

HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE

Cross† Roads



But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ~Romans 5:8

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

February 2015

INSIDE

THIS ISSUE:

From the Pastor's Study Prayers	2
Church Family News	3
Ministry News	4-5
Youth Ministry	6-7
Women's Ministry	8
Calendar	9
Serving at Worship	10
Birthdays & Anniversaries	10
Lent Information	11

From the New Director of Music: Gene Traas

Dear Calvary,

First it is a pleasure to be here with you. I hope that I can do the congregation justice.

Second, many thanks to all who were so generous to this temporary employee during Advent season.

Third, many thanks to the ringers and singers who participated in Advent, Live Nativity, and Christmas. Some glorious sounds were made, and you were the ones who made them.

Fourth, I have a few random thoughts I would like to share with you.

Some of you may yet be curious about me. Let me say that apart from Nancy Marsho's introductions, there is little else to say, unless you want to know more about the King's Battalion Brass Band and the Krewe de Jeanne d'Arc (you can look that up under www.joanofarccparade.org), or from where we get our rescue cats (see www.catnetworkwestallis.com). Apart from those, I'm just this guy who seems able to find his way around a pipe organ or a single-engine airplane, and who seems to have a couple of quirks about him, as do we all.

Two items of hymnological and literary nature about me, starting with hymnody.



I was paging through some of the first copies of *the Lutheran Book of Worship* (I like to say when the ink was barely dry). There is a wealth of poetry and tunes in that book, as well as in *With One Voice* and other resources, and I look forward

to all of us exploring those a bit deeper. Having said that, I ask that you be patient in that process, as learning unfamiliar tunes of any sort takes time and repetition.

Regarding literature, I am a longtime fan of *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*, be it the BBC radio plays, the book series, or the 1981 television series. The book itself described in the stories, which might have formed the roots of tablet computing and multimedia ebooks, has two words printed on its cover in big, friendly letters. The words:

DON'T PANIC.

This is a frequent catchphrase of mine to music ministers of all kinds, particularly if they are uncertain of a part, or perhaps nervous. If you know your stuff, and with God's help, there is no need to panic. Just do what needs be done.

So, don't panic, and let's move Calvary onward.

Pr. Dennis M. Roser

pastorroser@calvarylc.com

teachingfaithinchrist.wordpress.com

Dear Friends,

I am delighted that so many of our small groups are studying *5 Things You Can Do to Witness Christ*. As I have mentioned previously, this book helps Lutherans to ably articulate what they believe - in order to share the Gospel message with others. I not only love Sias' clear way of explaining what Lutherans believe, teach, and confess - but also his unique insights in the area of evangelism. For example, I was struck by his explanation that our level of engagement in Christian worship has a very real impact on our witness and effectiveness in inviting others to join us for worship.

Sias writes:

... if you are not faithful in attending your Lord when He comes, why should anyone else listen to you when you speak about Him? Why should they think they should be where you often are not? Of course, simply being marked present doesn't exhaust your witness, your testimony, in the Divine Service. What witness does it give to your fellow Christians or to visitors if you appear to be aiming merely for attendance? Do you listen attentively to the readings from God's Word and the sermon and help your children learn to do the same? Do you treat the words coming from the pastor as words coming from God's servant and meant by God for your salvation? When the liturgy bids you respond with "Amen" - "Yes, yes, it shall be so," as Luther puts it (Small Catechism, Conclusion to the Lord's Prayer) - do you say it with vigor and certainty? Or might that word at the end of your prayers just as well be a shrugged "whatever"? Likewise, how do you respond when you are invited to sing with "angels and archangels and all the company of heaven," the joyful song of



From the Pastor's Study



the heavenly throne room, "Holy, Holy, Holy" (see LSB, p. 161)?

Joined to the angels' song is the song at Jerusalem's yearning gates, "Hosanna," where Christ Himself comes to you in the flesh by humble means to enliven soul and heart and body with the foretaste of the feast to come. Thus we sing, preparing to eat the holiest and most precious food on earth: the body and blood of the Son of God, given into death to save you from all sin, death, and the power of the devil. Quite a song befits that occasion—"as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup"—so as to "proclaim the Lord's death until He comes" (1 Corinthians 11: 26). Such a song teaches (Colossians 3: 15–17)! What is more full of awe and more full of joy? Maybe you've never thought that way about the Sanctus, sung before the Words of Institution in the Lord's Supper. Do these words have your attention? Your fullness of voice and heart? Do you plumb these inspired words, meaningfully combined, like a gold mine for the treasures packed into them?

(Sias, John W. (2013-07-02). 5 Things You Can Do to Witness Christ (You Can Do It!) (Kindle Locations 129-137). Concordia Publishing. Kindle Edition).

