

(Please check your phones and electronic devices to make sure they are turned off while in the Sanctuary.)

Welcome to Mt Calvary Lutheran Church! We pray that you will be blessed, comforted, and given true, lasting peace as you worship. As we gather, we prepare our hearts for worshipping and praising our Lord and Savior by remembering what the Scriptures say: “I was glad when they said to me, ‘Let us go to the house of the Lord!’” Psalm 122:1 and “One thing have I asked of the Lord...that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple.” Psalm 27:4.

TO OUR VISITORS

Within this congregation, let no one feel like a stranger. If you have no church affiliation elsewhere, we invite you to make Mt Calvary your church home. Membership is open to all who are in accord with the doctrines and practices of our church, as based on the Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions. If you would like to know more about our beliefs, you may consult The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod website has this information at <https://www.lcms.org/> Please get in touch with Pastor Kevin for the next available new member class.

THE LORD’S EXPECTATION OF THE MEMBERS OF MT. CALVARY

In the glad confession of the Christian faith the Lord expects that every member attends Worship and receives the Lord’s Supper faithfully. The Lord expects every member to be involved in Christ-centered education, (Bible Study); The Lord expects every member to be a missionary of Christ to our community; and that every member is a faithful steward and disciple for the honor and glory of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Livestream worship services will be available Sunday mornings.

Go to <https://www.mtcalvaryhuron.org/livestream> and click on “Worship”

Worship service bulletins can be accessed at <https://www.mtcalvaryhuron.org/bulletin>

THIS SUNDAY

8:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

Order of Service:

Divine Service Setting Four with Communion

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Hymns:

604, 530, 634, 683, 429

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Liturgist:

Pastor Koester

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Lector:

Robert Blaseg

Dan Florey

Sermon:

Pastor Sattgast

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Theme:

"Covenant People"

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Text:

Jeremiah 31:31-34

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THOSE WHO SERVE IN GOD’S HOUSE THIS WEEK

Organist:

Karla Sawvell

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Acolyte:

Volunteer needed

Jacob Fuerst

Tech Support:

Logan Gerrits

Jacob Donovan

Greeters:

Robert Blaseg

Dan Florey

Communion Assistants: Wayne Jungemann

Dan Florey

A STATEMENT OF OUR PRACTICE OF CLOSE COMMUNION

The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, Our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very Body and Blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins. 1 Corinthians 10:14ff. Our Lord invites to His table those who repent of all their sins and who trust His words, that they may show forth His death until He comes. Because those who eat and drink our Lord's Body and Blood unworthily do so to their great harm (1 Corinthians 11:29) and because Holy Communion is a confession of faith which is confessed at this altar, (1 Corinthians 10:15-18) any who are not yet instructed in this faith, who are in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church Missouri-Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked to speak with one of the Pastors in his office prior to the service. Visitors who have previously spoken with one of the Pastors, and who received permission to commune, do not need to seek permission for subsequent visits to the altar.

St. Patrick



WORSHIP NOTE: In addition to today being the Fifth Sunday in Lent, it is also St. Patrick's Day. Our Opening Hymn was written by St. Patrick and, while it has a less-familiar tune, its words give strong confession of the Holy Trinity. The first stanza concludes at the bottom of the first page. Successive stanzas continue on both pages.

ABOUT ST. PATRICK: Patrick was born sometime between 372-389 A.D., probably in England, and was taken captive and forced into slavery in Ireland when he was 16 years old. After six years, he escaped and made his way to France and possibly as far as Rome. He pursued religious studies, was a devout student of the Bible, and was ordained as a priest. He felt God was calling Him to return to Ireland, the place of his former slavery, and to bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ to a land where many of the people were pagan nature worshippers, the Druids. God blessed Patrick's faithful ministry and many Irish people converted from paganism to Christianity. While the Church in the European Continent had successfully fought against the anti-Trinitarian heresy of Arianism with the formulation of the Nicene Creed (325 A.D.) and the Athanasian Creed some years later, Patrick brought a strong emphasis on the Holy Trinity with his ministry in Ireland. St. Patrick has been called "The Apostle of Ireland." After a long ministry, he died about 466 A.D.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT: *In the Holy Sacraments, We Share the Glory of the Cross of Christ* Jesus catechizes His disciples in the way of the cross, revealing that He will be condemned and put to death *"and after three days he will rise"* (Mark 10:33-34). But the Twelve do not understand. Instead, they argue among themselves about who will be the greatest, with James and John requesting the places of honor on either side of Jesus in His glory. However, Jesus has come to make Himself the *"slave of all"* and *"to give his life as a ransom for many"* (Mark 10:43-45). He shares the true glory of His cross with all who are baptized with His Baptism and with those who drink His cup of salvation, the New Testament in His blood (Mark 10:39). By these Holy Sacraments, the Lord makes Himself known to all His people, forgiving their sins *"from the least of them to the greatest"* (Jeremiah 31:33-34). Though He is the very Son of God, *"he learned obedience through what he suffered"* and so became our great High Priest, that we may enter His glory by the way of His sacrifice (Hebrews 5:8-10).

