

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Last Sunday of the Church Year ~ Nov. 20, 2022 ~ 10:30 a.m.

COMMUNION SERVICE

We welcome you in the name of Jesus, our Savior. *Please take a moment to sign the Record of Fellowship pad in your pew, and silence your cell phone.* May God bless you as you worship with us today.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

P: Good morning, Priests.

(1 Peter 2:9)

C: Good morning, Pastor.

HYMN: *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* (v.1-4,7) 549

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

INVOCATION:

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(We now pause for a moment of silent confession.)

P: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

C: Amen.

INTROIT

Psalm 134, 33:8

A: Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him!

C: Come, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord, who stand by night in the house of the Lord!

A: Lift up your hands to the holy place and bless the Lord!

C: May the Lord bless you from Zion, He who made heaven and earth!

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.

A: Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him!

KYRIE

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE: *For All You've Done*

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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lord Jesus Christ, You reign among us by the preaching of Your cross. Forgive Your people their offenses that we, being governed by Your bountiful goodness, may enter at last into Your eternal paradise; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING:

Malachi 3:13–18

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING:

Colossians 1:13–20

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING:

Luke 23:27–43

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 23th chapter.

C: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

HYMN:

O Savior, Precious Savior

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MESSAGE:

What an Odd Bunch You are!

HYMN:

You Are the Way; through You Alone

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Create in Me

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PRAYERS

SERVICE OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

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, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. 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: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

P: Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end.

Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORDS OF OUR LORD

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your Holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

LORD'S PRAYER

AGNUS DEI

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DISTRIBUTION SONG: *Holy and Anointed One*

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NUNC DIMITTIS:

Song of Simeon

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POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P: 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. **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: *Mighty to Save*

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P: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Flowers have been placed at the altar today by Michael Conte (Edith's son) in memory of his father Michael Conte Sr.

Budget Announcement 2023

On Nov. 6, the Budget Committee prepared the 2023 Budget. Copies are available in the Narthex. The Budget was prepared assuming that our permanent pastor has been called and that the Shared Ministry with St. John's, Bloomfield will be in effect for the entire year. Please direct any questions to Joanne Arroyo, John Ricca or Andy Wolcott. Following the service next Sunday, a vote will be taken to approve the 2023 budget.

Verona Interfaith Thanksgiving Service is TODAY at 5:00 p.m.

The service will be held at **B'nai Shalom West Orange** located at 300 Pleasant Valley Way (parking entrance on Woodland Avenue). Attendees are encouraged to **bring a non-perishable or toiletry item** to be donated to a local pantry.

DON'T FORGET TO BUY SCRIP!

Remembering to use scrip when shopping for holiday gifts, meals, groceries, and even at the gas pump! There are over 750 retailers to choose from. Don't forget those \$5 and \$10 cards. They're great to just keep on hand! To get a complete retailer list, go to www.raiseright.com. Scroll down to bottom of page and click on resources.

Place your Christmas gift orders no later than Dec. 11 so they can be delivered at church on the 18th.

See Joanne Arroyo or Anne Daly in the Narthex after the service.

CALENDAR:

Today: 7:00 pm Bible Study

Wednesday: 7:30 pm Thanksgiving Eve Service
After the Service – Praise Team Practice

Thursday: *Thanksgiving Day*

Sunday: 8:45 am Sunday School
10:30 am Worship Service
7:00 pm Bible Study

THOSE WHO SERVE US:

Altar Guild: Jaya Lakra

Communion Assistant/Reader: John Ricca

Contemporary Music Director/Organist: Ruth Bolger

Live Stream Producer/Projectionist: Christopher Bolger

Reader: Bill Keltner

Ushers: John Wickham

BIRTHDAY: Nov. 25 Esther Dulkpado



PRAYER LIST

Pray for:

***Jon Yarger**, who is suffering with back issues.*

***Dominic Cappello**, a young Elementary school boy, who is taking treatment for a cancerous brain tumor.*

***Nathan Kuder**, may the Lord bring His healing upon him.*

***Don and Lucille Wernes**, for healing and strength.*

***Luise Wetter**, still suffering with back and leg pain.*

***Ken and Edith Meyer**, who need strength and encouragement while dealing with various medical issues.*

***Nicole Pappas**, for healing for various medical issues.*

***Ellie**, that God will continue to heal her.*

***Benga Adesokan** and his mission work in Nigeria.*

***Kenneth Meyer Jr.** and his mission work in Vienna.*

Continue to pray for members and friends of Calvary experiencing long-term problems:

LaVerne Sieglen and Lois Tiedemann.



Connect.



Grow.



Serve.

