



*The
kingdom
of heaven
is like
treasure
hidden
in a field...*

MATTHEW 13:44



***NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 26, 2026
CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH
PRINCETON, WI***

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OUR PURPOSE FOR EXISTENCE: “To lead those whom the Lord leads to us to a personal relationship with Christ and to grow in Christlikeness.”

THIS WEEK AT CALVARY:

Today

10:00 a.m. Worship
Fellowship in Fellowship Hall

Tuesday

11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Zion Community Meal Site
6:00 p.m. -Joint Fellowship Meeting – Zion
7:30 p.m. Calvary Church Council Meeting - Calvary

Sunday

10:00 a.m. Worship (HC)
11:00 a.m. Congregational Meeting
Fellowship in Fellowship Hall

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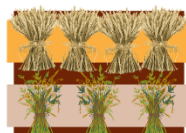
ORGANIST - Colleen Lunow

ELDERS: Bob Foster, Bob Frandy and Jim Manthei

PRAYER CHAIN: We are a part of Calvary's extended family who want to give support in prayer to those who are ill, hospitalized, or in need. Please call Sherry at (920) 807- 9336



AS WE GATHER



If you have ever done a load of laundry, then you know what it feels like to come up one sock short. It is almost like some troublemaker climbed into the dryer and left only one lonesome sock behind. Our laundry is incomplete. We don't have everything we are supposed to have, everything we started with. Our frustration grows. If we truly took stock of our lives, we would evaluate ourselves as missing more than a sock or two. Sabotaged by the enemy and suffering from our own failures, we feel frustrated and incomplete. But perfection is coming. God's perfect Word is here to speak your forgiveness. His perfect heart pursues lost souls. And His perfect plan includes His return.

Please fill in the worship registration cards found in the pews and pass them to the center aisle. Our ushers will pick them up during the sermon hymn. Thank you!

**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC/WORSHIP PREPARATION
WELCOME /ANNOUNCEMENTS/SHARING OF THE
PEACE**

**HYMN: "CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS" LSB #
525 sts. 1-3**

Stand

OPENING VERSICLES

L This is the day which the Lord has made;

C let us rejoice and be glad in it.

L From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C the name of the Lord is to be praised.

L Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand
elsewhere;

**C I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God
than dwell in the tents of the wicked.**

L Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

C Teach me Your paths.

L Sanctify us in Your truth.

C Your Word is truth.

L From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C the name of the Lord is to be praised.

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.

HYMN: “CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS” LSB#
525 sts. 4–5

Sit

READINGS FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Deuteronomy 7:6–9

L A reading from Deuteronomy, the seventh chapter.

⁶“You are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. ⁷It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, ⁸but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. ⁹Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God

who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING

Romans 8:28–39

L A reading from Romans, the eighth chapter.

²⁸We know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. ³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified. ³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? ³³Who shall bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.” ³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come,

nor powers, ³⁹nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 13:44–52

L A reading from Matthew, the thirteenth chapter.

⁴⁴[Jesus said:] “The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. ⁴⁵“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, ⁴⁶who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it. ⁴⁷“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and gathered fish of every kind. ⁴⁸When it was full, men drew it ashore and sat down and sorted the good into containers but threw away the bad. ⁴⁹So it will be at the close of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁵¹“Have you understood all these things?” They said to him, “Yes.” ⁵²And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORY

L Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

**C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place
where Your glory dwells.**

L Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep
it.

**C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place
where Your glory dwells.**

L Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy
Spirit.

**C Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place
where Your glory dwells.**

THE SECOND ARTICLE

Redemption

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

What does this mean?

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and

live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

Sit

HYMN: “LAMB OF GOD”

LSB # 550

CATECHETICAL INSTRUCTION

APOSTLES’ CREED

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life **T** everlasting. Amen.

GENEROSITY THOUGHT

L Matthew 13:45-46 – “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.” Indeed, Jesus redeemed us, purchased us back from sin and death, with all that He had. We belong to Him now. Our generosity ought to imitate the out-sized generosity of Jesus.

OFFERING

Stand

PRAYER

L In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

L Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

L Almighty and everlasting God, give us an increase of faith, hope, and love, that, receiving what You have promised, we may love what You have commanded; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

COLLECT FOR THE WORD

L Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our

Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

MORNING PRAYER

**C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ,
Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from
all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep
me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my
doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I
commend myself, my body and soul, and all things.
Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may
have no power over me.**

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**C 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.**

HYMN: "O SAVIOR, PRECIOUS SAVIOR" LSB # 527
sts. 1-3

BLESSING

L Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

L The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the T Son,
and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.

C Amen.

DISMISSAL

L Go in peace and serve the Lord!

C Thanks be to God.

