

THE SEASON OF PENTECOST

After reliving the great events of the life of Christ, the worshipping Church spends half a year focusing on the teachings of Christ. The Church wears green (except for Trinity Sunday) during the season of Pentecost as the Spirit uses those teaching of Jesus to grow the faith of believers.

Our path for worship in the coming weeks is as follows:

THE BELIEVER LIVES AS A FAITHFUL MANAGER...

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| <i>October 2</i> | <i>Of God's gift of treasure for kingdom work</i> |
| Today | <i>Guest Preacher, Pastor Jonathan Stern, WELS Christian Giving Counselor</i> |
| <i>October 16</i> | <i>Of God's gift of testimony for kingdom work</i> |
| <i>October 23</i> | <i>Of God's gift of talent for kingdom work</i> |

FOR THE CHILDREN

A Staffed Nursery is available for your use at any time during the service. It is located down the hallway to the right of the restrooms.

A Cry-Room area is available if your little ones need a moment. Simply use the hallway located out the gymnasium doors by the water fountains.

Children's Activity Sheets give activities and lessons pertaining to the Scripture lessons for the day. Ask an usher near the table as you enter the worship space.

CHRIST ALONE LUTHERAN CHURCH

He Did It All!

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PENTECOST 21

Welcome! Thank you for joining us for worship this morning. In our service we gather before our almighty God to offer him our worship and praise. We also gather to strengthen ourselves through the study of God's holy and powerful word. Please take a moment to sign our guest register as you leave this morning.

- ✓ **Restrooms** are located across the hallway as you exit the gymnasium by the water fountains.



"No servant can serve two masters."

TODAY'S THEME:

TALKING MONEY WITH GOD

GUEST PREACHER:

PASTOR JONATHAN STERN

OPENING HYMN: #237, *Lord of Lords, the Sparkling Heavens*

INVOCATION

L(leader): The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C(ongregation): And also with you.

CONFSSION OF SINS

- L:** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- C:** **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**
- L:** God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.
- C:** **Amen.**
- L:** In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

OUR SONG OF PRAISE¹

1 Fa - ther, we praise you, now the night is o - ver.
2 Mon - arch of all things, fit us for your man - sions;
3 All - ho - ly Fa - ther, Son, and e - qual Spir - it,

Ac - tive and watch - ful, stand - ing now be -
Ban - ish our weak - ness, health and whole - ness
Trin - i - ty bless - ed, send us your sal -

fore - you, Sing - ing, we of - fer prayer and
send - ing. Bring us to heav - en, where your
va - tion; Yours is the glo - ry, gleam - ing

med - i - ta - tion; Thus we a - dore you.
saints u - nit - ed Joy with - out end - ing.
and re - sound - ing Through all cre - a - tion.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Let us pray.

The leader says the Prayer of the Day.

C: Amen.

¹ We worship our God this morning with the ancient song of praise, Christe Sanctorum. This hymn was written by Gregory the Great in the 6th century A.D., and it reflects the wonderful legacy that historic Christianity has left for the Church today.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

THE FIRST LESSON: ECCLESIASTES 5:10-20

Whoever loves money never has enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with their income. This too is meaningless. ¹¹ As goods increase, so do those who consume them. And what benefit are they to the owners except to feast their eyes on them?

¹² The sleep of a laborer is sweet, whether they eat little or much, but as for the rich, their abundance permits them no sleep. ¹³ I have seen a grievous evil under the sun: wealth hoarded to the harm of its owners, ¹⁴ or wealth lost through some misfortune, so that when they have children there is nothing left for them to inherit.

¹⁵ Everyone comes naked from their mother's womb, and as everyone comes, so they depart. They take nothing from their toil that they can carry in their hands. ¹⁶ This too is a grievous evil: As everyone comes, so they depart, and what do they gain, since they toil for the wind? ¹⁷ All their days they eat in darkness, with great frustration, affliction and anger.

