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November 10, 2024 **†** 25th Sunday after Pentecost

St. John's Lutheran Church is a supporting congregation Calvary Lutheran High School, Jefferson City, 638-0228.

Today, the paraments are green for the remainder of the church year. We continue to focus on our growth and response to Jesus' blessings. The church year will end and a new one begin with the season of Advent, the fourth Sundays befor Christmas.

The Lord's Supper is celebrated today. If you have been instructed and confirmed in the Lutheran faith and believe that with the bread and wine Christ gives you His true body and blood for the forgiveness of your sins and belong to the LCMS fellowship, you are invited to join in this blessed Sacrament. Gluten-free wafers are available; speak with Pastor or an elder prior to worship. (If you are desiring to commune for the first time at St. John's as a Lutheran or you are a non-Lutheran, please see the pastor prior to the service).

Last Sunday, Nov 3, 2024:

Attendance: 73 (livestream error)

Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF: 18 / 14 / 2

Offerings: \$3368 / \$217 / \$345 (electronic)

Calvary Lutheran High School News and Information

CALVARY INSIDER – What happened this week at Calvary?

- Soccer Lions won their Monday game at Districts! This team has the highest season win-total in the history of the program, most goals scored, and the longest winning streak!
- Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Cheer, and Archery all began practices for the Winter season!
- Wednesday chapel was led by Pastor Whittle followed by Family Groups.
- A group of 17 Calvary students were honored to serve at Operation Bugle Boy's Veterans Appreciation Night on Thursday.
- Boys and Girls Cross Country Teams competed at State on Friday.

6th ANNUAL "WEEK OF GIVING" IS COMING... Calvary is blessed by donors who help keep a Lutheran high school education accessible to all. As we enter into a celebration of Thanksgiving, we are inviting you to consider a gift to support students at Calvary during the week of November 17-23. Ask one of your congregation's delegates or Calvary school board member for more information. Thank you for prayerfully joining us to build Christian leaders!

THRIVENT ACTION TEAMS – Are you a Thrivent member and have Thrivent Action Team grants available? We would love your help with projects at Calvary that could be blessed by an action team grant! Our current projects in mind are Calvary Thanksgiving. Contact John Christman at admin@calvarylhs.org or call the school office (573) 638-0228 to find out more.

SHADOWS WELCOME – Applications for Calvary's class of 2029 are incoming! 8th grade students are welcome to schedule shadow days at Calvary with interest in applying for the 2025-26 school year! If you know an 8th grader who would benefit from a Christian high school education, please invite them to visit the school with you. Parents, call us today to set up a shadow day for your child to experience Calvary.

CHECK OUT OUR LINKTREE! – Do you want to stay up-to-date and in contact? Check out our Linktree at linktr.ee/calvarylhs to find our website, Growing Lions newsletter, Alumni in the News, and more!

SAVE THE DATE –

Heart	Dec. 3	Basketball Opening Home Games (JVB/VG/VB) at 5:00 v. Smithton
	Dec. 6	Basketball Home Game (VG) at 6:00 v. Sacred
	Dec. 13	Christmas Concert at 7PM

Happening at St. John's:

Immanuel, Honey Creek will host a Holiday Mart again this year, today. See the bulletin board for more information!

The chili supper at St. John's – Schubert will be today from 3:30 to 7. See the bulletin board for more information.

"For no one of those who are alive today knows where he was during the first two years, when he lived either in the womb ... Yet he lived at that time, and he was a body joined to a soul—a body adapted to all natural functions." Martin Luther – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

UNANSWERED BIBLE QUESTIONS... Issues, Etc., a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio, will have Pastors Bryan Wolfmueller and Brian Kachelmeier respond to your unanswered Bible questions. You can submit your question via email: talkback@issuesetc.org, Facebook: facebook.com/issuesetc, X: @IssuesEtc or the Issues, Etc. Comment Line: (618) 223-8382. You can listen to the interview at your convenience at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app or a podcast provider.

This week:

Sunday, 11/10		Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF Divine Service Fellowship
Tues, 11/12 Wed, 11/13 Thurs, 11/14	7pm	Confirmation Class Lifelight Lutheran Basics
Sunday 11/17		Sunday School / Adult Bible Class / LYF Divine Service

Confession and Absolution

512 At the Name of Jesus

- 1 At the name of Jesus
 Ev'ry knee shall bow,
 Ev'ry tongue confess Him
 King of glory now.
 'Tis the Father's pleasure
 We should call Him Lord,
 Who from the beginning
 Was the mighty Word.
- 2 At His voice creation
 Sprang at once to sight,
 All the angel faces,
 All the hosts of light,
 Thrones and bright dominions,
 Stars upon their way,
 All the heav'nly orders
 In their great array.
- 3 Humbled for a season,
 To receive a name
 From the lips of sinners
 Unto whom He came,
 Faithfully He bore it
 Spotless to the last,
 Brought it back victorious
 When from death He passed;
- 4 Bore it up triumphant
 With its human light,
 Through all ranks of creatures
 To the central height,
 To the throne of Godhead,
 To the Father's breast,
 Filled it with the glory
 Of that perfect rest.
- 5 In your hearts enthrone Him; There let Him subdue All that is not holy,

All that is not true: Crown Him as your captain In temptation's hour; Let His will enfold you In its light and pow'r.

