



## **The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity**

**August 22, 2021**



**Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church & Preschool**

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Worship Services: Sundays at 9:00 AM Bible Classes & Sunday School Sundays at 10:15 AM

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*Our Mission: "Committed to reaching out with the love of Jesus."*

## Pre-Service Music

### Ringing of the Church Bell

*Please stand and face the cross as it passes by.*

**Processional Hymn:** ..... “Hail to the Lord’s Anointed” ..... *LSB 398*

## Welcome

### ✠ ✠ ✠ Divine Service, Setting Three ✠ ✠ ✠

**Confession and Absolution**..... *LSB 184*

### Introit

*Psalm 70:2b, 4a, 5b; antiphon: vv. 1–2a*

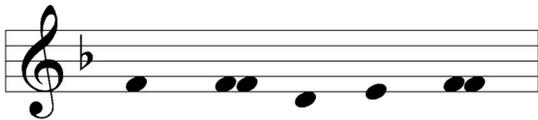
- L** Make haste, O God, to de- | liver me!\* O LORD, make haste to | help me!
- C** **Let them be put to shame and con- | fusion\* who | seek my life!**
- L** Let them be | turned back\* and brought to dishonor who de- | sire my hurt!
- C** **May all who seek | you rejoice\* and be | glad in you!**
- L** You are my help and my de- | liverer;\* O LORD, do | not delay!
- C** **[Glory be to the Father and | to the ✠ Son\* and to the Holy | Spirit;]  
as it was in the be- | ginning,\* is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**
- L** Make haste, O God, to de- | liver me!\* O LORD, make haste to | help me!
- C** **Let them be put to shame and con- | fusion\* who | seek my life!**

*The service continues with the Kyrie.*

**Kyrie & Gloria in Excelsis** ..... *LSB 186*

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

*2 Timothy 4:22*



**P** The Lord be with you.

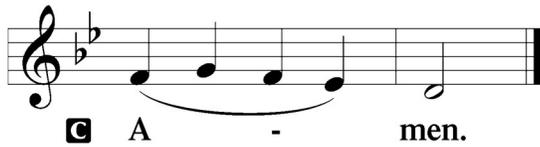


**C** And with thy spir - it.



**P** Let us pray.

**P** Almighty and merciful God, by Your gift alone Your faithful people render true and laudable service. Help us steadfastly to live in this life according to Your promises and finally attain Your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 29:17–24*

<sup>17</sup>Is it not yet a very little while until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest? <sup>18</sup>In that day the deaf shall hear the words of a book, and out of their gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind shall see. <sup>19</sup>The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the LORD, and the poor among mankind shall exult in the Holy One of Israel. <sup>20</sup>For the ruthless shall come to nothing and the scoffer cease, and all who watch to do evil shall be cut off, <sup>21</sup>who by a word make a man out to be an offender, and lay a snare for him who reproves in the gate, and with an empty plea turn aside him who is in the right.

<sup>22</sup>Therefore thus says the LORD, who redeemed Abraham, concerning the house of Jacob: “Jacob shall no more be ashamed, no more shall his face grow pale. <sup>23</sup>For when he sees his children, the work of my hands, in his midst, they will sanctify my name; they will sanctify the Holy One of Jacob and will stand in awe of the God of Israel. <sup>24</sup>And those who go astray in spirit will come to understanding, and those who murmur will accept instruction.”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Psalm 34:1–2*

**L** I will bless the LORD at | all times;\*  
his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.  
My soul makes its boast | in the LORD;\*  
let the humble hear | and be glad.

## Epistle

*Romans 10:9-17*

<sup>9</sup>because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup>For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. <sup>11</sup>For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” <sup>12</sup>For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup>For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

<sup>14</sup>But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? <sup>15</sup>And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” <sup>16</sup>But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” <sup>17</sup>So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

## Alleluia and Verse

LSB 190



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

- ☐ Sing aloud to God our strength;  
shout for joy to the God of Jacob.



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

## Holy Gospel

Mark 7:31-37

- ☐ The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.



☐ Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>31</sup>[Jesus] returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. <sup>32</sup>And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. <sup>33</sup>And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. <sup>34</sup>And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” <sup>35</sup>And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. <sup>36</sup>And Jesus charged them to tell no one. But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. <sup>37</sup>And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, “He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.”

- ☐ This is the Gospel of the Lord.



☐ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## Athanasian Creed

- ☐ Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic faith\*.

