

CALVARY LUTHERAN
CHURCH

TOGETHER IN CHRIST
EMPOWERED TO BE
AND MAKE DISCIPLES



**CALVARY SUMMER
WORSHIP**
COME WORSHIP WITH US

Saturday:

5:30 PM – Chapel Worship

Sunday:

8:00 AM – First Word Worship

9:05 AM – Coffee Fellowship

9:45 AM – Foundation & Praise
Worship



RELAY FOR LIFE

Friday, July 20, 2018

Willmar Junior High School Track

The Messenger

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June 2018

Coming This Fall...

Starting in September, Calvary's Wednesday night programming will have a little bit of a different look. The Children and Family, Youth and Family and Worship Boards have all endorsed this new model for ministry. More details will follow in the coming months, but these boards and staff are excited to share with the congregation the vision of what is coming.

This will be something that will include the whole congregation – not just youth. What is proposed is an all-ages meal, worship and education time. Just as the congregation enjoys coming together at Lent, it is hoped that this new (for us) model will engage young and old alike in faith formation and fellowship that is centered around worship.



*Pastor
Naomi Mahler*

As with anything new, this will be an experiment, but the boards are excited to see how God will work through this and they are committed to giving this some time to see how it goes, make any needed adjustments, and let this take hold.

The new Wednesday night schedule will look like this:

5:15 pm–5:50 pm - Meal (Open to anyone for a minimal charge)

5:55 pm–6:30 pm - Worship with Communion (Different from Sunday)

6:35 pm–7:00 pm - Education Time for Children & Families/Choir/Confirmation

The boards have been dreaming about this idea for some time and have had some very good discussion. A primary rationale for this change is that people are seeking a variety of ways of connecting with their faith and that this option will add more opportunities for families to do so.

If you have questions or comments about this proposal please come talk to one of the pastors, program staff or a board member from one of the boards. We welcome your feedback!

-Pastor Naomi Mahler

Day Camp 2018!

Come join us for an exciting week of Day Camp led by Green Lake Bible Camp Counselors! We'll read Bible stories, play games, do crafts, sing camp songs and have TONS of FUN!



WHO: ALL kids who have completed the 3 yr. old class – grade 5.

WHEN: June 11-14 (Monday-Thursday, 8 AM – 12 Noon)

WHERE: Calvary Lutheran Church

Registration forms are available in the Church Office, on Calvary's website (www.calvarywillmar.org) and by Janel's office.

Please register by June 3!

2018 Summer Bible Camp

It's not too late to sign up for Summer Bible Camp! Green Lake Bible Camp summer schedules are still available in the church office. Calvary's Camp Week (at Green Lake and Shores of St. Andrew) will be **June 24-29!** For more information check our the GLLM website (www.gllm.org) or talk to Janel.



Bible Camp Scholarships for 2018

Calvary will help pay for the cost of camp (\$110 for a half week and \$225 for a full week) for any Calvary youth who attends a Lutheran Bible Camp. Additional scholarships are also available. Questions? Talk to Janel.

Camp House Summer Family Get-Away

August 1-5, 2018 at Camp House in Brimson, MN! Located 30 minutes from Two Harbors on a small quiet lake. Relax on site or enjoy North Shore attraction. Sleep in comfy, but rustic cabins or bring your camper/tent.

Cost For All 4 Days: \$205 per cabin, sleeps 4-12; \$50 per family for camper/tent. Meals for four days is \$75 per adult and \$38 per child. (Can be prorated for shorter stay).



A first timer discount is available – contact Pastor Naomi for details. Look for registration forms in the office!

Noisy Offering

On Sunday, June 3, during the 9:45 AM Worship Service, we will be taking a Noisy Offering. This will be our last Noisy Offering until fall! At Calvary, we want young families to feel welcome, so this is just another way to encourage participation of our children in Worship. Children will pass a bucket during the closing worship song and worshipers are encouraged to share their coin money. The Noisy Offering will be in addition to our regular Offering. So far, we have collected over \$1,000.00 that will support the "Shining Up Shores" project at Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp as they continue a much needed remodel of the youth cabins. Thank you for your support!



Service Opportunity! Meal delivery for newborn families

We are still in need of individuals who would be willing to make and deliver a home cooked meal for a Calvary family after the arrival of a new baby. If you are interested, please sign up in the church office or contact Janel.



