

All Saints Sunday Sunday, November 3, 2024 10:15am

Of all three years of the lectionary cycle, this year's All Saints readings have the most tears. Isaiah and Revelation look forward to the day when God will wipe away all tears; in John's gospel, Jesus weeps along with Mary and all the gathered mourners before he demonstrates his power over death. On All Saints Day we celebrate the victory won for all the faithful dead, but we grieve for our beloved dead as well, knowing that God honors our tears. We bring our grief to the table and find there a foretaste of Isaiah's feast to come.

Gathering Music "Mighty to Save"
"Who You Say I Am"
"Hymn of Heaven"

Ringing of the Bell Welcome

Invocation

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

Call to Worship Sunday School Children "Rise & Shine", "The B-I-B-L-E", "Jesus Loves Me"

Recognition of New Members

With the whole church, let us confess our faith... Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

Song Shall We Gather at the River" ELW 423 (vs.1,3,4)

Scripture Readings Isaiah 25:6-9

- 6 On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.
- 7 And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the covering that is spread over all nations;
- 8 he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken.

9 It will be said on that day,

"See, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 24

- 1 The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it,
- 2 for he has founded it on the seas and established it on the rivers.
- 3 Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place?
- 4 Those who have clean hands and pure hearts, who do not lift up their souls to what is false and do not swear deceitfully.
- 5 They will receive blessing from the Lord and vindication from the God of their salvation.
- 6 Such is the company of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.
- 7 Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in!
- 8 Who is the King of glory?
 The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle.

9 Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in!

10 Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts,

he is the King of glory.

Here ends the reading of the Psalm.

Revelation 21:1-6a

²¹ Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them and be their God;

⁴ he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away."

⁵ And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶ Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Message

Gospel Acclamation "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah" ELW 172

Gospel Reading-John 11:32-44

The Gospel reading is found in the Gospel of John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³² When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." ³³ When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴ He

said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵ Jesus began to weep. ³⁶ So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" ³⁷ But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

³⁸ Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹ Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰ Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹ So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴² I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³ When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" ⁴⁴ The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Message Pastor Amy Juel

Song of the Day "Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In"
Oh, when the saints go marching in,
O Lord, I want to be in that number
when the saints go marching in.

Oh, when the Lord in glory comes, oh, when the Lord in glory comes, O Lord, I want to be in that number when the Lord in glory comes.

Oh, when they gather round the throne, oh, when they gather round the throne, O Lord, I want to be in that number when they gather round the throne.

And on that hallelujah day, and on that hallelujah day, O Lord, I want to be in that number on that hallelujah day. **Prayers of the Church** (Merciful God, receive our prayer.)

Acknowledgement of Saints and Newly Baptized

Sharing of the Peace

Offering Music "The Sound of the Saints" Praise Band

Offering Response "Create in Me a Clean Heart" ELW 185

Offertory Prayer

Together we pray,

Dear God, we are grateful for the abundance we know, for shelter, food, clean water, and all our needs for daily living. Lord Jesus, remind us to share our gifts with our brothers and sisters. We pray this in your name, 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 "Broken Body of Christ"

"Welcome Table"

"Oceans/Where Feet May Fail"

Post Communion Prayer

Faithful God, you bring your people together in one holy communion. Lead us to follow your saints and to know the joys you have prepared for those who love and serve you. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Announcements

Sending Blessing

May God, who has bound our lives together in this age and the age to come, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

Sending Song w/Sunday School Children/Noisy Offering

"Soon and Very Soon"ELW 439

Dismissal

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ!

We will! Thanks be to God!

Postlude

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PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILIES OF:

Donald Kemnitz, Margaret Gravgaard and Lavonne Schow

HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK:

Marilyn Ulferts, Virginia (Ginger) Mohr, Marie Engwall, Marilyn Eliason

Serving Sunday 10:15 am

Preaching: Pastor Amy Juel

Presiding: Pastor Wayne D. Kopitzke

Acolytes: Nick Larsen, Ben Rosendahl

Communion

Assistants: Brian Henrickson, Sandy Hanson, Lola Nelson

Greeters: Carol Toutge, Chad & Krista Willis, Leo Engel, Kage Hanson

Lector: Bria Pederson

Office: Krista Willis - 9:30am - 11:15am

Sound: **David Sehloff** Mark Johnson, Video:

<u>Calvary Staff</u> **Minister:** All Disciples of Christ at Calvary Lutheran Church

Senior Pastor: Dwaine Sutherland **Associate Pastor:** Amy Juel

Associate Pastor: Wayne D. Kopitzke
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Head Usher: Randy Novak

Kitchen Coordinator: Enola Dowdell Calvary Cemetery Sexton: Ron Keith



'All Saints

Receive them into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light.

