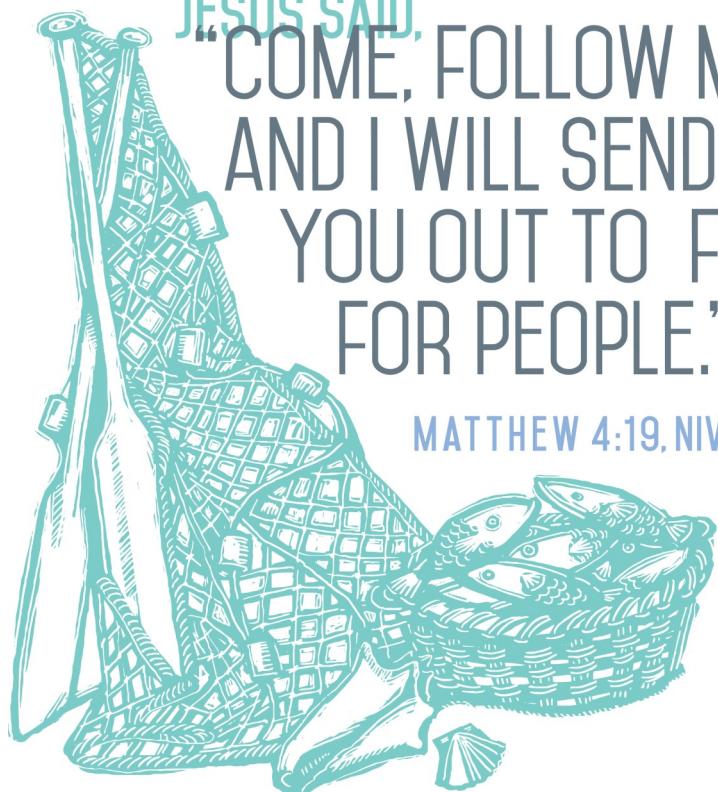




JESUS SAID,
“COME, FOLLOW ME,
AND I WILL SEND
YOU OUT TO FISH
FOR PEOPLE.”

MATTHEW 4:19, NIV



The Third Weekend after Epiphany

Saturday, January 24, 2026 5:30pm

Sunday, January 25, 2026 9:00am

Jesus begins his public ministry by calling fishers to leave their nets and follow him. In Jesus the kingdom of God has come near. We who have walked in darkness have seen a great light. We see this light most profoundly in the cross—as God suffers with us and all who are oppressed by sickness, sin, or evil. Light dawns for us as we gather around the word, the font, and the holy table. We are then sent to share the good news that others may be “caught” in the net of God’s grace and mercy.

Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome/Greeting

Gathering Hymn *All Are Welcome* ELW 641 vs. 1-2

Confession and Assurance of Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,
the Creator of heaven and earth,
the Word who spoke life into being,
the Wind stirring the waters. **Amen.**

Let us turn in confession to the one who knows us completely.

Mighty God, **lover of justice,**
you call us to life in community,
but we have served our own interests
at the expense of our neighbors.
We have sown deceit where honesty was needed.
We say the right words,
but our hearts are far from you.
Turn us to seek your face.
Knit us together and give us the mind of Christ,
that we may do justice, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

The former things have passed away,
and new things God now declares:
Like a spring of water that never fails,
God covers you in the righteousness of Christ,
and forgives your sin in Jesus' name.
May the Spirit give you strength to live for others,
and bless you with the gift of peace. **Amen.**

Prayer of the Day

Lord God, your lovingkindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Hymn *We Are All One in Christ* ELW 643

Scripture Isaiah 9:1-4

1 There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time [the Lord] brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

2 The people who walked in darkness

 have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—
 on them light has shined.

3 You have multiplied exultation;

 you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
 as with joy at the harvest,
 as people exult when dividing plunder.

4 For the yoke of their burden

 and the bar across their shoulders,
 the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Word of God. Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 27: 1, 4-9

1 The Lord is my light and my salvation;
 whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
 of whom shall I be afraid?

4 One thing I asked of the Lord;
 this I seek:

to live in the house of the Lord
 all the days of my life,
to behold the beauty of the Lord,
 and to inquire in his temple.

5 For he will hide me in his shelter
in the day of trouble;

he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;
he will set me high on a rock.

**6 Now my head is lifted up
above my enemies all around me,
and I will offer in his tent
sacrifices with shouts of joy;
I will sing and make melody to the Lord.**

7 Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud;
be gracious to me and answer me!

**8 "Come," my heart says, "seek his face!"
Your face, Lord, do I seek.**

9 Do not hide your face from me.
Do not turn your servant away in anger,
you who have been my help.
Do not cast me off; do not forsake me,
O God of my salvation!

Here ends the reading of the Psalm.

1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17-18

10 Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you but that you be knit together in the same mind and the same purpose.

