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SOMETHING
to be
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Church Newsletter

November 2024

From the Pastors

Reflections and Questions on the Call Process (Part 4)

"For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven" (Ecclesiastes 3:1).

Over the past several months we have been reflecting upon the pastoral call process here at Calvary. So far we have looked at the questions: "What are we looking for in a pastor," "What are we hoping this pastor will do," and "Why is this process taking so long?"

Being that Pastor Paul Dickerson recently declined the position in October, this month we reflect upon the question, "How do we deal with the disappointment when a pastor doesn't accept?"

There are many reasons that a pastor may choose to remain in his current congregation and current position. A call process is not the same as a job interview. The candidates involved in a call process are not always looking for a new church and a new position, but we are asking them to be open to considering where God is leading them in their service within the wider "church." A pastoral call is also not a corporate ladder by which someone climbs to higher ranks or higher authority or even higher pay. We seek through a call process to match the unique skills and personality of a pastor to the unique needs and personality of a congregation. While there are many places a pastor "might" serve faithfully, the Lord does have unique plans for the ministry of His church. Thus far in both the calls that we have extended, we have seen candidates that would have and could have served at Calvary very well. They fit our church culture, our position, and our mission and ministry very well. They had incredibly positive things to say about our church, our leadership, and our ministry. They were very likable people to those who met with them during their deliberation process.

Unfortunately for us but not for God's wider kingdom, each candidate saw that the Lord was leading them to serve in other capacities at this time. They both spoke positively about how this time of deliberation helped them clarify how God is using them in their current ministries and where He is leading them in their future service.

So, if there is anyone out there asking the question, "Is there something the matter with us, our position, or our process," then I would share that both candidates have very clearly answered that their decision came down to what God is doing within their ministry and family life, and not any concerns of what is going on at Calvary.

While it can be hard to not see the progress that we desire and while it can especially be difficult for the call committee and other leaders who really start to get to know these pastors, we know that God is still in control. How do we deal with these disappointments? We turn to God's Word which gives us the reminder that Jesus is still Lord of the church, we still have the great joy of the forgiveness and love of a Savior who will never leave us nor forsake us, and that we as a congregation and individual members of it still have a mission that we are to be about it. We comfort ourselves with God's words of promise and we continue to pursue His will and guidance as we seek him in prayer and in the mutual conversation of fellow believers. May God assure you that He has this covered and may He continue to guide our congregation as we take our next step forward within this pastoral call process.

God's Peace, *Pastor Kurt Ebert*

"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

Do not quench the Spirit. Do not treat [the proclamation of God's Word] with contempt

but test them all; hold on to what is good, reject every kind of evil.

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through.

May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it. Brothers and sisters, pray for us" (1 Thessalonians 5:16-25).

General News

Jesus & Canvas (Fri., Nov 15, 6:00—8:00 p.m.)

Join us **Fri., Nov 15** from 6:00—8:00 p.m. in the gym. There will be painting, snacks, and fun! Supplies are included but come willing to get messy! Parental supervision is required for this **free** event! Register online today <https://tinyurl.com/ye23htvn>. This event is hosted by our Children's Ministry Team.

Breakfast for Jesus!

Saturday, December 7th from 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

Calvary Lutheran School gymnasium

Join our **Praising Hands Puppet Ministry** for a morning of food, puppets, and crafts to celebrate the birth of our Savior. This is a free family event open to all ages. Parking is available in the North Lot for access through door #2.

Contact Sarah Ebert with any questions

GriefShare

Faith-based grief support, help & encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, friend. **Wednesdays through November 13, 6:00- 8:00 p.m.** Led by trained facilitators Mike Louden 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 Louden or Roxanne Deardurff for more information.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

6" Pots (Red Poinsettias with 5 -7 blooms) \$10 each

Order deadline is **November 24th**

Leave order with payment in the church office. (Checks payable to Calvary Lutheran Church and "Poinsettias" in the memo)

Name: _____

In memory of (optional) _____

In honor of (optional) _____

Phone Number: _____ Amount Attached: _____

Thank you for beautifying our Sanctuary during this Christmas Season! Poinsettias will decorate the altar for Christmas and can be taken home Christmas Day after service.

General News

GriefShare Surviving the Holidays

The holidays are often painful for adults grieving the loss of a loved one. Compassion Ministry is hosting a GriefShare "Surviving the Holidays" seminar **Wed, Nov. 20**, 6:00 p.m. in Room 125. There is no cost to attend; a light supper and book will be provided. Please help us plan by contacting Mike Loudon or Roxanne Deardurff if you plan to attend.



