

MOUNT CALVARY EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Nursery care is available in the Ministry Building

We realize that it is difficult for some people to stand for long periods of time, or to kneel. 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.

The Prelude: Moderato

Schale

Stand

The Hymn of Invocation: Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

LSB 660

The Invocation

P In the name of the Father, T the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

The Act of Adoration

P Let us praise our heavenly Father, who made us. He gives us all that we need for this life. He sent His Son to break sin's power over us. He makes us into new creatures through the work of His Holy Spirit.

C **We praise You, O Father, for without You life would be impossible.**

P Let us praise our Savior, Jesus Christ, who became one of us. He shared the joys and sorrows of life on earth. He willingly died in our place. He rose on the third day to free us from the power of sin.

C **We praise You, Son of God, for You have come into our lives to forgive and free us.**

P Let us praise the Holy Spirit, who empowers us to lead new lives. He gives us His Word to free and guide us. He works through the sacraments, through Baptism and Holy Communion. He unites us as brothers and sisters, members of the body of Christ and His messengers to all men.

C **We praise You, Holy Spirit, for You work through us powerfully to show forth the praise of Him who loved us. We will praise You by seeking out others to be**

loved by You eternally. We will adore You by serving the needy, out of love that You have given us.

Kneel

The Act of Confession

- P It is not an easy thing to confess one's sins and shortcomings. Yet we see them all around us, and we know that when we will not admit our mistakes we make an even greater one. So let us confess our sins in the midst of one another and to Almighty God.
- C **Lord, our loving Father, we confess that we are sinners. It shows up in our failure to share the Good News of Your Son's almighty death and resurrection. It shows up in our becoming wrapped up in ourselves, and hurting others. Break the bonds of our slavery to sin and heal us, O loving God, because of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.**
- P Know that your sins are forgiven, for Christ your Lord has freed you completely from the power of sin and death. You are free to spread the Good News to all the world and to all people. Speak of Jesus Christ and His saving deeds. Show in your lives peace, joy, and love. Turn from your old ways and live the new life in Christ, for you are new people.

Stand

The Prayer for the Day

- P Dear Lord, Thank You for all the blessings You give me and my loved ones. Thank You for everything You have entrusted to me to manage for You. These possessions, these resources, these gifts are not mine, but Yours. Give me the wisdom and willingness to make them available to extend Your kingdom. Help me to make Your mission my mission! In Jesus' name I pray.
- C **Amen.**

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 18:1-10a

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Colossians 1:21-29

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

Holy Gospel

Luke 10:38-42

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

The Confession of Faith in the Words of the 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 \textdagger of the world to come. Amen.

Sit

Hymn of the Day: Jesus Shall Reign

LSB 832

Sermon: Greetings from Rome *Romans 1:7-17* Rev. K. T. DeVries

7 To all those in Rome who are loved by God and called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 8 First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed in all the world. 9 For God is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of his Son, that without ceasing I mention you 10 always in my prayers, asking that somehow by God's will I may now at last succeed in coming to you. 11 For I long to see you, that I may impart to you some

spiritual gift to strengthen you— **12** that is, that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine. **13** I want you to know, brothers, that I have often intended to come to you (but thus far have been prevented), in order that I may reap some harvest among you as well as among the rest of the Gentiles. **14** I am under obligation both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish. **15** So I am eager to preach the gospel to you also who are in Rome. **16** For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. **17** For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

Stand

The Offertory

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Please complete an attendance card found in the pew and place it in the offering plate in order that we have a record of your worshipping 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.

Sit

The Voluntary: Jesus Shall Reign

Bender

Stand

The Prayers

P: O God, the Father, who made Jesus, Your Son, the cornerstone of the Church:

C: **Have mercy on us.**

P: O Christ, Head of Your body, the Church, which You purchased with Your blood:

C: **Have mercy on us.**

P: O Spirit of Holiness and truth, Who sanctifies, guides and empowers the Church:

C: **Have mercy on us.**

P: Remember not, O Lord, our offenses, our omissions, and our trust in our own abilities.

Spare Your people whom You have redeemed with the precious blood of Jesus and take not Your Holy Spirit from us.

