

Calvary Lutheran Church

11:00 am Sunday Worship for June 7, 2026

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Growing in compassionate relationships, faith, service, and generosity through Christ

Welcome to Calvary! All are welcome in this community through the grace of our risen Lord Jesus Christ. We hope that you will find joy and peace as you worship with us.

- Check out our **welcome center** in the lobby (narthex) for information about our congregation.
- Children and parents are invited to use our **children's resource center** located in the lobby.
- To find our **nursery**, exit the worship center (sanctuary), turn right. Go to the end of the hall and turn left. Our nursery is straight ahead.
- **If you are a guest with us today**, please add your contact information to a visitor card found in the pews. You may place it in the offering plate or the card box in the lobby. Thank you!



2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Though Jesus was a devout Jew who practiced his faith, he was criticized for eating with tax collectors and sinners—the religiously nonobservant. Jesus criticizes the self-righteous and reminds us that mercy is to be at the heart of our religious practices. God continues to be made known in those on the margins of society, like Matthew the tax collector and the hemorrhaging woman. As we gather each Lord's day we receive the healing that makes us well and sends us forth to be signs of God's mercy for the world.

GATHERING

Please enter the sanctuary in quiet reverence and prepare your heart for worship as you listen to the Prelude.

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

PRELUDE	Chorale Prelude on "Martyrdom"	Parry
OPENING HYMN*	Praise to the Lord, the Almighty	ELW 858

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS*

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

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
whose compassion endures forever.

C Amen.

Let us confess our sin to God.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P Compassionate God,

C we confess to you all our sins. Our burden is heavy, and we cannot free ourselves. In your mercy, call us back to you. Your yoke is easy and your burden is light. Restore us to dwell in your peace. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

P Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest." In the name of God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Rest in God's love.

C Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

**Please stand in body or in spirit at these places in the service.*

REETING

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.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb
who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of
God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,
glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Final refrain



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C Amen.

WORD: Scripture Readings— *We wait for God to speak to us in and through His word.*

L Hosea 5:15—6:6

¹⁵ I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favor:^{6:1} “Come, let us return to the LORD, for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up.² After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him.³ Let us know, let us press on to know the LORD; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth.”⁴ What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early.⁵ Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets; I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light.

⁶ For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

L Psalm 50:7-15

⁷ “Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear witness against you; for I am God, your God.

⁸ **I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; your burnt offerings are always before me.**

⁹ I will not accept a calf from your stalls, nor goats from your pens;

¹⁰ **for all the wild animals of the forest are mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.**

¹¹ I know every bird of the mountains, and the creatures of the fields are mine.

¹² **If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.**

¹³ Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats?

¹⁴ **Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and make good your vows to the Most High.**

¹⁵ Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall honor me.

L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

L Romans 4:13-25

¹³ The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴ For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵ For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression.

¹⁶ For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, ¹⁷ as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"), in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸ Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So shall your descendants be." ¹⁹ He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), and the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰ No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹ being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²² Therefore "it was reckoned to him as righteousness." ²³ Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone ²⁴ but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵ who was handed over for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

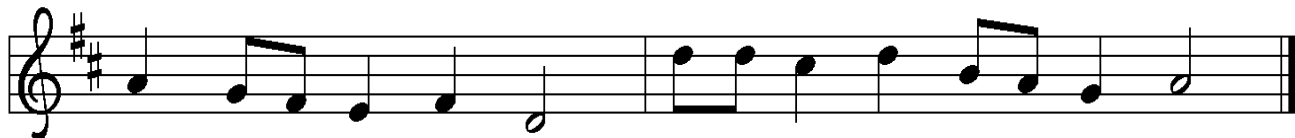
L The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION*



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

P The Gospel according to Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

⁹ As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him.

¹⁰ And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. ¹¹ When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹² But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³ Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners."

¹⁸ While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." ¹⁹ And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. ²⁰ Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, ²¹ for she was saying to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." ²² Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And the woman was made well from that moment. ²³ When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, ²⁴ he said, "Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. ²⁵ But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. ²⁶ And the report of this spread through all of that district.

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME *All children are invited to come forward to talk about the day's scripture.*

SERMON

Pastor František

HYMN OF THE DAY*

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

ELW 588

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH*

Apostles' Creed

C 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*

A Gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church and the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

After each petition:

A God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude

A Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.

