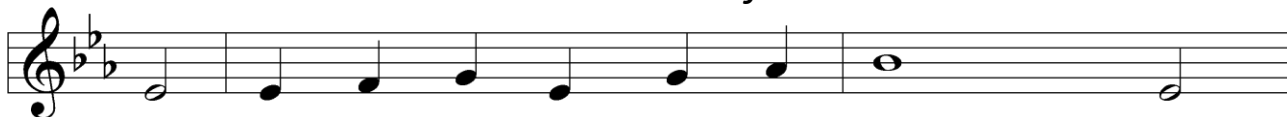
P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



☐ A - men.

*CLOSING HYMN: "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds"

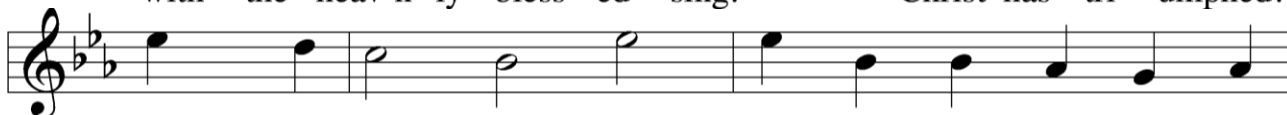
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1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds In
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift He brings, There -
 3 O fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love; Set
 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring And



praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has tri - umphed!
 fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has tri - umphed!
 heart and will on things a - bove That we con - quer
 with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has tri - umphed!



He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and
 He is liv - ing!" Now still He comes to give us
 through Your tri - umph; Grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's
 Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the Fa - ther and our



clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
 life And by His pres - ence stills all
 day That by our lives we tru - ly
 Lord, To Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!"
 strife. Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!
 say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 God, All the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



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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SERVANTS FOR TODAY

Preacher:	Pastor Ben Ockree
Liturgist:	Deacon Jim LaCrone
Organist:	Annette Jackson
Choir Director:	Anna Reb
Acolyte – 7:30 AM:	Ockree
Acolyte – 10 AM:	Jack Williams
Crucifer – 7:30 AM:	Levi Clausen
Crucifer – 10 AM:	Gideon Humphrey
Elder – 7:30 AM:	Larry Winter
Elder – 10 AM:	Don Harrison
Sexton:	T. J. Humphrey
Altar Guild:	Marcia Coufal
Greeters – 7:30 AM:	Marcia Coufal, Gail Cox
Greeters – 10 AM:	Wanda F., Anna C., Cindy R.
Ushers:	Phil LaCrone, Wilbur Schwant, Eric Ketchum, Jason Ketchum
Coffee & Mugs:	Easter Breakfast Team
Counters:	Williams, Ockree
Mowing Team:	Dave Duffey, Trent Duffey

SERVANTS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 7

Preacher:	Pastor Ben Ockree
Liturgist:	Deacon Jim LaCrone
Organist:	Renee Patzer
Acolyte:	Brody Boyd
Elder:	Kirk Johnson
Sexton:	Connor Ockree
Greeters:	Marcia Coufal, Gail Cox
Altar Guild:	Mary North
Ushers:	Rick Blush, Bill Arnold, Len Henry, John Guffey
Counters:	TBA
Coffee Makers:	Kirk Johnson
Mug Detail:	Clausen Family
Mowing Team:	Kirk Johnson, Wilbur Schwant

THIS WEEK IN CALVARY

Today:	Sunrise Worship Service	7:30 AM
	Easter Fellowship Breakfast	8:45 AM
	Festival Worship Service	10:00 AM
Wednesday:	CLLC & Homeschool Chapel Services	10:30 & 11 AM
	Homeschool Lunch & Classes	11:30 AM
	Confirmation Class & Choir Practice	6:00 PM
Thursday:	Bulletin Announcement Deadline	9:00 AM
	Morning Break Bible Study	10:00 AM
	Board of Elders Meeting	6:30 PM
Friday	Hunter's Ridge AA Meeting-F. Hall	7:00 PM
Saturday:	Ladies Brunch	10:00 AM
	Cornerstone Musical Practice-F. Hall	1:00 PM
Next Sunday:	Worship Service	9:00 AM
	Sunday School & Bible Study	10:15 AM
	Cornerstone Musical Practice-Crume Rm.	1:30 PM

2024 Easter Lily Dedications

<u>Name</u>	<u>Dedication</u>
◆Kathy, Anna, Michael Reb	In memory of Mike Reb.
◆Kathy, Anna, & Michael Reb, and Allan & Kerye Jackson	In memory of Harley & Ellen Jackson.
◆Mike & Renee Patzer	In memory of Renee's parents, William & Dorothy Hintz.
◆Mike & Renee Patzer	In memory of Mike's parents, Richard & Ella Patzer.
◆Don & Linda Harrison	In memory of Linda's parents, Melvin & Charlotte Deiter.
◆Don & Linda Harrison	In memory of Don's parents, Gene & Irene Harrison.
◆Jean & Kathi Killman	In memory of Larry Killman.
◆Rick Blush	In memory of Sandi Blush.



