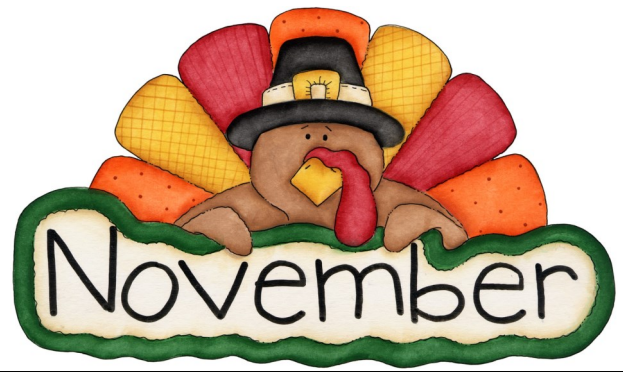




**CALVARY LUTHERAN**  
CHURCH ELCA

# TIDINGS 2022



## QUILTERS OUTDO THEMSELVES

On October 30th we dedicated 336 quilts made during the last year. Most of the quilts are shipped to Lutheran World Relief who then ship them as needed all over the world. Some of the quilts are donated to the Fire Fighters Ministry for use locally; some are given to the Lakota Lutheran Center and others in need. Calvary's graduating seniors also get to select a quilt. On behalf of the Calvary Lutheran Church Women and Calvary Lutheran Church, we thank the following women for their time and commitment to this ministry and for completing 336 quilts this year:



*Carol Bosshardt, Deb Brown, Gail Bruflat, Marsha Bueide, Audrey Harvey, Vicki Howell, Mary Jo Huelle, Barb Jensen, Fran Johnson, LuVerne Knoedler, Linda Lojka, Lynn Margheim, Kathy Randall, Vicki Schmidt, Elnora Sell, Joan Smith, Penny Stevens, Marti Wegelin*

## *In Loving Memory*

## Memorial Dedications

On October 30<sup>th</sup> we also dedicated memorial gifts. Gifts in honor of Alice Shriver made it possible to have the beautiful new Pentecost/Reformation banners in the sanctuary and the new organ bench. Gifts in honor of Merna Bowman, Art Hamburger, Wanda Quinn, Larry Janacek, Geri Bartel, Jean Hamburger, Lila Birch, Joyce Hillman-Kortum, Betty Madison, Jay Judd, Dorothy High, Rueben Gorr, Ronn Schmidt and Miriam Brown made it possible for us to upgrade the tables and chairs in the fellowship hall. We give thanks for the generosity of these families for their memorial gifts and pray these gifts would be used to God's glory and to further his kingdom for many years to come.

## ALL SAINTS SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 6

This is the day we remember that because of Jesus' gift to us on the cross, we are all saints in the eyes of God, but we also take time to remember those saints from this congregation who have died in the past year and have now joined the church triumphant.

**Nancy Steele   Juanita Gibbs   Reuben Gorr   Steve Kaufman**

**Alice Braaten   Gloria Gorr   LaDonna Schmidt**



# Pastor's Page

*"Give us this day, our daily bread."*

November is a month of transitions, as colorful leaves vacate the trees and cold winds begin to freeze. What better time to have a holiday marked by warm homes, loving family, and good food? We have so much for which to be thankful!

As Calvary Lutheran Church is in a season of pastoral transition, I wonder: As you consider the pastors over the years here, for what goodness in them do you give thanks? Maybe you recall a minister who showed up during a time of crisis and cared for you and your family in ways that brought deep comfort and the assurance of God's love. Maybe you recall a minister whose worship leadership was inspiring and life-giving, and you left every week feeling full and ready to serve the Lord. Maybe you recall a minister who connected with young people and was filled with joy and energy. Every pastor is different, and we all bring different gifts — so what gifts have been meaningful to you?

As we look for a future minister at Calvary Lutheran Church, I invite you to spend some time in prayer and reflection. What is important to you in a pastor? What character traits have been meaningful? What gifts, qualities, and passions would you hope for? This time of transition is not only one to give thanks for the past but also to dream about the future.

