



# CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH ELCA

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**Sunday Morning Worship**  
**10:00 a.m.**  
**October 10, 2021**

## Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

**Prayer Before Worship:** O Lord, you know there is nothing we can do to save ourselves, and so we thank you for your grace that makes salvation possible. Make us joyful in your promise of forgiveness and eternal life, which is ours, not because we have earned it but because you choose to give it, for the sake of Jesus Christ. 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.)*

**KEY:** ELW and any page number = Worship hymnal (cranberry),  
OSB = Other Song Book (red), W&P = Worship & Praise (purple).

\* 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 and Assurance of God's Forgiveness

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the minister begins.*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✠ one God, who looks upon us in compassion, forgives our sin and heals our lives. **Amen.**

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

*Silence is kept for prayer and reflection.*

Have mercy, O God,

**Against you, you alone, we have sinned. In your compassion, cleanse us from our sin and take away our guilt. Create in us a new heart and give us a steadfast spirit. Do not cast us away, but fill us with your Holy Spirit and restore your joy within us. Amen.**

As tender as parent to child, so deep is God's compassion for you. As high as heaven is above earth, so vast is God's love for you. As far as east is from west, so far God removes your sin from you, renewing your life through Jesus Christ. Blessed be God who crowns us with mercy and love.

**Blessed be God forever. Amen.**

**Song of Praise:**

**"He is Exalted"**

**W&P #55**

**He is exalted  
The King is exalted on high  
I will praise Him  
He is exalted forever exalted  
And I will praise His name.**

**Jesus is Lord  
Forever His truth shall reign  
Heaven and earth  
Rejoice in His holy name  
He is exalted  
The King is exalted on high**

**He is exalted  
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I will praise Him  
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He is exalted  
The King is exalted on high**

## **\*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**

Gracious God,

**In your Son Jesus Christ you richly bless us with all that we need, bread from the earth and the bread of heaven, which gives life to the world. Grant us one thing more: grateful hearts to sing your praise, in this world and the world to come; through. Amen.**

## **‡GOD'S WORD SPEAKS TO US‡**

### **First Reading: Exodus 3:1-10**

<sup>1</sup>Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. <sup>2</sup>There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. <sup>3</sup>Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." <sup>4</sup>When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." <sup>5</sup>Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." <sup>6</sup>He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

<sup>7</sup>Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, <sup>8</sup>and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. <sup>9</sup>The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. <sup>10</sup>So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 90:12-17**

- <sup>12</sup>So teach us to number our days  
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.
- <sup>13</sup>**Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry?  
Be gracious to your servants.**
- <sup>14</sup>Satisfy us by your steadfast love in the morning;  
so shall we rejoice and be glad all our days.
- <sup>15</sup>**Make us glad as many days as you afflicted us  
and as many years as we suffered adversity.**
- <sup>16</sup>Show your servants your works,  
and your splendor to their children.
- <sup>17</sup>**May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us;  
prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.**

## **Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-16**

<sup>12</sup>Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup>And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. <sup>14</sup>Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. <sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup>Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**\*Gospel Acclamation:**

**“Celebrate Jesus”**

**Celebrate Jesus, celebrate.  
Celebrate Jesus, celebrate.  
Celebrate Jesus, celebrate.  
Celebrate Jesus, celebrate.**

**He is risen, He is risen  
And He lives forevermore.  
He is risen, He is risen;  
Come on and celebrate  
The resurrection of our Lord.**

**\*Gospel: Luke 6:35-38**

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

<sup>35</sup>But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. <sup>36</sup>Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

<sup>37</sup>Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; <sup>38</sup>give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

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

**Kids Sermon**

**Angie Hinze**

**Sermon:**

**Pastor Chris**

*(Silence for Reflection and Meditation.)*

**‡WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD‡**

**\*Song of the Day:**

**"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"**

**ELW #674**

**1. Let us talents and tongues employ,  
reaching out with a shout of joy:  
bread is broken, the wine is poured,  
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.**

*Refrain*

**Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!  
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again,  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!**

**2. Christ is able to make us one,  
at the table he sets the tone,  
teaching people to live to bless,  
love in word and in deed express.**

*Refrain*

**3. Jesus calls us in, sends us out  
bearing fruit in a world of doubt,  
gives us love to tell, bread to share:  
God (Immanuel) ev'rywhere!**

*Refrain*

**\*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**

Thank you for continuing to support the work of Christ through Calvary Lutheran. The act of offering is an act of worship, wherever and whenever it is done. Having offered ourselves and our gifts to God, let us pray.

**God of abundance, you cause streams to break forth in the desert and manna to rain from the heavens. Accept the gifts you have first given us. Unite them with the offering of our lives to nourish the world you love so dearly; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**✠HOLY COMMUNION✠**

*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.**

## Invitation to Communion

Come. Come to enjoy what we could not earn, and what the world cannot take from us.

### Distribution of Communion:

Christ is truly present in the Lord's Supper with gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation.

