



If I have a  
*faith*

that can move

mountains,

but I have not

*love*

I am nothing.

I Corinthians 13:2

***The Fourth Sunday after Epiphany***

*Sunday, February 2, 2024 10:15am*

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*The glory of God is often revealed when and where it is least expected. God uses our lips to declare that glory, inexperienced and hesitant though they may be. God uses our love to demonstrate that glory and so urges us to exercise it. God uses Jesus of Nazareth, water and the word, bread and wine, to reveal God's glory where and when God chooses. Take heed, lest the glory of God slip through our midst unnoticed.*

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## **We Gather & Prepare to Hear God's Word**

Gathering Music

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome/Invocation

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

Responsive Call to Worship

We seek to love God with every fiber of our being.  
We seek to love our neighbors as well as our enemies.  
**We begin by loving ourselves.**  
**In loving ourselves, we find the strength to love others.**

Let us be open to receiving what we need from God...  
**to find the compassion to love strangers and  
the courage to love our enemies.**

Let our self-love empower us to give our love away freely to the world.  
**In loving ourselves, we bear witness to the love at the heart of all  
things-God. Let it begin here, and now. Amen.**

The love of the Lord be with you all.  
**And also with you.**  
(Sharing of joy/peace)

Gathering Song "Oh, Sing to the Lord" ELW 822

Responsive Confession and Assurance of Forgiveness

It may be the hardest thing we will ever do, caught up in our  
self-righteousness, honing our pain.  
The one who offended may not deserve forgiveness and we are not obliged  
to offer it. Why, then, should we forgive?

**Because we have all caused pain.**  
**Because we all miss the mark.**  
**Because we can deepen our souls if we forgive.**  
**Because restoring even one relationship heals many hearts.**  
**Because we would be forgiven ourselves.**  
**Because drawing closer to one another builds our communities.**  
**Because the alternative is endless bitterness.**  
**Because the world we seek to create is a world filled with forgiveness.**  
**Because we need not remain caught up in our self-righteousness and pain.**  
It may be the hardest thing we will ever do.  
Let us take the first step now.

We close our eyes and place our hands over them...  
Lord God, forgive us for turning our eyes away from you.  
Forgive us for being dissatisfied with the good things you have given.  
**Lord God, have mercy on us.**

We place our hands on our lips...  
Lord God, we are sorry for the things we have spoken which hurt or condemn. Open our lips so we can tell of your love.  
**Lord God, have mercy on us.**

We open our hands and hold our palms out to God...  
Lord God, forgive us for not doing the good you place before us.  
Help us to use our hands to serve you and others.  
**Lord God, have mercy on us.**

We place our hands over our heart...  
Lord God, create in us a clean heart. Forgive our self-centeredness and fill us with your Holy Spirit—to live for others.  
**Lord God, have mercy on us.**

We lift our hands over our heads up to the sky...  
We give you thanks gracious God for your faithful love to us, that in your mercy we receive complete forgiveness for our sins. **Amen.**

Song "Change My Heart, O God" ELW 801

**We Listen to the Word of God**

Jeremiah 1:4-10

4 Now the word of the Lord came to me saying,  
5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,

and before you were born I consecrated you;  
I appointed you a prophet to the nations.”  
6 Then I said, “Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak,  
for I am only a boy.” 7 But the Lord said to me,  
“Do not say, ‘I am only a boy,’ for you shall go to all to whom I send you,  
and you shall speak whatever I command you.  
8 Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you,  
says the Lord.” 9 Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth,  
and the Lord said to me, “Now I have put my words in your mouth.  
10 See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up  
and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.”  
The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

#### Psalm 71: 1-6

1 In you, O Lord, I take refuge;  
let me never be put to shame.  
**2 In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;  
incline your ear to me and save me.**  
3 Be to me a rock of refuge,  
a strong fortress to save me,  
for you are my rock and my fortress.  
**4 Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked,  
from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.**  
5 For you, O Lord, are my hope,  
my trust, O Lord, from my youth.  
**6 From my birth I have leaned upon you,  
my protector since my mother’s womb.  
My praise is continually of you.**  
Here ends the reading of the Psalm.

#### I Corinthians 13:1-13

13 If I speak in the tongues of humans and of angels but do not have love, I  
am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. 2 And if I have prophetic powers  
and understand all mysteries and all knowledge and if I have all faith so as  
to remove mountains but do not have love, I am nothing. 3 If I give away all  
my possessions and if I hand over my body so that I may boast but do not  
have love, I gain nothing.  
4 Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant 5  
or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable; it keeps no rec-  
ord of wrongs; 6 it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. 7

It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 8 Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. 9 For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part, 10 but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. 11 When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. 12 For now we see only a reflection, as in a mirror, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. 13 And now faith, hope, and love remain, these three, and the greatest of these is love.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Sunday School Children Sing

Children's Message "Words and the 'Word'"

Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia**

Setting 11



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Now we lis - ten to God's Word.

