



“For wherever the carcass is, there the eagles
will be gathered together.”

Matthew 24:28 (NKJV)

TRINITY TWENTY FIVE
November 12, 2023

Calvary Lutheran Church
Topeka, Kansas

Today at Calvary Lutheran Church, we celebrate our Lord's Supper. If you are a member in good standing of an LCMS congregation, we welcome you to the fellowship of our Lord's Body and Blood at this table. However, if you are a guest, whether from another LCMS congregation or elsewhere, and would like to receive the Lord's Body and Blood in this Sacrament and the forgiveness that He has won by them, we kindly ask that you speak with the pastor before the service.

Divine Service, Setting Four

Lutheran Service Book, Pg. 203-212

**Indicates to Stand*

ANNOUNCEMENTS and *OPENING PRAYER

OPENING HYMN:

"Preserve Your Word, O Savior"

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1 Pre - serve Your Word, O Sav - ior, To us this lat - ter day,
 2 Pre - serve, O Lord, Your hon - or, The bold blas - phem - er smite;
 3 Pre - serve, O Lord, Your Zi - on, Bought dear - ly with Your blood;
 4 Pre - serve Your Word and preach - ing, The truth that makes us whole,
 5 Pre - serve in wave and tem - pest Your storm - tossed lit - tle flock;



And let Your king - dom flour - ish; En - large Your Church, we pray.
 Con - vince, con - vert, en - light - en The souls in er - ror's night.
 Pro - tect what You have cho - sen A - gainst the hell - ish flood.
 The mir - ror of Your glo - ry, The pow'r that saves the soul.
 As - sailed by wind and weath - er, May it en - dure each shock.



O keep our faith from fail - ing; Keep hope's bright star a - glow.
 Re - veal Your will, dear Sav - ior, To all who dwell be - low,
 Be al - ways our de - fend - er When dan - gers gath - er round;
 Oh, may this liv - ing wa - ter, This dew of heav'n - ly grace,
 Stand at the helm, our pi - lot, And set the course a - right;



Let noth - ing from truth turn us While liv - ing here be - low.
 Great light of all the liv - ing, That all Your name may know.
 When all the earth is crum - bling, Safe may Your Church be found.
 Sus - tain us while here liv - ing Un - til we see Your face.
 Then we will reach the har - bor In Your e - ter - nal light.

***CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

P: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.** *Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]*

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: **who made heaven and earth.** *Psalm 124:8*

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.** *Psalm 130:3-4*

P: Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner. *[Luke 18:13]*

C: **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

***INTROIT:** *Psalm 31: 9a, 15b, 17a, 1-2a, 5, 24*

P: Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am in distress;

C: **rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my persecutors!**

P: O Lord, let me not be put to shame,

C: **for I call upon you.**

P: In you, O Lord, do I take refuge;

C: **let me never be put to shame.**

P: In your righteousness deliver me;

C: **incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily!**

P: Into your hand I commit my spirit;

C: **you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.**

P: Be strong, and let your heart take courage,

C: **all you who wait for the Lord!**

**ALL: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

***KYRIE** ~ *Lord Have Mercy*

Mark 10:47

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

***GLORIA IN EXCELSIS** ~ *Glory to God in the Highest*

Luke 2:14; John 1:29



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole-be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro- claimed at Je-sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor-shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n-ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat-ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

***SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY**

P: The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. . . one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: *Job 14:1–6*

P: "Man who is born of a woman is few of days and full of trouble. He comes out like a flower and withers; he flees like a shadow and continues not. And do you open your eyes on such a one and bring me into judgment with you? Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? There is not one. Since his days are determined, and the number of his months is with you, and you have appointed his limits that he cannot pass, look away from him and leave him alone, that he may enjoy, like a hired hand, his day."

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL: *Psalm 74:4, 2a*

P: Your foes have roared in the midst of your meeting place;

C: they set up their own signs for signs.

P: Remember your congregation, which you have purchased of old,

C: which you have redeemed to be the tribe of your heritage!

