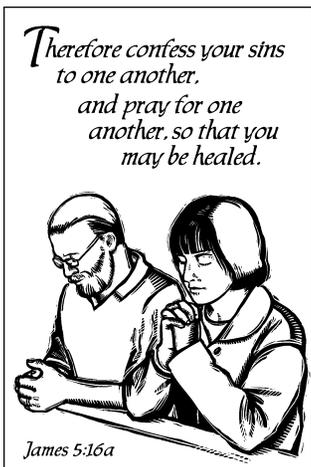


CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Church of the Lutheran Confession

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Divine Worship. 9:30am

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TRINITY FOUR

July 14, 2019

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP:

Psalm: 34 (Pg. 131)

Prayers: 33 (Pg. 105); **37** (Pg. 105).

Organist: Mr. Walter Priebe

HYMNS: 535 459 439 51

PRAYER

OPENING HYMN: 535 - "Rejoice, My Heart, Be Glad and Sing"

THE ORDER OF MORNING SERVICE (TLH Pg.5ff.)

The Invocation... The Confession of Sins... Absolution, -- "Amen."

The Introit... The Gloria Patri (Pg. 6) ...The Kyrie (Pg. 7).

**God loved the world so that He gave His only Son the lost to save
That all who would in Him believe Should everlasting life receive.**

**Be of good cheer, for God's own Son Forgives all sins which thou hast
done; Thou'rt justified by Jesus' blood, Thy Baptism grants the highest
good.**

**If thou be sick, if death draw near, This truth thy troubled heart can
cheer: Christ Jesus saves my soul from death, That is the firmest ground
of faith.**

**Glory to God the Father, Son, And Holy Spirit, Three in One!
To Thee, O blessed Trinity, Be praise now and eternally!**

The Salutation (Pg. 9) ...The Collect -- "Amen."

CLC CALL NEWS

Teacher Matthew Kranz of Immanuel Lutheran School in Mankato, MN. has returned the call of St. John's Lutheran School in Okabena, MN. • Teacher Paul Tiefel III of Messiah Lutheran School in Eau Claire, WI. has been called by Holy Trinity Lutheran School in West Columbia, SC. Holy Trinity has also called Leah Fossum to serve as upper grades teacher for one year. • Prince of Peace Lutheran in Loveland, CO, has called Pastor Paul Krause, who currently serves Trinity Lutheran in Watertown, SD and Zion Lutheran in Hidewood Township, SD. Pastor Tom Schuetze has accepted the vacancy call of Prince of Peace, Loveland to serve them during the interim. • Pastor Tim Daub has returned the call of Bethel Lutheran Church in Morris, MN • Faith Lutheran of Markesan, WI. has called Teacher Karl Olmanson to serve as principal and upper grade teacher.

Missions/Cooperative Budget Plan Pledge 2019	
<i>The Cooperative Budget Plan (CBP) is a pledge established by the Voters of Calvary to participate in the work of the Church of the Lutheran Confession. The amount given to 'Missions' on your church envelope goes to this pledge. In the event that our offerings fall short of our pledge, the difference will be taken from the Calvary General Fund. In the event that our offerings exceed our pledge, additional funds will be placed in the General Fund.</i>	
Amount Pledged 2019	Amount Received as of 7/7/19
\$7000.00	\$4192.00 (-2808.00)

CLCI SEMINARY STUDENT SPONSORSHIP - \$40/MO		
NOVEMBER GOAL	RECEIVED 7/7	NOVEMBER GOAL
\$35.00	\$0	\$35.00

The Offerings of Thankful Hearts – Calvary Offerings 7/7/19				
General Fund	Loose Offerings	Missions (CBP)	ILC Student Aid	Spokesman
\$1380.00	\$54.00	\$347.00	\$100.00	\$18.00
Offerings Total: \$1899.00				

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READINGS FOR HOME DEVOTIONS; JULY 15-20, 2019

Monday - Mark 11:27-33 They weren't asking for information but throwing down the gauntlet; it's the same old story of men insulting God. Formidable they were: church officials, Bible quiz champs, and veterans—but no match for Jesus. He got to the crux right away: did they recognize God in John's ministry? They knew the right answer, but they hedged because they feared fallout from the faithful. Lesson: Jesus always holds the trump card.

