CALVARY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Chandler, Arizona † May 18 & 19, 2024 † Pentecost

Welcome. At Calvary, our worship is designed to praise God and enrich faith. We aim to make the service clear and appropriately reverent. For your convenience, the service is printed in its entirety in your bulletin. Please do sign the connection cards in the pews or the guest book by the entryway so that we know you were here in case we didn't get to say hello. Feel free to ask Pastor Spaude, Pastor Sprain, or Mr. Kuether any questions you may have or go to our website, calvarychandler.net

Bring the kids. Our congregation enjoys the worshipping family. Please sit in any pew where you feel comfortable. We do have a message specifically for the children Sunday Morning during worship.

May we suggest: Quietly explain the worship service as it takes place. Share with your children the "why" of what they are hearing. Sing the hymns, pray the prayers etc. Children learn behavior by mimicking you. And please remember, if you have to leave the sanctuary (the cry room is located in the back of church) with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. For Jesus said: "Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14

To our Calvary Family, the presence of children is a gift to the Church, and they remind us that our church is growing. Give a smile and warm encouragement to them and their families.

Don't feel obligated. Our members give offerings to the Lord as an expression of our thanks and praise for his amazing love! Visitors, please know you are not expected or required to give an offering. It is completely your choice. We are just glad you are here! **Make yourself at home.** After the service, we join together for coffee, snacks and conversation. We would be honored if you'd join us.

For those who have hearing issues our sound system allows for you to engage the "T" setting on your hearing aid. There are also hearing devices available. Ask an usher.

SERVICE NOTES FOR THIS SUNDAY

Pentecost is the third great festival of the Church, along with Christmas and Easter. This day marks the birthday of the New Testament Church.

THE COMMON SERVICE

Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord

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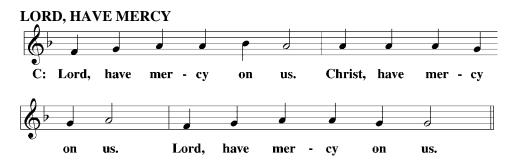
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P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and the Holy Spirit.



CONFESSION OF SINS

- **P:** Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.



P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.



P: Let us Pray.

Holy Spirit, God and Lord, come to us this joyful day with your sevenfold gifts of grace. Rekindle in our hearts the holy fire of your love that in a true and living faith we may tell abroad the glory of our Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Father, one God, now and forever.



FIRST LESSON Ezekiel 37:1–14

The hand of the Lord was upon me. He brought me out by the Spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley, which was full of bones. He had me pass through them and go all over among them. There were very many on the valley floor, and they were very dry.

He said to me, "Son of man, can these dry bones live?" I answered, "Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones and say to them, 'Dry bones, hear the word of the Lord.""

This is what the Lord God says to these bones.

I am about to make breath enter you so that you will live. I will attach tendons to you. I will put flesh back on you. I will cover you with skin and put breath in you, and you will live. Then you will know that I am the Lord.

So I prophesied as I had been commanded, and as I was prophesying there was a noise, a rattling, as the bones came together, one bone connecting to another. As I watched, tendons were attached to them, then flesh grew over them, and skin covered them. But there was no breath in them.

Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the wind. Prophesy, son of man, and say to the wind that this is what the Lord God says. From the four winds, come, O wind, and breathe into these slain so that they may live."

The lord allows Ezekiel to see that the Spirit would give that prophet's words the power to raise the dead to life.

So I prophesied as he commanded me. Breath entered them, and they came back to life. They stood on their feet, a very, very large army.

Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They are saying, 'Our bones are dried up. Our hope is lost. We have been completely cut off.' Therefore, prophesy and say to them that this is what the Lord God says. My people, I am going to open your graves and raise you up from your graves and bring you back to the soil of Israel. Then you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my Spirit in you, and you will live. I will settle you on your own land, and you will know that I, the Lord, have spoken, and I have done it, declares the Lord."

PSALM 51b



Psalm 51b: The Spirit of God moves us to repentance and brings us forgiveness; he opens our lips and moves us to praise.



O Lord, open <u>my</u> lips,* and my mouth will declare your praise.

You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would <u>bring</u> it;* you do not take pleasure in burnt <u>of</u>ferings.

The sacrifices of God are a broken <u>spir</u>it;* a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will <u>not</u> despise.

Refrain

Create in me a pure <u>heart</u>, O God,* and renew a steadfast spirit with<u>in</u> me.