EPISTLE READING: *1 Thessalonians 4:13–18*

P: But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***ALLELUIA and VERSE**



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



These things are writ - ten that you may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

John 20:31



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

***HOLY GOSPEL:** *Matthew 24:15–28*

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fourth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

P: Jesus said: “When you see the abomination of desolation spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand), then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. Let the one who is on the housetop not go down to take what is in his house, and let the one who is in the field not turn back to take his cloak. And alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! Pray that your flight may not be in winter or on a Sabbath. For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, and never will be. And if those days had not been cut short, no human being would be saved. But for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short. Then if anyone says to you, ‘Look, here is the Christ!’ or ‘There he is!’ do not believe it. For false christs and false prophets will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect. See, I have told you beforehand. So, if they say to you, ‘Look, he is in the wilderness,’ do not go out. If they say, ‘Look, he is in the inner rooms,’ do not believe it. For as the lightning comes from the east and shines as far as the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

***APOSTLES’ CREED:** *(spoken by all)*

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY:*“Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding”*

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1 Hark! A thrill - ing voice is sound - ing! “Christ is
 2 Star - tled at the sol - emn warn - ing, Let the
 3 See, the Lamb, so long ex - pect - ed, Comes with
 4 So, when next He comes in glo - ry And the
 △ 5 Hon - or, glo - ry, might, do - min - ion To the



near,” we hear it say. “Cast a - way the
 earth - bound soul a - rise; Christ, its sun, all
 par - don down from heav’n. Let us haste, with
 world is wrapped in fear, He will shield us
 Fa - ther and the Son With the ev - er -



works of dark - ness, All you chil - dren of the day!”
 sloth dis - pel - ling, Shines up - on the morn - ing skies.
 tears of sor - row, One and all, to be for - giv’n;
 with His mer - cy And with words of love draw near.
 liv - ing Spir - it While e - ter - nal a - ges run!

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SERMON:*“Living in the End Times”***COMMISSIONING/RECOMMISSIONING OF STEPHEN MINISTERS**

Commissioning: Marsha Coufal, Melissa Mosher, Heather Williams

Re-Commissioning: Don Harrison, Becky Martin, Janice Sellers,
Anne Swindale, Carol Tyler***PRAYER OF THE CHURCH:** *(response to each petition shown below)* [1 Timothy 2:1-4]

P: Lord in Your mercy.

C: Hear our prayer.

***OFFERTORY: "Glory to God, We Give You Thanks and Praise" # 946**



1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
 2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
 Δ 3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,



Of heav'n - ly joy and earth - ly peace we sing.
 You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
 At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:



We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
 O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
 Who with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,



Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
 Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
 With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

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***PREFACE**

P: The Lord be with you. *2 Timothy 4:22*

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord. *[Colossians 3:11]*

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise. *[Psalm 136]*

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary... evermore praising You and saying:

***SANCTUS ~ Holy, Holy, Holy**

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.

Sing ho - san - na in the high - est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;
 Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

***THE LORD'S PRAYER:** *(spoken by all)*

Matthew 6:9-13

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

***THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

[Matthew 26; Mark 14; Luke 22; 1 Corinthians 11]

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My \times body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My \times blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

***PAX DOMINI** *≈ The Peace of the Lord*

John 20:19

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

***AGNUS DEI** *≈ Lamb of God*

John 1:29

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
 You take the sin of the world a - way;
 You take the sin of the world a - way;

O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

(After singing "The Agnus Dei," the congregation may be seated.)

COMMUNION HYMNS:

"Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray"

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1 Rise, my soul, to watch and pray; From your sleep a - wak -
2 Watch a - gainst the dev - il's snares Lest a - sleep he find
3 Watch! Let not the wick - ed world With its lies de - feat
4 Watch a - gainst your - self, my soul, Lest with grace you tri -
5 But while watch - ing, al - so pray To the Lord un - ceas -

en! Be not by the e - vil day Un - a - wares o'er -
you; For in - deed no pains he spares To de - ceive and
you Lest with bold de - cep - tions hurled It be - tray and
fle; Let not self your thoughts con - trol Nor God's mer - cy
ing. God pro - tects you day by day, Strength and faith in -

tak - en; For the foe, Well we know, Is a
blind you. Sa - tan's prey Oft are they Who se -
cheat you. Watch and see Lest there be Faith - less
sti - fle. Pride and sin Lurk with - in, All your
creas - ing, So that still Mind and will Shall u -

har - vest reap - ing While the saints are sleep - ing.
cure are sleep - ing And no watch are keep - ing.
friends to charm you, Who but seek to harm you.
hopes to shat - ter; Heed not when they flat - ter.
nite to serve Him And for - ev - er love Him.

