

Calvary Lutheran Church, ELCA

February 23, 2020 – Transfiguration of Our Lord
Holy Communion Setting Three



Worship Service: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School: 10:15 a.m.

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Calvary's Mission Statement:

"Celebrating and Sharing Christ's Love"

Welcome to Calvary Lutheran Church

A Stephen Ministry Congregation

Holy Communion is celebrated weekly at Calvary Lutheran Church.
To receive Holy Communion, please hold out your hand, palm upward to receive the bread. (There is a gluten-free option available for those who require it; raise your index finger to indicate your desire.) The center ring of cups in the tray contains non-alcoholic grape juice. Children are invited to come forward to receive a blessing.

Thank you for silencing all electronic devices during worship.

WELCOME GUESTS!

We are thankful God has brought you to worship with us this morning. Please fill out an attendance card from the cardholder in the pew, so that we will get to know you better. As our guest-worshipper, do not feel obligated to participate in the offering but give as your heart desires. Please be our guest at fellowship hour immediately following worship. Our prayer is through the Word, Lord's Supper and this community of faith; we might be able to share something meaningful with you. May you leave here even more convinced of God's love for you.

If you would like to join this community of faith, please speak to any member or the pastor.

Services for Children – Activity bags (please ask an usher for one) Children's Ministry Time-after Children's Time in the nursery offering age appropriate activities during the time of the sermon. Children are encouraged to return for the passing of the peace and communion. The church nursery is available during worship. Please let an usher know and a volunteer will staff it.

CORE VALUES OF CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

- God first, Christ-centered, Spirit-led
- Multi-generational Christian Family
- Evangelical - Both Community-centered and Outreach
- Growing and Transforming
- Nurturing Education
- Ever Prayerful
- Mindfully responding with God's Grace and Forgiveness
- Open Communication and information sharing
- Stewardship of all gifts

Today's festival is a bridge between the Advent-Christmas-Epiphany cycle that comes to a close today and the Lent-Easter cycle that begins in several days. On a high mountain Jesus is revealed as God's beloved Son, echoing the words at his baptism. This vision of glory sustains us as Jesus faces his impending death in Jerusalem. We turn this week to Ash Wednesday and our yearly baptismal journey from Lent to Easter. Some churches put aside the alleluia at the conclusion of today's liturgy. This word of joy will be omitted during the penitential season of Lent and will be sung again at Easter.

P: PASTOR

C: CONGREGATION

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the eternal voice from heaven, the anointed and beloved one, the Spirit moving over the waters.

C: **Amen.**

P: As we approach the mystery of God, let us come in confession, trusting the love of Christ crucified and risen.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

P: God who searches us and knows us,

C: **you have shown us what is good, but we have looked to other lights to find our way. We have not been just in our dealings with others. We have chosen revenge over mercy. We have promoted ourselves instead of walking humbly with you. With what shall we come before you? Forgive us our sin, and show us your salvation in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

P: Beloved of God, you have not received the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ. Receive the promise of baptism: You are God's child; † your sins are forgiven. Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the reign of heaven.

C: **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG: IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE ELW 834

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry,



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

C: O God, in the transfiguration of your Son you confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the witness of Moses and Elijah, and in the voice from the bright cloud declaring Jesus your beloved Son, you foreshadowed our adoption as your children. Make us heirs with Christ of your glory, and bring us to enjoy its fullness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

FIRST READING: EXODUS 24:12-18

At Mount Sinai, Moses experienced the presence of God for forty days and forty nights. The “glory of the LORD” settled on the mountain, and on the seventh day God called out to Moses. On the mountain God gave Moses the stone tablets inscribed with the ten commandments.

¹²The LORD said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.” ¹³So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴To the elders he had said, “Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them.” ¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 2

¹Why are the nations | in an uproar?

Why do the peoples mutter | empty threats?

²**Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt, and the princes | plot together,
against the LORD and against the | LORD’s anointed?**

³“Let us break their | yoke,” they say;
“let us cast off their | bonds from us.”

⁴**God whose throne is in heav- | en is laughing;**
the LORD holds them | in derision.

⁵Then in wrath God | speaks to them,
and in rage fills | them with terror.

⁶**“As for me, I have anoint- | ed my king**
upon Zion, my | holy mountain.”

⁷Let me announce the decree | of the LORD,
who said to me, “You are my son; this day have I be- | gotten you.

⁸**Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for | your inheritance**
and the ends of the earth for | your possession.

⁹You shall crush them with an | iron rod
and shatter them like a | piece of pottery.”

¹⁰**And now, you | kings, be wise;**
be warned, you rulers | of the earth.

