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CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

DECEMBER 2019

From the Pastor's Pen

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"Wait for the Lord, be strong and take heart, and wait for the Lord" - Psalm 27:14 "Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation" - Matthew 26:41 "But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently" - Romans 25:39

Most of you know the old adage "good things come to those who wait." Like many such sayings flush with promise, its origins lie embedded in Scripture. The Psalmist is pretty sure if you wait for the Lord, good things will result. The paradox is that waiting is something we humans don't do well. Waiting is synonymous with wasting time and opportunity. No time of the year puts more pressure on us to speed things up than Christmas, with its demands to pack celebrations and preparations for celebrations into an already-packed calendar.

Yet Christmas is the supremely best time of the year to wait. If we are to recover the meaning of Christmas, of God with us, of a promise long dormant for Israel to come to life suddenly in the birth of Jesus, then it behooves us to slow down a bit, and wait upon it. It will come soon enough, but so much of Scripture calls us to take the time to observe it, to relish it, and to learn from it. Christmas is a period of time, true, but it should be quality time, not a moment in time. If we can but cut through the rush of events and sentiment and speedy spirituality of a Christmas night, and absorb Christmas blessing, we will have fulfilled any number of Biblical invitations and admonitions, including the ones I have cited above.

In respect of these and similar passages, the ancient church did us all a favor, and fashioned seasons to surround Christmas, and extend the time in which we can absorb the wonder and blessing of its message. The ancient church, people who were by the way busy in their own right and with their own pressing needs, still knew that real, lasting change takes time. Thus they bequeathed us the

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The Vision of Calvary Lutheran Church is: "Sharing the life-changing message of Jesus Christ"

Mission Statement: Calvary Lutheran Church is a family of Christians, directed by the Holy Spirit, growing as disciples of Jesus through worship, Biblical study and prayer that are shared with the community and world.

From the Pastor's Pen (continued)

Seasons of Advent and Epiphany, in which we can reexperience the wait of Israel for its Savior – Advent, and the extension of the Christmas message from the Jewish hamlet of Bethlehem to the entire world – Epiphany.

God is with us, not just in a spiritual sense but on the wings of time. Good things do come to those who wait – in the biblical sense that is - not impatiently, but expectantly, not passively but actively. The Psalmist did not ask us to simply wait around, but wait by worshipping and praising God. Jesus did not ask his disciples to simply sit around and take a nap, but to pray over their own spiritual condition. Paul the Apostle did not simply ask Christians to mope about accepting a conflicted life as fate, but to strive for and be assured of a better life through faith and faithful living.

I can't wait for these seasons to begin. I can't think of a better way to mark time than with its festivals. This year, we've added something to the way we spend our time of Advent – we call it "Advent Vespers." I know it's another

thing to do, but I think you'll find it a worthwhile thing. Vespers will take place Wednesdays December 4th, 11th and 18th at 6:30 p.m. and conclude around 7:05 p.m. (give or take a few minutes!) Patterned after the monastic "office" of evening prayer, we'll sit in subdued light, bask in a bit of candlelight, sing, pray, and listen – with ample periods of silence. Can you use a little "time away" from the normal of the week? Then join us for Vespers. Or come to our annual "Lessons and Carols" on December 8th at 4:00 p.m. – or take in the beautiful Salvation Army Christmas concert Calvary is hosting this year on December 12th at 7:00 p.m.

Regardless, I pray you'll all find this Christmas more than a frantic mixture of materialism and sentimentality, but rather a rich, meaningful time of remembering that at one time, God came to earth, and in due time, you'll meet him face to face, to his glory and your everlasting good. I wish you all a most happy and blessed Christmas.

Because of a manger,



FOODPantry

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS THIS MONTH

Comfort food items are requested for the next Food Sunday with collection on December 15-16. Mac and cheese, spaghetti noodles and sauce, potato mixes, rice and other starches are especially needed. Other items of need are peanut butter, soups, canned meats, fruits or vegetables, and cereals.