"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"

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1 Lord, keep us stead - fast in Your Word; Curb those who
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, Your pow'r make known, For You are
3 O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and



by de - ceit or sword Would wrest the king - dom from Your
Lord of lords a - lone; De - fend Your ho - ly Church that
u - ni - ty on earth; Sup - port us in our fi - nal



Son And bring to naught all He has done.
we May sing Your praise e - ter - nal - ly.
strife And lead us out of death to life.

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"Fight the Good Fight"

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1 Fight the good fight with all your might; Christ is your
2 Run the straight race through God's good grace; Lift up your
3 Cast care a - side, lean on your guide; His bound - less
4 Faint not nor fear, His arms are near; He chang - es



strength, and Christ your right. Lay hold on life, and
eyes, and seek His face. Life with its way be -
mer - cy will pro - vide. Trust, and en - dur - ing
not who holds you dear; On - ly be - lieve, and



it shall be Your joy and crown e - ter - nal - ly.
fore us lies; Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.
faith shall prove Christ is your life and Christ your love.
you will see That Christ is all e - ter - nal - ly.

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*COMMUNION DISMISSAL

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✠ in peace.

C: Amen.

*NUNC DIMITTIS ~ *Song of Simeon*

Luke 2:29-32



1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;
A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

*POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

P: Let us pray . . . one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

*BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

P: Let us bless the Lord.

[Psalm 103:1]

C: **Thanks be to God.**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

C: Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN: "The Church's One Foundation"

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1 The Church's one foun - da - tion Is Je - sus Christ, her Lord;
2 E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, Yet one o'er all the earth;
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der The world sees her op - pressed,
4 Through toil and trib - u - la - tion And tu - mult of her war
5 Yet she on earth has u - nion With God, the Three in One,



She is His new cre - a - tion By wa - ter and the Word.
Her char - ter of sal - va - tion: One Lord, one faith, one birth.
By schisms rent a - sun - der, By her - e - sies dis - tressed,
She waits the con - sum - ma - tion Of peace for - ev - er - more
And mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion With those whose rest is won.



From heav'n He came and sought her To be His ho - ly bride;
One ho - ly name she bless - es, Par - takes one ho - ly food,
Yet saints their watch are keep - ing; Their cry goes up, "How long?"
Till with the vi - sion glo - rious Her long - ing eyes are blest,
O bless - ed heav'n - ly cho - rus! Lord, save us by Your grace



With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.
And to one hope she press - es With ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
And soon the night of weep - ing Shall be the morn of song.
And the great Church vic - to - rious Shall be the Church at rest.
That we, like saints be - fore us, May see You face to face.

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SERVANTS FOR TODAY

- Preacher:** Pastor Ben Ockree
Liturgist: Deacon Jim LaCrone
Organist: Renee Patzer
Acolyte: Lily Ketchum
Elder: Mike Krise
Greeters: Sue LaCrone, Becky Martin
Altar Guild: Sandi Blush
Ushers: Phil LaCrone, Wilbur Schwant, Eric Ketchum, Jason Ketchum

Counters: Don & Linda Harrison
Coffee Maker: Joann LaCrone
Mug Detail: Larry & Bonnie Winter

HOME DEVOTIONAL READING GUIDE: NOVEMBER 5 – 11

Daniel 5:1 – 11:19
Psalm 119:41 – 119:96
2 Peter 2 – 3; 1 John 1:1 – 2:27

SERVANTS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Preacher: Pastor Ben Ockree
Liturgist: Deacon Jim LaCrone
Organist: Renee Patzer
Acolyte: Jace Carter
Elder: Kirk Johnson
Greeters: Marcia Coufal, Gail Cox
Altar Guild: Sandi Blush
Ushers: Phil LaCrone, Wilbur Schwant, Eric Ketchum, Jason Ketchum
Counters: Grace Pasley, Sharon Dooley
Coffee Maker: Joann LaCrone
Mug Detail: Clausen Family

