



# CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH ELCA

*"Helping others receive grace, purpose and direction by proclaiming Christ's love."*

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**Sunday Morning Worship**  
**10:00 a.m.**  
**July 5, 2020**

## Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

**Prayer Before Worship:** Dear Lord, there is no greater feeling of liberation than to experience the freedom from sin and death that you have provided for us through Jesus Christ. Today we are free to worship and praise you; for this we give you thanks. Amen.

*(In preparation for our worship together, you are invited to take a moment of silence to offer your own prayers of worship and praise.)*

\* Indicates please stand if able. Congregational responses are printed in **BOLD** type.

**A Warm Welcome** to all as we gather as God's people to worship our Lord. We pray our worship together would strengthen your faith and desire to know and serve the One who loves us with an everlasting love as made known to us in Jesus Christ.

**Visitors**, *if you are worshipping with us in-person or online today, we are glad to have you with us. Please join us again soon!*

### Prelude Music

### Welcome and Announcements

#### **✠WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS✠**

#### **\*Confession of Sins/Assurance of Forgiveness**

*(All may make the sign of the cross ✠ the sign marked at baptism, as we begin)*

We gather together, whether in-person or online, as the baptized people of God in the name of the Father, ✠ Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*(a time for reflection and self-examination)*

Gracious God,

**Have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

**\*Greeting**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

**\*Prayer of the Day**

O God,

**You are great and greatly to be praised. You have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Grant that we may believe in you, call upon you, know you, and serve you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**‡GOD'S WORD SPEAKS TO US‡**

**Psalm 145:8-14**

<sup>8</sup>The LORD is gracious and merciful,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

<sup>9</sup>**The LORD is good to all,  
and his compassion is over all that he has made.**

<sup>10</sup>All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,  
and all your faithful shall bless you.

<sup>11</sup>**They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom,  
and tell of your power,**

<sup>12</sup>to make known to all people your mighty deeds,  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

**<sup>13</sup>Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,  
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.**

The LORD is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.

<sup>14</sup>The LORD upholds all who are falling,  
and raises up all who are bowed down.

**Second Reading: Romans 7:15-25a**

<sup>15</sup>I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. <sup>16</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. <sup>17</sup>But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. <sup>18</sup>For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. <sup>19</sup>For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. <sup>20</sup>Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

<sup>21</sup>So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. <sup>22</sup>For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, <sup>23</sup>but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. <sup>24</sup>Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death?

<sup>25</sup>Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

**\*Gospel Acclamation**

*Spoken  
(Matthew 11:25)*

**Alleluia. Blessed are you, Lord of heav'n and earth;  
you have revealed these things to infants. Alleluia.**

**\*Gospel: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30**

*Response after the announcement of the gospel:  
Glory to you, O Lord.*

<sup>16</sup>But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, <sup>17</sup>'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' <sup>18</sup>For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; <sup>19</sup>the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

<sup>25</sup>At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; <sup>26</sup>yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. <sup>27</sup>All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. <sup>28</sup>Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup>Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup>For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

*Response after the gospel reading:*  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon:**

**Pastor Sheryl**

*(Silence for Reflection and Meditation.)*

**‡WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD‡**

**\*Hymn:**

**"Day by Day"**

**ELW #790  
vv. 1&2**

**Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me,  
bringing comfort to my anxious soul.  
Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me  
draw me nearer to my heav'nly goal.  
Love divine, beyond all mortal measure,  
brings to naught the burdens of my quest;  
Savior, lead me to the home I treasure,  
where at last I'll find eternal rest.**

**Day by day, I know you will provide me  
strength to serve and wisdom to obey;  
I will seek your loving will to guide me  
o'er the paths I struggle day by day.  
I will fear no evil of the morrow,  
I will trust in your enduring grace.  
Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow  
till in glory I behold your face.**

**\*Profession of Faith: The Apostles Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**\*Prayers of the Church**

**ELW #752**

*(Sung Prayer Response)*

**Lord, listen to your children praying,  
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;  
Lord, listen to your children praying,  
send us love, send us pow'r,  
send us grace.**

**\*Exchange of Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

### **\*Offertory Prayer**

Having offered ourselves and our gifts, let us pray.

