

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 8, 2026



Mount Calvary Ev. Lutheran Church
San Antonio, Texas

We realize that it is difficult for some people to stand, or kneel, for long periods of time. Please feel free to sit as necessary during the liturgy and the prayers. Sitting during the confession is also appropriate for those who cannot kneel.

DIVINE SERVICE

SETTING THREE

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: Thy Strong Word Did Cleave the Darkness

LSB 578



1 Thy strong word did cleave the dark - ness; At Thy
 2 Lo, on those who dwelt in dark - ness, Dark as
 3 Thy strong Word be - speaks us righ - teous; Bright with
 4 From the cross Thy wis - dom shin - ing Break - eth



speak - ing it was done. For cre - at - ed
 night and deep as death, Broke the light of
 Thine own ho - li - ness, Glo - rious now, we
 forth in con - qu'ring might; From the cross for -



light we thank Thee, While Thine or - dered sea - sons run.
 Thy sal - va - tion, Breathed Thine own life - breath - ing breath.
 press toward glo - ry, And our lives our hopes con - fess.
 ev - er beam - eth All Thy bright re - deem - ing light.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise to
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Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,
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 Thee who light dost send! Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!
 al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia with - out end!

How can a young man keep his | way pure?*

By guarding it according | to your word.

With my whole heart I | seek you;*

let me not wander from your com- | mandments!

I have stored up your word | in my heart,*

that I might not sin a- | gainst you.

Blessèd are you, | O LORD;*

teach me your | statutes!

With my lips | I declare*

all the just decrees | of your mouth.

Blessèd are you, | O LORD;*

teach me your | statutes!

GLORIA PATRI



☐ Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

KYRIE



☐ Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.


Kyrie Eleison
LORD, HAVE MERCY

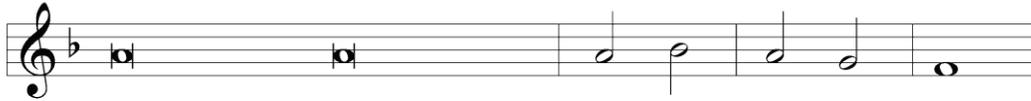
GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



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.



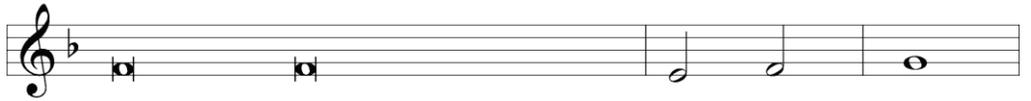
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.



Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -



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.

O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your mighty power; 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

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 58:3–9a

“‘Why have we fasted, and you see it not? Why have we humbled ourselves, and you take no knowledge of it?’ Behold, in the day of your fast you seek your own pleasure, and oppress all your workers. ⁴Behold, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to hit with a wicked fist. Fasting like yours this day will not make your voice to be heard on high. ⁵Is such the fast that I choose, a day for a person to humble himself? Is it to bow down his head like a reed, and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him? Will you call this a fast, and a day acceptable to the LORD? ⁶“Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? ⁷Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover him, and not to hide yourself from your own flesh? ⁸Then shall your light break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up speedily; your righteousness shall go before you; the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. ⁹Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry, and he will say, ‘Here I am.’”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 2:1–16

And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom. ²For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling, ⁴and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

⁶Yet among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. ⁷But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. ⁸None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the heart of man imagined,
what God has prepared for those who love him”—

¹⁰these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. ¹¹For who knows a person’s thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. ¹²Now we have received

not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might understand the things freely given us by God. ¹³And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual.

¹⁴The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one. ¹⁶“For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

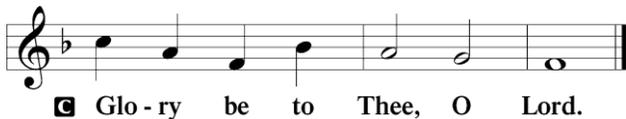
ALLELUIA



HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 5:13-20

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, fifth chapter.



[Jesus said:] “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet.