Name**Dedication**

- ◆ Kathryn Kalinka In memory of my dad Richard Groves.
- ◆ Kathryn Kalinka Dedicated to my mom, Mary Groves, who continues to be the light of my life.
- ◆ The Bach, Williams, & In memory of our mother and Matheny families grandmother, Karen Bach.
- ◆ The Bach, Williams, & In memory of our mother, Sherri Wark Matheny families Pflieger.
- ◆ The Bach, Williams, & In memory of our grandparents, Junior & Donna Pflieger. Matheny families
- ◆ The Williams family In memory of our grandparents, Elson “Jake” Grim and Mary Jane Williams.
- ◆ Tom & Carolyn Sage In memory of Tom’s parents.
- ◆ Tom & Carolyn Sage In memory of Carolyn’s parents.
- ◆ Mary North In memory of my husband Harold.
- ◆ Bill Arnold In memory of Diana Arnold.
- ◆ Jim & Joann LaCrone In memory of our parents, siblings, and grandparents.
- ◆ Jim & Joann LaCrone Dedicated to our children, their spouses, and our 7 grandchildren.
- ◆ Beth & Tal Seaman In memory of Jake Seaman and Mill & Carole Seaman.
- ◆ Beth & Tal Seaman Dedicated to Steven & Rosslyn Schultz.
- ◆ Boone & Macie Smith In memory of Dan Key, husband of Angie Key, stepdad of Boone Smith, grandfather of Brennan, Calvin, & Gilbert Smith.
- ◆ Kirk & Cheryl Johnson In memory of Wendel & Georgia Sales.
- ◆ Kirk & Cheryl Johnson Dedicated to Annette Jackson, Renee Patzer, and Anna Reb.
- ◆ Janice Sellers In memory of Bill & Bernice Sellers.

- ◆The Clausen Family In memory of John P. Clausen and Leonard Margheim.
- ◆Dave & Annette Jackson In memory of Dave’s parents, Dwight & Janice Jackson.
- ◆Dave & Annette Jackson In memory of Annette’s parents, Harry & Geneva Sorber.



WEEKLY 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.

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

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED tomorrow, Easter Monday, April 1. We will be back in the office on Tuesday, April 2.

ALL REGULAR ACTIVITIES AT CALVARY will resume as usual this week – Wednesday Morning Chapel, Confirmation Class, Morning Break Bible Study, Homeschool Classes, etc.

THE CLLC BOARD WOULD LIKE TO ANNOUNCE that the new CLLC Director is Brenda Watson. Brenda has been employed at the CLLC for 2 years and has a lot of experience with children. We welcome her as Director. Please pray for her and her guidance with the children, parents, and staff of the CLLC. Welcome Brenda!

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

FED TO FEED: During the month of April Calvary will collect **Bagged Cereal** to help supply the TNO Food Pantry. Items should be placed in the bin under the Usher's Table. Thank you!

ITEMS NEEDED FOR CLLC: We will be collecting **Paper Towels** for the CLLC during April. There is a blue tub under the mailboxes for to place the donations. Thanks so much!

THE MONTHLY OPERATION BACKPACK ASSEMBLY will be held this coming Thursday, April 4, 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 800+ area students each week.

CONGREGATIONAL VOTER'S MEETING: The semi-annual Congregational Voter's Meeting of Calvary is scheduled for Sunday, April 21 at 11:30 AM. The meeting's agenda will be to review Calvary's previous 6 month activities, discuss any business items, and to elect Congregational officers.

To place announcements or prayer concerns in next Sunday's bulletin contact the church office by 9 AM on Thursdays. Prayer concerns printed in the bulletin do not replace prayer chain requests. To place a prayer chain request during evening and weekend hours please call Leila Schuh at 785-224-7962; during week days call the Church Office.

