Calvary Lutheran Church



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December 11, 2019



the CHRISTmas story live Join us at the 9:00 a.m. service on SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22nd when the children of Calvary will lead us in worship. They will read scripture, lead us in singing hymns and act out the events surrounding Jesus' birth.

Song rehearsals will take place on December 15 and a full walkthrough and dress rehearsal will take place on Friday, December 20 from 4-6 p.m. Dinner will be provided.



Poinsettia Plants for Sale! Three varieties of poinsettia plants are available this year to decorate our altar on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. The plants are top quality with three plants per pot, wrapped in colored foil. The cost is \$25. If you'd like to purchase a plant or two, you'll find the order forms on the glass doors in the Narthex. Order forms are due to the office **no later than Monday, December 16th.** Questions? Please call the office at 262.786.4010.



Women's Christmas Open House Saturday, December 14th 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Marcella Nelson's Home 19245 McAllister Lane, Unit A Brookfield, WI 53045

Women of all ages from Calvary are welcome! Come and bring a friend (non-Calvary women are welcome also). Come when you can, leave when you must. Stop in to spend some time with your Calvary sisters. If you have questions or need directions call or email Marcella Nelson at <u>Nelskog@juno.com</u> or 701-833-5157



ADVENT VESPERS WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

Join us for Advent Vespers on these Wednesdays during Advent: Dec. 11 and 18 at 6:30 p.m.

Vespers, also known as "Evening Prayer" is a service of darkness and

light, contemplation, readings and prayer. It's emphasis is on Christ, described in John 1:5 as "the light (that) shines in the darkness." Vespers is one of the "daily offices" of the church – one of five appointed times for prayer and contemplation in the monastic tradition.

We are planning an Advent season adaptation of this beautiful service in December – each service will be adorned by readings and songs appropriate to the season of Advent, punctuated with times of silence, and will last about 35 minutes. Following each Vespers, you are invited to remain in the sanctuary for personal prayer or come to the Fellowship hall for seasonal refreshments.



NALC OFFERS ADVENT DEVOTIONS

The North American Lutheran Church presents, *Blessed Is He Who Comes*, an Advent devotional booklet for 2019. This year's booklet, prepared by the Rev. Dr. David

Wendel, NALC assistant to the bishop for ministry and ecumenism, is based on the daily Scripture passages from the *Reading the Word of God* calendar.

There are three ways to access the devotional:

- Download a PDF copy: Color or Black & White
- NALC Walk of Faith App: Download via App Store or Google Play
- Facebook Messenger: Subscribe for a daily message

For details on how to access *Blessed Is He Who Comes*, visit LINK.

Additional Advent devotional materials for both youth and adults are on the table in the Narthex.

OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY



2020

Pastor Ken Nelson and the Calvary Lutheran Church Executive Committee are pleased to announce a very special and unique travel opportunity for members and friends of the Calvary Lutheran Church. In partnership with Country Travel Discoveries of Elm Grove, Pastor Ken will host a tour to the famous Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany, from September 19 – 29, 2020.

Nearly 400 years ago, the villagers of the tiny Bavarian village promised God to perform a play about the passion, death, and resurrection of Christ, if God would save the village from the plague. The petition was divinely answered, and since then the villagers have staged the Passion Play *every 10 years*. Next year will mark the 42nd time the elaborate play has been performed, now seen by thousands of the faithful from the world over. Join Pastor Ken on this exciting tour to Germany and Austria – a once-in-a-lifetime experience!

More details and information about this spectacular tour can be found <u>HERE</u>. Our spots are filling up fast, so if you're interested, sign up today!

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JOY OF CHRISTMAS CONCERT this Thursday, December 12 7-9 pm

We are pleased to host a wonderful Christmas concert at Calvary benefitting the Salvation Army of Waukesha County.

Performing this year: The Nordic Brass, preparing for concerts in Europe in 2020; a string

quartet of the Wisconsin Philharmonic; and Tina Baumgartner will be leading us as we sing many well-known Christmas carols throughout the program.

Tickets are being sold online via the link at the right or can be purchased the night of the concert.) (You'll need to scroll to the very bottom of the page once you click on the link.) Prices are \$11 for Adults, Seniors \$10, Students (5th grade and up with Student ID) \$2; and Veterans with military ID \$1. Tickets can be purchased at the door as well.

Visit waukeshasalvationarmy.org or call 262.547.7367 for more information.

Salvation Army Concert Ticket Link



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 <u>Scott or Peggy Langelin</u> at 262.853.0018.

CROSSROADS MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Click on the link below for the DECEMBER Crossroads Newsletter.

Current Crossroads

COMING EVENTS

Event: the CHRISTmas story live

Time: Sunday, Dec. 22 at 9 a.m. Invite a friend or two ... all are welcome!

Event: SALT Christmas Party Time: Thurs. Dec. 19 at 1:00pm Place: Fellowship Hall Notes: Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex.

Event: Advent Vespers Wednesday service Time: Dec. 11 & 18 at 6:30 p.m. Notes: Services will last approximately 35 minutes.



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