

*This Week At Mt. Calvary:*

Sunday:	Worship Service with Communion .....9:00 a.m.
	Sunday School (Education Building) ..... 10:15 a.m.
	No Sunday School or Bible Classes .....
Monday:	CHURCH OFFICE AND PRESCHOOL CLOSED
	SUNDAY WORSHIP TV BROADCAST (Cable Channel 16).....7:00 p.m.
Tuesday:	Men’s Club Meeting (BBQ Pavilion) .....6:30 p.m.
	Mary Martha Guild Social (Multipurpose Room) .....6:30 p.m.
	Mary Martha Guild Meeting (Multipurpose Room) .....7:00 p.m.
	Men’s Club Fellowship (BBQ Pavilion)..... 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday:	Bible Class (Multipurpose Room) .....10:00 a.m.
Thursday:	Sunday Bulletin Deadline .....9:00 a.m.
Friday:	Bulletin Assembly (Multipurpose Room) .....12:15 p.m.
Saturday:	LYF Fun Night (Claude’s home).....5:30 p.m.
Sunday:	RALLY DAY
	Worship Service with Children’s Church.....9:00 a.m.
	Confirmation Orientation (Multipurpose Room) ..... 10:15 a.m.
	No Sunday School ..... 10:15 a.m.
	No Bible Classes .....
	<b>Men’s Club BBQ .....11:00 a.m.</b>
	<b>Swim Party (Camp Lone Star) .....3:00 p.m.</b>

**MT. CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH & PRESCHOOL**  
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*Our Mission: "Committed to reaching out with the love of Jesus."*

**ABOUT THE COVER:** *We get so caught up with living that we lose focus on what is really important for our eternal life. As we seek to provide for our family, we tend to overlook God’s purpose for our life. Jesus reminds us of the importance of a life lived in and through Him. Living our lives as His people, we anticipate the fulfillment of His promise of eternal life.*



## Sunday, September 3, 2017 The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

**WELCOME** to all, in the name of Jesus, who at times puts our faith to the test, not to destroy it but to strengthen and purify it. May the Holy Spirit enable us to grow through such testing. 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, hand it to an usher, and worship with us again soon!

*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:** .....“Three Organ Meditations”.....by David Barton  
.....“Dialogue from Pieces for Organ” ..... by J. A. G. Guillain

### 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.

Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, is **RALLY DAY!** The Sunday School is hosting a **SWIM PARTY** at Camp Lone Star next Sunday from 3 – 6 PM. Make plans to join us for swimming, hot dogs and fellowship. **Everyone** is welcome! Contact Joslyn (jba3146@gmail.com or 979-702-1098) or Lori (lbhollek@hotmail.com or 979-484-6002) for more information or to RSVP.

There will be a **CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION** on Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, immediately after church in the Multipurpose Room. Both first and second year students and their parents are required to attend.

The **HAPPY SCRAPPERS** will resume their quilting activities at 2:00 PM on Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup> in the Fellowship House. Everyone is invited to join in the fun, fellowship and service of this energetic group. Thanks for your generous donation of supplies over the years.

Raelyn Pracht, the representative coach from the Texas District, will visit Mt. Calvary on Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup> in connection with our annual recognition of **CHURCH EXTENSION FUND SUNDAY**. A table will be set up in the narthex with information, forms, etc. Please be sure to stop by for a visit with Raelyn. Thanks to all of our Mt. Calvary members who are Texas District Church Extension Fund investors!

Mt. Calvary will again have a team participating in the **“Walk to End Alzheimer’s”** on Saturday, September 30. The walk is only two miles – we can do it! Each walker should raise funds by getting sponsors or by making a personal donation. If you’d like to walk with us, or would like to donate towards the cause, contact Linda in the church office.

**SCHOOL KITS FOR LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF** - Thanks to everyone for your generous donations of supplies and cash.

**YOU CAN HELP!** Every worship service, you can serve your church by performing any one (or more) of the following functions: lector, usher, greeter, videotaping, sound system, children’s message, vocalist, or instrumentalist. All of these tasks are easy, and you will be trained where necessary. Won’t you consider how you can serve God by serving your church? If you are interested in assisting or just want more information, please contact the church office at 979-968-3938.

