

School will be having a **BAKE SALE** at the drive through. Please support them by purchasing something to take home!

BULLETIN CORRECTION: The 2017 LYF officers are Luke Huelsebusch, President; Cristina Sanchez, Vice President and Secretary; Jamey Olenick, Treasurer; Mara Weikel, Historian.

A **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** - Beth Moore's "A Woman's Heart: God's Dwelling Place" – starts this week! A few extra workbooks are available if you would still like to join us!

Doran and I are very grateful for all of the love and concern shown to us during this difficult time of the death of my daughter, Patti Spillane-Rogers. Your prayers, hugs and cards have given us comfort. - Marilyn Spillane

This Week At Mt. Calvary:

Sunday:	Ensemble Rehearsal (Church).....	8:15 a.m.
	Worship Service with Communion.....	9:00 a.m.
	No Sunday School	
	No Bible Classes	
	Spaghetti Dinner	11:00 a.m.
Monday:	Preschool Chapel.....	9:30 a.m.
	Communion at Monument Hill	
	Newsletter Deadline	10:00 a.m.
	Happy Scrappers (Fellowship House).....	2:00 p.m.
	Sunday Worship TV Broadcast (Cable Channel 16)	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday:	Mt. Calvary volunteers at Second Chance	9:00 a.m.
	Preschool Expansion Committee (MPR).....	6:00 p.m.
	Women's Bible Study (Fellowship House).....	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday:	Mt. Calvary volunteers at Second Chance	9:00 a.m.
	Bible Class (Multipurpose Room)	10:00 a.m.
	Confirmation Class (Fellowship House)	4:15 p.m.
	Bell Choir Rehearsal (Church).....	6:30 p.m.
Thursday:	Mt. Calvary volunteers at Second Chance	9:00 a.m.
	Sunday Bulletin Deadline	9:00 a.m.
	Women's Bible Study (Fellowship House).....	10:00 a.m.
Friday:	Mt. Calvary volunteers at Second Chance	9:00 a.m.
	Bulletin Assembly (Multipurpose Room)	12:15 p.m.
Saturday:	Mt. Calvary volunteers at Second Chance	9:00 a.m.
Sunday:	Ensemble Rehearsal (Church).....	8:15 a.m.
	Worship Service with Children's Church	9:00 a.m.
	Fellowship Time (Education Building)	10:00 a.m.
	Sunday School (Education Building)	10:15 a.m.
	No Bible Classes	

ABOUT THE COVER: *John the Baptist was about the work of preparing the people for the coming of Jesus, the Messiah. John was the last of God's prophets. As John saw Jesus walk by, he recognized Him as the sacrificial Lamb of God. Just as God had promised, here in the flesh was the perfect Lamb who would be the offering for the sins of the whole world. We rejoice for God's gift of Jesus, our salvation!*

MT. CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL

800 N. Franklin St., La Grange, TX 78945

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

Rev. Bill Qualman, Pastor

Office: (979) 968-3938 Fax: (979) 968-2918 Email: pastor@mtcalvary-lcms.org

Visit us on the web at www.mtcalvary-lcms.org !

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



Stand

NUNC DIMITTIS

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
 part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
 glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;
 A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
 For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
 to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
 now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
 peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
 sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

P Let us pray ...
C Amen.

BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

P Let us bless the Lord.
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.

Sit, but stand when the cross passes by.

RECESSIONAL HYMN: "Christ, the Word of God Incarnate" # 540 vs. 1, 2, 6

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word and call upon Him in prayer and praise, 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, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which you daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C 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.

C Amen.

Sit

PRELUDE: "Prelude on Laudes Domini" arr. by Joseph Barnby

Stand as the cross passes by.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: "When to Our World the Savior Came" # 551

GREETING

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

INTROIT Psalm 134

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight,
O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.
The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.
Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge.
There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard.
Their measuring line goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.

In them he has set a tent for the sun.
**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.**

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight,

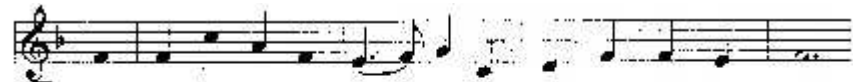
O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

KYRIE



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

HYMN OF PRAISE: (GLORIA IN EXCELSIS)



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



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.

C And also with you.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

P Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

The prayer concludes:

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

LORD'S PRAYER

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

WORDS OF OUR LORD

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

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

AGNUS DEI



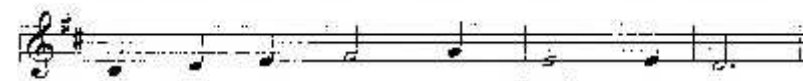
C 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION MEDITATION

Prayer of Christian Sympathy for the family and friends of Lillian Teinert (mother of Lee Teinert), who passed away on Tuesday; and for the family and friends of Bernice Buscha Heinrich, who passed away on Thursday.

Silent prayer for situations and people not listed in the bulletin.

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

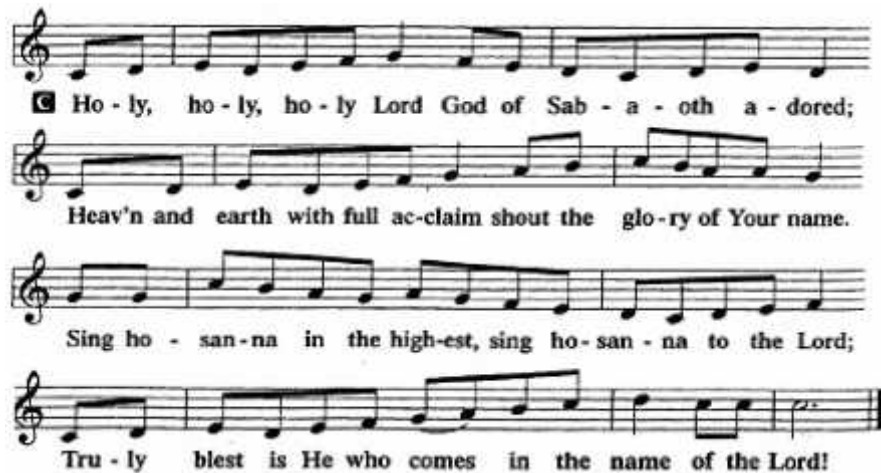
C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;
Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.
Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;
Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life...

