

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH
TOGETHER IN CHRIST
EMPOWERED TO BE AND MAKE DISCIPLES

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
SUNDAY
MARCH 1, 2020
8:00 AM



Introduction to the day

Today's gospel tells of Jesus' temptation in the desert. His forty-day fast becomes the basis of our Lenten pilgrimage. In the early church Lent was a time of intense preparation for those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. This catechetical focus on the meaning of faith is at the heart of our Lenten journey to the baptismal waters of Easter. Hungry for God's mercy, we receive the bread of life to nourish us for the days ahead.

Prelude: Vicar David Severtson

Gathering

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
who is present, who gives life,
who calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Amen.

If you were to keep watch over sins, O Lord, who could stand?
Yet with you is forgiveness, and so we confess.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,
have mercy on us.

**We confess that we have turned away from you,
knowingly and unknowingly.**

We have wandered from your resurrection life.

We have strayed from your love for all people.

Turn us back to you, O God.

**Give us new hearts and right spirits,
that we may find what is pleasing to you
and dwell in your house forever. Amen.**

Receive good news: God turns to you in love.
"I will put my spirit in you, and you shall live," says our God.
All your sin is forgiven in the name of ☩ Jesus Christ,
who is the free and abounding gift of God's grace for you. **Amen.**

Gathering Song: *Bless Now, O God, the Journey* (ELW 326)

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Canticle: *Will You Come and Follow Me* (ELW 798 verse 1)

Prayer of the Day

Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Word

Psalm 32 (GNT Pew Bible page 660)

¹ Happy are those whose sins are forgiven,
whose wrongs are pardoned.

² **Happy is the one whom the Lord does not accuse of doing wrong
and who is free from all deceit.**

³ When I did not confess my sins,
I was worn out from crying all day long.

⁴ **Day and night you punished me, Lord;
my strength was completely drained,
as moisture is dried up by the summer heat.**

⁵ Then I confessed my sins to you;
I did not conceal my wrongdoings.

I decided to confess them to you,
and you forgave all my sins.

⁶ **So all your loyal people should pray to you in times of need;
when a great flood of trouble comes rushing in,
it will not reach them.**

⁷ You are my hiding place;
you will save me from trouble.

I sing aloud of your salvation,
because you protect me.

**⁸ The Lord says, "I will teach you the way you should go;
I will instruct you and advise you.**

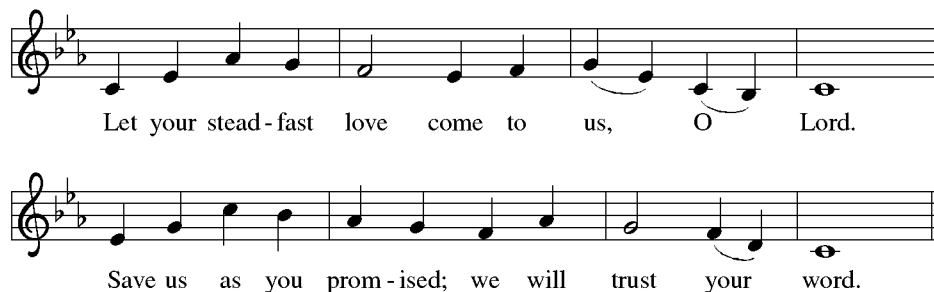
**⁹ Don't be stupid like a horse or a mule,
which must be controlled with a bit and bridle
to make it submit."**

**¹⁰ The wicked will have to suffer,
but those who trust in the Lord
are protected by his constant love.**

**¹¹ You that are righteous, be glad and rejoice
because of what the Lord has done.
You that obey him, shout for joy!**

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation (ELW p. 103)



Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11 (GNT Pew Bible page 1134)

¹ Then the Spirit led Jesus into the desert to be tempted by the Devil. ² After spending forty days and nights without food, Jesus was hungry. ³ Then the Devil came to him and said, "If you are God's Son, order these stones to turn into bread."

⁴ But Jesus answered, "The scripture says, 'Human beings cannot live on bread alone, but need every word that God speaks.'"