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All Creation Sings

Gospel Reading Luke 4:21-30

The Gospel reading is found in the Gospel of Luke.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

21 Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." 22 All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is this not Joseph's son?" 23 He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" 24 And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in his hometown. 25 But the truth is, there were many

widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months and there was a severe famine over all the land, 26 yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. 27 There were also many with a skin disease in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.” 28 When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. 29 They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. 30 But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.  
The Gospel of our Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

Message “You’re Supposed to be Our Guy!” Pastor Wayne Kopitzke

**We Respond to the Call of God**

Song of the Day “Shine, Jesus, Shine” ELW 671

The Apostles’ Creed (p. 105)

Prayers of the Church (God of grace, **hear our prayer.**)

Offering Music

Offertory Prayer

Together we pray, **We give gratefully for all that God has given us.**  
**We measure our wealth not by what we have, but what we can give.**  
**Let us give generously, to bless your church, your people,**  
**and your creation. Amen.**

**We Celebrate the Table of God**

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 “Nothing But The Blood”

Verse 1 What can wash away my sin  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
What can make me whole again  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Chorus O precious is the flow  
That makes me white as snow  
No other fount I know  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Verse 2 For my pardon this I see  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
For my cleansing this my plea  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus (chorus)

Verse 3 Nothing can for sin atone  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
Naught of good that I have done  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus (chorus)

Verse 4 This is all my hope and peace  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
This is all my righteousness  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus (chorus)

“Build A Longer Table”  
Verse 1 Build a longer table not a higher wall  
Feeding those who hunger making room for all  
Feasting together stranger turns to friend  
Christ breaks walls to pieces false divisions end

Verse 2 Build a safer refuge not a larger jail  
Where the weak find shelter mercy will not fail  
For any place where justice is denied  
Christ will breach the jail wall freeing all inside

Verse 3 Build a broader doorway not a longer fence  
Love protects all people sparing no expense  
When we embrace compassion more than fear  
Christ tears down our fences all are welcome here

Verse 4 When we lived as exiles refugees abroad  
Christ became our doorway to the reign of God  
So must our tables welcome those who roam  
None can be excluded all must find a home

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- “10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord”)
- Chorus Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul  
Worship His holy name  
Sing like never before O my soul  
I'll worship Your holy name
- Verse 1 The sun comes up it's a new day dawning  
It's time to sing Your song again  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me  
Let me be singing when the evening comes (chorus)
- Verse 2 You're rich in love and You're slow to anger  
Your name is great and Your heart is kind  
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find
- Verse 3 And on that day when my strength is failing  
The end draws near and my time has come  
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

Worship Your holy name  
Lord I'll worship Your holy name  
Sing like never before O my soul  
I'll worship Your holy name  
Worship Your holy name  
Worship Your holy name

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### Post Communion Prayer

May this meal we have shared renew us and inspire us to join more joyfully with you as you work for peace and justice in the world. **Amen.**

### Announcements



## **We Depart to Serve God**

Sending Blessing

Sending Song/Noisy Offering "We Are Marching in the Light" ELW 866

Dismissal

Go in true peace; love and care for one another.

**We will. Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

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**HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK:** Barb Torkelson, Andy Jaeger  
**PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF:** Marie Kutzke, sister of Elaine (Allan) Simon

### **Serving Sunday 10:15am**

**Preaching:** Pastor Wayne Kopitzke  
**Acolytes:** Henry Larson, Owen Sjoberg  
**Communion Assistants:** Shane Baker, Logan Madsen, Mary Jo deCathelineau  
**Greeters:** Harland & Diane Asche, Jack & Caryn Behr  
**Lector:** Anthony Buzzeo  
**Office:** Krista Willis - 9:30am - 11:15am  
**Sound:** Mark Johnson  
**Video:** David Sehloff

**Weekly Attendance - 253**  
**YouTube - 133**  
**Sunday School -**  
**General Offering - \$13,593.49**

A movie suggestion from a Calvary Member is "**Brave the Dark**". Now showing in Willmar and Spicer.