In addition to our small groups, I also commend this wonderful book to the study of individuals and families. I pray that this short volume will be of much benefit to you, and to our congregation's mission to make disciples.

In Christ Jesus,

Pastor

Prayers

Please check the weekly bulletin for those people needing our urgent prayers. If you have any prayer requests, please call or email the church office. We ask for continued prayers for:

Ongoing prayer concerns: Diane Iverson; Lori Smith; Mary Moen; Bev Meinke; Deb Kirley (daughter of Larry & Barb Runnoe); Carol Swartz (daughter of Beverly Meinke); Susan Stonerock (daughter of Donald and Fay Heyen); Elizabeth Bruns (mother of Carol Rooney); Chris Clemens (father of Jessie Brovold); John Kirch (brother of Laurie Kretschmann); Mark Rogers (son-in-law of John Ellison); Dena Diebert (former Calvary member); Brian Holman (grandson of Ron & Jean Holman); Mary Ellen Puls (sister of Craig Busche); Maureen Schulz (sister-in-law of Sallie Schulz); Barbara Branston (cousin

of Norm McGarvie); Ginny Mc Bride (friend of Judy Kestly); Sara Schmidt and Red Braasch (daughter and husband of Rev. Cathi Braasch); Jonathan Burmeister (friend of Calvary); Nora Rae Giuliani (infant granddaughter of Chuck & Norene Giuliani); Alex Bzdusek (infant grandson of George & Terry Bzdusek); Susan Williams (sister of Kay Marshall); Reese Schisel (cousin of Nick Huettl); Carol Bzdusek (sister-in-law of George & Terry Bzdusek); Anna Trotier (daughter-in-law of Carolyn & Terry Trotier)

Shut-Ins: Dottie Riemer; Ruth Yankus; Liz Gjenvick; Jean Anderson; Sam & Mary Moen; Betty Schraith; June Johnson; Donna Polizzi; Paul & Marj Skarie; Bob Pfeiffer (father of Jan Lukasik); Mickey Rash; Bill Rash Jr. (son of Mickey Rash).

It's About Our Family

Births

We rejoice with Alecia & Nick Huetl on the birth of a daughter, Emily Elizabeth, on January 4.

Congratulations & blessings to Erica & Erik Zipp on the birth of a son, Bode Eugene, on January 25.

Deaths

Our deepest sympathies to Donna Schroeder & family on the death of her sister-in-law, Bette Forbes who passed away on January 4.

Sincere condolences to Jim Kalupa & family on the death of his mother, Rita Kalupa, on January 4.

Christian sympathies to the family of Eyvonne Geise who passed to eternal life on January 15.

Sincere condolences to Dick Mertins and family on the death of his wife, Jan on January 16.

Our deepest Christian sympathies to Gene & Laura Traas and family on the death of Laura's father on January 21.

Please inform the church office of any births, deaths, illness or change of address or family situation so that we make pray for you and keep our records up to date.

Thank You Notes

From Opportunity International : Thank you for your recent gift of \$1,060.00 to Opportunity International. Your investment brings us closer to a world in which people have the opportunity to achieve a life free from poverty, with dignity and purpose. On behalf of our clients, we appreciate you!

From Gladys Chmiel: My Beloved Calvary Family, I just need to send a heartfelt THANK YOU to all of you who were among the many Angels from various pieces of my life who sent me prayers over the past few months. Without you all, I wouldn't be where I am right now... free of cancer! There aren't enough words to tell you

properly how MUCH your loving and caring mean to me... but I'm trusting that you 'know'! LOVE AND HUGS FOREVER, Gladys

From Lutheran World Relief: We recently received your gift of \$1,230.00 to Lutheran World Relief. Thank you! On behalf of LWR, our partners and those we serve, please accept my thanks for your generous support and partnership. May God bless you!

From Mary Moen: Many thanks for all the prayers, cards, and visits from Pastor Roser, Pastor Ted, and my dear friends. --Mary Moen & family

February Calendar Highlights

Check the church calendar for complete listings.

Sun	1	Youth Sunday; Annual Report Informational Meeting
Sat	7	Worship; Adult Snow Tubing
Sun	8	Worship; Congregation Annual Meeting; No Christian Ed.
Mon	9	Serenity Inn Meal Program
Tue	10	Deacon Meeting
Wed	11	Council Reports Due
Sun	15	Worship; Food Sunday; All YOUTH Tubing
Tue	17	Crossroads Deadline; Fat Tuesday Dinner; Congregation Council Meeting
Wed	18	Ash Wednesday
Mon	23	SVdP Meal Program
Wed	25	Lenten Supper; Lenten Worship
Thu	26	Crossroads assembly; Men's Ministry Gathering

Fat Tuesday / Mardi Gras Meal!

