

Calvary Moravian Church



SIXTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

600 Holly Avenue
Winston-Salem, NC 27101-2716
Witnessing to the love of God in the heart
of Winston-Salem since 1893.

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 24, 2017

11:00 a.m.

Watchword for the Week – For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain.
Philippians 1:21

(Selections in today's service are taken from the blue Moravian Book of Worship.)

Preparation for Worship

GREETINGS AND NEWS OF THE CONGREGATION

The Right Reverend Lane A. Sapp

PRELUDE – *Andante* from *Organ Concerto in G Major*

George Frideric Handel

The Praise of God

+HYMN OF PRAISE 529 – *Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven*

T. LAUDA ANIMA [PRAISE MY SOUL]

+LITURGY OF GRACE, *p.* 31

Bob Snyder

The Worship of God with Our Tithes and Offerings

ANTHEM – *Lead Me, Lord*

Samuel S. Wesley

The Chancel Choir

+DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER

T. TALLIS' CANON (22 T)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

+*All who are able, please stand.*

The Proclamation of the Word of God

THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

Bob Snyder, *Lay Reader*

EPISTLE: Philippians 1:21-30

p. 1022

+GOSPEL: Matthew 20:1-16

p. 854

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

+*Ascriptions of Praise*

MOMENTS WITH THE CHILDREN

Bishop Sapp

(The children are invited to join the pastor in front of the sanctuary. Following the prayer, children ages 3 through first grade will be dismissed to Godly Play while the congregation sings the following hymn stanza:)

T. WEIL ICH JESU SCHÄFLEIN BIN (82 E) [*Hymn 723*]

I am Jesus' little lamb; ever glad at heart I am;
for my Shepherd gently guides me, knows my need and well provides me,
loves me ev'ry day the same, even calls me by my name.

QUIET MEDITATION AND PRAYER

HYMN OF PREPARATION 546 – *O Bless the Lord, My Soul*

T. ST. MICHAEL (582 F)

SERMON – *Pictures of Grace*

Bishop Sapp

HYMN OF DEDICATION 783 – *Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound*

T. AMAZING GRACE

POSTLUDE – *Jesus, Source of My Salvation*

J. S. Bach

BENEDICTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE – *In the Name of Jesus*
Moravian Liturgies (539 B)





The Grand Bargain, or Grace?

It's easy for us to read this story and hear a message of equality, justice, and fairness. We deal with these issues in the work world every day. Those who do more deserve a greater reward, right? Jesus brings that calculation into his kingdom and turns it on its head! Those who figure on their accomplishments, attendance, ideas, and merit to secure their place in God's good graces are shocked—like the first group of laborers hired! Jesus will have nothing to do with the Grand Bargain: “You do something good, like walking for cancer, giving money to church, or being nice to a difficult relative/neighbor, and God is in your debt.”

The landowner doesn't reward any laborers on the basis of their performance. It is from the grace in his heart that the reward is calculated. And so it will be in heaven. We can never put Jesus in our debt. He willingly went to the cross in our place and endured hell for us. Our offenses and the record of our sin are much worse than we are prepared to admit, and greater than our goodness. Only humility and repentance can break open the fountains of God's free grace!

So, dear worshiper, as you come near to the kingdom of heaven today, what will you do? Will you stubbornly follow the Grand Bargain, and work yourself to death trying to put God in your debt? Or will you throw your efforts away by faith, and trust that when Jesus died on the cross, he died for you, and that every offense, rebellion, idol, and sin on your record has been wiped clean forever? One way leads to pride and to slavery. One way leads to the death of pride and to freedom. Choose wisely!

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We welcome all members and guests to our service today on this ***Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost***. We are glad that you have come to worship at Calvary this morning!

Please make a special effort to greet those around you in the spirit of Christian fellowship. As the red Ritual of Friendship pad is passed, kindly take a moment to write down your name, address and phone number. ***If you are our guest today***, please fill out a visitor card and place it in the offering plate and pick up one of the ***visitor's bags*** in the narthex! ***During the prelude***, you are invited to enter a spirit of reverence and quiet reflection as we prepare to worship the Lord. We kindly request that you ***silence all phones and pagers***. ***Hearing aid devices*** are available in the narthex; one of the ushers will be happy to assist you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We thank Bob Snyder for assisting with worship leadership this morning. Bob is currently Vice-Chair for the Board of Elders.