Daylight Savings Time Ends (November 3 at 2:00 a.m.)

Remember to "fall back" otherwise you will be really early to church. Set your clocks back one hour the night before **Sunday, November 3**.

Christmas Card Sorting

Beginning November 27, you can bring your Christmas cards that you have for Calvary members and drop them in the bins by both sets of doors. Christmas cards must be dropped off by **Sunday, December 15** to be sorted and distributed.

Church Picnic Thank You

Thank you to all who attended, served and supported this year's Calvary Outdoor Worship & Picnic at German Park. We pray you had a wonderful time reconnecting and catching up with your Calvary family, enjoying good food and games! Ministry Teams and many other volunteers made this event a success! Your serving hands and hearts make all the difference. Picnic patrons, your financial support is greatly appreciated! God is so good and He blesses us through all of you!

November Memorials

In Memory of Jim Birdwell:

Paul & Kathy Brakke, Susan Daniels, Robert Muhlhauser, Ray & Jan Main, Mel Wessler, Art & Joy Wehrmeister, Charles Rose, Pete & Marge Krampe, Paula Fisk, Pauline Miller

In Memory of Mildred Clark:

Patrick & Debra Dill, Elise Wolf, Linda Faires

In Memory of Harold Laut:

Margie Leive, Jeanne Gilbert, Robert Polk, Horst & Karen Hildebrandt, Shirley Earl, Jane Willenbrock, Janet Grube, Mel Wessler, Paul & Patty Dorman, Gerald Kiesling, Richard Perry, Kathryn Guignard, Rick & Janice Stanley



General News

Youth Chili and Soup Cook-Off and Dessert Auction (Sun., November 3)

Get your recipe books out because the Youth Chili Cook-off is back and better than ever as the Calvary Youth Cook-off! This year, in addition to chili you may enter your favorite soup or mac and cheese recipe. This event takes place in the gym on **Sunday, November 3** following the late service. Entry forms are available on the information table on your way out. All money raised by this event benefits youth fundraising for the LCMS Youth Gathering in New Orleans, LA.



Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive

Calvary's canned food drive is soon upon us! We look forward to your generosity as we support families in Calvary's church and school. In years past your giving has also enabled us to also support the food pantry at Emmaus as well as Hunger Inc. in Indianapolis. Paper sacks with suggested food donations will be available in the narthex beginning the weekend of October 26/27. You may place your donations in the bins in the narthex anytime through November 17.

We welcome your help as we sort and box food items on **Sunday, November 17**. Help is appreciated anytime between 9:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Thank you again for your generous giving!



The Lutheran Witness

LCMS news and updates

Articles on how God is working in lives

Bible study topics

Current issues and events

Letters from the LCMS president

A Q&A section about Scripture and life

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Your renewal or new subscription request and payment are due **Sunday, November 10th** to ensure receipt of the January issue. We will not be able to take any orders after this date. Please fill out the form below and return it to the church office with your payment. Thank You. (Please make checks payable to **Calvary Lutheran Church**)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Adult Ministry

Lunch OUT! Wednesday, November 6 11:00 a.m.

For our "First Wednesday" November outing we're meeting at Yummy Bowl, located at 8810 S. Emerson Avenue.

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, November 20 11:00 a.m.

Program: "Japanese Mission for LCMS"

Presenter: Tom Going, Jr.

Lunch: Catered by Cracker Barrel

Suggested donation: \$10.

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



Adult Ministry Upcoming Movie Outings

Join us **Thursday, December 12** at Historic Artcraft Theatre, 57 Main St., Franklin for a free movie, popcorn, and small soda for those 55 and older. December movie TBD. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. Movie begins at 1:30 p.m. Plenty of seating available. Bring a friend! Questions? Contact Barb Sorgius (317-783-2000).



Mug Packing Day (Tuesday, December 3 at 1:45 p.m.)

Our Adult and Outreach Ministry Teams will be working with Calvary 2nd graders to fill Christmas mugs with treats for visitors during our midweek Advent services.

Donations of coffee mugs, small pieces of wrapped candies (such as candy canes), and packets of cocoa mix are welcomed. Please bring these items to the church office by Sunday, November 24. Thank you for your assistance with this special project!



Executive Director

From Your Executive Director

When November rolls around, our thoughts (and stomachs) may think about our Thanksgiving holiday. That, or avoiding the Christmas displays that appeared in every retail store in September to remind us that Christmas is soon upon us.

