

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH



Your Weekly E-Newsletter June 25, 2020

This Week's Pondering

Ken Nelson, Senior Pastor



"So neither the one who plants or the one who waters is anything, but only God who makes things grow."

I Corinthians 3:7

Paul wrote these words to deflect attention away from his work and toward God. You see the church in Corinth was falling prey to the age old problem of picking winners from among themselves – who contributed the most to the church was being bandied about almost to the point of exhaustion. Wealthy folks gave, musicians played, preachers preached, folks with gifts of prophesy kept congregations spellbound with their pronouncements, the compassionate were doing all sorts of acts of kindness that would make people shake their heads in wonder. They were getting noticed, admired even.

That was the problem. Even if on the surface it seemed the church appeared to be clicking on all cylinders. In fact their success was their greatest weakness – for pride finds its way into our thoughts about as easy as air in our lungs. Once in place, pride of accomplishment starts the rating game – it looks itself in the mirror, likes (a lot) what it sees, then notices others who aren't quite all that. And before you know it, the competition

Click [here](#) to read the remainder of Pastor Ken's message.

Worship Resources

You can easily access our Home Worship Resources which includes the worship materials of an audio file of the service, the sermon and an order of worship that outlines the service. Click below.

[Worship Resources](#)

Faith Formation

Read what's happening in Faith Formation Ministry. Click below.

[Faith Formation Updates](#)

Daily Devotion

[NALC Daily Devotion](#)

Holy Communion

Home Distribution Ministry Underway

Holy Communion Distribution

at (and person bringing the elements if remaining) can pray this prayer
tion;

ed, as you sent the angel to feed Elijah in the wilderness with heavenly
ur love and grace nourish me (us) as we partake of this one heavenly
lessed body and blood of your Son our Savior Jesus. May (I) we, like
trengthened by this meal and most especially by your abiding
AMEN"

be read by the Communicant(s) (or person bringing the elements if remaining)

congregation gathered for the celebration of Holy Communion, with thanksgiving we remembered that
ht in which he was betrayed, our Lord took bread, broke it, and gave it to his disciples saying "take and
and when he had given thanks, he gave it



If you are choosing to remain at home during the COVID-19 pandemic, any Calvary member, regardless of age or health, can request consecrated bread and juice from the weekend worship service. A sealed communion "kit", along with simple instructions to prepare you for communion, can be dropped off at your home by a member of our home communion ministry team.

If you'd like to get on the schedule for this important ministry, please contact the church office at 262.786.4010 or via email to office@calvarylc.com. You may set up a schedule of delivery weekly, or less often if you choose.

"I'd like to, but I don't have a gift for sharing my faith." Ever find yourself thinking or saying that? It's a common reason Christians give for not talking with others about God. But is that the real reason why so many people don't talk to others about Christ?

In his book *Share Jesus Without Fear*, William Fay points out the top six fears that keep people from sharing their faith:

1. I'm afraid of being rejected.
2. I'm afraid of what my friends will think.
3. I don't think I can share with my coworkers.
4. I don't know enough.
5. I'm afraid of losing my friends and family.
6. I don't know how.

Have you experienced any of those fears? If you're like most people, you probably have. However, the Great Commission calls us all to share our faith. The apostle Paul says, "I can do everything through him who gives me strength." What this means is God has given us, including you and me, the strength to share our faith, despite our lack of gifts, talents and strength.

One way to help overcome those fears is to avoid the "win them over" mentality. People do not put their faith in Christ because we convinced them to believe. They put their faith in Christ because God uses us to point out the truth. When people reject your message, it isn't you they reject. They are rejecting Jesus and God's word.

So put away those fears. As William Fay points out, "Not only will you impact the lives of your loved ones, you will also experience a new depth in your relationship with God that you never experienced before."

In upcoming issues of this column, we will be discussing where and when to share your faith, how to begin the relationship with family, friends or coworkers, and leading by example. So stay tuned.

The Big Six "Sharing Your Faith ... A How-To Series"

Lutheran College Scholarships Available!

Congregation members with child(ren) attending a Lutheran College can apply for one of three \$1,000 Lutheran College Scholarships.

Applications are available from Calvary Lutheran Church office. Please submit applications by July 15, 2020 to allow sufficient time for the team to approve and designate scholarship winners.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Ernie Kretschmann at kretschmann@att.net.



Video Equipment Fundraiser with 50% Match

Calvary Lutheran Church is excited to announce a new project aimed at reaching the broader general public and to connect with our congregation at large during the COVID19 pandemic.