- 6 Christians, this Lord Jesus
 Shall return again
 In His Father's glory,
 With His angel train;
 For all wreaths of empire
 Meet upon His brow,
 And our hearts confess Him
 King of glory now.
- D 7 Glory then to Jesus,
 Who, the Prince of light,
 To a world in darkness
 Brought the gift of sight;
 Praise to God the Father;
 In the Spirit's love
 Praise we all together
 Him who reigns above.
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Stand

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Invocation

- P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Exhortation LSB 184

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

LSB 184

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

Absolution LSB 185

- 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 Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Service of the Word

Introit

Psalm 107:1-2, 41-42; antiphon: v. 8

Let them thank the LORD for his | steadfast love,* for his wondrous works to the chil- | dren of men!

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for | he is good,*

for his steadfast love endures for- | ever!

Let the redeemed of the LORD say so,*

whom he has redeemed from | trouble.

He raises up the needy out of af- | fliction* and makes their families | like flocks.

The upright see it | and are glad,*

and all wickedness | shuts its mouth.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son* and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Let them thank the LORD for his | steadfast love,* for his wondrous works to the chil- | dren of men!

Kyrie

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 187

- P Glory be to God on high:
- C and on earth peace, goodwill toward men.

We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we worship Thee, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heav'nly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For Thou only art holy; Thou only art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And with thy spirit.
- P Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Grant us so firmly to believe in Your Son Jesus that our faith may never be found wanting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

1 Kings 17:8–16

⁸Then the word of the LORD came to [Elijah], ⁹"Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you." ¹⁰So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink." ¹¹And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." ¹²And she said, "As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die." ¹³And Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to

me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴For thus says the LORD the God of Israel, 'The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the LORD sends rain upon the earth.'" ¹⁵And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C. Thanks be to God.

Epistle Hebrews 9:24–28

²⁴For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. ²⁵Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, ²⁶for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. ²⁷And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, ²⁸so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia LSB 190

Mark 12:38-44

C Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,

Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the twelfth chapter.

C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

³⁸In his teaching [Jesus] said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and like greetings in the marketplaces ³⁹and have the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, ⁴⁰who devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

⁴¹And he sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴²And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which

make a penny. ⁴³And he called his disciples to him and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. ⁴⁴For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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.

Sit

738 Lord of All Hopefulness

- Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
 Whose trust, ever childlike, no cares could destroy:
 Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
 Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
- 2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith, Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe: Be there at our labors, and give us, we pray, Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

3 Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace.

Your hands swift to welcome. Your arms to embrace:

Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,

Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,

Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm:

Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,

Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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Sermon

Stand

Offertory LSB 192

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

Presentation of Offering

Prayer of the Church

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Heavenly Father, You send Your Holy Spirit to sanctify and keep Your people in the true faith. Preserve us from false doctrine, and curb and restrain all error. Lord, in Your mercy,

- С hear our prayer.
- Ρ Merciful Lord, You send the Holy Spirit to call Your people to faith. Graciously keep us in the divine Word, and send out faithful laborers into Your harvest. Watch over those whom You have sent, defend them from the evil one and strengthen them in faithful service to You, including Pastor Josh Ketelsen, missionary Abigail Young, and military chaplains Eric Gledhill, Christopher Sutton, and John Bombaro. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Р Gracious God, grant us faith like that of the widow, who gave her

last two coins, trusting that You would care for her every need. Deliver us from all hypocrisy, and give us genuine faith, joyful piety and cheerful giving. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C hear our prayer.
- P O Lord, You call us to honor the authorities set over us. Look with favor upon those who hold office in this land, especially our president and Congress, our judges and magistrates, our governor and legislature, as well as those newly elected as they prepare to take office. Preserve them from evil, and bless them in body and soul. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Loving Father, only through Your divine goodness and mercy do we have life now and in eternity. Continue to guard your children against the devil, the world, and our own sinful flesh, and bring us at last to the joy of Your eternal inheritance. We pray especially for Matt Fischer, Marguerite Young, and Emery Kautsch, as they celebrate birthdays this week. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Merciful God, Your Son came not to be served but to serve, especially to serve those who are ignored and despised. Comfort the afflicted and troubled, the sick [especially Paula Scheperle, Cindy Eggen, Marguerite Young, LeeRoy Wunderlich, Addie Beinlich, Tammy Deaver, Harry Lee Hentges, Patty Ott, Ken Meller, Marilyn Brandt, and all who have asked for our prayers], all women with child, all young children, all who mourn, and all who are in need. Keep them steadfast in the faith, and bring their suffering to an end. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Almighty Father, grant repentance and faith to all who receive our Lord's body and blood today, that in the unity of a true confession, they may receive it for the forgiveness of their sins. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His

kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface LSB 194

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And with thy spirit.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them up unto the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- C It is meet and right so to do.

