



**CALVARY LUTHERAN**  
CHURCH ELCA

# TIDINGS

## 2023



### QUILTERS OUTDO THEMSELVES

On October 29th we dedicated 300 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 300 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*

### ALL SAINTS SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 5

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. 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.

**Melvin Knoedler    Caleb Payne**

**Paul Bueide    Wanda Payne**



The call committee and the church council are pleased to announce that we have a ministry candidate to bring before the congregation. The candidate has been invited to preside over our **10:00 church service Sunday, November 12, 2023**. Immediately following the service, we will gather for not only a time of fellowship but also to provide an opportunity for you to ask questions of this candidate. The following **Sunday, November 19, 2023, immediately following our 10:00 service**, a congregational meeting will be held to vote on whether to extend a call to this candidate. The call committee and the church council encourage all to attend both services!

# Go, And . . . .

As we continue to Go, And . . . November brings us to  
Go, And . . . Be Honest.

Honesty requires vulnerability, awareness, and willingness to really listen. Assumptions and half-truths can lead us to misunderstand the situation and story. What does reconciliation mean as we strive to move from places of misunderstanding? God calls us to be honest. Sometimes, that may look like lament and confession and other times hymns of praise and gratitude.

Questions to consider:

What is a time you didn't tell the whole truth . . . or were not honest?

What piece of history should you/could you explore with a lens of honesty?

In what way are you being dishonest in your life?

GO and express gratitude by saying thank you to someone who deserves it.


Prayer: Reconciling God, we ask for forgiveness for the times we have not reconciled our differences and acknowledged the hurts and wounds we have caused. Amen.



## GO AND...



**PRAY**



**LISTEN**



**SHARE YOUR STORY**



**SERVE WITH NEIGHBORS**



**ASK**



**BE HONEST**



**BE PRESENT**



**REST**



**HAVE THE CONVERSATION**



**BE INTENTIONAL**



**TELL THE STORY**



**BE CHURCH**

# COUNCIL MINUTES SUMMARY

October 9, 2023

Acceptance of Agenda – Grant Hinze moved to accept; Neal Blomenkamp 2<sup>nd</sup> - accepted. Acceptance of minutes from September 11, 2023: Neal Blomenkamp moved to accept; Jim Dorn 2<sup>nd</sup> – accepted.

## **Board/Committee Reports:**

**Outreach:** Becca spoke about social media and the posting of information on the Church’s FB page. The importance of “sharing” the information so more awareness is brought to our activities and information. Mary Jo also shared some information at this time that she had gathered from another church about events they were doing that we might be interested in.

**Trustees:** Jim has the bids in for the AC unit. The roof has been inspected and needs some repairs. They cleaned up some trees and bushes. Getting ready for winter. An electrician will be coming soon to look at the bell tower.

**Parish Education:** Everything is running smoothly with the fall programming. The Christmas program will be on December 10<sup>th</sup>. OWLS has moved to the second Wednesday of each month.

**The Call Committee:** The call committee received another name. They reviewed their RPM. They conducted an interview and decided to move forward with this candidate. They will hold a special meeting with the church council for them to hear about the candidate and the committees recommendations.

**Worship and Music:** They met and discussed the upcoming Holiday season and what that might look like.

**Financial Report:** Beginning Balance for August: \$32,601 Ending Balance: \$30,977

**Pastor’s /Staff Reports:** PMA Bill Huelle reported that we will have a funeral at the church on Friday, 10/13 for Wanda Payne. He is looking for some things for Advent. He will be attending a leadership gathering in Kearney, 10/22-10/26. He will be preaching in Kimball on 11/12/23. Angie Hinze reported that everything is going great with the fall programs!

**Old Business:** Pastor appreciation will be on Sunday 10/15 after the 10 o’clock church service. Nominating committee: Shari Copsey updated us on the leaders of the committees and what the committee members needs are.

**New Business:** Thanksgiving-nothing out of the ordinary is happening. Advent-starts the Sunday after Thanksgiving. Saturday night service-we discussed what this might look like in our current situation.

Next Meeting: November 13, 2023

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

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

## "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 5 - 19. 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.



### OWLS (Older, Wiser Lutherans)

Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> @ noon

Join us for scalloped potatoes and ham for lunch at noon and stay to learn about CASA (court appointed special advocates) from one of the directors, Missi lasillo. She will share with us the importance of advocacy for children's best interests in the court system and how you can be a volunteer!