Tuesday, February 17, from 5:30 – 6:45 pm

Come and experience a little bit of Mardi Gras, Calvary Youth Style! Pancakes, Jazz, Beads, and Friends! This will be a fun-filled evening meal to share with our Calvary family as we celebrate the friendships, connections, and Joy for Jesus that we all embrace. Made and served by our fabulous youth group, we will have a delicious meal to fill your Fat Tuesday Cravings! Everyone is welcome: members, non-members, parents, grandparents, neighbors, cousins; go ahead and bring them ALL!



February Mission of the Month: Lutheran Bible Translators

For many years Calvary has had a supportive relationship with the Federwitz families who work abroad translating the Bible and helping to make the Word of God available to those who do not yet have it in the language of their hearts. More recently, we have added to this relationship by supporting the Burmeisters as well, in their work through Wycliff Bible Translators and LBT.

Alvina Federwitz, from Wall, South Dakota, graduated from Concordia College and the Lutheran Lay Training Institute in Milwaukee, Wisc. Her early linguistic training was through the Summer Institute of Linguistics at the University of N.D. Alvina and Dale were blessed with four children, two of whom were born in Liberia. Now grown, all her children are committed to the mission of Bible translation. Jonathan and Carrie and family serve in mission aviation in Papua New Guinea (PNG). Danny and Rebecca DeLoach and family serve in literacy and Scripture engagement in PNG. David and Valerie and family serve in Ghana, West Africa, in literacy and Scripture engagement. Paul and Ali are also serving in Ghana, Paul as a computer consultant and technician and Ali as educational consultant to home schooling missionary parents.

Jonathan and Nancy Burmeister have been members of Wycliff Bible Translators and associate members of Lutheran Bible Translators since 1971. They began their work among the Anyi Sanvi people in Côte d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast) in 1973. Jonathan also served as field director from 1978 to 1981 for the work in Côte d'Ivoire, Burkina Faso and Mali.

In addition to raising five children on the mission field, Jonathan and Nancy trained a number of Anyi Sanvi coworkers as literacy teachers and Bible translators. They completed the New Testament and parts of the Old Testament in the Anyi Sanvi dialect. They also built the Alpha Bible Center, where they trained more translators and literacy workers for several other Anyi dialects and related languages. In September 2002, they were evacuated from a war zone in Côte d'Ivoire and relocated to Bamako, Mali, until 2008.

Jonathan serves as a literacy and translation consultant for the languages of Côte d'Ivoire and other Francophone countries in West Africa. Nancy serves as bookkeeper for the Côte d'Ivoire field administration. They are currently based in West Chicago, Illinois, where



they also help with recruitment of new missionaries.

LBT's Vision: Lutheran Bible Translators is committed to the Scriptures as God's primary means for bringing about life-changing encounters with Jesus Christ. To be effective, the Word of God must be accessible in a language and media that people most readily comprehend. These core beliefs shape our vision, expressed in four facets, that:

- People around the world are meaningfully engaged by the message of the Scriptures through translations and related materials. The translations are

Accurate and faithful to the original texts,
Beautiful in their use of the receptor languages, and
Clear in expressing the Biblical message.

The Scriptures and related materials engage the users by addressing their day-to-day needs and concerns—leading to transformed lives.

- International partners have the vision and capacity to carry out all possible aspects of Bible translation projects. National churches, especially Lutheran, are motivated and fully equipped to use vernacular Scriptures in their ministries of Christian growth and outreach.
- Lutheran Bible Translators personnel and international colleagues work together in a spirit of Christian love and partnership—in an atmosphere in which each person's contribution is valued.
- A well-equipped, empowered and encouraged LBT team is recognized for professional competence, innovative approaches in Bible translation and facilitating the development of effective programs for using God's Word.

Visit the Lutheran Bible Translators website for more information: www.lbt.org.

Use your weekly offering envelopes, white pew envelopes, or give online. Checks should be made out to Calvary Lutheran Church and note: Mission of the Month.



February Food Drive

Thank you to everyone who contributed to Calvary's Cupboard last month. Items collected are taken to the Waukesha Food Pantry. The next Food Sunday is "**Souper Bowl!**" Sunday, with collection February 21st and 22nd, 2015. Any type of soup (but especially Chicken Noodle) is acceptable. Other items of need are canned fruits, pasta, cereals, and paper products. If you prefer to make a monetary contribution, please mark your envelope or check with the notation "Food Pantry".

Cal's Committee Corner: Property Committee

The Property Committee is responsible for the prudent maintenance, care and improvements of the church buildings and grounds.

