



THE VISITOR November 2023

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Dear Members and Friends of Calvary Lutheran Church,

I begin this last newsletter article with words written by the Apostle Paul in his letter to the young church at Philippi.


Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ ³I thank my God every time I remember you, ⁴constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, ⁵because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. (Philippians 1:2-6)

I began my service as your Interim Pastor fifteen months ago on August 1, 2022. Now my time as your pastor is quickly drawing to a close. I will be taking some vacation time on Reformation Sunday (October 29) and All Saints Sunday (November 5) as Anita and I attend a family wedding in Kansas and then travel to St. Louis, Missouri for a We Raise board meeting and a visit with our daughter and family. Upon our return my last Sundays leading worship will be November 12 and 19.

I believe the Holy Spirit has been at work in the Church over these past weeks and months. God has been at work in the leadership of the congregation; in the prayers, patience and understanding of congregational members; in the work of the Call Committee as well as in the heart and soul of pastors in the larger church discerning what possibilities God might be creating and where God might be calling. I rejoice with Calvary Lutheran Church and with Pastor Ben Williams whom the congregation has called to serve as your next pastor. Pastor Williams is a wonderfully gifted younger pastor who is well suited to lead this congregation into the next chapter of your life and ministry.

The leaders of Calvary have done some excellent work over these past months in preparing to live into the next chapter of the congregation's life. A year ago this November facilitator Cathy Cowling (<https://churchwerkes.com/>) led the congregation in a Sunday meeting called "Looking Back, Moving Forward." I remember we had hoped for 75 people and were thrilled that closer to 135 people participated in that event. Following the Annual Meeting this past February Cathy also led a joint staff and Church Council retreat in which leaders began imagining and laying the groundwork for the future.

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A Constitution Committee was appointed to revise Calvary's constitution based upon the ELCA Model Constitution. A Church Structure Committee also began work and is in the process of presenting its recommendations to the Church Council. And, finally, the Call Committee was formed and diligently and prayerfully served the congregation by identifying and presenting Pastor Ben Williams as the recommended candidate to be called. For all this we give thanks to God and pray God's blessing upon the continued work of the congregation.

In July Calvary gave thanks for the ministry of Pastor Rufus Kudde and prayed God's rich blessings upon him and his family as he accepted a call to a congregation in the Lacrosse Area Synod. Now the time is nearing for my service among you to come to an end. It has been a joy and a privilege to have served as your pastor during this time. My wife Anita has been with me most every Sunday (yes, sitting through both services and listening to my sermons), and I have been very grateful for her support and understanding. We have gotten to know and love the people of Calvary. We will miss you but the time has come for us to say goodbye and move on to the next chapter of our lives.

As Paul wrote to the Philippians so I will thank God every time I think of you, with a heart filled with joy. We have shared in the Gospel of Jesus Christ from the very first day and the Spirit of the Risen Christ has been at work among you. We trust the Holy Spirit will bring that work to completion in the day of Jesus Christ.

I close with these words from Paul to the Romans: The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Pastor Jerry Mansholt

Welcome Pr. Ben & Family

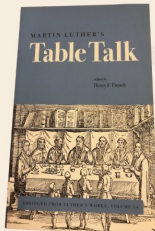
It is with great excitement that we share that Pr. Ben has officially accepted our call and looks forward to beginning his work at Calvary effective Monday, November 27.



Book Blurbs from the Library

Imagine pulling up a chair to the Luther family table and being invited to ask Martin Luther questions about his early life, education, his decision to be a monk, rediscovery of the Gospel, attacks on scholasticism, the papacy and more!

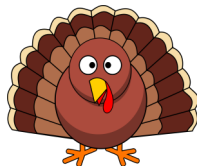
Find this book and many others on the Featured Selections Table in the Library!



2024 Pledge Cards

If you haven't filled out and returned your 2024 commitment card, you can mail or drop off at Calvary office.

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Thank you!



