

CALVARY LUTHERAN
CHURCH AND SCHOOL



Church Newsletter

April 2024

From the Pastors

Jesus Christ is Risen Today...Our Triumphant Holy Day

I don't know about you, but Easter is my favorite holiday. I know some like the food of Thanksgiving, some like the presents and decorations of Christmas, and others like the smoking grills and explosive fireworks of 4th of July, but for me nothing gets better than the joy of Easter. Now I'm not exactly a morning person, but there's nothing more joyous than to enter into the church on Easter morning as the sunshine pours through the church windows, as the scents and the beauty of the Easter lilies adorn the sanctuary, and as an overflowing congregation joins their voices together to sing beloved Easter hymns. There is such a transformation from the saddened tones of Maundy Thursday and Good Friday to the joyful hymns and greetings of Easter.

Nothing says Easter morning more to me than the hymn "Jesus Christ is Risen Today." It simply bursts forth with the joyous message that Christ has triumphed over the grave, emerged victorious over the attacks of Satan, and has left our sins buried in the tomb. The hymn directs all attention, all praise, and all glory to Jesus for what he did on our behalf, leading to this "triumphant holy day."

But my favorite line of the hymn—a line that slips by too quickly—says "Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! **Our** triumphant holy day, Alleluia..." The entire hymn rightfully directs all glory, honor, and praise to Jesus for what he has accomplished, but it also directs our attention to the significance of that news for those now singing. After all, at Easter we aren't just celebrating Jesus' victory over death and the grave, but **our** victory as well. Because of what Christ did on the cross and through the tomb, all Christians can call Easter "**our** triumphant holy day." This is the reason why I like Easter so much, for Easter is the celebration that Jesus rose from the dead and so shall we!!! On Easter we are given the unshakeable promise of resurrection from the dead. Following the message of Easter we no longer need to fear death. We no longer need to fear the grave. We no longer need to hang on to our grief over loved ones who have gone before us, for all who have been united with Christ through Baptism are resurrected to a new life both in this life and the next. We are now able to live each day with the attitude of the Apostle Paul, "For me, to live is Christ and to die is gain" (Phillipians 1:21). There is no more powerful message of the Gospel than the message of Christ's triumph over death and the grave. May this Easter and every coming Sunday be a celebration of "**our** triumphant holy day" given to us through the life, death, and resurrection of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ. He is the firstfruits of what is yet to come. May we throughout this season and throughout the year ahead, joyfully greet one another with those words of Easter morning, "Alleluia, Christ is risen...He is risen indeed! Alleluia!" Amen.

God's Peace, *Pastor Kurt Ebert*

But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.

- 1 Corinthians 15:20-23

Staff Spotlight

Jennifer Kennerk



What is your role at Calvary?

P.E. Teacher

What is your favorite thing about serving at Calvary?

I love getting to know all of the students and building relationships with each one.

Who has been the biggest influence on your faith? Why?

My parents have played the biggest role in my faith in Jesus Christ, as well as many women in my church who have pointed me to Christ over the years.

Favorite Book/Verse of the Bible?

Philippians 4 which got me through my thyroid cancer diagnosis.

Favorite Dessert?

Dark chocolate

What is one thing that the people of Calvary can keep in their prayers for your area of ministry?

Patience when dealing with student interactions and creativity to keep exercise fun.

General News

Associate Pastor Call Meeting

The Call Committee has finished its interviews and final review of our list of pastoral candidates. The candidates have been presented to Spiritual Care for review and are now being brought forward for the congregation's consideration and vote. **Join us in the Sanctuary Sun., Apr 7 following the 10:45 a.m. service for a Voters' Meeting.** A short bio of each candidate has been made available for your review in the church office or underneath the welcome TVs outside the Sanctuary.

