

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH



Your Weekly E-Newsletter January 28, 2021

This Week's Pondering

Lynnae Douglas, Pastoral Intern



Philippians 1:3 "I thank my God in all remembrance of you"

With these words, the Apostle Paul praises God and expresses his heartfelt affection for the church at Philippi, a church made up of people he had grown to sincerely love and admire.

As I reflect on this last year serving as your pastoral intern, it seems fitting to use the same words from the first chapter of Philippians and address them to you. You have "partnered with me in the gospel" (vs. 5), allowing me to preach the good news of Jesus Christ to you and assist in leading you in worship.

I cannot express to you what an honor it has been to be granted the opportunity to do such weighty tasks. You patiently endured the sermons of a "rookie," and you offered helpful and encouraging feedback. Thank you for being "partakers with me of [Christ's] grace" (vs. 7) as I attempted to speak the greatest news that could ever be heard. Thank you for allowing me the privilege of leading in other capacities as well. Thank you to the women who joined me for a few weeks of Bible study pre-Covid (remember when?) and those who participated in the *Liturgy of the Ordinary* study this past fall. Thanks also to the middle-schoolers who sat through Confirmation classes and continually challenged me with their curiosity and questions.

I'm grateful to have met regularly with a wonderful Internship Committee who were great sounding boards for me, particularly as I had to accelerate this process in the fall. Thank you, Jill, Chris, Sue and Natalie for giving so much of your time to support me in that way.

I have learned invaluable lessons about the nuts and bolts of keeping a church running as I've sat through Council Meetings, particularly during a year where uncertainty

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION - Annual Meeting 2020



Calvary's Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 31 at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Note: There will NOT be Christian Education or a 10:15 a.m. service.

TO MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCING DURING THE MEETING, PLEASE SIT IN THE PEWS MARKED FOR THE 10:15 SERVICE.

Several important items will be voted on at that meeting - specifically a ratification of amendments to the NALC Constitution. More information is provided below, along with a link to the specific documents to support the amendments.

Copies of the Annual Report for 2020 can be picked up in the Narthex or viewed via this [LINK](#). A separate Committee Report that summarizes activities for 2020 has also been compiled and can be viewed via this [LINK](#).

Calvary Lutheran Church needs to ratify NALC Constitutional Amendments approved at the 2020 Mission Convocation. A copy of the information regarding these amendments can be read [HERE](#).

There are two general amendments impacting various sections of the NALC Constitution. These amendments DO NOT impact the Constitution or Bylaws of Calvary Lutheran Church.

- **Determining the Lay Delegates at the Convocation** – currently this is a mathematical calculation based on the congregation's size. This has been challenging since the NALC congregations have a very different mix of sizes. The change would allow the NALC Executive Council to determine the number based on current congregational and clergy membership.
- **Change from an Annual Convocation to a Biennial Convocation** . The main purpose of the amendments associated with this change is to address how the NALC, at all levels, deploys its resources to perform the mission of the Holy Spirit.

Nominating Committee Members Needed

Under our By-Laws, we need four members of the congregation for the 2021 Nominating Committee whose role is to identify three incoming Council members for 2022. If you are willing to serve on the Nominating Committee, you can reach out to Brad Meyer (Council President) or the church office. The tasks of this committee do not necessarily require in-person meetings and does not require a large time commitment.

Lynnae's Internship Concludes this Sunday January 31, 2021

Let's shower her with cards and love! Unfortunately (due to COVID restrictions), we are not able to send her off with a reception, but invite you to drop off a note or card for her before the end of the month. Look for the box in the Narthex on the table, or you can drop off a card in the



Pastoral Intern Lynnae Douglas will be finishing her internship on January 31, 2021.

Congratulations! Lynnae's internship program was accelerated due to the birth of her fourth child. She has completed all requirements. We have truly enjoyed having her as an intern in our congregation for the past year. Hopefully she will get some well-deserved rest before the baby arrives in mid-February.

church office and we will make sure she receives it.



Worship Information and Updates

WORSHIP LIVE STREAM NOW AVAILABLE!

