



*The 18th Weekend of Pentecost*  
*Sunday, September 22, 2024 8:00am*

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*Today we hear James warn against selfish ambition, while the disciples quarrel over which one of them is the greatest. Jesus tells them the way to be great is to serve. Then, to make it concrete, he puts in front of them a flesh-and-blood child. We are called to welcome the children God puts in front of us, to make room for them in daily interaction, and to give them a place of honor in the assembly.*

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**Prelude** Calvary Bell Choir  
**Welcome**  
**Ringing of the Bell**

**Invocation**

In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**Gathering Song** “Built on a Rock” ELW 652 (vs. 1,4,5)

**Confession and Assurance of Forgiveness**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,  
who forgives all our sin,  
whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Gracious God, **have mercy on us.**

**We confess that we have honored you with our lips,  
but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.**

**The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes.**

**In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves.**

**We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.**

**In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.**

**Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to  
follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more.  
By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ,  
the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven. **Amen.**

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.**

**Kyrie** (p. 184) Congregation joins on refrain  
**Canticle of Praise**-“This is the Feast” (p. 187)  
Congregation joins on refrain

**Prayer of the Day**

Together we pray, **O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to your self and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**Gospel Acclamation** “Alleluia” (p. 188)

**Gospel: Mark 9:30-37**

The Gospel reading is found in the Gospel of Mark.  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

30 They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it, 31 for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.” 32 But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

33 Then they came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the way?” 34 But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. 35 He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, “Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.” 36 Then he took a little child and put it among them, and taking it in his arms he said to them, 37 “Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.”

The Gospel of our Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Message** Pastor Amy Juel

**Song of the Day** “Children of the Heavenly Father” ELW 781

**Apostles’ Creed** (p.105)

**Prayers of the Church** (Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**)

## **Sharing of the Peace**

**Offering Music** “Beautiful One” Calvary Bell Choir

**Offering Response** “Create in Me a Clean Heart” ELW 185

### **Offertory Prayer**

Together we pray, **Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

## **The Words of Institution and The Lord’s Prayer**

**Communion Music** “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” Bell Choir

“Jesus Loves Me” ELW 595

“Thy Holy Wings” ELW 613

“Lord of All Hopefulness” ELW 765

## **Post Communion Prayer**

Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us with dignity at your table. Send us now to welcome others and to be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **Announcements**

### **Sending Blessing**

May most merciful God bless you, keep you, and give you peace. **Amen.**

**Sending Song** “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light” ELW 815

### **Dismissal**

Go in peace. Follow Jesus!  
**We will! Thanks be to God!**

**Postlude** Calvary Bell Choir

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**Serving Today**

- Preaching:** Pastor Amy Juel  
**Presiding:** Pastor Wayne D. Kopitzke  
**Communion Assistants:** Harley Aalfs, Brandon Lothert  
**Greeters:** Betty Larson, Al & Elaine Simon  
**Office:** Teri Sokulski  
**Sound:** Doug Sawatzky  
**Video:** David Sehloff

**PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILIES OF:**

Eugene Seydel  
Susan Amot Jurgens-Kammen, wife of Kenneth Kammen  
Pablo Rodriguez, father of Noah Rodriguez

**HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK:** Keith Neumann

**Baptism today at 10:15am service is Amber Hurley, daughter of Ashley & Bryan Hurley. Welcome Amber!**

2024 Financials August & YTD						
	August Actual	August Budget	Over/(Under) Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Over/(Under) Budget
Income	\$ 48,534.38	\$ 67,387.50	\$ (18,853.12)	\$ 454,849.88	\$ 539,100.00	\$ (84,250.12)
Expenses	\$ 57,903.32	\$ 67,352.21	\$ (9,448.89)	\$ 501,949.68	\$ 538,818.14	\$ (36,868.46)
Net Income	\$ (9,368.94)	\$ 35.29	\$ (9,404.23)	\$ (47,099.80)	\$ 281.86	\$ (47,381.66)

**Altar Guild Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 3 at 5:30pm in the Friendship Room. We will see you then!**

### SEPTEMBER 2024 WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday, Sept. 21st	5:30pm Traditional Worship in the Chapel - Pr. Dwaine preaching
Sunday, Sept. 22nd	8:00am Traditional Worship 9:05am Sunday School 10:15am Praise Band led Worship Pr. Amy preaching, Pr. Wayne presiding
Saturday, Sept. 28th	5:30pm Traditional Worship in the Chapel - Pr. Wayne preaching
Sunday, Sept. 29th	8:00am Traditional Worship 9:05am Sunday School 10:15am Praise Band led Worship Pr. Dwaine preaching, Pr. Amy presiding