General News



2024 Holy Week Worship Schedule



MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

March 28th 3:45 p.m. with communion
 **March 28th 6:30 p.m. with communion

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

March 29th 2:15 p.m.—Calvary School Chapel (*All welcome*)
 **March 29th 6:30 p.m.—Service of Darkness (No communion)

EASTER (VIGIL) SATURDAY SERVICE

March 30th 5:30 p.m. (traditional)

EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES

**March 31st 8:00 a.m. (traditional with choir and handbells)
 **March 31st, 10:45 a.m. (contemporary)

** = denotes those services livestreamed. Visit clcs.org/videos.

Maundy Thursday Congregational Meal (March 28th from 4:45—6:15 p.m.)

The Spiritual Care team invites you and your family to a delicious meal between the two Maundy Thursday services. Join us after or before worship, as we connect with others in fellowship on this night that Jesus gathered his disciples around the table and called them to love one another. Donations will benefit our Wycliffe missionaries as they prepare to return to their overseas work.

Easter Sunday Breakfast

Our youth are excited to offer a light breakfast on Easter morning, **Sun, March 31st**, from 9:00-10:30 a.m. This meal will be served in the gym and will include pastries, fruit, coffee, and juice. No cost to attend. However, a free will offering will be received to support the senior high youth attending this summer's mission trip to St. Louis, Missouri.



April Memorials

In Memory of Byron Miner:

Robert Polk



In Memory of Mabel Schwark:

Doug & Melissa Bade, Gary & Linda Bugher, Carol Lipps, James & Carol Keenan, Richard & Carolyn Stumpf, Ruth Dietel, Bob Stephens, Lori Becker, Charles & Georgia Stumpf, Greg & Linda Simons, Tim & Becky Finke, Nancy Stalnaker, Gerald Kiesling, & Col. Gerald & Phyllis Hager

General News

Save the Date—Vacation Bible School

Mon., Jun 24—Fri., Jun 28 9:00-11:30 a.m.

Electrifying Bible adventures, catchy songs, fun games, and memorable crafts are all part of the VBS experience! Mark it on your family calendar to join us this summer as we dive in to an amazing undersea adventure where they'll experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. Look for more information in the coming months.

To register or volunteer, visit clcs.org/vbs2024, use this QR code, or contact Kara Hiatt.



Looking to serve? Do you have a name to suggest?

Calvary's Nominations Committee is beginning its work of recruiting volunteers for our congregation's ministry teams and leadership positions. If you would like to volunteer or have a suggestion of someone who would be a good fit for a position, please let us know. Contact Kara Hiatt.

GriefShare (Wednesdays Feb 28 - May 22)

Faith-based grief support, help & encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, friend. **Wednesdays, Feb 28 – May 22, 6:00-8:00 p.m.** Led by trained facilitators Mike Loudon and Roxanne Deardurff. Sessions include videos by experts in grieving, support group discussion, personal study/reflection. Open to everyone. Begin attending at any time; sessions are not sequential. Contact Mike Loudon or Roxanne Deardurff for more information.

CLCS Staff Breakfast

As a Thank You to the Calvary Church and School Staff for all they do to support the Calvary congregation and students, the Compassion Ministry Team hosted a breakfast on Wednesday, March 6. We hope the snacks and treats expressed what a blessing they are and how much we appreciate them!

Open House for Debbie Yates

Barb Sorgius is hosting an open house for Debbie Yates on **Saturday, April 20** from 2:00-4:00 p.m. The address is 1239 Blakely Dr., Greenwood, IN. Debbie is anxious to see as many people as possible while she is in town. She will also be attending Sunday service, so hopefully she will be able to visit with as many Calvary members as possible. Pastor Bill is unable to come with her during this trip. He is thankful for all of the cards, phone calls, texts, and prayers he has received.

Adult Ministry

Lunch OUT! Wednesday, April 3 11:00 am

For our "First Wednesday" April outing we're meeting Lotus Gardens, 7327 US 31 South, Indianapolis, 46227.

Lunchtime meal specials from 8.50, include entrée and egg roll.

Tables will be saved for Calvary Lutheran, no reservation needed. Adults of all ages are welcome – come join us for good food and some fun Christian fellowship.