Proper Preface

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus LSB 195

C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth; heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Lord's Prayer LSB 162

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- 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 Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My T body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My T blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Pax Domini LSB 197

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

Agnus Dei LSB 198

- C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
 - O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
 - O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

Sit

Distribution

618 I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table

I come, O Savior, to Thy table,
 For weak and weary is my soul;
 Thou, Bread of Life, alone art able
 To satisfy and make me whole: Refrain

- ref Lord, may Thy body and Thy blood Be for my soul the highest good!
- 2 Thy heart is filled with fervent yearning That sinners may salvation see Who, Lord, to Thee in faith are turning; So I, a sinner, come to Thee. Refrain
- Unworthy though I am, O Savior,
 Because I have a sinful heart,
 Yet Thou Thy lamb wilt banish never,
 For Thou my faithful shepherd art: Refrain
- Weary am I and heavy laden;
 With sin my soul is sore oppressed;
 Receive me graciously and gladden
 My heart, for I am now Thy guest. Refrain
- What higher gift can we inherit?
 It is faith's bond and solid base;
 It is the strength of heart and spirit,
 The covenant of hope and grace. Refrain
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677 For All the Saints

- 1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, Who Thee by faith before the world confessed, Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 3 Oh, may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold, Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old And win with them the victor's crown of gold!

 Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 4 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

- 5 And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long, Steals on the ear the distant triumph song, And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 6 The golden evening brightens in the west; Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest; Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 7 But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day: The saints triumphant rise in bright array; The King of Glory passes on His way. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- D 8 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Text: William W. How, 1823-97, alt.

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781 We Give Thee But Thine Own

- We give Thee but Thine own,Whate'er the gift may be;All that we have is Thine alone,A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
- 2 May we Thy bounties thus
 As stewards true receive
 And gladly, as Thou blessest us,
 To Thee our firstfruits give!
- 3 Oh, hearts are bruised and dead, And homes are bare and cold, And lambs for whom the Shepherd bled Are straying from the fold.
- 4 To comfort and to bless,
 To find a balm for woe,
 To tend the lone and fatherless
 Is angels' work below.

5 The captive to release, To God the lost to bring, To teach the way of life and peace, It is a Christ-like thing.

6 And we believe Thy Word, Though dim our faith may be: Whate'er for Thine we do, O Lord, We do it unto Thee.

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643 Sent Forth by God's Blessing

Sent forth by God's blessing,

Our true faith confessing,

The people of God from His dwelling take leave.

The Supper is ended.

O now be extended

The fruits of this service in all who believe.

The seed of His teaching,

Receptive souls reaching,

Shall blossom in action for God and for all.

His grace did invite us,

His love shall unite us

To work for God's kingdom and answer His call.

2 With praise and thanksgiving

To God ever-living,

The tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face.

Our faith ever sharing,

In love ever caring.

Embracing His children of each tribe and race.

With Your feast You feed us,

With Your light now lead us;

Unite us as one in this life that we share.

Then may all the living

With praise and thanksgiving

Give honor to Christ and His name that we bear.

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Stand

In dismissing the communicants, the following is said:

The Dismissal LSB 199 P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart T in peace.

C Amen.

Nunc Dimittis LSB 199

C Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word,

for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people,

a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Thanksgiving LSB 200

A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

C and His mercy endureth forever.

Post-Communion Collect

A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Salutation LSB 201

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus LSB 202

A Bless we the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction LSB 202

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 T give you peace.

C Amen, amen, amen.

728 How Firm a Foundation

- 1 How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word! What more can He say than to you He has said Who unto the Savior for refuge have fled?
- 2 "Fear not! I am with you, O be not dismayed, For I am your God and will still give you aid; I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand, Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.
- 3 "The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose I will not, I will not, desert to his foes; That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never, forsake!
- 4 "When through fiery trials your pathway will lie, My grace, all-sufficient, will be your supply. The flames will not hurt you; I only design Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.
- 5 "Throughout all their lifetime My people will prove My sov'reign, eternal, unchangeable love; And then, when gray hairs will their temples adorn, Like lambs they will still in My bosom be borne."
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