

**THANK YOU!** Our “Souper Bowl Sunday” food drive collected 77.5 pounds of food and \$124.00 for AMEN. Please save your used egg cartons for use by AMEN. They can be placed in the AMEN box in the narthex.

The Men’s Club will have their annual **PORK STEAK DINNER** on Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup> from 11 AM—12:30 PM. It is drive through only. Tickets are \$9 per plate. The meal includes a pork steak, German style potatoes, green beans and bread. Tickets will be available shortly from Daniel Fischer, a Men’s Club member, or the church office!

The Happy Scrappers will again be holding a silent auction for several of their quilts. Beginning this Sunday, they will be displaying a “**QUILT OF THE WEEK**”.

*This Week At Mt. Calvary:*

Sunday:	Worship Service with Children’s Message .....	9:00 a.m.
	Sunday School .....	10:15 a.m.
	Bible Class (Multipurpose Room) .....	10:15 a.m.
Monday:	Preschool Chapel .....	9:30 a.m.
	Happy Scrappers (Fellowship House).....	2:00 p.m.
	Board of Preschool (Fellowship House).....	5:30 p.m.
	Board of Elders (Multipurpose Room).....	6:30 p.m.
	Sunday Worship TV Broadcast (Cable Channel 16) .....	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday:	Women’s Bible Study (Fellowship House).....	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday:	Bible Class (Multipurpose Room) .....	10:00 a.m.
	Newsletter Deadline .....	10:00 a.m.
	Thrivent Seminar (Fellowship House).....	12:00 p.m.
	Communion at Jefferson Place.....	2:00 p.m.
	Confirmation Class (Fellowship House) .....	4:15 p.m.
	Bell Choir Rehearsal (Church).....	6:30 p.m.
Thursday:	Sunday Bulletin Deadline .....	9:00 a.m.
	Women’s Bible Study (Fellowship House).....	10:00 a.m.
	Picnic Committee Kickoff Meeting (Multipurpose Room) .....	6:00 p.m.
Friday:	Bulletin Assembly (Multipurpose Room) .....	12:30 p.m.
Sunday:	Ensemble Rehearsal (Church).....	8:15 a.m.
	Worship Service with Communion .....	9:00 a.m.
	Sunday School (Education Building) .....	10:15 a.m.
	Bible Class (Multipurpose Room) .....	10:15 a.m.

**ABOUT THE COVER:** *Jesus is fully aware that the Jews present are versed in the Law of Moses. About that Law, He reminds them, “You have heard ...” And then Jesus says, “But I say to you,” and He goes on to explain their application. We have the Ten Commandments. Jesus fulfilled them, and by His perfect life of obedience reveals their application for us in the way we are to live our life in and through faith in Him.*

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



**Sunday, February 12, 2017**  
**Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany**

**WELCOME** to all, in the name of Jesus, who knows the condition of the human heart, and has done everything possible to bring about its cleansing. May we daily look to Him for the assurance of forgiveness, and the strength to live a Christian life, which comes from depending upon Him and not upon ourselves. We extend a special welcome to visiting friends and guests. If you are visiting with us today, please fill out a "Welcome" card found in the pews, and hand it to an usher.

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**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC:** ..... "*Cantate Domino*" .....by Stewart Landon  
 ..... "*The Dove of Peace*" .....by George Clark

**RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL**

**WELCOME**

**SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

*Stand*

*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.**

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

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

**C who made heaven and earth.**

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them, and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**THIS WEEK'S TV BROADCAST OF OUR SUNDAY WORSHIP** on cable channel 16 has an anonymous sponsor.

**OUR WORSHIP LAST WEEK:**

**ATTENDANCE:**

Sunday Worship: 125  
 Wednesday Bible Class: 15

**OFFERINGS: Our weekly needs: \$5,616.61**

Home Purposes: \$6,666.00  
 Additional Online Giving: \$915.00  
 Missions: \$457.00          Building Fund: \$300.00

Special Offerings: In memory of James Fordyce, \$165 to the General Fund and \$25 to the New Fellowship Hall.