C: **Spare us, good Lord.**

- P: From fear of the future, from lack of zeal, from wrong priorities, and from concern for self more than others;
- C: **Lord, save Your Church.**
- P: From Friendship with the world, from discord, from division, from stubbornness, from pride, and from unfaithfulness.
- C: **Lord, save Your Church.**
- P: Lord, we pray for our congregation. Bless us and lead us this day to follow the Spirit's urging to do that which is pleasing in Your sight, that the work of the ministry of sharing the Gospel might increase.
- C: **Bless our church, that we might walk together led by Your Son, Jesus, the Head of our church, through Your inspired Word.**
- P: Give us zeal, O Lord, for Your Kingdom's growth. Help us to remember that we are the church; that we may be led to serve in our own neighborhoods, or wherever you take us: that we may pray for the success of workers who serve in our stead: that we may with cheerful hearts give generously of our resources and that we may work while it is still day before the night comes when no man can work.
- C: **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- P: Cause us to remember the sheep that are not of this fold, to seek out the wandering and the lost, to proclaim the forgiveness of sins to the penitent and to be impatient about reaching the whole world with the good news of Jesus Christ our Savior.
- C: **Lord, hear our prayers.**
- P: Father, we pray for those with special concerns today.....Now, to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, to Him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus, to all generations forever and ever.
- C: **Amen.**

The Communion Liturgy

- P Lift up your hearts.
- C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**
- P: Let us give thanks for His glory.
- C: **We give thanks; we rejoice in His presence.**
- P: Thanks and praise be to You, O Father, who sent Your own Son into the world to be a man, born of a woman, to die for us on a cross that was made by us.
- C: **He came for us. Help us to accept His coming.**

P: He walked among us, a man, on our earth, in our world of conflict, and commanded us to remember His death, His death which gives us life; and to wait for Him until He comes again in glory.

C: **We remember His death; we live by His presence; we wait for His coming.**

P: On the night when He was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me." In the same way He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink of it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." Therefore, remembering His death, believing in His rising from the grave, affirming His presence, now, in this place, we obey His command; we await the gift of Himself.

C: **Come, Lord Jesus, come.**

P: Send down on us, O Father, the Spirit of life and power, glory and love, that in this Holy Communion we may be made one with Him, and He with us, and that we may remain faithful members of His body until we eat with Him in His heavenly kingdom.

C: **Come, risen Lord, live in us that we may live in You.**

P: And Now, in the words of our Lord, we are bold to say:

All: 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.

P: The gifts of God for the People of God.

C: **Amen.**

Sit

Distribution Hymns: Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence	<i>LSB 621</i>
I Love Your Kingdom, Lord	<i>LSB 651</i>
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing	<i>LSB 686</i>

THE DISMISSAL AND BENEDICTION

P Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.

C: **And His steadfast love lasts forever.**

All: My soul, give thanks to the Lord. All my being, bless His Holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord, and never forget all His blessings. It is He who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, Who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion, who fills your life with good things, renewing your youth like an eagle's. Give thanks to the Lord, all His works, in every place where He rules. My soul, give thanks to the Lord! Give praise to the Father almighty, to His Son, Jesus Christ, the Lord, to the Spirit who dwells in our hearts, both now and forever. Amen

The Closing Hymn: My God, Accept My Heart This Day

My God, accept my heart this day And make it always Thine
That I from Thee no more may stray, No more from Thee decline.

Before the cross of Him who died, Behold, I prostrate fall;
Let ev'ry sin be crucified And Christ be all in all.

Anoint me with Thy Sprit's grace And seal me for Thine own
That I may see Thy glorious face And worship near Thy throne.

May the dear blood once shed for me My blest atonement prove
That I from first to last may be The purchase of Thy love!

Let every thought and work and word To Thee be ever given;
Then life shall be Thy service, Lord, And death the gate of heaven.

Postlude: Psalm XIX

Marcello

*Visitors: please pick up a visitor's packet at the guest register.
Join us for coffee and fellowship in the gym after the 8:30 a.m. service.*

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COMMUNION: Holy Communion will be celebrated today. If you are a member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod and desire to take communion, please indicate on the Rite of Friendship card found in the pew and place it in the offering plate. All other guests are kindly asked to speak to a Pastor before communing. Both the common and individual cups are offered at each table simultaneously. If you desire the common cup, 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 assists the Pastor.

NON-ALCOHOLIC WINE AVAILABLE: For those who are allergic or for health reasons unable to drink regular wine, non-alcoholic wine is available for Holy Communion. The non-alcoholic wine is white in color and is in the three individual glasses in the center of each tray. It is available in each service at each table. The reception of this wine in no way affects the theological meaning or benefits of this Sacrament.

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