**All are welcome and invited to receive Holy Communion.**

*(Communion will be served continuously at two stations in the front of the church.*

*WHITE GRAPE JUICE and GLUTEN FREE WAFERS are available. Just ask the server.*

*Children who are not yet communicants are invited to come forward for a blessing.)*

### Distribution Song:

**"Here Is Bread"**

**ELW #483**

**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.**

**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*

**3. Here we are, joined in one,  
Christ is with us, he is with us.  
We'll proclaim till he comes  
Jesus crucified.**

*Chorus*

## **\*Post-Communion Blessing**

## **\*Post-Communion Prayer**

Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## **‡WE DEPART TO SERVE‡**

## **\*Benediction**

Like children in the arms of Jesus, receive God's blessing:

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with compassion and grace.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ‡ give you peace. **Amen.**

## **\*Sending Song:**

**"Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises "**

**ELW #535**

*Refrain:*

**Hallelujah! We sing your praises,  
all our hearts are filled with gladness.**

**Hallelujah! We sing your praises,  
all our hearts are filled with gladness.**

*(Repeat)*

**1. Christ the Lord to us said:  
I am wine, I am bread,  
I am wine, I am bread,  
give to all who thirst and hunger.**

*(Repeat)*

*Refrain:*

**2. Now he sends us all out,  
strong in faith, free of doubt,  
strong in faith, free of doubt.  
Tell to all the joyful gospel.**

*(Repeat)*

*Refrain:*

## \*Dismissal

Go in peace. Be generous and compassionate as God has been with us.  
**Thanks be to God.**

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## Prayer Requests



If you have a prayer request you would like added to the prayers of the people on Sunday morning, you may notify Christy in the church office during the week or during worship use the Attendance and Prayer Request card and pass them towards the center aisle to be picked up by the ushers (for those worshipping with us online you will find the form under the worship tab on our website and prayer requests will be added to the prayer list in the bulletin the following weekend.)

## ✠In Our Thoughts and Prayers✠

**Prayers for healing:** **Harper** (Covid—Pastor Chris & Pastor Sheryl's granddaughter), **Alice Braaten** (hospitalized), **Gina Mattley** (heart attack—mother of Nannie Walsh's coworker), **Kathy Rahrs** (recovering from back surgery—Val Rahrs' mother), **Becky Michael** (Covid), **Patty** (Health Reasons—Lonnie Miller's sister), **Marj Nikont** (Rehab), **Mark** (Jean Collins & Kathy Johnson's cousin's husband), **Tom Bosshardt** (Back Surgery), **Elmer Haas** (Health Issues—Elnora Sell's brother-in-law), **Jean Collins** (hip replacement surgery), **Liam** (diagnosed with spinal muscular atrophy—Jude Walker's great grandson), **LaDonna Schmidt** (chemotherapy), **Greta Mehling** (Health Issues), **Bruce** (Cancer treatments—friend of Jean Collins & Cathy Johnson), **Reuben & Gloria Gorr** (health issues), **Jordan Hein** (cancer treatment—former member of Calvary), **Julie** (cancer treatment—Travis Miller family), **Joan** (cancer—niece of Marj Nikont), **Patty** (cancer—Jim Dorn's sister-in-law).

**Prayers for:** **Austin & Teighlor** (facing hard decision in regard to son Liam—Jude Walker's granddaughter & husband).

**H A P P Y  
B I R T H D A Y**

Madison Payne, 10/12; Kevin Miller, 10/13;  
Kathy Randall 10/13; Elnora Sell, 10/14

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



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[www.calvarylutheranscottsbluff.org](http://www.calvarylutheranscottsbluff.org) and click on the  
**Give Online** button OR download the **Vanco Now**  
**App** on your smartphone. It's safe and secure.



Please note: if you have been using the Give+ app for your donations, you will need to download the new Vanco Mobile app after Sept. 30th to make any future donations in this manner.

**OCTOBER FOOD DONATIONS REQUESTED**

**FOOD PANTRY:** Canned Veggies

**BACKPACKS:** Oatmeal

Containers are located outside Fellowship Hall.

Thanks for your generosity.



**WOMEN OF THE ELCA OCTOBER MISSION  
PROJECT:  
CatPack and PupPack program**

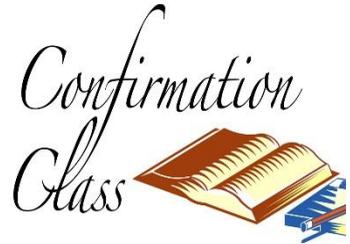


### **JAM on Wednesdays from 5:30-7:00 p.m.**

Our Wednesday evening youth group is for kids in kindergarten through 6th grade. We begin with dinner (enchiladas/chips/dessert) at 5:30 p.m. followed by storytelling, music, crafts, games, and lots of fun until 7 p.m. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Angie, Pastor Chris, or Pastor Sheryl at the church.