This summers Calvary Family Camp is **June 8, 9 & 10** at Sibley State Park. We will be camping in the Oak Ridge Campground in the area of sites 124, we'll mark it! Saturday morning, there will be a pancake breakfast at 8 AM in the camp area. Saturday evening, there will be a potluck at 6 PM followed by 7 PM church service in the Cedar Hill picnic shelter. The shelter is located on the hill west of the swimming beach. We have rented the shelter area all day, so come out early and spend the day with us as the swim beach is near by! Access to Sibley will likely be from County Rd. 38 due to road construction. For more details, contact Randy and Clarice Novak at 235-5464 or rnovak2@charter.net.

Calvary's 50's Drive In

Nostalgic Food & Fun!
Since 2002



Join us on Sunday, June 10, from 4-7 PM in the Calvary parking lot (Bethany Hall if rain). Enjoy music, classic cars, and food. Invite friends and neighbors for a great time! This is a fundraiser that supports Calvary's youth trips.

Willmar Area Summer Stretch

Who: Willmar area youth in Grades 6-12

What: Three days of service and fun! Each day includes devotions, service, and a fun outing.

When: July 10-12, 2018 from 9 AM-5 PM

Where: Each day we will meet at Bethel Lutheran Church in downtown Willmar.

Cost: \$15/day or \$30/three days. Cost covers snacks, transportation and entry to fun activities!

Please register by June 13

For more information and registration please visit:

www.willmarsummerstretch.weebly.com



The Calvary Crusaders are putting a team together for the 2018 Relay For Life to help raise money to fight cancer. The Relay is set for July 20, 2018 at the Willmar Junior High school track, located across from Cash Wise. We will be selling luminaries "in honor of" or "in memory of" those who have fought cancer. These sales will take place during the four weekends preceding the Relay. We will sell before the Saturday service and in between the Sunday services. We will also have two fundraisers at the Willmar Pizza Ranch this summer where we earn a portion of the sales and all of the tips. If you would like to participate, please contact Shane Baker at (320) 295-3346 or shanedbakeresq@gmail.com.

ELCA Youth Gathering Meeting

Final Meeting! Wednesday, June 20 at 7 PM in Bethany Hall. For participants, parents and leaders!



ELCA Youth Gathering

June 27-July 2, 2018 in Houston, Texas

Calvary will be bringing 35 youth and 6 adults to this amazing faith formation experience. Thank you for all of your support in getting us there! We ask for prayers as we travel and experience this once in a lifetime event! Stayed tuned for social media updates from our youth while we are at the event! Evening mass gatherings are also available for live streaming, so you can see what we are experiencing from afar!

Youth: Emma Anderson, Isaiah Bennett, Kayla Berg, Alyssa Blackwell, Jenna Blackwell, Megan Bloomquist, Jaidon Bredeesen, Dylan Buddy, Kaitlin Delfosse, Savana Eckhoff, Brianna Hanson, Jen Harasyn, Triston Hillenbrand, Merron Johnson, Nate Larsen, Rebecca Laurence, Grace Lynum, Sofia Lynum, Abigail Mathiasen, Amanda Mathiasen, Isaac Nichols, Taylor Nichols, Jacob Olson, Nikole Olson, Brittney Pina, Anna Rice, Peyton Rodelius, Brooke Rowan, Alise Staebell, Ashlie Staebell, Sydnie Staebell, Abby Teisinger, Lexi Tersch, Grace Vierhuf and Keisha Warne **Adults:** Sara Bennett, Ashley Gilbertson, Andrew Halbritter, Peter Johnson, Pastor Naomi Mahler and Linda Mathiasen.

THANK YOU!

On behalf of Calvary Cemetery Committee we want to thank all of the Confirmation students, leaders and the pastors for coming out to the Cemetery on May 16 to help pick up sticks, rake and learn about our church cemetery. We also want to thank our Boy Scout Troop 224 for their continued support of our cemetery, helping to place all the veterans stars on their graves prior to Memorial Day and again coming back to pick them up following Memorial Day celebrations. All of you should be proud of all you do to help get our church cemetery ready for Memorial Day. Thank you!

Blessings to all of you,
Calvary Cemetery Committee

SUMMER WEEKDAY ADULT EDUCATION

WOMEN'S CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY

During the summer months of June, July & August, Women's Circles will all meet jointly at Calvary in Bethany Hall. Check the church calendar or call the church office for more information. **All women are welcome!** Circles will meet **Wednesday, June 6 at 9:30 AM.**

WEDNESDAYS: Beliveau Bible Study

Meets every Wednesday in the Friendship Room at 9:00 AM for social time, and from 9:45-11:30 AM for prayer and Bible Study. Leader is Annette Beliveau.