Sit

+ READINGS +

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 49:1-9

Listen to me, O coastlands, and give attention, you peoples from afar. The LORD called me from the womb, from the body of my mother he named my name. He made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow; in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have labored in vain; I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my right is with the LORD, and my recompense with my God."

And now the LORD says, he who formed me from the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him; and that Israel might be gathered to him— for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD, and my God has become my strength— he says: "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to bring back the preserved of Israel; I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nation, the servant of rulers: "Kings shall see and arise; princes, and they shall prostrate themselves; because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge— even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you— so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

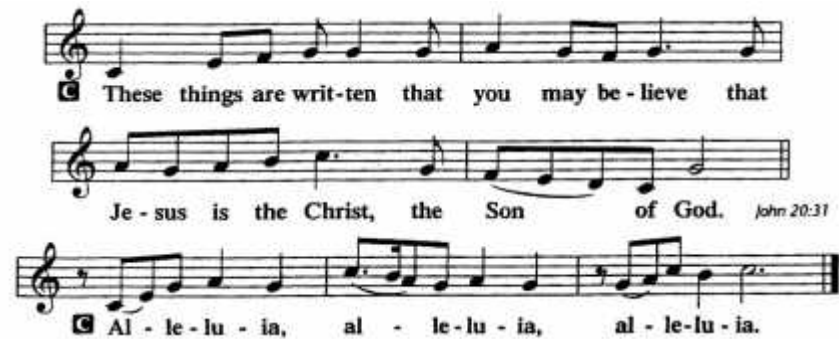
C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE



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



GOSPEL: John 1:29–42a

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the first chapter.

C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

The next day [John] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John bore witness: “I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God.”

The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, “What are you seeking?” And they said to him, “Rabbi” (which means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and you will see.” So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which means Christ). He brought him to Jesus.

(after the reading)

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

APOSTLES’ CREED

C **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. On 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.

Sit

SERMON HYMN: “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” # 702

SERMON:.....“Out of the Ordinary – The Extraordinary!” John 1: 45-46

OFFERTORY:..... “The Shepherd’s Song” by David Paxton

(Members and visitors are invited to record their attendance in the red folders at this time. If you are visiting with us today, please fill out a “Welcome” card from the front of the red attendance folder or in the pews, and hand it to an usher.)

OFFERING

Proverbs 3:9-10 - Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Stand

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Undergoing Cancer Treatment: Clifton Becker; Rhonda Bond (Linda Poncik’s friend); James Fordyce (Linda Streicher’s brother); Luise Hansch (the Fitches’ friend); Jerry Hentschel (Ruby Fehrle’s brother); Ben Huerta (Marissa Lehmann’s father); Amanda (Zoch) Knox; Brice Kuhlmann (Leah Wolf’s father); Lucas Lowe (Rev. & Karen Fitch’s nephew); Vivian Matthews (Dorothy Witt’s friend); Carolyn Mersiovsky; David Mueller (Lorena Mueller’s son); Mike Roberts (Lorri Sanchez’s cousin); Ed Scarborough (Lorri Sanchez’s friend); Bubba Schneider; Kathleen Tintner (Sylvia Hebert’s friend); Dionie Tolman (Gladys Teinert’s friend); Pam Vinklerek (Susie Polasek’s and Rick Herbrich’s sister); and Leroy Wittmann.

Health and Other Concerns: Gladys Ahlschlager; Rebekka Aleman (great-granddaughter of Victor & Elva Bohot); Glenn Behrens; Velma Behrens; Robert Boening; Calvin Bohot; Elva Bohot; Victor Bohot; Olga Buchhorn; Heather Butler (Joyce Newman’s granddaughter); Deb Conway; Lanny Conway; Mary Louise Dausel (Edna Ebner’s sister); Lillie Diller; Joyce Dippel; Edna Ebner; Lorine Fischer; Jennifer Freeman (Judy Zuhn’s daughter); Ron Fritsch (Joan Miertschin’s friend); Jennifer Harris (Lisa Qualman’s co-worker); Kim Haskins; Sylvia Hebert; Bernice Heinrich; Doug Hlavaty (Cheryl Roitsch’s friend); Nikki Hurry (Andrea Davis’ sister); Irene Koopmann; Karen Koopmann; Wayne Koopmann; Junell Ladewig; Calvin Lange; Edna Leschper (Dorothy Witt’s sister); Keith Lund; Gladys Mach; Lillie McGuire; Beryl Moreland (Betty Pecora’s friend); Beverly Oliver (friend of Elva Bohot); Pastor Qualman; Christine Rasche (Lisa Qualman’s sister); Bill Sagebiel; Mary Lou Scoggins (Betty Pecora’s friend); A. F. Seifert; Penny Sengler (BJ Ullrich’s daughter); Ray Streger; Harold Streicher; Lorine Sunderhuse (Mary Walker’s friend); Dee Tegtmeier (Pastor Dennis Tegtmeier’s wife – Holy Cross, Warda) John Tofel (Joan Miertschin’s friend); William Trlica; Larry Urban; Kim Vanek; Robert Vanek; Mary Walker; Ruby Weatherton (Lisa Caridi’s cousin); and E.C. Zuhn.