

March 12/13, 2016

The Fifth 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:	7pm Vespers 8am and 10:30am Matins
Hymns:	423, 438, 610, 422
Theme:	"Remembered and Promoted by God."
Text:	Genesis 41:1-46
Sermon by:	Pastor Domke
Liturgist:	Pastor Smith
Children's Sermon:	8am and 10:30 am today

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study - 2 Corinthians Chapter 5 is the area of study this Sunday. Please join us in the fellowship hall.

KIDS 4 CHRIST

Kids 4 Christ meets in the Christian Activities Center. This program is designed for 1st-5th grade students and will be held at the same time as confirmation on Wednesday evenings from 5:15-6:30. All 1st-5th graders are encouraged to attend and bring a friend. Kids for Christ will begin again in January 6th.

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 been hospitalized or have special needs: **Cindy Alter, Lynn Reimnitz, Cliff and Marilyn Schieckoff, Delbert Peskey, Janet Zavesky, Russell Dillon, Denny Mead, Lori Cameron, Elmer Beckman, Grace Hornig.**

◇ For those who have lost a loved one: Agnes Brodersen passed away on Saturday. Her funeral was on Wednesday. We pray the Lord’s comfort and strength for the members of her family.

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

◇ THOSE WHO SERVE IN GOD’S HOUSE THIS WEEK

	7:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Organist:	Mia Kruse	Mia Kruse	Mia Kruse
Acolyte:	Isabella Schreeve	Regan Hamilton	Alaina Dale

BLESSED BY MEANS OF GRACE: Divine Worship: 289 Sunday School: 35 Adult Bible Class: 112

Weekly Budgeted :	Offering	Last Week	Needed to Date	Giving to Date	Budget Short Fall
General	\$7,011	\$7,816.00	\$70,110.00	\$61,152.00	\$8,958.00
Mission	\$1,698	\$2,417.00	\$16,980.00	\$15,348.00	\$1632.00
Building	\$576	\$718.00	\$5,760.00	\$4,966.00	\$794.00

COMPUTER CRASH

If you have given us announcements within the last 4-8weeks, for bulletins or newsletters, please call the church office or the pastors as we have lost all this information due to a crash.

Salvation Army could use our help with the following items: Tuna helper, mac and cheese, chunky soups, hot chocolates mixes, spaghettios, ravioli, peanut butter (16 oz.) or larger, canned fruit (mixed fruit or pears) jelly, cake mixes, instant oatmeal or any breakfast items. Your help is greatly appreciated.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES:

Lesson 2 – March 13 and March 16

In today’s Sunday school lesson and Wednesday’s lesson at Kids 4 Christ, “Jesus Teaches Us to Trust,” we hear another portion of Jesus’ Sermon on the Mount. The theme? Do not worry! Talk with your children about how God has provided for them. List the blessings God gives your family in this life. Then talk about the eternal and spiritual blessings that God gives through His Son, Jesus. *Ask your children, “What do you worry about? How has God answered that worry?”*

CAMP MINNEBOJI information and registration forms are now available here at church or you can get this information on line at www.minneboji.com and on Facebook: **Camp Minneboji**. Camp week is June 26 - July 2 at Camp Okoboji in NW Iowa. The camp, for kids in grades 4-9, features Bible Study, Mission Presentations, Music, Crafts, Sports, Recreation, a Camp T-shirt and the chance to meet new Christian friends. This year’s camp theme is “Got? Questions” with our theme verse Hebrews 10:23. Mt. Calvary pays half of the registration fees, plus \$10 for additional family members attending. The family’s portion of the registration fee is \$170 for the week. The family’s portion of Honor’s Camp for 9th graders is \$185 for the week. Registration forms and payment is due to the church office by Sunday, May 1. Any questions, please call or text Donnell Mayfield at 350-7512.

Palm Crosses— Please join us on Saturday morning, March 19th at 9am. in the fellowship hall to help assemble crosses for Palm Sunday. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Applications for position of Administrative Assistant are available in the church office between 9am and 4pm.

Youth Activities Calendar

Junior Lutheran Youth Fellowship Lock –in	March 27/28,2016	9pm-6am
Senior Lutheran Youth Fellowship Lock-in	April 1/2, 2016	9pm-6am

Women’s 2016 Retreat April 15-17, 2016. Featured Guest speaker is Shelly Schwalm, who will be speaking on God’s “Masterpiece”. Camp theme: Extraordinary Flying Things. Registration brochures are on the table in the fellowship hall.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: We need ice cream buckets with lids for our craft project. Please drop them off at the church office or see Sheila Hampton. Thank you for your help.

Coborn’s Receipts are now being collected for February, March and April and are due by May 8th. Please be sure the date is on the receipt or we can’t use them. Thank you for your support of our Preschool. We earn approximately \$250 every three months by simply saving Coborn’s receipts.