### **Confirmation Classes**

Classes will convene each Wednesday evening from 6–7 p.m. Please refer to the letter you received last month from Pastor Chris for details. Parents are asked to be involved in the confirmation program. Dinner will be provided. For any questions or concerns, please see Pastor Chris.



Thank you to everyone who participated in this morning's Celebrate Generosity event. We celebrated God's and our generosity with a packing party of our LWR School Kits. Today in worship we will celebrate God's compassion toward all of God's creation. On Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> we will see God's generosity poured down, shaken together, and overflowing. Finally on Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>, Reformation Sunday, we will celebrate our own generosity by returning our pledges for the coming year.



**Come celebrate our Compassionate and Generous God!!**

October is  
**Pastor Appreciation**  
Month

Two orange, five-pointed stars are positioned on either side of the text 'Pastor Appreciation Month'.

Plan now to join us after worship today & October 17th to say thank you to Pastors Chris and Sheryl. Please join the Elders and Council, in the Fellowship Hall on these 2 Sundays to say 'Thank You' to our Pastors. Cupcakes and coffee will be provided.

## First Communion Class TODAY!



Parents: if you have a child who is not yet receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion and is interested in doing so, we are planning a First Communion class **TODAY** from 1 to 3p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. At Calvary, there is no specific age at which a child may begin receiving Communion; it is at the parent's

discretion. However, if we understand that in the bread and wine of Holy Communion, we receive the gift of Christ's forgiveness and promise of his presence and love, then it is never too early to begin receiving communion. If interested, or if you have questions, please talk with Pastor Chris after worship.



## Mark Your Calendars: 2021 CROP Walk

The 2021 CROP Walk is TODAY, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> @ 2 p.m. starting at the parking lot on the Pathway at the back of the zoo.

Talk to Barb Jensen after worship if you would like to make a donation or walk this afternoon.

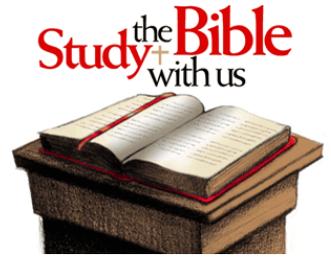
If the weather is wet and miserable, the walk will be canceled, and walkers will be asked to walk another day or to go out to the mall and do a few laps inside.



What is Laundry Love? Laundry Love is a ministry that offers free use of washers, dryers, detergent, and dryer sheets to individuals and families who are hard-pressed to cover the cost of basic necessities by partnering with a local laundromat and churches. We would be partnering with St. Francis Episcopal Church and First Presbyterian Church to provide a monthly Laundry Love Event in our community (our commitment would be 2 to 3 hours every third month). The Social Ministry Committee has provided us with \$200 seed money to get us started but first we need people willing to get this ministry off the ground. If interested or if you have questions, please talk to one of the pastors.

## Pastors' Tuesday Evening Study @ 7 p.m.

Join us on Tuesday evenings @ 7 p.m. in the fellowship hall for a study using Max Lucado's book: *Anxious for Nothing: Finding Calm in a Chaotic World*. *Anxious for Nothing* invites readers to delve into Philippians 4:6-7 "*Do not be anxious about anything...*" If you would like the church to order you a book, please contact the church office or you may purchase it yourself or download it to your favorite e-reader.



## WORSHIP LEADERS

**Pastors Chris and Sheryl Kester Beyer**

### **This Sunday – October 10**

**USHERS:** Kent & Dawn Holub

**LAY READER:** Angie Hinze

**COMMUNION ASST:** Dennis Gorr

**POWERPOINT:** Matt Payne

**ACOLYTE:** Brynlee Payne

**MEDIA:** Jeff Van Patten

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

**PIANIST:** Dee Brady

### **Next Sunday – October 17**

**USHERS:** Monty & Shari Copsey

**LAY READER:** Vicki Howell

**COMMUNION ASST:** Bill Huelle

**POWERPOINT:** Mary Jo Huelle

**ACOLYTE:** DaKota Newsom

**MEDIA:** Maunette Loeks-Van Patten

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

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### **Sunday, October 10**

9 a.m. – Celebrate Generosity & God's Work, Our Hands Sunday

10 a.m. – Worship

11 a.m. – Pastor Appreciation Reception

1-3 p.m. – 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Class

2 p.m. – CROPWALK

### **Monday, October 11**

2 p.m. – Priscilla Circle

6 p.m. – Council

### **Tuesday, October 12**

8:30 a.m. – Men's Study @ Calvary

9 a.m. – Esther Circle @ Ruth Harris'

12 p.m. – Women's Study @ Calvary

1 p.m. – Quilting

7 p.m. – Pastor's Bible Study

### **Wednesday, October 13**

5:30 p.m. – Social Ministry

5:30 p.m. – JAM

6 p.m. – Confirmation

7 p.m. – Choir Practice

### **Saturday, October 16**

5:30 p.m. – Worship

### **Sunday, October 17**

10 a.m. – Worship

11 a.m. – Pastor Appreciation Reception