⁵ Then the Devil took Jesus to Jerusalem, the Holy City, set him on the highest point of the Temple, ⁶ and said to him, "If you are God's Son, throw yourself down, for the scripture says,

'God will give orders to his angels about you;
they will hold you up with their hands,
so that not even your feet will be hurt on the stones.'"

⁷ Jesus answered, "But the scripture also says, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

⁸ Then the Devil took Jesus to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in all their greatness. ⁹ "All this I will give you," the Devil said, "if you kneel down and worship me."

¹⁰ Then Jesus answered, "Go away, Satan! The scripture says, 'Worship the Lord your God and serve only him!'"

¹¹ Then the Devil left Jesus; and angels came and helped him.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon: "*Fake News*" Pastor Naomi Mahler

Hymn of the Day: *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me* (ELW 325)

Creed, Prayers of Intercession, Peace (ELW p. 105)

Meal

Special Music: *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* (Arr. Gill/Bannister)

Sung by Mary Jo de Cathelineau

Offering: *As the Grains of Wheat* (ELW 465)

Refrain:

As the grains of wheat once scattered on the hill
were gathered into one to become our bread;
so may all your people from all the ends of earth
be gathered into one in you.

1 As this cup of blessing is shared within our midst,
may we share the presence of your love. *Refrain*

2 Let this be a foretaste of all that is to come
when all creation shares this feast with you. *Refrain*

Offering Prayer and Thanksgiving at the Table

Lord's Prayer (ELW p. 112)

Songs during Communion:

Lamb of God (ELW page 112)

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly (ELW 461)

Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song (ELW 808)

Post Communion Blessing and Prayer

Sending

Announcements and Blessing

Sending Song: *Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer* (ELW 618)

Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

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WELCOME TO CALVARY

Everyone is invited to sign the Friendship Registers at the end of each pew.

KIDS CORNER is a place where you can find kid-friendly items to use during Worship. It is located in the Narthex next to the coat room.

CALVARY'S PRAYERGROUND is located in the back of the Sanctuary. This area is designated for quiet play for children together with their parents.

CALVARY'S NURSERY is located on the west side of the Sanctuary and is available for your use. A nursing lounge is available in the Prayer Room located on the north end of Bethany Hall (in the basement).

KNOWN HOSPITALIZED

Gene Fenstra, Rice Hospital.

HAPPY 91ST BIRTHDAY RALPH W. OLSON!

WE EXPRESS OUR SYMPATHY and remember in our prayers the families of Hazel Sundquist, mother of Mary Tallakson and Margaret Berry, mother of Carol Berry.

ADULT FORUM at 9:05 AM today, March 8 and March 29, Pastor Tim will talk on "A Closer Look at Matthew."

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS TO CALVARY

Steve and Kelly Gardner, 2709 6th St. SW, Willmar, MN.



Arlene Laurence, 5272 Lawler Beach Road, Willmar, MN.

Mike and Cindy Moser, 1112 Olena Ave., Willmar, MN.

Jenni Wolf, Paityn, Gracyn & Emersyn

CREATIVE HEART - Just a reminder...there is No Creative Heart on Wednesdays during Lent.

HOLY COMMUNION SCHEDULE If your child is older than 2nd grade and has not had an opportunity to receive instruction, please contact Janel or Pastor Naomi at 320-235-2508 or janel@calvarywillmar.org

FIRST COMMUNION

* **TODAY, MARCH 1 - 9:05 AM**

Second graders and their parents will meet in the Koinonia Room for Holy Communion instruction with Pastor Naomi.

* **NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 8 - 9:05 AM**

Second graders and their parents will meet in the Koinonia Room to make Paten and Chalice Keepsake with Barry Carlson.

EARLY CHILDHOOD SUNDAY SCHOOL

We meet today at 9:05 AM in the Youth Room (located on the 1st floor, education wing). Our story this month is "Jonah". All pre-Sunday School age children and parents are Welcome!

NOISY OFFERING We will be taking another Noisy Offering today during the 10:15 AM Worship Service. Children will pass a bucket during the closing worship song and worshipers are encouraged to share their coin money. The Noisy Offering will be in addition to our regular offering. Funds collected through May will go to support Green Lake Lutheran Ministries. Thank you for your support!