¹⁴“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

¹⁷“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. ¹⁸For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



NICENE CREED

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: I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

LSB 411



1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.
3 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.



I want to fol - low Je - sus.
I want to look at Je - sus.
I want to be with Je - sus.



God set the stars to give light to the world.
Clear Sun of Righ - teous - ness, shine on my path,
When we have run with pa - tience the race,



The star of my life is Je - sus.
And show me the way to the Fa - ther.
We shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain



In Him there is no dark - ness at all.



The night and the day are both a - like.

The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

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SERMON: Individually Seasoned

MATTHEW 5:13-20

Rev. Craig Meissler

Stand

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen.

OFFERTORY: Create in Me

LSB 192

Sit

GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Our offering is our way of saying, "Thank you" to God for all His gifts to us and to support His work here at Mt. Calvary and around the world. To all our guests this morning, we are happy to have you with us, but you are under no obligation to give an offering. But we would request your prayers for our ministry. We would ask all present to please complete an attendance card found in the pew and place in the offering plate in order that we have a record of your worshiping with us. If you have a prayer request, please put it on a "Prayer Request Card" and the ushers will bring it forward with the offering.

VOLUNTARY

Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH



THE SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

P The Lord be with you.
C And with thy spirit.

P Lift up your hearts.
C We lift them up unto the Lord.



P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

SANCTUS



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,



bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.**

THE 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.

G Amen.

AGNUS DEI

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

Sit

DISTRIBUTION

The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

Take, eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Amen.

Take, drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, shed for the forgiveness of your sins.

Amen.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

LSB 618 | Come, O Savior, to Thy Table



1 I come, O Sav - ior, to Thy ta - ble, For weak and
2 Thy heart is filled with fer - vent yearn - ing That sin - ners
3 Un - wor - thy though I am, O Sav - ior, Be - cause I
4 Wea - ry am I and heav - y lad - en; With sin my
5 What high - er gift can we in - her - it? It is faith's



wea - ry is my soul; Thou, Bread of Life, a -
may sal - va - tion see Who, Lord, to Thee in
have a sin - ful heart, Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt
soul is sore op - pressed; Re - ceive me gra - cious -
bond and sol - id base; It is the strength of



lone art a - ble To sat - is - fy and make me whole:
faith are turn - ing; So I, a sin - ner, come to Thee.
ban - ish nev - er, For Thou my faith - ful shep - herd art:
ly and glad - den My heart, for I am now Thy guest.
heart and spir - it, The cov - e - nant of hope and grace.



Refrain
Lord, may Thy bod - y and Thy blood Be for my soul the high - est good!

Text: Friedrich Christian Heyder, 1677–1754; tr. The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941, abr.

Tune: Emskirchner Choral-Buch, 1756, Leipzig

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LSB 563 Jesus Thy Blood and Righteousness



1 Je - sus, Thy blood and righ - teous - ness My beau - ty
2 Bold shall I stand in that great day, Cleansed and re -
3 Lord, I be - lieve Thy pre - cious blood, Which at the
4 Lord, I be - lieve, were sin - ners more Than sands up -



are, my glo - rious dress; Midst flam - ing worlds, in
deemed, no debt to pay; Ful - ly ab - solved through
mer - cy seat of God Pleads for the cap - tives'
on the o - cean shore, Thou hast for all a



these ar - rayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.
these I am From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
lib - er - ty, Was al - so shed in love for me.
ran - som paid, For all a full a - tone - ment made.

5 When from the dust of death I rise To claim my mansion in the skies,
This then shall be my only plea: Jesus hath lived and died for me.

6 Jesus, be endless praise to Thee, Whose boundless mercy hath for me,
For me, and all Thy hands have made, An everlasting ransom paid.

