

March 14/15, 2015

4th Sunday in Lent

Five minutes before the service, the Pastors and Elders are praying for you.

As we enter the House of God, let us meditate quietly and prepare our hearts for worship and praise of our Lord and Savior. Remember what the Scriptures say, "The Lord is in His holy temple; Let us all the earth keep silence before Him!"

Habakkuk 2:20

(Please check your cell phones and beepers to make sure they are turned off while in the Sanctuary.)

### TO OUR VISITORS

In the Name of the Lord Jesus we bid you welcome to our congregation, to its blessings, to its comfort, and to its peace. Within this congregation let no one feel himself a stranger. We ask you to sign our guest register located in the foyer and to fill out the guest book in each pew letting us know how we can serve you. If you have no church affiliation elsewhere, we invite you to make Mount Calvary Evangelical Lutheran your church home. Membership is open to all who are in accord with the doctrines and practices of our church, as based on the Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions. Please get in touch with one of our Pastors for the next available new member class.

### THE LORD'S EXPECTATION OF THE MEMBERS OF MT. CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

In the glad confession of the Christian faith the Lord expects that every member attends Worship and the Lord's Supper faithfully. The Lord expects every member is involved in Christ-centered education, (Bible Study); The Lord expects every member to be a missionary of Christ and of the Gospel to our community; and that every member is a faithful steward and disciple for the honor and glory of the Lord Jesus Christ.

#### THIS WEEKEND

Orders of Service:

Divine Service IV w/ Holy Communion

Hymns:

782, 783, 431, 547, 550, 434, 894

Choir Anthem: 8:00a.m.

Set Me As a Seal

Theme:

"God's Workmanship through God's Mercy"

Text:

Ephesians 2:1-10

Sermon by: Pastor Domke

Liturgist: Pastor Smith

### A STATEMENT OF OUR PRACTICE OF CLOSE COMMUNION

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, Our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very Body and Blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins. I Cor. 10:14ff. Our Lord invites to His table those who repent of all their sins and who trust His words, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's Body and Blood unworthily do so to their great harm ( I Cor 11:29) and because Holy Communion is a confession of faith which is confessed at this altar, ( I Cor. 10:15-18) any who are **not yet instructed in this faith, who in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church Missouri-Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked to speak with one of the Pastors in their office prior to the service.** Visitors who have previously spoken with one of the Pastors, and who received permission to commune, do not need to seek permission for subsequent visits to the altar.

**Adult Bible Study** - For this tour we will remain in the southwest sector of the compass long enough to examine a special sub-category of our last topic of discussion: the design of the state. In particular, we want to take a brief look at the question, "What should God's minister (Government) on earth (Romans 13:4) look like? What is a proper form for this agency that is divinely appointed and commissioned to administer justice, punish evil, and encourage goodness among its citizens or subjects?" We will approach this task by considering the American Experiment.

**PARISH PRAYERS**

◇ Remember those serving in our military. (Please give the church office information on our members who are serving in the armed forces so we can be in contact with them.) Please notify the church office when you or a loved one is entering the nursing home. Because of the privacy laws this information is not available to the public nor the Pastors.

◇ Remember those who have lost a loved one or wish to be remembered in prayer please contact the office.

◇ Remember those who have been hospitalized or have special needs: **Cindy Alter, Megan Smith, Lynn Reimnitz, Merele Jones, Marilyn Schieckoff, Dawn Kludt, Marvalee Ulrich.**

**THOSE WHO SERVE IN GOD'S HOUSE THIS WEEK**

	7:00 pm	8:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Organist:	Melanie Kludt	Melanie Kludt	Melanie Kludt
Acolyte:	Lexy Gilbert	Regan Hamilton	Alaina Dale
Communion Asst's:	Dave Moser	Chuck Kranz	Kerwin Haeder

BLESSED BY MEANS OF GRACE: Divine Worship:	252	Sunday School:	24	Adult Bible Class:	91
Weekly Budgeted Need: Offering Last Week		Needed to Date		Giving To Date	
General \$6,906	\$6,847.00	\$69,060.00		\$54,623.00	
Mission \$1,699	\$2,212.00	\$16,990.00		\$13,648.00	
Building \$ 576	\$771.00	\$ 5,760.00		\$ 5,378.00	

**Main Street Living** **March 15, 2015**-Kid's Crossing-Lilly learns the meaning of empathy when helping her brother with the monsters he thinks are under his bed. Rev. Thomas Brown of Zion Lutheran in Mitchell, South Dakota delivers today's sermon entitled "Light and Darkness" based on John 3:14-21. **March 22, 2015**-Kid's Crossing-Janitor Bob teaches the purpose of the offering at church, while Miss Susan tells about a very special offering mentioned in the Bible. The Rev. Nabil Nour of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Armour, South Dakota brings today's message "We Belong", based on Jeremiah 31: 31-34.