Do not cast me from your <u>presence</u>* or take your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation,* and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Then I will teach transgressors <u>your</u> ways,* and sinners will turn <u>back</u> to you.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son* and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning,* is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

SECOND LESSON

Acts 2:1–21

The Day of Pentecost was the fulfillment of God's promise to pour out his Holy Spirit.

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the rushing of a violent wind came from heaven, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw divided tongues that were like fire resting on each one of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, since the Spirit was giving them the ability to speak fluently. Now there were godly Jewish men from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. When this sound was heard, a crowd came together and was confused, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. They were completely baffled and said to each other, "Look, are not all these men who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them speaking in his own native language? Parthians, Medes, and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, and of Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt, and the parts of Libya around Cyrene; visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes; Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring in our own languages the wonderful works of God." They were all amazed and perplexed. They kept saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others mocked them and said, "They are full of new wine."

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and spoke loudly and clearly to them: "Men of Judea, and all you residents of Jerusalem, understand this, and listen closely to my words. These men are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only the third hour of the day. On the contrary, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

This is what God says will happen in the last days:

I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh. Your sons and your daughters will prophesy. Your young men will see visions. Your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they

will prophesy. I will show wonders in the sky above, and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and a rising cloud of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. And this will happen: Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SINGING: God Loves Me Dearly (Sunday only)

VERSE OF THE DAY



After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



GOSPEL

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-11

"When the Counselor comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father—he will testify about me. And you also are going to testify, because you have been with me from the beginning."
"...I did not tell you these things from the beginning, because I was with you.

"But now I am going away to him who sent me, and not one of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' Yet because I have told you these things, sorrow has filled your heart. Nevertheless, I am telling you the truth: It is good for you that I go away. For if I do not go away, the Counselor will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. When he comes, he will convict the world about sin, about righteousness, and about judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will no longer see me; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned."

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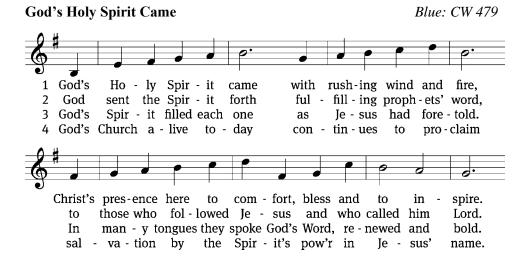


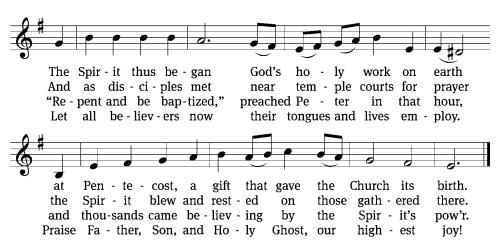
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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (Sunday Morning)

Children are invited to come forward to the altar area for the children's sermon at this time. (Parents can come with their children if the children are hesitant to go by themselves.)





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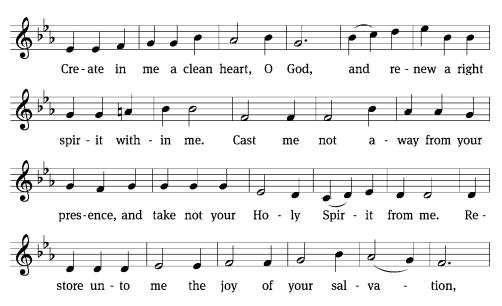
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SERMON

Ezekiel 37:1-14 The Holy Spirit Creates Life





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OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT

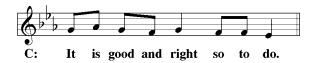
P: The Lord be with you.



P: Lift up your hearts.

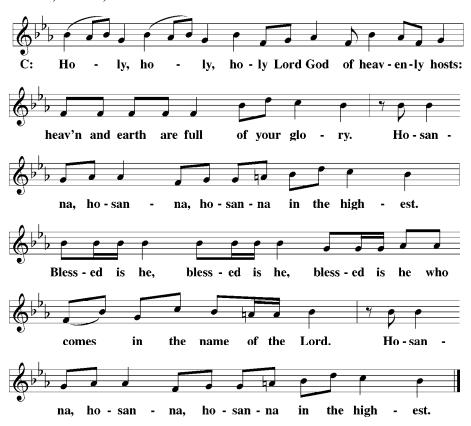


P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



P: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day kept his promise and poured out the Holy Spirit to empower his Church to proclaim the gospel in all the world. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



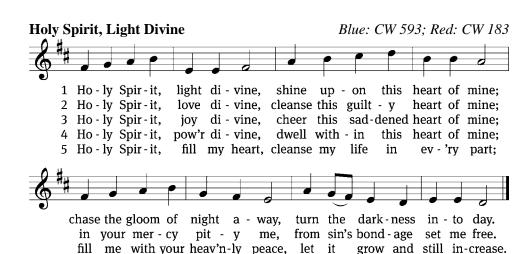
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."