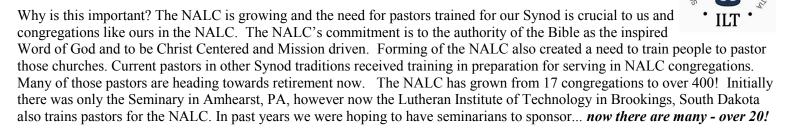
If you prefer to make a monetary contribution, please mark your envelope or check with the notation "Food Pantry". Your continued support is greatly appreciated - thank you!

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 (Sue Rowe: <u>communications@calvarylc.com</u>). If you received this issue via e-mail only and would like to receive a printed copy in the mail, please contact the Calvary church office (office@calvarylc.com or 262.786.4010) Printed copies are also available in the Narthex and outside the church office.

NOVEMBER MISSION OF THE MONTH

DECEMBER MISSION OF THE MONTH: SEMINARY FUNDS

In December we raise up a vital Mission of the Month supporting the training of pastors for service in the North American Lutheran Churches. With great enthusiasm we have significant news! For the first time in decades (since the mid 1980's) we have an intern coming to train at Calvary! Council has approved Lynnae Douglas to intern at Calvary in 2020. Lynnae and her husband Caleb will introduce themselves the weekend of December 7 & 8.



The NALC is now in Phase 2 of development and in urgent need of Calvary's support. We are one of the largest and most blessed congregations. We have supported the Seminary in Pennsylvania with \$5,000 in giving annually. With a second Seminary and many seminarians we would like our giving to rise to at least \$7,500 this year. Prayerfully consider an end of the year gift in support of these vital seminarians, including our new intern! Please make your donations payable to Calvary Lutheran Church and reference "Mission of the Month".

Are you interested in attending seminary? Local congregations like Calvary are the source of future seminarians. We need to identify, encourage and support prospective seminarians as they consider their educational choices. Calvary's Endowment Fund is poised to do just that. Up to one-third of its annual disbursable funds are available for tuition support of Calvary members who attend seminary.

CELEBRATE THE BIRTH OF OUR LORD SERVING AT WORSHIP

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

4 p.m. Family Service 10 p.m. Candlelight Service

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE

10 a.m. Christmas Day Worship

4 p.m. Family Service

Acolytes:	Matt Schatz
Assisting Minister:	Larry Bonier
Altar Guild:	Norene & Chuck Giuliani
Deacons:	Jim and Jeanette Kalupa
Greeters:	Gordy and Grace Gunnlaugsson
PPT:	Johanna Nelson
Ushers:	Gordy and Grace Gunnlaugsson
	Bob and Mary Smith

10 p.m. Candlelight Service

Acolytes:		Zack Griese & Jacklyn Warber
Assisting N	linister:	Scott Langelin
Deacons:	Pastor	Jerry Wittmus and Jonnie Roush
Greeters:	Wayne and	Bonnie Johnson, Annie Bermel
Lector:	-	Marcella Nelson
PPT:		Chuck Lukasik
Ushers:		Jim and Rick Brostowitz

10 a.m. Christmas Day

Deacon:	Rich Baumgartner
Greeters:	Mark and Lydia Trudell
Lector:	Karen Pierce
PPT:	Lydia Trudell
Ushers:	Rich and Tina Baumgartner

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CONGREGATION NEWS AND EVENTS











GREAT JOB CALVARY!

This year a total of 120 boxes (an increase of 40 from our 2018 collection) were packed and shipped to children around the world for Opera-

tion Christmas Child. Through your generous contributions to fill the boxes themselves and the Mission of the Month fund, we were able to pay for the shipping as well as provide the book, "The Greatest Journey" for each box sent.