**Palm Cross Assembly** Please join us on Friday, March 27th, at 7pm, in the Fellowship Hall to help assemble crosses for Palm Sunday. Your help is greatly appreciated.

**A Volleyball Tournament** for the LYF, parents, friends all young at heart is planned for Sunday, March 29th in the activity center from 1-4ish or until finished. This is a time of and fellowship for ALL. Contact Bob Mayfield or Ann Cruse your team numbers/names. In place of a tournament fee, a food item donation for each participant encouraged for the Salvation Army. Huron High School volleyball coaches Kelly Hennrich and Samantha Rieck will be helping with the tournament. Prizes will be given for the top 2 winning teams. Snacks will be provided by the Board of Youth.

**Middle School Youth Lockin** (Jr LYF) is set for Easter Sunday, April 5th evening at 9pm until 6am Monday morning. With the outstanding turnout of 32 youth at the fall lockin, we are looking forward to another great lockin. Extra adult chaperones will be needed for this event. Youth may bring friends and encouraged to bring a snack and beverage to share.

**EASTER LILY FUND** Donations are being accepted for the Easter Lily Fund. You may put in the offering plate in an envelope marked "Easter Lily Fund" or give to Marilyn Hansen or call her at 352-6136. If the plate is given in memory of a loved one, please indicate so on the envelope.

### **Lutheran Island Women's Retreat — April 24-26 2015**

Please join us April 24-26, 2015 for our Annual Women's Retreat. Our Women's Retreats are known for great programs, excellent meals, fun fellowship, and lots of activities that women of all ages can enjoy. Klemp St. Paul, MN is a registered nurse, wife of a retired pastor and mother of eight grown children. The family toured the U.S. as a singing group, "The Klemp Family Singers," when the children were young. She writes a weekly drama for her church and has led numerous Bible studies and retreats as a Christian speaker. She finds great joy in sharing her faith through the written word. Her book, *The Pew Sitters*, contains skits and devotions for use at church and at home. "Love Your God, Love Yourself, Love Your Neighbor." It is important to put things in that order. When we love God, it is because of His love and promises to us, through the faith the Holy Spirit works in us. Basking in God's love and acceptance, we learn to love ourselves as valuable children of God. (Christ esteem rather than self-esteem.) And then the love for others flows out of the abundance of love in our own lives. Our Women's Retreats are a great value for individuals or groups. Please consider other women to join you this year. See you in April! Dates: April 24-26 Cost: \$99 or \$60 commuter/Saturday only on-line by going to - [http://www.islandcamp.org/content\\_129.php](http://www.islandcamp.org/content_129.php)

### **LWML 2015 CONVENTION—June 25-28, 2015, in Des Moines, Iowa**

Have you heard the news? When we gather under the theme Bountiful! Sow · Nourish · Reap, our Keynote Speaker will be Rev. Dr. James Lamb from Lutherans for Life and our Mites in Action Mission Speakers will be Carly Hatcher from MOST Ministries, Rev. Jim Hetzner from Lutheran Church Charities (Comfort Dogs), Rev. Dr. Tilahun Mendetto from Concordia, Selma, and Rev. E. James Rivett, Prison Ministry. The Rev. Gregory Seltz from Lutheran Hour Ministries will be the proclaimer on Thursday evening, and we look forward to Saturday evening entertainment provided by Jan Struck and Dr. Dina Vendetti. Won't you join us?

**The Preschool** collects the following items to earn money and supplies for the school: Campbell's labels (UPC codes only— please cut them out of the soup label) Pop Tabs, **Coborn's receipts dated for February, March, April, due by May 3rd.** Labels for Learning Points (These are tabulated at the bottom of your Coborn's receipt. You earn these when you buy Food Club brand items. Please separate the Labels for Learning Points from the bottom of your receipt. This program replaces the Food Club UPC program.) We earn approximately \$250 every three months by simply saving Coborn's receipts. We are collecting **Fair City receipts. These are due by March 31st.**

**Altar Guild Meeting** Saturday, March 21st at 10 a.m.

**LET THE BIDDING BEGIN!!!!** **Purses for Preschool** silent auction and the Preschool Spring Salad Luncheon will be on Thursday, April 16 from 11am-1pm. Please show your support for the Preschool by attending the Spring Salad Luncheon and bidding on purses. Thank you.

