



TIDINGS 2022



SUNDAY, FEB. 13 (Following Worship) A Fundraiser for the Lakota Lutheran Center

If you are interested in bringing a crock pot of soup or a dessert, please talk to Angie or sign up outside the office. And don't forget to stay after worship on the 13th for some delicious homemade soups and desserts.



LENT BEGINS



Ash Wednesday

MARCH 2ND

Meal: 5:30 - 6:15 p.m.

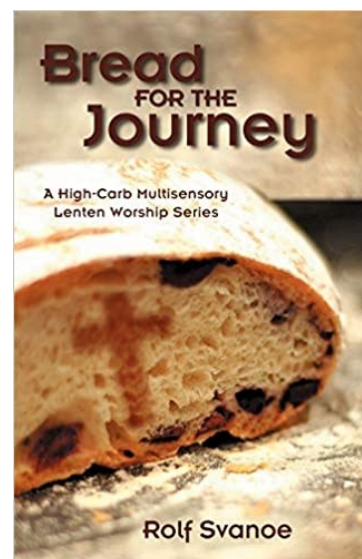
Worship: 6:30 p.m.

"I am the Bread of Life"

---Jesus

Bread for the Journey is the theme for our Wednesday night Lenten services this year. Bread is present throughout the pages of the Bible, but especially at key times in Israel's salvation history. This series will give us an opportunity to reflect on those 'bread' stories in ways that are particularly appropriate for Lent. As well, each week we will sample different breads as we explore together themes of hospitality, generosity, sufficiency, and trust which are like slices in the loaf of bread being served each week.

Join us at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday nights starting on March 2nd, Ash Wednesday for a high-carb, multi-sensory Lenten Worship Experience!





"We want our cake and we want it now!" That might be a good motto for today's world. With instant everything from text messaging to iced tea, everything is now on demand. Nothing new here, as preachers of the gospel, we have often raised a critique to our impatient society. I'm including myself here. Just the other day, I was in a 'big box store' fuming because there were three people ahead of me in the checkout line, and I couldn't understand why they didn't open another register. I accept the fact that I am caught up in this push for the 'now'.

We may think this is a modern malady, but the reality is humankind has always been impatient. The children of Israel couldn't wait a day in the wilderness for God to do something and it didn't get any better. In Isaiah 9:1-4, the writer speaks of God's salvation coming. At this point in history, Judah is the only thing left of the nation of Israel. The writer envisions the people of Israel in a time of oppression calling out for God's redemption. Yet the writer doesn't speak of God coming to them, but to the northern areas of Naphtali and Zebulun. That is, the writer is likening God's saving work to the rising sun. First it appears in the east and then spreads across the land. God's salvation won't come immediately to Judah, it will progress and it will take time. God's people wanted God to act now, God was telling them, "Be patient."

Be patient and know that God is at work. Patience is a supply chain issue for most of us, we wonder what the holdup is, where the bottleneck is and why we can't get things moving, is the growing complaint. It doesn't make sense there should be a shortage of baby formula for instance (yes, I listened to a report on that while I was exercising. Supposedly Enfamil and another brand are in short supply and the news channel thought it a good human interest story). The response of these companies to the reporter? Be patient, it should all work out in 4-6 weeks.

February is a good month to remind ourselves to be patient. Winter is still strong and spring seems too far away, we hope the ground hog doesn't see its shadow anyway and the myth of winter ending tugs strongly. February, a short month we say, soon it shall pass and give way to the ever changing winds of March. Yes, February will pass and spring will come. May this be a reminder that God is at work—is on the horizon bringing God's work of salvation to fruition. In the meantime—yup! practice patience.

Pastor Chris

**TRUST
IN THE
LORD
WITH ALL
YOUR ♥**
{proverbs 3:5}

COUNCIL MINUTES SUMMARY

January 10, 2022

Board/Committee Reports:

Outreach: Did not meet in December, ran a Christmas ad on the WTT terminal and in the paper.

Elders: Paperwork submitted for background checks – to comply with insurance company requirements.