THIS WEEK IN CALVARY

Today:	Worship Service	9:00 AM
	Sunday School and Adult Bible Study	10:15 AM
	Being Christian Class	1:00 PM
	Usher Appreciation Meal/Meeting	4:00 PM
	Youth Group-Youth Rm.	5:00 PM
Monday:	Cornerstone Choir Practice-F. Hall	11:00 AM
	CLLC Board Meeting	5:30 PM
Tuesday:	Circuit Pastors' Winkle	9:00 AM
	College Bible Study-at Iliff's	6:30 PM
Wednesday:	Homeschool Chapel & Classes	11:00 AM
	Confirmation Class-Conf. Rm.	6:00 PM
	Stephen Ministry-Upper SE Rm.	6:00 PM
	Choir Practice	6:00 PM

Thursday:	Bulletin Announcement Deadline	9:00 AM
	Morning Break Bible Study	10:00 AM
	Church Council Meeting	6:30 PM
Friday:	Hunter's Ridge AA Meeting	7:00 PM
Next Sunday:	Beacon Article Deadline for December	
	Worship Service	9:00 AM
	Sunday School and Adult Bible Study	10:15 AM
	Being Christian Class	1:00 PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GUESTS AND MEMBERS: A Nursery and a Cry Room are located in the upper north pod if a need arises. Children's Activity Boards are provided in a bin next to the south Sanctuary doors. Large Print Bulletins and Hearing Devices are available – ask one of the ushers for assistance. Please sign the red Attendance Book found in the pew so we can have a record of your attendance with us. Those needing to sit instead of stand should feel free to do so at any time. If you would like to know more about Calvary or are interested in becoming a member, please talk to the pastor or call the church office.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SERVICE – Practice has started and will continue each week for a portion of the Sunday School hour. All children preschool through grade 12 are invited and encouraged to participate! We are returning this year to an evening Children's Christmas service which will be held December 17 in the Sanctuary. If all parents could please voice to Laura Ollek whether or not their children are available to participate in the service the evening of Dec. 17, as well as advise of any musical instrumental talent your child has that we may be able to incorporate, that will help with planning! We hope to grow this further in the coming years! *It would be wonderful to have strong congregational support for our children and participation that evening, so we encourage the congregation to save this date!* We look forward to this special time! Please direct any questions to Timothy Humphrey, Anna Reb, or Laura Ollek.

CALVARY'S BOARD OF OUTREACH IS HOSTING A CONGREGATION WORKDAY on Saturday, November 18 from 10 am - 2 pm, tentatively. We will be offering a wide range of services to members of our congregation and community who may be unable to perform these things. We would like to invite youth, families, young adults, and anyone else interested to join. The Clausen family will be able to give

rides to 6-8 people. Any other adults can also drive their own families. Tomato soup and ham and cheese sliders will be served for lunch to the workers. Some services to be offered may include: -raking and bagging leaves, -picking up sticks, -cutting up tree limbs, -moving furniture, -removing large items and taking them to a donation center. Please contact John Clausen (clausen_john@yahoo.com or 816-674-8171) or Joann in the church office if you are interested in attending or if you have a need or know of someone in need of a service.

THANKSGIVING EVE COMMUNION WORSHIP SERVICE will be held on Wednesday, November 22 at 7 PM.

DUE TO THE SHORT WORK WEEK OF THANKSGIVING the December Beacon Deadline has moved up to Thursday, November 16 at 9 AM. Be sure to have any December newsletter article information turned into Joann by that date and time.

ALSO DUE TO THE SHORT WORK WEEK OF THANKSGIVING the bulletin deadline for Sunday, November 26 has been moved up to Monday, November 20 at 9 AM. Please turn in anything, to be included in the Nov. 26 bulletin and/or weekly announcements, to Joann by Monday, Nov. 20.