During the season of Lent, we will be substituting Hymn # 942, "Kyrie! God, Father" in place of the regular Gloria in Excelsis / Hymn of Praise for Sunday Services. As usual, we will also be omitting the "Alleluia" verses.

In Christ, Pastor Kevin



PARISH PRAYERS

- ◇ Remember all first responders, emergency personnel, healthcare workers, firefighters, and all members of law enforcement, as well as their families.
- ◇ Remember those affected by disaster and war, especially the soldiers and citizens of Israel and Ukraine.
- ◇ Remember victims of violence, persecution, and the families of Christian martyrs.
- ◇ Remember those who have been hospitalized or have special needs:

Joe Airheart

Mike and Lois Frank

Al Merriam

Rev. Dana Brooks— former Mt. Calvary Assistant Pastor

Lois Houck-mother of Shawn Adermann

Connie Cleland-daughter of Renee Schultz

June Taylor-friend of the congregation

Elwood Vanden Berge-father of Ryan Vanden Berge

Myles Hupp-son of Trevor and Kelsey Hupp

Steven Lockhart-brother of Claudia Johnson

Mykaila Soloman-granddaughter of Claudia Johnson

Robin Shoultz

Cindy Alter

Brad Bader

Gary Doering

Remember in your prayers all those serving in our military, and their families, especially:

PFC Kaegan Plumb-US Marines, stationed at Camp Pendleton, CA-husband of Kameryn Plumb

Amyah Greene-Army National Guard-granddaughter of Randy and Nancy Ziegeldorf

MSG David Maas-109th RSG-SD National Guard-Rapid City-deployed to Iraq-brother of Ann Cruse

Dustin Murphy, Army JAG, serving in North Carolina-nephew of Dennis and Kathy Mead

Tyler Kludt, pilot for the Iowa Air National Guard-grandson of Melanie Kludt

Sgt Gene Dennis, 665th Support Maintenance Company (SMC) out of Mitchell.

SSgt Justin Frank, SDARNG Med Command.

David Siedschlag, serving in the Army-nephew of Jay and Mandy Siedschlag.

Paul, U.S. Marine-family member of Donna and Ken Schley

Aric Birkeland, serving in the Air Force Reserve in Virginia.

SSgt Joshua Bartel, Army Reserve, 1-383rd TSBN in Des Moines.

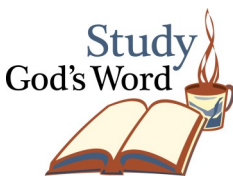
PFC Kevin Kayser, serving in the SD Army National Guard 147th A Co.

Madison Pfitzer, serving in the SD Army National Guard.

Timothy Johnson, Navy Seabee stationed in Illinois.

Dallas McLeod, Army Aviation Maintenance Manager, Fort Campbell, KY.

Pray
for Our
Military



Study God's Word **Sunday Morning Adult Bible Class:** Pastor Sattgast leads the Adult Bible Class this Sunday. We return to our study of St. Paul's Letter to the Romans. Although St. Paul wrote to the Romans nearly 2,000 years ago, the concerns he addressed are just as pressing in our day as they were when he first wrote. As we study the second half of Romans Chapter One, we see that Paul's words speak God's truth to people both of his time and our time as well whose "hearts were darkened" (vs. 21) and who have "exchanged the truth about God for a lie" (v. 25).

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Preschool through 6th grade will go to the opening in the sanctuary from 9:15 to 9:30 a.m. then to the basement to their respective classrooms for Sunday school class.

7th through 12th graders and their parents are invited to participate in the Middle School / High School Sunday School class. We will be meeting at 9:15 a.m. in the Boardroom. We have now concluded the video series and will be doing a Bible study on the life of the apostle Paul. All 7th-12th graders and their parents are welcome to attend.



It's March! And that means madness on courts all around the country! Since it's been a while between volleyball and basketball games at Mt. Calvary, we thought we would change that.