Fun fact: The word “thanks” has its root in the Middle English work “thanken”, which comes from the Old English word “þancian”, which itself comes from the German word “Dank” (or “Danke”). In fact, many of our English words trace their origin to German. Seeing that our denomination has its roots in Germany, it is interesting the influence that country had on early Europe.

Giving thanks should extend beyond Thanksgiving Day, as we are reminded again and again to thank God for His blessings. “Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever!” wrote the Psalmist in Psalm 107:1-3 (ESV), as one example. The words “thanks” or “thanksgiving” appear 72 times in the Bible. Our Lutheran Service Book contains two well-known songs about thanks: the 1844 hymn “Come, Ye Thankful People Come” (#892) and the 1978 song written by Henry Smith “Give Thanks With A Grateful Heart” (#806). Being thankful is nothing new to us!

But how do we give and show our thanks?

We know we should not be like the Pharisee in Luke 18:11-12 (ESV) who “standing by himself, prayed thus: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.’”

That is boastfulness, not thankfulness. The Pharisees, with all their rules, were “religious” but that’s as far as they got. They were going through all the motions, but forgot that for all their rites and rules, they lost sight of why they were doing them: they were rote because they had to do them.

How can we avoid this trap? How about starting with: we give thanks because we can, not because we must. We aren’t called to be religious. We are called to be Christians. And we have the grace to act on this by giving and showing our thanks.

We can show our thanks by being engaged with Christ. By caring for our neighbors. By connecting to Him through Bible and small group studies. By learning ways to carry out why we are here. By emulating Christ, as we serve others just as He came to serve us.

And look at the ways we can demonstrate that thanks: volunteering for a project at church or in the community. Helping someone who needs assistance. Listening to someone who is hurting and just needs someone to talk to. Financially supporting our congregation so we can in turn help others in need, like Lutherwood or one of our local food banks.

Or to put it another way: **be bold with thankfulness, at all times and places.**

Yes, we could be like the Pharisee, who tried to thank God for certain things he was – or wasn’t. What a futile task, to try and thank God for specific things – how much simpler it is to acknowledge Him as our creator and thank Him for everything!

In His and Your service,

Bill Laut

Calvary Lutheran School News from Principal Rensner

Museum Visits

Every student welcomes the opportunity for field trips for a day outside of school. It provides an opportunity to experience new and wonderful things. As a child growing up in Chicago a common field trip was to visit the Museum of Science and Industry (MSI) and the Field Museum of Natural History. The MSI is housed in the Palace of Fine Arts in Jackson Park which was erected for the World's Fair in 1893. The Field Museum is in Grant Park. Both are architecturally designed buildings with beautiful archways, vaulted ceilings, and the smell of ancient artifacts. (The Field Museum has even a more distinctive smell) I remember the displays at the MSI of yesteryear with an old dentist office, steam engine, and Nickelodeon silent film. There was also a chick hatchery on display as you entered the MSI. I remember the dinosaur bones, Egyptian mummies at the Field Museum. All vivid memories of our museum field trips.

Museums may often reside in the past. They depict the history and advancements of ingenuity thought. What most museums ignore is the sovereignty of God. Evolutionary thought is pronounced. Human achievements are lauded. Reference to our Creator is removed. Faith in Action calls for us to eagerly witness and display the love of our God. We are to thank and praise Him for His many gifts and abilities granted to His creation. We are to be living museums to His saving grace.

The MSI and Field Museum attract millions of guests each year entering their doors and hallways. God's people are to proclaim this faith through the power of the Holy Spirit to millions upon millions. We are privileged each day at Calvary Lutheran School to prepare our students through His Word to be those living museums. Let our aroma be that of fresh air to a world in need of God's truth. This is our focus during the month of November as we set aside a National Day of Thanks. Let us celebrate beyond the football games and bountiful meals sharing the love of God with our family and friends as we gather hands held in humble thanks. *Connecting Caring Serving*

Opening Doors

God has blessed families of Indiana with the choice of sending their children to the school that they feel best meets their needs. The LUTHERAN SGO of Indiana has changed the boundaries of the local school and greatly broadened them. You can open even more doors allowing students to enter the hallways of Calvary Lutheran Church and School. This opportunity will provide scholarship grants to students and their families. Contributions made by you for this purpose will be used to offer a Christian education so that children may not only receive a quality education, but to hear God's Word.

