



**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCHES**  
**Babbtown (Meta 8am)**  
**Schubert (Jefferson City 10am)**

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**THE LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR**  
**CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY**  
**FAVORITE HYMN SUNDAY**  
**November 20, 2022**

**Order of Worship:** Printed below  
 (with P for Pastor, C for Congregation)

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Welcome to each of you in the Name of Jesus, our Savior, our Friend. Today our worship takes a different order and a different flavor than the usual worship. We have designated it as Favorite Hymn Sunday and have a selection of hymns arranged around the seasons of the Church year. Of course, it is impossible to use everyone's favorite hymns, but today we will sing well-known as well as meaningful hymns and songs to emphasize the life of Christ and our response of faith. May God bless us all as we lift our voices in the "joyful noise" of singing!

If you are a guest joining us today – either online or in person, we greet you with special joy. Please introduce yourself and sign the guest register. Come back as often as you are able. Let us know if we can minister to you in any way.

NOTE: Offering plates are at both entrances.

**The Ringing Of The Bell**

**Prelude**

**Words of Welcome**

**Opening Hymn:** "How Great Thou Art" vs. 1,3-4

**O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder,  
 Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,  
 I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,  
 Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed!**

**REFRAIN: Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee  
 How great Thou art! How great Thou art!  
 Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee;  
 How great Thou art! How great Thou art!**

**But when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
 Sent him to die, I scarce can take it in—  
 That on the cross my burden gladly bearing  
 He bled and died to take away my sin; REFRAIN**

**When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
 To take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.  
 Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
 And there proclaim: "My God, how great thou art!" REFRAIN**

**Invocation:** *[Please rise]*

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

C: **Amen.**

P: O Lord, open Thou my lips

C: **And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.**

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

C: **Make haste to help me, O Lord.**

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,

C: **As it was in the beginning is, is now and will be forever.**

ALL: **Amen.**

**The Prayer Of The Day:**

**Lord Jesus Christ, You reign among us by the preaching of Your cross. Forgive Your people their offenses that we, being governed by Your bountiful goodness may enter at last into Your eternal paradise; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

**Hymn verse:** TLH 246, vs. 1 “Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty”

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;**

**Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in Three persons, blessed Trinity!**

**The Old Testament Reading:** Malachi 3:13-18

<sup>13</sup>“Your words have been hard against me, says the LORD. But you say, ‘How have we spoken against you?’ <sup>14</sup>You have said, ‘It is vain to serve God. What is the profit of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the LORD of hosts? <sup>15</sup>And now we call the arrogant blessed. Evildoers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape.’”<sup>16</sup> Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed his name. <sup>17</sup>“They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. <sup>18</sup>Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.

**Comments**

**Hymn:** TLH 370, vs. 1, 2, and 4 “My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less”

**My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;**

**I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name.**

**On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.**

**When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace;**

**In ev'ry high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil.**

**On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand.**

**When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh, may I then in Him be found,**

**Clothed in His righteousness alone, Faultless to stand before the throne.**

**On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand. Amen.**

## THE CHURCH YEAR IN REVIEW

### TODAY

#### **The Epistle Reading:** Colossians 1:13-20

<sup>13</sup> He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup> in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. <sup>15</sup> He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. <sup>16</sup> For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup> And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. <sup>18</sup> And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. <sup>19</sup> For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup> and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

#### **Comments**

**Hymn:** TLH 360, vs. 1-2 & 5 “Oh, For A Thousand Tongues To Sing”

**Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing My great Redeemer’s praise,  
The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of His grace!**

**My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim,  
To spread thro' all the earth abroad The honors of Thy name.**

**Look unto Him, ye nations; own Your God, ye fallen race.  
Look and be saved through faith alone, Be justified by grace.**

### ADVENT

#### **Comments**

**Hymn:** TLH 62, vs. 1-2 “Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel”

**Oh, come, Oh, come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel  
That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel.**

**Oh, come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free Thine own from Satan's tyranny;  
From depths of hell Thy people save And give them vict'ry o'er the grave.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel.**

#### **Comments**

**Confession:** *[Please rise - Spoken by all]*

**O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**Absolution:**

P: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

C: **Amen.**

*[Please be seated]*

**Hymn Verse of Response:** "It Is Well With My Soul" vs. 1, 3 & 4

**When peace like a river, attendeth my way;  
When sorrows, like sea billows roll;  
Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,  
It is well, it is well with my soul.**