Did you know that you can view our monthly **NEWSLETTERS ONLINE**, in color and with great picture quality?? Just go to [www.mtcalvary-lcms.org/church-news/monthly-newsletters](http://www.mtcalvary-lcms.org/church-news/monthly-newsletters) You can also find our bulletins and calendars online as well.

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER: Matthew 16:26** – “For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life?” He who dies with the most toys....is dead. But the one who trusts in the Lord, even though he dies, yet shall he live. We live out our trust in the Lord by faithfully fulfilling the roles God has given us to play in home, church, and society as loving, generous people. Those who don’t know the Lord are afraid to be generous because they think that what they give away is lost to them. But we who know the Lord know that the things of this world become true blessings when they are used for God’s Kingdom.

**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:** ..... “Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus” ..... # 531

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**OFFERING** .....  
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**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**REMEMBERING IN OUR PRAYERS:**

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**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.

**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:** ..... “Praludium” ..... by Karl Kern

*Stand as the cross passes by.*

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:** ..... “Glorious Things of You are Spoken” ..... # 648 vs. 1, 2, 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 37

Delight yourself in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.  
Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act.  
He will bring forth your righteousness as the light, and your justice as the noonday.  
Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man who carries out evil devices!  
**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.**  
Delight yourself in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.

**KYRIE (Lord Have Mercy)**

**HYMN OF PRAISE:**..... *“Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now”* ..... # 902 v. 4

All glory to the Father, Son,  
 And Holy Spirit, Three in One!  
 To You, O blessèd Trinity,  
 Be praise throughout eternity!

**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** Let us pray...

**P** Almighty God, Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**P** Bless we the Lord.

**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:**..... *“Christ Be My Leader”* ..... # 861

**POSTLUDE:**..... *“Chorale on Our Father”* .....by Kathryn Elting

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**PASTOR:**..... Rev. Bill Qualman  
**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:**..... Laura Gillette  
**STUDENT PIANIST:**..... Miles Gillette-Bockhorn  
**ACOLYTE:**..... Travis Stokes  
**LECTOR:**..... Brenda Fischer

peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out end. A - men.

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Sit

+ READINGS +

**OLD TESTAMENT READING:** ..... Jeremiah 15:15–21

O LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and take vengeance for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance take me not away; know that for your sake I bear reproach. Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts. I did not sit in the company of revelers, nor did I rejoice; I sat alone, because your hand was upon me, for you had filled me with indignation. Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Will you be to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail?

Therefore thus says the LORD: "If you return, I will restore you, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall be as my mouth. They shall turn to you, but you shall not turn to them. And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, declares the LORD. I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless."

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE READING:** ..... Romans 12:9–21

Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited. Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

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

**THANKSGIVING**

**P** O give thanks unto the Lord for He is good,

and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**P** Let us pray...

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

A - men.

**C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

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

**GOSPEL:** ..... Matthew 16:21-28

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

**C** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life? For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done. Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

(after the reading)

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

**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:**

- ..... "Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spake" ..... # 688
- ..... "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" ..... # 621

Stand

**NUNC DIMITTIS**

**C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac - cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy

**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.



**AGNUS DEI (Lamb of God)**



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**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.**

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Koopmann; Brice Kuhlmann (Leah Wolf's father); Junell Ladewig; Sandra Ladewig (Junell Ladewig's daughter-in-law); Calvin Lange; JoAnn Lange (Joan's Miertschin's cousin); Edna Leschper (Dorothy Witt's sister); Gladys Mach; Lillie McGuire; David Newman; Beverly Oliver (friend of Elva Bohot); Lillian Pietsch (Randy Pietsch's mother); 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 the flood victims.**

**Also in Our Prayers Today** are the members, family and friends of members of our church who are on active duty in the Armed Forces of our country:

**Air Force:** Adam Dunk.

**Coast Guard:** Kevin Nelson.

**Marines:** Freddy Meek; Phil Noack; Aaron Theiss.

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

**+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +**

**PREFACE**

**P** The Lord be with you.

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

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is meet and right so to do.

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary . . . evermore praising You and singing:

**SANCTUS (Holy, Holy, Holy)**

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
 heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
 ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,  
 bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.  
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

**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.