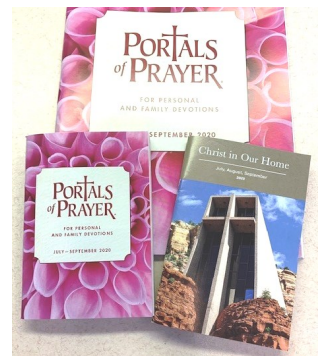
We are investigating and investing in technology to provide to bring our worship services and other programs to those unable to join us in person. The plan is to purchase and install equipment that will give us the ability to record, edit and then release a video to the congregation of our worship services, Vacation Bible School, and other events within our church.

The Endowment Committee is excited to announce the Video Equipment Fundraiser with a 50% match up to \$2,500. Contact the church office to inquire about donations toward this fundraiser.

Devotional Books Available

Copies of the July through September "*Portals of Prayer*" and "*Christ in the Home*" are available on the table in the Narthex.

If you'd like a copy mailed to you, please contact Cindy Zilske at 262.786.4010.



Worship Updates

No Saturday July 4 Worship Service



Independence Day falls on a Saturday this year and *worship will not be held on July 4 at 5:30 p.m.*

Regular worship services of 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. will be held on Sunday, July 5.

Serving at Worship

**THIS
WEEKEND**
4th Sunday after
Pentecost

This week's readings

[Jeremiah 28:5-9](#)

[Psalms 119:153-160](#)

[Romans 7:1-13](#)

[Matthew 10:34-42](#)

ASSISTING MINISTER:

- Lynnae Douglas

DEACONS:

- **Saturday:** Sheila Kershek
- **Sunday (8:30 am):** Terry Bzdusek
- **Sunday (10:00 am):** Jonni Roush

USHERS:

- **Sunday (8:30 am):** Keith and Karen Pierce
- **Sunday (10:00 am):** Brad Meyer and Jane Krause

ALTAR GUILD:

- Tom and Sue Sadowsky

ALTAR FLOWERS:

- Cindy Zilske in honor of her Calvary family and friends

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

- Natalie Anderson

SPECIAL MUSIC:

- Kyle Jones

POWERPOINT TECH:

- **Saturday:** Lydia Trudell
- **Sunday (8:30 am):** Grace Gunnlaugsson
- **Sunday (10:00 am):** Chuck Lukasik

WEEKEND WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday at 8:30 a.m.

Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

We have taken many steps to ensure as safe of an environment as possible – please use your own judgement in choosing to come. You must do what is most comfortable for you. We will also continue to offer the weekend worship and podcast materials via email, as well as delivery of home communion to any member who wishes to receive it. Please call the office at 262.786.4010 for more details or to sign up to receive home communion.



Important changes that have been implemented:

Face masks are strongly encouraged. We will have a limited supply on hand near the entrance to the Sanctuary.

Social distancing has been established in the Sanctuary with assigned pews for each service, designated by colored tags (see photo). Please sit **only** in the pew with the tag designated for that service. ***We have updated***

the pew assignments so please look for the appropriate service. If you are not sitting with your family, observe the 6' distance between you and someone next to you (approximately two arm lengths).

All high touch points such as pews and door handles are wiped down after each service. The Altar Guild follows strict sanitation practices when filling the cups. We are using hosts instead of bread and wine is "self serve". All servers are wearing masks and will wash their hands in the Sacristy prior to serving communion.

| | Attendance |
|--------------------|------------|
| Saturday 5:00 p.m. | 35 |
| Sunday 8:30 a.m. | 47 |
| Sunday 10:00 a.m. | 23 |

Worship Attendance June 20 & 21

Sanctuary Flowers



We invite you to sign up for flowers to beautify our altar. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex or you can email your request to [Cindy Zilske at office@calvarylc.com](mailto:Cindy.Zilske@calvarylc.com). Please indicate the date you'd like to sponsor the flowers, and if you would like the flowers in memory or honor of someone.

Flowers are \$35 and may be taken home following the 10:00 a.m. worship on Sunday.

Prayer Requests

New prayer requests: Chuck Giuliani, Diane Foley, Jenna (granddaughter of Wayne and Bonnie Johnson)

Ongoing short-term prayer requests: Beverly Lawson; Pat Treutelaar; Janet Zastrow; Lynn Stritzel (brother of Mary Lau); Mary Dresser (Donna Schroeder's daughter-in-law's sister); Mary (friend of Jane Taufner); Shirl Gordon (friend of Cindy Rooks); David Voight (friend of Jonni Roush); Doug Haus (brother-in-law of Chet Elliott); and Tom Kestly (husband of Judy Kestly).

