

**FAMILY FUN NIGHT** will be held next Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup>, at the Fellowship House. Beginning at 6 PM, we will have games and a taco meal. Join us for food, fun and fellowship!

**THANK YOU** doesn't being to let you all know how much it meant to the entire Herbrich family for allowing us to have the services for our father at the church. What a wonderful church and church members we have!! On behalf of the entire Herbrich family, please accept our sincere thank you!! – Susie Polasek

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER: Matthew 13:45-46** “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.” Indeed, Jesus redeemed us, purchased us back from sin and death, with all that He had. We belong to Him now. And this is foundation for our own generosity: imitating the outsized generosity of Jesus.

*This Week At Mt. Calvary:*

|            |   |                   |
|------------|---|-------------------|
| Sunday:    | Worship Service with Communion .....                    | 9:00 a.m.         |
|            | Sunday School (Education Building) .....                | 10:00 a.m.        |
|            | No Bible Classes .....                                  |                   |
|            | <b>Camp Lone Star BBQ &amp; Auction.....</b>            | <b>11:00 a.m.</b> |
| Monday:    | Preschool Chapel .....                                  | 9:30 a.m.         |
|            | SUNDAY WORSHIP TV BROADCAST (Cable Channel 16) .....    | 7:00 p.m.         |
| Tuesday:   | Mt. Calvary volunteers at Second Chance.....            | 9:00 a.m.         |
| Wednesday: | Mt. Calvary volunteers at Second Chance.....            | 9:00 a.m.         |
| Thursday:  | Mt. Calvary volunteers at Second Chance.....            | 9:00 a.m.         |
|            | Sunday Bulletin Deadline .....                          | 9:00 a.m.         |
|            | Board of Outreach & Evangelism (Multipurpose Room)..... | 6:00 p.m.         |
| Friday:    | Mt. Calvary volunteers at Second Chance.....            | 9:00 a.m.         |
|            | Bulletin Assembly (Multipurpose Room) .....             | 12:15 p.m.        |
|            | <b>Family Fun Fiesta Night (Fellowship House) .....</b> | <b>6:00 p.m.</b>  |
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|            | Sunday School (Education Building) .....                | 10:00 a.m.        |
|            | No Bible Classes .....                                  |                   |

**ABOUT THE COVER:** Jesus says, “the kingdom of heaven is like treasurer” (Matthew 13:44 ESV). God values His creation and all who believe in Him to be a great prize, “one pearl of great value.” God so values His children that that He sent His own Son to suffer and die for our redemption. Jesus willingly came to our rescue because He valued us above life itself. Praise and honor be to our God and Savior!

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



**Sunday, July 30, 2017**  
**Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**

**WELCOME** to all, in the name of Jesus, our Savior, to these moments of worship in which the Seed of the Word is duly sown. Each of us provides soil for the sowing of the Seed. May the Holy Spirit give us receptive hearts and fruit-bearing lives. 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.

*We celebrate today in our worship **THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**, a blessed gift of God to His Church. We believe that our Lord is really present with us in His Body and Blood and, as He promised, in partaking of this Sacrament, we receive forgiveness of our sins. We commune in both kinds – receiving the Body and the Blood in, with, and under the bread and wine. If you confess the same belief, we invite you to our fellowship of the Lord’s Supper. Our faith is expressed by coming to the Altar, kneeling (if you are able) and receiving that forgiveness. We receive the bread as it is placed into outstretched hands. You may receive the wine either in the chalice or the individual cups. If you choose the individual cups, please wait for the Elder to come to you before you partake. Non-alcoholic white wine is provided in the center of each tray of individual cups. If you are receiving the wine from the chalice, you may take the chalice from the Elder or hold the stem of the chalice to assist the Elder in giving you the wine. After communing, please wait for the blessing and dismissal from the Lord’s Table. Children who have not yet been instructed on the Sacrament are invited to come forward with their families to receive a blessing.*