WATCH FOR THE TNO FAMILY CHRISTMAS ADOPTION TREE which should be up in the Narthex by next Sunday. Instructions will be provided at that time. Questions can be referred to Joann in the church office.

FED TO FEED: During the month of November through December 10, Calvary is collecting **Canned Corn and Canned Green Beans** to help supply the TNO families adopted for Christmas. Items should be placed in the bin under the Usher's Table in the Narthex. Thank you!

LIFELINE PREGNANCY CENTER is in need of the following items:

- Diapers: sizes newborn, 3, 4, 5, 6
- Baby Wipes
- Newborn size clothing
- Toddler size coats, hats, gloves/mittens
- Toddler size shoes/boots
- Infant formula
- Baby Wash and Lotion
- Toddler size clothing, socks, underwear

You can leave these items in the round blue tub under the mailboxes in the Narthex. Thank you!

To place announcements or prayer concerns in the Sunday bulletin contact the church office by 9 AM on Thursdays. Prayer concerns printed in the bulletin do not replace prayer chain requests. To place a prayer chain request during evening and weekend hours please call Leila Schuh at 785-224-7962; during week days call the Church Office.

Prayer Petitions for the Week of November 12-18

- Pray we would be watchful and dutiful as we await Christ's return.
- Rejoice that Arabella Alvarez is baptized into Christ.
- Give thanks for Calvary, that we can meet for worship and be blessed in Word and Sacrament for our forgiveness, life, and salvation. For Pastor Ockree and Deacon LaCrone. For our unity and the return of those who have strayed.
- Pray for our growth in faith and that more would be gathered into our life together. Especially pray for laughter and joy of children in our midst.
- Pray for our families: Len & Kimbra Henry, Carol Heusted. Lavern & Karlene Holmberg. Kim Howbert and family. Timothy & Wendy Humphrey and family. Cassi Hurd. Connor Hurd.
- Pray for the sick and those recovering from sickness or procedures: Arabella Alvarez, Rick Blush, Loren Johannes, Shari Piel, Cindy Rohnke, Wilbur Schwant, Joye Slocum, Teddy Schuh. For those with chronic ailments: Vernon Bean, Wendy Humphrey, Ralph Knehans, Joye Slocum, Kay Foster, Connor Hurd, Phil Lawrence, Arleen Marston, Bob Ockree, Juan Alvarez, Abbie Alvarez, Ashton Alvarez, Alijah Alvarez, Teddy Schuh, Pastor Hopkins.
- Pray for our shut-ins: Vernon Bean, Rosella Calderwood, Florence Deutsch, Grace Dienstbier, Karen Dreasher, DonnaRae Eissler, Dianne Hatesohl, Shiela Jones, Ralph Knehans, Dick LaCrone, Arleen Marston, Barbara Northcutt, Bob Ockree, Sam & Mary Randol, Sally Short, Joye Slocum, and Ron Stuewe.
- Pray for the CLLC board and their faithful work. Pray for our search for a new director. Give thanks that Janice Sellers is serving as chair for the CLLC board.
- Pray for the work of the strategic planning committee as it takes up the task of providing faithful guidance for all at Calvary.
- Pray that Christian education will continue in our homes. That Adult Bible class would grow. That our Sunday School teachers and students would be blessed. That more education and fellowship opportunities would come. For the Young Adults Bible Class and the Being Christian Class.