11 For it has been made clear to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. 12 What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." 13 Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? 17 For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel—and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. 18 For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

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Children's Message (9:00)

Gospel Matthew 4:12-23

12 Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. 13 He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, 14 so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

15 “Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the gentiles—
16 the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death
light has dawned.”
17 From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”
18 As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishers. 19 And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people.” 20 Immediately they left their nets and followed him. 21 As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. 22 Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.
23 Jesus went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.
The Gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon Pastor Amy Juel

Hymn of the Day *Light Dawns in a Weary World* ELW 726

Apostle's Creed

Prayers of the Church (Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**)

Offering

Offering Prayer

God of majesty, **no eye has seen, no ear has heard
what you have prepared for those who love you,
yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy.
Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come
near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Words of Institution and The Lord's Prayer

Communion Music *All Are Welcome* ELW 641 vs. 3-5
 Just As I Am ELW 592
 Beautiful Savior ELW 838

Blessing and Prayer after Communion

Sending Hymn *We Are All One in Mission* *ELW 576*

Dismissal

Go in peace. Shine Your Light!

We will! Thanks be to God!

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Greeters: Wayne & Lynette Emberland
Musician: Molly Aalfs
Lector: Susan Roepke

Serving Sunday

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Communion: Lori Holmgren, Lois Shaw, Shawn Swenson
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Musician: Molly Aalfs
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Happening This Week...

Monday, Jan 26

2pm - Staff Meeting

6:30pm - Scouts

Tuesday, Jan 27

11:30am - Finance

5:30pm - Board of Worship

6pm - Troop #3749 - Rooms 203/205

Wednesday, Jan 28

6pm - Confirmation

Thursday, Jan 29

9:00 - 3pm - Synod Boundaries Training/Bethany Hall

9:30am - Text Study

6pm - Troop #3655 - Friendship Room

5:30pm - Chapel Service

SCOUT SUNDAY

9am - Worship/Youth Led/Noisy Offering

10am - Coffee/Gather & Grow - Community Closet

10:15 - Sunday School

SCOUT SUNDAY

Sunday, February 1, is Scout Sunday. The Scouts will be ushering and being lector. They will also be having a chili lunch served in Bethany Hall from 11am to 1pm. Free will offering. All are welcome!

Dear Calvary Lutheran Church-

Thank you for your generous support of our young adult ministry. You're helping change and shape our world by your generous support through time, money, and faith. We are using this toward a start up of a new young adult ministry at the campus ministry center called "Gather Ridgewater". Gather is the new expression of the ELCA-led young adult ministries. We are forming the fourth Gather group in Minnesota! Peace be with you,

Brother Doug

Brother Doug Dockter, OLF/n

Chaplain, Lutheran Campus Ministry

THANK YOU CALVARY for stepping up and helping our missionaries Geofrey and Mallory with your wonderful donations. Calvary raised \$1,902 with their generous gifts. \$1,500 will be MATCHED through Special Funds/Designated Gifts making our total gift \$3,402.00!!! This will help them continue to carry the light of the Gospel across borders to Trujillo, Peru.

CREATION CARE TIP

Product Exchange / Shop the Reuse Shelf

Kandiyohi County Household Hazardous Waste Center has a product reuse shelf where residents can reuse items that are received and are still good such as cleaners, oils, and more. New items arrive daily and are available for free.

Last Week's Financials

IRA/QCD/s	\$ 2,477.70
Online Giving	\$ 4,199.00
Sat./Sun. Giving	<u>\$ 4,666.05</u>
Total	\$11,342.75

Weekly Attendance

Saturday 30
Sunday 147
You Tube 120
Sunday School 33

If you would like to contribute to the mission of Calvary, please click on the QR code. Thank You!





ONE ROOM SCHOOL HOUSE SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY!

So that all voting members of the congregation can attend the Annual Meeting in Bethany Hall at 10:15, **ALL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES will meet together on Sunday!** Please bring your students to the Gathering Space (first floor of the Education Wing) for Sunday School. Carter and the confirmation students will be leading Sunday School until the Annual meeting is over (they will be available to stay with your students until noon). See you at the Annual Meeting!

GATHER & GROW FORUM (formerly Adult Forum)

Sunday, February 1 after 9am Worship Service

The Willmar CommUNITY Closet is a local nonprofit that provides free clothing and shows to people and families. It is 100% donation-based and run by volunteers, meaning all items come from community members who donate clothing and volunteers help to sort, organize and distribute the items. We are a dedicated safe space where all are welcome, always.

What the CommUNITY Closet does:

Provides free clothing and footwear to people. Individuals and families can pick up clothes and shoes at no charge to help meet their basic needs. We help reduce textile waste and support sustainability. By giving new life to donated items, it helps keep usable clothing out of landfills and extends the life of these resources.

We help build commUNITY support. The closet is a welcoming place that helps reduce clothing insecurity and foster a sense of support and inclusion in the community.

We are local. The closet operates in partnership with local groups including but not limited to Presbyterian Church, Bethel Church, Calvary Church, League of Women Voters, local youth groups, local group homes and so much more! CommUNITY Closet is always in need of men's and boy's clothing sizes 3T-4XL but no dress pants.