



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!

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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: \$16,653.00 PushPay Donations:

Those for whom we are praying:

Those in need of healing:

Ron Hill, Joey Rogers, Randy Ehrlich, Rex Pope, Carrie Pankhurst, Julie Shine, Valorie Hess, Cheyenne Ellis, Jade Renae, Pete Efroymsen, Anna Humphrey
Family of Kaila Weiss whose uncle, Greg Hess, passed away
Peace, comfort, and healing for those facing wars, conflict, and disasters

Those in the Military:

Jacob LeClerc, Michael & Jessica Pray, Cole Fennell, 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

A Brighter Day Ministries: For the month of September, we will be collecting large bags of cereal and small jars of peanut butter.

The October Fellowship Dinner will be on Thursday, October 15th at 5:30pm at Las Herraduras. Please sign up in the Parish Hall if you plan to attend.

Sunday School will be the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 10:30 a.m. The children will be going through lessons, stories, singing, and craft projects during that time. A snack and drink will be provided. Thank you for your attendance. Any questions, please call Paula at (928)271-9210.

Stewardship Encouragement: Matthew 21:26 – “But if we say, ‘From man,’ we are afraid of the crowd...” Foolish Pharisees! They fear men more than they fear God, and so they miss out on the great blessing of knowing Jesus and His love. All our sins are like this: we fear something more than we fear God. And how foolish that is! Just think of the blessings we miss out on whenever we place our fear or trust in something other than God.

Reading Synopsis for today: The Cross of Christ Opens to Us the Way of Repentance to Life with God: The way of the Lord is righteous and just: “The soul who sins shall die” (Ezek. 18:4). However, because the Lord has “no pleasure in the death of anyone” (Ezek. 18:32), He calls sinners to repentance and faith in His gracious forgiveness of sins. The man who is thus turned away from his wickedness, who henceforth lives by the grace of God, “shall surely live; he shall not die” (Ezek. 18:28). This way of repentance has been opened for us by the cross of Christ. In the righteousness of faith and love, “he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death” (Phil. 2:8), and He was vindicated in His resurrection from the dead. Indeed, “God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name” (Phil. 2:9). He has given us this name in our Baptism into Christ, in whom we now “shine as lights in the world” (Phil. 2:15). He uses the authority that He has received from His Father (Matt. 21:23–27) to preach a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, by which even “the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God” (Matt. 21:31–32).

PSD Pastor's Fall Conference is taking place this week from 9/28-9/30 in Las Vegas, NV. Pastor will be out of town for the conference but will be available via his mobile phone. If you have an emergency, please contact one of the elders (Ryan Pope, Bruce Fenske, Ron Hill, Mark Johnson).

This Week's Calendar

TODAY – September 27th
9:00am Divine Service 1 with Communion
10:30 Bible Study/Sunday School

SATURDAY- October 3rd
8:00am Goldsboro Bible Study
9:30am Elders Meeting

SUNDAY – October 4th
9:00am Divine Service 3 with Communion
10:30am Bible Study/Sunday School

God's People At Church

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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
September 27th, 2026