Lunch & Learn Wednesday, April 17 11:00 am

Program: Excursion information about our trip to Greece, Turkey, & Italy

Presenter: Debbie Yates & Barb Sorgius

Lunch: Turkey tetrazzini, green beans, rolls, & apple pie

Suggested donation: \$5

Questions? Contact Barb Sorgius, 317-783-2000.



Youth Ministry

FLIGHT (High School Youth Group)

The high school youth group meets weekly on **Sunday nights from 5:30-7:00 p.m.** Check the church bulletin for weekly updates regarding specific weekly events.



LAUNCH (5th-6th grades)

All 5th and 6th grade youth are invited to the next LAUNCH event on **Wednesday, April 10th from 5:30-7:00 p.m.**



SAIL (7th-8th grades)

All 7th and 8th grade youth are invited to the next SAIL event on **Wednesday, April 17th from 5:30-7:00 p.m.**



Executive Director

From Your Executive Director

Empty.

It's a word that can describe something bad or something good. But usually, it's used in the negative sense of the word.

For Martha and Mary, then Peter and John, the empty tomb was at first very bad: someone had taken Jesus's body. Yet as we know, what was first bad turned into good with His resurrection.

For my morning coffee, having an empty cup can be bad, especially when I need that early jolt of caffeine to get started. But it won't get started on the half-empty, half-full argument. I just want to know who's been drinking my coffee.

Now, let's talk about our churches: in America, in Indiana, in Indianapolis. More and more are looking less full these days, and sadly, some have closed for good. Locally, the number of closed churches continues to grow, even with our Burmese friends occupying them.

The ELCA has taken locally the brunt of Lutheran closures: Hope Lutheran. Advent Lutheran. Our Redeemer Lutheran. The former St. Matthew Lutheran, which left the ELCA and became independent, is now a satellite campus of Cornerstone Lutheran. But LCMS churches are at risk: Ascension in Beech Grove last reported statistics to the Synod in 2020 with 26 baptized members and an average of 10 worshipers a week. Reading the Reporter can be depressing, seeing the number of churches that have closed or consolidated.

Every study about church attendance I've read the past 10 years all points in the same direction: based purely on attendance, the Christian Church is in decline in America. And we are seeing the outcome of this: empty churches lead to empty hearts which lead to empty lives.

Calvary has the opportunity and ability to reverse this trend, with our re-energized plans for the coming years. We are going to demonstrate how much we care about and for others, participating in new programs for our church and community. We are going to help our members and non-members grow in Christ by learning through a variety of programs. And we are going to connect – or in many cases, reconnect – with each other, with our neighbors, with our community. All this we do in service to God, and in turn, Engaging People In Christ.

All these things require us to consider and think about how we operate as a congregation. We need to free our pastors to be pastors, not administrators. We need to look at our structure and determine how our activities and actions fall into the three areas we identified as the roadmap to our future: Connecting, Learning, Caring.

At the end of the day, while we go by the name "Calvary", this is still Christ's church, and we have the ability to help fill this emptiness around us, just as Christ fills us. We are reminded in 2 Corinthians 4 that "Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. . . we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us."

It's time we share the content of these jars with those around us! Let's empty them out – and this time, being empty – it's a good thing!

In His and your service,

Bill Laut

Impossible Tasks

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall,

Humpty Dumpty had a great fall.

All the king's horses and all the king's men

Couldn't put Humpty together again.

Humpty Dumpty was one of the first nursery rhymes that I learned. The rhyming pattern and four-line stanza was easy to memorize. I still remember the pictures in the book watching him fall and the dismayed look on the faces of the King's entourage trying to put Humpty Dumpty back together again. Nothing that was done could restore Humpty back to his "egg-cellent" form. It was an impossible task. What are some tasks that you find impossible to accomplish?