JOY OF CHRISTMAS CONCERT AT CALVARY THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12 FROM 7:00 - 9:00PM

Calvary is pleased to host a wonderful concert at Calvary Lutheran Church benefitting the Salvation Army of Waukesha County. Performing this year will be: *The Nordic Brass, preparing for concerts in Europe in 2020; A string quartet of the Wisconsin Philharmonic; and A talented and beautiful soprano voice leading beloved Christmas Carols!*

Tickets are being sold online and a link is available in the weekly CONNECTIONS. You can save \$1 with discount code "byDec5". Prices are \$11 for Adults, Seniors \$10, Students (5th grade and up with Student ID) \$2; and Veterans with military ID \$1. Visit waukeshasalvationarmy.org for more information or call 262/547-7367.

Refreshments will be sold in Fellowship Hall to benefit Calvary's Youth programs. Additionally, volunteers are needed to usher, greet and help as parking lot attendants. Sign up in the Narthex if you can help. As a bonus, all volunteers will receive a free admission ticket to the concert.



3RD ANNUAL "MAKE & TAKE" SIGN PARTY was held on Sunday, November 17th.

Attendees of all ages chose a

phrase from a large variety of options and then selected the paint color for their boards. The vinyl phrase was skillfully placed and the end result was a beautiful sign that can be hung in their home or given as a special holiday gift.

S.A.L.T. CHRISTMAS PARTY

Join the Senior Adults Living Triumphantly (S.A.L.T) for their annual Christmas party on Thursday, December 19 from 1:00 - 2:30pm in Fellowship Hall.



This year Tom Kurtz will be playing holiday tunes on his musical saw, accompanied by his wife Pat on the piano for a Christmas sing-along. Cookies and beverages will be served. Attendees are invited to bring a dozen cookies of their choice. All are invited - bring a friend! Please contact Grace Gunnlaugsson at gracemg@mac.com with any questions.

CONGREGATION NEWS AND EVENTS

AN AFTERNOON OF FUN AND GAMES

There were five Thursdays in October ... and that means there was an afternoon of games! S.A.L.T.'ers joined together on October 31st to play games including Sheepshead and Clubs Rule. The next afternoon of "Fun and Games" will be on January 30 at 1pm.





WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP January 13 at 1 p.M.

We'll start off the new year with a visit to Narnia. While <u>The Lion, the</u> <u>Witch and the Wardrobe</u> by C. S. Lewis is technically a children's book, it touches on countless themes that Christians treasure.

The plot is simple on its surface: Narnia. The land beyond the wardrobe, the secret country known

only to Peter, Susan, Edmund, and Lucy — the place where the adventure begins. Lucy is the first to find the secret of the wardrobe in the professor's mysterious old house. At first, no one believes her when she tells of her adventure in the land of Narnia. But soon Edmund and then Peter and Susan discover the Magic and meet Aslan, the Great Lion, for themselves. In the blink of an eye, their lives are changed forever.

We'll explore some of the themes Lewis weaves through the story – good vs evil, compassion and forgiveness, transformation, guilt and blame. It promises to be a wonderful conversation.

Join us **Monday, January 13 at 1pm in Room 110** – even if it's only to listen!

THE LION, THE LION, THE WITCH AND WARDROBE

OBERAMMERGAU 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.

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 church. In partnership with Country Travel



Discoveries of Elm Grove, Pastor Ken will host a tour to the famous Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany, **September 19 – 29, 2020**. Join Pastor Ken on this exciting tour to Germany and Austria – a once-in-a-lifetime experience! An information session will be held following worship on Sunday, December 8, 2019.



MONDAY MORNING MOVIE December 9 at 9a.m.

We're moving our movie date up a week in December, but keeping it a morning event.

We'll watch **"White Christmas"** - The classic one with Bing Crosby, Rosemary Clooney, etc. from 1954. Wasn't that a great year?

Summary: A successful song-and-dance team become romantically involved with a sister act and team up to save the failing Vermont inn of their former commanding general.

Great story. Great songs. Great way to celebrate! Please come to the *Media Room*, #110.

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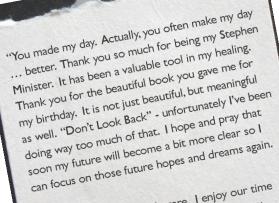
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• The church office will be closed on December 25, 2019 and January 1, 2020.