**Preschool** is collecting 5 oz tuna cans for a school project. Please drop them off by the preschool door. Thank you.

This Week in the Parish

Day	Time	Event	Place
Saturday	7:00 p.m.	Divine Service w/Communion	Sanctuary
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Divine Service w/Communion	Sanctuary
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School/ Adult Bible Class	Activities Center
	10:30 a.m.	Divine Service w/Communion	Sanctuary
Monday:		Pastor Domke's Day off	
Tuesday:	6:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	Verto's
	9:00 a.m.	Preschool	Preschool Room
	1:00 p.m.	Chapel	Sanctuary
	1:00 p.m.	Quilting	Fellowship Hall
Wednesday:	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
	12:30 p.m.	Preschool	Preschool Room
	3:30 p.m.	Staff Meeting	Boardroom
	5:15 p.m.	Kids for Christ and Confirmation	CAC
	6:00 p.m.	Lenten Supper	Fellowship hall
	6:45 p.m.	Hymn Sing	Sanctuary
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
	8:00 p.m.	Choir	Choir loft
	Thursday:	9:00 a.m.	Preschool
12:30 p.m.		Sunquest Village Service	Sunquest
2:00 p.m.		Mt. Calvary Service	Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m.		Springboard to Life Class	Fellowship hall
6:30 p.m.		Women's Bible Study	Sunquest
7:00 p.m.		Men's Bible Study	Boardroom
Friday		Pastor Smith's day off	
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Quilt Guild	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Divine Service	Sanctuary

## **LENTEN SERIES**

Mar 18 – 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday / Psalm 22 / Christ at the Cross

Mar 25 – 6<sup>th</sup> Wednesday / Psalm 30 / God Answers His Servant

### **LYF ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE**

No Wed activity in March- Lent; April 8- LYF Activity - Youth Board serves

### **USHERS NEEDED!!!!**

for all church services. Men, women and youth welcome. It takes 4 ushers to help with each service. Please consider signing up for a service and month of your choice. Sign up sheet is located on the table in the fellowship hall. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Scott Adams, Head Usher

## **EASTER SERVICE SCHEDULE**

Maundy Thursday	7:00 p.m.	April 2nd
Good Friday	12:10 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.	April 3
Easter Vigil	7:00 p.m.	April 4
Easter Sunrise	6:30 a.m.	April 5
Easter Breakfast	7:30 a.m.	April 5
Easter Festival I	8:30 a.m.	April 5
Easter Festival II	10:30 a.m.	April 5

## **MIDWEEK LENTEN MEALS**

**March 18**

**Chili**

**March 25**

**Hamburgers and Brats**

**ACTSS Fellowship Group** will meet on March 27th at 6:00 at the Hangar. Afterwards we will meet at the Fellowship Hall for fun and fellowship. Please let Rick or Audrey know by March 25th if you will be coming. If anyone is interested in joining a fellowship group, please contact Daryl or Linda Haeder.

**Hospital Visitation**—Please let us know when you are going or are in the hospital. Pastor Domke

**Altar Guild**-- is looking for several people to help care for and set up the altar, please consider this important work. Call the church office, speak to Phyllis Arwood, or Pastor Domke

**YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE JESUS WITH OUR CHILDREN IS HERE!**

**Be part of *Camp Discovery* VBS scheduled for Monday through Friday, June 1-5, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Mt. Calvary!** God's children of all ages will discover that Jesus is at work through us at *Camp Discovery* VBS. AND, every child will hear the Good News that Jesus, their Savior, gives us courage, gives us His wisdom, saves us, gives us faith, and gives us His love to share through His work in us. At *Camp Discovery* VBS, as VBS staff you can live out the theme "Jesus is at work through us" as you share the message and the fun with kids! If you can help full or part time, we have many ways to be involved to suit your schedule and interests. Add your name to the list of VBS helpers that is on the table in the fellowship hall. Contact Kerry Niederbaumer or Becky Dragt with questions or for more information. Join us to see how Jesus is at work through us!

**STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY:** I want you to imagine a church, where each week 60-75% of the members were committing adultery. I think all would agree there was a deep problem, and we would expect that the Church would begin to preach on that topic more regularly to encourage the members to live Godly lives. For it would take an entire change in thinking and it would take time to change mindsets which thought living like that was ok. The Board of Stewardship is concerned regarding a similar concern, it is estimated within our country that anywhere between 60-75% of people are living paycheck to paycheck, which means they are not using the gifts that God has given them wisely. To start this discussion and to address this problem once every 2 months there will be a Sermon focused on Stewardship, which is going to be focused on using God's gifts to love our neighbor as we help others with our time, talents, and even our money. For whether we are using them rightly or not, we are surrounded by a culture that does not support good Stewardship.

**Dear Congregation of Mt. Calvary:** We here at the Salvation Army Food Pantry so appreciate your church taking the month of February to fill our food shelves with a variety of food items. There was such a nice variety of boxed and canned goods. This time of year there aren't too many donations so yours was really needed. Thanks to Benny and Judy Boetel for delivering the donations. Reva Pownell

**Retirement Reception for President Dale Sattgast** May 31st, 2015. Worship at 5:00 p.m. and reception to follow. There are envelopes in the foyer if you would like to give an offering. Please ask an usher for one.