Serving in the Military: Dan Berger (serving in the U.S. Marines); Nicole Wahlgren (serving in the U.S. Army National Guard); Kyle Pierce (son of Karen and Keith Pierce, serving in the U.S. Army); Alex Olson (U.S. Air Force, grandchild of Ardath Olson); Karmen Thomas (friend of Tony and Krista Dentice serving in the U.S. Army); all military chaplains; and all veterans suffering with post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD).

For All Men and Women Serving:

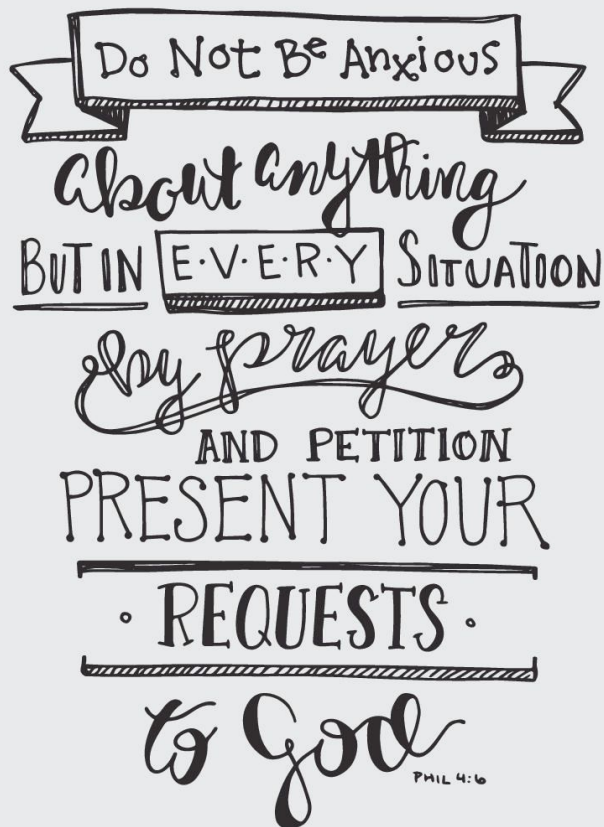
Police Officers, Firefighters, Health Care workers and First Responders.

Serving in the mission field: Our NALC missionaries and missionaries everywhere bringing the gospel to the ends of the Earth.

Long-term prayer list: *Calvary members:* Carroll Gehrke; Jeanette Ketelsen; Marge Skarie; Lowell Sonderman; Donna Polizzi

Non-members: Henry Alba (friend of Glori Kurth); Christine Elliott (friend of Chet Elliott); Reidun Asland (friend of Pastor Ken and Marcella Nelson); Laurie Gomez (aunt of Tony Dentice); Aleah (friend of Jenni Swanson); Sheila Ulsberger (friend of Brad and Sue Meyer); Brad Gabriel (cousin of Jenni Swanson); Jeff Edwards (friend of Ernie Kretschmann); Michael Rossa (Lucy Dallman's son).

If you have any new prayer requests, please contact the church office at 262.786.4010 or via email to office@calvarylc.com.



Happy Birthday!

Judy DeBruine, 7/6

Happy Anniversary!

Gordy and Grace Gunnlaugsson 6/25 (54 years)
Deron and Lynette Anderson 6/26 (27 years)
Daniel and Myrna Mavroff 6/26 (72 years)
Reg and Sue Becker 6/27 (61 years)
Bob and Ann Jazgar 6/27 (56 years)
George and Carol Rooney 7/1 (53 years)

Mission of the Month & Community Outreach

June Mission of the Month:

Global Workers/World Mission Prayer League (WMPL)

The World Mission Prayer League is an official ministry partner of the NALC. WMPL grew out of a God-given burden to pray for the unreached interiors of Africa, Asia, and Latin America in the 1930's. A band of students, pastors and friends in the Minneapolis area joined together in prayer that the Lord of the harvest would send laborers into his harvest.

They founded the South American Mission Prayer League in Minneapolis on May 25, 1937, committed to providing a way for lay participation in mission and to complement the regular work of the Lutheran synods, without diverting means or personnel from their programs.

WMPL says of itself... *we are committed to pray, as Jesus commands his followers in Matthew 9:38 – “Ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.” We are a... community of men and women who are committed to prayer - the “working method” of our mission.*

The World Mission Prayer League exists to see that populations with limited or no access to the Gospel experience the love of Christ and that believers and communities of believers in the Americas and elsewhere engage in active and collaborative participation in living out their roles in the great commission.