Any member of Thrivent Financial who has not allotted their Thrivent Choice dollars should do this before the 15th of March. Thrivent Choice dollars is like a rewards program for doing business with us.

Purses for Preschool and Spring Salad Luncheon will be on Thursday, April 21, from 11am - 1pm. Sign up sheets for salads will be in the Fellowship Hall soon. If you would like to donate items or \$\$ for purses/baskets, please contact Sara Newman at 507-272-8597 or Mandy Siedschlag at 350-0865. Bring your friends, family, neighbors and co-workers. Everyone Welcome! Thank you for helping support our Preschool.

On Palm Sunday, March 20, the Sunday school children will be singing and playing bells at the beginning of the 10:30 a.m. worship service. We would like as many children as possible to be included, so, parents, would you please try to arrange your schedules to be in church that Sunday morning? If you normally attend the 8:00 a.m. service, please allow your child to remain with his or her class after Sunday school to sing with us. They will be able to leave immediately following the singing. If you attend the 10:30 a.m. service, your children will join you following their song. The children have been working hard to prepare their song and look forward to singing for you about their King Jesus! Thank you for your help.

EASTER SERVICE SCHEDULE

Maundy Thursday	7:00 p.m.	March 24
Good Friday	12:10 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.	March 25
Easter Vigil	7:00 p.m.	March 26
Easter Sunrise	6:30 a.m.	March 27
Easter Breakfast	7:30 a.m.	March 27
Easter Festival I	8:30 a.m.	March 27
Easter Festival II	10:30 a.m.	March 27

During the Sundays In Lent—Pastor Domke is presenting a series Titled—“Joseph from the Well to the Summit of Power”

Sunday Themes

March 12 &13—Remembered and Exalted By God

March 19&20—Grace to the Guilty

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. If the plant is given in memory of a loved one, please indicate so on the envelope.

ACTSS Fellowship Group will meet on March 18th at the Hangar at 6:00. Afterwards we will meet at the Fellowship Hall for fun and fellowship. Please let Dave or Kerry know by March 16th if you will be coming.

The Appointed Lessons for the 5th Sunday in Lent

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 43:16–21

¹⁶ Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, ¹⁷ who brings forth chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: ¹⁸ “Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. ¹⁹ Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ²⁰ The wild beasts will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches, for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, ²¹ the people whom I formed for myself that they might declare my praise.”

Epistle: Philippians 3:8–14

⁸ Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— ¹⁰ that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. ¹² Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³ Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Holy Gospel: Luke 20:9–20

⁹ [Jesus] began to tell the people this parable: “A man planted a vineyard and let it out to tenants and went into another country for a long while. ¹⁰ When the time came, he sent a servant to the tenants, so that they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. ¹¹ And he sent another servant. But they also beat and treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. ¹² And he sent yet a third. This one also they wounded and cast out. ¹³ Then the owner of the vineyard said, ‘What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.’ ¹⁴ But when the tenants saw him, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir. Let us kill him, so that the inheritance may be ours.’ ¹⁵ And they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶ He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others.” When they heard this, they said, “Surely not!” ¹⁷ But he looked directly at them and said, “What then is this that is written: “ ‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone’? ¹⁸ “Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him.” ¹⁹ The scribes and the chief priests sought to lay hands on him at that very hour, for they perceived that he had told this parable against them, but they feared the people. ²⁰ So they watched him and sent spies, who pretended to be sincere, that they might catch him in something he said, so as to deliver him up to the authority and jurisdiction of the governor.

This Week in the Parish

Day	Time	Event	Place
Saturday	7:00 p.m.	Divine Service	Sanctuary
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Divine Service (Children's Sermon)	Sanctuary
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Bible Class/SS	Fellowship Hall
	10:30 a.m.	Divine Service (Children's Sermon)	Sanctuary
Monday:		Pastor Domke's day off	
	12:30 p.m.	Preschool	Preschool Room
Tuesday:			
	9:00 a.m.	Preschool	Preschool room
	12:30 p.m.	Preschool	Preschool Room
	1:00 p.m.	Chapel	Sanctuary
	1:00 p.m.	Quilting	Fellowship Hall
Wednesday:	12:30 p.m.	Preschool	Preschool Room
	3:30 p.m.	Staff Meeting	Boardroom
	5:15 p.m.	Confirmation/Kids4Christ	CAC
	6:00 p.m.	Lenten Supper	
	6:45 p.m.	Hymn Sing	
	7:00 p.m.	Midweek Lenten Service	
	8:00 p.m.	Choir	
Thursday:	9:00 a.m.	Preschool	Preschool room
	12:30 p.m.	Preschool	Preschool Room
	12:30 p.m.	Sunquest Village Service	Sunquest
	2:00 p.m.	Mt. Calvary Service	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:	10:00 a.m.	Quilt Guild	West Classroom
	7:00 p.m.	Divine Service/Communion	Sanctuary