Text: Nicolaus Ludwig von Zinzendorf, 1700–60; tr. John B. Wesley, 1703–91, alt.
Tune: George J. Elvey, 1816–93
Text and tune: Public domain

LSB 826 Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling



1 Hark, the voice of Je - sus cry - ing, "Who will go and work to - day?
2 If you can - not speak like an - gels, If you can - not preach like Paul,
3 If you can - not be a watch - man, Stand - ing high on Zi - on's wall,
4 Let none hear you i - dly say - ing, "There is noth - ing I can do,"



Fields are white and har - vests wait - ing— Who will bear the sheaves a - way?"
You can tell the love of Je - sus, You can say He died for all.
Point - ing out the path to heav - en, Of - f'ring life and peace to all,
While the mul - ti - tudes are dy - ing And the Mas - ter calls for you.



Loud and long the Mas - ter call - eth; Rich re - ward He of - fers thee.
If you can - not rouse the wick - ed With the judg - ment's dread a - larms,
With your prayers and with your boun - ties You can do what God com - mands;
Take the task He gives you glad - ly, Let His work your plea - sure be;



Who will an - swer, glad - ly say - ing, "Here am I, send me, send me"?
You can lead the lit - tle chil - dren To the Sav - ior's wait - ing arms.
You can be like faith - ful Aar - on, Hold - ing up the proph - et's hands.
An - swer quick - ly when He call - eth, "Here am I, send me, send me!"

Text (sts. 1–2, 4): Daniel March, 1816–1909, alt.; (st. 3): unknown, alt.
Tune: Joseph Barnby, 1838–96
Text and tune: Public domain

LSB 632 O Jesus, Blessed Lord, to Thee



1 O Je - sus, bless - ed Lord, to Thee My heart - felt
2 Break forth, my soul, for joy and say: What wealth is



thanks for - ev - er be, Who hast so lov - ing -
come to me this day! My Sav - ior dwells with -



ly be - stowed On me Thy bod - y and Thy blood.
in my heart: How blessed am I! How good Thou art!

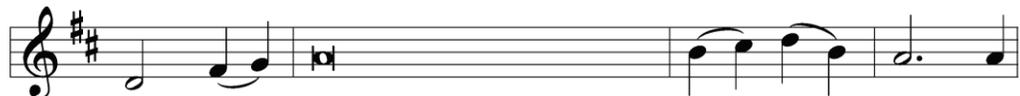
Text: Thomas Hansen Kingo, 1634–1703; tr. Arthur J. Mason, 1851–1928
Tune: Trente quatre Pseaumes de David, 1551, Geneva, ed. Louis Bourgeois
Text and tune: Public domain

THE DISMISSAL

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace.

C Amen.

NUNC DIMITTIS



C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and



to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,



is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

THANKSGIVING



A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



C and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.



P The Lord be with you.



C And with thy spir - it.

BENEDICAMUS

LSB 202



A Bless we the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

LSB 202

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.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.



RECESSIONAL HYMN: Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

LSB 394



1 Songs of thank - ful - ness and praise, Je - sus, Lord, to Thee we raise,
2 Man - i - fest at Jor-dan's stream, Proph-et, Priest, and King su-preme;
3 Man - i - fest in mak-ing whole Pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;
4 Sun and moon shall dark-ened be, Stars shall fall, the heav'ns shall flee;
5 Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Pres - ent in Thy ho - ly Word—



Man - i - fest-ed by the star To the sa - ges from a - far,
And at Ca - na wed - ding guest In Thy God-head man - i - fest;
Man - i - fest in val - iant fight, Quell - ing all the dev - il's might;
Christ will then like light - ning shine, All will see His glo - rious sign;
Grace to im - i - tate Thee now And be pure, as pure art Thou;



Branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem In Thy birth at Beth - le - hem:
Man - i - fest in pow'r di - vine, Chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;
Man - i - fest in gra - cious will, Ev - er bring - ing good from ill;
All will then the trum - pet hear, All will see the Judge ap - pear;
That we might be - come like Thee At Thy great e - piph - a - ny



An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
An - thems be to Thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.
Thou by all wilt be con - fessed, God in man made man - i - fest.
And may praise Thee, ev - er blest, God in man made man - i - fest.