### **Christmas Treat Bags for December 10th!**

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. Shirlie 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.

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:

**Priscilla Study Group - Monday, Nov. 13 @ 2 p.m. at Calvary's Fellowship Hall**  
**Hannah Study Group - Monday, Nov. 13 @ 7 p.m. at Beth Janecek's Home**

### Sarah Circle

The ladies will not be meeting in November

Come join the ladies every 3rd Tuesday at Noon for Bible Study.

Bring your lunch and join us!

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



Wayne & I would like to announce we were married on September 30th, 2023. My name has changed to Bauerkemper. We would like to thank everyone for all the congratulations! A special thank you to the council for the gift and the heartfelt card! You have made me feel even more like part of your wonderful church family!

God Bless you all!  
Wayne & Christy Bauerkemper

# Thank You

With much joy, I say THANK YOU to all of you for your support and for honoring me here at Calvary. Blessings to each and every one of you.

PMA Bill

# **NOVEMBER YOUTH PROGRAM SCHEDULES**



## **NOVEMBER 1**

### **The Beatitudes**

spaghetti/salad/bread/dessert

## **NOVEMBER 8**

### **The Parable of the Ten Bridesmaids**

scalloped potatoes and ham/green beans/dessert

## **NOVEMBER 15**

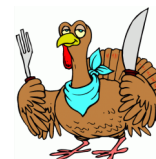
### **The Parable of the Talents**

pancakes/sausage/fruit



## **NOVEMBER 22**

**NO JAM!**



## **NOVEMBER 29**

### **Christmas Program Practice**

sloppy joes/chips/fruit/dessert

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## **Sunday, November 12th**

Gratitude Scavenger Hunt/Pay It Forward! We will venture out into the community to do good deeds and then share in a meal together! We will meet at 11:30am right after church!

**2024 HOW CAN I HELP?**  
**CALVARY HELPERS**

**“PUT YOUR GIFTS TO THE SERVICE OF OTHERS”**  
**I Peter 4:10**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-MAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **I am interested in an Electronic Giving Option for giving my offering.**

God calls his people into ministry, and by his Spirit enables us to share our special gifts and abilities in service to others. One's Christian faith is exercised and developed through spiritual practices like prayer and worship but also by serving God and serving others. To carry out the various ministries at Calvary, takes a BIG team effort.

Please prayerfully look through the various areas of ministry and check the ones you would be willing to serve. *If you are currently serving in an area and want to continue, please mark that also.* Return this form to the church office as soon as possible.

**ALTAR GUILD**

- \_\_\_ Communion Set Up/Altar Care
- \_\_\_ Decorate Church for Holidays
- \_\_\_ Communion Bread Baker

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION / YOUTH**

- \_\_\_ Serve on Parish Ed Board
- \_\_\_ Children's Sermon Volunteer
- \_\_\_ Christmas Program Coordinator
- \_\_\_ Christmas Program Helper
- \_\_\_ Vacation Bible School Coordinator
- \_\_\_ Vacation Bible School Crafts
- \_\_\_ Vacation Bible School Games
- \_\_\_ Vacation Bible School Kitchen Crew
- \_\_\_ Vacation Bible School Story Telling
- \_\_\_ Adult Ed Planning Committee
- \_\_\_ Help with JAM or EPIC Programs
- \_\_\_ Help with OWLS

**SOCIAL MINISTRY**

- \_\_\_ Serve on Social Ministry Board
- \_\_\_ CROP Coordinator
- \_\_\_ Habitat for Humanity Worker
- \_\_\_ Deliver Food Pantry Donations
- \_\_\_ Angel Tree Coordinator
- \_\_\_ Laundry Love Volunteer
- \_\_\_ Prison Ministry
- \_\_\_ Cooperative Ministry Representative
- \_\_\_ Mission Trip Organizer/Participant
- \_\_\_ ELCA Hunger Advocate
- \_\_\_ ELCA Global Mission Advocate

**PRAYER CHAIN**

- \_\_\_ Prayer Chain Coordinator (computer needed)
- \_\_\_ Participate by Phone
- \_\_\_ Participate by E-mail