Our lives change, our communities change, and our churches change, but the good news is that "the steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end." (Lamentations 3:22) God's faithfulness and love continue, no matter what else changes in our lives.

As Calvary Lutheran Church looks toward the future, may we take each day in faith, praying "Give us this day, our daily bread." As surely as God promises to meet our physical needs, God will also provide for our spiritual needs. We have so much at Calvary for which to be thankful: kind and active older saints, who model the way of Jesus. A busy and energetic mid-week programming for K-8. A vibrant worship and music experience with praise band, organ, and choir. A comfortable and accommodating facility located near a park and school. And, most importantly, a God who has sent the Holy Spirit to fill us with good fruit and empower us for ministry.

What do you have to celebrate about Calvary Lutheran? How have pastors blessed you? What do you hope for in the future? Whatever your hopes and gratitudes, give thanks for the past, trusting in the future that "God is able to do abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine." (Ephesians 3:20)

Peace,  
Pastor Brett

*"Give thanks to the LORD,  
for he is good; his love  
endures forever."* Psalm 107:1 (NIV)

# COUNCIL MINUTES SUMMARY

October 11, 2021

## **Board/Committee Reports:**

**Outreach:** They are updating the rack cards. Parish Ed. requested a postcard for JAM. The church website needs to be updated with current Pastor information. Pastor Brett will take care of this. They will plan to use the electronic sign in the front of our church and the Star Herald to recognize Pastor Brett for Pastor appreciation. November 16<sup>th</sup> will be their next meeting.

**Elders:** They discussed the secretarial job hours as being Monday-Friday from 8-2. Christy is scheduling the deacons for visits. It's going well. Spoke about the need to follow up on possible new members that have been coming to services.

**Social Ministries:** The quilt for the Ewings is almost complete and will be delivered to them soon. The CROP walk was well attended with 25 participants and nice weather.

**Trustees:** They had the bells checked and serviced. The fire department did this. Discussed giving the fire department a donation of some type. They checked out heating system and all was well.

**Worship & Music:** 10/30/22 is Reformation Sunday. We will dedicate the items that the Memorial money paid for most recently. They are in the planning stages of having a "Thankful" service in November. This would be held on Sunday 11/20/22 which is the Sunday before Thanksgiving.

**Parish Education:** JAM, EPIC, OWLS, are meeting and all is going well. It was mentioned that we may need more laundry detergent for Laundry Love.

**Financial Report:** Beginning Balance for June: \$22,694.60 Ending Balance: \$18,326.74 Nothing out of the ordinary is happening in the general account. Not much activity in the common account. Motion was made by Jim Dorn to use money from the contingency fund to cover the extra cost incurred from the retirement dinner. Dawn Holub 2<sup>nd</sup>-accepted. Neal Blomenkamp moved to accept the financial report as given; Bill Huelle 2<sup>nd</sup>-accepted.

**Pastor's /Staff Reports:** September was a challenging month for Pastor Brett and his family as they were recovering from COVID along with Christy having it too. Funeral service for Gloria Gorr happened. Pastor is connecting with the deacons and home visits are beginning. Confirmation is starting up. There are 7 participants. The staff at the church is great and have been so helpful. The pumpkin patch trip was FUN!! Saturday night services were discussed. How should we handle the low attendance of this service? Pastor Brett talked to Pastor Jon about the prayer work and Calvary telling "our story" work. Doesn't seem to be as rigid as first thought. Our church membership in reference to adult Ed brings a question as to how do we age graciously in this time of transition? That might be helpful with the demographics of our church membership where a large number of members are in the season of life that are leaving work and in retirement.

**Old Business:** Nominating committee-they have not met. Mary Jo agreed to stay on as President for another year through 2023. We are looking for a good, strong Vice President Candidate. We discussed the Prayer meeting/tell our story topics.

**New Business:** Pastor Brett covered this in the Pastor/Staff Reports

Next meeting: November 14, 2022

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



## OWLS (Older, Wiser Lutherans)

Wednesday, November 2nd @ noon  
Attitude of Gratitude! Join us for a meal, and then we will thank our quilters before they pack up over 300 quilts to be shipped overseas! We will serve scalloped potatoes and ham/green beans/bread/dessert.