• As we approach the end of 2019, we ask you to please look carefully and prayerfully at your financial giving for the year.

• The financial books close on Wednesday, December 31, 2019. To ensure proper credit for 2019 tax purposes, please have your contributions in the church office by noon on the 31st. Contributions received after the 31st will <u>not</u> be credited to your 2019 giving. Thank you for your continued support of the many ministries of Calvary.

• Please remember to notify the church office (in writing or by phone) with a change to your address/phone number/email.



Thank you for your gentle care. I enjoy our time together. I appreciate your flexibility when my schedule is not what I expect."

EXCERPT FROM STEPHEN MINISTRY RECIPIENT TO HER CAREGIVER.

STEPHEN MINISTRY UPDATE

For our Stephen Ministry update this month we'd like to share a couple of testimonies. One is a portion of a lovely note from a care receiver to their care giver describing what Stephen Ministry has meant to them. We also have portions of two letters from Stephen Ministers about what their experience has meant to them.

Please continue to think about Stephen Ministry for yourself, either as a care giver or receiver. Stephen Minister leaders Scott and Peggy Langelin will be available after worship services in December to answer questions you may have. If you would like to become a Stephen Minister, we plan to start an 18 week, 50 hour training in January. If you would like to have a Stephen Minister for yourself or suggest someone we might reach out to, let Scott and Peggy or Pastor Nelson know.

"By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." John 13:35 WHAT DOES BEING A STEPHEN MINISTER MEAN TO YOU? Below are reflections from two of our Stephen Ministers:

"Stephen Ministry has taught me a lot. I'm a much better listener. I understand the need for confidentiality, even as a friend. Flexibility, meaning a willingness to change a place, time or a or way of communication (in person vs a phone call) is important. Thinking of the needs of my care receiver first is essential. All of this I've learned from my care receiver. What I've gotten back is a friend. Someone who cares for me and my family. Someone I pray for and who prays for me.

It's important to note that we can experience disappointment. An uncooperative care receiver, despite all the efforts of the caretaker I've described above, is disappointing and frustrating.

For me, the blessings of being a Stephen Minister far outweighs the disappointments." - Nancy Wittmus

"Being a Stephen Minister is a combination of many skills and abilities:

Serving	Helping	Listening
Teaching	Praising	Learning
Rejoicing	Growing	Loving
Cooperating	Respecting	Trusting
Understanding	Caring	Doing/Working
Exchanging	Blessing	Praying
Thanking	Trying	Renewing
Calling	Remembering	Discovering

I am a called/ordained NALC pastor and now a commissioned Stephen Minister. But that does not mean I am anyone special; I am still a sinner and amazed at how God uses each of us in different ways. First and foremost, we give thanks to God. Then special thanks to our Stephen Ministry leaders, Pastor Ken Nelson and Scott and Peggy Langelin. We especially give thanks to each member of Calvary for your ongoing prayers. Peace and blessings to you. *- Pastor Jerry Wittmus*



MEN'S MINISTRIES

MONTHLY MEN'S DINNER GATHERING

The monthly men's dinner gathering will take a short hiatus over the holidays. The next gathering will be held in Fellowship Hall on Thursday, January 23 starting at 6 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. and devotion /discussion time at 7:00 p.m.

Come and join us, share some stories, food and beverages with your Calvary friends. All men are invited and welcome!



WEDNESDAY MORNING BREAKFAST

Join the men of

Calvary on Wednesday's at 7 a.m. at Maxim's Restaurant, 18025 W. Capitol Drive, Brookfield, for breakfast, devotion and fellowship. Come when you can and bring a friend!

MUSIC MINISTRY Dear Calvary family,

Time has flown. By the time you read this, we'll be immersed in another Advent season. With that in mind, I offer you some worship opportunities in which our Music Ministry is involved.