Social Ministries: Starting Laundry Love this month, have \$82 in quarters donated so far; volunteers have signed up to cover this month. We serve 2-hour time frame every 3 months, sharing with other churches. We will host at a Scottsbluff laundromat. Angel tree went very well; Barb Jensen and Jack Martin attended the dedication of the Habitat for Humanity House.

Trustees: A quiet month, nothing major happened; Kent installed the front 'Ring' doorbell for added security when Christy or pastors are here by themselves.

Worship & Music: Attendance was 184 for Christmas service. Many were not from our congregation but guests of members.

Stewards: Working on a time and talent sheet, asking for requests from Boards about what their needs are.

Parish Education: Did not meet in December, Generosity project will be Jan 23rd. JAM will start again in January; cooks are returning to serve meals again. EPIC was postponed, Angie quarantined due to Covid in the family. OWLS cancelled due to weather.

Financial Report: Beginning Balance: \$48,305.08 Ending Balance: \$46,962.18

Pastor's /Staff Reports: Holy Apostles met and will plan to reimburse Calvary 6 percent more than last year for pastor's services to meet proposed salary increases. Report on Pastor Chris' Parkinson's – basically he is doing ok, working on speech therapy; no motor issues, non-motor issues are progressing. Cory Weitzel, a science teacher at Morrill HS & a regular Calvary worshipper will be guest speaker at Confirmation to talk about science from the perspective of a person of faith.

Old Business: Ballot draft for 2022 Council positions. Dennis Gorr volunteered to be the nominee for Vice President. He feels sure he can find a Worship Chair replacement, for 1 year term. "Vote for 2" needs to be added to the Endowment Committee, both 2 and 3 yr terms. Worship Committee name will be filled in after Monday meeting. Annual Meeting Agenda was approved with no additions.

New Business: Council devotions sign-up sheet – sent around. Council dinner January 20th, head count taken. Need to appoint new people to all Boards and anyone appointed for 2024, whose term is up at the end of this month. Jack Martin moved we approved all listed as those coming on in 2022. Thanks to LaDonna Schmidt and Kathy Randall for their service. Lenten Dinners – discussion about whether or not to hold dinners this year, Covid issue main issue. Consensus is to hold them and let people decide on their own about attendance.

Next Council Meeting: February 14, 2022

A complete copy of the Council Minutes is available from the church office.

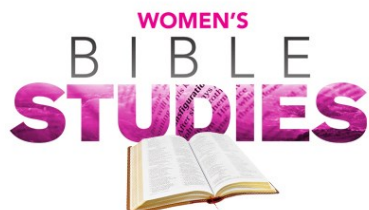
We encourage every member of Calvary participate in our monthly Mission Projects. In February, we continue to collect monetary donations to send to the ELCA for their Malaria Campaign. This is a preventable, treatable disease that kills thousands of men, women, and children every year. Help in the fight against malaria.

Thank you from the Women's Board.

Fighting Malaria



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Meeting times & places:



Esther Study Group—Tuesday, Feb. 8 @ 9:00 a.m. at Ruth Harris' home
Priscilla Study Group—Monday, Feb. 14 @ 2 p.m. at Fellowship Hall
Hannah Study Group—Monday, Feb. 14 @ 7 p.m. at Becky Martin's home

NOON BIBLE STUDY TO CONTINUE

Each Tuesday at noon a group of women meet at the church to study scripture together. Each study may run anywhere from 4 to 8 weeks, depending on the study. Please consider joining us for a study and some great conversations.

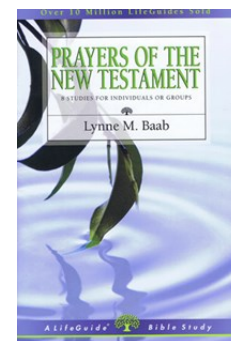
All ladies are invited to join any of these groups.



Men's Tuesday AM Bible Study is every Tuesday morning at 8:30 a.m. at Calvary's Fellowship Hall. New members are always welcome.

