Calvary Lutheran Church



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PRAYER REQUESTS

With the absence of our weekly worship bulletins, we have not been able to share new and ongoing prayer requests with our church family. Until we are back together, we will use the Connections to share new and ongoing prayer concerns with you.

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



Joy and blessings to Alecia and Nick Huettl on the birth of Elijah Peter, born on Saturday April 11. Elijah joins his siblings Meredith, Ben and Emily.

New prayer requests: Kay Marshall and Alecia Huettl. Please continue to pray for all our doctors, nurses, healthcare workers and first responders who are dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Ongoing short-term prayer requests: Jeanette Ketelsen; Keith Pierce; Pat Treutelaar; Janet Zastrow; John Ebert (brother of Jonni Roush); David Voight (friend of Jonni Roush); Doug Haus (brother-in-law of Chet Elliott); Al Powers (father of Matt Powers); Vicky Snyder (step-daughter of Barb Snyder); Milo (nephew of Lynnae and Caleb Douglas); Marcia and Jerry Borgie (friends of Grace Gunnlaugsson); Lynn Schoenfeld (friend of Lydia Trudell); 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 and First Responders.

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

WELCOME Elijah Peter Huettl!



Alecia and Nick Huettl welcomed Elijah Peter on Saturday, April 11 at 2:36 a.m. he was 6 lbs. 6 oz., 20". Elijah joins his big sisters Meredith and Emily and big brother Ben.

Alecia had an emergency C-section and thanks everyone for their prayers during her recovery.



Everyone is doing well and they are over the moon in love with this little guy!



Mission and Outreach Update

Mission and Outreach Committee has several ways you can still participate during this Safe at Home time. April's Mission of the Month is **Compassion International**, and we invite you to support that mission this month along with your regular offering.

You can listen to a message from Dave

DeBruine of Compassion International regarding Calvary's Mission of the Month for April.

A message from Dave DeBruine

Any online giving designated to the Mission of the Month will be applied to Compassion International. However, if you missed your opportunity to support the **Lutheran Bible Translators** because of fewer worship opportunities in March, you can still contribute. Checks for the March mission of the month, Lutheran Bible Translators, can still be sent to the church office with "March Mission of the Month" in the memo or include a note.

The Committee would like to thank you for your continued faithful support of our varied projects throughout the year. Please see the article below for several other opportunities to help.

Thank you for your generosity!

Collection for North American Lutheran Church Disaster

Response

In April and May we are collecting for the NALC Disaster Response. We will be collecting several different items for the Disaster Response project. All materials that are collected during this drive will be distributed to victims of hurricanes, tornados and other natural disasters in the United States. We hope to have a trailer come through in June to collect the items for the warehouse.



Health kits or new or gently used blankets or quilts for NALC disaster response are needed. All types of blankets are welcome.

There is a special need at this time for backpacks for school kids. There are empty backpacks at church waiting to be filled. Also, if you have a clean used backpack in good condition, it could be used as well. Along with the backpacks there is a need for calculators for high school students (any kind of hand-held calculator). There is a basket in the Narthex to collect those separately.

You may bring these items to church and place them in the backpack -

School Kit Components:

- Four (4) notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper (no loose-leaf paper)
- One (1) pair of blunt scissors
- One (1) ruler
- One (1) pencil sharpener
- Six (6) new pencils
- One (1) eraser
- Twelve (12) sheets of construction paper, assorted colors
- One (1) box of 16 or 24 crayons
- One (1) cloth bag or backpack (empty backpacks are in the Narthex)



The Little Free Library

Calvary has a Little Free Library behind the church in the playground. We are in need of children's books to stock it now that the weather is getting warmer. New and used books are appreciated. You can drop off the books into the Little Library by the playground or in the church office. Thanks for sharing.

BASICS of Milwaukee

BASICS of Milwaukee has a connection with a "Back to Work" program. Calvary is collecting clothes that adults could wear to a job interview or for work. These could be dressier clothes or casual clothes as not everyone works in a professional setting. A tub will be located in the entry for you to donate to this project. We will collect through the month of April.



Stay Connected Via Conference Call



Did you know that you can still have your Bible Study, Small Group session, Book Club or Committee meeting remotely? Calvary has an account with a group conference call company that will allow you to conduct a phone conference call with many individuals. It's easy and free! It is not a video conference service; but simply a conference call where all parties are connected via phone.

We have one conference access number; however, it can only be accessed by one group at a time. If you'd like to use this service, please contact the office at 262.786.4010 or via email to office@calvarylc.com, and let us know the date and time of your call. (Please note that at this time the conference number is currently booked on Tuesdays from 9:30-10:30 a.m. for office staff meetings.)

Questions? Contact Cindy Rooks at 262.786.4010 or via email at finance@office.com.

NEW! Pastor Ken's Blog on Facebook!

Pastor Ken has a new blog on the church's Facebook page -- CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH NALC. There's a link to the page by clicking on the Facebook logo to the right.



If you're not already "following" Calvary's page, please do so and you will get a notification whenever there is a new post!



Face Masks are needed and materials are provided!

Can you sew? Our friends at **BASICS** are in need of face masks for their clients. Please note: You must follow the <u>pattern</u> from Froedtert & Medical College - click on photo to see mask instructions.

We have set up a small table outside

Door #1 at the NW corner of the church by the office with pre-cut fabric and instructions. You can pick up a kit or two - the fabric, which has been donated by the Calvary Quilters, is placed into plastic bags in two clear shoe boxes. Copies of the Instructions are on a clipboard – which has been placed in a plastic bag to protect from dampness. If you are going to make more than one, please take one instruction sheet. Additional fabric can be obtained from the office - please contact Cindy Zilske at 262.786.4010 or via email: <u>office@calvarylc.com</u>.

Each completed mask should be placed into a Ziploc bag with an encouraging note (it could be something as simple as "because you matter to God"), and returned to the church office no later than **WEDNESDAY**, **APRIL 22**. The office is open from Monday through Friday, 8amnoon.

We will get through this together!

Many members of Calvary Lutheran Church choose to give electronically.

Why do they do this? For several reasons:

 Convenient — don't need to remember to write a check. Can be established for recurring contributions. And, you can designate for general giving, Mission of the Month, etc.

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- 2. Safe today's systems require secure systems. Calvary utilizes the services of VANCO, a highly rated payment processing company focused on non-profits.
- 3. Can use Credit Cards as a payment option.
- 4. Green less paper utilization, no checks & no envelopes needed.
- 5. Easy to do see the two methods below.

Method One — for payment from your checking or savings account.

Complete a Simply Giving document and include a voided check or savings deposit slip. The document can be obtained from the table in the Narthex or by calling the office. Once established, changes are easily made by calling Cindy Rooks in the office.

Method Two — for payment by credit card, checking or savings.

You can access the Calvary Lutheran Church VANCO website through this<u>ONLINE GIVING</u> <u>LINK</u>or via the online giving link at the bottom of the church's website (www.calvarylc.com). Once on the VANCO site, you'll need to create an account and complete the information requested.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Cindy Rooks at 262.786.4010 or via email to finance@calvarylc.com.

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.







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