

February 20/21, 2016

Second Sunday in Lent

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 III w/ Holy Communion
Hymns:	439 v. 1-5, 685, 629, 708, 575, 849
Theme:	"Heavenly Citizenship"
Text:	Philippians 3:17-4:1
Sermon by:	Pastor Smith
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 Morning Adult Bible Study - After a week's break we return to studying 2 Corinthians. Please join us in the fellowship hall as this Sunday we speak about Baptism, and the new birth that God has given us into the kingdom of heaven.

ACTSS Fellowship Group will be meeting on February 26nd at the Scoreboard at 6:00. Afterwards we will meet at the Fellowship Hall for fun and fellowship. Please let Rich or Audrey know by February 24th if you will be coming. Anyone interested in joining a fellowship group can contact Daryl or Linda Haeder or Rich or Audrey Davis.

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, Marlys Lammert, Katie Halbur and Delbert Peskey, Janet Zavesky, Russell Dillon, Merle Jones, Denny Mead.**

◇ For those who have lost a loved one: Elaine Hofer passed away on Thursday. Funeral arrangements are pending. We pray the Lord's comfort and strength for the members of her family.

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

◇ THOSE WHO SERVE IN GOD'S HOUSE THIS WEEK

	7:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Organist:	Nancy Ziegeldorf	Nancy Ziegeldorf	Nancy Ziegeldorf
Acolyte:	Nathan Boehrns	Regan Hamilton	Martin Boetel
Communion Ass'ts:	Stuart Adermann Chad Hanson	Chuck Kranz Dareld Schley	Kerwin Haeder Kyle Porisch

BLESSED BY MEANS OF GRACE: Divine Worship: 240 Sunday School: 32 Adult Bible Class: 72

Weekly Budgeted : Offering	Last Week	Needed to Date	Giving to Date	Budget Short Fall
General \$7,011	\$5,212.00	\$49,077.00	\$39,138.00	\$9,939.00
Mission \$1,698	\$2,255.00	\$11,886.00	\$9,383.00	\$2,503.00
Building \$576	\$428.00	\$4,032.00	\$3,687.00	\$345.00

Coborn's Receipts are now being collected for February, March and April and are due by May 8th. be sure the date is on the receipt or we can't use them. Thank you for supporting our Preschool. We earn approximately \$250 every three months by simply saving Coborn's receipts.

Salvation Army could use our help with the following items: Tuna helper, mac and cheese, chunky soups, hot chocolates mixes, spaghetti, 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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES: **Lesson 12 – Feb. 21 and Feb. 24**

Today in Sunday School and on Wednesday at Kids 4 Christ, the children will study “The Temptation of Jesus.” Like us, Jesus was tempted by Satan to sin. Yet, for us, He overcame all temptation because we cannot. *In your family discussions, consider asking, “How are we tempted to rely on ourselves and trust in our powers?”*

CHURCH CLEANING DAY HAS BEEN RE-SCHEDULED to March 12th at 9am.

Purses for Preschool and Spring Salad Luncheon will be on Thursday, April 21 from 11am - 1pm. Sign up sheets for salads will be in the Fellowship Hall soon. you would like to donate items or \$\$ for purses/baskets, please contact Sara Newman at 507-272-8597 or Mandy Siedschlag at 350-0865. your friends and co-workers. Welcome! you for helping support our Preschool.

Offering Options

The Board of Stewardship would like to make the congregation aware that they can give their offerings online if they so choose.

First of all we should look at what scripture says. 2 Corinthians 9:7 "Everyone should give what they have decided to give in their heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver". We give offerings out of joyful thanksgiving for the gifts that God has given to us. As new tools become available, it is okay if we wish to use them as long as we are careful to remember the reason we are giving.

What we have found is, the simplest way for you to give online, should you choose to do so, is through the bill pay services offered by your bank. Here are some guidelines:

1. Set the church up as biller in your bill pay account.
2. Put your offering envelope number as the account #.
3. You can designate where you want the money to go (general, missions, building, preschool) in the memo line.
4. Schedule either a one time or recurring transfer.
5. Verify that the payment cleared your account.

We realize this is not a fit for everyone, and are not suggesting that people need to adopt this method of giving. We are just merely letting people know it is a tool available which may be helpful to them. It also could be used to send your offering to church on a week when you are not able to be there. However, we would caution against thinking that the church just wants your money. God does not care about money, after all, it's already all His. What He is after, is your heart. Your Fellow Servants in Christ, the Board of Stewardship. There is a pamphlet on the table in the fellowship hall to assist further.