¹⁸ This is what I have observed to be good: that it is appropriate for a person to eat, to drink and to find satisfaction in their toilsome labor under the sun during the few days of life God has given them—for this is their lot. ¹⁹ Moreover, when God gives someone wealth and possessions, and the ability to enjoy them, to accept their lot and be happy in their toil—this is a gift of God. ²⁰ They seldom reflect on the days of their life, because God keeps them occupied with gladness of heart.

THE PSALM OF THE DAY: PSALM 38

Read responsively with the leader.

L: O LORD, do not rebuke me in your anger

C: or discipline me in your wrath.

L: For your arrows have pierce me,

C: and your hand has come down upon me.

- L: My guilt has overwhelmed me
- C: **like a burden too heavy to bear.**
- L: All my longings lie open before you, O LORD;
- C: **my sighing is not hidden from you.**
- L: I wait for you, O LORD;
- C: **you will answer, O Lord my God.**
- L: Come quickly to help me,
- C: **O Lord my Savior.**

LESSON: 1 TIMOTHY 6:6-16

⁶But godliness with contentment is great gain. ⁷For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. ⁸But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. ⁹People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

¹¹But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. ¹²Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³In the sight of God, who gives life to everything, and of Christ Jesus, who while testifying before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴to keep this command without spot or blame until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵which God will bring about in his own time—God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, ¹⁶who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honor and might forever. Amen.

THE VERSE OF THE DAY

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be-lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 16:1-13

¹Jesus told his disciples: "There was a rich man whose manager was accused of wasting his possessions. ²So he called him in and asked him, 'What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your management, because you cannot be manager any longer.'

³"The manager said to himself, 'What shall I do now? My master is taking away my job. I'm not strong enough to dig, and I'm ashamed to beg— ⁴I know what I'll do so that, when I lose my job here, people will welcome me into their houses.'

⁵"So he called in each one of his master's debtors. He asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶"Eight hundred gallons of olive oil,' he replied.

"The manager told him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it four hundred.' ⁷"Then he asked the second, 'And how much do you owe?' "A thousand bushels of wheat,' he replied.

"He told him, 'Take your bill and make it eight hundred.'

⁸"The master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of the light. ⁹I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings.

¹⁰"Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. ¹¹So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? ¹²And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else's property, who will give you property of your own?

¹³"No servant can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money."

C: Praise be to you, O Lord!

THE HYMN OF THE DAY: #757, *Where Your Treasure Is*

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Refrain

Where your treas-ure is, there your heart shall be.

All that you pos - sess will nev - er set you

free. Seek the things that last; come and learn from

me. Where your treas-ure is, your heart shall be.

There is no peace in stress or hur - ry. Do you not
 And yet God feeds them and pro - tects them. So how much
 And yet so soon their bloom is fa - ded. So how much
 Give your pos - ses - sions to the need-y; Ob - tain a

To Refrain

know that you are held with - in God's care?
 more will God pro - tect and care for you?
 more will those who look to God be blessed?
 trea - sure in God's heav - en safe - ly stored.

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SERMON:

Solomon says: Talk Money!

1. If money manages you, you need help
2. For you to manage money, there is help

Ecclesiastes 5:10-20

THE APOSTLES' CREED:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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 everlasting. Amen.

THANKSGIVING

THE OFFERING:

The members of Christ Alone Lutheran Congregation have joined together to do the Lord's work in this community and around the world. Visitors need not feel obligated to participate in this offering which supports our ministry.

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:

THE 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.

THE LORD'S BLESSING

L: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord
with gladness.

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.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: #477, *What Is the World to Me?*

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Announcements

Welcome Visitors and Guests: We are glad that you are with us this morning, and we pray that you will worship with us again soon. God's richest blessings to you!

