

January 2/3, 2016

2nd Sunday after Christmas

Five minutes before the service, the Pastors and Elders are praying for you.

As we enter the House of God, let us meditate quietly and prepare our hearts for worship and praise of our Lord and Savior. Remember what the Scriptures say, "The Lord is in His holy temple; Let us all the earth keep silence before Him!"

Habakkuk 2:20

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

### TO OUR VISITORS

In the Name of the Lord Jesus we bid you welcome to our congregation, to its blessings, to its comfort, and to its peace. Within this congregation let no one feel himself a stranger. We ask you to sign our guest register located in the foyer and to fill out the guest book in each pew letting us know how we can serve you. If you have no church affiliation elsewhere, we invite you to make Mount Calvary Evangelical Lutheran 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. Please get in touch with one of our Pastors for the next available new member class.

### THE LORD'S EXPECTATION OF THE MEMBERS OF MT. CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

#### THIS WEEKEND

Orders of Service:	Divine Service I w/ Holy Communion
Hymns:	410, 523, 602, 589, 850, 981
Theme:	"Wisdom Is a Who!"
Text:	From Lessons For the Day
Sermon by: Pastor Domke	Liturgist: Pastor Smith

### 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. I Cor. 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 ( I Cor 11:29) and because Holy Communion is a confession of faith which is confessed at this altar, ( I Cor. 10:15-18) any who are **not yet instructed in this faith, who 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 their 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.

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES      Lesson 5 – Jan. 3 and Jan. 6**

Today in Sunday School and on Wednesday at Kids 4 Christ, we study “An Angel Visits Joseph.” Just as the angel proclaimed to Joseph that Mary would bear an infant who is the Son of God, the Savior, so God proclaimed to us in His Word that this same Jesus is our Savior from sin and death. *Parents could ask, “What important message did the angel give Joseph? What important message do we hear in God’s Word?”*

**Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study** - Today we continue the study in 2 Corinthians, please join us as St. Paul lays out his heart felt love for the church. Forgiveness is the key to overcoming the schemes of Satan.

## **KIDS 4 CHRIST**

**Kids 4 Christ** meets in the Christian Activities Center. This program is designed for 1st-5th grade students and will be held at the same time as confirmation on Wednesday evenings from 5:15-6:30. All 1st-5th graders are encouraged to attend and bring a friend. Kids for Christ will begin again in January 6th.

## **PARISH PRAYERS**

◇ Remember those serving in our military. (Please give the church office information on our members who are serving in the armed forces so we can be in contact with them.) Please notify the church office when you or a loved one is entering the nursing home. Because of the privacy laws this information is not available to the public nor the Pastors.

◇ Remember those who have been hospitalized or have special needs: **Cindy Alter, Lynn Reimnitz, Cliff and Marilyn Schieckoff, Melanie Kludt, Esther Halbur, Mike Frank, Shawn Adermann, Marlys Lammert, Judy Henson, Darlene Sandmeier, Merle Jones, and Delbert Peskey.**

◇**Hospital Visitation**—Please let us know when you are going or are in the hospital. Pastor Domke

## ◇ **THOSE WHO SERVE IN GOD’S HOUSE THIS WEEK**

	7:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Organist:	Mia Kruse	Mia Kruse	Mia Kruse
Acolyte:		Teagan Pfitzer	Alaina Dale
Communion Asst’s:	Chuck Gascoigne Stuart Adermann	Chuck Kranz	Kerwin Haeder

**BLESSED BY MEANS OF GRACE:** Divine Worship: 183    Sunday School: 24    Adult Bible Class: 67

Weekly Budgeted : Offering Last Week		Needed to Date	Giving To Date	Budget Short Fall
General \$6,906	\$10,186.00	\$359,112.00	\$314,413.00	\$44,699.00
Mission \$1,699	\$6,011.00	\$88,348.00	\$82,924.00	\$5,424.00
Building \$ 576	\$483.00	\$29,952.00	\$25,847.00	\$4,106.00

**Computer Monitors Available**— The church has a couple 13 inch monitors it no longer needs. If any one might be interested in having one or all of them, please check with the church office. A donation for them would be appreciated.

**Our Preschool** collects the following items to earn money and supplies for the school: Campbell’s labels (UPC codes only— please cut them out of the soup label) Pop Tabs, **Coborn’s receipts dated for November, December**

January due by February 1st. **Please note the new Coborn's receipts date is now below the cashier's name.**  
**REMINDER: All receipts must have a date or we will not be able to use them.** We earn approximately \$250 every three months by simply saving Coborn's receipts

### Flower Chart for 2015

Is posted on the Fellowship Hall bulletin board. Those desiring to provide flowers may sign up for the weekends listed. You may also list an occasion, such as anniversary, birthday, etc. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

**Men's Tuesday Morning and Men's Thursday Evening Bible Study:** All the men of the congregation are invited to attend. The time we spend together is a time of conversation, prayer, fellowship and bible reading. We are currently in the letter to the Romans on Tuesday. We meet at Vertos at 6:30 AM. ***Thursday evening class will resume on Thursday, January 7th, 2016.*** Note: The Tuesday Men's morning will meet this Tuesday of Christmas Week.