How do I help open these doors? Contribution forms for Lutheran SGO are available online at www.LutheranSGO.org. The state of Indiana will give you a tax credit of 50% of your donation. Example: If you give a gift of \$1000.00 you will receive an Indiana state tax credit of \$500.00. This is a unique opportunity. Funding for these scholarship grants for current students enrolled at Calvary is \$81,000.00. We have currently gathered approximately \$17,000.00. Those desiring to contribute to this fund may do so through December 31 to receive the tax credit for this 2024 calendar year. We anticipate a need of \$65,000.00 for the goal to be met. Any additional funds gathered will remain in our account with the Lutheran SGO of Indiana to be used during the 2025-26 school year. We ask the Lord to provide for the needs of others through the gifts of our hands.

Connections Conference- November 25-26

Our teachers will attend the Connections Conference in Fort Wayne on Monday-Tuesday, November 25-26. This conference includes teachers from the Indiana, Michigan, and Ohio Districts within the LCMS. Hundreds of professional growth sessions are offered to a variety of educators from preschool through high school as well as exhibitors from across the nation. Nationally recognized educators present keynote addresses. While our Calvary faculty attends this Tri-Annual Conference the students will be experiencing eLearning days.



Calvary Lutheran School News from Principal Rensner

School will be closed on Wednesday through Friday, November 27-29 in observation of the Thanksgiving Holiday. Calvary will be closed on Wednesday as families prepare for Thanksgiving. We ask the Lord to be with all those traveling. We rejoice in the opportunity to share this time with family and friends. School will resume on Monday, December 2. We give thanks to our God with a grateful heart.

Fall Back

We set our clocks back one hour on Sunday, November 3 at 2:00 a.m. Fall back for an extra hour of sleep. The mornings will be lighter with the afternoons darker earlier.

Basketball Season Begins

We invite you to attend the Varsity Boys and JV Girls Basketball tournaments which will be held this month. The Varsity Girls basketball team will participate the weekend of November 1/2 in the Lutheran High School Invitational Tournament. Our Varsity Boys will be competing in the Lutheran High School Invitational Tournament on November 8/9. These events tip off the season of basketball. We ask the Lord to bless all our winter sport teams and participants with His love and grace.

NEWS FROM LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL OF INDIANAPOLIS

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, and new permanent outdoor bleachers have arrived. Will you accept the invitation to be part of **together**? Help us cross the finish line! Email for more information.

Preview Night - October 23

Join us at **Preview Night** to learn more about Lutheran High School! We will start promptly on October 23 at 6:30 pm and you will learn about Academics, Arts, Athletics, and financial aid opportunities. You can RSVP at <https://www.lhsi.org>. We can't wait to see you!

SugarPlum Holiday Fair - October 26

Mark your calendar for the **Annual SugarPlum Holiday Fair** taking place on October 26 from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. More than 100 vendors will be on site, and there is always something new! Admission is \$5 for this event. Find more information at lhsi.org.

Veterans Day Service - November 7

Join us on **Thursday, November 7** in the Ruth Lilly Auditorium at 9:20 am. We will honor all those that served. RSVP at www.lhsi.org.

LuFest - February 7, 2025

Invite your friends and join us for an unforgettable night celebrating and supporting Lutheran High School at the beautiful Biltwell Event Center. Early Bird Tickets are available at LuFest.org.



Stewardship Ministry

Calvary's November Partner in Ministry – LCMS Disaster Response Ministry

Each month the Stewardship Ministry Team is highlighting a different Calvary Partner in Ministry each month. By emphasizing the different ministries 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 external reach is.

For November, the Partner in Ministry is The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod's Disaster Response ministry. This organization responds to immediate and long-term needs following natural and man-made disasters. Working through LCMS districts and congregations as well as with international Lutheran churches and other partners, LCMS Disaster Response builds capacity of the church's partners to respond to needs with Christian care.

Currently LCMS Disaster Response is reaching out to those affected by recent hurricanes. Last month, Calvary made a donation from our external ministry funds to assist in this effort. Calvary leveraged our donation with a matching gift opportunity provided by Thrivent (see below). Individuals who wish to provide assistance may use the following information: www.lcms.org/givenow/hurricane or 888-930-4438.

As noted Thrivent is matching gifts made by Thrivent members towards LCMS Lutheran Disaster response. Visit <http://spr.ly/6048UK8Un> to take advantage of this special matching opportunity.

