

DONATIONS FOR LWR PERSONAL CARE KITS are requested thru Sunday, March 18th. Donations of bath-size bars of soap or cash will be greatly appreciated. Donation baskets are located in the Narthex. For more information check out the display in the Narthex showing where LWR quilts and kits were sent in 2017 or contact Jeanette Huelsebusch or Karen Fitch. Your generous support is greatly appreciated.

This Week At Mt. Calvary:

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.
Monday:	Preschool Chapel.....	10:15 a.m.
	Happy Scrappers (Fellowship House).....	2:00 p.m.
	Communion at Monument Hill	
Wednesday:	Bible Class (Multipurpose Room)	10:00 a.m.
	Lenten Worship Service.....	11:00 a.m.
	Lenten Lunch (Fellowship House)	11:45 a.m.
	Confirmation Class (Pastor's Office).....	4:15 p.m.
	Evening Bible Class (Multipurpose Room).....	5:30 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	8:15 a.m.
	Worship Service with Children's Church	9:00 a.m.
	Fellowship Time (Education Building)	10:15 a.m.
	No Sunday School or Bible Classes	

**UPCOMING LENTEN AND
EASTER SERVICE SCHEDULE**

Wednesday Lenten Services at 11:00 AM (followed by Lunches at the Fellowship House):
February 21 and 28, March 7, 14, and 21
Palm Sunday & Youth Confirmation, Sunday, March 25 at 9 AM
Maundy Thursday Service, March 29 at 7 PM (Stripping of the altar, Holy Communion)
Good Friday Service, March 30 at 11 AM & 7 PM (Tenebrae service)
EASTER SUNDAY, April 1st at 6:00 a.m. (with communion) and 9:00 a.m.

ABOUT THE COVER: *Jesus' announcement that "the kingdom of God is at hand" alerts all people that with the public Baptism of Jesus, the Father's plan of redemption for His creation had been implemented (Mark 1:15). Jesus came to dwell among His people and to secure their salvation through His suffering, death, and resurrection. God is love, and His love for His creation is the cornerstone of His kingdom.*

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



**as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble;
I will rescue him and honor him.
With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation.

KYRIE

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

(During Lent, the GLORIA IN EXCELSIS is omitted.)

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 Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

+ READINGS +

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Genesis 22:1-18

After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you." And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here am I, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then

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

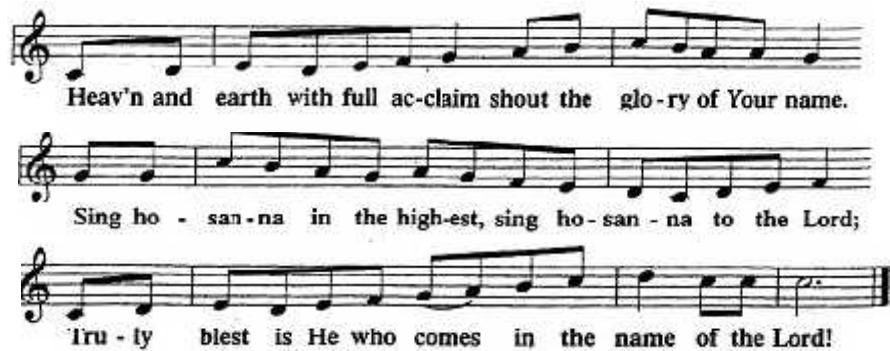
DISTRIBUTION MEDITATION

..... "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" arr. by Cathy Moglebust
Performed by the Mt. Calvary Bell Choir
Accompanied by Wendy Kruse on Flute

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 hu - 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.



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 ✝ 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.

C **Amen.**

AGNUS DEI



Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here am I." He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called the name of that place, "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven and said, "By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE READING:James 1:12-18

Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God," for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

(During Lent, the ALLELUIA AND VERSE is omitted.)

GOSPEL: Mark 1:9-15

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

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

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

(after the reading)

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

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: "The Lamb"#547

SERMON:..... "Holy War"Matthew 4:10-11

OFFERTORY:..... "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"arr. by Anthony Giamanco (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
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

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Undergoing Cancer Treatment: Rhonda Bond (Linda Poncik's friend); Cari Brownlee (Joyce Dippel's granddaughter); Karla Frigard (Donna Kappler's cousin); 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); Barbara Kautz (Carol Ahlschlager's friend); Wanda Keene (Ruby Fehrle's niece); Amanda Knox; Amy Lochte; Vivian Matthews (Dorothy Witt's friend); David Mueller (Lorena Mueller's son); Lara Janda Perez; Bubba Schneider; Lindsey Schouten (Lorri Sanchez's cousin); Barbara Tieken (friend of several members); Dionie Tolman (Gladys Teinert's friend); Nancy Vasut; and Leroy Wittmann.

Health and Other Concerns: Gladys Ahlschlager; Rebekka Aleman; Meagen Bednar (Hannah Sanchez's friend); Velma Behrens; Calvin Bohot; Elva Bohot; Victor Bohot; Susan Bolado (Marilyn Spillane's daughter); Olga Buchhorn; Joseph Burge (Cheryl Roitsch's cousin); Heather Butler (Joyce Newman's granddaughter); Woody and Carolyn Butler (Joan Miertschin's cousin); Deb Conway; Lillie Diller; Joyce Dippel; 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); Barbara Hoffmann; Shirley Hudson (Elsie Michalk's friend); Irene Koopmann; Wayne Koopmann; Junell Ladewig; Sandra Ladewig (Junell Ladewig's daughter-in-law); Gladys Mach; Renee Mazoch (Hannah Sanchez's friend); Pat Michael; Marvin Miertschin; Renee Moreland (Betty Pecora's granddaughter); Jim Moulder (Charles & Sylvia Hebert's friend); David Newman; Joyce Newman; Beverly Oliver (friend of Elva Bohot); Robert Pavlik; Nancy M. Pietsch (James Pietsch's sister); Linda Poncik; Mary Rauch (Mary Walker's cousin); Bill Sagebiel; Jan Schaefer (Lee Herbrich's mother); Glenn Schneider; Mary Lou Scoggins (Betty Pecora's friend); A. F. Seifert; Penny Sengler (BJ Ullich's daughter); Ann Shofner (Charles & Sylvia Hebert's friend); Ray Streger; William Trlica; Larry Urban; Kim Vanek; Robert Vanek; Mary Walker; Ruby Weatherton (Lisa Caridi's cousin); Mike Wherry (Junell Ladewig's son-in-law); Thelma Zoch (Tami Pietsch's mother).

Prayer of Christian Sympathy for the family and friends of Kermit Muske, who passed away on February 12th; for the family and friends of James Ephraim of Winchester, who passed away on February 13th; and for the family and friends of Sanford Schmid, who passed away on February 13th.

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