MYSTERY MOVIE

- * March 8
- * 3:30-7:00 PM
- * 3rd-5th Grade Youth
- * Cost is \$10/youth.

This is a Willmar Area Church Event hosted by Redeemer Lutheran Church. Pick up a registration form outside Janel's office. **Registration form and money due to Janel by Wednesday, March 4.** We hope you will join us for an evening of dinner, games & a movie! Friends are Welcome!

CAMP HOUSE NORTH SHORE GET-AWAY

July 17- 21, 2020 Join friends and families, for a relaxing north woods get-away at Camp House in Brimson, MN! (Come for all or part of the time). Camp House is one of GLLM's bible camps located 30 minutes from Two Harbors, MN. Sleep in comfy, but rustic cabins (toilets and showers are in a bath house not in cabins), or bring your camper/tent. Enjoy lake activities and North Shore recreation.

For more information Contact Pastor

Naomi at pastornaomi@calvarywillmar.org or (320) 894-2863 cell.

2020 SUMMER BIBLE CAMP

Join us for a week at bible camp! Calvary's Camp Week (at GLLM) this year will be **June 21-26!** Come join Janel and other Calvary kids for this exciting week at Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp! If this week doesn't work, sign up for another week. For more information check out the GLLM website (www.gllm.org) or talk to Janel.

BIBLE CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2020

Calvary will pay for 1/2 of the cost of camp for every Calvary youth who attends a Lutheran Bible Camp. Additional scholarships are also available. Questions? Talk to Janel

CALVARY'S BOOK CLUB: A PLACE TO BELONG & THRIVE

March's book will be "The Alice Network" – by Kate Quinn. *"The Alice Network" is a notable historical fiction novel that brings the readers back to the Great War. Author Kate Quinn tells a story of two women in wartime Europe. One is an American socialite Charlie St. Clair. Her pregnancy forces her to leave her country and move to Europe in search of a cousin who disappeared in France during the Nazi occupation. The second is a female spy Eve Gardiner who became a part of France's Alice Network during the Great War.*

Our group meets once a month to discuss that month's book. Next meeting Monday, March 16 at 7:00 PM in the Friendship Room at Calvary. Everyone is welcome; join us when it fits your schedule. If you have questions or would like to be added to our Facebook group please contact Sara Bennett (320) 444-3769/ sarabennett26@gmail.com

FREE PIANOS – Calvary has five upright pianos that it no longer needs. If you're interested in having one, please contact Vicar David at david@calvarywillmar.org or 235-2508 by March 1. We ask that you provide for your own moving of the instrument. Thank you!

DON'T FORGET TO SCHEDULE YOUR PHOTO SESSION FOR THE CALVARY CHURCH DIRECTORY To register on line go to Calvarylutheran@calvarywillmar.org and click on the Sign Up for Calvary Picture Button or if you have questions you can contact Erica Mathews at 320-444-0626. Next photo session is April 27– May 2.

MARCH IS KANDIYOHI COUNTY FOOD SHELF MONTH! March is Food Shelf month. This month we emphasize the need to donate non-perishable food and/or money donations to the Kandiyohi County Food Shelf. We encourage donations all month with food placed in the grocery cart and money put in envelopes found in the cart and left at the office. Donations brought to church on Saturday, March 28 will be placed in the grocery cart. Then all all of the donations for the month will be placed at the Altar on Sunday, March 29 at both services. Past donations on 11/17/19 was 38 pounds and on 2/4/2020 was 54 pounds.
The Social Concerns Committee



Wednesday, March 4

5:30 PM – Lenten Supper
Bethany Hall

6:30 PM - Worship Sharing our Stories of Faith

Guest Speaker: John Dean
Designated Offering: Calvary Family Promise

A Measure of Our Faithfulness Worship Attendance

Saturday, February 22		41
Sunday, February 23	8:00	67
	10:15	241
Ash Wednesday, Feb 26	12:00	53
	6:30	190
Total:		592

Next Sunday–March 8

Second Sunday in Lent
Genesis 12: 1-4a
Psalm 121
Romans 4: 1-5, 13-17
John 3: 1-17