### OCTOBER 2024 WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday, Oct. 5th	5:30pm Traditional Worship in the Chapel Pr. Dwaine preaching
Sunday, Oct. 6th	8:00am Traditional Worship-Kaleidoscope Quartet 9:05am Sunday School 10:15am Praise Band led Worship- <b>CONFIRMATION</b> Pr. Wayne preaching, Pr. Amy, Pr. Dwaine presiding
Saturday, Oct. 12th	5:30pm Traditional Worship- Pr. Amy preaching
Sunday, Oct. 13th	8:00am Traditional Worship 9:05am Sunday School 10:15am Praise Band led Worship Pr. Amy preaching, Pr. Wayne presiding
Saturday, Oct. 19th	5:30pm Traditional Worship in the Chapel - Pr. Wayne preaching
Sunday, Oct. 20th	8:00am Traditional Worship 9:05am Sunday School 10:15am Praise Band led Worship Pr. Dwaine preaching, Pr. Amy presiding
Saturday, Oct. 26th	5:30pm Traditional Worship in the Chapel - Pr. Amy preaching
Sunday, Oct. 27th	8:00am Traditional Worship 9:05am Sunday School 10:15am Praise Band led Worship Pr. Wayne preaching, Pr. Dwaine presiding



### Creation Care Tip

**Improve your home's insulation** – Save up to \$155 per year. Improving the insulation in your home can be the single most effective action you can take to save energy. Improvements to insulation can help you stay warmer in the winter and cooler in the summer while reducing your energy costs by 15%.

### Calvary in the News

Looking for families and Youth who have been involved in a special event or program...we would like to recognize you! Please submit a picture and caption telling us about your picture and we will hang it up on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

**SAVE THE DATE** - West Central Singers will be at Calvary on Sunday, October 27th at 4pm.



## Family Promise Weekly Update September 10, 2024

### **Family Promise of Kandiyohi County: A community-based effort to help families experiencing homelessness.**

The **Shelter** located on Pacific Ave in Willmar is operating with a 3 person staff and 7 housing rooms that can sleep up to 4-5 people per room depending on make-up of the family. In addition, we have 2 rooms on the second level being made ready as soon as we can.

Currently there are 21 congregations providing financial, in-kind, housing supplies, groceries and 3 weekly meals.

### **Items Needed**

- Hand towels
- Bathroom body towels
- Wash clothes
- Pillows

### **Gratitude Spotlight**

Thank you to our host congregations & especially those individuals that are preparing & serving meals as well as buying groceries. The guests are very appreciative for everything provided by our area churches through the meal support.

### **Current Guests:**

1. Family of 2 (Mother, Daughter 27)
2. Family of 3 (Mother, Son 4, Daughter 2. (Has kids part-time)
3. Family of 3 (Mother, Twin Daughters 1)
4. Family of 2 (Mother, Son 2)
5. Family of 2 (Mother, Daughter 2)
6. Family of 2 (Mother, Daughter 2 months old)

### **Upcoming Host Churches:**

1. September 9-15: Svea Lutheran
2. September 16-22: Unity Christian Reform
3. September 23-29: United Lutheran LL
4. September 30-Oct 6: OPEN

Thank you to all our donors that make this place possible.

Family Promise of Kandiyohi County was selected for the Community Spotlight grant program with Lakeland Media. So in November we will be highlighted with a radio ad on stations Q102, The Train, Big Country & KWLM.



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**Drop off your used dental products  
October 19th-20th**  
There will be a drop box in the narthex.  
These products will be recycled  
and kept out of the landfill.



(Empty tubes-Any brand)



(Empty mouthwash containers)



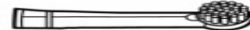
(Used floss picks)



(Empty floss containers)



(Used toothbrushes)



(Used brush heads)

### **TEAM TEACHERS NEEDED for SUNDAY SCHOOL**

If you would like to Team Teach every other Sunday, or according to a more flexible schedule that you arrange with another teacher, **THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY!** We need a Team Teacher for our 4-Year-Old classroom and a Team Teacher for our 4<sup>th</sup> Grade classroom. We have one teacher in each classroom already, but, because of work and life schedules, they can't be with us each week. We need YOU!

