

**Chancel Flowers:** ..... Charles & Sylvia Hebert

A **BENEFIT FOR AMANDA AND CORY KNOX** will be held on Saturday, November 18th, beginning at 3:00 p.m. at the Serbin picnic grounds. A Pork BBQ meal will be served beginning at 4:30. Eat there or take out; tickets are \$10 each. A silent auction will start at 3:00 with a live auction at 5:30. Tickets can be purchased from any South Lee County VFD member, at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Warda, or at various businesses in town. For more information, call Doug or Lorie Lehmann at (979) 242-3877.

Pastor Qualman’s **SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY** resumes on November 19<sup>th</sup> in the Multipurpose Room. The Bible study will focus on “Waiting – A Bible Study on Patience, Hope, and Trust.”

November is our annual **Stewardship Emphasis Month**. This year’s theme is “Blessed to Be a Blessing”. Stewardship Month culminates on Sunday, **November 26<sup>th</sup>**, Loyalty Sunday, when we bring our pledges to the altar. Place your financial pledge in a sealed envelope with your name on the outside (so it can be returned to you unopened) and bring it on **November 26<sup>th</sup>**. Your “time and talent” pledge forms can be returned to the church office or you can hand them to an usher.

*| This Week At Mt. Calvary:*

Sunday:	VETERANS DAY SERVICE	
	Ensemble Rehearsal.....	8:15 a.m.
	Worship Service with Children’s Message .....	9:00 a.m.
	No Sunday School or Bible Classes.....	
	LYF Turkey & Dressing Fundraiser10 .....	11:00 a.m.
Monday:	Preschool Chapel.....	9:30 a.m.
	Happy Scrappers (Fellowship House).....	2:00 p.m.
	Sunday Worship TV Broadcast (Cable Channel 16) .....	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday:	Communion at Jefferson Place.....	2:00 p.m.
Wednesday:	Newsletter Deadline.....	10:00 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:	Sunday Bulletin Deadline .....	9:00 a.m.
Friday:	Bulletin Assembly (Multipurpose Room) .....	12:15 p.m.
Saturday:	LYF Movie Night (Claude Home) .....	6:30 p.m.
Sunday:	Ensemble Rehearsal.....	8:15 a.m.
	Worship Service with Communion.....	9:00 a.m.
	Sunday School (Education Building) .....	10:15 a.m.
	LYF Bible Study (Youth Room) .....	10:15 a.m.
	Bible Class I (Multipurpose Room).....	10:15 a.m.
	Family Fun Night (Chaloupka Farm in Moulton).....	3:00 p.m.

**ABOUT THE COVER:** *There are many life events that make us want the Lord to return to take us to be with Him. There are times of illness, death, and suffering to name a few. However, we are reminded to watch for the Lord’s return, for “you know neither the day nor the hour.” We pray for the Holy Spirit to keep us faithful, so that we may always be ready for our Lord’s return.*



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**Sunday, November 12, 2017**  
**Twenty-third Sunday After Pentecost**  
**VETERANS' DAY**

**WELCOME** to all, in the name of Jesus, our Savior, as we focus our vision on His love as the ultimate fulfillment of all laws, that we may model His love to others. 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:** ..... "*Variations on American Anthems*" ..... arr. by Catherine Rollins

**RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL**

**CEREMONY IN HONOR OF OUR VETERANS**

*Stand as the cross and flags pass by.*

**ANTHEM:** ..... "*God Bless America*" .....

God bless America,  
 Land that I love,  
 Stand beside her and guide her  
 Thru the night with a light from above;

From the mountains, to the prairies,  
 To the oceans white with foam,  
 God bless America,  
 My home, sweet home.  
 God bless America,  
 My home, sweet home.

**SONG:** ..... "*I'm in the Lord's Army*" ..... *Sunday School Children*

*Stand*

**THE PLEDGE TO THE CHRISTIAN FLAG:**

I pledge allegiance to the Christian Flag and to the Savior for whose Kingdom it stands. One Savior, crucified, risen and coming again with life and liberty to all who believe.

**THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands. One nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

**POSTLUDE:**..... "*Glorious Faith in God*" ..... by Rachel Sawyer

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**PASTOR:**..... Rev. Bill Qualman  
**VETERAN OFFICIANT:**..... Charles Hebert  
**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:** ..... Laura Gillette  
**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:** ..... Beverly Albers  
**FLAG BEARERS:**..... Brandon Buscha, Corey Buscha  
**STUDENT PIANIST:**..... Miles Gillette-Bockhorn  
**ACOLYTE:**..... Travis Stokes  
**LECTOR:**..... Susie Polasek  
**ELDERS:**..... Bob Horn, OPEN  
**HEAD USHERS:**..... Daniel Fischer, Lee Teinert  
**USHERS:**..... Ron Glaiser, OPEN  
**GREETERS:**..... Beverly Newell, Linda Poncik  
**VIDEO:**..... Clayton Wolf  
**SOUND:**..... Frank Wolf  
**ALTAR GUILD:**..... Beverly Albers

**CHANCEL FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God by Jeanette Huelsebusch in memory of Roy Huelsebusch's 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday (Nov. 11), and in honor of the birthdays of Don Huelsebusch (Nov. 1), Ashlie Hatch (Nov. 21) and Jonathan Lehmann (Nov. 21).

**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.

**TURKEY & DRESSING MEALS** for members will be available at the BBQ Pavilion immediately after the service!

**OUR WORSHIP LAST WEEK:**

**ATTENDANCE:**  
 Sunday Worship: 136  
 Wed. Bible Class: 14

**OFFERINGS: Our weekly needs: \$5,616.61**  
 Home Purposes: \$5,700.00  
 Online Giving: \$1,055.00  
 Missions: \$355.00  
 Building & Improvements: \$110.00

Special Offerings: \$30 for the new doors.

**SERVING NEXT SUNDAY:**

**Acolyte:**..... Brodie Filla  
**Lector:**..... Beverly Albers  
**Elders:**..... James Lehmann, OPEN  
**Head Ushers:**..... Robert Boening, Dennis Winkler  
**Ushers:**..... Brandon Schnell, Justin Schnell  
**Greeters:**..... Jeanette Huelsebusch, Rosalie Moerbe  
**Video:**..... Neal Lochte  
**Sound:**..... William Crawford  
**Altar Guild:**..... Beverly Albers

**Park View Manor (Weimar):** Lillie Diller.  
**Towers Nursing Home (Smithville):** Mildred Buscha (Dorothy Witt's sister).  
**Trinity Care Facility (Round Rock):** Lillie McGuire.  
**At Home:** A. F. Seifert.  
**Prayer** for the people of Sutherland Springs and all victims of senseless violence.  
**Silent prayer for situations and people not listed in the bulletin.**

**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.

**SALUTATION AND BENEDICAMUS**

**P** The Lord be with you.



**P** Bless we the Lord.



**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:** ..... "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" ..... # 660

**THE PLEDGE TO THE TEXAS FLAG:**

Honor the Texas flag;  
 I pledge allegiance to thee,  
 Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.

*Sit. Veterans, please remain standing.*

**CEREMONY CONCLUSION**

**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** 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.

**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  $\text{✝}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

Sit

**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 84

Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.  
How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!  
Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of your anointed!  
For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.  
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.  
For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor.  
No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.  
O LORD of hosts, blessed is the one who trusts in you!