Information for this ministry and other Calvary Ministry Partners can be at the "Partners" page at our website. Ministry Partners Calvary Lutheran Church and School <https://www.clcs.org/partners/>

4th Quarter Mission Gifts Designation – Wycliffe Bible Translators

Gifts received in the fourth quarter of this year (October through December) 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 Wycliffe Bible Translators. For several years, Allie and Christopher Fiorello have been a vital part of this Bible translation movement. As one of our Ministry Partners, Calvary continues to provide support to their ministry through our prayers and monetary gifts to Wycliffe.

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. 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.



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Prayer Ministry Team

A Prayer for Our Country and for Direction as we Vote for our Next Leaders

"First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way."

1 Timothy 2:1-4

Heavenly Father,

As another election year is upon us, we are reminded that you have been our help in ages past and are our hope for years to come. We come to you as poor sinners in need of your forgiveness, your grace, and your guidance. The needs in our nation are many, but remind us that our needs are ultimately spiritual rather than political. All kingdoms will eventually fail, but your Kingdom is an everlasting Kingdom and your rule and wisdom are forever. As we look around us at a world that seems to be crumbling beneath our feet, help us to remember that no matter what happens in the days to come or who wins in the next election, You still rule in power and might from your heavenly throne and Your will will be accomplished. Someday all enemies will be placed beneath your feet, yet until that time, you call us to be faithful and to turn to you in trust and hope.

We pray for your guidance as we vote for our next president and leaders. In your wisdom, show us the direction we should go. We pray that those elected would lead with truth, with integrity and with wisdom, governing for the good of the people rather than for their own power or prosperity. We pray that you would remind us that all people are created in your image and are precious to you. You desire that all men would come to the knowledge of the truth about You. So to this end, we pray that our leaders would come to know you as their true Lord and Savior. May your word of truth be their guiding light in all their decisions and actions.

Heavenly Father, we also pray for ourselves and for all the people living in our country as we are torn apart by division, anger, and differences in beliefs, practices, and political parties. Remind us of your desire that we would be one with you. Unite us as only you can do, filling us with your patience, your love, and your forgiveness. Show us how to live with one another in this sinful world, sharing your light and love with those around us.

May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. All this we pray in Jesus' name.

Amen.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

It's Shoebox time!

Shoeboxes will be available again this year at Calvary. There are several ways you can support Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child project, which provide gifts and the Gospel to children around the world:

1. Pick up a red & green shoebox at the narthex display; fill with gift items for girl or boy, ages 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14, and return to the collection bin.
2. Donate gift items by **November 17** and volunteers will fill shoeboxes.
3. **Sort donations and pack shoeboxes on Thursday, Nov. 21, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m..**
4. Help deliver filled boxes to the local drop site.

Please bring gift items or filled shoeboxes to the church **by Sunday, November 17** and leave them in the donation bin in the narthex.

Questions? Call the church office, (317) 783-2000.

Gift suggestions - Remember: Items must fit in a shoebox!

TOYS – small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, “travel size” Etch A Sketch®, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky®, etc. SCHOOL SUPPLIES – pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons or markers, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc. NON – LIQUID HYGIENE ITEMS – toothbrush, comb, washcloth, bar soap. OTHER – T-shirts, socks, ball caps; sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, and flashlights (with extra batteries.) These items cannot be included due to safety and shipping issues: candy, toothpaste, gum, used or damaged items, war-related items, seeds, food, liquids or lotions, medications or vitamins, breakable items, glass containers or aerosol cans.



Women in Mission

Ladies' Bible Study, Saturday, November 2 8:30 a.m.

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

Join us in the Church Library on **Saturday, November 2nd** 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 **November 11th**. Please join us.

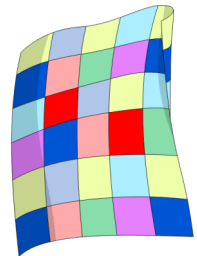
Questions? Contact Sandra Wilson.



Blankets for Babies

Our November date is **Tuesday, November 12th** (4:00- 5:30 p.m.) All ages are welcome. We have teachers ready to get you started. Practice yarn is also available.

Questions? Call Susan Daniels.



Extravagant Sharing

We see God's love in action through your continued support of our community with your Extravagant Sharing donations. All donations placed on the new, black shelves across from the center aisle church doors are so appreciated by the Emmaus Lutheran Food Pantry, located in Fountain Square on the Indianapolis Southside. Last month someone donated baby formula. The pantry manager shared with us, "The baby formula was something a couple of clients had been asking for. God provides." Thank you, Calvary!