We, too, are unable to be put back together again by the stain of our sin. We are hopelessly damaged and marred. Easter has made the impossible tasks of our own redemption eternally finished as Jesus rose victoriously from the grave. As we gaze into the empty tomb, Jesus Christ has made all things new. We are restored in His Father's eyes perfect and holy washed and cleansed in the sacrificial blood of His One and only Son. What we could never accomplish on our own was made complete not by our own merit or worth, but only through God's great love, mercy, and grace. God's plan of salvation was complete as promised to Adam and Eve. Sin, death, and the power of the devil is destroyed. All is made right.

We celebrate with great joy as this Good News is shared each day with the students as they enter the doors of Calvary Lutheran School. We praise and thank God for the opportunity to gather in His Name knowing that all the impossibilities of our salvation have been made right. We sing a little louder!

Connecting. Learning. Caring. Serving.

2024-25 School Registration

Registrations for the 2024-25 school year are currently being accepted. Staffing and other needs are being planned as we open the doors to a new school year in August. Please contact the school office for additional information. Inquiries are to be directed to our Director of Admissions, Mr. Jason Scheidt.

National Day of Prayer

Thursday, May 2 is the National Day of Prayer. Chapel will be held on this day beginning at 8:15 a.m.

We are so blessed to live in a country where freedoms allow for a day such as this. Every day is a day of prayer. We take it to the Lord.

ILEARN State Test Window

Students in 3rd-8th grade will take the ILEARN test between April 15 – May 10. Students will be taking their ILEARN tests online using their chrome books. We thank our Tech Committee, Dustin Smith and SCG Technologies for their expertise and efforts enabling this to occur.



Calvary Lutheran School News from Principal Rensner

Good Friday Chapel

The students will gather for chapel at 2:15 p.m. on Good Friday, March 29. All are invited to attend this service. We will be dismissed in silence following chapel.

Easter Monday- No School

Calvary will be closed on Monday, April 1 for Easter Monday. This day is established to help assist families with Easter travels. There will be no onsite attendance on that day.

Fine Arts Fair

The Indianapolis Lutheran Schools will gather together at LHSI on Friday, April 12 at 7:00 p.m. for the Fine Arts Fair. Our Calvary students will be sharing their gifts of music and art. Our 6th-8th grade choir members and our school band will be combined with students from our area Lutheran Schools.

Artwork will also be on display. We thank Mrs. Troemel, 6th-8th grade choir director, Mrs. Alexander, band director, and Ms. Wilkes, K-8 art teacher, for their yearlong efforts providing for the instruction and preparation of our students. We invite you to share this evening of fine arts.

Save the Date

Our School Walk-a-Thon is scheduled for Friday, May 3. More information regarding this event will be communicated as it is known.

Retirement Celebration for Mrs. Cheryl Rensner

We gather in celebration for the Lord's blessings found in the years of dedicated and faithful service by Mrs. Cheryl Rensner. Save the date for Sunday, May 5. Cheryl will be recognized during the 8:00 and 10:45 a.m. worship services. A reception and program will be held in the gymnasium at 12:00 p.m. All are invited to greet Cheryl thanking her for her service to hundreds of students and their families.

Calvary's 9th Annual CrossWalk/Run/Ride Event

Our annual fundraiser provides supplies for the classroom, facility, security and technology while promoting a healthy lifestyle through walking, running and riding. This year our goal is \$30,000. The Community Walk will be brought back this year. A 3k/5k walk/run will be held on Saturday, April 27. The school Walk-a-thon will take place during the day on Friday, May 5 followed by a Bike Rodeo for PS-5th graders in the evening. We are currently looking for individuals and businesses to sponsor our event with donations of \$100 or more. Many volunteers will be needed for the many events being provided. In April, our students will be asking for sponsors for the walk on May 5. In the coming weeks, a Giving Tree will be placed in the church lobby to gather specific items needed for the various events. If you see a need that you can fill or would like more information about being a sponsor, please email Dawn Schultz or contact the school office.



The Together Project

We are making big strides in our **Together** campaign! Several projects are completed or underway. The most recent project was a Weight Room remodel. Will you accept the invitation to be part of **together**? Help us cross the finish line! Email Kathy Anderson for more information.