**God of goodness and growth, all creation is yours, and your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. Water and word, wine and bread: these are signs of your abundant grace. Nourish us through these gifts, that we might proclaim your steadfast love in our communities and in the world, through Jesus Christ, our strength and our song. Amen.**

### **‡HOLY COMMUNION & DISMISSAL‡**

*Here our Lord gives to us His own Body and Blood for the forgiveness of all our sins.*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

### **\*Words of Institution**

### **\*The Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

### **Communion Invitation**

Friends of Jesus, come. Receive nourishment for your journey.

**\*Communion Song:**

**“Here Is Bread”**

**W&P #58  
vv. 1&2**

**Verse 1**

**Here is bread, here is wine,  
Christ is with us, he is with us.  
Break the bread, taste the wine,  
Christ is with us here.**

**Chorus**

**In this bread there is healing,  
in this cup is life forever.  
in this moment, by the Spirit.  
Christ is with us here.**

**Verse 2**

**Here is grace, here is peace,  
Christ is with us, he is with us.  
Know his grace, find his peace,  
feast on Jesus here.**

**Chorus**

**\*Benediction**

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.

God, the creator, † Jesus, the Christ,  
and the Holy Spirit, the comforter,  
bless you and keep you in eternal love.  
**Amen.**

**\*Dismissal**

Go in peace. Christ is with you.  
**Thanks be to God.**



## Distribution of Communion

## Distribution & Postlude Music

Praise Team

## Postlude

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Bill Huelle, 7/7; Mel Knoedler, 7/8;  
Dawsyn Buckley, 7/9; Sandi Abel, 7/9

**If we have missed your birthday, please let the office know. Thanks.**

## ✠In Our Thoughts and Prayers✠

Prayers for healing: **Jay Judd** (Recovering at Heritage), **Jim Rahrs** (brother of Val Rahrs), **Linda Spomer** (Heart Tests), **Marcy Miller** (recovering), **Mary Ellen Kropp** (pancreatitis), **Kent Zweifel**, (Recovering— Robert & Deanna Zweifel's son), **Alice Shriver** (Recovering at Heritage), **Betty Kenyon** (recovering—friend of Valerie Rahrs), **Alan** (recovery of vision—Kathy Randall's cousin), **Kenny Shriver** (recovering), **Jordan Hein** (cancer treatment—former member of Calvary), **Ron Hettinger** (heart & medical conditions—Marcy Miller's father), **Michael Dietrich** (friend of Dave & Penny Stevens), **Julie** (cancer treatment—Travis Miller family), **Barb** (cancer—Marlene Downer's sister-in-law), **Joan** (cancer—niece of Marj Nikont), **Patty** (cancer—Jim Dorn's sister-in-law), **Kevin Feil** (healing—Melissa Guerrero's father), **Bonnie Noble** (Leah Nikont's mother).

Prayers for our church, community, nation and world: in this time of Covid-19 and unsettledness.

**GIVE+Mobile**

**YOUR GIVING ONLINE**

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**New Calvary Lutheran Church Decals!!**

We now have vinyl decals available in the church office to purchase for \$5.00. All proceeds will go toward the new video/sound equipment for continued live streaming of services. Please stop by the office today to get yours!

**WOMEN OF THE ELCA MISSION PROJECT: D.O.V.E.S.**



Our mission this month is monetary support for the D.O.V.E.S. shelter. Domestic Violence is alive in our local communities. Scottsbluff/Gering provides access to 24 hour crisis hotline and a shelter so those trying to escape abuse may find refuge. The shelter is always grateful for donations for the shelter and to help people set up new households. Household items and personal care items are also needed. Don't forget to collect your unused toiletry items when traveling and staying in hotels. Thank you for your support.

**JULY FOOD DONATIONS REQUESTED**

**FOOD PANTRY:** cereal  
**BACKPACKS:** packaged treats



**Virtual Fellowship Opportunities**

Do you miss being able to get together with your friends and fellow members of Calvary?

