

The Calvary Messenger

September 8, 2023

Next Messenger will be sent out September 22, 2023.
If you have questions, contact the church office at 320-235-2508.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Saturday 5:30 pm Chapel Service
Sunday 9:00 am worship (Calvary)
Sunday 11:00 am worship (Svea)

WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Saturday 5:30 pm Chapel Service
Sunday 8:00 am worship indoor - (Calvary)
Sunday 9:15 am worship outdoor - Rally Sunday
Sunday 11:00 am worship (Svea)

WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Saturday 5:30 pm Chapel Service
Sunday 8:00 am worship - (Calvary)
Sunday School 9:05
Sunday 10:15 am Worship
Sunday 11:00 am worship (Svea)

The Challenges of being a Christian **By Pastor Dean**

Paul in the writings of Romans states, "Love what is genuine, hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good, love one another with mutual affection, outdo one another in showing honor, serve the Lord, rejoice in hope, contribute to the needs of the saints and extend hospitality to strangers". As members of Christian congregations and fellow Christians, our Lord thru the writings of Paul asked us to live and behave in a challenging and almost counter cultural manner. Rather than following the ways and attitude of society, Paul asks us for a higher standard of living. There are evil activities in the world by people and organizations, but we need not participate or agree when we see or experience such behavior. Rather seek ways to be honorable, just, loving and respectful in matters of life in home and at work. In marriage, we talk and speak of love. One of the best ways to demonstrate love is to show honor to our spouse, children and those around us. This is done by placing the most charitable construction and comments on the activities and life of others. To serve the Lord is to understand and obey the gift of the commandments which give us direction about the relationship we have with God and with others. Finally, Paul states that we are to extend hospitality to strangers. Each of us appreciate when we are invited, wanted and shown kindness. To show some this expression of love is easy, but for others more difficult. It tries our patience and faith, but the Lord has promised strength and wisdom. So, our prayers and thoughts are as Christians to live a life worth of the calling that Christ has bestowed upon us in our Baptism and that is "You Belong to Me"!! We are to live in the world, but not of the world. As the old song states, they will know we are Christians by our love. God give us strength to live in manner in which he would like us to do as Sons and Daughters in the Kingdom. With Respect and My Best!! Pastor Dean





Everyone
is
welcome !

Opportunities for ALL!

Clean our Sanctuary-(Sponsored by the Worship Committee)

Assemble LSS Kids Kits-(Sponsored by Social Kindness Committee)

Assemble Goodie Boxes for Recent Graduates-(Sponsored by Social Kindness Com.)

Make Greeting Cards-(Sponsored by Outreach Committee)

Community Cleanup at Robbins Island-(Sponsored by Youth Leadership Team)

Install Fence at Pollinator Plot-(Sponsored by Creation Care Team)



**Following 9:00am Worship
Sunday, Sept., 10th**



Questions?

Contact Naomi



Calvary Youth: We need your help!!

Sunday, Sept 10th is Gods Work Our Hands at Calvary. We are going to Robbins Island to collect trash from 10:15 am - 11:15 am. Please meet in the parking lot across from the park. Parents: you are welcome to stay and help or come back and grab them. Thank you everyone!

GRIEF CARE

We will resume the Grief Care Group on Monday, September 11, 2023 at 5:15 to 6:30 pm in the Friendship Room. Pastor Dean will lead the discussion. Members - Guests - Relatives - Neighbors are all welcome! Bring a friend.



PERSONAL CARE ITEMS NEEDED

We have learned that there is a need for personal items for homeless young adults/teenagers who are being helped by Lutheran Social Services here in our area. Needed items are: hairbrushes, hair clip/ties, shampoo (regular or small size), deoderant, shaving cream, toothpaste (regular or small), toothbrushes, nail clippers, medicated chapstick, sunscreen, bug spray, backpacks, diapers size 5 or 6 and pullups, and baby wipes. Look for the poster and the bin. We will collect these items through September. Thank you Calvary! Social Kindness Committee



MUSIC OPPORTUNITIES



BELL CHOIR-MONDAYS 5-6PM

(begins Sept. 11th)

**New members welcome
No experience necessary
Sense of humor is required**

SINGING FOR FUN

Once a month
Dates/Times to be determined by
those interested
(morning? afternoon? evening?)



PRAISE BAND

We lead 10:15 Worship
We typically rehearse Saturdays 10-11 am
(but we can be flexible)

Ukulele or Guitar anyone?
If you are interested in learning or refining
these skills let's get together!



Special Music

Saturday evening and/or Sunday morning

If you are interested in any of these character building opportunities, contact Naomi Baker
nbaker@calvarywillmar.org



Make a Noise!