Recent projects that this committee has accomplished:

- Church carpet cleaning
- Demolition of East Property House
- Sanctuary lighting project
- Replacement of Exit Signs
- Replacement of Sanctuary Projector
- Identification of projects for designated gifts
- Addition of electrical outlets in Narthex
- Installation of Narthex digital announcement display
- Installation of exterior child safety signs



Current committee members include Andy Schatz (Chairperson), Kevin Wahlgren, Bill Krause, Ernie Kretschmann, Brad Meyer, Nick Huettl, Rich Bloomberg, Wayne Wegner. (Subcommittees are formed to oversee larger capital projects.)

We are grateful for the service of these individuals and others who give of their

time and talents to keep God's house not only in working order, but beautiful and continually improving - to the glory of God!

Watch throughout the year for more evidence of this hard-working committee's efforts throughout the Calvary property.

Are you still searching for where you are best suited to serve?
Contact the church office for ideas about how and where you can best use your gifts.

Message from Alvina Federwitz, LBT Missionary

Dear Partners in doing Bible Translation and engaging the people of Liberia with the Word of God in the language they speak:

I, Alvina Federwitz, serve as a facilitator for LIBTRALO (Liberian Translation and Literacy Organization) in developing learning materials for both adults and children in 15 Liberian languages. LIBTRALO and Bible Society of Liberia are also carrying on Bible Translation

in three additional Liberian languages and I facilitate that they get the consultant help they need so the translation work they do is accurate and meaningful in the language spoken by that people group.

Ebola has not yet been eradicated in West Africa, specifically Liberia, so I still have not been given clearance from LBT to return to work in Liberia. The end of October brought me to Ghana for the dedication of the Komba New Testament, which my children, David and Paul, and their families had a huge part in getting completed.

God has blessed me with quite good Internet between Ghana and Liberia and so I have worked remotely with LIBTRALO who is working on developing First Grade Mother Tongue curriculum. It is also my hope that the LIBTRALO Headquarters will be built in 2015 and I am doing all I can to facilitate that.

My primary focus has been to generate funding for the Ebola Crisis Assistance fund that is helping our national partners in both Liberia and Sierra Leone to get the materials they need to prevent themselves from getting Ebola and to purchase medicines they need to treat malaria and typhoid which unfortunately have the same initial symptoms as Ebola.

Your support for this emergency fund and my personal needs has made it possible for me to continue the work of both Bible translation and Scripture Engagement moving forward despite the Ebola epidemic that has severely affected the lives of well over 21,000 people in these countries. There is nothing like facing our mortality to force one to seek God in a language that speaks to our heart.

Christ's Ambassador in West Africa,

Alvina Federwitz



YOUTH Winter Retreat 2015

Fourteen Calvary youth and friends, plus two chaperones traveled to Pine Lake Camp the weekend of January 23-25 for the annual YOUTH Winter Retreat.



Hey YOUTH!

All of our youth events are open to ALL youth of that age! Feel free to invite friends, relatives, neighbors, grandkids, etc. More Kids = More Fun!!!

Youth Sunday: Jan. 31 and Feb. 1

We will be leading the worship service on Saturday and Sunday! From ushering to reading to assisting the Pastor, our youth will be doing it all! Please join us in serving our Calvary family and sharing the many blessings and gifts God has put in you! If you are interested in participating in Youth Sunday and were unable to attend the Winter Retreat, please contact Angie to let me know you are excited to serve our Lord!

All Youth Snow Tubing: Sunday, February 15 (11:30 to 4ish)

Time Line:	11:30 – Noon	Pizza Lunch or feel free to “brown bag it.”
	Noon	Change into warm clothes
	12:15 pm	Leave for Sunburst Ski Area, in Kewaskum
	1:00 – 3:00 pm	Tubing Time!!!
	3:00 pm	Load up and Head Home
	4:00 pm	Parent Pick-up at Calvary

Cost: \$10 per person (feel free to bring a few dollars for snacks)
Sign Up NOW on the Youth Board!
**** We are in need of several parents to drive / chaperone this trip. Contact Angie if you are interested.**



Fat Tuesday Dinner: Tuesday, February 17 (4:30 to 7:30 pm)

The youth are running the Mardi Gras dinner! There will be jobs for youth of all ages from 3-12th grade, please sign-up to help on the youth board, across from the Youth Office. Please arrive in the Calvary Kitchen at 4:30, to prepare this meal for the congregation. This is a wonderful opportunity to share some of those wonderful God-given gifts you have!

FIRM

Families In Real Ministry (FIRM) is a group open to the entire congregation, friends, neighbors, and the community. This group has events and activities centered around growing the faith of your family through service projects, games, education, and more!

ADULTS ONLY – Snow Tubing at Sunburst!

Saturday, February 7, from 6:00 – 10pm
That's right, adults only! We like to play too!!! So grab your snow gear and get ready for some fun! We will meet at Calvary at 6:00 sharp, drive up to Sunburst and go tubing for 2 hours (7-9 pm).
Cost: \$15 per person (feel free to bring a few dollars for snacks & drinks)
Sign Up NOW in the Narthex!