Pastor Lane and our Director of Music and Christian Education, ***Amanda Schumpert***, will be at Laurel Ridge tomorrow through Thursday attending the annual Ministers and DCE Retreat. If you have pastoral needs during this time, please contact the church office.

Next Sunday, October 1, will be the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost and ***World Communion Sunday***. We will celebrate Holy Communion at 11:00 a.m., joining Christians around the world in this annual observance of World Communion.

This Wednesday, September 27, our fall ***Calvary @ The Table*** series ***continues*** with dinner at 5:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. The menu for this Wednesday evening will be spaghetti with homemade tomato sauce. A variety of programs for all ages will be held at 6:00 p.m. The nursery will be available from 5:45-7:15 p.m. We hope you will join your fellow members for this annual fall series which continues through November 8.

The next Calvary Moravian Friends' event is scheduled for ***this Tuesday, September 26, at 10:00 a.m.*** We will be given a guided tour of the new Forsyth County Public Library on West Fifth Street in downtown Winston-Salem. Special emphasis will be given to the "North Carolina Room." There is more than ample parking space around the Library and also a parking lot directly across the street. We will meet a few minutes before 10:00 a.m. at the front entrance of the library for the tour. The tour will last about 45 minutes, and then we'll have lunch at a downtown restaurant, after the event, for those who want to join us! This is a beautiful facility and you don't want to miss this opportunity!

The Women's Fellowship has begun making those wonderful ***chicken pies***. If you have ordered pies, they may be picked up from the freezer room on the first floor. Additional chicken pie "making" and "available" dates have been announced and are as follows: ***this week, September 27-28 [pies available next Sunday, October 1];*** October 25-26 [*October 29*]; and November 8-9 [*November 12*]. ***Order forms for this fall are available.*** They are located on the Women's Fellowship bulletin board to the left of the church office, as well as on the table next to the church office door. To order your pies, please plan to use ***one individual form per person.*** You may place your completed forms in the tan manila folder on the Women's Fellowship bulletin board; deliver directly to the church office; or mail them to the church (postage required).

The Board of World Mission of the Moravian Church is actively involved in coordinating efforts to help people impacted by weather and other natural disasters in various locations through the Moravian Disaster Response (MDR) program. Information on how you may be able to help with MDR may be found in the narthex. Donations to help support MDR as it partners in recovery efforts can be made online by going to the following web location: **www.moravianmission.org/give**. Please use the online giving form, and in comments designate donations for "Moravian Disaster Response." Donations within the U.S. can also be sent directly to the Board of World Mission at the address below. In the memo line of any checks, please write "Moravian Disaster Response." The address is: Board of World Mission, PO Box 1245, Bethlehem, PA 18016.

Address for Internet Livestreaming of Calvary's services:

<http://custlogin.audiovideoweb.com/ltnks/play/8c3flslive2171>

(Streaming begins approximately 15 minutes prior to the service. However, this may vary depending on when our volunteers arrive. If you attempt to log on before the streaming is in progress, you will get a "blank" screen after you click the play button. Please wait a few moments and reload the address in your browser.)

(Livestream audience for last Sunday, September 17: 15)