Can't make it to worship? We are now live streaming the 8:15 a.m. service on Sunday mornings, and it's *almost* like you're with us in person.

You can access it at any time from the home page of our website (www.calvarylc.com), or by using the link below.



[Link to Weekly Live Stream](#)

Serving at Worship

January 30 & 31, 2021
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
Annual Meeting: 9:30 a.m.

PRESIDING MINISTER:

- Pastor Ken Nelson

ASSISTING MINISTER:

- Jessica Dudzik

DEACONS:

- Saturday (5:00 pm): Terry Bzdusek
- Sunday (8:15 am): Jonni Roush
- Sunday (10:15 am): *No second service (Annual Meeting)*

USHERS:

- Sunday (8:15 am): George and Kay Sedivec
- Sunday (10:15 am): *No second service (Annual Meeting)*

LECTORS:

- Sunday (8:15 am): Sallie Schulz
- Sunday (10:15 am): *No second service (Annual Meeting)*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

- Lynnae Douglas

ALTAR FLOWERS:

- Giuliani family in celebration of Eliza's 2nd birthday

ALTAR GUILD:

- RoJean Holler

POWERPOINT TECH:

- Saturday (5:00 pm): Lydia Trudell
- Sunday (8:15 am): Sue Rowe
- Sunday (10:15 am): *No second service (Annual Meeting)*

Worship Attendance - January 23 & 24, 2021

	Attendance
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	30
Sunday 8:15 a.m.	65
Sunday 10:15 a.m.	39

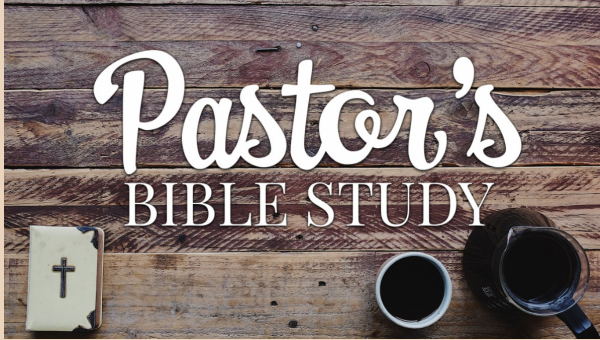
Faith Formation

Pastor Ken's Bible Study Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m.

Join us!

You're invited to join Pastor Ken's mid-week Bible study every Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Seating will be appropriately spaced and masks will be required.

Please note that refreshments will not be



provided, but you are welcome to bring your own beverage.

THIS SUNDAY!

Sunday, January 31, 2021
5 p.m. Middle School Youth Group



Our Church Family

Happy Birthday!

Tony Dentice, 1/28
Nancy Marsho, 2/2
Jim Marsho, 2/5
Erwin Ramthun, 2/5
Tina Baumgartner, 2/5
Johanna Nelson, 2/7
Diane Speth, 2/7
Garry Gillespie, 2/8
Diane Knappe, 2/13
Philip Voss, 2/14
Eleanor Koster, 2/15
Lydia Trudell, 2/16
Wayne Johnson, 2/18
Carolyn Gillespie, 2/19
Connor Voss, 2/21
Sue Becker, 2/23
Bobby Vollmar, 2/24
Jim Brostowitz, 2/25
Luther Himsel, 2/25
Eli Douglas, 2/28

Happy Anniversary!

Sue and Mike Rowe, 2/14 (40 years)



Prayer Requests

Prayers of sympathy and God's peace to: Angie Schatz and family on the passing of her grandmother Betty Eggert on January 20, and to the family of former Calvary member Karen Newton, who passed away on January 19.

Prayers of joy to: Bob and Mary Smith on the birth of their grandson Liam Robert Smith, born on January 24 to Mike and Alana.

