

March 19/20, 2016

Palm Sunday

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 III w/ Holy Communion
Hymns:	442, 441, 633, 641, 642, 443
Choir: 8:00 a.m.	"Hosanna to the King of Kings" – Lloyd Larson
Theme:	"Grace to the Guilty."
Text:	Genesis 45
Sermon by:	Pastor Domke
Liturgist:	Pastor Smith

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

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.

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: Robert Maag passed away on February 29th. His funeral was on March 5th at Emmaus Lutheran in Tripp, S.D. We pray the Lord's comfort and strength for the members of his 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:	Nancy Ziegeldorf	Nancy Ziegeldorf	Nancy Ziegeldorf
Acolyte:	Jacob Donovan	Jordyn Zavesky	Lexy Gilbert
Communion Asst's:	Chuck Gascoigne	Dareld Schley	Kerwin Haeder

BLESSED BY MEANS OF GRACE: Divine Worship: 218 Sunday School: 23 Adult Bible Class: 81

Weekly Budgeted :	Offering Last Week	Needed to Date	Giving to Date	Budget Short Fall
General \$7,011	\$4,368.00	\$77,121.00	\$65,520.00	\$11,601.00
Mission \$1,698	\$1,554.00	\$18,678.00	\$16,903.00	\$1,775.00
Building \$576	\$749.00	\$6,336.00	\$5,715.00	\$621.00

COMPUTER CRASH

If you have given us announcements within the last 4-8 weeks, 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, spaghetti, 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 3 – March 20 and March 23

In today's Sunday school lesson and Wednesday's lesson at Kids 4 Christ, "Jesus Is Anointed," the children learn how in faith, a sinful woman lovingly anointed Jesus. They also learn how in faith, we grasp God's free mercy, receive the forgiveness of sins, and respond with acts of love and praise. As a family, consider ways that you might respond to God's mercy. *Ask your children, "What sins will God forgive?"*

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.

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.

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 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.

Asia Calling Jastrams to Japan Please take a moment to read Rev. Jastrams newsletter posted in the fellowship hall bulletin board.

Ministerial Recruitment Visit

Have you ever considered being a pastor or deaconess? If, so, on Saturday, April 2nd from 4-8pm at Mt Calvary Daniel Eggold, Admissions Officer, from Concordia Seminary will be present. Rev. Eggold is interested in meeting with prospective students of all ages—elementary school through adults who are already employed in another vocation. Conferences are individual, informal, and family/friends are welcome. Reservations are not necessary, but strongly encouraged. If interested in scheduling a specific conference time, please call Rev. Eggold at 314-505-7224 or e-mail him at eggoldd@csl.edu to set up an appointment.

Mt. Calvary Preschool would like to thank everyone for their generous monetary and prayer support. We appreciate it so much.

Ushers Needed: for all church services. Men, women and youth are welcome! Sign up sheet is on the table in the fellowship hall.

Men's Thursday Evening Bible Study: All men of the congregation are invited to attend. The time we spend together is a time of conversation, prayer, fellowship and bible reading. 7:00 p.m. in the boardroom.

Church website and Facebook: Check out our website at www.mtcalvaryhuron.org. There are many resources available on the website and they are growing: news, bulletins, newsletters, worship services, (audio), confirmation information, preschool information, plus much more. Also, check us out on Facebook and send a Facebook "friend" request.

Lessons for Palm Sunday

Christ's Example of Humility—Epistle Philippians 2:1-11

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, ²complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. ⁴Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. ⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Triumphal Entry—Gospel John 12: 12-17

¹²The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. ¹³So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" ¹⁴And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

¹⁵ "Fear not, daughter of Zion;
behold, your king is coming,
sitting on a donkey's colt!"

¹⁶His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. ¹⁷The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. ¹⁸The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. ¹⁹So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."

The Holy Bible: English Standard Version. (2001). (Php 2:1–11). Wheaton: Standard Bible Society

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This Week in the Parish

Day	Time	Event	Place
Saturday	7:00 p.m.	Divine Service	Sanctuary
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Divine Service	Sanctuary
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Bible Class/SS	Fellowship Hall
	10:30 a.m.	Divine Service	Sanctuary
	9:00 p.m.	JR LYF Lock-in	
Monday:		Pastor Domke's day off	
Tuesday:	12:30 p.m.	Preschool	Preschool Room
	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:		Journal Deadline	
	12:30 p.m.	Preschool	Preschool Room
	3:30 p.m.	Staff Meeting	Boardroom
	5:15 p.m.	Confirmation/Kids4Christ	CAC
Thursday:	7:00 p.m.	Choir	
	9:00 a.m.	Preschool	Preschool room
	12:30 p.m.	Preschool	Preschool Room
	1:15 p.m.	Sunquest Village Service	Sunquest
Friday:	7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Worship Service	
	12:10 p.m.	Good Friday Service I	
	7:00 p.m.	Good Friday Service II	
Saturday:		No Preschool March 25-28th	
		Resumes March 29th	
Saturday:	7:00 p.m.	Easter Vigil Service	Sanctuary
Sunday:	6:30 a.m.	Easter Sunrise Service	
	7:30 a.m.	Easter Breakfast	
	8:30 a.m.	Easter Festival I	
	10:30 a.m.	Easter Festival II	