Our **Mission of the Month** offerings will:

1. Directly support their work through World Mission Prayer League
2. Support a “Ministry Fund” - used to equip students of the Seminary – where in addition to theological education students visit congregations near the seminary leading and preaching Sunday worship services as well help in an after school program for children in its neighborhood.

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3. Be earmarked for the future development of a Boarding School of Northern India – envisioned as a place for primary education in a Christian environment.

We hope you will learn more about WMPL (www.wmpl.org) and generously support the mission work Calvary does in India through this wonderful Lutheran ministry.

Your donations to WMPL can be made directly to Calvary; either through the online giving tool or via check. Please make checks payable to Calvary and note that it is for the "Mission of the Month".



FOODPantry
OF WAUKESHA COUNTY

End hunger. Start here.

Let's Stuff the Cart!

Throughout the month of June, you can deposit donated food items into the shopping cart located in the Narthex. Food will be delivered to the Waukesha Food Pantry. To help you shop for the the most-needed items, here's a list:

Canned tuna, salmon, chicken, beef stew, has, pasta with meat, fruit and vegetables, Peanut butter. Soups. Baby formula. Pancake mix and syrup. Whole grains (rice, quinoa). Cereals (preferably low sugar).

If you have any questions, please call

The office is open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. until noon.
The door closest to the office (NW corner) will be open during those hours.
Please check in with the office staff so we know you are in the building.

St. Vincent DePaul Meal Program Update

The meal program has changed dramatically to adjust to COVID-19 restrictions. Currently food is being prepared in the SVDP kitchen, boxed up, and distributed to guests who are waiting outside their building. Volunteers are helping with the preparation and distribution of meals - if you'd like to help with food prep or distribution, please reach out to Marge Tyne who can get you in touch with the appropriate person.



St. Vincent de Paul Society

Monetary donations are needed to help with the food cost. If you'd like to contribute to the meal program, you can send your check directly to SVDP Administrative Office, 9601 W. Silver Spring Drive, Milwaukee WI 53225. If you'd rather, you can make your donation payable to Calvary, note that it is for SVDP, and drop it off in the office. (Calvary will then write one check for all monies collected and forward to SVDP.)

Men's Ministry



Weekly Men's Breakfast
Wednesdays at 8:00 a.m.

Maxim's Restaurant
18025 W. Capitol Drive

The restaurant seating has been reconfigured in compliance with social distancing requirements. Please note the new start time!



Monthly Men's Ministry
Gathering
Thursday, June 25
6:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

Come for fellowship, food and devotion time. Dinner will be provided. Social distancing will be respected and practiced. If you have any questions, please reach out to Ernie Kretschmann at kretschmann@att.net.

A Few Reminders ...

The Week At a Glance

Saturday, June 27
5:00p Worship

Sunday, June 28
8:30a Worship
10:00a Worship

Monday, June 29

Tuesday, June 30
9:30a Staff Meeting

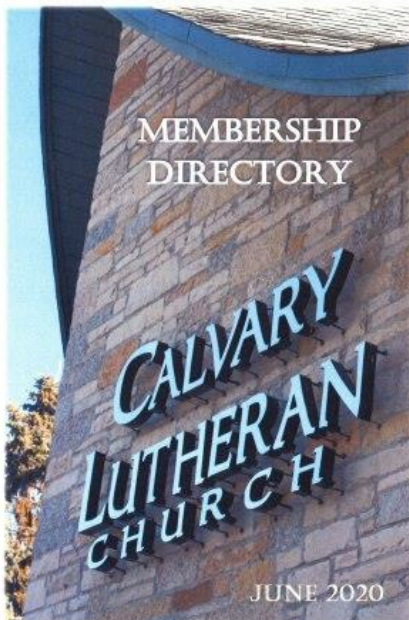
Wednesday, July 1
8:00a Men's Breakfast (Maxim's)

Thursday, July 2

Friday, July 3

Saturday, July 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY
No Worship Services

Updated Church Directory!



The updated directory is done! We are utilizing a different software program to generate the directory so you will notice it looks a little different than prior directories. While we do our best to provide accurate information, if any of the information contained in Directory is incorrect, please let us know. If you'd like to provide an updated photo to be used for future updates, those can be emailed to [Sue Rowe](#).

You can pick up a printed copy of the new Directory in the office, or it can be emailed to you. Please send an email to communications@calvarylc.com to request that copy.

Information contained in this Directory is entrusted to Calvary members for their non-commercial personal use and Calvary ministry only.

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 262.853.0018.



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