**HOSPITALITY**

- \_\_\_ Provide Food for Funerals
- \_\_\_ Serve Funeral Dinners
- \_\_\_ Provide Food Following Hospitalization, etc.
- \_\_\_ Deep Clean Kitchen Periodically

**STEWARDSHIP**

- \_\_\_ Serve on Stewardship Board
- \_\_\_ Work on Stewardship Campaign
- \_\_\_ Serve on Memorial Committee
- \_\_\_ Serve on Endowment Committee

**TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT**

- \_\_\_ Sound System Operator
- \_\_\_ PowerPoint Operator
- \_\_\_ Media System Operator
- \_\_\_ Provide Computer Support
- \_\_\_ Church Event Photographer

**TRUSTEES**

- Serve on Trustees Board
- Beautify & Maintain Grounds
- Deep Cleaning of Property
- Mechanical/Equipment Repair
- Painting
- Carpenter
- Plumbing

**OUTREACH**

- Serve on Outreach Board
- Publicity for the Church
- Worship Visitor Follow-up

**ELDERS**

- Serve on the Elders Board
- Take Communion to Shut-ins
- Knit Prayer Shawls

**WOMEN OF THE CLCW**

- Join Bible Study Group
- Serve on the Board
- Special Events Coordinator
- Sew quilt tops at home
- Join the quilters

**WORSHIP AND MUSIC**

- Serve on the Worship & Music Board
- Usher
- Greeter
- Lay Reader
- Communion Assistant
- Choir Member
- Soloist
- Instrumentalist
- Organist
- Pianist
- Serve coffee after Sunday worship
- Adult Choir Director
- Praise Team Member

**ADMINISTRATION**

- Council
- President/Vice President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Audit Committee
- Nominating Committee
- Delegate to Synod Assembly

**OFFICE SUPPORT**

- Bulk Mailing Preparation
- Substitute Secretary

**OTHER (You fill in the blank)**


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*Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.  
1 Peter 4:10*

**OPEN BOARD AND COMMITTEE POSITIONS**

**VICE PRESIDENT-February 2024-January 2025**

Duties: Whatever duties the President shall assign.  
Serve as chairperson of the Nominating Committee.  
In training for the position of President the following year.

**BOARD OF ELDERS BOARD MEMBER-February 2024-January 2026-1 member needed**

Board Chair-Neil Blomenkamp  
Duties: Oversee membership concerns, exercise church discipline.  
Responsible for the church inactive, pastor relations.  
Member visitations, Recruitment, and training of deacons.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES BOARD MEMBER-February 2024-January 2026-2 members needed**

Board Chair-James Dorn  
Duties: Proper maintenance and repair of the church.  
Representative for the church against loss or damage to the church of whatever nature.

**BOARD OF WORSHIP & MUSIC BOARD MEMBER-February 2024-January 2026-2 members needed**

Board Chair-Bill Huelle  
Duties: Supervise and direct all musical and worship activities of the congregation.  
In partnership with the pastor(s) to make decisions regarding the music worship life of the congregation.

**BOARD OF STEWARDS CHAIR-February 2024-January 2026 needed**

**BOARD OF STEWARDS BOARD MEMBERS-February 2024-January 2026-6 members needed**

Duties: Initiate programs for the development of good stewardship attitudes regarding time, talents and treasures.  
Ensure financial stability through a developed program of giving.

**NE SYNOD ASSEMBLY DELEGATES-2024-2 delegates needed**

If you are interested in any if these positions call:

Shari Copsey-308-642-0705  
Gail Bruflat-308-635-0957  
Susan Martin-308-575-1425

# Prayer Requests

Prayers for healing: **David Stevens** (recovering), **Becky Martin** (recovering), **Fran Johnson** (recovering from surgery), **Elnora Sell** (recovering), **Alli Meyers** (Health Problems—Marissa Wright’s friend), **Joy Arnold** (Cancer), **Brenda & kids, Joni** (stage 4 cancer), **Aimee Roos** (colon cancer & critical kidney disease—Penny Stevens’ nephew’s wife), **Kathy Johnson** (health issues), **William Gibbs** (Cancer—brother of Larry Gibbs), **Vicki Schmidt** (cancer treatment), **Linda Spomer, Neal Blomenkamp** (recovering), **Catherine Rahrs** (Val Rahrs’ mother), **Patty** (cancer—Jim Dorn’s sister-in-law).