THURSDAYS: Worship Text Bible Study

This study group meets year around, every Thursday at 9:30 AM in the Friendship Room. Focus is on the Bible texts that will be read and proclaimed the following Sunday.

Everyone is invited to come and prepare for hearing God's Word!



Hats off to all of the Calvary members who helped make our April host week such a success! Flexibility was key to providing hospitality to our participating families with the April snowstorm that welcomed our guests at the start of our host week.

Our next opportunity to host at Calvary will be **July 8-15**, a summer experience! Volunteers are welcome to check out www.SignUpGenius.com or our Calvary website for more information about this upcoming host week.

Please consider signing up to bring a meal, be an evening host, or volunteer at the Day Center. A sign up table will be stationed in the Narthex between services in June. Above all, please pray for these families in their quest to find housing and a meaningful life.

The Board of Outreach is currently seeking new members to join the Family Promise steering committee as member at large. If this is something that might be of interest to you, please submit your name to Rachel or Dawn at the office.

We have been blessed to bless others and make room at our Calvary table as we extend hospitality to homeless families in our community. Trust the nudges God plants in your heart to do good.

Our Parish Leadership

President: Bill Fenske

Vice President: Brett Aamot

Secretary: Amanda Newberg

Our Parish Staff

Staff e-mail addresses:

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Ron Keith, Cemetery Sexton	ronbon@charter.net
Enola Dowdell, Kitchen Coordinator	

Check out Calvary's web site at: www.calvarywillmar.org



NTY: NOT THROUGH YET

Date: June 1 from 12:00-2:00 PM in Bethany Hall, lunch is served at Noon.

RSVP: Please call or stop by the church office by Wednesday, May 30. (235-2508)

Program: Bob Anderson, a retired Willmar Public School Teacher. Bob always wanted to travel out west on a horse and in 1996, he rode from Kandiyohi, MN to Pinedale, WY. He will tell about his many encounters and about his trip that turned out to be a lot about the people he met along the way!

NTY: A group that claim to be at least 50 years old! **ALL** are welcome to attend, no joining required, come when you can!

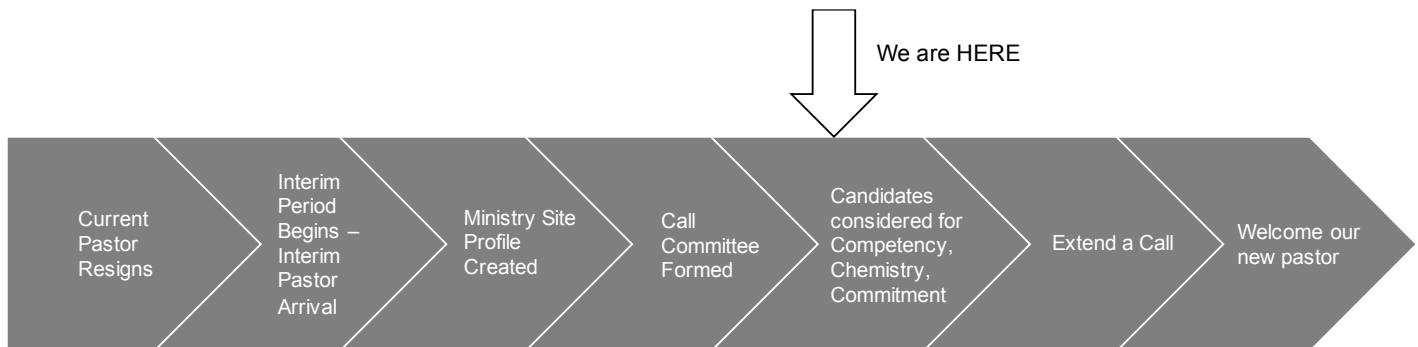
Cost: \$6.00

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH
General Fund Treasurer's Report
Modified Cash Basis
One Month and Four Months Ended April 30, 2018