Genesis Preschool



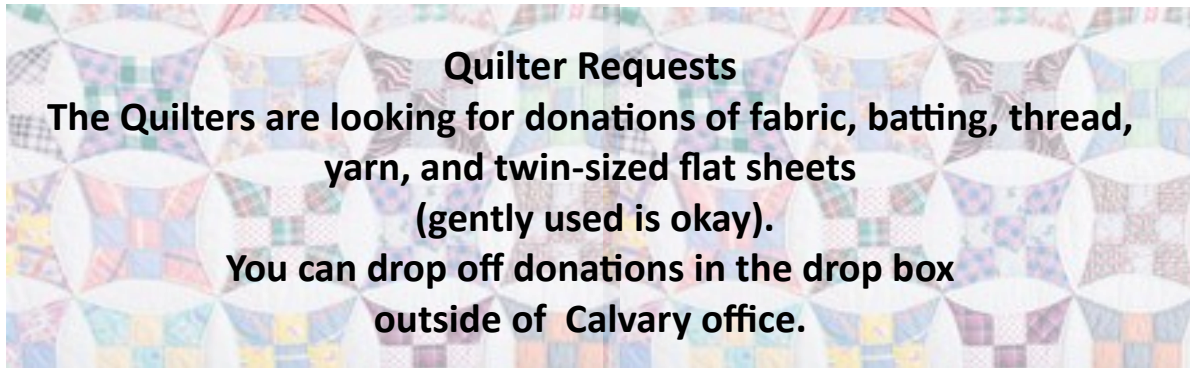
This month at Genesis we are having fun celebrating fall and Thanksgiving. We have so many cute art projects we will be making. We will also be celebrating Thanksgiving by enjoying a special feast together.

This month we will begin practicing Christmas songs so we are ready for our Christmas concert next month!

If you or someone you know has a child who is 3 years old, please check us out. New students are accepted throughout the school year.



God's Bells Handbell Choir has available openings for potential ringers. If you are interested in praising God in a fun, musical way then contact Corey Christenson at bellguy42@yahoo.com.



Quilter Requests

The Quilters are looking for donations of fabric, batting, thread, yarn, and twin-sized flat sheets (gently used is okay).

You can drop off donations in the drop box outside of Calvary office.



Calvary Lutheran Church
Come Join the Jr. Bells!

***4th grade and up**

***Easy Play *Familiar Tunes**

***Recruiting now for the Christmas Season**

We will meet regularly on Sunday mornings from 8:30-9:00 in the Bell Room.

Date	Play Dates
Nov. 5	Practice
Nov. 12	Practice
Nov. 19 No Practice	Packer Game
Nov. 26	Practice
Dec. 3	Practice
Dec. 10	10:30 Service, SS Christmas Program
Dec. 17	Practice
Dec. 24, Christmas Eve	3:00 Special Christmas Music

Dorothy Seehausen, Jr. Bell Choir Director

dorothyseehausen@gmail.com

920-288-7690 (text or call)



During the month of October, Calvary Lutheran Church assisted Annie Jackson Elementary School in their October Hunger Heroes Food Drive to achieve their needed goals in their School Food Pantry. Annie Jackson School would like to thank everyone for the generous donations of groceries and also for the hand-made dishcloths for families in the community.



Tator Tot Casserole

Our volunteers serve over 300 meals the **2nd Tuesday of each month.**

When dropping off the prepared casseroles, please store them in the church freezer.

Contact the Church Office to volunteer!



NEW Community Shelter

On October 10th Calvary served 154 meals (22 hot dishes).

Thank you to our regulars and confirmation students Luke and Peyton for serving meals at the NEW Community Shelter on October 10th.



JOIN US FOR A BED BUILD



Saturday, October 28 from 8am - 11am
2132 E. Deerfield Ave., Suamico
No experience required!

Brighten your day, find a way to help others

I recently was able to attend the first ever Sleep in Heavenly Peace Family Reunion. SHP was celebrating their tenth anniversary and 350 like minded family members gathered to celebrate, share stories, we laughed, cried, and learned from each other. It was an inspiring weekend event.

One of our speakers talked about using all your talents to help others. He said when you leave this earth someday and they lower your casket into the ground your body should be nothing but an empty shell with nothing left. Remember in helping others we also help ourselves.

Do you ever see signs of God around you? Sometimes it's just little things to remind me he's always there. It always amazes me how our team just randomly picks bedding for the kids and so many times it's a perfect fit for the room we are delivering to. Check out the picture and see what I mean. That rug was there before we got there. His hand is everywhere you just need to be open to see the signs.

The other photo is our new Mini- Warehouse Manager helping to load the beds. She's already bossing me around.

