

Some of our ladies will be cooking and serving lunch to 75 volunteers coming from Iowa (LSS Camp Noah) the week of July 16th-20th to help with the rebuilding in La Grange. The lunch will be on Thursday, July 19th at Second Baptist. If you would like to make a **FREE WILL DONATION** to help cover the costs of this meal, there is a box set up in the narthex. Thank you for your support!

NOTE: The Fellowship House will be in use from July 16th through the 28th. There will be **NO GAMES DAY** on Wednesday, July 25th.

St. Michael's Lutheran Church invites you to participate in our summer evening **Vacation Bible School**. This year's theme is "Splash Canyon: God's Promise on Life's Wild Ride!". This free and fun event is sure to be a great time where children learn about Jesus, make new friends, and show love to others! For all children ages 4-11. It will take place at St. Michael's Park, 310 Frio Street, in Winchester, Sunday, July 8th - Thursday, July 12th from 5:30-8:00 pm. A meal and snack will be provided along with story-time, music, games, and crafts. There is no deadline to register, but we do ask that you register as soon as possible at through our website www.stmichaelswinchester.org. If you prefer to register by phone, please call 979.242.3444. We hope that your child(ren) will participate, and we look forward to getting to meet you!

STEWARDSHIP CORNER: 2 Corinthians 12:10 – "For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities." Paul found contentment in Christ. To be content means to accept what the Lord gives us at any given time as somehow being from the hand of the Father who wants to bless us. Sometimes it's hard to see how things like hardships, calamities, and insults will turn out for a blessing; but that is why Paul found this contentment in Christ and not in his own wisdom.

This Week At Mt. Calvary:

- Sunday: Worship Service9:00 a.m.
- No Sunday School or Bible Classes
- Tuesday: Communion at Jefferson Place 2:00 p.m.
- Wednesday: Games Day (Fellowship House) 1:00 p.m.
- Thursday: Sunday Bulletin Deadline9:00 a.m.
- Friday: **Newsletter Deadline** 10:00 a.m.
- Bulletin Assembly (Multipurpose Room) 12:15 p.m.
- Sunday: Worship Service with Communion9:00 a.m.
- No Sunday School or Bible Classes

ABOUT THE COVER: *Regardless of what we want to think, we are not the center of the universe. Paul writes that the very center of the universe is Christ Jesus. We, as sinful humans, have nothing of which to boast. It is in and through Christ's forgiveness that we have our identity and our purpose in life. His grace is therefore sufficient for us just as it was for Paul.*



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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: "God, Who Made the Earth and Heaven" # 877 vs. 1, 3, 4

POSTLUDE: "Word of God Across the Ages" arr. by Lani Smith

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: "Interlude" by Gordon Young

Stand as the cross passes by.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: "Earth and All Stars" # 817 vs. 1, 6, 7

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 132

Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!
For the LORD has chosen Zion; he has desired it for his dwelling place:
"This is my resting place forever; here I will dwell, for I have desired it.
I will abundantly bless her provisions; I will satisfy her poor with bread.
Her priests I will clothe with salvation, and her saints will shout for joy."

**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, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessèd is the man who takes refuge in him!

KYRIE (Lord Have Mercy)



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good-will toward
 men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor-ship Thee,
 we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
 O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al-mighty,
 O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;
 O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.

Stand

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Undergoing Cancer Treatment: Sharon Belota; Rhonda Bond (Linda Poncik's friend); Cari Brownlee (Joyce Dippel's granddaughter); Karla Frigard (Donna Kappler's cousin); Michelle Kiesling Henson (friend of Tami Pietsch and Lisa Caridi); Casey Hyman (Betty Pecora's nephew); Barbara Kautz (Carol Ahlschlager's friend); Amanda Knox; Amy Lochte; Lucas Lowe (Rev. & Karen Fitch's nephew); Charlotte Lucius (Deb Conway's mother); Vivian Matthews (Dorothy Witt's friend); David Mueller (Lorena Mueller's son); Robert Pavlik; Lara Janda Perez; Helen Rotter (Dorothy Witt's niece); Bubba Schneider; Lindsey Schouten (Lorri Sanchez's cousin); Georgie Taylor (Lee Herbrich's friend); Barbara Ticken (friend of several members); Dionie Tolman (Gladys Teinert's friend); Nancy Vasut; Mary Walker; and Leroy Wittmann.

