

MT. CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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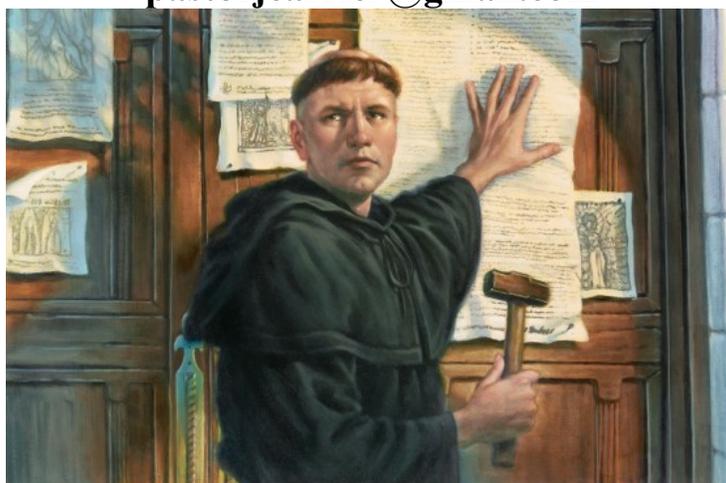
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Reformation Sunday

October 28, 2018

WELCOME - OUR INVITATION- To all who need comfort; to all who want friendship; to those who desire acceptance; to all who want sheltering love; to those who sin and need a Savior, whoever will come, this church opens wide its doors, and in the name of our Lord, says WELCOME!

VISITORS - We welcome you to Mt. Calvary! We hope that hearing God's Word this morning will strengthen and enrich your faith. Please introduce yourself to Pastor Carrier and sign the guest register, located in the narthex at the rear of the church.

Our Mission: To be living letters written by the Holy Spirit, read by all. (2 Corinthians 3:3).

WE INCLUDE IN OUR PRAYERS the following people dealing with health concerns:

From our fellowship: Erv Beyersdorf who is in rehab, Bill and Judy Buchanan, Dina Gilmore, Debora Jackson, Arnold Karcher, Jeff Kurtz, Karen Roemer, Karolyn Swad, Carol Vietzke, and Philonese Walker

Among our friends and families: Ronda Burns Aitchison, Kimiko Asalos, Gabrielle Awada, Julie Buckbee (daughter of Kimiko Astolos), David Coates, Barbara Drisko (friend of Sylvia Wallace), Elizabeth Higginbotham, Jill Hupp, Luella Lanier (mother of Philonese Walker), Harrison McNally (the infant great-nephew of Brian), Patricia McNally, Rev. Pat O'Brien, Sue Richardson, Izzy Sherman (niece of John Duff of Redeemer, Birmingham)

We also pray: for the United States military, first responders, police officers (especially Corporal Irvan Higgins), firefighters of the 9th precinct, and the city of Detroit.

The Order of Worship

Divine Service Setting Five Pages 213-218

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Processional Hymn

“By Grace I’m Saved”

Hymn 566
Stanzas 1-4

Confession and Absolution *(Pages 213-214)*

Solo

“Kyrie! God, Father”

(Text is found in Hymn 942)

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Hymn

“All Glory Be to God Alone”

Hymn 948

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P. The Lord be with you.

C. And also with you.

P: Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

The First Reading Revelation 14:6-7

⁶Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷And he

said with a loud voice, “Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Choir Anthem

“Alleluia; If You Continue in My Word”

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The Epistle Reading Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹ Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰ For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. ²¹ But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— ²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶ It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷ Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸ For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Hymn of the Day

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”
(Choir sings stanza 2)

Hymn 656

The Holy Gospel John 8:31-36

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord. *(Spoken)*

³¹ So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, ***“If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³² and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”*** ³³ They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free?’” ³⁴ Jesus answered them, ***“Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵ The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶ So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.”***

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ. *(Spoken)*

Children’s Message**Hymn**

“We All Believe in One True God”

Hymn 953

Sermon

“How Are We Justified?” *(Roman 3:19-28)*

Prayer of the Church *(Pages 215-216)***Offering****Service of the Sacrament** *(Pages 216-217)*

(Our Communion Practice is printed on the bottom of the next page.)

Sanctus Hymn *(Holy, Holy, Holy)*

“Isaiah, Mighty Seer in Days of Old”

Hymn 960

Solo

“Lamb of God”

Nelson

Hymn During the Distribution

“O Lord, We Praise Thee”

Hymn 617

Post-Communion Liturgy (*Page 218*)

Recessional Hymn

“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”

Hymn 655

+ To God Alone be Glory +

OUR COMMUNION PRACTICE

The Lord’s Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that our Lord, as He says, gives not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin. In joyful obedience to the clear teaching of our Lord Jesus, those are invited to His table who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us.