The needs at the Emmaus Food Pantry are always great. During the months of November and December we will not suggest specific items, but donations can always be placed on the Extravagant Sharing shelves, especially cereal. Pat O'Connor, from Emmaus, continues to take your donations to the Emmaus Food Pantry. During November and December there will be many ways to support special appeals for donations from Calvary ministry teams to make Thanksgiving and Christmas brighter for our community. Continue to Extravagantly share your love of Jesus with our community.



Holiday Bazaar

Save the Date!! - Calvary's 55th Annual Holiday Bazaar

November 9, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

You can find details at clcs.org/bazaar.

Silent Auction Preview

Check out some of this year's Silent Auction donations online! You can find the bazaar page on the Calvary website at clcs.org/bazaar. There are three tabs of information (you may need to scroll down.): Event Details, Silent Auction Items, and Craft Vendors. View some of the items for bidding from the Silent Auction tab, Items with Pictures. Please note, this is only a sample. There will be many more items available for bidding the day of the Bazaar. The Gift Certificates menu item includes gift certificates and coupon values that will be available for bidding as well.

Save Vendor Space

Are you crafty or know someone who is? Applications are now being accepted for vendors for Calvary's 55th annual bazaar on November 9. Details and application can be found in the area near the south entrance of the church. You may contact Angie Ransdell or put the paperwork in her church mailbox. The Vendor Booth Space online order form is <https://calvary-women-in-mission.square.site/>. Space is limited.

Save Your Time

The Holiday Bazaar needs a lot of volunteers. Helpers are needed before, during, and after November 9. Time commitments vary and some tasks can be as simple as making phone calls or donating home baked goods. To volunteer please contact Karen Wright or use the bazaar Sign Up Genius,

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0949AFAE22A5FAC52-50324528-2024#/>.

Save things to be sold in The Attic. Since space to store attic items is limited at Calvary, PLEASE bring your PRICED (\$.25 minimum) donations to the hall by the school office, Door 4, Friday, November 8, 3:30–7:00 pm or Saturday, November 9, 7:30–8:30 am. If that is not convenient for you, please ask someone to bring them to Calvary at that time. (Please no clothing, large appliances, large furniture or building materials.)

Bake things to be sold in the Country Kitchen. Is baking your thing? You can bake and freeze now. Then bring your goodies to Calvary on Friday, November 8 to be sold in the Country Kitchen.

Support These Worthy Causes

Proceeds from this year's bazaar will benefit Calvary School classroom tables and chairs; upgrade of the men's church restroom; and support for Lutheran Child & Family Services Emergency Shelter

Care, a program which provides for residents between the ages 11-17 in need of short-term care.



Worship Anew

Lutheran Ministries Media, Inc.

Toll-Free: (888) 286-8002 www.worshipanew.org

Sunday 7:00 a.m. - WRTV-TV 6.1 (ABC) Sunday 11:30 a.m. - Direct TV Channel 377

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The Great Reversal

November 3, 2024 – All Saints Day

Rev. Paul Shoemaker

All of us were destined to spend our eternity apart from God. Because of Christ Jesus and His suffering, death, and glorious resurrection, a great reversal of our fate has taken place. By God's grace we are now saints and true believers who are destined for heaven.

Sermon Text: Matthew 5:1-12

Readings: Psalm 149; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12

When Picking Up Sticks...

November 10, 2024 – Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Rev. William Mueller

First Kings 17:8-16 brings us to the encounter of the prophet Elijah and the unnamed widow at the town of Zarephath. In this meeting, the Lord provides a miracle to care and support His people. Perhaps you feel like this widow. You're picking up sticks and expect nothing good to come. But wait upon the Lord!

Sermon Text: 1 Kings 17:8-16

Readings: Psalm 146; 1 Kings 17:8-16; Mark 12:38-44

Don't Give Up

November 17, 2024 – Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Rev. Dr. Thomas Ahlersmeyer

Christians face two major temptations – placing too much faith in things that don't last and giving up on the one thing that is eternal. When you are tempted to invest your hopes and dreams in the things of this earth, fix your eyes upon Jesus and *don't give up!*

Sermon Text: Mark 13:13

Readings: Psalm 16; Hebrews 10:19-25; Mark 13:13

Praise the King

November 24, 2024 – Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

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In the Book of Revelation, the Apostle John presents us with a glimpse of the reign of Jesus Christ. Revelation 1 shows us that this King is almighty and that He is coming again on Judgment Day. The result is that we joyfully praise Christ the King.

Sermon Text: Revelation 1:4

Readings: Psalm 93; Revelation 1:4-8; Mark 13:24-27

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