October 9 - 16:

Today	9:15AM	Sunday School; Bible Class
Worship	10:30AM	Worship
Wednesday	5:45PM	Confirmation
	7:00PM	Faithbuilders
Sunday	9:15AM	Sunday School; Bible Class
	10:30AM	Worship with Holy Communion

Fall Festival has been changed to a **Friendship Sunday** on November 6th. Because Kay Granger is unavailable on throughout the fall we are unable to hold a Fall Festival. We want everyone to start thinking about bringing a friend, relative, neighbor, or acquaintance to worship with us on Friendship Sunday, November 6th. Further plans will be developed and communicated. It's only a little more than a month away! Outreach happens best when God's people invite their friends!

Commitment Sunday: If you haven't presented your pledge for Commitment Sunday, no worries. You can still write your pledge on a sheet of paper with your name and place it in the offering plate. Or you can send your pledge to Pete Sampe at pjsampe@gmail.com.

Annual Meeting: Our annual congregational meeting is scheduled for Sunday, October 23rd from 9:15 to 10am. We'll review our ministry plan, pass a budget, and elect our council and ministry coordinators. Come, be a part of our important work!

Land Dedication: We'll dedicate our recently purchased land on Sunday, October 23rd after worship. We'll all caravan to the property following worship, hold a brief dedication ceremony, and celebrate with a congregational lunch catered by the Hamburger Man. Please RSVP via the SignUp Genius sent out earlier this week. We need to know the numbers for ordering. We'll take a free will offering to help defray costs.

DFW Area Reformation Service will be hosted by Calvary Lutheran in Dallas with 4pm festival worship and a dinner to follow. Worship the crucified Christ with nearby WELS (our national church body) brothers and sisters in Christ. Special guest preacher Pastor Aaron Christie from Trinity Lutheran in Waukesha, WI will preach. Volunteer help will be needed. Set aside this part of your day

to revel in the freedom of the unconditional gospel—that we are saved solely by faith in Jesus Christ apart from the works of the law. See information on page 15.

Announcing the WELS DFW Joint Reformation service for 2016! This years' service will be held 30 October at Calvary Lutheran in Dallas. The final service plan is being finalized and new music has arrived.

We are taking a different approach to the rehearsals this year. In the past couple of years, we have had very little attendance at joint rehearsals. To account for this situation, I have asked 2 of our local choirs, Calvary and Our Saviors, to be the core choirs and to rehearse on their own instead of conducting joint rehearsals. I will attend their rehearsals, and then we will put them together on the service day for a final pre-service rehearsal. If you are interested in participating, here are the next 2 rehearsal opportunities:

- * Saturday 8 October 11am at Our Savior's in Arlington
- * Sunday 9 October 2pm at Calvary in Dallas

LWMS Fall Rally: LWMS stands for Lutheran Women's Missionary Society. All ladies are invited to join the mission rally being held at Camp Shiloh from 9am to 3pm on October 22. This is the perfect thing to get involved in if you like to support and learn about different kinds of mission work taking place in our country and around the world. The graphic on page 14 gives you more information.

Do You Want to Coach? Calvary Lutheran School is hoping to support 4 basketball teams this fall: 4-6th grade girls, 4-6th grade boys, 7-8th grade girls and 7-8th grade boys. In order to accomplish this goal, we are looking for a head coach and an assistant coach for each team. The 4-6th grade teams will start practicing once a week (either Wed or Fri) starting in Nov. Games will be at 4:30 (girls) and 5:30 (boys) on Tue and Thu from early Jan through mid-Feb. The 7-8th grade teams will begin practicing in mid-Oct on Wed or Fri. Games are from Nov 14 through Feb 16 on Mon and Thu at 4:30 (girls) or 5:30 (boys). Practices are held at Our Redeemer Lutheran School across from NorthPark Mall. Please consider joining our volunteer coaching staff by contacting Cindy Perkins, athletic director, at cbrasier@juno.com or call/text 214-803-5645.