- Pray for confirmation this year that students and their families would be diligent and grow in faith together. For Evelyn Guffey, Abriella Guenther, Cecelia Humphrey, Violet Ockree, Cora Russell, Brody Boyd, Anabelle Clausen, Sophia Humphrey, Chloe Keehn, Lilly Ketchum, Elinor Ockree, Jack Williams, Jace Carter, Laithen Paulsen, Carly Simpson, Duval Thieme.
- Pray for those celebrating birthdays this week: Bob Dugan, Cecilia Humphrey, Sarah Guffey, Cora Russell, Andrew Galchutt.
- Pray for those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week: Doug & Janet Stortzum, 11 yrs.
- Pray for all who serve in our military, especially Jeremy Innes & Dawson Podlena. Pray for our chaplains and ministry to the armed services.
- Pray for the CLLC. For Miss Melissa, the staff, and all the children there.
- Pray for peace and renewal in the Spirit for whole Church of God.
- Pray for the saints of St. John's, Pastors Wright & Belcher, and Cantor Bethany Johnson.
- Pray for the saints of Peace, Natoma, and Pastor Wipperman.
- Pray for the holy ministry and all ministers of the LCMS. For President Harrison, for the Synod. For President Panzer and the Kansas District.
- Pray for all people in society and for all Christians in their vocations. For the unemployed and underemployed. For employers looking for workers. For those struggling financially and facing instability. For those who are homeless and lack other necessities of life. For all who work in law enforcement.
- Pray for all in civil authority. For the leaders of the nations of the world. For President Biden and the government of the United States. For Governor Kelly and the government of Kansas. For all our local communities and their leaders.
- Pray for help in a troubled world. For an end to the war in the Ukraine and the war between Israel and Gaza. For an end to gun violence. For those afflicted by bad weather and other disasters. For an end to abortion, exploitation, and all other evils in the world. For the truth of God to guide us over the lies of Satan.
- Pray for the renewal of the Church. For faithful Christian witness that more would be brought into Christ's fellowship. For growing obedience to God's Word. For an increase in love for one another.

- Pray that we would have a heart of love for the refugee, the immigrant, and the stranger among us. Pray that they would come and be welcomed at Calvary. Pray that we would be able to help the Ukrainian immigrants in our midst in Topeka.
- Pray for the Christians who are risking their lives to live their faith. Pray for the reign of God's peace and that the gospel be proclaimed.
- Pray for the mission of the Church. For the ministry of Topeka North Outreach. For the West Africa Mission including Guinea and the seminary at Togo. For the proclamation of the Gospel into all the world. For Lifeline and their ministry to parents and children, especially the Pregnancy Center. For the work of our Prayers & Stitching Ministry at Calvary. Pray for our Stephen Ministers and other caring ministries that we would faithfully work to meet the needs of God's people.
- Pray for respect for God's creation. To guard against the perils of abundance. For generous hearts that almsgiving would abound at Calvary.
- Pray for growth in our benevolence fund and in our mission giving.
- Pray that we would be gathered around the cross in faith to sustain us in these latter days.

**The Lord almighty bless ✠ us and
direct our days and our deeds in His peace.**

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH & LEARNING CENTER

Church Office Hours: Mon-Fri, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Sunday Worship Service: 9:00 AM

(All Worship Services are live-streamed on Facebook)

Sunday School and Adult Bible Class: 10:15 AM

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Vernon Bean	U. S. Army	1953 – 1955
Paul Bille	U. S. Marine Corp	1975 – 1981
Olen Buchanan	U. S. Army	1968 – 1972
Bob Dugan	U. S. Army	1966 – 1969
David Eberhart	U. S. Navy	1954 – 1958
Jim Edwards	U. S. Army	1981 – 1984
<i>(husband of member Judy Edwards)</i>	KS Air National Guard	1984 – 2009
Chad Guenther	U. S. Army	1990 - 1996
Eldon Jackson	U. S. Navy	1980 – 1983
	Navy Reserves	1983 – 1985
	Air National Guard	1985 – 2011
Kathy Kalinka	U. S. Marine Corp	1993 – 1997
Ralph Knehans	U. S. Air Force	1951 – 1972
Mike Krise	U. S. Marine Corp	1966 – 1972
Dick LaCrone	U. S. Navy	1952 – 1956
Bob Ockree	U. S. Air Force	1960 – 1965
DeVerne Pagel	U. S. Army	1952 – 1954
Gary Schultz	U. S. Navy	1968 – 1970
Wilbur Schwant	U. S. Navy	1964 – 1966
Ron Stuewe	U. S. Marine Corp	1965 – 1967
Glenn Wehking	U. S. Army	1961 – 1963
Tony Zimmerman	U. S. Army	1968 – 1971

***We thank each and every person who has served our country
and we pray the Lord's blessing on each of you.***

We have attempted to identify all Calvary members who are veterans.

***If someone in Calvary was not listed who should have been or was listed incorrectly, please contact
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