**REFRAIN: It is well (it is well) with my soul (with my soul),  
It is well, it is well with my soul.**

**He lives—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought;  
My sin, not in part, but the whole,  
Is nailed to His cross, and I bear it no more.  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! REFRAIN**

**And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend;  
Even so it is well with my soul. REFRAIN**

**CHRISTMAS**

**Comments**

**The Apostles' Creed: p. 12 *[Please rise]***

**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 Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins, The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.**

**The offerings are presented during this Hymn**

**Hymn:** TLH 87 “Joy To The World” vs. 1& 4

**Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King;  
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room And heav'n and nature sing,  
And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.**

**He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness, And wonders of His love,  
And wonders of His love, And wonders, wonders of His love. Amen.**

## **EPIPHANY**

### **Comments**

**Hymn:** TLH 128, vs. 1 “Brightest And Best”

**Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,  
Dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid;  
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,  
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.**

## **LENT**

**The Holy Gospel:** Luke 13:26-43

<sup>26</sup> And as they led him away, they seized one Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, and laid on him the cross, to carry it behind Jesus. <sup>27</sup> And there followed him a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. <sup>28</sup> But turning to them Jesus said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. <sup>29</sup> For behold, the days are coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!’ <sup>30</sup> Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us,’ and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ <sup>31</sup> For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?” <sup>32</sup> Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. <sup>33</sup> And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>34</sup> And Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” And they cast lots to divide his garments. <sup>35</sup> And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!” <sup>36</sup> The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine <sup>37</sup> and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” <sup>38</sup> There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.” <sup>39</sup> One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, “Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!” <sup>40</sup> But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? <sup>41</sup> And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.” <sup>42</sup> And he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” <sup>43</sup> And he said to him, “Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

### **Comments**

**Hymn: "Were You There" vs.1-4**

**Were you there when they crucified my Lord?  
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?  
Oh...Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?**

**Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?  
Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?  
Oh...Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?**

**Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?  
Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?  
Oh...Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?**

**Were you there when God raised Him from the tomb?  
Were you there when God raised Him from the tomb?  
Oh...Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.  
Were you there when God raised Him from the tomb?**

Schubert: Celebration Of Holy Communion -  
Babtown continues with the Easter Section

### **The Invitation**

### **Words of Institution**

### **Distribution:**

**Distribution Hymns: "To God Be The Glory"  
To God be the glory; great things He hath done!  
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,  
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin  
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.**

**REFRAIN: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear His voice!  
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice!  
Oh, come to the Father through Jesus the Son  
And give Him the glory—great things He hath done!**

**Oh, perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,  
To ev'ry believer the promise of God;  
The vilest offender who truly believes,  
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives. REFRAIN**

**Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,  
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son,  
But purer, and higher, and greater will be  
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. REFRAIN**

TLH 660 "I'm But A Stranger Here"

I'm but a stranger here, Heav'n is my home;  
Earth is a desert drear, Heav'n is my home.  
Danger and sorrow stand Round me on ev'ry hand;  
Heav'n is my fatherland, Heav'n is my home.

What though the tempest rage, Heav'n is my home;  
Short is my pilgrimage, Heav'n is my home;  
And time's wild wintry blast Soon shall be overpast;  
I shall reach home at last; Heav'n is my home.

There at my Savior's side Heav'n is my home;  
I shall be glorified; Heav'n is my home.  
There are the good and blest, Those I love most and best;  
And there I, too, shall rest, Heav'n is my home.

Therefore I murmur not; Heav'n is my home;  
Whate'er my earthly lot, Heav'n is my home;  
And I shall surely stand There at my Lord's right hand.  
Heav'n is my fatherland, Heav'n is my home. Amen.