**USHERS NEEDED!!!!** for all church services. Men, women and youth welcome. It takes 4 ushers to help with each service. Please consider signing up for a service and month of your choice. Sign up sheet is located on the table in the fellowship hall. Your help is greatly appreciated.  
Scott Adams, Head Usher

**Church Website and Facebook** Check out our website at [www.mtcalvaryhuron.org](http://www.mtcalvaryhuron.org) are many resources available on the website and they are growing: News, bulletins, newsletters, worship services (audio), confirmation information, preschool information, plus much more. , check us out on Facebook and send a facebook "friend" request.

**Salvation Army** could use our help with the following items: Tuna helper, mac and cheese, chunky soups, hot chocolates mixes, spaghettios, ravioli, peanut butter (16 oz.) or larger, canned fruit (mixed fruit or pears) jelly, cake mixes, instant oatmeal or any breakfast items. Your help is greatly appreciated.

#### **January 3, 2016**

Kid's Crossing-Miss Lisa introduces Janitor Bob to her friend a rabbit named Shiloh. Shiloh claims he lost something so they check the lost and found box. Today's message is presented by Rev. Garen Pay of Peace Lutheran Church in Alcester, SD. The topic, "Not So Ordinary Grace" is based on Luke 2: 40-52. The Main Street Living Choir will perform the hymns: Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty; Just as I Am; and Almighty Father, Bless the Word. The program is interpreted and closed captioned for the hearing impaired

**There remain four board positions unfilled** Voters' Meeting Tuesday, January 19 at 7:00 p.m. They are: President (Chairman of the Congregation), Chairman of the Board of Parish Education, Chairman of the School Board, and Chairman of the Board of Stewardship. We are praying the Lord to raise up people to fill these positions, so if prompted by the Holy Spirit please step forward and tell one of the pastors.

**Help is needed to take down the Christmas Decorations Monday** the Jan 4th at 6:30pm. Please come and help. Matt Busch is in charge.

There are 9, 8x10 pictures in the church office waiting to be picked up. Come in and get them please.

National Youth Gathering meeting January 13, right after Confirmation.

Pictorial Directory: The Directory Committee is going to meet this coming Wednesday at 6:30 pm

**New Member's  
Luncheon/Potluck  
January 10th right after 2nd Service  
Come to Meet all our New Member's from 2015**

**All Members are encouraged to attend for this time of Food and Fellowship as we publically greet those who have joined our family in this last year as Members of Mount Calvary.**

Thank you to everyone who helped with Meals on Wheels last week. What a wonderful way to show Christian love during Christmas week. Again, thank you! Melanie

**Spring Board to Life Class—Begins January 14, 2016 @ 6:00 PM**

This Pastor's Class is for people who are interested in learning more about Christianity and what the Lutheran Church believes and why we believe it. And this class is for those who wish to join the congregation. And finally it is for members of the congregation who wish to review the basics of the Christian Faith. Any question can be asked. You will not be called on to read unless you are willing. Classes are very informal...no tests. There is no obligation to join any Church, including Mount Calvary. During the class you will be given the opportunity to join our fellowship, but only if you choose to do so. The class will run about 12 weeks from 6-8pm

Taught By Pastor Domke

HOPE Group will meet on January 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 at Daryl & Linda's. Please let them know by Wednesday, January 6<sup>th</sup> if you will or will not be attending. If anyone is interested in join this group, please call Daryl or Linda at 352-5667.

This Week in the Parish

Day	Time	Event	Place
Saturday	7:00 p.m.	Divine Service w/Communion	Sanctuary
		Installation of Officers	
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Divine Service w/Communion	Sanctuary
		Installation of Officers	
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Bible Class/SS	Fellowship Hall
	10:30 a.m.	Divine Service w/Communion	Sanctuary
		Installation of Officers	
Monday:	9:00 a.m.	Preschool	Preschool room
	12:30 p.m.	Preschool	Preschool Room
		Pastor Domke's day off	
	5:30 p.m.	Board of Stewardship Meeting	Pastor's Office
Tuesday:	6:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	Verto's
	9:00 a.m.	Preschool	Preschool room
	12:30 p.m.	Preschool	Preschool Room
	1:00 p.m.	Chapel	Sanctuary
	1:00 p.m.	Quilting	Fellowship Hall
	4:00 p.m.	Board of Evangelism	Fellowship Hall
	5:30 p.m.	Board of Education	Boardroom
	7:00 p.m.	Elders' Meeting	Boardroom
Wednesday:	3:30 p.m.	Staff Meeting	Boardroom
	5:15 p.m.	No Confirmation/Kids4Christ	CAC
	7:00 p.m.	Choir	
Thursday:	9:00 a.m.	Shut ins	
	6:00 p.m.	Trustee Meeting	Boardroom 7:00
p.m.	Men's Bible Study	Boardroom	7:00 p.m. LWML Meeting
		Fellowship Hall	
Friday:		Pastor Smith's Day off	
	7:00 p.m.	HOPE Fellowship Group	
Saturday:	9:00 a.m.	Elder's Training	Boardroom
	7:00 p.m.	Divine Service	Sanctuary