TRUNK OR TREAT

**CALVARYS ANNUAL TRUNK OR
TREAT IS FAST APPROACHING!**

OCT 28TH (1 - 4PM)

**HERE ARE SOME WAYS WE
WOULD LIKE HELP:**

- **DONATING CANDY TO THE
CHURCH OFFICE**
- **MONETARY DONATIONS TO
BUY CANDY**
- **DECORATING A TRUNK AND
HANDING OUT CANDY**

**ARE YOU A YOUTH WHO
WANTS TO DECORATE A DOOR
AND HAND OUT CANDY?
CONTACT ERICA MATHEWS**

**Calvary: do you have gently
used childrens books laying
around you would love to
donate? Leiah Arends would
love to have you donate them
to her "book library" for Trunk
or Treat. Books can be dropped
off with Erica Mathews.**



**"Let's make our children love books, so that books
become the needs of our children."**



You have been asking.....
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1st!
There will be a box in the narthex
for you to drop off used oral
products. Oral B and Crest will recycle
these products and keep them
out of the landfill.



(Empty tubes-Any brand)



(Empty mouthwash containers)



(Used floss picks)



(Empty floss containers)



(Used toothbrushes)



(Used brush heads)

If your child has enjoyed the *I Survived* series, the Calvary library has four new books. The Wellington Avalanche, 1910; The California Wildfires, 2018; The Hindenburg Disaster, 1937; and The Joplin Tornado, 2011 are all available in the chapter books section of the library.

SUMMER LIBRARY HOURS

1st & 3rd Sunday of each month, open before and after the 9:00 am service.

Starting Sunday, September 24, the library will be open every Sunday between the 8:00 and 10:15 services.

DO YOU LIKE READING?

Are you looking for a new volunteer opportunity? The Calvary library is in need of volunteers for Sunday mornings during the Sunday School hour. There will be an informational meeting and training on Wednesday, Sept. 13 at 5:15 and another option on Sunday, Sept. 24 during the Sunday School hour. If you are unable to attend one of these meetings but are still interested in volunteering, please contact the church office.

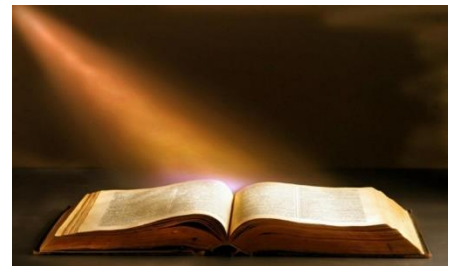
CREATION CARE TIP

Enhance your Community - When out for a walk, take something along to collect trash and recycling.



TEXT STUDY

Thursdays at 9:30 in the Friendship Room.



BEFRIENDER AT CALVARY

Who it is for?

BeFriender is for anyone desiring a caring, confidential, and faith-based presence in their life. If you are experiencing loss, illness, or a major life transition, BeFriender may be for you!

BeFriender Leaders at Calvary:

Beth Bloomquist - mbloomquist@charter.net
320-905-8678

Nancy Holt - nholt0414@gmail



GREEN LAKE LUTHERAN MINISTRIES

September 7-21, GLLM is looking for volunteers to help remodel the cabins. Start time each day is 9:00 am. See you at the Cabins!

2023 Financials August & YTD						
	August Budget	August Actual	Over/(Under) Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Over/(Under) Budget
Income	\$ 67,779.17	\$ 52,421.35	\$ (15,357.82)	\$ 542,233.32	\$ 514,265.30	\$ (27,968.02)
Expenses	\$ 69,140.08	\$ 51,079.13	\$ (18,060.95)	\$ 553,120.41	\$ 496,063.72	\$ (57,056.69)
	\$ (1,360.91)	\$ 1,342.22	\$ 2,703.13	\$ (10,887.09)	\$ 18,201.58	\$ 29,088.67

WEEKEND ATTENDANCE

August 26 & 27 - 206
YouTube - 105 households
General Offering - \$6,440.95

September 2 & 3 - 218
YouTube - 96 households
General Offering - \$11,513.89

Worship service is rebroadcast at 10:45 am on KWLM 1340 AM and 96.3 FM
(Vikings game rescinds the broadcast)

TV broadcast on WRAC channel 181:
Tuesdays at 9:30 am & 6:30 pm, Sundays 1:00 pm & 8:00 pm

YouTube channel: Calvary Lutheran Church Willmar



Announcements and other items for The Messenger are due by Wednesday at noon to be included in Friday's newsletter. Thank you!

Prayer Requests

Calendar

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