Holy Communion: Our church practices "Member Communion." If you are a guest today and are a confirmed member of another WELS or ELS church, we invite you to the Lord's Table with us. If you are a guest today and are not a member of one of our Wisconsin Synod churches, we ask that you would speak to Pastor Spaude after church today or at some other time to discuss receiving the Lord's Supper with us in the future.



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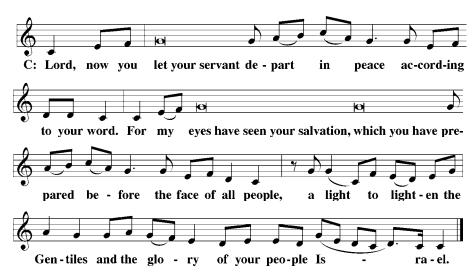
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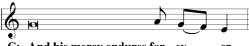
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SONG OF SIMEON



P: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev

P: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

OR

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

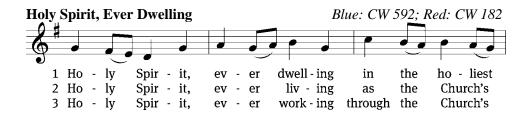


P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.







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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The altar committee is in need of more volunteers. We need someone to help with the cleanup and refilling of the communion ware on Saturday evenings after the service and someone to help with the cleanup on Sundays. This would not be for every weekend. If you are interested in helping or want to know what is required, please contact Tammy Armbruster @ 480-258-0282 or Pam Abbe @ 480-434-1163.

A NEW Refreshment Schedule sign-up is now on the back counter for the months May through August. Please sign up for a date! Thank you!

The book club will meet on May 26th at 3PM. We are reading "The Dictionary of Lost Words: A Novel" by Pip Williams. Set during the height of the women's suffrage movement and with the Great War looming, The Dictionary of Lost Words reveals a lost narrative, hidden between the lines of a history written by men. Inspired by actual events, author Pip Williams has delved into the archives of the Oxford English Dictionary to tell this highly original story. The Dictionary of Lost Words is a delightful, lyrical, and deeply thought-provoking celebration of words and the power of language to shape the world. All are welcome. For additional information, please contact Kris Powell at swrklog@hotmail.com or Hilda Kuether at Offkue@yahoo.com. Hope to see you there!

Registration for Vacation Bible School is now available at

https://calvarychandler.net/build-on-the-rock-vbs and on the back counter of the narthex. VBS will be Monday through Friday, June 17th – 21st 9AM to 11:30AM. The families will be invited to attend worship on Sunday June 23rd and the children will sing a song they learned during the week.. We look forward to the opportunity to help our parents strengthen the faith of their children and also share God's Word with families outside our congregation.

The WELS Youth Rally will be held at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colorado this summer, June 25th-28th. A number of our Christ Teens are going to this rally. The cost for travel, registration, food, and lodging is about \$500.00 per person. To help defray the cost for them, the church council has set up the door collections on the opening weekends of April, May and June to help with this. So instead of having door collections for the Parish Assistance Fund those months, we will be asking for donations to the Youth rally. Any and all help will be greatly appreciated.

<u>The Wednesday night Bible Class</u> meets at 7PM. We are continuing the study of the Gospel of Matthew.

<u>Aluminum Can donation bin</u> is located behind the trash dumpsters. All proceeds go to the Ladies Guild.

Sunday Bible Class will be not be held next Sunday, May 26th.

This past week at Calvary:

31 worshipped in the Saturday service and 102 worshipped in the Sunday service.

\$3,879.51 was given for the work of the Lord. Included in this, \$100 for Parish Assistance, \$20 for Capital Improvement and \$10 by the Sunday School children.

Pastor: Martin Spaude Organist: Rachel Traudt Head Usher: James Schroeder

Communion Assistant: David Gannon

Ushers: Mike Hoover, Rodney Rasmussen, Laramie Rasmussen, Kylan

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