YOUTH Summer 2015

Church Camp (Kids completing grades 1-8 in the spring of 2015)

This summer, we are encouraging our youth to come and spend a week at Pine Lake Camp, in Waupaca, WI. Pine Lake Camp's programs are designed to give campers an opportunity to experience all of the camp favorites while learning about our incredible awesome God. Games, worship, swimming, crafts, nature, and campfires are just some of the activities your camper will participate in.

During the week of July 5-10, this camp offers camp programs for a variety of age groups. Each day campers will participate in devotions, interactive worship, and Bible study.

Youth completing grades 1-3 can go to camp for ½ a week, either Sunday - Tuesday or Wednesday-Friday. Youth completing grades 3-8 can go to camp for the entire week! Information packets are available on the youth board.

A bit nervous to send your camper off? No worries! I will be at camp too! Spending time with all of our campers, popping in and out of the cabin groups, and always available to give High 5's and hugs as needed throughout the week.

High School (Completing grades 8th through 12th)

This summer, we are heading to the Bayou/Gulf Coast, Alabama!

We will be gone from June 20 - 28, 2015. The mission project runs Sunday afternoon through Friday morning. Our trip includes a day on each end of the mission project to accommodate the drive AND for some sightseeing, and playtime!

The registration deadline is: Sunday, February 1st.

Extended family members, relatives, friends, neighbors, all are welcome to join us for this fun-filled week! Additional registration packets are located outside the youth office.

“God Loves You” Valentine Party

Friday, February 13, from 6:30 – 8:00 pm

We will be celebrating the best Valentine EVER! Do you know what it is?

For God So Loved the World... Can you guess yet? That's right, JESUS!

We will be doing crafts, making snacks, hearing stories and sharing God's love! This event is for the whole family! So, grab your family and celebrate in style at our God Loves You Party!



Monday Morning Movie for February



On Monday, Feb. 16, at 9 am in the media room, we'll view "Ladies in Lavender", starring Judi Dench, Maggie Smith, and Daniel Bruhl.

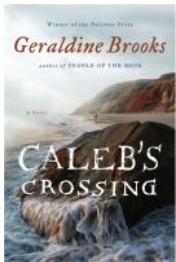
This is a heartwarming film about two sisters who find their lives changed by a young man, Andrea, who has been washed ashore and badly injured. Upon taking him in, his presence quietly invokes Ursula's (Dench) abandoned feelings of longing and

Janet's (Smith) maternal instincts, while also arousing suspicion and fear in the township during pre-war times in Europe. But throughout Andrea's stay, the two sisters discover his true origins, his talents as a gifted violinist and embark on a journey they had never imagined for themselves.

We hope you can join us for snacks, coffee and a morning in Cornwall.

Women's Ministry Book Group

On February 9 at 1:00 pm, all Calvary women and friends are invited to come to the media room to discuss this month's book selection, Caleb's Crossing by Geraldine Brooks.



A synopsis:

Bethia Mayfield is a restless and curious young woman growing up in Martha's vineyard in the 1660s amid a small band of pioneering English Puritans. At age twelve, she meets Caleb, the young son of a chieftain, and the two forge a secret bond that

draws each into the alien world of the other. Bethia's father is a Calvinist minister who seeks to convert the native Wampanoag, and Caleb becomes a prize in the contest between old ways and new, eventually becoming the first Native American graduate of Harvard College. Inspired by a true story and narrated by the irresistible Bethia, *Caleb's Crossing* brilliantly captures the triumphs and turmoil of two brave, openhearted spirits who risk everything in a search for knowledge at a time of superstition and ignorance.

We hope you can join us!

Contact Information

CONGREGATION COUNCIL

Nancy Marsho (Pres.)	262-827-9640
Sue Vollmar (V.P.)	262-780-5015
Nick Huetl (Sec.)	608-712-0207
Gordy Gunnlaugsson (Treas.)	262-369-3910
Rich Baumgartner	262-367-3898
Terry Bzdusek	414-475-7665
Brad Meyer	262-352-6780
Carolyn Trotier	262-781-5567
Mark Trudell	414-405-7737
Kevin Wahlgren	262-784-0983
Jon Warber	262-781-1359

BOARD OF DEACONS

Erik Zipp [T-U] (Chair.)	414-347-9656
Ron Foster [C-E]	262-782-3222
Grace Gunnlaugsson [A-B]	262-369-3910
Ruby Hauch [F-G]	262-782-5216
Ernie Kretschmann [H-J]	262-782-4989
Karen Pierce [K]	414-422-9302
Keith Pierce [L,N-O]	414-422-9302
Donna Schroeder [M, P-Q]	262-789-9284
Mary Smith [Sa-Sh]	414-763-3343
Terry Trotier [Si-Sz]	262-781-5567
Lydia Trudell [R]	414-704-8699
Lee Tyne [V-Z]	262-293-3128

