

# Calvary Lutheran Church



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## TANNER OLSON, *Written to Speak* POET IS COMING TO CALVARY THIS WEEKEND!

Don't miss Tanner Olson, author, speaker and poet of *Written to Speak*. Tanner will be with us at both worship services on October 12 and 13, blending his poetry into the liturgy.

Following the Saturday service, he will perform more poems, share stories and answer questions. In addition, Tanner will spend time following Sunday's worship with the children and students, inspiring them with poetry and helping them to write their own poems. Parents and adults are welcome to sit in.



## IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM PASTOR KEN

Please be aware of false emails that have been received by several members of Calvary Lutheran Church appearing to be from Pastor Ken Nelson. These emails are requesting that you email him or send him gift cards. **This is a scam!** If you receive this email, please do not respond to it.

You will **NEVER** receive an email from Pastor Ken or any member of the church staff requesting money, gift cards or other kinds of financial support. Any requests will be made through our normal communication channels such as US mail or CONNECTIONS. If you are ever in doubt about the validity of any communication from the church, please contact the church at 262.786.4010 or via email [office@calvarylc.com](mailto:office@calvarylc.com).

LUTHER'S "SEVEN MARKS" LIVE AT CALVARY!

Calvary's Music Ministry will host a special occasion on **October 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm.** To celebrate the Reformation a bit early, Director of Music Ministry Gene Traas will lead a hymn festival entitled "Luther's 'Seven Marks of the Church'." Based on a hymn festival written by Evanston-based pastor Frank Senn, the program will visit each of Martin Luther's Seven Marks, in text and hymns. From the moment you started reading this, you asked, "Luther's what? What are these Marks?"

Come and learn a little more about Martin Luther through his own words, offered up by some of Calvary's noted lectors. Come and sing. Come and enjoy.

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## SPOOKTACULAR FALL FESTIVAL

Fellowship Hall will be transformed into a spooky fun-filled place on Friday, **October 25th, beginning at 6:30 p.m.** Join us for this adult event - costumes are optional, but always encouraged.



You are asked to bring an appetizer to share as well as a bottle of your favorite wine or soda. Beer, water and coffee will be provided. Check out the display of photos from prior events and the sign-up sheet which are both posted on the glass doors in the Narthex.

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## A CONVERSATION ABOUT 'THE CONVERSATION'

**Facts:** \*21% of people say they haven't had the conversation because they don't want to upset their loved ones.

\*53% say they'd be relieved if a loved one started the conversation.

\*95% say they are willing or want to talk about their end-of-life wishes.

*(Source: The Conversation Project National Survey - 2018)*

**Part 1 – Wednesday, October 23 at 1:00 - 2:30 pm: Talking about End-of-Life Care**

According to [theconversationproject.org](http://theconversationproject.org), "Sharing your wishes for end-of-life care can bring you closer to the people you love. It's critically important. And you can do it." Participants will receive a copy of "Your Conversation Starter Kit" produced by the Conversation Project. We'll explore how to determine what your wishes are, how to choose and how to be a health care proxy, and how to talk with your doctor about your wishes.

**Part 2 – Wednesday, October 30 at 1:00 - 2:30 pm: How We Can Give Our Loved Ones the Gift of a Plan**

Participants will receive a copy of forms that will help organize the information our loved ones will need after our passing, including a

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## NEW WORSHIP BAGS FOR THE CHILDREN

You may have noticed an update to the Worship Bags (previously called Blessing Bags) in the Narthex. While the bags themselves are new, what's inside is roughly the same as before. Each bag has coloring books, crayons, and a tactile activity or toy for children to play with.

But the Worship Bags also have something new to help children engage in the service. Each Worship Bag has a laminated Order of Service. Through this addition, we hope to help children learn the names of the parts of the service and their general order.

We hope these bags will continue to be a blessing to children as we worship together.



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**S.A.L.T. GAME DAY**  
**October 31**  
**1:00 - 2:30 pm**

OK, everybody, it's time for another afternoon of cards and games! We know it's Halloween, but you don't need to wear a costume.

funeral planning kit specific to Calvary. This will be a two-part program. Please sign up in the Narthex for one or both parts of this important program. If you have any questions, please reach out to [Grace Gunnlaugsson](#) or [Pastor Ken](#).

This time, we'd like you to sign up on the sheet in the Narthex so we can bring some special Halloween snacks for everybody.

We'll start the fun at 1:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall and play till about 2:30 p.m. Bring a friend or two!



## OCTOBER MISSION OF THE MONTH



### Broom Tree Ministries and Shepherd's Canyon

Wouldn't you like to join us in making possible a counseling ministry for the restoration of hurting clergy couples and other professional church workers? Is there a need for such a ministry? Yes!