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2026 Concordia

GOD'S POWER AMONG US:

Sunday, July 19: 22 Bible Class: 12



THOSE SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY:

GREETERS: Alice & Lloyd Nelson, Elmer Rosanske

NEXT WEEK'S GREETERS: Karen Neszbaum, Ginny Wiebelhaus

USHERS: TEAM #:3 Pete Badtke, capt., Bill Jones, Brian Jones, Steve Jones, Carlin Richter, Kendra Richter, Keira Richter

FINANCIAL FIGURES FROM LAST WEEK:, Sunday, July 19:
\$1604.03 Including VANCO (General Fund), \$2224 Fellowship (Flea Market), \$235 (Memorial Fund), \$38.99 (LCEF), \$444 (Thrivent Choice)

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: Sunday, August 2 after services at 11:00 a.m. We will be discussing the possibility of purchasing the vacant lot on Water and South Clinton Streets.

ZION MEAL SITE: Zion Lutheran Church Meal Site is open every Tuesday from 11:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. A meal is served every Tuesday. Please call Zion church at 920-293-4312 no later than the Sunday before you plan to attend. Free will offerings are accepted. All are welcome!

FOOD PANTRY: Please do not forget about our food pantry donations during the spring and summer months. Many times family's nutritional needs increase when children are not in school full time.

LWML REQUEST: Do you crochet or knit? The LWML SWD Fall Retreat Committee is seeking ladies who would make booties, or bonnets for our Gifts from the Heart collection. See Colleen Schultz for more information and pattern.

TIMBER RATTLER'S GAME: On Sunday August 23rd we will be traveling to Appleton to see the Timber Rattlers play at 1pm. We will again tailgate ahead of time. Fellowship will provide fixings to build your own subs, water and lemonade. Please bring a dish or snack to pass. Cost is \$12 per person, plus \$6 ahead for parking pass (\$8 at the gate). Please sign up in the narthex and pay by Sunday August 9th. Put your payment in the offering plate and label it Timber Rattlers. Hope to see you there

COFFEE FUND: The coffee fund is getting low. Please consider donating to the free will offering basket in fellowship hall. Thank you!

2026 PRINCETON FLEA MARKET: CROSSING GUARDS NEEDED: Princeton Chamber of Commerce is looking for crossing guards to assist with pedestrian safety, 4 hours per Saturday from Memorial Day through Labor Day, 9:00 a.m. –1:00 p.m. After Labor Day until the end of the season the hours are 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Must be 18 years of age to apply and able to stand for the complete shift. Wage is \$25.00/hour. Please contact Mark Judas for details to apple at 920-229-0970 or Judasmon6901@gmail.com.

WEATHER AWARENESS REMINDER: If the Princeton tornado sirens sound, everyone should immediately go to the classroom or

restrooms by the water fountain, while staying away from windows. The hallway door to the nursery should be closed. Please assist those with disabilities and make sure that everyone is accounted for.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2026

Trinity Lutheran Church in Wautoma will be holding their annual pie and ice cream social from 4:00-6:30 p.m. Barbeque sandwiches, potato chips and pickles will be served along with beverages and assortment of delicious pies and ice cream. A free-will offering will be taken with proceeds going to Waushara County home delivery meals. Trinity Lutheran is located at 121 Elm Street in Wautoma.

NOTICE: For those members attending Zion Lutheran on Sundays: Effective the first Sunday in September, the Lead Elder will secure all church doors at the beginning of the first hymn. This measure is being implemented in the interest of safety for all who are present. The doors will remain unlocked from the inside, permitting individuals to exit; however, entry from the outside will not be available once the doors have been secured.

CANOE AND TUBING TRIP: On August 29th, Bill Harris from Zion will coordinate a canoeing and tubing trip down the river. We will meet behind the Neshkoro dam by the river at 9am. The outing is expected to last approximately three hours. Bill will provide canoes and personal flotation devices. Those who plan to tube should bring their own tube. Sunday School and Confirmation students are especially encouraged to attend, and the event is open to everyone. Following the trip, Bill will provide a ramen noodle lunch. Please sign up on bulletin board in Narthex by August 22.

THANK YOU: To everyone who helped in anyway at the Flea Market Food Stand on July 18. Your dedication to our church is greatly appreciated! The Fellowship Board

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Tuesdays: 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Zion Community

	Meal Site
Tuesday, July 28:	6:00 p.m. Bd. of Fellowship
	7:30 p.m. Calvary Church Council
Sunday, August 2:	Congregation Meeting 11:00 a.m.
Monday, August 3	6:30 p.m. Joint Elder's Meeting – Calvary
Thursday, August 6:	10:30 a.m. Bd. of Stewardship
Sunday, August 23:	Timber Rattlers Game in Appleton