☐ **Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.**

- ☐ And the catholic faith\* is this,

- C** that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.
- L** For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.
- C** But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.
- L** Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:
- C** the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated;
- L** the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;
- C** the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.
- L** And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,
- C** just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinites, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.
- L** In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;
- C** and yet there are not three Almightyies, but one Almighty.
- L** So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God;
- C** and yet there are not three Gods, but one God.
- L** So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;
- C** and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.
- L** Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord, so also are we prohibited by the catholic\* religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.
- C** The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone.
- L** The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone.
- C** The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.
- L** Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.
- C** And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another;
- L** but the whole three persons are coeternal with each other and coequal, so that in all things, as has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.
- C** Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.
- L** But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C** Therefore, it is the right faith that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is at the same time both God and man.
- L** He is God, begotten from the substance of the Father before all ages; and He is man, born from the substance of His mother in this age:
- C** perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh;

**L** equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.

**C** **Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ:**

**L** one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by the assumption of the humanity into God;

**C** **one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person.**

**L** For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ,

**C** **who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead,**

**L** ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, God Almighty, from whence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

**C** **At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds.**

**L** And those who have done good will enter into eternal ✠ life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.

**C** **This is the catholic faith\*; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.**

*catholic faith/religion\* - The term catholic does not refer to the modern Roman Catholic Church, but rather to the universal, invisible, orthodox, faithful church of Christ on earth. We retain the use of the term "catholic" in the Athanasian Creed in opposition to the papal church of Rome. "Catholic" simply means "universal," and as such, we boldly confess it from our Lutheran identity.*

*Sit*

**Hymn of the Day:**..... "Word of God, Come Down on Earth" ..... *LSB 545*

**Sermon**

*Stand*

**Offertory** .....*LSB 192*

*Sit*

**Offering**

*(Members and visitors are invited to record their attendance by completing the attendance form at the back of the bulletin. Please tear it off and drop it in the basket on your way out.)*

*Stand*

**Prayer of the Church**

*[1 Timothy 2:1-4]*

*(When prayed responsively, the congregation responds as follows. **P** ...Let us pray to the Lord: **C** Lord, have mercy. - or- **P** ...Lord, in Your mercy, **C** hear our prayer.)*

**In Hospice Care:** Rose Marie Kilian.

**Undergoing Cancer Treatment:** Lanice Oeltjen Bertsch-Hunger; Jean Davis; Frank Farr; Marvin Jasek; Kathy Jennings; Werner Koopmann; Bethany Behrens Lara; Janet Leubner; Jennifer Marburger; Christine O’Connor; Jack Parry; Nancy Pietsch; Sheryl Richards; Sharon Richter; Artie Schultz; Patsy Smith; Dee Tegtmeier; Barbara Tieken; Phillip Tucker; Dorinda Werner; Ralph Winkler; Sherry Winkler.

**Health and Other Concerns:** Gladys Ahlschlager; Rebecca Aleman; Linda Almazan; Joyce Boening; Elva Bohot; Calvin Buchhorn; Woody Butler; Lisa Caridi; Annie Cook; Joe Coufal; Bennie Daricek; Edna Ebner; Jennifer Freeman; Ryan Friemel; Agnes Hannes; Mike Hannusch; Jean Harbers; Sylvia Hebert; Frances Hentschel; Peggy Hunger; Carol Jurk; William Jurk; Wayne Koopmann; Junell Ladewig; Gladys Mach; Pat Michael; Elsie Michalk; Vastine Michalk; Paul Mikulin; Rev. Kenneth Moerbe; Lloyd Moreland; Vivianna Mullins; Mary Neilsen; Kristin Olsen; Robert Pavlik; Doris Pietsch; Ray Pietsch; Jana Rocker; Bill Sagebiel; David Sager; Jan Schaefer; Joyce Schiwart; Travis Schiwart; Glenn Schneider; Penny Sengler; Kason Splawn; Christine Squallachi; William Trlica; Ramona Tschaar; Dolores Votaw; Junice Walters; Lloyd Wessels; Laverne Wittmann.

**Prayer of thanksgiving** for the birth of a healthy baby girl, Peyton Elizabeth Herman, on Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>. Parents are LeeAnn (Wyant) and Michael Herman.

**Prayer of Christian Sympathy** for the family and friends of Ruby Mikulin, who went to her eternal rest in Christ on Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Lord’s Prayer** .....LSB 196

☐ Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

☑ **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 service continues with the Thanksgiving.*

**Thanksgiving and following** .....LSB 200

*Sit, but please stand when the cross passes by.*

## **Announcements**

**Hymn to Depart:** ..... “Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness” .....LSB 849

## **Postlude**

## **Acknowledgments**

Divine Service, Setting Two from Lutheran Service Book

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intentionally connect and grow with your family. This month's Family Fun Night will be on **Tuesday, August 24th from 5:30-7:30pm**. We will enjoy a delicious meal together, then we'll end the night by cooling down on the slip n' slide! So bring your swim suits and towels and get ready to have some fun! We hope you can join us for this **FREE** event! To register, please email us at [lomt@lomt.com](mailto:lomt@lomt.com) **by Friday, August 20th**. In your email, please let us know who from your family will be joining us, and inform us of any food allergies. We are excited to see you and your family again and have some fun!