The Salvatore and Marjorie Gioe Memorial Scholarship

The \$1,000 - \$3,000 scholarship is awarded to a Lutheran High School graduate or senior with plans to enroll in undergraduate studies at a Lutheran college or university, or seminary for the preaching ministry, teaching ministry, or other full-time parish worker position. See more information and apply for the scholarship at LHSI.org. *Please submit applications by April 15.*

The Henry Arnold Kespohl Scholarship

The Kespohl Scholarship is a \$1,500 merit award based on a student's record of achievement and potential in the areas of academics, community/church service and character. It is available to a student planning to enroll at Lutheran High School for the upcoming academic year holding membership in one of the Greater Indianapolis Association of Lutheran Churches. See more information and apply for the scholarship at LHSI.org. *Please submit applications by April 15.*

The Denecke Scholarship

The Denecke Scholarship is awarded to a Lutheran High School graduating senior or Lutheran High School graduate pursuing an education degree with a Lutheran Teacher's Diploma at a Concordia school with the intent to teach at a Lutheran elementary or secondary education institution. *Apply at LHSI.org by April 15.*

Nominations sought - LHS Alumnus of the Year

LHS is seeking nominations for the 2022-2023 Alumnus of the Year. Criteria for the award are: an active faith and involvement in the church; consistent service and leadership in their local community; and a record of achievement in their chosen profession. Nominate an alumnus at lhsi.org.

Public Safety Convocation - Chapel - April 4

Lutheran High School looks forward to honoring our Public Safety Workers and guests while worshipping together on April 4. Light refreshments will be provided before chapel starting at 8:30 a.m.

Metal Recycling Event - April 13

Lutheran High School is hosting a Metal Recycling Event in the parking lot on Saturday, April 13, 8:30 a.m. - noon. ALL items containing any metal (including electronics) are welcome. Proceeds will help benefit the Boys Volleyball Program. Many thanks to our business partner - Hanna's Wrecker, Parts & Recycling for sponsoring this event.

SAVE THE DATE! - LHS Golf Outing - June 2

The LHS Golf Outing will return to Martinsville Golf Club on June 2 (12:30 p.m. check-in with lunch and 2:00 p.m. tee off).

Outreach Ministry

JOIN US FOR OUR
**EASTER
 EGG HUNT!**

11 AM - 1:30 PM
 MARCH 23, 2024



All
 Free!

Egg
 Hunt
 @12:30

Bounce Houses
 Petting Zoo
 Crafts

Science
 Shows
 @ 11:15
 & 1:00

Hot Dogs,
 chips, and
 drinks!

Calvary Lutheran Church, 6111 S Shelby St

Community Garden Plots Available

Garden plots are available now for Calvary members. Plots are \$20 and can be reserved through the church office or email Pastor Art. Applications available through the church office. Questions? Committee members are Jake Allen, Mark Jung, Wayne Mayo, Joe Pluckebaum, Jim Richert, Art Wehrmeister, and Paul Woodburn.

Touch-A-Truck Event at Calvary - September 7, 2024

The outreach team is planning our first Touch-A-Truck event. This is a community outreach event where attendees will have the opportunity to get in the driver's seat and touch the trucks. The plan is to have vehicles and equipment such as a police car, firetruck, ambulance, school bus, garbage truck, farm equipment, construction vehicles, service vehicles, delivery trucks, and more.

WE NEED YOUR HELP – The first order of business is to secure vehicles and equipment for this event. If you have or know someone that has this type of vehicle or equipment, contact Marv Hansen for more information. Please help us make this new outreach event a success!



Also, mark your calendars for the event: **Saturday, Sept 7, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.** It will include not only the opportunity "touch a truck" but also games, face painting, the puppet ministry, bounce houses, food and much more.



Your donations of GENTLY USED items are needed for the

JUNE 1st YARD SALE

Please help by pre-pricing your items (no less than a quarter) and hanging onto them until the week before the yard sale.

NO CLOTHING OR SHOES.