**The Thanksgiving**

**The Thanksgiving Prayer**

**EASTER**

**Comments**

**Hymn: TLH 199, vs. 1 "Jesus Christ Is Ris'n Today, Alleluia!"**  
**Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!**  
**Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**

**PENTECOST**

**Comments**

**Hymn: "Amazing Grace"**  
**Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!**  
**I once was lost, but now am found; Was blind, but now I see.**

**TRINITY**

**Comments**

**The Prayers**

**The 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 Benediction:**

**P: The Lord bless you and keep you, The Lord make His face shine upon you and be  
gracious unto you. The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.**

**C: [Sung] Amen.**

**Closing Hymn: "Jesus Loves Me, This I Know"**

**Jesus loves me, this I know, For the Bible tells me so;  
Little ones to Him belong, They are weak, but He is strong.**

**REFRAIN: Yes, Jesus loves me, Yes, Jesus loves me,  
Yes, Jesus loves me, The Bible tells me so.**

**Jesus loves me, He who died Heaven's gates to open wide;  
He will wash away my sin, Let His little child come in. REFRAIN**

**Silent Prayer**

**Announcements**

***HAVE A BLESSED WEEK!***

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**BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS: Babbtown – Kenny Kolb; Schubert – Tonya Toebben and Molly Boeckmann.  
NOTE: Please call or text Pastor with prayer requests and birthdays.**

**ORGANISTS: Babbtown – Kathy Bauer; Schubert – Keith Bohl.  
USHERS this Sunday: Jim Forbis and Mike Forbis.  
USHERS next Sunday: Jim Forbis and Matt Belcher.  
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Allan Forbis and Gary Stroup;  
ACOLYTE this Sunday: Claire Prohaska.  
ACOLYTE next Sunday: Mason Mistler.**

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**THANKS TO ALL who helped with and supported the Chili Supper last Sunday. It was a successful day. There is  
still frozen chili available. Talk to Michael or Molly.**

**TODAY: December Newsletter items are due.**

**MONDAY: Men's Bible Study / Supper, 6:00 p.m.**

**WEDNESDAY: NO Confirmation Class.**

**THURSDAY: Thanksgiving Worship: Babbtown, 8:00 a.m.; Schubert, 9:30 a.m. We are collecting  
non-perishable food items for area food banks or monetary gifts marked for the Good Samaritan Fund.**



NEXT SUNDAY marks the beginning of Advent. We will have three mid-week Advent Services – Nov. 30, Dec. 7 and 14. Theme: “Behold The Child.” Worship is at 7:00 p.m.

SIGN UP for participation in our Christmas Eve services. See back of bulletin and the Newsletter for the sign-up sheet.

IT’S TIME to sign up for poinsettias to place in the sanctuary for Christmas. Prices are: Small - \$7.50; Medium – \$9.25 and Large - \$16.00. Sign-up sheets are by the bulletins at the entrances of church.

LIFE THOUGHTS IN THE CHURCH YEAR: Using death as a solution offers us dominion to spare ourselves from pain. But real kings and queens exercise majesty by saving their people instead (Luke 23:37-39). God’s forgiveness and salvation have made us royalty so that we may do the same (Colossians 1:13). Lest our silence miscommunicate arrogance as blessedness, let us give voice to the sacred remembrance that He holds every human life as His own treasured possession (Malachi 3:15-17).

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY: Babbtown,16; Schubert, 96.

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**Thanks be to God that we have the opportunity to gather in worship each week.  
Make worship and Bible Study and the Lord’s Supper a high priority in your life.**

**Babbtown**

**Schubert**

**8:00 a.m. Worship Service  
9:10 a.m. Sunday School  
and Adult Bible Study**

**9:15 am. Sunday School  
9:30 a.m. Bible Study  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service**

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**The Lutheran Hymnal:** St. Louis: Concordia, 1941.

Hymn #246: Text: Revelation 2:46; Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty; Author: Reginald Heber, (1827); Tune: Nicaea; Composer: John B. Dykes, (1861).

Hymn #370: Text: 1 Timothy 1:1; My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less; Author: Edward Mote (c. 1834, cento); Tune: Magdalen; Composer: John Slainer.

Hymn #360: Text: Acts 4:12; Oh, For A Thousand Tongues To Sing; Author: Charles Wesley (1739, cento); Tune: Beatitudo; Composer: John B. Dykes (1875).

Hymn # 62: Text: Isaiah 59:20; Veni, veni, Emmanuel; Oh Come, Oh Come, Emmanuel: Latin Author: Unknown; Translator: John M. Neale (1851, 1859, ab.); Tune: Veni, Emmanuel; Source: Plain-song Melody, c. 1200.