† REMEMBER IN PRAYER †

MEMBERS: Pam Goforth; Misty and John Hayes; Megan and Kayla Roser; Eddie Johnson; Fay Davis; Patrick Biggam and Felicia Shaw; Logan and Lily Shaw; Margaret Higgins; Judy Middleton; Berletta Walker; Ethel Armstrong; Amy Combs; Mary Hampton; Dee Jones; Robert Stafford; Jane Sofley; Dorothy Miller; John Peddycord; Glenna Tasedan; Jan Wikel; Cathy Smith; Dawn Martin; Haley Covert; Maryanne Lott; Doris Hansley; Hannah Biggam (living in Amsterdam); Peter Blum, III; Elizabeth Smith; Judy Ludwick; and Pat George.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS: Becky Kelly (Craig Cagle's friend); Maude Booker (Sandra Davis' mother); Jeanne Underwood (Wesley Davis' sister); Evelyn Fritts (Linda Smith's mother); Blake Johnson (Vickey Pitts' cousin); Blake and Angie Johnson (Brandi Stone's friends); Dr. Tad Lowdermilk (Adrienne Polychron's friend); Maegan Simms (Ursula Pierce's granddaughter); Angie Cranor (Shannon Lineback's sister); David Taylor (Jan Bullins' brother); Mary Jo Woods (cousin of Anne Bell); Pam Stowers (cousin of Bob Snyder); Annette and Meli Novovic (friends of Mary and Bill Hampton); James and Joseph Nance (grandsons of Eldon and Beth Nance); Shirley Yountz and her daughter, Jenny (relatives of Frances Swing); Mike Lambros (friend of J and Jan Trivette and Allison and Derek Marion); Sandra Reich (friend of Vickey Pitts and Pam Goforth and a friend of Joel N. Lineback); Livia (grandchild of Bill and Mary Hampton's neighbor); LuAnn Peddycord Smith Alford (wife of Ed Alford); Rachael DeHaven (Pat George's sister); Gary Pitts (Vickey Pitts' husband); Shirley Stewart, sister of Fay Davis; Robert Cockrum (friend of Richard and Frances Swing); Greg (nephew of Brandi and Jordan Stone); Vivienne Knopp (Goddaughter of Melanie and Matt Nance); Debbie Frye (friend of Judy Ludwick); Phillip Patterson (cousin of Carl McKnight); Michelle Marshall (friend of Dee Brown); Dorothy Speaks (mother of Vickey Pitts); Sherri Sheppard (sister of Donna Sharp); Debbie Moxley (friend of Meredith Boles); John Turner (father of Shannon Lineback); Paul Echols (friend of Peter Blum, III); Beverly Day; Drew Moore (friend of Mary Anne Tilley); Austin Kahler (nephew of Stephen Baker); Kelsey Salmon (friend of Angie Seippel Jones); Louie Childress (Michael Childress' father); Jeff Mark (Holly Avenue property tenant); and the victims of the tropical storms in the Caribbean and North Atlantic.

CHURCH SERVANTS: SEPTEMBER 24-OCTOBER 1, 2017

	TODAY: September 24	Next Sunday: October 1
Ushers	Craig Cagle, Odell Cheek Spencer Davis Wesley Davis Joel C. and Patsy Lineback Richard Swing, J Trivette	Jerry Cox, Spencer Davis Clyde George, Matt Kane Bill Hampton Joel C. Lineback John Middleton Bennett Perry Charles Forrest Beth Nance Ginni Baker Rachel Robinson Melanie Nance Greg Conrad
Greeters	Dee Brown, Judy Ludwick	
Lay Readers	Bob Snyder	
Nursery	Shirley Miller	
Godly Play	Rachel Robinson	
Sound	Jessica Childress Mike Hattaway	

CHURCH CALENDAR: SEPTEMBER 24-OCTOBER 1, 2017

TODAY (September 24)

9:45 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

MONDAY-THURSDAY (September 25-28)

All Day

TUESDAY (September 26)

6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY (September 27)

5:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY (September 29)

10:00 a.m.

NEXT SUNDAY (Oct. 1)

9:45 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

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Sunday School

Worship

Moravian Ministry Retreat

(Laurel Ridge Higgins Lodge)

Stephen Ministers *(Burke)*

Calvary @ The Table Dinner and Programs

(Fellowship Hall)

Chancel Choir Rehearsal

October 2017 "Connection"

Newsletter Assembly *(2nd floor foyer)*

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost/

World Communion Sunday

Sunday School

Worship/Holy Communion



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ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Important announcement regarding 2018 Flower Reservations. By action of the Board of Elders in 2012, the Flower Calendar Reservation Procedure **for 2018 goes into effect next Sunday, October 1.** Beginning that Sunday, you may make reservations for 2018 (for either the sanctuary and/or the narthex) by signing up using the **2018 Flower Reservation Notebook** which will be located on the lectern next to the Sanctuary piano (below the Good Shepherd stained glass window). For members who cannot be present for worship on October 1 (residents or non-residents), you may sign up via e-mail or phone to the church office beginning at **8:30 a.m. on Monday, October 2.** Reservations will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis. ***Please be aware that existing 2017 reservations do not automatically become valid for 2018. You must sign up again for the new year.***

Mr. Adam Goodrich will be ordained a deacon of the Moravian Church ***this afternoon*** at Olivet Moravian Church at **3:00 p.m.** (band prelude, 2:30 p.m.). The officiating bishop will be The Right Reverend Sam Gray. The congregation is cordially invited to attend this ordination! A reception will follow the service. Brother Goodrich has accepted a call to become the Associate Pastor of Friedland Moravian Church.