NO LARGE FURNITURE.

***DONATION DROP-OFF INFORMATION
WILL BE POSTED IN MAY.***

SUGGESTED ITEMS:

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1) Books | 14) Games |
| 2) Movies | 15) Toys |
| 3) Music | 16) Baby Items |
| 4) Tools | 17) Pet Supplies |
| 5) Garden | 18) Musical Instruments |
| 6) Sports Gear | 19) Home Furnishings |
| 7) Small Appliances | 20) Furniture |
| 8) Kitchen | 21) Home Health |
| 9) Glassware / Dishes | 22) Purses |
| 10) Crafts | 23) Personal Items |
| 11) Holiday | |
| 12) Linens | |
| 13) Antiques | |

The yard sale will be held on Saturday, June 1st from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in the school gym. Donation drop-off information will be posted in May. Volunteers will be needed to set up, help shoppers during the day, and clean up afterwards. More information on needed volunteers will be shared next month. Contact Paula Fisk or Candy O'Bryan with any questions.

Women in Mission

Ladies' Bible Study, Saturday, April 6 8:30 a.m.

This month's study will be from the Lutheran Women's Spring 2024 Quarterly and shared by everyone.

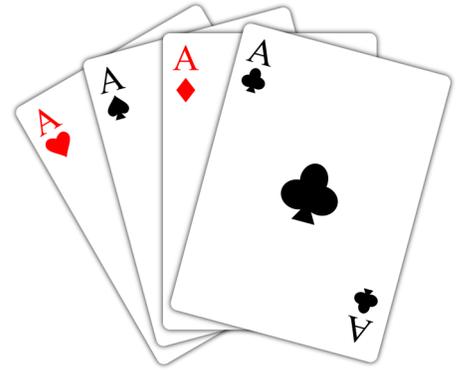
Join us in the Church Library on **Saturday, April 6th** at 8:30 a.m.



Ladies' Pinochle Club

Whether it's your first time or you're an old pro, join us for Pinochle! We meet the 2nd Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. Pinochle will meet **April 9th**. Please join us.

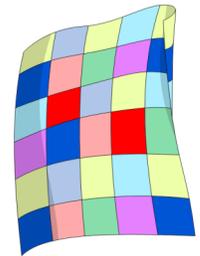
Questions? Contact Sandra Wilson.



Blankets for Babies

Our spring meeting dates are: **Tuesdays, April 9th, and May 7th** (4:00- 5:30 p.m.) All ages are welcome. We have teachers ready to get you started. Practice yarn is also available. We welcome Jill Radcliffe to our group.

Questions? Call Susan Daniels.



Extravagant Sharing

When the hungry come to Emmaus Lutheran Food Pantry in need of food, they are met with the loving care of volunteers who meet their needs for food. This would not happen without the support of many generous donations made by caring folks like you. Thank you! **PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY, along with breakfast cereal**, is requested to be brought to the Extravagant Sharing shelves, across from the center church doors, during the month of APRIL. God bless your support of this ministry in extending Jesus' love for all.



Stewardship Emphasis

Calvary's March Partners in Ministry – Lutheran Church Missouri Synod Ministries

This year the Stewardship Ministry Team is designating a different Calvary Partner in Ministry each month. By emphasizing a different ministry that Calvary supports each month we hope to provide a better understanding of the many ways your gifts are being used and to emphasize how extensive Calvary's reach is. This month's Ministry Partners are several affiliates of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. LCMS initiatives receiving support from Calvary include: the Disaster Relief Fund; the Rural and Small Town Mission Fund; Concordia Seminary (St. Louis); and the Ministry to the Armed Forces. For a complete list of Calvary Partners in Ministry please visit the "Partners" page at our website. <https://www.clcs.org/partners/>

Lenten Midweek Offering Envelopes

Contributions received in the purple-trimmed Lent envelopes or designated as "Lent" through online giving will benefit the work of Lutheran for Life (lutheransforlife.org/) and Life Centers of Indianapolis (lifecenters.com/). Donation boxes are available at each entry door.