STAFF

Rev. Dennis Roser (Pastor)	pastorroser@calvarylc.com
Angie Schatz (Youth Ministry)	youthdirector@calvarylc.com
Holly Novotny (Office Manager)	holly@calvarylc.com
Kris Molitor (Financial Secretary)	kris@calvarylc.com
Kim Steiner (Communications)	kim@calvarylc.com

MINISTRY EMAILS

Council	council@calvarylc.com
Deacons	deacons@calvarylc.com
Personnel	personnel@calvarylc.com

The Calvary Crossroads is published monthly. All news articles should be submitted to the church office by the deadline listed on the church calendar. Electronic submissions are preferred (email: kim@calvarylc.com).

If you received this issue via email only and would like to receive a printed copy in the mail, please contact the Calvary church office. Printed copies are available at church also.

FEBRUARY 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 <i>Name Tag Weekend</i> YOUTH SUNDAY 9:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM Adult Ed 10:30 AM Annual Report Informational Meeting 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM Confirmation Class 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM Sunday School	2 <u>Out: Pastor Roser</u>	3 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 6:00 PM Celebration Ringers 6:30 PM Amazing Grace Adult Study 7:00 PM Families Anon 7:15 PM Worship & Music Committee 7:30 PM Non-Smoking AA	4 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 1:00 PM Bible Study 7:00 PM Alleuia Choir	5 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Quilters	6 <u>Out: Pastor Roser (Cont. Ed)</u> 12:00 PM AI Anon	7 <i>Name Tag Weekend</i> 5:00 PM Worship 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM Adult Snow Tubing
8 9:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM Congregation Annual Meeting: No Christian Ed	9 <u>Out: Pastor Roser</u> Serenity Inn Meal Program 1:00 PM Women's Book Group 7:00 PM Christian Clowns	10 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 12:30 PM Women's Ministry Bible Study 6:00 PM Celebration Ringers 7:00 PM Deacon Meeting 7:00 PM Families Anon 7:30 PM Non-Smoking AA	11 COUNCIL REPORTS DUE 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 1:00 PM Bible Study 7:00 PM Alleuia Choir 7:00 PM Exec Meeting	12 9:30 AM Calvary Knitting Group 2:00 PM Foster Small Group 7:00 PM Mutual Ministry Team	13 <u>Out: Pastor Roser (Cont. Ed)</u> 12:00 PM AI Anon	14 5:00 PM Worship
15 FOOD SUNDAY 9:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM Adult Ed 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM Confirmation Class 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM Sunday School 11:30 AM - 4:00 PM All Youth Tubing	16 <u>Out: Pastor Roser</u> 9:00 AM Monday Morning Movie	17 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 11:00 AM Heritage Place 12:00 PM CROSSROADS DEADLINE 1:00 PM Esther/Naomi Circle 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM FAT TUESDAY DINNER 6:00 PM Celebration Ringers 7:00 PM Congregation Council 7:00 PM Families Anon 7:30 PM Non-Smoking AA	18 ASH WEDNESDAY 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 7:00 PM Lenten Worship 7:45 PM Alleuia Choir	19 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Quilters	20 12:00 PM AI Anon	21 5:00 PM Worship
22 9:00 AM Worship/Huettl Baptism 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM Adult Ed 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM Confirmation Class 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM Sunday School	23 <u>Out: Pastor Roser</u> 4:00 PM Meal Program	24 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 12:30 PM Women's Ministry Bible Study 6:00 PM Celebration Ringers 7:00 PM Families Anon 7:30 PM Non-Smoking AA	25 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 6:00 PM Lenten Supper (Council) 7:00 PM Lenten Worship 7:45 PM Alleuia Choir	26 9:00 AM Crossroads Assembly 9:00 AM Ruth Circle 9:30 AM Foxbrook Chapel Svc 10:30 AM Care-Age Chapel Svc 6:30 PM Men's Ministry Gathering	27 12:00 PM AI Anon	28 5:00 PM Worship
1 <i>Name Tag Weekend</i> 9:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM Adult Ed 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM Confirmation Class 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM Sunday School	2 <u>Out: Pastor Roser</u>	3 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 6:00 PM Celebration Ringers 6:30 PM Amazing Grace Adult Study 7:00 PM Families Anon 7:30 PM Non-Smoking AA	4 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 1:00 PM Bible Study 6:00 PM Lenten Supper (Deacons) 7:00 PM Lenten Worship 7:45 PM Alleuia Choir	5 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Quilters	6 12:00 PM AI Anon	7 <i>Name Tag Weekend</i> 5:00 PM Worship