C Amen.

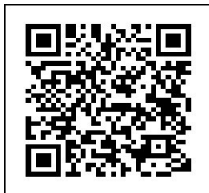
MEAL

We are fed in our life of faith at the Lord's table.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST *We have heard that God has loved us again and again through faith in Christ. This message brings us peace and gives us peace to share. We turn to those around us and offer them peace.*

OFFERING

- *The offering is an act of worship where we respond to God's goodness in our lives by returning to God a portion of what he has first entrusted to us.*
- *Thank you for your worship of God through sharing your time, talents, and finances.*
- *If you would like to share a financial offering by credit card, you may do so by scanning the QR code.*



ANTHEM**I Will Arise****Byler**

I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms. In the arms of my dear Saviour, Oh there are ten thousand charms. Come ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore. Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity love and pow'r.

Come ye thirsty come and welcome God's gift glorify. True belief and true repentance ev'ry gift that brings you nigh. I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms. In the arms of my dear Saviour, Oh there are ten thousand charms. Oh there are ten thousand charms.

C OFFERING SONG***Create in Me a Clean Heart****Hymn 186**

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

OFFERTORY PRAYER*

A Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

C Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING*

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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION*

THE LORD'S PRAYER*

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 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, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

C Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION*

P Heaven has come near. Come, share in the feast!

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION *Please be seated.*

- *We invite those worshipping online to join us in Holy Communion as we share in the one body of Christ this morning.*
- *For those worshipping in person, you may receive communion by coming to the altar or by standing at your seat.*
- *When communing, you may choose either the prepackaged bread and grape juice or the wafer and wine in individual cups.*

You are invited to place your pledge card for "Opening Our Doors to New Possibilities" in the basket at the baptismal fount as you come forward to receive communion.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING*

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION*

P Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING

We are sent into the world to share the love and welcome of God.

BLESSING *

P Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, ✠ one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always.

C Amen.

SENDING HYMN***Will You Come and Follow Me****ELW 798****DISMISSAL***

A Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

C Thanks be to God.



THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given today to the glory of God by

Alexis Brombacher

If you would like to contribute altar flowers for Sunday worship, please see the calendar of available dates on the bulletin board outside the choir room. Fill out an order form or call our office administrator.

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

WORSHIP VOLUNTEER	June 7th	June 14th
Worship Assistant	NEEDED	NEEDED
Lector	NEEDED	NEEDED
Communion Assistants	Al Jackson NEEDED	Phyllis Jessup NEEDED
Ushers	Phyllis Jessup	Bo & Polly Saatzer
Altar Guild	Jean Smith	Jean Smith
CPOM	Starr Black	Starr Black
Tellers	Cathy Steere Kathy Schiele Nancy Haney	Jean Smith Nancy Haney

Opportunities to Serve God during 11:00 Worship in June

Needed:

June 7th: Worship Asst, Lector, Communion Asst

June 14th: Worship Asst, Lector, Communion Asst

June 21st: Lector

June 28th: Worship Asst, Lector, Communion Asst, Ushers

Please email or call the church office if you are available to serve in one of these roles. Thank you!

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Prayer requests will remain on the current list for four weeks. Please call the church office if you would like to add a name or resubmit a name for another four weeks.

Week of June 7th:

- Meghan Robinson (healing)

Week 2:

- Treva Hicks (mother of Jason VanDewark's friend, Terry – pancreatic cancer)
- Sharon Barbee (healing) - friend of Renee Friday

Week 3:

- Glenn Dixon (healing)
- Mickey Norris (healing)
- Anne Hough (healing)
- Kyle Pearce (healing)
- Vivian Howard (healing)

Week 4:

- Bill Cone (healing) – father of Jenny Carroll
- Danny Pfeifer (upcoming surgery) - friend of Susan Myers

Please use this QR code to access this week's E News.



Our Summer Focus: Our Winecoff Blessing Box

As the school year closes out, the resources Calvary provides in the Winecoff Blessing Box become even more important to the families in the area around the school. Volunteers will continue to fill the food pantry box several times each month during the summer.

How can you help? Food donations will be needed throughout the summer. See the list below for ideas of what is needed. Please be sure to check the expiration dates to ensure that there are at least six months remaining for their use.