December 8th at 4:00pm: Lessons and Carols. If you haven't yet attended this inspirational service, I urge you to do so. Your Celebration Ringers, Alleluia Choir, and COFFEE at the Cross will all be involved, as well as a number of lectors proclaiming readings for Advent and Christmas. It's a wonderful way to keep the message of Christmas alive in all of us.

December 24th at 10:00pm: Candlelight service for Christmas Eve, also involving the Celebration Ringers and Alleluia Choir, and one composition in which both will be performing.

My inner "liturgy nerd" offers you a quick lesson in liturgical colors. Calvary, along with many congregations, displays blue altar paraments and stoles; while other churches may display purple as the color of the season. There are reasons and justifications for both. The way I once heard it was that the blue represents a patient people waiting for Jesus' triumphant return, while the purple represents a penitent people, I think in expectation of Jesus' return to set people straight and take names - I'm here to enlighten, not judge.

Wishing you a Blessed Advent and a bright Christmas,

Gene Traas **Director of Music**



The CHURCH LIFE COMMITTEE has selected the following dates for their 2020 major events. Events such as Starry Nights and a Sunset Theater outing will be determined once those schedules are published. Please mark your calendars and join us if you're able!

Mark Your Calendars

SOUP & CHILI COOK OFF **SPRING FLING DINNER POKER WALK FOR WATER** FALL FESTIVAL DINNER

Saturday, January 25, 2020 Saturday, March 21, 2020 Saturday, May 16, 2020 Friday, October 30, 2020

FAITH FORMATION









MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH ENJOYED A FUN EVENING AT THE NEW WHIRLYBALL FACILITY IN BROOKFIELD.

2020 WINTER RETREAT IS FAST APPROACHING! JANUARY 31– FEBRUARY 2: WINTERXTREME AT CAMP TIMBER-LEE



WinterXtreme is Timber-lee's winter retreat program for youth. Our junior and senior high students will enjoy fellowship, food, speakers, worship bands, community-building activities and an outdoor fire to warm up at the end of the day. WinterXtreme allows them to strengthen their relationships with each other and with God.

The cost of \$146 (scholarships are available) includes two nights lodging, five meals, and two substantial snacks. Also included are four Chapel Sessions featuring a fantastic speaker and worship band; broomball, tubing, tobogganing, cross country skiing, indoor games, coffee bar, karaoke, trail

rides*, zipline*, leathershop*, and more!

If your middle school or high school student(s) would like to go, please RSVP to Kyle Jones in person or via email (youthdirector@calvarylc.com.) A \$50 non-refundable deposit is due by Sunday, December 15th, and the remaining balance will be due upon departure.

*There is an additional charge for these activities.



CHRISTMAS STORY LIVE – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22 DURING 9A.M. WORSHIP

The children of Calvary will lead us in worship on the 4th Sunday in Advent (December 22^{nd}) as they read Scripture, lead us in singing hymns, and act out the events surrounding Jesus' birth.

Song rehearsals will take place December 8 and 15. A full walkthrough and dress rehearsal will take place Friday, December 20 from 4-6 p.m. Dinner will be provided!

IT'S ABOUT OUR FAMILY

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays

Birthdays	DATE		DATE
Grundman, Diane	1	Holman, Ronald	20
Rose, Shelby	2	Rooney, Carol	20
Foley, John	5	Schmelzer, Dean	22
Swalheim, Chad	8	Treadwell, Richard	22
Giuliani, Timothy	9	Witzke, Ed	23
Schuelke, Nadine	11	Anderson, Lynnette	24
Liu, Caleb	14	Anderson, Michael	24
Kalupa, Amanda	15	Dieck, Wayne	25
Kretschmann, Brian	15	Grundman, Joseph	25
Smith, Robert	15	Ware, Hannah	27
Chesner, Ray	17	Graffin, Lenna	28
Jenke, Noel	17	Hanke, Gabrielle	29
Treutelaar, Patricia	18	Klade, Judith	31
Nelson, Ingrid	19	Schulz, Sallie	31
Sayas, Judith	19		

Anniversaries	# of			
	DATE	YEARS		
Juno, Elton and Joanne	4	33		
Rodriguez, Adolfo and Rhonda	23	47		
Holman, Ronald and Jean	26	66		
Siderits, Bob and Donna	26	59		
Duckett, Michael and Jill	27	31		
Nowicki, Nicole and Jeremy	28	9		
Treadwell, Richard and Carol	29	46		

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.

