



# Calvary Lutheran Church

## Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod

Pastor Michael Kessler



**WELCOME:** In the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ, welcome to Christian worship. We are so happy and thankful you are here with us today. If you are a visitor with us, please sign our guest register in the Narthex and fill out a worship card given to you by an usher. If you are worshipping with us in a communion service, please note that we practice closed communion. Please read the communion statement at the end of the Order of Service. May God richly bless each and every one of you!

### + DIVINE SERVICE I +

<b>ORDER OF SERVICE -</b>	<b>p. 151</b>	
<b>Opening Hymn</b>	<b>“Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice”</b>	<b>#556 (verses 1-5)</b>
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<b>Hymn of the Day</b>	<b>“Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice”</b>	<b>#556 (verses 6-10)</b>
<b>Sermon</b>	<b>“You Are Not Alone”</b>	
<b>Prayer Response</b>		
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<b>Closing Hymn</b>	<b>“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”</b>	<b>#821 (odd verses)</b>

**COMMUNION STATEMENT:** Communion is both a participation in Christ's true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins, and a statement of fellowship among those who participate. Members of our congregation, and members of a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod who have properly prepared themselves are invited to attend. If you are not an LCMS member or are of another denomination or synod, please see the Pastor before communing for the first time.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Church Council Notes:** Contribution amount needed per week is \$3,412.00 to meet current budget. Amount received for Last Week: \$5,299.55 PushPay Donations:

**Flowers:** The flowers on the altar have been given to the glory of God by Mary Frances.

### **Those for whom we are praying:**

**Those in need of healing:** Pam Dusek, Art Elias, Bodhi Ehrlich, Katrina Capas, Jeanene Euhus, Kelvin Johnson, Julie Shine, Valorie Hess, Ruth Humphries, Cheyenne Ellis, Jade Renae, Marie Wix, Dave Houser, Pete Efroymsen, Randy Wix, Alexa Lardin  
Peace, comfort, and healing for those facing wars, conflict, and disasters.

**Those in the Military:** Jacob LeClerc, Hannah and Cole Fennell, Michael & Jessica Pray, Zack Dusek, Ayden Dusek, Victor Greenfield, David Rochester, Shane Helton, Tanner Cook, Jason Herwig, Hannah and Jonnie Vergara-Fountain, William Swan, David Schleusener, Sean Wilson, Madelyn Atchley, Lauren Allmon

**Those who Protect & Heal:** Law Enforcement, Fire-Rescue-First Responders, all Medical Workers  
**Those spreading the Gospel:** Rev. Dennis Meeker and all missionaries at large

**Special Remembrance** We remember all mothers on Mother’s Day

For the month of May, we will be collecting bags of dry pinto beans and rice to **donate to A Brighter Day Ministries**. Please help support this ministry as they serve the homeless spiritually and physically. The donation box is in the Parish Hall.

**The May Fellowship Dinner** will be on Thursday, May 14th at 5:30pm at Olive Garden. Please sign up if you plan to attend.

**\*\*New Member Class\*\*** will take place **this Saturday, May 16th from 9:30am-12noon** in the Parish Hall. If you are interested in being a member, please speak to Pastor Kessler this morning and plan to attend Saturday morning’s class.

Please join us next Sunday, May 17th for **New Member Sunday** with a reception after church in the Parish Hall.

**Stewardship Encouragement: John 14:15** – “If you love me, you will keep my commandments.” Jesus is clear: our obedience to His Word comes from our love for Him. But where does that love come from? Jesus tells us that as well: “Her sins, which are many, are forgiven — for she loved much” (Luke 7:47). Christ shows us His love and gives us the forgiveness of our sins, which causes love to well up in us and thereby keep the commandments of Jesus. For after all, the summary of the Law is “love.”

**Reading Synopsis for today: The Lord Jesus Comforts Us with the Preaching of His Resurrection:** “The God who ... gives to all mankind life and breath and everything” (Acts 17:24–25) wants all people to seek Him that they might “feel their way toward him and find him” (Acts 17:27). But in our sinful ignorance, we humans turn instead to idols “formed by the art and imagination of man” (Acts 17:29). Therefore, God appointed the Man of Righteousness, Jesus Christ, and “has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead” (Acts 17:31). Because He lives, we also live (John 14:19) in His forgiveness, and thus we love Him and keep His commandments (John 14:15). While the risen Lord prepares us for His ascension, He will not leave us “as orphans” (John 14:18), but He gives “another Helper,” the Holy Spirit, to be with us forever (John 14:16) through the preaching of “Jesus and the resurrection” (Acts 17:18). Because He “suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous” (1 Peter 3:18), we “honor Christ the Lord as holy” and are always “prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks” for the reason for our hope (1 Peter 3:15). Our Baptism “now saves” us “as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ” (1 Peter 3:21).

# This Week's Calendar

## **TODAY – May 10<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00am** Divine Service 1 with Communion

**10:30am** Bible Study/Sunday School

## **TUESDAY - May 12<sup>th</sup>**

**6:30pm** Church Council Meeting

## **THURSDAY-May 14<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00am** Bible Study in Education Bldg.

**5:30pm** Fellowship Dinner

## **SATURDAY-May 16<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00am** Goldsboro Bible Study

**9:30am-12noon** New Member Class

## **SUNDAY – May 17<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00am** Divine Service 3 with Communion

**10:30am** New Member Reception

## **God's People At Church**

**Last Sunday** 39

**Adult Bible Class** —

**Sunday School**

**Thursday Bible Class** 10

**Last Saturday Bible Class** —

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**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2026**