Because Holy Communion is a confession of our faith, if you are not yet instructed, in doubt, or hold a confession differing from that of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, you should first speak to pastor.

If you are unable to receive Holy Communion today and wish to come to the altar rail for a blessing, we ask that you cross your arms at the rail. During the distribution of Communion, you are invited to meditate on God’s Word in the distribution hymns, and pray for the day when divisions will have ceased. Those who have any concerns or questions are invited to speak with the pastor prior to or following the service.

FALL HARVEST PARTY (Halloween) – This afternoon, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Mt. Calvary and Hope Lutheran Church will be hosting a Fall Festival (Halloween) party for the kids and parents from Head Start and Matrix. The families will be encouraged to come in costumes. There will be food, games, and crafts for the kids, including a costume contest (adult/youth/children categories - no scary or offensive costumes). Please come out to support this event and enjoy the festivities.

SCRIP NEWS - Several low denomination gift cards are available for order, while supplies last. Here's the list of what's available - Amazon.com \$10, Applebees \$10, Barnes & Noble \$5, Blimpie \$5, Cold Stone Creamery \$5, CVS \$10, Darden Restaurants \$10, Home Depot \$10, IHOP \$10, Meijer \$10, Outback \$10, Panera \$5, Red Lobster \$10, Starbucks \$5, Target \$10, Taco Bell \$5, and Walmart \$10. These offerings are currently being highlighted in a light green color to make them easier to find. If ordering one of these special denominations, please circle it and then indicate the quantity and total in the boxes. There are also some bonus offers highlighted in yellow (Bed Bath & Beyond +1%, buybuyBABY +1%, Christmas Tree Shops +1%, and JCPenney +1%). These are only available on orders made before November 2. See Lucie for a current order form or to place an order.

LUTHERFEST – St. Paul Lutheran Church will host a Reformation Choral Festival next Sunday, November 4 at 4 p.m. They are located at 22915 Greater Mack Ave, in St. Clair Shores with easy parking. The event will feature the Michigan-Ohio Chorale and a massed choir from area LC-MS churches. There will be refreshments following the concert. A free-will offering will benefit the Lutheran Center Association.

CHRISTIAN RETREAT – St. John Lutheran Church invites you to a Christian retreat on Saturday, November 17. St. John is located at 4950 Oakman Blvd, in Detroit. The retreat will have all-inspiring words of wisdom, understanding, commitment, loyalty, faithfulness and love. They have three outstanding presenters. Registration and breakfast begin at 9:30 a.m., with closing at 1:30. A free-will offering will be taken. For more information, please see the flier posted on the Altar Guild bulletin board.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS - We will once again have beautiful red poinsettias surrounding the Christmas trees in the chancel. If you would like to place one or more, the cost is \$10 per plant and there will be a sign-up sheet in the Altar Guild Room. Please place your order **no later than Friday, December 7**. Thank you!

Lutheran Hour Ministries - Listen to “The Lutheran Hour” every Sunday with host Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler on the following radio dials: Detroit WDFN (1130) @ 6:30 a.m.; WRDT (560) @ 6:30 p.m. and Sirius XM Satellite Family Radio 170 @ 1:00 P.M. Next Sunday, November 13, the Lutheran Hour theme will be:

“The Problem of Heaven” – What if we get to heaven and we don’t like it? (Revelation 7:9-18)

**Serving Christ and
His People Today**

Worship Leader: Rev. John Carrier
 Organist/Cantor: Daryl Witte
 Elders: Erv Beyersdorf, Adam Kurtz,
 Matthew Lundgren
 Worship Reader: Elizabeth Parrish
 Altar Guild: Susan Riske, Carol Vietzke

**Serving Among Us
Sunday, November 4**

Elders: Erv Beyersdorf, Adam Kurtz,
 Matthew Lundgren
 Reader: Bill Buchanan
 Altar Guild: Susan Riske, Carol Vietzke

**Calendar for the Week of
October 28 through November 4**

Today: 9:00 a.m. Reformation Worship Service with
 Holy Communion
 10:00 a.m. Fellowship time
 10:30 a.m. Bible study
 4 – 6 p.m. Harvest Party

Thursday: 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Saturday Daylight savings ends (set clocks back)

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. All Saints' Day Worship Service with
 Holy Communion
 10:00 a.m. Fellowship time
 10:30 a.m. Bible study