### **Christmas Treat Bags for December 11th!**

We need donations of candy and treats for the traditional treat bags for our children after the Christmas program in December! If you would like to pick up a bag of candy to go into the treat bags, you can bring it to church and leave it in Angie's office. Shirlee Schuldies will coordinate with all of her other "elves" to make the bags for the children. Thank You!



### **THE ANGEL TREE IS COMING!**

Look for information in future bulletins on how you can brighten a child's Christmas with just a simple gift.



### **Fun Quilting Facts**

People are interested in the amount of supplies needed; the following are some statistics:

- 3 sheets per quilt = 1,008 (one sheet for the middle and one for the back.) Cotton or cotton blend old sheets, pillowcases and fabric are best. They CANNOT use flannel, knit, or polyester fabric because they stretch. Sheets with stains can be used in the middle.
- 48 blocks for each top = 16,128 10" blocks equaling 2.55 miles end to end
- 300" of border = 8,400' or 1.6 miles. Blocks and border are the 3rd sheet per quilt.
- 108 yarn ties = 45' per quilt or 2.86 miles of yarn. They have been blessed with an oversupply of yarn and do NOT need more!
- 310 yards of thread per quilt or 59.2 miles of thread (only an estimate!)

If you can use a sewing machine, iron, or tie a knot, they have something for you to do and would sure enjoy your company Tuesday afternoons from 1-3:00.

### **CARING ONES**



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offering plate to benefit  
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The Calvary Quilters make quilts each Tuesday to send to needy countries once a year, via the Lutheran World Relief organization. The CLCW provides the hardworking quilters with a luncheon once or twice a year and contributes to the shipping costs for more than 300 quilts made annually. November has been set aside to collect the Thankofferings from the women and men in our congregation. We ask for you to put your Thankofferings in an envelope and then the offering plates on any November Sunday.



## WOMEN'S STUDY GROUPS

Meeting times and places follow:

**Hannah Study Group - Monday, Nov. 7 @ 7 p.m. at Chris Thomas' Home**

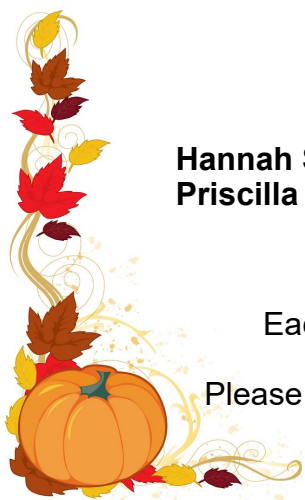
**Priscilla Study Group - Monday, Nov. 14 @ 2 p.m. at Calvary's Fellowship Hall**

## TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP

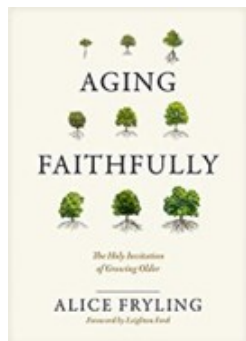
Each Tuesday at noon a group of women meet at the church to study scripture together.

Please consider joining us for a study and some great conversations.

**All ladies are invited to join any of these groups!**



## NEW Pastor's Sunday Morning Bible Study starting November 6th "Aging Faithfully"



You are invited to join us Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM from November 6 - December 4 as we go through Aging Faithfully by Alice Fryling. As many at Calvary Lutheran enter later seasons of life, questions of life and faith take on new meaning. Aging faithfully doesn't 'just happen,' but there are wise guides who have modelled the way into this uncharted land. The group will be facilitated by Pastor Brett.

**If interested, please sign up on the sheet outside the office so we can make sure to have enough study books.**

## A Holiday "Spa-tacular" Coffee Hour!



Come join us on November 5th at 9:00am for a fall coffee hour and spa treatment for your face and/or hands! We want to help you get ready for the holidays! Hosted by Angie Hinze and Val Rahrs. Please contact the church office if you are planning to attend, so Val can make preparations.