New prayer requests: Bill Krause, Mike Santell (brother-in-law of Judy Sayas)

Ongoing short-term prayer requests: Marcella Nelson; Bob Siderits; Larry Bonier; Pastor Jerry Wittmus; Ray Chesner, Don Heyen; Nadine Schuelke; George Rooney; Grace Gunnlaugsson; Dale and Lois Solberg (friends of Pastor Ken and Marcella); Rebecca Cornell (niece of Pastor Ken and Marcella); Debbie and Jens Douglas (sister-in-law of Lynnae Douglas); Debby (friend of Judy Sayas); Pamela Scott (mother of Megan Sayas); Theodore Peelen (grandfather of Tony Dentice); Jim Walters (uncle of Krista Dentice); Denver Green (friend of Janet Zastrow); Karen (friend of Lydia Trudell); Jerry Locy (father of Cindy Rooks); Olivia (granddaughter of Megan Sayas' co-worker)

Serving in the Military: Kevin Butler (son of Heidi Powers, serving in the U.S. Army); Ben DeYoung (son-in-law of George and Kay Sedivec, serving in the U.S. Air Force); 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:* Diane Foley; Bill Jordan; Jeanette Ketelsen; Marge Skarie; Lowell Sonderman; Donna Polizzi; Pat Treutelaar; and Janet Zastrow.

Non-members: Mike Foster (son of Ron Foster); Judy Grospitz; Elmer Eggert (grandfather of Angie Schatz); John Bradowsky (NALC Bishop Emeritis); Jan Janchan (friend of Jonni Roush); Mary Dresser (Donna Schroeder's daughter-in-law's sister); David Voight (friend of Jonni Roush); Bill Barwa (friend of Megan Sayas); Doug Haus (brother-in-law of Chet Elliott); Christine Elliott (friend of Chet Elliott); Reidun Asland (friend of Pastor Ken and Marcella Nelson); Jeff Edwards (friend of Ernie Kretschmann); Monica Barchus (niece 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.

Monday, February 22 – 9:30 a.m.

Join us as we watch the movie “Yesterday” on the big screen in the Sanctuary. If you enjoy the music of the early Beatles, this will be a treat. It's an entertaining movie - here's a short recap:

“Jack Malik was just another struggling songwriter . . . but that was yesterday. After a mysterious blackout, Jack discovers he is the only person on earth who remembers The Beatles!”

As he rockets to fame by passing off the Fab Four's songs as his own, Jack risks losing Ellie – the one person who has loved him and believed in him from the start. Before the door to his old life closes forever, Jack must decide if all he needs is love, after all.”

Join us and bring a friend!



Men's Ministry



Weekly Men's Breakfast
Wednesdays at 7 a.m.
Maxim's Restaurant
18025 W. Capitol Drive
Brookfield

The restaurant seating has been reconfigured in compliance with social distancing requirements.

All men are invited to attend!

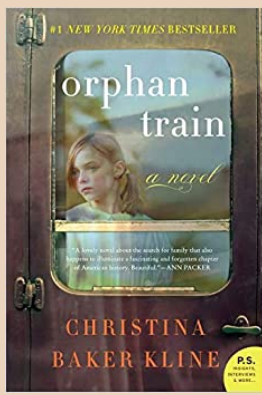


Monthly Men's Gathering
Thursday, January 28
6:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

Come for fellowship, food and devotion time. Dinner will be provided. Invite a friend. Social distancing will be respected and practiced; face coverings are required.

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

Women's Ministry



Women's Book Group - February 8 1:00 p.m. - Fellowship Hall "The Orphan Train"

Between 1854 and 1929, so-called orphan trains ran regularly from the cities of the East Coast to the farmlands of the Midwest, carrying thousands of abandoned children whose fates would be determined by pure luck. Would they be adopted by a kind and loving family, or would they face a childhood and adolescence of hard labor and servitude?

January Mission of the Month



We have a new Mission of the Month in 2021 -
Bethesda Lutheran Communities in
Watertown, Wisconsin.

Bethesda's Mission Statement: Enhancing the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities through services that share the good news of Jesus Christ

- Bethesda is a national Christian non-profit organization that provides support services for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities at program locations across the U.S.
- They work to enhance the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities by giving them the opportunity to live their lives to the fullest. They seek to be a champion of change by supporting independence and community inclusion.
- They make a difference every day in the lives of those they support through advocacy, raising awareness and promoting independence.
- They ensure communities understand the unique abilities people with disabilities have and encourage everyone to become advocates for people's rights and independence.
- Some of their current and future initiatives include:
 - Smart home technology to enhance daily living
 - Financial Support Services (they currently provide financial management for more than 700 clients)
 - Bethesda College of Applied Learning
 - Independent housing choices that offer true community inclusion
 - Behavioral Support Services (for people of all ages)
 - Faith resources made available online and free-of-charge through Concordia Publishing

You can find out more on their website: bethesdalc.org or you can pick up informational materials in the Narthex. To support this important Mission for the Month, you may include it in your weekly offering envelope or designate the donation as "Mission of the Month" in your online giving.