Health and Other Concerns: Gladys Ahlschlager; Rebecca Aleman; Robert Banda (Charles Hebert's friend); Joyce Boening; Calvin Bohot; Elva Bohot; Victor Bohot; Elaine Bowen (Charles & Sylvia Hebert's friend); Lewis Cypher, Jr. (Dorothy Witt's nephew); Kay Dippel; Edna Ebner; Jennifer Freeman (Judy Zuhn's daughter); Ron Fritsch (Joan Miertschin's friend); Susan Fritsch (Charlene Harbers' sister); Bobby & Karen Gray (friends of the Heberts); Kim Haskins; Sylvia Hebert; Frances Hentschel; Toni Hill (Beverly Newell's sister-in-law); Wayne Koopmann; Lavine Kuhlmann (Leah Wolf's mother); Junell Ladewig; Sandra Ladewig (Junell Ladewig's daughter-in-law); Betty Lorentzen; Stella Lueders (Edna Ebner's sister); Charlotte Lucius (Deb Conway's mother); Gladys Mach; Marvin Matthijetz (Linda Herbrich's brother-in-law); Paul Mersiovsky; Pat Michael; Elsie Michalk; Glenda Midgett; Marvin Miertschin; Wayne Miertschin; Ruby Mikulin (Paul Mikulin's mother); David Newman; Joyce Newman; Beverly Oliver (friend of Elva Bohot); Robert Pavlik; Virginia Polasek; Mary Rauch (Mary Walker's cousin); Mary Roitsch (Cheryl Roitsch's sister-in-law); Joyce Schiwart; Glenn Schneider; JoAnn Schobel (Philip Weikel's mother); Mary Lou Scoggins (Betty Pecora's friend); Penny Sengler (BJ Ullrich's daughter); Amy Starkey (Lee Herbrich's friend); Ray Streger; William Trlica; Junice Walters (Carol Ahlschlager's friend); Ruby Weatherton (Lisa Caridi's cousin); Mike Wherry (Junell Ladewig's son-in-law); Johanna Wooldridge (Judy Zuhn's daughter); Thelma Zoch (Tami Pietsch's mother).

Prayer of Christian Sympathy for the family and friends of Lynn Templeton (Carol Ahlschlager's friend), who passed away on June 27th.

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

Care Inn: Olga Buchhorn, Edna Kessel, Ethlyn Michalk, A. F. Seifert.

Monument Hill: Velma Behrens, Lorine Fischer, Elvas Roensch, and Florence Tschatschula.

Holly Hall (Houston): Ruth Williams

Kruse Village in Brenham: Marge Harting.

Colonial Care (Schulenburg): Irene Koopmann.

Regency (Schulenburg): Gladys Mach.

Oakmont Care Center (Katy): Alfred Drescher.

Parkview Manor (Weimar): Rose Marie Kilian, Diane Rosenberg.

Shady Oaks (Moulton): Marvin Miertschin.

Schulenburg Regency Retirement Villas: Gerhard Schenk.

At Home: Mary Ann Bartek, Delbert Dunk, Peggy Hunger, Diana Petty-Stone, Dolores Votaw.

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

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

NICENE CREED

C I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

SERMON HYMN: "O Christ, Who Called the Twelve" # 856

SERMON:..... "Too Close for Comfort?" Mark 6:1-6

OFFERTORY:..... "Break Thou the Bread of Life"arr. by Tom Birchwood

(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
Romans 12:13 – Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

P O God, Your almighty power is made known chiefly in showing mercy. Grant us the fullness of Your grace that we may be called to repentance and made partakers of Your heavenly treasures; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Sit

+ READINGS +

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Ezekiel 2:1–5

He said to me, “Son of man, stand on your feet, and I will speak with you.”
 And as he spoke to me, the Spirit entered into me and set me on my feet, and I heard him speaking to me. And he said to me, “Son of man, I send you to the people of Israel, to nations of rebels, who have rebelled against me. They and their fathers have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants also are impudent and stubborn: I send you to them, and you shall say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD.’ And whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house) they will know that a prophet has been among them.

L This is the Word of the Lord.
G Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING: 2 Corinthians 12:1–10

I must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. Though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. So to keep me from being too elated by the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

L This is the Word of the Lord.
G Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE Clayton Wolf
 (No children’s church.)

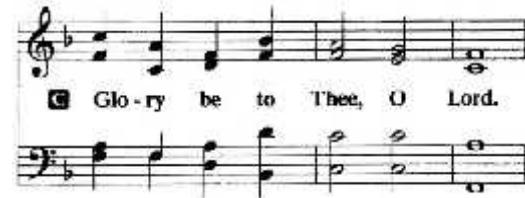
Stand

ALLELUIA AND VERSE



GOSPEL: Mark 6:1–13

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



[Jesus] went away from there and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him.

And on the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished, saying, “Where did this man get these things? What is the wisdom given to him? How are such mighty works done by his hands? Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. And Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor, except in his hometown and among his relatives and in his own household.” And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and healed them. And he marveled because of their unbelief.

And he went about among the villages teaching.

And he called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He charged them to take nothing for their journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in their belts— but to wear sandals and not put on two tunics. And he said to them, “Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you depart from there. And if any place will not receive you and they will not listen to you, when you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” So they went out and proclaimed that people should repent. And they cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and healed them.

(after the reading)