# Prayer Requests

Prayers for healing: **Ruth Harris, Randy Schafer** (recovering from stroke), **Cindy Cole** (recovering from surgery—Carolyn Jensen's sister), **Marti Wegelin, Joyce** (severe swelling in feet—Susan Martin's cousin), **Katie Hess** (car accident—Angela Bonow's daughter & Jim & Andi Dorn's granddaughter), **Mel Knoedler** (recovering), **Mary Jane Brown** (stroke—Deb Brown's mother-in-law), **Becky Michael** (stage 1 breast cancer), **Paul Bueide** (recovering), **Kevin Feil** (sepsis & cancer—Lindsey Singer & Melissa Guerrero's father), **Patty** (cancer—Jim Dorn's sister-in-law), **Mary Jo Haack** (Becky Martin's mother).

Prayers for comfort and peace: Family and friends of **LaDonna Schmidt**.

Prayers for comfort and safety: **Jeffery Christeleit** (deployed—Brian & Jodi Christeleit's son and Jim & Sheila Miller's grandson), **B.J. Carr** (deployed to Poland—Dee Brady's son-in-law).

Change Your  
Clocks Back &  
Smoke Alarm  
Batteries



Set your  
clocks back  
Saturday  
night!  
November 6th



**NOVEMBER**  
BIRTHDAYS

Bailey Nikont	11/3	Roger Jensen	11/15
Marsha Bueide	11/3	Victoria Holub	11/20
Larry Blehm	11/4	Austin Miller	11/20
Max Schlothauer	11/4	David Kleensang	11/21
Katlynn Hess	11/5	Jon Carlson	11/22
Jeff VanPatten	11/6	Hank Rahmig	11/23
Martha Wegelin	11/6	Twila Aschenbrenner	11/25
Judy Keller	11/9	Shane Cochran	11/26
Joyce Fulk	11/11	Donna Hessler	11/30
Marcy Miller	11/12		



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:**

**BAKING SUPPLIES**

**This month's Backpack Program item:**

**GRANOLA BARS**

**DECEMBER'S items will be:**  
**PACKAGED COOKIES**  
**APPLESAUCE**

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# NOVEMBER YOUTH PROGRAM SCHEDULES



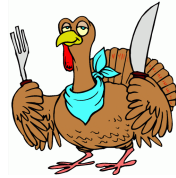
**NOVEMBER 2**  
**Love your Enemies**  
(deli sandwiches/chips/dessert)

**NOVEMBER 9**  
**Do Not Be Afraid**  
(chicken noodle soup/veggies/dessert)



**NOVEMBER 16**  
**The Crucified King**  
(sloppy dogs/chips/dessert)

**NOVEMBER 23**  
**NO JAM!**



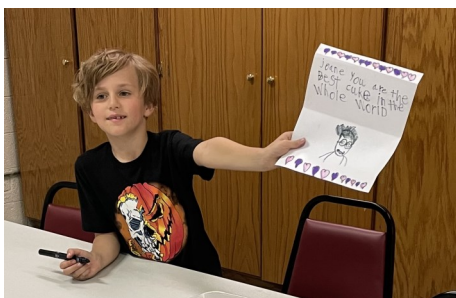
**NOVEMBER 30**  
**Christmas Program Practice**  
(tater tot casserole/fruit/dessert)



**Sunday, November 6th**  
Dinner and a movie! Come join us at 11:30am for a nacho bar, and then we will watch "God's Not Dead" and have a discussion following. Please come and join us all 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders!









## "Fall Festival" Drive



Calvary Lutheran Church invites you to join in a "Fall Festival" drive supported by the Worship Committee during the month of November. As the days get colder and the wind picks up, many in our community simply struggle to stay warm and safe. In partnership with CAPWN, you are invited to bring personal hygiene items to worship during the weeks of November 6 - 20. There will be large boxes in the entrance of the sanctuary where you may drop off the following items: socks, stocking caps, gloves, shampoo, soap, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shaving razors, shaving cream. Join us in celebrating God's abundant generosity as we seek to bless our neighbors.