Community Outreach

**Thursday, Feb. 11, 2021
8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.**

We are again partnering with the Key Club at Brookfield Central High School to host their February Blood Drive. (Due to COVID restrictions and the re-allocation of larger spaces for classrooms, they do not have the space available to host this drive as they have in the past.) As a bonus, Amazon is thanking donors with a \$5 Amazon.com gift card by email. You can book



American Red Cross

BLOOD
DRIVE

your appointment to donate blood at
www.redcrossblood.org.

Volunteers will be needed to help with screening and check-in. If you can help, please email Sue Rowe with availability.
(communications@calvarylc.com)



Did you know we have a food pantry collection box in the back hallway near Nicole's office? Food items (*especially the "Big 8" items*) are always needed and can be placed into the pantry box at any time.

These items are used for individuals who stop by the church looking for food assistance. Surplus items are donated to the Waukesha Food Pantry for their distribution to the community.

Please check expiration dates on items being donated to make sure they are not past date.



The "Big 8" items most needed are:

- Canned fruits (esp. pineapple and mandarin oranges)
- Shelf stable protein (stews, tuna, chicken, spam, tofu)
- Rice - brown, white and boxed mixes
- Chunky soup (ready-to-eat)
- Canned pasta with meat
- Shelf stable almond or soy milk
- Soaps, laundry detergent, toilet paper

This Week at a Glance (*also available on Calvary's website calvarylc.com*)

Friday, January 29
10:30a Bible Study (Janet Zastrow group)

Saturday, January 30
5:00p Worship

Sunday, January 31
8:15a Worship
9:30a Annual Meeting (Sanctuary)

Monday, February 1
6:30p Church Life Committee (Zoom)

Tuesday, February 2
9:30a Staff Meeting
12:30p Bible Study (Pat Dieck group)
7:00p Worship & Music Committee Meeting

Wednesday, February 3
7:00a Men's Breakfast (Maxim's)
9:00a Amazing Grace Adult Study
12:30p Pastor's Bible Study
5:30p Celebration Ringers Rehearsal

Thursday, February 4
9:00a Calvary Quilters

Friday, February 5 Youth Winter Retreat Begins
10:30a Bible Study (Janet Zastrow Group)

A few reminders



Severe Weather Announcements

With this week's snowfall, we are reminded that weather can definitely impact traveling to church. And with that, inclement weather could necessitate the cancelling of worship.

In the event this should happen, you will receive an e-mail stating that the church is closed. We will also be sharing this with WISN-TV 12 and FOX6 so that it will be included in their scrolling list and on their website of closures.



The right side of the Sanctuary (as you face the altar) is equipped with a hearing loop system which transmits an audio signal directly into a hearing aid via a magnetic field. This greatly

The church office is open **Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until noon.** The door that is closest to the office (NW corner) will be open during those hours.

Office Hours

reduces background noise, competing sounds, reverberation and other acoustic distortions that reduce clarity of sound.

Most hearing aids are equipped with a t-coil and connecting to this system is an easy switch on the hearing aid. If you need assistance during worship with this system, please reach out to an usher or any staff member.

Please check in with the office staff so we know you are in the building.

The office phone number is **(262) 786-4010**. Feel free to leave a message if you call after hours and we will contact you the next day.

Sanctuary Flowers Sign Up

We invite you to sign up for flowers to beautify our altar each weekend. **The sign-up sheet for 2021 is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex.**

Flowers are \$35 and may be taken home following the 10:15 a.m. worship on Sunday morning.



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.



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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Questions or comments? Email Sue Rowe at communications@calvarylc.com