"No kid sleeps on the floor in our town"

Dan Vermeulen
920-737-0359
dan.vermeulen@shpbeds.org

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Packer Parking



2023 - 2024 Packer Parking Fundraiser

If you are interested in volunteering for Packer Parking, please scan the QR code below to sign up.



Contact Angel at
angel@calvarygb.com
with any questions.

Or use the sign up genius link below:

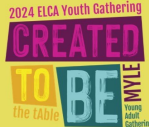
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040F44ADAA2BABFB6-20232024>

Youth Gathering Fundraising

The Youth are doing an “Envelope Giving Fundraiser” for the ELCA Youth Gathering.

Are you interested in contributing?

Pick up an envelope in the Narthex and place the envelope with your donation into the offering plate.



2024 ELCA Youth Gathering



Calvary is still looking for youth ages 8th—high school seniors who would be interested in attending the ELCA Youth Gathering 2024 in June 2024! We will be going to New Orleans for this fun gathering of ELCA Lutherans. If interested in attending or just want more information, email Angel at angel@calvarygb.com

Scholarship

Are you a college student currently enrolled in a Christian University pursuing a degree in a ministry related service?

If so, the Calvary Endowment Trust Committee is accepting scholarship applications for the 2023 second semester.

Please request an application from the church office.
Submit completed application no later than January 15, 2024.
Scholarships will be awarded by January 31, 2024.

If you have any questions please contact
Lynn Des Jardin ([920-494-2431](tel:920-494-2431)) or
text David Gehrke ([920-494-2036](tel:920-494-2036)). Thank you.

Calvary Food Pantry Needs

We are providing an additional Thanksgiving non-perishable food bag to those in need.

The following items are needed:

Canned Ham	Canned Gravy
Canned Sweet Corn	Instant Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans	Stuffing Mix
Sweet Potatoes or Yams	Canned Fruit
	Cookies

**The deadline to donate is
Sunday, November 5.**

Christian Outreach Ecumenical Thanksgiving Dinner

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Thanksgiving

**PREPARED AT LAMBEAU FIELD.
DELIVERED TO YOU.**

Dinner

Meals will be delivered to Green Bay Area addresses by delivery volunteers. No in-person activities at Lambeau Field.

Food will arrive fully cooked but chilled between 9 am and noon Thanksgiving Day, ready to reheat at your convenience.

920-490-7030

Call to reserve your meal delivery. Phone line will remain active until meal delivery reservations are filled. Hablamos Español

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Antiquarian Society

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The Antiquarian Society is a non-profit 501 (c) 3 organization that donates their funds to museums such as Heritage Hill, Neville Public Museum, area Historical Societies, the Diocese Museum, etc.

If you have any questions or would like more information, go to antiquariansocietygbdp.org or leave a message at (920) 680-9401.

Thank you from Green Bay—De Pere Antiquarian Society, Inc

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Mon. thru Thurs. -

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What's Happening

All Saints Day

*The following Saints will have a candle lit in
celebration of their lives during the service on
November 5th*

Shirley Barberg
Edmond Poirier
Gary Borremans
Anderson Strand
Kenneth Charles Stock
Lois Tollefson
Donna M. Black
Kenneth Schermitzler, Jr.
Robert Berg
Cheryl Anne Tyndall

Roger Cimbalo
Ronald J. Krines
John Withbroe
Ruth Ann Borremans
Mary Ann Weaver
Neil W. Dunsmoor
Karen L. Hansen
Jason A. Borseth
Elizabeth Hoeft
James Dobratz
Lois Hansen

Mary Lotto
Beverly Kiernan
Leo Yelle
Arthur Covi
David Edward Olson
Carol (Kahnert)
Andersen
Dorothy Basten
William Robinson III
Josephine Thorsen

We Care About You!

To receive a pastoral call and communion,
please call the Church Office at
920-494-2431

Pastors and Communion
Volunteers would love to
bring communion and
pray with you!



Watch us on

You Tube

Just a reminder that you can watch Sunday Worship

on Calvary's YouTube channel.

Please go to our website

<https://www.calvarygb.com/home>

and click on the

Calvary's YouTube Channel



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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sundays: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Thursdays: 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

The Visitor is the monthly newsletter of Calvary Lutheran Church. Information for the newsletter can be dropped off at the Church Office or emailed to: dawn@calvarygb.com.

The deadline for the December issue is November 22, 2023.

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