The Men's Club will be having a **PORK STEAK FUNDRAISER** on Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup> after the worship service, here at the BBQ Pavilion. Tickets are \$12 and are available from any Men's Club member or the church office.

**CALLING ALL SINGERS:** The choir will begin rehearsals early in September. If you are interested in joining, please contact the church office!

**WEDNESDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS** resumes on September 8th at **11:00 AM** in the Multipurpose Room. Note the new start time!

**CONFIRMATION CLASSES** will begin on Wednesdays at 4:30 PM, beginning September 8<sup>th</sup> in the Sanctuary. The first-year confirmation class will be open to any students, 5th grade or older. There will be a confirmation orientation meeting in the sanctuary both before and after the Sunday School rally day festivities on Sunday, August 29<sup>th</sup>, whichever is most convenient for you. All beginning confirmation students and their parents are required to attend.

The Mary Martha Guild is collecting **SCHOOL SUPPLIES** to prepare Lutheran World Relief School Backpacks. School supplies are on sale at a fraction of the regular price. Items being collected are 70-sheet spiral notebooks - rulers - blunt scissors - unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers - black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink) - boxes of crayons - large erasers, and pencil sharpeners. Look for the LWR School Kit display and collection boxes in the Narthex. For your convenience, you may make a donation of cash or a check payable to the Mary Martha Guild so items can be purchased in bulk. **ALL DONATIONS ARE APPRECIATED!**

**WENDISH FEST:** The 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Wendish Fest will be hosted by St. Paul Lutheran Church and the Texas Wendish Heritage Society on Sunday, September 26, 2021 at Serbin, Texas. The day will offer lots of Wendish history, heritage, culture and family activities at the St. Paul Picnic Grounds. The traditional Wendish noon meal will be available at 10:30 for \$12 and children \$6. To-Go and drive-thru will also be available at 9:30 – all take-out meals are \$12. Make plans to attend this annual event. For more information contact 979-366-2441 or [wendish@bluebon.net](mailto:wendish@bluebon.net) or [www.texaswendish.org](http://www.texaswendish.org).

Second Chance Emporium has immediate openings for several **PART-TIME POSITIONS**. Please call the store and ask for Gayle or Julia at 979-968-6070 (Monday-Friday from 8:00am-4:30pm) if you would like more information on these positions, including rate of pay, hours and job duties.

In 2014, Mt. Calvary had **BENCHES** custom made for the picnic and auction. Some of our members "sponsored" the benches. Those benches are starting to deteriorate due to weather,

so the Men's Club has decided that they need to be re-homed. If you sponsored a bench and would like to take yours home, just let the church office know.

**THANK YOU!** We want to thank our church family for your prayers, cards, and phone calls during my recent medical procedure. We could feel the love of the Lord surround us and my medical team. We also thank Pastor Kaspar for his hospital visit, which was very much appreciated. We also want to thank Seton Smithville and Seton Austin for excellent and compassionate care. Thanks be to our God! - Agnes & Lummus Hannes

There are plenty of openings on the **Flower and Lutheran Hour calendars!** If you'd like to sign up to bring flowers, or to help sponsor the Sunday morning Lutheran Hour radio broadcast, the calendars are located on the bulletin board in the narthex hallway.

**HYMNS:** You may have noticed that we've begun incorporating some of your favorite hymns into our worship services. It is not too late to turn in your list of favorite hymns!

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER:** *Mark 7:37 – “And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, ‘He has done all things well ...’ ”* When God created the world it was “very good.” And here Jesus does all things well. God is always blessing, always seeking our good. We know this is so but we still struggle to believe it. For if we really believed it, why would we ever do anything contrary to God's will and Law? We know that everything He tells us to do is for our good, and yet we struggle in the weakness of the flesh. Lord we believe, help our unbelief!

*This Week At Mt. Calvary:*

Sunday:	Worship Service .....	9:00 a.m.
	Bible Class (Sanctuary) .....	10:30 a.m.
Monday:	Mt. Calvary volunteers at AMEN.....	8:30 a.m.
Tuesday:	Newsletter Assembly (Multipurpose Room).....	2:00 p.m.
	Planning Committee Meeting (Multipurpose Room).....	6:00 p.m.
Thursday:	Bulletin Deadline .....	9:00 a.m.
Sunday:	Worship Service with Communion .....	9:00 a.m.
	No Bible Class .....	
	Confirmation Orientation Meetings.....	
	<b>RALLY DAY (BBQ Pavilion) .....</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>