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Tune: George J. Elvey, 1816–93

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POSTLUDE

LSB (Lutheran Service Book 2006)

OAR (One and All Rejoice 2020) *The hymnal supplement to the Lutheran Service Book*

CW (Christian Worship) WELS Hymnal

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Preacher:	Rev. Craig Meissler
Celebrant:	Rev. Mike Middaugh
Organist:	Jerusha Cascione
Elders:	Robert Axtell Mike Wille Trey Roberts
Ushers:	Steve Melancon Martin Aguilar
	Daniel Ochoa Wally Mencke
Greeters:	Virginia Axtell Lisa Gerlich

HOLY COMMUNION

- If you are a member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and desire to take communion, please indicate on the Attendance Card found in the pew and place in the offering plate. Because participation in the Lord's Supper is a public declaration of the Christian Faith which is confessed at this altar (Acts 2:42; 1 John 1:3; 1 Tim. 1:3; 4:16; 6:3-10; 2 Tim. 1:13; Rom. 16:17) those who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, are asked to respectfully refrain from participation today and speak with a pastor after the Divine Service. If you are not communing but wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest once you are kneeled at the communion rail.
- Both the common cup and individual cups are offered at each table simultaneously. If you desire the common cup, please hold your hands open and the pastor will provide it to you, while the elders serve the individual cups. It is proper to take hold of the cup when receiving the common cup. This helps prevent spilling and greatly assist the pastor.

ALCOHOL-REMOVED WINE/GLUTEN-FREE WAFERS AVAILABLE

- For those who are allergic, or for health reasons, and unable to drink regular wine, alcohol-removed wine is available for Holy Communion. The alcohol-removed wine is white in color and in the individual cups in the center of each tray.
- Gluten-free wafers are also available. Please notify one of the pastors before the service that you would prefer the gluten-free option. The reception of this wine and the gluten-free wafers in no way affects the theological meaning or benefits of this Sacrament.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP During this hour, God comes to us in His Word and Sacrament, and we respond in prayer and praise! Here are a few practical tips for minimizing distractions and maximizing participation:

- **IN ORDER THAT WE HAVE** a record of your worshipping with us, we would ask all present to **please complete an attendance card** found in the pew and place in the offering plate.
- We ask that you turn off or put away your phones and electronic devices so that you can participate fully in what God is doing during this special time dedicated to Him.
- While it is sometimes necessary to quiet an infant or toddler with a small snack or a bottle, **we ask that no other foods or beverages** be brought into the sanctuary.
- The ministerial staff is always available to you should you have spiritual care needs. Please contact the front office to arrange for pastoral care.
- Hearing devices are available for the hearing impaired. Please speak with one of the ushers.

CHILDREN & WORSHIP We love children and are happy they are here with us! Just as a child learns to speak by imitating the voice of mom or dad, so too a child learns to worship by participating in the service at an early age. If you have questions about how to incorporate your child into the worship life of the congregation in an age-appropriate way, please see one of the pastors. **Assistance for children with special needs during worship and Sunday school is also available – see an usher for details.** **A nursery** is also available. Parents can use it when quieting a child or changing a diaper. The service can be heard in the nursery. **Activity items** are available for your child(ren) in the narthex. Please make sure all items are returned at the end of the service.

MIDWEEK STUDIES

Tuesday Morning Class | Tues | 10:00-11:30am {Parish Hall} Immediately following Matins (10:00am)

Men's Study | 1st & 3rd Wed | 6:00pm {Parish Hall} All men are invited! Contact Roman Gomez.

Men's Study | 1st & 3rd Sat | 8:00-9:30am {Parish Hall} The study of Acts. Led by Daniel Ochoa.

Women's Study | 3rd Mon | 7:30-8:30pm {Meets at members' homes} Contact Shirley Wille.

Women's Study | 2nd & 4th Mon | 6:00-7:30pm {Library} We have started *Divine Directions: How God Guides Your Path* (Sharla Fritz, CPH).

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP SERVICES continue to be live streamed and archived on our website. Bible class/Sunday school for all ages is at 8:45am with our Divine Service at 10:00am.

FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TODAY to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for His many blessings.

PRAYERS – Brent and Samantha Thompson, Raquel Mencke, Ralph Domel, Liz Willis, Jan Miyauchi, Michelle Thompson, Alex Hansmann, Russell Maxwell, Art Wendt, Marlene Walker, Brad Boeckner, Bill O'Brien, Linda Dietz, Patsy Bond, Jeff Harwood, Darrell Donnell, Heidi Farmer, Christine Prinz, Joshua Gabel, Richard Wieding, Michael Gilg, Nancy Goggio, Debbie Kuehling, Dave Weller, Hayley Trujillo; our home-bound members: Tammy Greinke, Katie Klann, Sandy Krywoszej, Olga Mencke, Karen Price.

LORD'S SUPPER – If you are physically unable to get to church and would like to receive the Lord's Supper in your home, please contact the church office so that we can schedule a date and time with one of the pastors.

PASTORAL CARE, VISITATION, & PRAYERS – If it is your desire to share a health condition, hospitalization, or procedure for which you would like a pastoral visit, it is important for us to know as much information ahead of time as possible. Please contact the church office with all the pertinent information. If you are hospitalized or in rehab, it helps us a great deal to keep us updated as to where you are as well as the room number if possible. If you wish for you or your loved one to be included in the Prayers of the Church on Sunday morning, please contact the church office as soon as you can.



SANDWICHES FOR CAM – JOIN US! We have been preparing **300 sandwiches** two times per month for Christian Assistance Ministries. (CAM). CAM currently distributes 300 sandwiches **per day** to those in need in our community. Please consider volunteering an hour of your time to help with the sandwich making. Interested? **Stay tuned for the next sandwich making day.**



YOU CAN HELP FUND THE PURCHASE OF SANDWICH SUPPLIES BY MAKING A CONTRIBUTION IN THE BREAD BOX LOCATED ON THE TABLE IN THE NARTHEX.



GUEST PREACHER NEXT SUNDAY - We are pleased to welcome Rev. Mark Moss from the Lutheran Heritage Foundation who will be preaching next Sunday and will be presenting on the work of the LHF during Education hour. The Lutheran Heritage Foundation is a recognized service organization of the LCMS and translates, publishes, distributes and introduces books that are Bible-based, Christ-centered and Reformation-driven to the mission fields worldwide. In more than 100 countries and 180 languages, thousands of people have come to faith in Christ because they've been able to read books like *The Good News About Jesus* or *Luther's Small Catechism* in their own languages.

MARY-MARTHA GUILD WILL be having a Bake Sale today in the gym.



THE BELL TOLLETH FOR THEE! Handbell ringers are needed to round out our ensemble! If you are free on Thursday evenings at 6:00 PM and would like to learn how to ring, we would love to have you! The ability to read music is helpful but not required. We could use a few good men as well! Questions/Interested? Talk to Pr. Meissler

MEMBERSHIP QUESTIONS: If you are not currently a member of Mt. Calvary but would like to know what membership entails and our process for receiving new members, please speak to one of our elders, or one of the pastors. For those coming from a non-Lutheran background we offer new-member adult confirmation classes upon request. For those who are transferring from another LCMS Lutheran Church, the transfer process is often quick, but the pastors would still wish to speak with you, and answer questions you may have about Mt. Calvary. Membership is an important commitment to a local congregation, both to receive spiritual care from, and to give support to, the ministry of a congregation which is a Biblical model we still follow today.

MT. CALVARY MEN'S RETREAT – LIVING FOR GOD

All Mt. Calvary men are invited to a men's retreat at Camp Lonestar, Friday, February 27 – Sunday, March 1st. This retreat will be for the purpose of Bible Study, worship, and fellowship with other Brothers in Christ. The theme of this year's retreat will be "Living for God" taken from 1 Peter 4:

As a result, they do not live the rest of their earthly lives for evil human desires, but rather for the will of God. (1 Peter 4:2)

The cost will be \$125pp to attend. Housing and food will be provided at Camp Lonestar. You may sign up and pay for this on the Mt. Calvary website: mtcsa.org – scroll down to upcoming events. Speak with Daniel Chapa, who is helping organize this event, or one of the pastors to get more information.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS/GROUPS to sign up for meals during Lent. Meals start at 5:30pm. These are the dates: February 18 & 25, March 4, 11 (youth group), 18 Elders), 25. Please see Susan with any questions. Sign-up sheet is in the narthex. Thank you!