	<u>One Month Ended</u>	<u>Four Months Ended</u>
CASH AVAILABLE AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	\$ 30,265.79	\$ 60,585.77
CONTRIBUTIONS		
GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS		
GENERAL UNDESIGNATED	68,654.50	257,789.30
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	150.00	626.00
CAPITAL FUND INCOME	5,501.50	18,530.50
CHRISTMAS/EASTER	4,730.00	4,805.00
SR HI SPECIAL EVENTS		5,333.97
CHILDRENS SPECIAL EVENTS	20.00	20.00
GRANT	1,000.00	1,000.00
BULLETIN SPONSORSHIP	-	250.00
RADIO BROADCAST SPONSOR	75.00	225.00
SUNDAY COFFEE	64.00	283.61
	<u>80,195.00</u>	<u>288,863.38</u>
SPECIAL OFFERINGS		
LENTEN OFFERINGS	55.00	10,965.68
COMMUNITY MEAL OUTREACH	-	138.61
SPECIAL OFFERINGS	120.00	3,009.31
THRIVENT CHOICE	610.00	1,229.00
	<u>785.00</u>	<u>15,342.60</u>
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	<u>80,980.00</u>	<u>304,205.98</u>
EXPENSES		
BENEVOLENCE	6,865.45	25,778.95
PROGRAM MUSIC & WORSHIP	9,045.23	33,170.59
EVANGELISM OUTREACH	274.05	1,653.90
EDUCATION	7,290.89	21,574.87
YOUTH	4,870.38	33,389.59
LIBRARY	77.75	697.69
PROPERTY MAINTENANCE	11,803.00	42,822.74
ADMINISTRATION	37,821.73	157,948.51
SPECIAL OFFERINGS	785.00	15,342.60
UNCATEGORIZED EXPENSE	-	-
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>78,833.48</u>	<u>332,379.44</u>
CONTRIBUTIONS IN EXCESS / (DEFICIT) OF EXPENSES	2,146.52	(28,173.46)
CASH AVAILABLE AT END OF PERIOD	<u>\$ 32,412.31</u>	<u>\$ 32,412.31</u>

Greetings from the Call Committee,

I want to continue to provide you an update on where we – Calvary Lutheran – are at in the process of selecting a new pastor.



I am encouraged by progress made over the past month. The SW Minnesota Synod has provided the Call Committee with multiple candidates for consideration. These candidates reviewed our Ministry Site Profile (MSP) on the synod website and feel a match to their search for a next call.

We are now actively reviewing the candidate profiles for the purpose of identifying match(es) to our congregational vision and priorities, our strengths and experiences identified for a new pastor.

As a bit of review, the gifts we are seeking in a new pastor, as heard in congregational input during meetings held in the November and December, and included in the MSP by the Transition Team are:

- **Building a sense of community** – able to connect groups within and beyond congregation
- **Worship & Preaching** – good communicator, bible based and relevant workshop and sermons
- **Recruit & equip leaders** – develop and enable leadership within a team (staff, lay leaders)
- **Innovation & Creativity** – build on our strategy through innovative and new approaches
- **Administration** – provide oversight and support for congregational staff

Pending the review of profiles, we could potentially begin interviewing candidate(s) yet in May and into June. While this is occurring, the synod continues to be open to receive additional candidates to assess and share with us for consideration. This is a period requiring confidentiality and maintained proprieties by the Call Committee to others about candidate specifics being considered. As such, please understand and respect the Call Committee's un-willingness to share details about the candidates in our conversations.

We welcome the consideration of us in your prayers, as we all ask for divine guidance over the Call Committee in this important process. If you have specific questions you wish to ask, please feel free to reach out to me directly to discuss your questions or thoughts.

Regards,

Mike Haugsby, Call Committee Chair

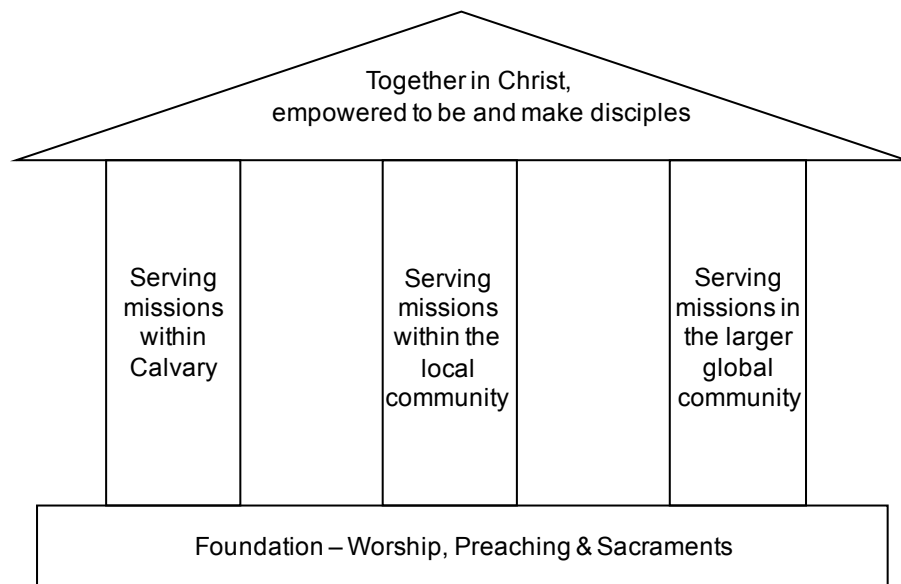
Stewardship – People helping people through living out God’s mission.