Tuesday Evening Study @ 7 p.m. **Prayers of the New Testament** (8-week study)

Join us as we explore eight different prayers contained in the New Testament. Author Lynne Baab writes *"I wrote this study guide because the prayers in the Bible have shaped and nurtured my own prayer life so profoundly."* Join Pastors Sheryl and Chris as we study eight different prayers in the New Testament. We'll begin by looking at the prayers of Mary and Simeon and Anna, then explore three of Jesus' prayers followed by prayers spoken by Peter and Paul and then ending our study with a prayer from the Book of Revelation. The language of these prayers is beautiful and deep, speaking to us of God's character and plan for all the world; but also helpful in deepening our own prayer life. Everyone is welcome.





OWLS (Older, Wiser Lutherans) Luncheon

Wednesday, February 2nd @ 12 p.m.
Pastor Chris & Val Rahrs will be making Aebleskivers (Danish pancakes). Our program will be about telephone scams and internet safety presented by State Patrol Officer Tim Flick. Please come join us!



Calvary's Prayer Chain

"Pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective"

James 5:16

We welcome you to join our prayer chain here at Calvary so you may pray for the requests that we receive.

If you are interested please contact the church office or Pastor Sheryl.



laundrylove

Laundry Love

Calvary is partnering with St. Francis Episcopal Church and First Presbyterian Church to provide a monthly Laundry Love Event in our community.

Calvary will host Laundry Love every 3rd month starting on Jan 15th. In preparation for that day we will need quarters as well as dryer sheets or softener. Laundry detergent has already been donated. So save your quarters and drop them in the Laundry Bottle outside the pastors offices.

Sound System Operator Needed!!

We are in need of 1 or 2 people who would be willing to run the sound system during worship services, especially on Praise Team Sundays. If interested please talk to Pastors Chris or Sheryl or Jim Dorn.



Audio Team



Coffee and Fellowship

Coffee and fellowship started back up. We would like to invite people to stay after worship for a time of fellowship. The coffee pot will be on, but if you would like to provide treats, please sign up on the sheet outside the office.

FEBRUARY YOUTH PROGRAM SCHEDULES



FEBRUARY 2

Jesus Calls the Disciples

(Chicken strips/Mac-n-cheese)

FEBRUARY 9

Blessings and Woes

(Pancakes/Sausage)



FEBRUARY 20

Love Your Enemies

(Tacos)

FEBRUARY 20

The Transfiguration

(Tater tot casserole)



Sunday, February 6th @ 4 p.m.

Valentine's Pay It Forward! Meet at the Hinze's! Join us for a fun evening!! Please come and join us all 6th-12th graders!

Sunday, February 13th

Come help collect donations and serve the soup luncheon after church in the fellowship hall.

✚In Our Thoughts and Prayers✚

Prayers for healing: **Jude Walker** (injuries from a fall), **Andrew Miller**, **Juanita Gibbs**, **Jean Collins** (hip replacement surgery), **Kathy Pickett** (cancer—Virginia Pickett's niece), **Kathy Johnson** (back issues), **Maeve Singer** (medical issues—Nick & Lindsey Singer's 6 month old daughter), **Alice Braaten** (rehab), **Kathy Rahrs** (recovering from back surgery—Val Rahrs' mother), **Mark** (Jean Collins & Kathy Johnson's cousin's husband), **Liam** (diagnosed with spinal muscular atrophy—Jude Walker's great grandson), **LaDonna Schmidt** (chemotherapy), **Greta Mehling** (Health Issues), **Bruce** (Cancer treatments—friend of Jean Collins & Cathy Johnson), **Reuben & Gloria Gorr** (health issues), **Jordan Hein** (cancer treatment—former member of Calvary), **Julie** (cancer treatment—Travis Miller family), **Joan** (cancer—niece of Marj Nikont), **Patty** (cancer—Jim Dorn's sister-in-law).

Prayers for comfort and peace for: Family and friends of **Nancy Steele**, **Miriam Brown** and **Sharon Kaufman**.

Prayers for: those dealing with the grief caused by the Colorado Wildfires, the December Tornadoes, the recent Covid surge, and **Austin & Teighlor** (facing hard decision in regard to son Liam—Jude Walker's granddaughter & husband).