Tuesday - Psalm 119:1-16 Let's probe our own hearts and get to the point. *"Oh, that my ways were directed to keep Your statutes; then I would not be so ashamed of myself. I soiled myself during my youth, and You, Lord, brought me low so that I would repent and strive to amend. Lord, don't allow me to wander, and teach me how to straighten up! I vow to pay closer attention to Your Word and follow it as my compass in life. Thank You for loving me."*

Wednesday - Acts 6:8-15 What had made Stephen a nuisance to Satan's cronies? He had done BIG miracles in public and thus used Stephen as a conduit of His grace, His love, and His power to help others—which is what miracles are all about. Worldlings give us grief because they feel put into the shade and are too proud to surrender. So they go into attack mode, and in the name of religion (even!) can get downright dirty. Steven saw through it and looked into heaven beyond, for God opened a side door to keep him focused.

Thursday - Luke 18:15-17 Yes, we believe in infant baptism, and for good reason. See the way Jesus acted when parents brought their babies to Him so that He would touch them? Babies are touch-oriented and voice-oriented long before they understand language. Here's the point: in Baptism Jesus touches the soul. We depend on that approach not only in children but in everybody, for every soul needs to feel the touch of Jesus' Holy Spirit and get attuned to His voice. God's *M.O.* with babies is His *M.O.* with everyone. Got it.

Friday - Isaiah 43:8-13 Eyes and ears are useless unless they transmit sight and sound. Now, God can cure spiritual blindness and deafness, as we know from our own experience, and so we testify that there is no God other than the Holy Trinity, and Jesus is the only Savior. Savior for what goal? For eternal life after the sights and sounds of earthly life fade away and die.

Saturday - 2 Timothy 2:19-26 *Coming to one's senses* (v. 26) is an interesting concept, for it implies that a person has left/lost some of his senses and can no longer make sense of what is happening to him. He needs help to get it straight—preferably from gentle and humble folks, *so that God will perhaps grant them repentance, and they may know the truth* about themselves, God and His grace—as these truths the world in which we live.

The Prayer of the Righteous is Powerful and Effective.

James 5:16



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¹⁹ Brethren, if anyone among you wanders from the truth, and someone turns him back, ²⁰ let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save a soul from death and cover a multitude of sins.*

DO YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO?

THE OFFERINGS OF THANKFUL HEARTS

THE OFFERING HYMN: (TLH 442:1-2)

Lord of Glory, who hast bought us With Thy life-blood as the price,
Never grudging for the lost ones That tremendous sacrifice;
And with that hast freely given Blessings countless as the sand
To the unthankful and the evil With Thine own unsparing hand;
Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to yield Thee Gladly, freely, of Thine own;
With the sunshine of Thy goodness Melt our thankless hearts of stone
Till our cold and selfish natures, Warmed by Thee, at length believe
That more happy and more blessed 'Tis to give than to receive.

PRAYER(S)...THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN: 439 – “O God of Mercy, God of Might”

THE COLLECT: Pastor

CONGREGATION: (Sung) "Amen."

THE BENEDICTION: Pastor

CONGREGATION: (Sung) "Amen, Amen, Amen."

CLOSING HYMN: 51 – “Now May He Who from the Dead”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

July 14, 2019

THIS MORNING:

✓ Voter's Meeting after Worship

THIS WEEK

Sunday: Worship 9:30am

CALVARY VOTER'S MEETING

The Voters of Calvary will meet this morning following worship.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

A three-day evening (6-8pm, Tuesday-Thursday) Vacation Bible School is scheduled for July 23-25. If you think you would like to help in some way, speak with Pastor Schaller.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON:

PSALM 34:1-22

¹ I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise *shall* continually *be* in my mouth. ² My soul shall make its boast in the LORD; The humble shall hear *of it* and be glad. ³ Oh, magnify the LORD with me, And let us exalt His name together.

⁴ I sought the LORD, and He heard me, And delivered me from all my fears.

⁵ They looked to Him and were radiant, And their faces were not ashamed. ⁶ This poor man cried out, and the LORD heard *him*, And saved him out of all his troubles. ⁷ The angel of the LORD encamps all around those who fear Him, And delivers them.