CHRISTIAN ASSISTANCE MINISTRY (CAM) Needs are bibles, canned vegetables, men's jeans, belts, tennis/athletic shoes, casual pants/shorts, diapers (sizes 6,7,8,). Your donations are greatly appreciated!

THE AGAPE MINISTRY most needed items: canned meat, peanut butter, jelly, rice, fresh or frozen meat. Other items needed are canned vegetables, canned fruit, mac & cheese, tomato sauce/pasta sauce, soup, beans (dry or canned), spaghetti, cereal, cookies, crackers, laundry detergent, toilet paper, bar soap, pet food. Also accepted are used clothing, household items, linens, shoes, purses, new underwear, socks, etc.

ANIMAL DEFENSE LEAGUE URGENT NEEDS: Canned Dog Food, Canned Cat Food, Blankets, Dog Treats, XL KONG Toys, Bottles, KMR (1st step), Puppy Esbilac, Puppy pads, Miracle nipples, Food scales, Heating pads, and Warming discs. All food items should be unopened. Please separate newspapers and empty medicine bottles into bags.

READ, LISTEN, WATCH – 1517.org is a nonprofit organization that exists to declare and defend the

 Good News that you are forgiven and free on account of Christ alone. 1517 features hundreds of podcasts, articles, and videos all with the purpose of preaching and teaching Reformation Theology and Christ for You. 1517 is a completely free resource thanks to partnership and support from dozens of LCMS churches here in Texas, and around the country. If you have not already, go to 1517.org to access their large library of online resources.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR – February 15th, "Up and Down the Mountain" Guest Speaker: Rev. Michael Schutz. Many voices compete for our attention, but above all, listen to the voice of Jesus and hear what He's done for you. Matthew 17:1-9. Times/Stations: 6:00am on WOAI 1200; 9:00am on KAWZ 88.7 FM; or 8:00am on KWED 1580 AM (Seguin)

A LIFE QUOTE FOR SUNDAY, February 8th: "God loves you in your vulnerability so much that He subjected Himself to conform to a vulnerable human body. So today ... remember that Jesus, in whom all things hold together, loves you, individually. He is fully present with you just as He was in His mother's arms. God's peace be with you this day, this night." *Andrea Delwiche – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Sunday – 124 Adult Class – 37 PreK-HS – 20 Matins - 21

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF February 8, 2026

Today	8:30am	Fellowship/Coffee
	8:45am	Sunday school/Adult Bible class/Bake Sale
	10:00am	Divine Service w/ Holy Communion
Monday	10:00am	Braille #10
	6:00pm	Women's Bible Study
Tuesday	10:00am	Matins (Sanctuary – please enter at Parish Hall doors) Followed by Tuesday Morning Class (Parish Hall)
Wednesday	9:00am	Braille #19
	10:00am	Quilting
Thursday	9:30am	Braille #12
Friday	7:00pm	AA – Shook Big Book
Next Sunday	8:30am	Fellowship/Coffee
	8:45am	Sunday school/Adult Bible class
	10:00am	Divine Service w/ Holy Communion

BIRTHDAYS LAST WEEK AND THIS WEEK

February

9 Amy Morris

10 Linda Van Dyke



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PREGNANCY CARE CENTER

GUEST SPEAKER

Dave McCall

FEBRUARY 15 - 12:30 PM

LIGHT LUNCH SERVED

We welcome Dave McCall, CEO of Pregnancy Care Center as he presents on "Life Issues in a Post-Roe v. Wade World," offering insight and perspective on this important topic.

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