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FEBRUARY Birthdays

Theron Miller	2/2	Rhyan Buckley	2/16
Kent Halley	2/2	Rebecca Pierce	2/18
Blake Nikont	2/2	Audrey Harvey	2/18
Bill Walsh	2/3	Virginia Hilbers	2/20
David Stevens	2/8	Mike Moravec	2/20
Amy Hauschild	2/8	Marj Nikont	2/23
Kyndal Burgner	2/9	Shelly Koehler	2/23
DJ Buckley	2/12	Bill Michael	2/25
Jim Miller	2/13	Alice Braaten	2/26
Nick Singer	2/14	Shirley Schuldies	2/28



We **ENCOURAGE** every family of Calvary to participate and support our Food Pantry. The pantries provide important services to those in need and can really help aid those families who are less fortunate.

This month's Food Pantry item:

CANNED MEATS

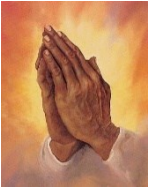
This month's Backpack Program item:

GRANOLA BARS

MARCH'S items will be:

SAUCES
FRUIT CUPS

Prayer Requests



If you have a prayer request you would like added to the prayers of the people on Sunday morning, during the week you may notify Christy in the church office, let us know by filling out the online Attendance and Prayer Request card under the worship tab on our website or on Sunday morning, inform one of the ushers of your prayer request and they will make a list and give those to the pastor before worship begins.

Please save your
Main Street Market
(Panhandle Coop)
receipts for the
backpack program.
**\$100,000 in receipts
= \$1,000 for the
program!**

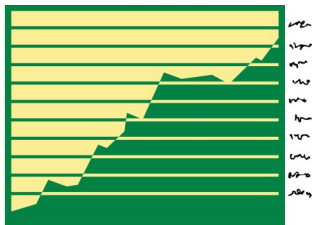
 Main Street Market A DIVISION OF PANHANDLE COOP	
Milk	2.50
Eggs	3.25
Muffins	4.50
Lettuce	1.50
Total	11.75
Thank you for shopping!	

Thank You

To our Calvary Family,

Thanks for the calls, cards, meals, visits, flowers, and simply the care given to Bill and I in the last three months. It was wonderful, but let's NOT do it again. Both of us having COVID and then me needing back surgery do not qualify in any way for what we would define as a "good time"! Thankfully, Bill recovered quickly so he could take care of me, and I am on the mend.

With great appreciation and much
love,
Mary Jo (and Bill) Huelle

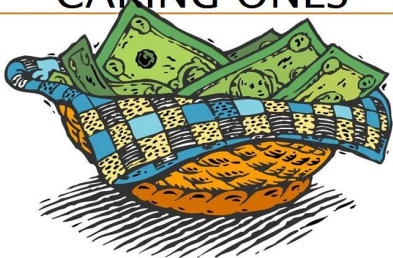


Annual Giving Statements

The 2021 Giving Statements were mailed the end of January. If for some reason you did not receive your statement or you have any questions, please contact the church office. Thanks!

The Stewardship Committee

CARING ONES



**Drop those odd dollar bills in the
offering plate to benefit
Lutheran World Hunger,
Cat/Pup Pack Backpacks Program,
Lakota Lutheran Center**

WANT TO SIMPLIFY YOUR GIVING?

Scan the QR code to the right or go to our website:
www.calvarylutheranscottsbluff.org
to set up your giving to Calvary electronically.



Accepting Help

No one goes through this life without help from someone sometime. At Calvary, we have Stephen Ministers – lay people trained as caregivers for a wide variety of circumstances. These people want to help others who may be going through some difficult times. They are good listeners, who are bound to keep all conversations 100% confidential.

If you are going through a difficult time or change and would just like to have someone to talk to, contact Marsha Bueide at (635-1469) to connect you with an available Stephen Minister.

We're **here** *for you.*

HOSPITALIZED? PLEASE LET US KNOW

If you are hospitalized, please contact (or have a friend or family member contact) the church office and let us know so that we can visit and pray with you. Providing pastoral care is an important part of our ministry, however, we cannot visit if we don't know, so please don't hesitate to call or email the church office, so that we can be there for you. Thanks!