⁸ Oh, taste and see that the LORD *is* good; Blessed *is* the man *who* trusts in Him! ⁹ Oh, fear the LORD, you His saints! *There is* no want to those who fear Him. ¹⁰ The young lions lack and suffer hunger; But those who seek the LORD shall not lack any good *thing*.

¹¹ Come, you children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

¹² *Who is* the man *who* desires life, And loves *many* days, that he may see good? ¹³ Keep your tongue from evil, And your lips from speaking deceit.

¹⁴ Depart from evil and do good; Seek peace and pursue it.

¹⁵ The eyes of the LORD *are* on the righteous, And His ears *are open* to their cry. ¹⁶ The face of the LORD *is* against those who do evil, To cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.

¹⁷ *The righteous* cry out, and the LORD hears, And delivers them out of all their troubles. ¹⁸ The LORD *is* near to those who have a broken heart, And saves such as have a contrite spirit.

¹⁹ Many *are* the afflictions of the righteous, But the LORD delivers him out of them all. ²⁰ He guards all his bones; Not one of them is broken. ²¹ Evil shall slay the wicked, And those who hate the righteous shall be condemned. ²² The LORD redeems the soul of His servants, And none of those who trust in Him shall be condemned. *

EPISTLE LESSON:

JAMES 1:1-27

James, a bondservant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, To the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad: Greetings.

² My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, ³ knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. ⁴ But let patience have *its* perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.

⁵ If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.

⁶ But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. ⁷ For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; ⁸ he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

⁹ Let the lowly brother glory in his exaltation, ¹⁰ but the rich in his humiliation, because as a flower of the field he will pass away. ¹¹ For no sooner has the sun risen with a burning heat than it withers the grass; its flower falls, and its beautiful appearance perishes. So the rich man also will fade away in his pursuits.

¹² Blessed is the man who endures temptation; for when he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him. ¹³ Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does He Himself tempt anyone. ¹⁴ But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires and enticed. ¹⁵ Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

¹⁶ Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren. ¹⁷ Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning. ¹⁸ Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures.

¹⁹ So then, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath; ²⁰ for the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God. ²¹ Therefore lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls.

²² But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.

²³ For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; ²⁴ for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was. ²⁵ But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues *in it*, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does.

²⁶ If anyone among you thinks he is religious, and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his own heart, this one's religion is useless. ²⁷ Pure and undefiled religion before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their trouble, *and* to keep oneself unspotted from the world. *

THE GRADUAL -- (A Prayer for the Sunday read responsively)

Pastor: Forgive our sins, O Lord;

Congregation: Lest unbelievers say, 'Where is their God?' Hallelujah!

P: Help us, O God of our salvation;

C: For the glory of Your name deliver us! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

P: LORD God, you sit on the throne judging righteously;

C: Be our refuge in time of trouble! Hallelujah!

(Sung) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

"Glory be to Thee, O Lord!"

GOSPEL LESSON:

LUKE 18:9-14

⁹ Also He spoke this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: ¹⁰ "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank You that I am not like other men—extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess.' ¹³ And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise *his* eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!' ¹⁴ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified *rather* than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted." *

"Praise be to Thee, O Christ!"

CONFESSION OF FAITH:

APOSTLES CREED (PG. 12)

HYMN: 459 – "Come, My Soul, Thy Suit Prepare"

SERMON:

JAMES 5:13-20

¹³ Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing psalms. ¹⁴ Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.

¹⁶ Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. ¹⁷ Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain; and it did not rain on the land for three years and six months. ¹⁸ And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth produced its fruit.

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BACKGROUND

While we may not be certain about the identity of the writer, we know he wrote to Jewish Christians scattered abroad. However, it seems that this letter was written to Christians in established churches, not as a letter to be circulated among individuals who were unknown to James. While we do not know for certain exactly where these churches were located, it is thought these Jews lived in Palestine.



PURPOSE:

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- I. Comfort (1)
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PAUL AND JAMES

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Emphasis:

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Faith:

- † **Paul** concerns himself with speaking of faith as a gift of God, not a work.
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Both men would say that we are Justified by Faith. James would also caution that works will be the proof of faith's existence. Both men would agree with Jesus that at the last day good works will stand as the evidence of faith's existence. Paul spoke to legalists, James to weak Christians.

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