WELS Ministry to the Military

“...his faithfulness will be your shield”
Psalm 91:4

LWMS FALL RALLY

October 21–22, 2016

**Camp Shiloh Lutheran Retreat Center
3335 FM21
Pittsburg, TX 75686**

**Speaker:
Pastor Paul C. Ziemer,**

**Topic:
“Caring for Our Service Men and Women
and Their Families”**

**Bible Verse: Isaiah 42:3
“a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he
will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice,”**

Grace Lutheran of Scroggins, TX is hosting the Fall Rally. The Rally is on Saturday, October 22, 2016 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Dinner and fellowship activities are planned for Friday evening on October 21 beginning at 6:30 PM.

Pastor Paul Ziemer, the WELS' national civilian chaplain and liaison to the military will do his presentation on Saturday morning and will also lead the afternoon Bible Study. He will be speaking about caring for those suffering from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) or from non-PSTD.

“In Trembling Hands”

DFW Joint Reformation Service 2016



Join us at **Calvary Lutheran Church** on Sunday, October 30 at 4 PM to celebrate the Reformation that God brought about by Martin Luther.

This is a great opportunity to gather with fellow believers across DFW to celebrate God's grace to us in Martin Luther and especially in Word and Sacrament.

Following the worship service all are invited to remain for a meal.

Calvary Lutheran Church

9807 Church Rd
Dallas, TX 75238
www.calvarydallas.org

October - November Volunteer Schedules

Sunday

Sunday	Friendship Register		Nursery	Video Taping
Oct 2	Jessica Horn	Aurora DeAmicis	Covarrubias/Bartels	Stas Snapp
Oct 9	Isaac Murry	Brenden Eicksteadt	Murry/G. Rogish	Christopher Gross
Oct 16	Grant Thowe	Ashley Horn	Fleisher/Lewis	Dalton Gross
Oct 23	Max Narten	Gabrielle Fleisher	Gross/J. Sampe	Garrett Bartels
Oct 30	Addison Fleisher	Nadia Covarrubias	Bartels/Murry	Peter Sampe
Nov 6	Eliana Seager	Nathan Covarrubias	Covarrubias/G. Rogish	Stas Snapp
Nov 13	Pejah Berens	Samantha Fleisher	Fleisher/J. Sampe	Christopher Gross
Nov 20	Jessica Horn	Isaac Murry	Bartels/Murry	Dalton Gross
Nov 27	Aurora DeAmicis	Brenden Eicksteadt	Gross/Lewis	Garrett Bartels

Ushering Teams

October				November			
Bartels	Brad	DeAmicis	Tony	Frey	Joel	Snapp	Stas
Murry	Keith(AV)	Narten	Don	LaRocque	Brian(AV)	Sampe	Dylan
Bartels	Garrett	Machina	Richard	Bunch	Troy	Becker	Michael
Bassler	John	Schrandt	Todd	Sampe	Pete	Berens	Chad
Jackson	Jason			Sampe	Peter		

ABOUT CHRIST ALONE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Christ Alone Lutheran Church is a new Christian congregation, a mission plant of the third largest Lutheran church body in America. Christ Alone congregation held its first service on January 10, 2010. More recently, Christ Alone purchased 11 acres of land on Main St. in Keller. By God's grace, Christ Alone Lutheran remains focused on our mission of reaching out with the good news of the Savior Jesus Christ who died on the cross to pay for all sins and rose again to give eternal life.

Christ Alone Lutheran Church worships the Triune God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We accept the Bible as God's inspired and errorless word. It is the only source of truth for life and for eternity.

Christ Alone is dedicated to preaching the truth, that God has prepared a way to save sinners from eternal damnation by sending His Son, Jesus Christ. By Jesus' perfect life and innocent death, the sins of all people have been paid for in full. Jesus' resurrection is proof of this! Whoever believes (trusts) in Jesus has the forgiveness of sins, possesses eternal life now, and has a certain future with Jesus in heaven. Believers in Jesus have been given the new life of faith by which they offer their lives in service to the Lord and all people.

The mission of Christ Alone is to proclaim this eternal gospel (the good news), "*that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them*" (2 Corinthians 5:19). It is this gospel that gives our church its name: Christ Alone Lutheran Church—*He did it all!*

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