Prayer Petitions for the Week of March 31-April 6

- Alleluia, Christ is Risen!
- For our Office Manager, Joann.
- For Pastor Ockree and Deacon LaCrone as they serve us.
- For blessings as we work to place a deaconess intern.
- For our musicians: Renee, Annette, Anna, the choir, and instrumentalists.
- Pray for our Janitor, Sarah.
- For the CLLC: For Brenda, the teachers, and staff there. For one lead teacher.
- For our members (one every day): Stuart Bach. Terry Bargmann. Martin & Marty Bean. Vernon Bean. Paul & Debbie Billie. Julie Blair and family. Bryson Blasche.
- For the sick, those undergoing procedures, and those recovering: Jo Dee Brockhoff, Wanda Fay, Loren Johannes, Tim Leatherman, Glenn Wehking, Barb Wehking.
- For those with chronic ailments: Vernon Bean, Wendy Humphrey, Kay Foster, Connor Hurd, Shiela Jones, Phil Lawrence, Arleen Marston, Bob Ockree, Juan Alvarez, Abbie Alvarez, Ashton Alvarez, Alijah Alvarez, Teddy Schuh, Pastor Hopkins.
- For our shut-ins: Vernon Bean, Rosella Calderwood, Florence Deutsch, Grace Dienstbier, Karen Dreasher, DonnaRae Eissler, Dianne Hatesohl, Shiela Jones, Arleen Marston, Barbara Northcutt, Bob Ockree, Sam & Mary Randol, Sally Short, and Ron Stuewe.
- For Calvary: That we would grow in the Word. For our Sunday morning classes, youth group, the young adults' class, Being Christian, Morning Break. For women's and men's groups, OWLS, Prayers & Stitching.
- For confirmands: Evelyn Guffey, Cecelia Humphrey, Violet Ockree, Cora Russell, Brody Boyd, Anabelle Clausen, Abriella Guenther, Sophia Humphrey, Chloe Keehn, Lilly Ketchum, Elinor Ockree, Barrett Riener, Jack Williams, Jace Carter, Laithen Paulsen, Carly Simpson, Duval Thieme.
- For the Being Christian Class and all attending.
- For the work of the strategic planning committee as it takes up the task of providing faithful guidance for all at Calvary.
- For our missions and ministry: Topeka North Outreach, West Africa Mission, Lifeline Pregnancy Center. Our Stephen Ministers.
- For generosity to support and grow God's mission here at Calvary.

- For those who serve in our Armed Forces: especially Dawson Podlena and Jeremy Innes. Pray for our chaplains and ministry to the armed services.
- For those celebrating birthdays this week: Florence Deutsch, Karen Dreasher, Elinor Ockree, Lyle Brockhoff, Stacey Deiter, Danielle Larson, Levi Clausen, Jace Carter.
- For those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week: Sean & Christa Teel, 20 yrs; Pete & Kay Foster, 60 yrs; Tal & Beth Seaman, 11 yrs.

Pray the Lord's Prayer and say the Creed daily, using a devotional resource.

Sunday: Pray for worship: That we would grow in faith in who Jesus is for us. Give thanks for the blessings of Word and Sacrament. Give thanks for our fellowship and blessings in continued unity. Pray that God bless Calvary and her people both physically and spiritually. Pray that we find our own life in the resurrected life of Christ this Easter.

Monday: Pray for the whole Church: For those who suffer for their faith. For the Synod & President Harrison. For the Kansas District & President Panzer. For our circuit & Visitor Kilgo. For the saints of St. John's, Pastors Wright & Belcher, and Cantor Bethany Johnson. For the saints of St. Luke, Wheaton, & Pastor Giovanni.

Tuesday: Pray for our society: For our government, President Biden, governor Kelly, and local leaders. For those in need, the unemployed, the poor, the hungry, and the helpless. For help in a troubled world. For an end to the war in the Ukraine and the war between Israel and Gaza. For an end to gun violence. For those afflicted by bad weather and other disasters. For an end to abortion, exploitation, and all evils in the world. For the truth of God to guide us over the lies of Satan.

Wednesday: Pray for our witness: That we would give testify to Christ in what we say and do. That Christ's light would shine in our lives, and we would forgive as we are forgiven. That we would always speak the Truth in love. For God to grow His Church here at Calvary.

Thursday: Pray for thankfulness: That we would count our blessings casting aside anxiety, fear, and doubt. For a loving heart for those in need and for a generous heart to help as we can, that we may be a blessing to others. For the homeless, the widowed, orphans, the immigrant, and the stranger among us, especially those from Ukraine in our midst. For the afflicted and suffering.

Friday: Pray for Calvary: Our faith, unity, love, and fellowship. That more would join our fellowship and our love would be evident to all who visit. For generosity to support and grow God's purpose among us. For the Stewardship Committee and their service to us.

Saturday: Pray for our vocations: For blessing and joy in our duties. For husbands & wives, parents & children. For those who live alone. For the unemployed and underemployed. For employers looking for workers. For those struggling financially and facing instability. For those who are homeless and lack other necessities of life. For all secretaries and office managers.

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

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