**SERVING NEXT SUNDAY:**

**Acolyte:**..... Gus Herbrich  
**Lector:**..... Amy Wyant  
**Elders:**..... Randy Albers, Bob Horn  
**Head Ushers:** ..... Ricky Dunk, Dennis Schnell  
**Ushers:**..... Nick Hensley, Luis Sanchez  
**Greeters:** .....Brenda Rainosek, Janice Teinert  
**Video:**..... Clayton Wolf  
**Sound:**..... Frank Wolf  
**Altar Guild:**..... Karen Fitch  
**Chancel Flowers:** ..... OPEN

Today is the annual **BBQ CHICKEN DINNER** (to go) at Holy Cross, Warda. All plates are \$9. Pick up at the church picnic grounds from 10:30 - 12:00.

Thrivent Financial will be giving a **FREE ONE-HOUR PRESENTATION** on "Preparing for Long Term Care" on Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> from 12 – 1 PM at Mt. Calvary's Fellowship House. Space is limited, so please RSVP by contacting Lauren at 979-338-9998.

Please return your **QUESTIONNAIRE** to members of the Ministry Vision Committee as soon as possible!

Help is needed to prepare and serve **LENTEN LUNCHESES**. If you would like to help, please contact Nancy Vasut at 979-733-2607. Thank you.

The **PICNIC COMMITTEE** will have a kick-off meeting this Wednesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM in the Multipurpose Room. All members of the Picnic Committee, as well as those who will have booths at the picnic (Sunday School, Preschool, LYF, etc.), and any member who is interested in helping out at the picnic, are strongly encouraged to attend. This is the first, and most important, planning meeting, so please plan to attend. If you cannot be there, please send a representative. We need to know what activities are planned, to include them in the advertising. We are also looking for auctioneers for this year's picnic. If you have a suggestion, please contact the church office. The picnic is our church's primary fundraiser, and needs everyone's support and involvement. Watch the bulletins for future announcements about how you can help!



**BENEDICTION**

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and + give you peace.



Sit, but stand when the cross passes by.

**RECESSIONAL HYMN:** ..... “Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways” ..... # 707

**POSTLUDE:** ..... “Grand Chorus” ..... arr. by Roger C. Wilson

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- PASTOR:** ..... Rev. Bill Qualman
- DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:** ..... Laura Gillette
- STUDENT PIANIST:** ..... Miles Gillette-Bockhorn
- CHILDREN’S MESSAGE:** ..... Clayton Wolf
- ACOLYTE:** ..... Hannah Sanchez
- LECTOR:** ..... Becky Weikel
- ELDERS:** ..... Randy Albers, Bob Horn
- HEAD USHERS:** ..... Robert Boening, OPEN
- USHERS:** ..... Ron Glaiser, OPEN
- GREETERS:** ..... Betty Pecora, Susie Polasek
- VIDEO:** ..... Randy Albers
- SOUND:** ..... Ralph Streicher
- ALTAR GUILD:** ..... Karen Fitch

**CHANCEL FLOWERS** today are given to the glory of God by Joyce Dippel in memory of Onie Dippel’s birthday.

**TODAY’S BROADCAST OF THE LUTHERAN HOUR** over Radio Station KBUK (FM 104.9 on Sundays at 7:00 a.m.) is sponsored by the Men’s Club.

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

Sit

**PRELUDE:** ..... “Interlude” ..... by J. L. Battmann

Stand as the cross passes by.

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:** ..... “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” ..... # 686 v. 1, 3, 4

**GREETING**

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

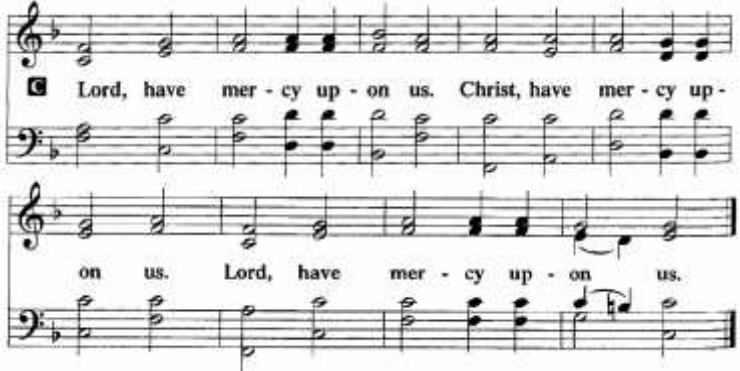
**C And also with you.**

**+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +**

**INTROIT** ..... Psalm 98

The LORD has made known his salvation;  
 he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.  
 Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who dwell in it!  
 Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together before the LORD,  
 for he comes to judge the earth.  
 He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.  
**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.**  
 The LORD has made known his salvation;  
 he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

**KYRIE (Lord Have Mercy)**



**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

**G** Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good-will toward  
 men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor-ship Thee,  
 we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
 O Lord God, heav'n-ly King. God the Fa-ther Al-mighty.  
 O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;  
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.