¹¹Submit to the | LORD with fear,
and with trembling | bow in worship;

¹²**lest the LORD be angry, and you perish in a sudden | blaze of**
wrath.

Happy are all who take ref- | uge in God!

SECOND READING: 2 PETER 1:16-21

At the transfiguration, God’s voice was heard, declaring Jesus to be the beloved Son. By the activity of the Holy Spirit, God’s voice continues to be heard through the word of scripture.

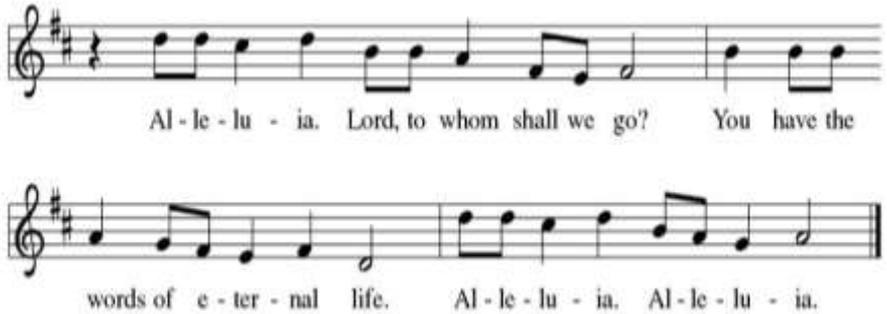
¹⁶For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, “This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

¹⁸We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain. ¹⁹So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. ²⁰First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one’s own interpretation, ²¹because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

The word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



P: THE PROCLAMATION OF THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO
SAINT MATTHEW. **C:** **GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.**

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 17:1-9

¹Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴Then Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” ⁵While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, “This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!” ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Get up and do not be afraid.” ⁸And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. ⁹As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, “Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.”

The gospel of the Lord. **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN’S TIME

SERMON – PASTOR DARYL EMOWREY

The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.

HYMN OF THE DAY: *WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS* ELW 742

APOSTLE'S 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 INTERCESSION

After each intercession: P: Lord in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

P: Standing in the light of God's glory, we entrust our prayers and petitions to the one who shines the light of God into our hearts, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

MEAL

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need and the table is set. After the offering is gathered, the assembly stands.

OFFERING

CALVARY CHOIR: *LORD I LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH* BY RICK FOUNDS

OFFERING SONG: *CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART* ELW 186

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Let us pray.

C: God of wonder, you formed us in our mother's womb, and from mother earth you bring forth this bread and wine. We place them on your table, together with our lives and all that you have made. Open the heavens to us and pour out your Spirit. We wait for your mercy; we long for your peace; we hunger and thirst for Jesus Christ, our banquet of life. Amen.

DIALOGUE

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 our thanks and praise.**

PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all the nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son, and in the miracle of the water turned to wine he revealed your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You so loved the world that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but have eternal life. We give you thanks for his coming into the world to fulfill for us your holy will and to accomplish all things for our salvation.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat, this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

P: For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P: Remembering, therefore, his salutary command, his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension, and the promise of his coming again, we give thanks to you, O Lord God Almighty, not as we ought but as we are able; we ask you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving and with your Word and Holy Spirit to bless us, your servants, and these your own gifts of bread and wine, so that we and all who share in the body and blood of Christ may be filled with heavenly blessing and grace, and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be formed to live as your holy people and be given our inheritance with your saints. To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church, now and forever. C: **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us sing as Jesus taught us.

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

(ALTAR)

P: Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! Come to the table of mercy and joy.

As a member congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Calvary Lutheran Church practices "Open Communion." All who are baptized and believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior are invited to the Table of Grace.

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

The assembly is seated.

COMMUNION HYMNS

BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR ELW 838

O MASTER, LET ME WALK WITH YOU ELW 818

FOR THE BREAD WHICH YOU HAVE BROKEN ELW 494

The assembly stands.

COMMUNION TABLE BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **C: Amen.**

SONG AFTER COMMUNION:

THANKFUL HEARTS AND VOICES RAISE ELW 207

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray.

C: Faithful God, you have kept your promise to us in this meal, nourishing us with the gift of salvation. Now send your servants forth in peace, that we may testify to your goodness and share the hope that is ours in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

P: May Christ, the wisdom and power of God, and the source of our life together, keep you united in mind and purpose. And the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you always. **C: Amen.**

SENDING SONG: ALLELUIA, SONG OF GLADNESS ELW 318

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Let your light shine. **C: Thanks be to God.**

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<u>SERVING THIS WEEK</u>	
Greeters:	Sharon Meyer
Ushers:	Mark Gordon and Dick Knecht
Lector:	Karen Ringler
Communion Assistant	Kathy Somers
Deacon:	Sherry Neumann
Musician(s):	Lynn Dygert
Flowers Given by: Marjorie Reese	To the Glory of God and in thankfulness for daughter Lynn Dygert's birthday, March 1 st , and for all the time and energy she and Marty devote to Calvary.