At 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 17th, you are

invited to showcase your skills in front of your church family or come be amazed at the athletic talents God has given. Even if you're not very tall or can't jump very high, we still think you'll have fun. We will provide some snacks as well. Invite your friends! Hope to see you there!



Palm Cross Assembly

Please join us on Saturday morning, March 23rd, at 9:00 a.m. in the Activity Center to help assemble crosses for Palm Sunday.

EVERYONE, young and not so young, is invited to help! The Board of Youth will be providing breakfast pizza! And we have to know how much breakfast pizza will be needed, so please RSVP by signing up on the sheet on the Fellowship Hall counter. Don't know how to fold a cross? We'll be happy to teach you. Your help is appreciated.

Easter Lily Donations

During Lent no flowers are placed on the altar. On Easter, lily plants will decorate the altar. If you would like to donate to the purchase of lilies for the altar you may put your donation in an envelope marked "Easter Lilies" and place it in the offering plate, put it in the mailbox by the church office, or mail to the church. If the donation is given in memory of loved ones, please write the name(s) on the envelope. Checks may be made payable to LWML.

Palm Sunday, March 24 is the deadline. Thank you.



MT. CALVARY



COBORN'S CASH REGISTER RECEIPTS:

Effective March 31, 2024, Coborn's will no longer be offering their "cash for receipts" program. We will continue to accept Coborn's receipts through Sunday, March 31, 2024. There is a collection box located in the entrance of the Learning Center and in the Fellowship Hall. We are sad to see this program discontinued, it has been an amazing program for our preschool and other non-profit organizations in our community. Mt. Calvary Learning Center staff and board thank you for your continued support through your prayers and donations.



Thank you to everyone who came to witness my installation as sole pastor and helped in any way with the service or the potluck afterward! I also want to thank everybody for the kind words, cards, and gifts that I received. As we were reminded in President Sailer's message, we ought to give thanks for what we already have and I am thankful for the people of Mt. Calvary. Ultimately, I know that your presence in my life and ministry are gifts of God. And so, just as I have prayed many times before, it is good that I should *"give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, and His mercy endures forever"* (Psalm 107:1).

In Christ, Pastor Kevin

The early bird pricing window for Camp Minneboji is closing fast! **Youth (4th grade through 8th grade) must be registered by April 1st to receive the special pricing of \$450.** Youth may still register after April 1st for a different rate. For members wanting to go, Mt. Calvary is willing to cover half of the registration fee. Camp Minneboji is June 16th-22nd this year and the theme is "Blessed- Matthew 5:1-12." Please talk to Pastor Kevin soon if you are interested! God's blessings!



Wednesdays — Kids for Christ meets from 5:15-6:15 p.m.

As of January 17th the Kindergarten - third grade students meet on Wednesdays. 4th and 5th grade students have transitioned to Family Ministry as of January 17th.

Dear Family Ministry students and parents,

The 8th grade and above class now have the opportunity to take the test on a Wednesday at the normal class time or by appointment when they feel they are adequately prepared. Upon passing the test, they will complete their faith statement and schedule a time for an interview.

The 6th and 7th grade class will be working on memory work. They received a list of 24 Bible passages that every Christian should know. Of those 24, they are to pick 12 verses to recite perfectly to Pastor Kevin. They are to complete all their memory work before classes resume on April 3rd. To keep pace, reciting 2 verses per week is recommended. They may recite these verses on most Wednesday evenings at 6:15, Sunday mornings after each service, or by appointment during the week.

The 6th and 7th graders also received a schedule and assignment description via email for opening and closing prayer during our sessions in April. They are to write out their prayer beforehand and use all 6 types of prayer when they write it. Please contact me if your student is not able to make one of the sessions, so we can rearrange as needed.

FAMILY MINISTRY
NEWS

In Christ, Pastor Kevin

Attention Mt. Calvary youth and families! The National Youth Gathering will be here before you know it! This time around, it will be July 19-23, 2025, in New Orleans. Youth need to have completed 8th grade to be able to attend. We would like to know how many of you are interested in going (including kids and potential adult chaperones). Please let us know of your intentions by signing up on the sheet in the Fellowship Hall by October 1st. Early bird registration is in November. God's blessings!

BLESSED BY MEANS OF GRACE Weekend Worship: 181 Bible Study: 72 Sunday School: 19
 Midweek Lent Worship: 90

March Offerings:	Weekly Need	1st Weekend	2nd Weekend	3rd Weekend	4th Weekend	5th Weekend
General	\$ 6,592	\$ 4,766	\$ 8,867	\$	\$	\$
Mission	\$ 1,721	\$ 1,450	\$ 2,782	\$	\$	\$
Building	\$ 192	\$ 95	\$ 365	\$	\$	\$
Preschool	\$	\$ 110	\$ 125	\$	\$	\$

Budgets are guidelines for what the church may need weekly for financing. Actual expenses could be more or less. Thank you for your support of Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church because without it we would not have a church. When you give, consider how the Lord has blessed you.