Sympathy and God's peace to: The family of Sallie and Gerhard Schulz on the passing of Sallie's mother, Barbara Dewey on November 22, 2019.

Long-Term Prayer List: Calvary Members: Diane Foley; Carroll Gehrke; Jeanette Ketelsen; Marge Skarie; Lowell Sonderman; Donna Polizzi, and Janet Zastrow. Non-members: Henry Alba (friend of Glori Kurth); Jeff Edwards and Monica Barchus (friends of the Kretschmann's); Christine Elliott (friend of Chet Elliott); Andy (friend of Thiede's); Joe Frank (cousin of Mary Ellen Thiede); Ann Dentice (grandmother of Tony and Krista Dentice); Casey Clark (grandson of Judy Kestly); Rochelle Wehr (friend of Baumgartner's and Chris Spangenberger); Colin Kettleson (nephew of Tom & Sue Sadowsky); Jim B. (friend of Andy Schatz)Karli (niece of Kris Larsen); Reidun Asland (friend of Pastor Ken and Marcella Nelson); Julie (friend of the Thiede's); Brad and Amanda (friends of the Dentice's); Bud (uncle of Mark and Lydia Trudell); Astrid Bloomer (friend of Jonni Roush); Laurie Gomez (aunt of Jeff Dentice); Tom Kestly (Judy Kestly's husband); Michael Rossa (son of Lucy Dallman); Jeff Edwards (friend of the Kretschmann's); Philip Voss' mother; Aleah (friend of Jenni Swanson); Sheila Ulsberger (friend of Brad and Sue Meyer); Rod Clark (friend of the Baumgartner and Spangenberger families); Pamela Scott (mother of Megan Sayas); Tom Waldoch (father of Lynnette Anderson); Sue M. (friend of Mary Smith); Marcia and Jerry Borgie (friends of Grace Gunnlaugsson); Janice Tackes (friend of Sandie Rupnick); Brad Gabriel (cousin of Jenni Swanson).

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DECEMBER 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM COFFEE at the Cross	2 Off: Pastor Ken 6:30 PM Church Life Committee	3 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 6:00 PM Celebration Ringers 7:00 PM Budget & Finance Meeting 7:00 PM Families Anon 7:00 PM Worship & Music Committee 7:30 PM Non- Smoking AA	4 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Al-Anon 12:30 PM Bible Study 6:30 PM Advent Worship 7:15 PM Alleluia Choir	5 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM Quilters 6:00 PM Stephen Ministers 6:15 PM - 7:45 PM Divorce Care	6 Off: Kyle 10:30 AM Mission & Outreach Committee 12:00 PM AI Anon	7 Name Tag Weekend 5:00 PM Worship
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15 FOOD SUNDAY MS & HS Christmas Party 9:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM COFFEE at the Cross 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Sunday School, Confirmation, HS & Adult Education	16 <u>Off: Pastor Ken</u>	17 CROSSROADS DEADLINE 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 1:00 PM Rebekah Circle 6:00 PM Celebration Ringers 7:00 PM Council Meeting 7:00 PM Families Anon 7:30 PM Non- Smoking AA	18 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Al-Anon 12:30 PM Bible Study 6:30 PM Advent Worship 7:15 PM Alleluia Choir	19 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM Quilters 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM SALT Christmas Gathering 4:00 PM Amazing Grace Adult Study 6:15 PM - 7:45 PM Divorce Care	20 Off: Kyle 12:00 PM Al Anon 6:30 PM "Christmas Story Live" Dress Rehearsal & Party	21 5:00 PM Worship
22 9:00 AM Worship - CHRISTmas Story Live 10:30 AM COFFEE at the Cross	23 Off: Pastor Ken 4:00 PM Meal Program	24 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 4:00 PM Christmas Eve Family Worship 10:00 PM Christmas Eve Candlelight Service	25 Christmas Day Office Closed 10:00 AM Christmas Day Worship	26 9:00 AM Crossroads Assembly 9:30 AM Calvary Knitting Group	27 Off: Kyle 12:00 PM Al Anon	28 Off: Pastor Ken 5:00 PM Worship
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SERVING AT WORSHIP