2nd Quarter Mission Gifts Designation – Area Food Banks

Gifts received in the second quarter this year (April through June) either in the red-lined "Mission" envelopes or designated generically for "Missions" in your online giving or on the regular offering envelopes will go to the support of two local food banks – Hunger Inc and the Emmaus Food Pantry. Hunger Inc is located at 1416 E. Epler Avenue and serves residents of the south side of Indy. <https://hungerinc.org/>. The Emmaus Food Pantry is located on property adjacent to Emmaus Lutheran Church and serves residents of the Fountain Square area. <https://www.emmauslutheralschool.org/food-pantry>.

Scholarships available for those pursuing an education in church work

Scholarships are available for Calvary members studying to be church workers from both the Wessler Family Endowment and the Student Assistance Fund. Most recently Scholarships have been provided from both of these funds for Aaron Levenhagen (who is currently a fourth-year seminary student at Concordia St. Louis). Anyone who is considering pursuing an education in church work and would like more information on scholarship opportunities please reach out to the Stewardship Ministry Team.

Outreach Ministry

Easter Egg Packing Party!

How do you get from 5,000 empty Easter eggs to 5,000 eggs filled with candy? You enlist the help of Calvary's school kids and our Adult Ministry group! On March 13th, all these eggs were packed to support our Easter Egg Hunt coming up on Saturday, March 23rd. Many thanks to Mrs. Springer's 2nd grade class, Mrs. Huntington's 3rd grade class, Mrs. Glagola-Strohm's 4th grade class, and Mrs. Moore's 4th grade class for all their hard work. Also, thanks to our Adult Ministry coordinator Barb Sorgius and these volunteers: Vickie Struben, Les Brandt, Nancy Brandt, Julie Pflug, Bud Pflug, Marv Hansen, John Angelus, Laura Currier, Elise Wolf, Joy Wehrmeister, Susan Richert and Madelyn Finke.



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Sunday 10:00 AM - WHMB-TV 40 Sunday 11:30 a.m. - Direct TV Channel 377

April 2024

Living Vicariously

April 7, 2024 – Second Sunday of Easter

Rev. Dr. Thomas Ahlersmeyer

If the description of a favorite food makes your mouth water or if you feel someone else's joy as if it is your own, then you have lived vicariously. In a much, much, much greater way, the Christian life is *Living Vicariously* through the perfect life, death, and resurrection of our beautiful Savior, Jesus Christ!

Sermon Text: 1 John 1:1-4

Readings: Psalm 148; 1 John 1:1-2:2; John 20:19-31

Resurrection Assurances

April 14, 2024 – Third Sunday of Easter

Rev. Dr. Walter Maier III

Because Jesus arose from the dead we have the greatest, the most important, assurances. These assurances give us tremendous peace.

Sermon Text: Luke 24:36-48

Readings: Psalm 4:1-8; 1 John 3:1-3; Luke 24:36-48

Our Good Shepherd

April 21, 2024 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

Rev. Thomas Eggold

Jesus Christ, our Good Shepherd, came to call us by name. And He came to lay down His life for the sheep. And He came to seek and save the lost. And through the voice of our Good Shepherd we are brought back to the Father.

Sermon Text: John 10:14-15

Readings: Psalm 23; 1 John 3:16-24; John 10:11-18

Vine, Branches, and Fruit

April 28, 2024 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

Rev. Shayne Jonker

Jesus is the Vine, you are the branches, and the Father is the vinedresser. That is today's picture of your union with Christ through faith from the Gospel according to St. John. Joined to Jesus in faith you are alive and fruitful, as living branches joined to a living vine. Apart from Jesus, you are dead and fruitless.

Sermon Text: John 15:5

Readings: Psalm 150; 1 John 4:1-21; John 15:1-8



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CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

Worship: Saturdays 5:30 PM Sundays 8:00 & 10:45 AM
Family Education Hour (Bible Study & Sunday School) 9:25 AM

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