Prayers for comfort and peace for: Family and friends of **Wanda Payne**.

Prayers for comfort and safety: **Jeffery Christeleit** (deployed—Brian & Jodi Christeleit’s son and Jim & Sheila Miller’s grandson).

Change Your  
Clocks Back &  
Smoke Alarm  
Batteries



Set your  
clocks back  
Saturday  
night!  
November 4th



## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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



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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**REACH OUT - TODAY!** If you would like to know more about how a Stephen Minister could care for you, or if you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister, please contact Bill Huelle (308)631-3389 or Marsha Bueide (308)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!

Calvary's Church Office Phone number: (308) 632-8023 or 632-8024  
Contact the Office by E-mail at: [calvarylutheranscottsbluff@gmail.com](mailto:calvarylutheranscottsbluff@gmail.com)  
Send physical mail/offerings to: 17 E. 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Scottsbluff, NE 69361.  
PMA Bill Huelle:  
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 month. Please send your items to Christy in the church office.

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

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**WEBSITE**

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Worship videos and bulletins as well as the "Taking Faith Home" inserts are all available on our website.

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# 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 5 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY 10am-Worship 11am-Coffee & Fellowship DAVILIGHT SAVING ENDS!	6	7	1 5:30pm-JAM 6pm-Confirmation 7pm-Choir Practice 8 12pm-OWLS Lunch 5:30pm-Social Ministry 5:30pm-JAM 6pm-Confirmation 7pm-Choir Practice	2 11:30am-Exec Comm	3	4 5:30pm-Worship
12 10am-Worship with Ministry Candidate 11am-Coffee & Fellowship with Candidate 11:30am-EPIC	13 2pm-Priscilla Circle in Fellowship Hall 6pm-Council Mtg 7pm-Hannah Circle @ Beth Janeczek's home	14 12pm-Quitting Ladies Luncheon	15 5:15pm-Outreach 5:30pm-JAM 6pm-Confirmation 7pm-Choir Practice	16	17	18 9am-Trustees 5:30pm-Worship
19 10am-Worship 11am-Meeting to vote on candidate 11am-Coffee & Fellowship	20 5:00pm-Elders 6pm-Stewards 6pm-Worship & Music <i>Newletter</i> <b>DEADLINE</b>	21 1pm-Quitting	22 <u>NO JAM</u> or Confirmation <u>NO</u> Choir Practice	23 <b>HAPPY THANKSGIVING</b>	24	25 5:30pm-Worship
26 10am-Worship 11am-Coffee & Fellowship	27 5pm-Parish Ed	28 1pm-Quitting	29 5:30pm-JAM 6pm-Confirmation 7pm-Choir Practice	30		

## WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE - NOVEMBER 2023

DATE	TIME	USHERS	LAY READERS	COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	POWERPOINT ACOLYTES	MEDIA AUDIO	ALTAR GUILD
November 5 Celebrate Service	10:00 a.m.	Kent & Dawn Holub	Marti Wegelin	Barb Jensen (Head) Rick Margheim Lynn Margheim	Matt Payne Ayden Tompkins Brynlee Payne	Chris Jensen Jack Martin	Abby Newsom Maunette Loeks-Van Patten Barb Jensen Nannie Walsh
November 12 Traditional Service	10:00 a.m.	Monty & Shari Copsey	Angie Hinze	Vicki Howell (Head) Deb Brown Marlene Downer	Andi Dorn Ben Moravec Rhyan Buckley	Jeff Van Patten Jim Dorn	Deb Brown Vicki Howell Tracy Steele Shari Copsey
November 19 Celebrate Service	10:00 a.m.	Chris & Barb Jensen	Marissa Wright	Jack Martin (Head) Marissa Wright Abby Newsom	Shawna Payne Jack Judy Max Judy	Maunette Loeks-Van Patten Jeff Van Patten	Andi Dorn Shelly Koehler
November 26 Traditional Service	10:00 a.m.	Jack Martin	Mary Jo Huelle	Shari Copsey (Head) Chris Thomas Tracy Steele	Andi Dorn Kippen Cochran Jacey Cochran	Chris Jensen Jim Dorn	Abby Newsom Maunette Loeks-Van Patten Barb Jensen Nannie Walsh

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





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