Serving At Worship	<u>December 7/8</u> Sat. 5:00 p.m. Sun. 9:00 a.m.	December 14/15 Sat 5:00 p.m. Sun. 9:00 a.m.	<u>December 21/22</u> Sat. 5: p.m. Sun. 9:00 a.m.	<u>December 28/29</u> Sat. 5:00 p.m. Sun. 9:00 a.m.
ACOLYTES	Scott Anderson Preston Meyer	Ellie Sayas Sam Sayas	Preston Meyer Jayden Day	Scott Anderson Sam Sayas
ALTAR GUILD	Marty Altmin	Norene Giuliani Jan Lukasik	Shirley Brodell Marge Tyne	RoJean Holler Ruth Young
Assisting Minister	Lee Tyne	Larry Bonier		Nancy Wittmus
Children's Sermon	Angie Schatz	Megan Schatz	Larry Bonier	Natalie Anderson
DEACONS	[Sat] Sheila Kershek [Sun] Baumgartner, Judy Sayas, Glori Kurth	[Sat] Ed Ramthun [Sun] Rhonda Rodriguez, Al Rodriguez, Sheila Kershek	[Sat] Jim Kalupa [Sun] Rich Baumgartner, Jonni Roush, Judy Sayas	[Sat] [Sun] Rich Baumgartner, Jonnie Roush, Ed Ramthun
Greeters	EETERS [Sat] Ray and Jan Chesner [Sun] Carol Roe, John and Mary Lau [Sat] Ron and Jean Holman [Sun] Jonnie Roush, Marilyn Hermann, Bob and Mary Smith		[Sat] Ed and Kay Marshall [Sun] Bill and Lenna Graffin	[Sat] Bruce and Ruth Steffans [Sun] Gael Hirth, Diane Grundman, Bob and Donna Siderits
LECTORS	Ruth Brostowitz	Lenna Graffin	John Sayas	Grace Gunnlaugsson
РРТ			[Sat] Lydia Trudell [Sun] Sallie Schulz	[Sat) Lydia Trudell [Sun] Chris Spangenberger
USHERS	Scott & Peggy Langelin Chuck & Jan Lukasik	Keith & Karen Pierce Tom & Mary Ellen Thiede	Marty Altmin Chet Elliott Ed Ramthun Erik Zipp	Gordy & Grace Gunnlaugsson Bob & Mary Smith
MUG 'BEARER	Keith Pierce	Marcella Nelson	Mark Trudell	Chuck Lukasik
Altar Flowers	Ron & Jean Holman		Lukasik/Pfeiffer families	
HOSPITALITY		Larry & Susie Bonier		

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Christmas Poinsettias for Sale	Red, white and "jingle bell" (red with flecks of white and gold) poinsettias are available for purchase this year and will be placed at the altar for Christmas worship services. The plants are top quality with three plants per pot, wrapped in colored foil.	We invite you to purchase one or more by filling out this form and returning it to the church office, along with your check (made out to Calvary Lutheran Church) by Monday, Dec. 16. (Please note "Poinsettia" in the memo line of your check.)	Number of plants @ \$25 each:	White Jingle Bell	Amount enclosed: \$	In memory of:	nor of:	Donor(s) Name(s):	Names of those memorialized or honored (and donor) will be published in the Christmas church bulletins.	Please note: The Poinsettias will be displayed on Christmas Eve & Christmas Day. Please make arrangements to take your plant(s) home after Wednesday, December 25 worship and before Saturday, December 28.
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