**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.**

Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

**KYRIE (Lord Have Mercy)**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

**SERMON:**..... “Ready or Not – the Kingdom Comes” ..... Matthew 25:1-2

**OFFERTORY:**..... “Offertory on Greenweb”..... arr. by Franklin Ritter  
*(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 11:24-25– One man gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed.”*

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Stand

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**Undergoing Cancer Treatment:** Rhonda Bond (Linda Poncik’s friend); Ashley Fehrle (Ruby Fehrle’s grand-daughter); Erinn Guggenheimer (Beverly Newell’s cousin); 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); Amanda Knox; Amy Lochte; Vivian Matthews (Dorothy Witt’s friend); David Mueller (Lorena Mueller’s son); Mitzi Mueller (Lorena Mueller’s daughter-in-law); Bubba Schneider; Lindsey Schouten (Lorri Sanchez’s cousin); Kathleen Tintner (Sylvia Hebert’s friend); Dionie Tolman (Gladys Teinert’s friend); and Leroy Wittmann.

**Health and Other Concerns:** Gladys Ahlschlager; Rebekka Aleman (great-granddaughter of Victor & Elva Bohot); Velma Behrens; Carol Bigott (friend of Elsie Michalk); Calvin Bohot; Elva Bohot; Victor Bohot; Olga Buchhorn; Heather Butler (Joyce Newman’s granddaughter); Woody and Carolyn Butler (Joan Miertschin’s cousin); Deb Conway; Lanny Conway; Lillie Diller; Joyce Dippel; Adam Dunk; Edna Ebner; Lorine Fischer; Dr. Mike Fitzpatrick; Jennifer Freeman (Judy Zuhn’s daughter); Ron Fritsch (Joan Miertschin’s friend); Kim Haskins; Sylvia Hebert; Frances Hentschel; Toni Hill (Beverly Newell’s sister-in-law); Doug Hlavaty (Cheryl Roitsch’s friend); Shirley Hudson (Elsie Michalk’s friend); Irene Koopmann; Wayne Koopmann; Brice Kuhlmann (Leah Wolf’s father); Junell Ladewig; Sandra Ladewig (Junell Ladewig’s daughter-in-law); Gladys Mach; Pat Michael; Marvin Miertschin; David Newman; Joyce Newman (having surgery); Beverly Oliver (friend of Elva Bohot); Robert Pavlik; Mary Rauch (Mary Walker’s cousin); Bill Sagebiel; Jan Schaefer (Lee Herbrich’s mother), having surgery; Mary Lou Scoggins (Betty Pecora’s friend); A. F. Seifert; Penny Sengler (BJ Ullrich’s daughter); Jaime Smith; Ray Streger; William Trlica; Florence Tschatschula; Larry Urban; Kim Vanek; Robert Vanek; Mary Walker; Ruby Weatherton (Lisa Caridi’s cousin); Mike Wherry (Junell Ladewig’s son-in-law).

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

**Care Inn:** Edna Kessel.

**Monument Hill:** Velma Behrens, Lorine Fischer, Rose Marie Kilian, Elvas Roensch, and Florence Tschatschula.

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

**Colonial Care (Schulenburg):** Olga Buchhorn, Irene Koopmann.

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

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

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



“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a cry, ‘Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ But the wise answered, saying, ‘Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.’ And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ But he answered, ‘Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.’ Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

(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: .....“Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray”..... # 663 vs. 1, 4, 5



on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.  
 Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,  
 art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

**SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spirit.

**P** Let us pray.

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

**P** Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Son to lead home His bride, the Church, that with all the company of the redeemed we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** A - men.

Sit

+ READINGS +

**OLD TESTAMENT READING:** ..... Amos 5:18–24

Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD! Why would you have the day of the LORD? It is darkness, and not light, as if a man fled from a lion, and a bear met him, or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall, and a serpent bit him. Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it?

“I hate, I despise your feasts, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the peace offerings of your fattened animals, I will not look upon them. Take away from me the noise of your songs; to the melody of your harps I will not listen. But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**EPISTLE READING:** ..... 1 Thessalonians 4:13–18

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE** ..... Beverly Albers

*(After the children’s message, the children will leave for Children’s Church in the Education Building.)*

Stand

**ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

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

**GOSPEL:** ..... Matthew 25:1–13