Pastors Sheryl and Chris

Calvary's Church Office Phone number: (308) 632-8023 or 632-8024

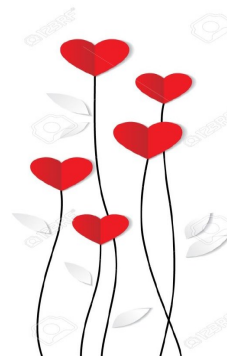
Contact the Office by E-mail at: calvarylutheranscottsbluff@gmail.com

Send physical mail/offerings to: 17 E. 27th Street, Scottsbluff, NE 69361.

Pastor Chris: Kester Beyer

Pastor Sheryl: Kester Beyer

Youth & Family Ministry Dir. Angie Hinze:



Deadline for weekly announcements is Wed. at 5 PM. Deadline for monthly Tidings Newsletter is the 20th of each calendar month. Please send your items to Christy in the church office.

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FEBRUARY 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 8:30am -Men's Study 12pm -Women's Study 1pm -Quilting 7pm -Pastor's Bible Study	2 12pm -OWLS Lunch 5:30pm -JAM 6pm -Confirmation 7pm -Choir Practice	3	4	5 5:30pm -Worship
6 10am -Worship Installation of Council 4pm -Epic-Valentine's Pay It Forward!	7	8 8:30am -Men's Study 9am -Esther Circle 12pm -Women's Study 1pm -Quilting 7pm -Pastor's Bible Study	9 5pm -Outreach 5:30pm -Social Ministry 5:30pm -JAM 6pm -Confirmation 7pm -Choir Practice	10	11	12 5:30pm -Worship
13 10am -Worship 11am -Soup Dinner <i>Souper Bowl of Caring</i>	14 2pm -Priscilla Circle @ Fellowship Hall 6pm -Council Meeting 7pm -Hannah Circle @ Becky Martin's 2120 20th St-Gering 	15 8:30am -Men's Study 12pm -Women's Study 1pm -Quilting 7pm -NO Pastor's Bible Study	16 5:30pm -JAM 6pm -Confirmation 7pm -Choir Practice	17	18 	19 9am -Trustees 5:30pm -Worship
20 10am -Worship	21 5pm -Elders Mtg 6pm -Worship & Music 6:30pm -Stewards Mtg 	22 8:30am -Men's Study 12pm -Women's Study 1pm -Quilting 7pm -Pastor's Bible Study	23 5:30pm -JAM 6pm -Confirmation 7pm -Choir Practice	24	25	26 5:30pm -Worship
27 10am -Worship	28 5pm -Parish Ed Meeting					

WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE - FEBRUARY 2022

DATE	TIME	USHERS	LAY READERS	COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	POWERPOINT ACOLYTES	MEDIA AUDIO	ALTAR GUILD
February 6 Traditional Service	10:00 a.m.	Kent & Dawn Holub	Mary Jo Huelle	Dennis Gorr	Jack Martin Ayden Tompkins Ben Moravec	Jeff Van Patten Jim Dorn	Andi Dorn Shelly Koehler
February 13 Celebrate Service	10:00 a.m.	Monty & Shari Copsey	Susan Martin	Barb Jensen	Matt Payne Micaela Hess Brynlee Payne	Maunette Loeks-Van Patten Val Rahrs	Abby Newsom Maunette Loeks-Van Patten Barb Jensen Nannie Walsh
February 20 Traditional Service	10:00 a.m.	Dennis & Barb Gorr	Vicki Howell	Dennis Gorr	Andi Dorn Merrick Walsh Max Judy	Chris Jensen Jack Martin	Deb Brown Vicki Howell Tracy Steele Shari Copsey
February 27 Celebrate Service	10:00 a.m.	Chris & Barb Jensen	Marti Wegelin	Shari Copsey	Shawna Payne Ryhan Buckley Katie Hess	Jeff Van Patten Trea Hess	Andi Dorn Shelly Koehler

If you are unable to serve,
please find a replacement and inform the church office. Thanks!





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Romans 5:5