Readings for March 1, 2020 – First Sunday of Lent

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7 *Eating of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil*

Psalms 32 *Mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.*

Romans 5:12-19 *Death came through one; life comes through one*

Matthew 4:1-11 *The temptation of Jesus in the wilderness for forty days*

As in the past, Pastor is looking for volunteers to read character parts of Lenten Gospel readings starting Sunday March 15 thru Good Friday's worship. An email request was sent out on 2/11. Sign-up sheet available.

Lutherwald Toboggan Weekend, February 29 thru March 1. See poster upon exiting the building for details.

Well Child Clinic, at 317 S Wayne St., Suite 3B, needs volunteers to help with both nursing and non-nursing duties for 4 to 8 hours a month or less. Call office (260) 665-2403 or (260) 410-1415. More information posted on Calvary bulletin board.

Boomerang Backpacks' Bourbon Bash fundraiser held Friday, March 6 at 6:00 P.M. See Calvary bulletin board for ticket information.

ARISE 2020 TOUR with Newsong and Brandon Heath at Trine on Good Friday, April 10, 8:00 P.M. See Calvary bulletin board for ticket info.

~ Upcoming Events ~

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| Feb. 25, Tues. | Ruth Circle Meeting, 1:30 – 3:30 pm |
| Feb. 26, Wed. | Ash Wednesday Worship Service, 6:00 pm |
| Feb. 27, Thurs. | Theology on Thursday, 12:00 – 1:30 pm |
| Feb. 29 – Mar. 1 | Lutherwald 2020 Toboggan Weekend, see poster |
| Mar. 2, Mon. | Heaven Sent Board Meeting |
| Mar. 3, Tues. | Sewing Day, 9:00 am – 3:30 pm |
| Mar. 4, Wed. | Choir practice, 6:00 – 7:00 pm |
| Mar. 5, Thurs. | Lenten Worship at Holy Family, 12:00 – 12:40 pm
Theology on Thursday follows, 12:45 – 1:30 pm |
| Mar. 10, Tues. | Love Day with potluck lunch, 9:00 am – 3:30 pm |
| Mar. 11, Wed. | Choir practice, 6:00 – 7:00 pm |
| Mar. 15, Sun. | Cooking Ministry with lunch, 11:00 am – 1:30 pm |

Immediate Needs

Linda Scheumann
 Meyers family as they mourn the
 death of Donald
 Herman family as they mourn the
 death of Becky
 Kania family as they mourn the
 death of Viola
 Rich Dalrymple (health)
 Noah Beldon (healing)
 Brett Roberts (cancer)
 Tim Hasselman (cancer)
 Robert Walker (recovery)
 Vicki Richards (recovery)
 Carolyn Knehans (health)
 Carol Dillinger (cancer)
 Steve Neumann (memory issues)
 Alex Trebek (cancer)
 Pastor Judy Follis (cancer)
 Dorie Forster (cancer)
 Thomas (health)
 Dori Louise (emotional/mental well-being)
 Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, all bishops,
 pastors, deacons, and church vocations
 Calvary's Church Council and all who
 serve this church.
 Military personnel & their families.

Long Term Needs

Lola Weinhold (healing)
 Sue Neiman (cancer)
 Eric Nelson
 Lisa Kain (cancer)
 Bill Johnson (health)
 Daniel Wiegmann Jr. & family (accident)
 Marci Williams (cancer/pain)
 Sidney Dunn (cancer)
 Joyce (health)
 June Strayer (health)
 Rod Strayer (health)
 Jon Johnson (health)
 Kathy Somers (health)
 Alice Parrish (health)
 Donna Voges (health)
 Barb Petersen (health)
 Jean Stellhorn (health)
 Katherine Rich (health)
 Kyrie Huscher (healing)
 Trey Resor (recovery)
 Alan Knisely (healing)
 Joan Penix (health)
 Larry Gross (health)
 Kelli Burns (health)
 Loretta (health/healing)
 Aissa (safety/well being)
 O'Donnell family (family issues)
 Lois (Alzheimer's)

PRAYER LIST GUIDELINES

IMMEDIATE NEEDS: A name will stay on for **2 months** & will then be removed if we do not receive an update. The other option is to move to long term needs.

LONG TERM NEEDS: A name will stay on for **6 months** and then will be removed if we have not received an update.

If you wish us to add someone to the prayer list or keep someone on it, please contact the church office and let us know how he or she is progressing.