All contributions can be placed in the designate bins in the narthex. Monetary donations are also accepted. Please designate any financial contribution as “food pantry.”

Items needed: canned soup, canned vegetables, canned pasta (such as Chef Boyardee), canned meat (such as chicken or tuna), microwavable mac and cheese, instant rice, oatmeal (flavored pouches suggested), grits, fruit cups, granola bars, pudding cups, saltines and peanut butter, popcorn, protein bars, beef sticks, juice boxes or pouches, applesauce pouches, Lance crackers, etc.

The school social workers also suggest that cleaning supplies and personal hygiene items are greatly appreciated.

Please try to get cans with pop tops, whenever possible.



TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO SIGN UP!

KANNAPOLIS CANNON BALLERS OUTING

Thursday, June 11th

Invite your friends and neighbors to join you and to meet other Calvary folks. Tickets are \$14.00 each, which includes a \$2 discount towards concessions. Children 3 and under are free.

We need to purchase a minimum of 20 tickets to take advantage of the group discount; therefore, we need a head count as soon as possible!

Reserve your ticket(s) online through the E-news or website. Payment must be submitted at the time you reserve your ticket(s). You can pay online or place it in the offering plate. Payments should be clearly marked: Kannapolis Cannon Ballers Outing. **Deadline to purchase a ticket is no later than Sunday, June 7th. Please pick up your tickets at the "will call" window on game day.**

If you have questions, please contact Rick Grochoske or call the church office.

Save ^{THE} Date

CONGREGATIONAL
PICNIC
— AND —
SERENITY
TRAIL FEST

**CALVARY
SERENITY TRAIL**

 SATURDAY,
JUNE 13TH

 5 - 8 PM

 IN THE
CALVARY
PICNIC SHELTER

FRIED CHICKEN AND PULLED PORK
WILL BE PROVIDED.
Bring a side dish or dessert.



COOPERATIVE
CHRISTIAN
MINISTRY

Dear Friends,

In the last 2 years, the CCM Food Pantry has never run out of food to distribute to our clients. God has provided, and we thank you, the community, for helping make this possible. In many ways, you are the answer to our prayers, as well as the hands we need to support and help those in need. In the month of June, the CCM Food Pantry is looking forward to growth, as well as an increase in the food we can offer to our clients. We pray that the Lord brings the provisions and gives us the wisdom to serve our clients well.

Our current biggest needs are:

- Tuna Fish
- Baked Beans
- Broth
- Dry/ Misc. Beans
- Fruit Cups
- Misc. Soups
- Mixed Vegetables
- Canned Fruit of any Kind
- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper
- Nutritional Drinks
- Kidney Beans
- Tomato Sauce (8 oz and 15+ oz)
- White Beans

We remain appreciative of items which are “low-sodium,” “no-added-sugar,” and “whole grain.” Visit <https://cooperativeministry.com/wp-content/uploads/CCM-Healthy-Pantry-Donations.pdf> for details on nutritional donations.

Our main pantry at 246 Country Club Dr. is open 9:30am-1:00pm Monday-Friday. Thank you!

Jordan Gregory, Food Program Coordinator

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252-501-2135



Our Mission:

**Growing in compassionate relationships, faith, service,
and generosity through Christ**

Our Vision:

Sharing the light of Christ with everyone

We, the people of Calvary Lutheran Church, believe that Jesus is Lord and Savior. Within this communion of Faith, we hold these guiding principles:

- **Everyone is invited, welcomed, and included.**
- **Everyone is supported in times of personal need.**
- **Everyone is spiritually fed and grows in discipleship.**
- **Everyone is given opportunities to generously offer their God-given gifts (time, talent, and treasure) in worship and ministry.**
- **Everyone is given opportunities to generously serve others, both within the community of faith and in the community at large.**

Church Office:

Office Administrator's Hours: 9am—1pm Monday-Thursday

Deadline for bulletin and e-news information : Wednesday by 9 am.

Lisa Hunkele, Office Administrator

email: officeadmin@clconcord.org

Gaylene Butch, Finance Administrator

email: financeadmin@clconcord.org

Finance Administrator's Hours: 8:30-1:30pm Monday and Wednesday

Members submitting receipts should complete and attach the Request for Payment form available in the office work room.