We need teachers (or a team of teachers) for Kindergarten and Second Grade. We currently have NO teachers assigned to these classes. Curriculum is easy to follow and ready for you to take home with you to allow you time to prepare. Pastor Amy is always available if you need help with extra activities or ideas for your classroom. Please consider volunteering!

### **HELPERS are needed for the following classrooms:**

Kindergarten

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

4<sup>th</sup> grade

Helpers assist with class projects, activities, and lessons. Students in grades 6-12 can be helpers! Adults can be helpers, too! Please contact Pastor Amy if your student or you would like to be a helper in one of our classrooms this year!

Ephesians 2: <sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.

Our sermon theme till we enter the Advent season is Discipleship; we will be dwelling on what does it mean to be a Disciple of Christ and how do we take this into the community and live out our calling to be Disciples. As we remember our mission statement "Together in Christ empowered to be and make Disciples". Why do we do this? We are called to be Disciples, and it is a response to the grace given to us freely by a loving and living God. Through the Holy Spirit we are given faith through our baptism. Faith or grace isn't something we can do for ourselves; it is given to us by God. So, what can we do?

Because I didn't come to the Lutheran tradition growing up, but came into the tradition as an adult, I get this question sometimes. What is the difference between the two traditions. I respond with, my former tradition we believed we had to give our lives to Jesus to be saved, in the Lutheran tradition, we gave our lives to Jesus because we have been saved. The giving of ourselves is our response to Christ's life, death, and resurrection for our salvation. It isn't what we do that gives us salvation, but what God does. Becoming a Disciple is what we do in response.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer tells us, "Christianity without the living Christ is inevitably Christianity without discipleship, and Christianity without discipleship is always Christianity without Christ."

We can't earn grace, but we can respond to grace given freely and that is to live into our Discipleship. Pastor Dwaine

**If you or a loved one would like a pastoral visit (ill, hospitalized, or just because), please contact:**

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**Our pastors are always willing to provide support in time of need.**

**Sunday, September 22**

8:00am Worship Service - P. Amy preach/P. Wayne preside  
Seasons Of Creation  
9:05am Sunday School  
9:05am Coffee Hour - Friendship Room  
10:15am Bibles presented to 3-year-olds and 3rd Grades  
10:15am Worship Service - Baptism Amber Hurley  
10:45am Worship Service on KWLM 1340 am or 96.3 fm  
1:00pm Worship Service-WRAC 181  
8:00pm Worship Service-WRAC 181

**Monday, September 23**

5:00pm Bell Choir  
6:30pm Cub Scouts

**Tuesday, September 24**

6:00pm Girl Scout Troop #3749 - Rooms 109/111  
6:30pm Worship Service - WRAC 181

**Wednesday, September 25**

5:30pm Singing for Fun  
5:45pm 10th Grade Confirmation  
6:30pm 6-9th Grade Confirmation - Bethany Hall

**Thursday, September 26**

9:30am Text Bible Study - P. Dwaine Friendship Room  
1:00pm Quilters

**Saturday, September 28**

10:00am Praise Band  
2:00pm Baptism for Grayden Johnson - Chapel  
5:30pm Chapel Service - P. Wayne

**Sunday, September 29**

8:00am Worship Service - P. Dwaine preach/P. Amy preside  
9:05am Sunday School  
9:05am Coffee Hour - Friendship Room  
10:15am Worship Service - Baptism - Leon Sehloff  
10:45am Worship Service on KWLM 1340 am or 96.3 fm  
1:00pm Worship Service-WRAC 181  
4:00pm G. S. Troop #3515 - Rooms 109/111  
8:00pm Worship Service-WRAC 181

**Weekly Attendance - 195**  
**YouTube - 65 households**  
**General Offering - \$7,780.99**

### **Calvary Staff**

**Minister:** All Disciples of Christ at Calvary Lutheran Church

**Senior Pastor:** Dwaine Sutherland

**Associate Pastor:** Amy Juel

**Associate Pastor:** Wayne D. Kopitzke

**Director of Music Ministry:** Naomi Powers-Baker

**Office Manager:** Paula Lueders

**Office Assistant:** Marie Fett

**Custodians:** Kim Schow & Ken Newberg

**Head Usher:** Randy Novak

**Kitchen Coordinator:** Enola Dowdell

**Calvary Cemetery Sexton:** Ron Keith

### **2024 Calvary Council Leaders**

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