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**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC:** ..... “*Strong and Loving Father*” .....*by Adam Mason*  
 ..... “*Poeme*” .....*arr. by Thomas Chesterton*

**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  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.
  - C** Amen.
  - P** Our help is in the name of the Lord.
  - C** who made heaven and earth.
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- P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
  - C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

- USHERS:** ..... Brandon Schnell, Justin Schnell
- GREETERS:** ..... Jeanette Huelsebusch, Rosalie Moerbe
- VIDEO:** ..... Neal Lochte
- SOUND:** ..... Ralph Streicher
- ALTAR GUILD:** ..... Lee Herbrich

**CHANCEL FLOWERS** today are given to the glory of God by Dennis and Sherry Winkler.

**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.

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

**OUR WORSHIP LAST WEEK:**

|                     |                                     |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Attendances:</b> | <b>Offerings:</b>                   |
| Sunday Worship: 157 | <b>Our weekly needs: \$5,616.61</b> |
|                     | Home Purposes: \$3,801.00           |
|                     | Online Donations: \$255.00          |
|                     | Missions: \$462.00                  |
|                     | Bldg Fund: \$345.00                 |

Special Offerings: In memory of Fritzie Zuhn, \$35 to the Preschool. In memory of Clinton Herbrich, \$190 to the General Fund.

**WE NEED USHERS** this morning! As so many of our folks are helping with the Camp Lone Star barbecue today, we need volunteers to help usher. If you can help, please see our elders today – Charles Hebert and Lee Teinert.

**SERVING NEXT SUNDAY:**

- Acolyte:** ..... Brodie Filla
- Lector:** ..... Bev Albers
- Elders:** ..... Randy Albers, Bob Horn
- Head Ushers:** ..... Ricky Dunk, Dennis Schnell
- Ushers:** ..... Linda Poncik, Ralph Streicher
- Greeters:** ..... Joan Miertschin, Joyce Newman
- Video:** ..... Cheryl Roitsch
- Sound:** ..... Linda Streicher
- Altar Guild:** ..... Karen Fitch
- Chancel Flowers:** ..... Randy & Bev Albers

The **Camp Lone Star Barbecue and Auction** is finally here! Plan to attend this **reunion and open house** celebration this morning. Activities kick off with special music by the Acts Church–Antioch Band at 10:30 a.m. and then an outdoor service at 11 a.m. with **Rev. Martin Richardson, pastor at Crown of Life-Colleyville**, preaching. A delicious barbecue meal is served following the service. Come and be a part of this ministry! The ever-popular FUNd-raiser live auction is held in the air-conditioned Koop Center from 1 – 3 pm. Silent auction tables will also offer a fun way to support the camp. There’s bound to be at least one item just for you – it’s for a good cause! All are invited! (For more information, or a map to camp, call 800-362-2078.)



**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:** ..... "O Living Bread from Heaven" ..... # 642

**POSTLUDE:** ..... "Proclaim the News!" ..... by Eric Lewis

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**PASTOR:** ..... Rev. Bill Qualman  
**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:** ..... Laura Gillette  
**STUDENT PIANIST:** ..... Miles Gillette-Bockhorn  
**ACOLYTE:** ..... Travis Stokes  
**LECTOR:** ..... Susie Polasek  
**ELDERS:** ..... Charles Hebert, Lee Teinert  
**HEAD USHERS:** ..... OPEN

**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:** ..... "Holy, Holy, Holy" ..... arr. by John Dykes

Stand as the cross passes by.

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:** ..... "Shepherd of Tender Youth" ..... # 864 vs. 1, 4, 5

**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 105

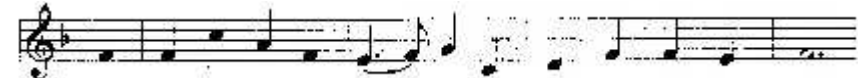
Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!  
 Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works!  
 Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!  
 Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually!  
 Remember the wondrous works that he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,  
 O offspring of Abraham, his servant, children of Jacob, his chosen ones!  
**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.**  
 Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!

