

**Chancel Flowers:** ..... OPEN

If you did not get to have your **DIRECTORY PHOTO** made, you may submit your own photo to the church office. Please do so no later than May 8<sup>th</sup>!

**RAFFLE TICKETS** are available to buy or help sell! There will only be 500 tickets sold. All raffle ticket sales money will need to be turned in by May 9<sup>th</sup>. All prizes will be given away during and after the auction. You need not be present to win. If you would like to help sell raffle tickets, contact Cheryl Roitsch at croitsch.ecisd.org or Stacey Olenick at sassy\_1972@hotmail.com or 979-702-1791.

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER: 1 Peter 1:18-19** “You were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.” We have been ransomed – bought back from the slavery into which we were born. We do not belong to ourselves, or to the devil, or to the world: we belong to Jesus. Therefore, we live our lives not in accordance with our own wisdom, but in line with God’s Word.

*This Week At Mt. Calvary:*

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.
	Cemetery Decoration Day (Mt. Calvary Cemeter) .....	2:30 p.m.
Monday:	Preschool Chapel.....	9:30 a.m.
	Sunday Worship TV Broadcast (Cable Channel 16) .....	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday:	Bible Class (Multipurpose Room) .....	10:00 a.m.
	Games Day (Fellowship House) .....	1:00 p.m.
	Bell Choir Rehearsal (Church).....	6:30 p.m.
Thursday:	Sunday Bulletin Deadline .....	9:00 a.m.
Friday:	Bulletin Assembly (Multipurpose Room) .....	12:15 p.m.
Sunday:	Ensemble Rehearsal (Church) .....	8:15 a.m.
	Worship Service with Children’s Church .....	9:00 a.m.
	No Sunday School .....	
	Bible Class (Multipurpose Room) .....	10:15 a.m.

**ABOUT THE COVER:** *As they walked, the Emmaus disciples talked about the Passover events they had witnessed, much like we discuss big events with friends. Jesus joined them, but they did not recognize Him. Later, He opened their eyes, and they knew Him. They asked, “Did not our hearts burn within us?” meaning “Weren’t we excited by what we heard?” We, too, need to have our eyes of faith opened to see Jesus in our lives, that we may tell others of His great love for all.*



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



**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:**

- ..... "Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia" .....# 466
- ..... "Abide with Me".....# 878

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.

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:**..... "A Moment of Meditation" ..... by Edward Broughton

Stand as the cross passes by.

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:** ..... "The Day of Resurrection" ..... # 478 vs. 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 133

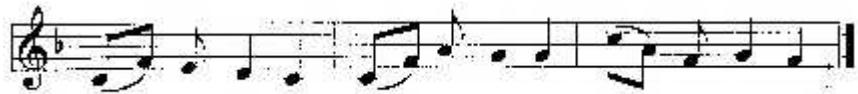
Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!  
It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard, on the beard of Aaron,  
running down on the collar of his robes!  
It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion!  
For there the LORD has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.

**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.**

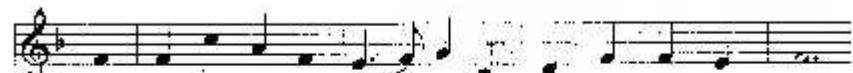
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**KYRIE**



**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** O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### 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...

*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  $\text{✠}$  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  $\text{✠}$  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.

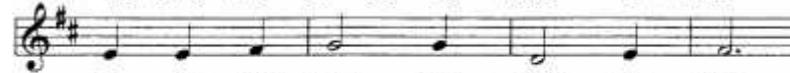
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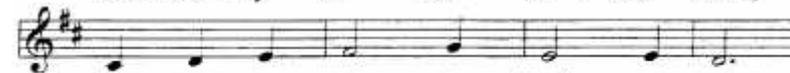
**C** 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



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*

Leschper (Dorothy Witt's sister); Gladys Mach; Lillie McGuire; Carolyn Mersiovsky; Victor Moerbe (Joan Miertschin's friend); David Newman; Beverly Oliver (friend of Elva Bohot); Lillian Pietsch (Randy Pietsch's mother); Pastor Qualman; Christine Rasche (Lisa Qualman's sister); Christopher Roensch; 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); William Trlica; Larry Urban; Kim Vanek; Robert Vanek; Mary Walker; Ruby Weatherton (Lisa Caridi's cousin); and Fritzie Zuhn.

**In Hospice Care:** Clifton Becker

**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!

*Sit*

**+ READINGS +**

**FIRST READING:** ..... Acts 2:14a, 36-41

But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, "Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself." And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation." So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

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

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

**EPISTLE READING:** ..... 1 Peter 1:17-25

And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for your sake, who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; for

"All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever."

And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

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

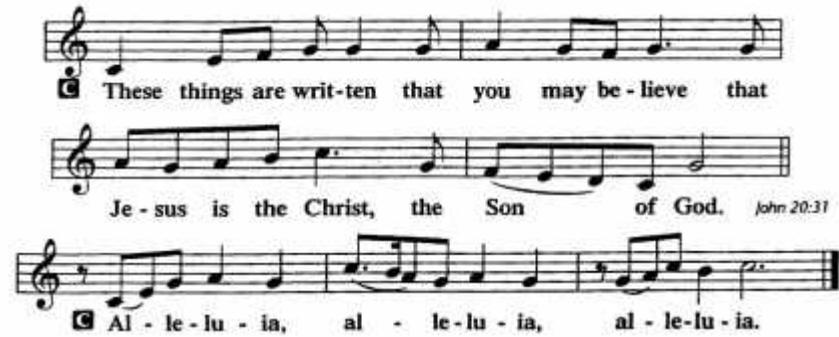
**C** **Thanks be to God.**

*Stand*

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE**



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



**GOSPEL:** ..... Luke 24:13-35

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

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

That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, “What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?” And they stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?” And he said to them, “What things?” And they said to him, “Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see.” And he said to them, “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?” And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, but they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent.” So he went in to stay with them. When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, “Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?” And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!” Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

(after the reading)

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

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

## APOSTLES’ CREED

**G** 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:** .....“Who Are You Who Walk in Sorrow”..... # 476 vs. 1, 3, 5

**SERMON:**..... “A Discouraging Walk turns Exciting” ..... Luke 24:13-35

**OFFERTORY:**..... “Holy Gifts We Offer” ..... arr. by James Southbridge

(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** .....  
2 Corinthians 8-9 - You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

*Stand*

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

**Undergoing Cancer Treatment:** Rhonda Bond (Linda Poncik’s friend); Michelle Kiesling Henson (friend of Tami Pietsch and Lisa Caridi); Jerry Hentschel (Ruby Fehrle’s brother); Ben Huerta (Marissa Lehmann’s father); Casey Hyman (Betty Pecora’s nephew); Brice Kuhlmann (Leah Wolf’s father); Vivian Matthews (Dorothy Witt’s friend); 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); Joe Westall (Lillie McGuire’s son-in-law); and Leroy Wittmann.

**Health and Other Concerns:** Gladys Ahlschlager; Rebekka Aleman (great-granddaughter of Victor & Elva Bohot); Glenn Behrens; Velma Behrens; Carol Bigott (friend of Elsie Michalk); Robert Boening; Calvin Bohot; Elva Bohot; Victor Bohot; Olga Buchhorn; Heather Butler (Joyce Newman’s granddaughter); Jane Cotheran (family friend of Beverly Newell); 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); Irene Koopmann; Wayne Koopmann; Junell Ladewig; Calvin Lange; JoAnn Lange (Joan’s Miertschin’s cousin); Edna