The annual Friends Dinner for Laurel Ridge will be held ***this afternoon*** at **5:30 p.m.** at Friedberg Moravian Church. For information and reservations, contact Laurel Ridge: 336.359.2951; or go online at the following address: www.laurelridge.org.

Senior adults are invited to attend the Aging Well Fall Rally (formerly the Senior Friends Fall Rally) on ***Tuesday, October 10,*** at 12:30 p.m. at Hopewell Moravian Church. Tickets (\$10) are limited to the first 120 reservations. Call the Board of Cooperative Ministries for information and reservations: 336.722.8126.

(More announcements may be found on page 2 of this insert.)

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS (*continued*)

Greeters are needed for our services on **October 8** and **29**. If you can serve Calvary in this way, please sign up using the Greeters Notebook located on the lectern near the Good Shepherd window in the sanctuary.

The Wachovia Historical Society will have its 122nd Annual Meeting on **Tuesday, October 10**, at **7:30 p.m.** in the James A. Gray Auditorium of the Old Salem Visitor Center. A special musical prelude will begin at 7:00 p.m. with John Kossler, classical guitarist. The speaker for the “annual oration” will be Mr. Franklin D. Vagnone, President and CEO of Old Salem Museum and Gardens. The meeting is free and open to the public.

The New Life Class wants you to know that they have plenty (about 150 quarts) of their famous Brunswick stew, available for \$8.00 per quart. The stew is available in the 1st floor freezer room. Pick up yours today!

† **PRAYER OF MEDITATION** †

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God of miracles and of mercy, all creation sings your praise. Like the vineyard owner, your grace is extravagant and unexpected. Lead us to repentance and the acceptance of your grace, that we may witness to your love, which embraces both those we call friend and those we call stranger.

Amen.

2018 Synod
April 19-22, 2018
“Living the Essentials: With Courage for the Future”

Important Information
Regarding Nominations and Elections

You can help with one of the most important tasks that any stated Synod is asked to do: elect the most gifted people available to positions of leadership in the Southern Province. This process begins with identifying those who are willing to be nominated to these positions.

The Nominations Committee has been working for several months and now needs your help in identifying those who would consider nomination. If you are willing to submit your name for a position or if you would like to submit another person’s name for consideration, **go to www.mcsp.org and click on 2018 Synod. Then follow the link to ‘Nominations and Elections’.**

Follow the instructions and use either of the two types of forms. One is a ‘Provincial Board Candidate recommendation Form’ to use to submit another person’s name. The other form has two versions—‘Provincial Board Candidate Information Form’ and ‘PEC Candidate Information Form.’ Those who choose to submit their names for consideration use these forms.

It is not necessary to contact a person before submitting his or her name. The Nominations Committee will do this. However, it may be helpful for you to speak to the person to encourage him or her to give serious thought to this opportunity.

If you don’t have access to the Internet, contact the Calvary church office to obtain a printable version of the form you need from this same web site. It’s important that we all have this opportunity.

In addition to these forms, you will find a description of each of the boards and agencies, which will be listed on the ballot at Synod. You will also find an explanation of the nominations process.

Thank you for your help!

2018 Synod Nominations Committee

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS

**Wednesdays, September 27,
October 4, 11, 18 and 25
and November 1 & 8**

Calvary @ The Table Dinner and Programs – 5:00 p.m.
(*Fellowship Hall*)



Sunday, October 1

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
World Communion Sunday
Holy Communion – 11:00 a.m.



Sunday, October 8

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Worship – 11:00 a.m.

Second Sunday Baked Potato & Salad Luncheon – 12 Noon
(*Fellowship Hall*); sponsored by the Youth
to benefit Crop Walk



Sunday, October 15

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Worship at Calvary – 11:00 a.m.
Crop Walk – begins 1:30 p.m. (*Corpening Plaza*)



Sunday, October 22

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
Worship – 11:00 a.m.



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