| Dr John Gilbertson | 11/04/2023 | Marjorie Swanson | 06/04/2024 |
|--------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|
| Dorothea Nelson | 11/06/2023 | Kenneth Knesting Jr | 06/05/2024 |
| Doris Doerhoefer | 12/14/2023 | Evelyn Henrichsen | 07/20/2024 |
| Arlene Ekren | 02/01/2024 | Susan Jurgens-Kammen | 09/12/2024 |
| Shirley Ringness | 02/13/2024 | Muriel Strom | 09/12/2024 |
| Gene Fenstra | 03/09/2024 | Eugene Seydel | 09/13/2024 |
| Natasha Fester | 03/13/2024 | Pablo Rodriguez | 09/19/2024 |
| Kevin Peterson | 03/24/2024 | Rosabelle Hensch | 09/22/2024 |
| DeElla Aamot | 04/10/2024 | Larry Scholla | 09/23/2024 |
| Rayburn Norling | 04/23/2024 | Ruth Sherwood | 10/08/2024 |
| Robbie Hjelle | 05/14/2024 | McKenna Swenson | 10/10/2024 |
| Donavon Monson | 05/27/2024 | Donald Kemnitz | 10/25/2024 |
| LeAnne Freeman | 06/02/2024 | Margaret Gravgaard | 10/28/2024 |



Baptisms

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in Heaven.

| Lena Henrickson | 12/28/2023 | Sadie Palmquist | 09/15/2024 |
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| Nicholas Larsen | 02/25/2024 | Amber Hurley | 09/22/2024 |
| Ryder Rush | 04/20/2024 | Leon Sehloff | 09/29/2024 |
| Elizabeth Newberg | 08/25/2024 | Cora Caron | 10/27/2024 |

New Member Recognition

Today we will have a Recognition of our new members. Our new members are:

Ann Hanson
David & Andrea Ditlefson
Jordan & Jayde Smith, Everleigh,
Archer & Ryker
Andy Jaeger
Zach & Brittany Jaeger, Raymond,
Jasmine, DuWayne, Isabella,
and Sabrina

FAITH FORMATION & FAMILY MINISTRY ASSOCIATE POSITION

Calvary is looking to hire a Faith Formation and Family Ministry person. If you are interested in applying for this position, you can see the full job description on Calvary's Website. The job is open to everyone. Please contact the Church Office, Pastor Dwaine or Pastor Amy.

Calvary Lutheran Church is putting together a Call Committee for the possibility of calling a Deacon for the Faith Formation and Family Ministry Associate position. If you have any questions or have an interest in serving on the Committee, please contact Pastor Dwaine or Pastor Amy.

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION WITH PASTOR DWAINE

Meet Pastor Dwaine for coffee and conversation on Thursdays at 2:00pm at LuLu Beans.

Saturday Worship, November 9th will be in the Sanctuary as the Bell Choir will be providing music.

Social Kindness Committee

Social Kindness has changed their meeting to Monday, November 4 at 1:00pm in the Friendship Room.

Charity Circle

Charity Circle will meet on Tuesday, November 5 at 6:30pm in the Koinonia Room (change of location due to General Election in the Friendship Room)

Deaconess Meeting

The Deaconess Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 6 at 1:30pm in the Friendship Room.

Silent Bible Study 1st, 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month in our Church Library

Both men and women are encouraged to join this Bible Study from 12 - 1:30pm. Coffee will be provided and bring your own lunch.

Altar Guild Needs Your Help!

During our upcoming holiday season in church, we have no one signed up to help with communion in the month of December. Please seriously consider helping as we have many services with communion being served. Contact the church office or Susan Roepke 320-894-4228 if you can help. Thank you!

Weekly Attendance - 237 YouTube - 124 households Sunday School Attendance - 37 General Offering - \$8,528.84

NTY Friday, November 8 12:00 Noon

How well do you know Pastor Amy? Did vou know her first call as Pastor was with the Area Churches together (ACT), a six-point parish serving the Murdock, DeGraff, and Sunburg area? While there, she began working at the Campus Ministry Center as Chaplain for Lutheran Campus Ministry, serving students and staff from the Ridgewater College. Did you know she has worked in Youth Ministry for almost 30 years? Did you know she still volunteers at the Campus Ministry Center on her day off? Did you know that she is the Mother of 4 adult children and also is Mom to 6 fur babies, her kitties? She joined Calvary staff as Associate Pastor in August of 2024, after serving at Maynard Lutheran Church. If you want to know more about her life and the interesting lives of her children, please come to NTY on Friday, November 8th. Please call the church office by 4:30 P.M. Wednesday, November 6th to register for lunch, which is \$7.00. If you can't make it for lunch, you're welcome to come for the program at 1:00 p.m. Please pay when you arrive and not at the church office. (Note that cancellations after Wednesday and noshows, will still require payment due to increased food costs.) Thank you. If any question, please call Diane Asche at 295 -8938.

Could you provide special music for Christmas?

Christmas Eve - 3:30pm Christmas Eve - 5:30pm Christmas Eve - 10:00pm Christmas Day - 9:30am

Please contact Naomi Baker for more information.