We are called by God to be shining lights for others to see as an example and to help others around us. From Matthew, chapter 5: ¹⁴You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

Our namesake, Martin Luther, further and in typically blunt Luther fashion challenges us to self-reflect on how we each live our priorities: “Take a look at your own heart, and you will soon find out what has stuck to it and where your treasure is. It is easy to determine whether hearing the Word of God, living according to it, and achieving such a life gives you as much enjoyment and calls forth as much diligence from you as does accumulating and saving money and property.”

Your gracious giving through time, talents and financial contributions allows us to serve missions for those near to us and for our “neighbors” across the world.

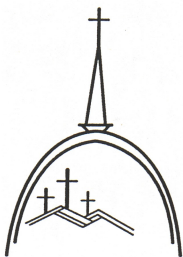
In the coming months, we will share examples of how your contributions are being used to serve God’s calling and our mission at Calvary Lutheran.



Thank you to each of you who contribute of your time, talents and financial giving. Your contributions are being used to enable Calvary Lutheran to remain relevant to our congregation and community, remain a light shining for others to see and receive benefit as we fulfill our mission – Together in Christ, empowered to be and make disciples.

Feel free to reach out to any of the committee members with questions or comments – Corey Nelson (chair), Brett Aamot, Mike Haugsby.

Regards,
Stewardship Committee



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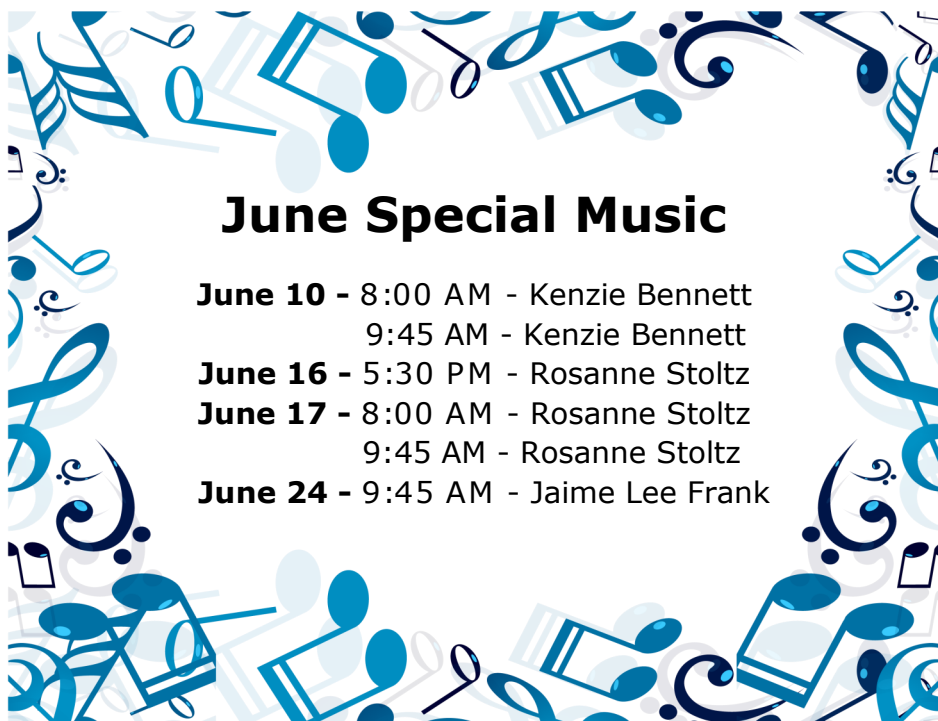
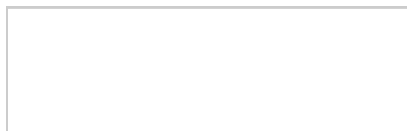
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June Special Music

June 10 - 8:00 AM - Kenzie Bennett
9:45 AM - Kenzie Bennett

June 16 - 5:30 PM - Rosanne Stoltz

June 17 - 8:00 AM - Rosanne Stoltz
9:45 AM - Rosanne Stoltz

June 24 - 9:45 AM - Jaime Lee Frank