Like us on:
facebook®

<https://www.facebook.com/CalvaryLC>

Serving at Worship	<u>Jan 31/Feb 1</u> <i>Sat. 5p; Sun.-9:00a</i> <i>Name Tag Weekend</i>	<u>Feb 7/8</u> <i>Sat. 5p; Sun.-9:00a</i>	<u>Feb 14/15</u> <i>Sat. 5p; Sun.-9:00a</i> <i>Food Sunday</i>	<u>Feb 18</u> <i>Wed. 7 p</i> <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	<u>Feb 21/22</u> <i>Sat. 5p; Sun.-9:00a</i>
ACOLYTES	Natalie, Emily	Gwen, Conner	Laura, Kitty	Jared, Natalie	Gwen, Laura
ALTAR GUILD	Holler, Young	Brodell, Tyne	Sadowsky		Tschetter, Roush
ASSISTING MINISTER	Kevin Wahlgren	Dawn Roser	Larry Bonier	Kevin Wahlgren	Scott Langelin
CHILDREN'S SERMON		Angie	Pr. Roser		Anna & Elise
DEACONS (HOSP)	[Sat] Lydia [Sun] Ron, Grace, Terry, (Donna)	[Sat] Lydia [Sun] Erik, Keith, Karen (Ruby)	[Sat] Ernie [Sun] Mary, Grace, Terry (Donna)	Ron, Karen, Ernie	[Sat] Lydia [Sun] Erik, Ron, Mary (Ruby)
GREETERS	[Sat] Hirth, Veenendahl, Holman [Sun] Rowe, Foster, Zastrow	[Sat] Trudell, Langelin [Sun] Hahn, Hauch, Runnoe	[Sat] Marshall, Meyst [Sun] Young, Marsho, Blockland		[Sat] Anderson, Cox, Ketelsen [Sun] Grospitz, Lau
LECTORS	Mary Baumgartner	Chuck Giuliani	Larry Bonier	Sallie Schulz	Cindy Busche
MUG-A-NEWCOMER	Mary Smith	Lee Tyne	Sue Sadowsky		Larry Runnoe
POWERPOINT	[Sat] Mark [Sun] Grace	[Sat] Ron [Sun] Sue	[Sat] [Sun]		[Sat] Mark [Sun] Larry
USHERS	Youth	Zipp, Altmin, Elliott, Grospitz	Bonier, Citraro, Runnoe		Sayas, Schatz, Nyka, Meyer

February Birthdays

	Date		Date		Date
Marsho, Nancy	2	Gillespie, Garry	8	Becker, Susan	23
Hubbard, Nicholas	3	Roser, Sidney	8	Vollmar, Robert	24
Ozburn, Sara	3	Duckett, Lucas	11	Brostowitz, James	25
Baumgartner, Tina	5	Trudell, Lydia	16	Marinello, Kaeleigh	26
Marsho, James	5	Johnson, Wayne	18	Larsen, Dorothy	28
Ramthun, Erwin	5	Gillespie, Carolyn	19	Swalheim, Clara	29
Sanders, Jackson	5	Hergott, Theo	21		
Speth, Diane	7	Konczak, Shirley	22		

February Anniversaries

	Date	# of Years		Date	# of Years
Rowe, Susan and (Mike)	14	34	Citraro, Marianne and Caesar	26	15
Swalheim, Chad and Michelle	17	8	Hergott, Luc and Katrina	26	10
Harrison, James and (Sandi)	20	11			

Lenten Drama: *Invited to the Banquet of the King*

During the season of Lent we will once again feature a 5-part Lenten drama series during our Wednesday night worship services. This year our drama is from Sola Publishing and is entitled "Invited to the Banquet of the King".

Invited to the Banquet of the King is series of dramas about Christian worship. The story follows the allegorical path of a poor mystified peasant on the way to a banquet with the King. Unworthy and unsure of why he has been invited, he meets several citizens of the Kingdom along the way who help him understand what his journey is all about.