	General	Building	Missions
Cash Available Jan 1, 2024	\$104,054.92	\$53,756.96	(\$24,241.20)
2024 Year to Date Net Cash Flow	<u>\$ (2,397.99)</u>	<u>\$ 802.00</u>	<u>(\$ 4,272.10)</u>
Cash Available Jan. 31, 2024	\$101,656.93	\$54,558.96	(\$19,969.10)



Statements

**2023 Offering Statements are in the mailboxes in the Fellowship Hall.
 If you would like your Offering Statement mailed to your home please
 contact the church office. (605)352-7121**

Some offering statements have already been mailed with
 the 2023 Memorial Contribution Statements.

Reminder - Direct Your Thrivent Choice Dollars® by March 31:

If you have a qualified connection to a Thrivent Financial insurance or annuity product you may have Thrivent Choice Dollars® to direct to our church each year. Thrivent Choice Dollars® can make a profound impact. In 2023 Mt. Calvary received \$4,089 in Thrivent Choice Dollars® grant funding. Directing Choice Dollars® costs Thrivent members nothing, but is a gift by Thrivent, to support recipients. Directing dollars is as simple as calling the Thrivent organization at 1-800-847-4836 and ask for Thrivent Choice options.



**We would like to thank each and every individual who supported us at the Lenten meal March 6th.
 The money raised will go toward our Higher Things youth trip to Mequon, Wisconsin this June 24-25.
 What a blessing it is to be loved by so many members at Mt. Calvary. —Avah, Alexis, Ryker**



Thank you to all who continue to contribute in any way to the Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts. Please see the display case in the Fellowship Hall for photos displaying transportation methods used to deliver the shoeboxes to the ends of the earth, as well as, photos of many excited faces of the children receiving the boxes and being discipled through "The Greatest Journey" program.

You will have the opportunity to contribute items for this year's shoeboxes or make donations for items to be purchased or for sponsoring online shoeboxes for hard-to-reach areas. Each month a list of suggestions is included in the newsletter. Thank you in advance for your participation in this mission to share the love of Jesus with children around the world!

This Week in the Parish

Day	Time	Event	Location
Sunday, March 17	8:00 a.m.	Worship Service In-Person/Livestream	Sanctuary
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School Opening (PS-6th grade) (then to basement classrooms after the opening)	Sanctuary
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School for 7th grade and above	Boardroom
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Bible Study In-Person/Livestream	Fellowship Hall
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service In-Person/Livestream	Sanctuary
	1:30 p.m.	Family Event-games and snacks	Activity Center
Monday, March 18	Pastor Kevin's Day Off		
Wednesday, March 20	10:00 a.m.	Chapel with Pastor Kevin	Sanctuary
	1:00 p.m.	Chapel with Pastor Kevin	Sanctuary
	5:15 p.m.	Kids for Christ	Basement
	-6:00 p.m.	for Kindergarten through 3rd grades	Classrooms
	5:15 p.m.	Family Ministry for 4th & 5th grades	Basement
	-6:00 p.m.		Classrooms
	5:15 p.m.	8th grade and above class	Fellowship Hall
	-6:00 p.m.	Written Test	
	5:15 p.m.	Memory Work Study Hall	Boardroom
	-6:00 p.m.	(6th and 7th graders)	
	6:00 p.m.	Lent Supper— LWML will serve super nachos	
6:45 p.m.	Hymn Sing		
7:00 p.m.	Lent Midweek Worship Service In-Person/Livestream	Sanctuary	
Thursday, March 21	9:30 a.m.	Morning Bible Study	Fellowship Hall
	7:00 p.m.	No Evening Bible Study (on hiatus for Lent)	
Saturday, March 23	9:00 a.m.	Palm Cross Folding <i>Everyone is Welcome!</i>	Activity Center

Lent Midweek and Good Friday Sermon Themes

Wednesday, Mar. 20

7:00 p.m. Midweek Worship Service— **"It Is Finished"**

Good Friday, Mar. 29

12:10 p.m. Midday Worship Service— **"Father, Into Thy Hand I Commit My Spirit"**

7:00 p.m. Evening Worship Service— **"Father, Into Thy Hand I Commit My Spirit"**