- \* 20% of pastors are "in crisis" – they are just "hanging on," coping with the issues they face day-to-day
- \* Among Protestant clergy, an incredible number quit the ministry every month!
- \* Only 50% of pastors entering the ministry today will make it five years
- \* 80% of pastors will say that the ministry has had a negative impact on their family
- \* Upwards of 70% of pastors fight depression

**Broom Tree Ministries** provides spiritual retreats for pastors and their spouses. The retreats are designed to provide uninterrupted time with God in rest, reflection, and beauty. We prioritize good food and lots of time with spouses. Our guests consistently experience "aha" moments that bring clarity and challenge for the next season of ministry. Since 1997 we have been strengthening the church one pastor at a time.

Each **Shepherd's Canyon** seven-day retreat includes up to four client couples (singles are welcome), two counselors – male and female – and a retreat chaplain. Our twelve retreat therapists have a combined 250 years of counseling experience! All counseling is Bible-based. Shepherd's Canyon Retreats are held at Standing Stones Retreat Center near Wickenburg, AZ.

Learn more about Shepherd's Canyon at [www.StandingStonesAz.org](http://www.StandingStonesAz.org). Broom Tree retreats are held in Michigan and more information can be found at <http://broomtreeministries.org>.

Please mark your donations for "Mission of the Month".



### AMAZON SMILE PROGRAM GIVES BACK TO CALVARY

AmazonSmile ([smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com)) is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of *eligible* products to the charitable organization of your

choice. (You will see eligible products marked ""Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages.)

Calvary Lutheran Church is a registered recipient of AmazonSmile donations! For more information about the AmazonSmile program, go to <http://smile.amazon.com/about>.



**Right-to-Write** is a unique and simple program designed for people to donate pens and pencils (new or used) to put to good use by collecting and then dispensing them to children in developing countries. Donated pens and pencils are delivered to schools, orphanages, and hospitals by individual volunteers, travelers, and organizations who can distribute them hand to hand, person to person, to children who need them.

We will again be collecting new and used pens/pencils to send to Right-to-Write. Please place your donations in the plastic tub on the table in the Narthex. Questions should be directed to [Tina Baumgartner](#).

## PASTOR KEN NELSON'S MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY

This weekly study is on Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Our 'first study' of the fall concerns itself with 'last things'. To put it another way, we'll begin with a study of the end! Confused? Intrigued?

Our study for the months of September and October will be the Book of Revelation, one of the most talked about books of the Bible, and perhaps one of the least understood. Our aim is to present the flow of Revelation, so that its visions so frequent (and at times bizarre) are better understood. Revelation speaks to every generation of believers, as all of Scripture does, but to hear it in ours a certain amount of "demystifying" its symbols, so often captive to present day speculation as to what they represent, is necessary.

Please join us for our discussion, which will make use of solid Lutheran interpretation through use a video by Professor Craig Koester of Luther Seminary entitled "Is This the Time".

No advance preparation necessary, and no materials needed other than your bible and pen, to take copious notes from Dr. Koester's presentation and our ensuing conversations!



## MINISTRY INTEREST INDICATOR

Have you had a chance to complete the Ministry Interest Indicator that was sent to you last week?

We have received many responses, but have not heard back from our 'under 50' age group. Here's a [LINK](#) to the online document. It will only take you a few minutes to complete it and we truly appreciate you taking the time to complete it.

## OUR STEPHEN MINISTERS ARE HERE FOR YOU

Stephen Ministers are congregation members trained by Stephen Leaders to offer high-quality, one-to-one Christian care to people going through tough times. A Stephen Minister usually provides care to one person at a time, meeting with that person once a week for

about an hour.

If you, or someone you know, could benefit from this important ministry, please contact [Scott or Peggy Langelin](#) at 262.792.9335.

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## CROSSROADS MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Click on the link below for the most current issue of the Crossroads newsletter for insights on events and activities at Calvary Lutheran Church!

[Current Crossroads](#)

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## COMING EVENTS

**Event:** The Conversation, Part 1  
**Time:** Wednesday, October 23;  
1pm  
**Place:** Fellowship Hall  
**Notes:** All are invited! Please sign up  
in the Narthex.

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**Event:** Trunk or Treat  
**Time:** Sunday, October 27 11:45  
am  
**Place:** Parking Lot  
**Notes:** All are invited! Please sign up  
in the Narthex if you will be opening  
your trunk with treats!

**Event:** Spooktacular Fall Festival  
**Time:** Friday, October 25; 6:30pm  
**Place:** Fellowship Hall  
**Notes:** Costumes optional; bring an  
appetizer. Sign up in the Narthex.

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**Event:** The Conversation Part 2  
**Time:** Wednesday, October 30, 1pm  
**Place:** Fellowship Hall  
**Notes:** All are invited! Please sign up  
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