Order Your Poinsettias

Would you like to give a poinsettia plant for decorating our church during this Christmas season? The poinsettia's are given 'in memory of' or 'in honor of' a loved one. The cost is \$10 per plant. Stop by the church office along with your payment. Please make checks payable to Calvary Lutheran Church. The deadline for ordering these plants is December 2nd. You make take your plant home after the service on December 24th.

Library News

The Calvary Library is looking for volunteers to work in the library between church services on Sunday mornings. This is a no stress volunteer opportunity and training will be provided. If this is something that you might be interested in helping with, please contact Beth Bloomquist (320-905-8678), Kristi Glup (320-979-0295), or Cathy Halbritter (320-979-0129).

Let's Read for Ice Cream!!!

Who doesn't love ice cream and reading? Your child can earn an ice cream treat each month by reading 10 books from the Calvary library. Stop by the library on Sunday mornings and pick up a form to keep track of book titles read. When 10 books have been read, turn in the form at the library in exchange for a coupon for an ice cream treat. If your child completes more than 1 form per month, their name will be entered in a drawing for a Culver's Plushie.

Matthew 18 At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" ² He called a child, whom he put among them, ³ and said, "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. ⁴ Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. ⁵ Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me.

In our culture we can have a pragmatic approach to our service to the church and to God, we many times look for status and recognition for this. Jesus turns this upside down when the disciples wanted to know who is the greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus emphasizes the importance of humility by using a child as an example. In the cultural context of the time, children were seen as lowly and without status. By instructing his disciples to become like children, Jesus is teaching them to adopt a posture of humility and dependence on God. Children are often seen as symbols of innocence and trust. Jesus encourages his followers to embody these qualities, suggesting that a pure and trusting heart is essential for entering the Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus' statement about welcoming children in his name underscores the value of accepting and caring for those who are often overlooked or marginalized. This act of welcoming is equated with welcoming Jesus himself, highlighting the intrinsic worth of every individual. The call to "change and become like little children" implies a transformation of heart and mind. It suggests that entering the Kingdom of Heaven requires a fundamental shift in how one views oneself and others, moving away from pride and self-sufficiency towards humility and reliance on God. Lest we forget, Jesus came to us as a child, God sent the Son of God to us as a child. God is asking us to do the same thing. In essence, Matthew 18:1-5 challenges believers to rethink their notions of greatness and to embrace a childlike humility and openness. It is a call to value and welcome the lowly, to trust in God with a pure heart, and to undergo a transformation that aligns with the values of the Kingdom of Heaven. This passage serves as a timeless reminder of the virtues that are esteemed in the eyes of God and the attitudes that are necessary for true spiritual greatness. Go in Peace and be Christ like as a Child of God.

Pastor Dwaine Sutherland

Next Family Promise Host Date
The week of November 11-17 is Calvary's next host week. If you are interested in helping with this, please contact Joni Hanson at 320-212-1324. Thanks so much for your help!

Sunday, November 3

Worship Service – P. Amy preach/ P. Wayne preside/New Member Recognition 8:00am

9:05am Coffee Hour - Friendship Room

9:05am Sunday School

Worship Service/Youth Led/Noisy Offering/New Membership Recognition 10:15am

10:45am Worship Service on KWLM 1340 am or 96.3 fm

Acolyte Training – Friendship Room Worship Service-WRAC 181 12:00pm

1:00pm 8:00pm Worship Service-WRAC 181

Monday, November 4

Social Kindness – Friendship Room 1:00pm

5:00pm Bell Choir 6:30pm **Cub Scouts** 7:00pm Scouts BSA

Tuesday, November 5

General Election Opens 6:00am

6:30pm Charity Circle – Koinonia Room 6:30pm Worship Service - WRAC 181

7:00pm Native American History – Bethany Hall

Wednesday, November 6

Margaret Gravgaard – Visitation 9:30am 11:00am Margaret Gravgaard – Funeral Service Silent Bible Study - Library 12:00pm

1:30pm Deaconess Meeting - Friendship Room

5:30pm Singing for Fun

6:30pm 6-9th Grade Confirmation – Friendship Room

Thursday, November 7

Text Bible Study - P. Dwaine - Friendship Room 9:30am

12:00pm **Executive Committee Zoom Meeting**

1:00pm Ouilters

Stewardship Committee Meeting – Conference Room 5:30pm

Girl Scout Troop #3656 - Koinonia Room 6:00pm

Friday, November 8

12:00pm NTY – Bethany Hall

Saturday, November 9

Chapel Service in Sanctuary - P. Wayne 5:30pm

Sunday, November 10

Worship Service - P. Dwaine preach/P. Amy preside 8:00am

9:05am Coffee Hour - Friendship Room

Sunday School 9:05am Worship Service 10:15am

10:45am Worship Service on KWLM 1340 am or 96.3 fm

Worship Service-WRAC 181 1:00pm

Girl Scout Troop #3515 - Room 201 4:00pm

8:00pm Worship Service-WRAC 181