**"When Mr. Deen discovers one of his students has been living out of his car and thrown into jail, he decides to bail him out. Determined to curb Nate's self-destructive behavior, Mr. Deen quickly discovers a host of dark secrets that are slowly tearing Nate apart. When started as a good deed becomes a desperate fight to save Nate from his own demons. As Nate spirals deeper into despair, Mr. Deen must decide how far he's willing to go to save a kid on the brink of losing everything - even himself.**

Today is **Scout Sunday**. The Scouts will be ushering and lecturing for both services. They will also be having a **chili lunch served in Bethany Hall from 11 to 1pm. Free will offering. All are welcome!**

Today the youth will be leading our 10:15am service, and we will also receive a Noisy Offering with money collected to go to the AIM Program. **AIM is Advocacy & Inclusion Matter. AIM provides opportunities and resources to support inclusion and independence for people with disabilities. For more information, visit [www. aimwcm.org](http://www.aimwcm.org)**

**Social Kindness** meets on Tuesday, February 4 at 1:00pm in the Friendship Room.

**Charity Circle** meets on Tuesday, February 4 at 6:30pm in the Friendship Room.

**Deaconess Committee** meets on Wednesday, February 5 at 1:30pm in the Friendship Room.

**Silent Bible Study** meets on February 5th, 12th, and 26th in the Library at 12:00 noon.

### Calvary Creation Care News Flash

At a recent Calvary Church Council meeting, the Council unanimously adopted a Congregational Care-for-Creation Covenant.

The covenant is a commitment by our congregation to care for creation in five areas: worship, education, building and grounds, personal discipleship, and public witness.

- **Worship:** The congregation will incorporate creation-care themes into its worship services.
- **Education:** The congregation will educate its members about creation care.
- **Building and Grounds:** The congregation will make its buildings and grounds more environmentally friendly.
- **Personal Discipleship:** The congregation will encourage its members to adopt environmentally friendly practices in their personal lives.
- **Public Witness:** The congregation will advocate for creation care in the wider community.

You can find the covenant on the church website:

<https://files.secure.website/wscfus/10218199/32672133/creation-care-covenant.pdf>

or by scanning the QR Code below.



## FEBRUARY 2025 WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 1st	5:30pm Traditional Worship in the Chapel
Sunday, February 2nd	8:00am Traditional Worship 9:05am Sunday School 10:15am Praise Band Youth Led/Noisy Offering/Scout Sunday
Saturday, February 8th	5:30pm Traditional Worship in the Chapel
Sunday, February 9th	8:00am Traditional Worship 9:05am Sunday School 10:15am Praise Band
Saturday, February 15th	5:30pm Traditional Worship in the Chapel
Sunday, February 16th	8:00am Traditional Worship with Calvary Bell Choir 9:05am Sunday School 10:15am Praise Band Camp Sunday
Saturday, February 22nd	5:30pm Traditional Worship in the Chapel
Sunday, February 23rd	8:00am Traditional Worship 9:05am Sunday School 10:15am Praise Band





**Drop off your used dental products  
February 8-9**

**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)

"The dollars all of us contributed for **SOLAR LIGHTS FOR UKRAINE** has provided for 50 more lights to assemble. The Creation Care Teams at Vinje, Calvary and Bethel invite you to come and help assemble the lights on **Tuesday, February 11 at 6:30 at Vinje Lutheran**. We had a great crew that came together last fall for the first 100 lights– please plan to come and experience the fellowship the evening will provide. Dave Nonemacher from the Ray of Life Foundation will again be present to give us an update and help guide the assembly."

**Sunday, February 2**

8:00am Worship - P. Wayne preach – Scout Sunday  
 9:00am Coffee Time  
 9:05am Sunday School  
 10:15am Worship – Youth Led/Scout Sunday/Noisy Offering  
 10:45am Worship Service on KWLM 1340 am or 96.3 fm  
 11:00am Scout Chili Feed – Bethany Hall  
 1:00pm Worship Service-WRAC 181  
 3:00pm Girl Scout Troop #3500 – Friendship Room  
 4:00pm Girl Scout Troop #3515 – Room 201  
 8:00pm Worship Service-WRAC 181

**Monday, February 3**

5:00pm Bell Choir  
 6:30pm Scouts

**Tuesday, February 4**

1:00pm Social Kindness – Friendship Room  
 6:30pm Charity Circle – Friendship Room  
 6:30pm Worship Service - WRAC 181  
 7:00pm Native American History – Bethany Hall

**Wednesday, February 5**

12:00pm Silent Bible Study – Library  
 1:30pm Deaconess Meeting – Friendship Room  
 6:30pm 6-9 Grade Confirmation – Friendship Room

**Thursday, February 6**

9:30am Text Bible Study – Friendship Room  
 12:00pm Executive Committee - Zoom  
 1:00pm Quilting  
 5:45pm Girl Scout Troop #3655 – Friendship Room  
 6:00pm Girl Scout Troop #3656 – Koinonia Room

**Saturday, February 8****Dental Products Recycling**

5:30pm Chapel Service - P. Amy

**Sunday, February 9****Dental Products Recycling**

8:00am Worship – P. Amy preach  
 9:00am Coffee Time  
 9:05am Sunday School  
 10:15am Worship  
 10:45am Worship Service on KWLM 1340 am or 96.3 fm  
 1:00pm Worship Service-WRAC 181  
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