## KYRIE



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

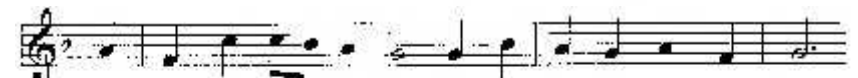
## HYMN OF PRAISE: (GLORIA IN EXCELSIS)



**C** 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;  
2 To You, O solt-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, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love, that, receiving what You have promised, we may love what You have commanded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

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  $\dagger$  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  $\dagger$  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.

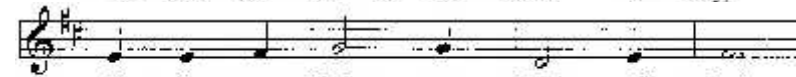
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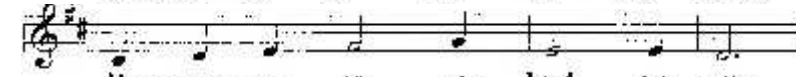
**C** 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



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*

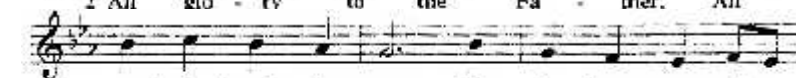
## DISTRIBUTION MEDITATION

*Stand*

## NUNC DIMITTIS



**C** 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

- 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;  
 Iru - ty 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...

*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,**

*Sit*

**+ READINGS +**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING:** .....Deuteronomy 7:6–9

“For you are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations.

- L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

**EPISTLE READING:** ..... Romans 8:28–39

We know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.

For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus 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:** .....Matthew 13:44-52

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

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

[Jesus said:] “The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into containers but threw away the bad. So it will be at the close of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

“Have you understood all these things?” They said to him, “Yes.” And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

(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:** .....“Seek Ye First” ..... # 712

**SERMON:**.....“Wise Up, O Saints of God” .....Mathew 13:44

**OFFERTORY:**.....“Peace Be Unto You” .....by Ross Anderson  
(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** .....  
Exodus 35:5 - From what you have, take an offering for the LORD. Everyone who is willing is to bring to the LORD an offering.

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

*Stand*

**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**Undergoing Cancer Treatment:** Rhonda Bond (Linda Poncik’s friend); Ashley Fehrle (Ruby Fehrle’s grand-daughter); Michelle Kiesling Henson (friend of Tami Pietsch and Lisa Caridi); Ben Huerta (Marissa Lehmann’s father); Casey Hyman (Betty Pecora’s nephew); Wanda Keene (Ruby Fehrle’s niece); 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; Dionie Tolman (Gladys Teinert’s friend); 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); Woody and Carolyn Butler (Joan Miertschin’s cousin); Jane Cotheran (family friend of Beverly Newell); Deb Conway; Lanny Conway; Lillie Diller; Joyce Dippel; Edna Ebner; Jaime Faldyn; 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; Luke Herbrich; 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 Leschper (Dorothy Witt’s sister); Amy Lochte; Bill Love (Donnie & Tina Bretting’s friend); Gladys Mach; Lillie McGuire; Kenneth & Paula Moerbe (Joan Miertschin’s cousin); David Newman; Beverly Oliver (friend of Elva Bohot); Robert Pavlik; Lillian Pietsch (Randy Pietsch’s mother); Pastor Qualman; Mary Rauch (Mary Walker’s cousin); Bill Sagebiel; Jane Schneider; Mary Lou Scoggins (Betty Pecora’s friend); A. F. Seifert; Penny Sengler (BJ Ullrich’s daughter); Jaime Smith; Ray Streger; Harold Streicher; William Trlica; Larry Urban; Kim Vanek; Robert Vanek; Mary Walker; Ruby Weatherton (Lisa Caridi’s cousin); Dennis Witt (Dale & Dorothy Witt’s son).

**Prayer for rain.**

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

**+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +**

**PREFACE**