Calvary Staff

Pastors: Tim Malek, Naomi Mahler,
Dean E. Johnson
Vicar: David Severtson
Faith Formation Coordinator: Janel Skindeliem
Ministry Associates: KJ Farhat, Karina Rice
Office Manager: Teri Sokulski
Ministry Coordinator: Dawn Fisch
Assistant Bookkeeper: Keith Neumann
Custodian: Bruce Laffen, Debbie Petersen,
Jasmine Rankin
Head Usher: Randy Novak
Prayer Ministry: Sandi Bennett, Julie Neumann,
Dianne Plahn
Kitchen Coordinator: Enola Dowdell
Calvary Cemetery Sexton: Ron Keith

Missionaries

Rev. Philip & Lou Knutson, Southern Africa
Dr. Stephen & Jodi Swanson, Tanzania
Rev. Alex LaChapelle, Kenya

2020 Executive Committee

President: Mike Haugsby; Vice President: Sara Bennett;
Secretary: Holly Ulrich; Treasurer: Craig Holmgren;
Pastors

Board of Children & Family Board of Stewardship

Kaylee Jahraus (18-21)	Mike Haugsby (18-21)
Michelle Kotrba (19-22)	Charles Ulrich (19-22)
Elissa Nelson (20-23)	Kim Larson (20-23)

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Holly Ulrich (19-22)

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Karen Loge (20-23)

Serving Today

Preaching: Pastor Naomi Mahler
Worship Assistants: Pastor Tim Malek,
Vicar David Severtson

Communion Assistants:

8:00 - Jeanne Ashburn, Michael Newberg
10:15 - Charles & Holly Ulrich

Acolytes:

8:00 - MaKayla Johnson, Ryan Newberg
10:15 - Carson Eichhorst, Katelyn Garberding

Greeters:

8:00 - Jim & Bobbi Peterson
Jeff & Linda Weitzel
10:15 - Scott & Kristi Glup
Dennis & Sharon Eastman

Lectors:

5:30 - Lee Paulson
8:00 - Lily Hultgren
10:15 - Richard Wog

Office Volunteer:

8:00 - Nancy Fritz
10:15 - Olive Beck

Sound:

8:00 - Victoria Larsen
10:15 - Dean Hanson

Video - Mike Schroeder

March Altar Guild: Olive Beck, Linda Broberg,
Karin Gilbertson, Linda Laffen, Sharon Mrzena

Our Week at Calvary

Sunday 1	FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
	8:00 AM First Word Worship with Holy Communion
	9:05 AM Sunday School
	9:05 AM Early Childhood Sunday School
	9:05 AM First Communion Instruction
	9:05 AM Forum
	10:15 AM Foundation & Praise Worship with Holy Communion & Receiving New Members
	5:00 PM Games & Grub
Monday 2	9:00 AM Women's Bible Study "Amazing Collection"
	10:30 AM Prayer Time
	5:15 PM Grief Care
	6:30 PM Building, grounds & Maintenance
	6:30 PM Cub Scouts
	7:00 PM Scouting BSA
Tuesday 3	CIRCLES MEET
	8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
	10:00 AM Staff Meeting
	10:30 AM Program Staff Meeting
	5:30 PM Executive Committee
	5:30 PM Social Concerns
	6:00 PM Daisy Girl Scouts Troop 3655
	7:00 PM Board of Stewardship
Wednesday 4	9:00 AM Beliveau Women's Bible Study
	1:30 pm Deaconess
	5:30 PM Lenten Meal
	6:30 PM Lenten Worship
Thursday 5	9:30 AM Bible Study
	1:00 PM Doing Days/Quilting
Friday 6	12:15 PM Yoga
Saturday 7	9:00 AM Foundation & Praise Rehearsal
	9:00 AM SYNOD ECO-Faith Team
	5:30 PM Chapel Worship
Sunday 8	SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
	8:00 AM First Word Worship
	9:05 AM Sunday School
	9:05 AM First Communion - Make Paten & Chalice
	9:05 AM Forum
	10:15 AM Foundation & Praise Worship
	3:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 3500
	3:30 PM Mystery Movie
	6:30 PM Sr. High Youth Group