**In Person:**

**Saturdays at 5:30 p.m.**

**Sundays at 10:00 a.m.**

**Or**

**Online on Sundays at 10:00 a.m.**

**via Facebook Live**

**Or**

**On demand via our Facebook page  
or the link on our webpage.**

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receipts for the  
backpack program.  
**\$100,000 in receipts  
= \$1,000 for the  
program!**

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

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If you would like to know more about how a Stephen Minister could care for you, please contact Marsha Bueide (635-1469).

*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!

Pastor

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**Pastor Brett Vander Berg**

**Youth & Family Ministry Dir. Angie Hinze:**



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

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# 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 12pm-Women's Study 1pm-Quilting	2 12pm-OWLS Lunch 5:30pm-JAM 6pm-Confirmation 7pm-Choir Practice	3	4	5 9am-"Spa-tacular" Coffee Hour 5:30pm-Worship
6 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY 9am-Pastor's Bible Study 10am-Worship 11am-Coffee & Fellowship 11:30am-EPIC Movie & Nacho Bar DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS!	7 7pm-Hannah Circle @ Chris Thomas' home	8 12pm-Women's Study	9 11:30am-Exec Comm 5:30pm-Social Ministry 5:30pm-JAM 6pm-Confirmation 7pm-Choir Practice	10	11	12 5:30pm-Worship
13 9am-Pastor's Bible Study 10am-Worship 11am-Coffee & Fellowship	14 2pm-Priscilla Circle @ Calvary's Fellowship Hall 6pm-Council Mtg	15 12pm-Quilting Ladies Luncheon	16 5:15pm-Outreach 5:30pm-JAM 6pm-Confirmation 7pm-Choir Practice	17	18	19 9am-Trustees 5:30pm-Worship
20 9am-Pastor's Bible Study 10am-Worship 11am-Coffee & Fellowship	21 5:00pm-Elders 6pm-Stewards 6pm-Worship & Music <i>NewsLetter</i> <b>DEADLINE</b>	22 812pm-Women's Study 1pm-Quilting	23 NO JAM or Confirmation 7pm-Choir Practice	24 <b>HAPPY THANKS giving</b>	25	26 5:30pm-Worship
27 9am-Pastor's Bible Study 10am-Worship 11am-Coffee & Fellowship	28 5pm-Panish Ed	29 12pm-Women's Study 1pm-Quilting	30 5:30pm-JAM 6pm-Confirmation 7pm-Choir Practice	<b>T H A N K S F U L</b>		



## WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE - NOVEMBER 2022

DATE	TIME	USHERS	LAY READERS	COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	POWERPOINT ACOLYTES	MEDIA AUDIO	ALTAR GUILD
November 6 Celebrate Service	10:00 a.m.	Chris & Barb Jensen	Angie Hinze	Shari Copsey (Head) Rick Margheim Lynn Margheim	Shawna Payne Ayden Tompkins Micaela Hess	Jeff Van Patten Val Rahrs	Andi Dorn Shelly Koehler
November 13 Traditional Service	10:00 a.m.	Dennis & Barb Gorr	Marissa Wright	Barb Jensen (Head) Chris Thomas Marlene Downer	Andi Dorn Dakota Newsom Rhyann Buckley	Chris Jensen Jim Dorn	Abby Newsom Maunette Loeks-Van Patten Barb Jensen Nannie Walsh
November 20 Celebrate Service	10:00 a.m.	Monty & Shari Copsey	Mary Jo Huelle	Vicki Howell (Head) Vicki Schmidt Deb Brown	Matt Payne Brynlee Payne	Maunette Loeks-Van Patten Trea Hess	Deb Brown Vicki Howell Tracy Steele Shari Copsey
November 27 Traditional Service	10:00 a.m.	Kent & Dawn Holub	Chris Jensen	Bill Huelle (Head) Marissa Wright Abby Newsom	Mary Jo Huelle Ben Moravec Jacey Cochran	Jeff Van Patten Jack Martin	Andi Dorn Shelly Koehler

If you are unable to serve,  
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