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; 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; Doug Hlavaty (Cheryl Roitsch's friend); Nikki Hurry (Andrea Davis' sister); Milton Koenning (Gladys Teinert's brother); Irene Koopmann; Wayne Koopmann; Junell Ladewig; Calvin Lange; JoAnn Lange (Joan's Miertschin's cousin); Edna Leschper (Dorothy Witt's sister); 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.

**Also in Our Prayers Today** are the members and friends of our church who receive care in nursing homes, care centers, and at home:

**Care Inn:** Olga Buchhorn, Lillie Diller, Rogers Findeisen, E.C. Zuhn, and Frieda Zuhn.

**Jefferson Place:** Hugo Matthijetz and Elvas Roensch.

**Kruse Village in Brenham:** Marge Harting.

**Monument Hill:** Rose Marie Kilian.

**Colonial Care (Schulenburg):** Irene Koopmann.

**Regency (Schulenburg):** Gladys Mach.

**Oakmont Care Center (Katy):** Alfred Drescher.

**At Home:** Lillie McGuire, A. F. Seifert.

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

**LORD'S PRAYER**

**G** 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.

**SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS**

**P** The Lord be with you.

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

**P** Bless we the Lord.

(after the reading)

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**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:** ..... “Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive” ..... # 843

**SERMON:**..... “Too Many Choices?” ..... Deuteronomy 30:15-20

**OFFERTORY:**..... “Prayer” .....by Esther Higgins  
*(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, behind the Communion Registration tablet, and hand it to an usher.)*

**OFFERING** .....  
*1 Chronicles 29:9 – The people rejoiced at the willing response of their leaders, for they had given freely and wholeheartedly to the LORD. David the king also rejoiced greatly.*

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

*Stand*

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**Hospitalized:** Frieda Zuhn.

**Undergoing Cancer Treatment:** Clifton Becker; Rhonda Bond (Linda Poncik’s friend); Jerry Hentschel (Ruby Fehrle’s brother); Ben Huerta (Marissa Lehmann’s father); Amanda (Zoch) Knox; Brice Kuhlmann (Leah Wolf’s father); Vivian Matthews (Dorothy Witt’s friend); Carolyn Mersiovsky; David Mueller (Lorena Mueller’s son); Mike Roberts (Lorri Sanchez’s cousin); Ed Scarborough (Lorri



**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.



**P** Let us pray.

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

+ READINGS +

**OLD TESTAMENT READING:** ..... Deuteronomy 30:15–20

“See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his just decrees, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.”

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE READING:** ..... 1 Corinthians 3:1–9

But I, brothers, could not address you as spiritual people, but as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for it. And even now you are not yet ready, for you are still of the flesh. For while there is jealousy and strife among you, are you not of the flesh and behaving only in a human way? For when one says, “I follow Paul,” and another, “I follow Apollos,” are you not being merely human?

What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. He who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his wages according to his labor. For we are God’s fellow workers. You are God’s field, God’s building.

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE** ..... Clayton Wolf

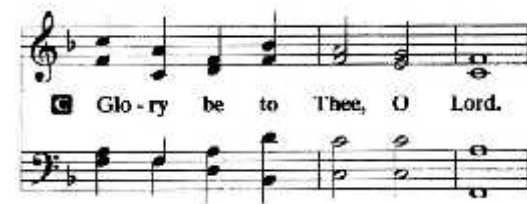
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**ALLELUIA AND VERSE**



**GOSPEL:** ..... Matthew 5:21–37

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.



[Jesus said:] “You have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not murder; and whoever murders will be liable to judgment.’ But I say to you that everyone who is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; whoever insults his brother will be liable to the council; and whoever says, ‘You fool!’ will be liable to the hell of fire. So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are going with him to court, lest your accuser hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you be put in prison. Truly, I say to you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body go into hell.

“It was also said, ‘Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.’ But I say to you that everyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of sexual immorality, makes her commit adultery. And whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

“Again you have heard that it was said to those of old, ‘You shall not swear falsely, but shall perform to the Lord what you have sworn.’ But I say to you, Do not take an oath at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not take an oath by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let what you say be simply ‘Yes’ or ‘No’; anything more than this comes from evil.