CAMP MINNEBOJI information and registration forms are now available here at church or you can get this information on line at www.minneboji.com and on Facebook: Camp Minneboji. Camp week is June 26 - July 2 at Camp Okoboji in NW Iowa. The camp, for kids in grades 4-9, features Bible Study, Mission Presentations, Music, Crafts, Sports, Recreation, a Camp T-shirt and the chance to meet new Christian friends. This year's camp theme is "Got? Questions" with our theme verse Hebrews 10:23. Mt Calvary pays half of the registration fees, plus \$10 for additional family members attending.

The family's portion of the registration fee is \$170 for the week. The family's portion of Honor's Camp for 9th graders is \$185 for the week. Registration forms and payment is due to the church office by Sunday, May 1. Any questions, please call or text Donell Mayfield 350-7512.

Palm Cross Assembly - Note - New day and time

Please join us on Saturday morning, March 19th at 9am, in the Fellowship to help assemble crosses for Palm Sunday. Help is greatly appreciated.

Main Street Living may be seen each Sunday morning at 10 AM on KDLT-NBC Sioux Falls or at 9 AM on KEVN-FOX Rapid City. Mailing address is Main Street Living, 1400 S. Duluth Ave, Sioux Falls, SD 57105.

Kid's Crossing-Lily learns the difference between transformation and the Transfiguration. Jesus was transfigured, but we must be transformed by the Holy Spirit in our lives. Kid's Crossing-Janitor Bob talks to Miss Lisa and Jeramiah about how to resist temptations by Satan. **Feb 21, 2016**-Rev. Karl Gregory of First English Lutheran in Parker and Bethesda Lutheran in Marion presents today's message titled "Between a Rock and a Hard Place". The hymns: God Loved the World So That He Gave; Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness; and Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow, will be performed by the Main Street Living Choir. The program is interpreted and closed captioned for the hearing impaired.

Lenten Suppers We have hosts for every Wednesday except for refreshments after the Feb. 17 Service. Sign up sheet in on the counter in the fellowship hall.

Lenten Suppers

February 17	Board of Youth	Spaghetti
February 24	LWML	Chili
March 2	Elders	Homemade Pizza and Gluten free
March 9	Hamptons	Chicken
March 16	LWML	Scalloped Potatoes & Ham

Retirement Announced

We are sad to tell you, but glad for Kathy Sawvell that she will be retiring at the end of June 2016. Kathy will have worked for and served as Mt. Calvary's church secretary for 25 years. She has been a faithful worker and has tirelessly serving her Lord and His people. I encourage you to say thank you to Kathy for these 25 years and as we get closer to June perhaps cards of appreciation would be appropriate. She has requested no retirement party, but personal thanksgivings are certainly welcome. More importantly make an effort to thank the Lord for the blessings He has brought to the congregation through Kathy. She and her husband Darwyn are looking forward to time together without work responsibilities. Applications for the position of Mt. Calvary's Church secretary are available between 9 am and 4 pm.

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

Flower Chart for 2015

Flower Chart 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 the event center at 6:30 AM. Thursday evening class meets at 7:00 p.m. in the boardroom.

Church Website and Facebook Check out our website at 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.

This Week in the Parish

Day	Time	Event	Place
Saturday	7:00 p.m.	Divine Service w/Communion	Sanctuary
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Divine Service w/Communion	Sanctuary
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Bible Class/SS	Fellowship Hall
	10:30 a.m.	Divine Service w/Communion	Sanctuary
	4:00 p.m.	Young Family Ministry	Fellowship Hall
Monday:		Pastor Domke's day off	
	12:30 p.m.	Preschool	Preschool Room
Tuesday:	6:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study	Event Center Boardroom
	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
	5:15 p.m.	School Board Meeting	Boardroom
		Journal Deadline	
Wednesday:	12:30 p.m.	Preschool	Preschool Room
	3:30 p.m.	Staff Meeting	Boardroom
	5:15 p.m.	Confirmation/Kids4Christ	CAC
	6:00 p.m.	Lenten Supper	
	6:45 p.m.	Hymn Sing	
	7:00 p.m.	Midweek Lenten Service	
	8:00 p.m.	Choir	
Thursday:	9:00 a.m.	Preschool	Preschool room
	12:30 p.m.	Preschool	Preschool Room
	1:15 p.m.	Sunquest Health Care Center Service	Sunquest
	7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study	Boardroom
Friday:		Pastor Smith's Day off	
	6:00 p.m.	ACTSS Fellowship Group	
Saturday:			
	7:00 p.m.	Divine Service	Sanctuary