Hymn # 87: Text: Luke 2:10; Psalm 98; Joh To The World; Author: Isaac Watts (1719); Tune: Antioch; Composer: Georg F. Handel (1742; arr.).

Hymn #128: Text: Matthew 2:11; Brightest and Best Of the Sons of the morning; Author: Reginald Heber (1811); Tune: Morning Star; Composer: John P. Harding (1892).

Hymn #660: Text: Hebrews 4:9; I’m But A Stranger Here; Author: T. R. Taylor (1836, alt); Tune Heaven Is My Hone, Composer: Arthur S. Sullivan.

Hymn #199: Text: Revelation 1:18; Latin: Surrexit Christus hodie; Jesus Christ Is Ris’n Today, Alleluia; Author: Unknown (c. 1372); Translator: Unknown (17-8-1882); Tune: Easter Hymn; Source: “Lyrica Davidica,” 1708, alt.

**Lutheran Service Book:** St. Louis: Concordia Publishing House, 2006.

Hymn #801: Text: Genesis 1:1-25; How Great Thou Art; Author: Carl Gustaf Boberg 1859-1940; Translator: Stuart W. K. Hine, 1899-1989; Tune: O Store Gud; Composer: Stuart W. K. Hine, 1899-1989; Text and music: © 1953; © renewed 1981, Manna Music.

Hymn #763: Text: Isaiah 26:3; Luke 2:29; Romans 5:1; Colossians 3:15; It is Well With My Soul; Author: Horatio G. Spofford, 1821-1888, alt; Tune: It Is Well; Composer: Philip Bless, 1838-1876; Public Domain.

Hymn #456: Text: Matthew 28:6; Luke 22:33, 53; Romans 6:3-4 ;African American Spiritual, 19<sup>th</sup> cet., alt.; Tune: African American spiritual, 19<sup>th</sup> cent., alt.; setting: C. Winfred Douglas, 1867-1944.

Hymn #744: Text: Epesians 2:1, 4-9; John 1:14, 16-17; Hebrews 4:16; Romans 3:22b-24; Amazing Grace; Stanzas 1-4 alt.; Author: John Newton, 1725-1807; Stanza 5; A collection of Sacred Ballads Richmond, 1790; Tune: Colombian Harmony, Cincinnati, 1829; Setting: JosephHerl, b. 1959; Text and Tune: Public Domain; ©1991 Editorial Concordia; Setting: ©2006, Concordia Publishing House.

“**To God Be The Glory**”: Text: Unknown; Author: Frances Jane Crosby-Van Alstyne, (1875); Tune: To God Be The Glory; Composer: George Washington Doane.

“**Jesus Loves Me**”: Author: Anna Bartlett Warren, from a poem written by her sister, Susan Warren; Composer and Chorus Verse, Written by William Batchelder Bradbury, 1862.

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# CALVARY NEWS



**CALVARY INSIDER** – What happened at Calvary last week, you ask?

- After the validation team visited this week, Calvary was unanimously recommended for full accreditation. Identified outstanding strengths were Mission Clarity, School Culture and School Stakeholders: teacher, students and parents. Congratulations to all!
- Thank you to all who contributed during our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Week of Giving! Even if you missed it, your year-end gift still makes an immediate impact on students at Calvary. We are blessed to have the trust of so many as, together, we build Christian leaders!

**CALVARY CHRISTMAS CONCERT** – Join us Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. for the annual Calvary Christmas concert! Enjoy pieces performed by the Calvary Choirs and Band that are sure to get you ready for the Christmas season!

**\$50 EARLY REGISTRATION BONUS** – Registration is OPEN for the 2023-2024 school year! Incoming 8<sup>th</sup> graders and current 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students can already register for next year! When you apply or re-register for next school year with your \$100 registration fee before January 3, 2023, you will receive a \$50 credit toward your student's '23-'24 tuition. REGISTER TODAY!

**CHRISTMAS SHOPPING FOR CALVARY: WITH AMAZON SMILE** – Starting your holiday shopping? If you shop on Amazon, you can use your purchases to give back to Calvary! By going to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and designating Lutheran High School Association of Missouri as your charity of choice, 0.5% of your eligible purchases will be donated back to Calvary! This is a great way to support Calvary while crossing items off your Christmas list!