The schedule for the series is as follows:

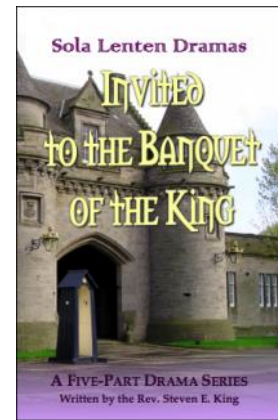
1. THE GATEKEEPER (Feb. 25)
Subject: Confession and Forgiveness
Scriptural Basis: 1 John 1:5-10

2. THE POET (Mar. 4)
Subject: Hymns of Worship
Scriptural Basis: Ephesians 5:15-21
3. THE TEACHER (Mar. 11)
Subject: Scripture
Scriptural Basis: 2 Timothy 3:10-17
4. THE PAUPER (Mar. 18)
Subject: The Prayer
Scriptural Basis: Matthew 7:1-11
5. THE CHIEF STEWARD (Mar. 25)
Subject: Holy Communion
Scriptural Basis: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Join your fellow Christian family each Wednesday in Lent for a simple supper at 6:00 pm in our Fellowship Hall, followed by worship at 7:00 pm.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 18 with worship only (no supper). The

service will include imposition of ashes. The suppers and dramas begin the following week (February 25, with the first supper being served by our Congregation Council.



Facts About Lent

- Lent is a 40 day Christian festival beginning Ash Wednesday and concluding on Easter (Sundays are not counted)
- The word "Lent" comes from the old Anglo-Saxon word *lengten*, which means "springtime," named so for the time of the year in which it occurs.
- What we now call Lent was originally a period of fasting and study for catechumens who were to be baptized on the Saturday before Easter. The 40 day fast was said by Athanasius in 339 AD to be celebrated the world over. The 40 day fast of Jesus in the wilderness was responsible for the number 40 being chosen.
- The purpose of this extended fast was to practice self-denial and humility. This was to prepare oneself for receiving God's grace and forgiveness in baptism, given on Easter Saturday or Easter Sunday.
- The liturgical color for Lent is purple, the color of repentance and sorrow for sin.
- Lent prepares us for the observance of Jesus Christ's suffering, death, and resurrection for us. It is a season of repentance and sorrow for sin. Lent is a time of self-examination in light of the Ten Commandments; it is a time of giving up of sinful behavior, a time of personal housecleaning. It is a time of commitment to the new life of Christ begun in baptism. It is a time of disciplined study of Scripture and a time of growing in faith. In recent years Lent has become a time to remember our baptisms. It is a time to reflect on the impact of baptism on our lives, and to ask ourselves how we are doing. Most of all, it is a time of renewal and new beginnings, as we through faith apply the complete forgiveness won by Christ's death to our lives. Lent heightens our awareness that we desperately need Jesus Christ.
- As someone has said: "Lent is the Church's springtime. Out of the darkness of sin's winter emerges a people the Church-- reborn through baptism into their Lord's death and resurrection from the grave. "Lent is an opportunity not an obligation. It is not commanded by our Lord, nor is it even mentioned in the Bible. Those Christians who observe it do so because they find it a helpful opportunity for repentance and renewal, for the strengthening of their faith. Christians are free to observe or not observe Lent.
- The beginning of what we call "Ash Wednesday," is difficult to date with certainty, though it probably began around 600 A.D.
- Ashes are applied to the forehead of Christians in the sign of the cross (throughout the Middle Ages ashes were sprinkled on the head) as a symbol of humility and repentance. The ashes are a reminder that we are "dust and to dust you shall return" (Genesis 3:19). Thus, they are a reminder of our mortality cursed as it is by sin. Moreover, the ashes remind us of our limits, of what we are, and how greatly we need God's mercy in Christ.

By Dr. Richard P. Bucher, LCMS

Calvary Lutheran Church

1750 N. Calhoun Rd.
Brookfield, WI 53005

Phone: 262-786-4010
E-mail: calvary@calvarylc.com

Jesus said: "A man
once gave a great
banquet and invit-
ed many..."
Luke 14:16

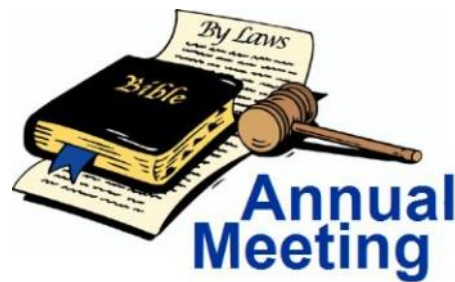
Annual Meeting of the Congregation: February 8

On February 8 at 10:30 am we will have our Annual Congregation Meeting. All voting members are invited and encouraged to attend. There will be babysitters available for our families with younger children.

Pick up a copy of the Annual Report in the church narthex or read it online. It is available on our website: www.calvarylc.com.

On February 1 at 10:30 am there will be an informational meeting to answer any questions regarding the annual report. We have found that this is helpful for members to be able to get answers to some of their questions prior to the annual meeting. It allows for a much smoother flow to the annual meeting and keeps the length of the meeting shorter.

Bring your questions on February 8! If you are unable to attend and have questions, you can always speak with any council member. Contact information for council members can be found on page 8 or on our website.



Calvary Worship Schedule: Saturday at 5 pm ■ Sunday at 9 am ■ Christian Education for All Ages at 10 :15 am