Then join us on Zoom for a Zoom Happy Hour (Wednesdays from 6:30 to 7 p.m.) If you are interested, look for an email from the church (if we have your email address) that says Zoom Happy Hour and use the link provided in the email to join us.



## Create! – Virtual VBS



June 15 - August 9, 2020

Each Tuesday we will send out the link via text and email for that week's VBS and post it on our Facebook page. Watch the videos whenever it works for you and have fun learning about God's wonderful creation at the same time.

Then on Mondays at 10 a.m., Angie is hosting a Zoom Chat so that you can share all the fun things you have done in the past week-VBS related or not! Contact the church office if you'd like the link for your VBS-er to be a part of Angie's Zoom Chat or if you need the VBS weekly link. We are sad that we are not able to do VBS in person this summer, but hope many of you will join in this very creative VBS!!!

### Looking for a Host Family for Carl from Sweden!

Would you enjoy being an STS Foundation Host Family? Sign up to welcome an exchange student into your hearts and home today! Carl is 16 and active in his Lutheran church back home in Sweden. He describes himself as open, respectful, and helpful, and his hobbies include politics, soccer, history, and economics. Carl has taken 5 years of English, 4 years of German, and his teachers describe him as knowledgeable, genuine, and a hard worker. Carl says, "I know that a year at a high school, with a new, American family will be a great experience. I will do my utmost to adapt to your family in a positive way. I am used to making household chores, especially cooking (where I can do more dishes than only Swedish meatballs!). I promise to do my very best as 'the new son' of your family." If interested please contact the church office for more information.

**We're Here To Help:** As we all deal with the uncertainty of the days ahead in light of the Covid-19, please know that we, your church family are here to offer support, prayer, and assistance. If you need help with anything, including getting supplies and/or groceries, or running errands because you do not feel comfortable getting out in public, please call the church office at 632-8023 or Pastor Chris 402-694-9189 or Pastor Sheryl 402-694-9182 for any assistance you might need. Also, if you would be willing to run errands for people in our congregation, please let us know that as well.

*We are Here  
to Help You!*





**Your Offerings:** Dear friends, we hope that you will remember the expenses of the church (utilities, salaries, insurance, and more) all continue on, even if we do not gather together for worship. So please consider this your gentle reminder to send or drop off your offerings to the church office. You may also scan the QR code in this bulletin or go to our website and use the 'give now' button on our home page to give electronically. If you have not already created a profile for giving

electronically, you will need to do so first. If you need any help with this, do not hesitate to contact us.

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

**Pastors Chris and Sheryl Kester Beyer**

**This Sunday – July 5**

**USHERS:** LaDonna Schmidt & Vicki Howell

**LAY READER:** Susan Martin

**COMMUNION ASST:** Dennis Gorr

**POWERPOINT:** Matt Payne

**MEDIA:** Maunette Loeks-Van Patten

**ALTAR GUILD:** Abby Newsom, Maunette Loeks-Van Patten, Barb Jensen, Nannie Walsh

**PIANIST:** Dee Brady

**Next Sunday – July 12**

**USHERS:** Dennis & Barb Gorr

**LAY READER:** Mary Jo Huelle

**COMMUNION ASST:** Bill Huelle

**POWERPOINT:** Maunette Loeks-Van Patten

**MEDIA:** Jeff Van Patten

**ALTAR GUILD:** Deb Brown, Vicki Howell, Tracy Steele

**ORGANIST:** Rhonda Boettcher

**SONG LEADER:**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Sunday, July 5**

10 a.m. – In-Person & Online Worship

10:45-11:15 a.m. Drive Through Communion

**Monday, July 6**

10: a.m. – VBS Zoom Chat

**Tuesday, July 7**

1 p.m. – Quilting

11:30 – Exec. Com

**Saturday, July 11**

5:30 p.m. – In-Person Worship

**Sunday, July 12**

10 a.m. – In-Person & Online Worship

10:45-11:15 a.m. Drive Through Communion