

The Messenger

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September 2018

TOGETHER IN CHRIST
*EMPOWERED TO BE
 AND MAKE DISCIPLES*

Labor Day Worship

Saturday Sept. 1:

5:30 pm –Chapel Worship/
 with Holy Communion

Sunday Sept. 2:

8:00 am–First Word
 Worship/ with Holy
 Communion

9:00 am–Coffee/Fellowship
 (Friendship Room)

9:45 am – Foundation &
 Praise Worship/ with Holy
 Communion



Saturday Sept. 8, 15, 22, 29:

5:30 pm – Chapel Worship

Sunday Sept. 9, 16, 23, 30:

8:00 am – Worship

9:05 am – Education for All

10:15 am – Worship

COMING SOON!

I am super excited about the return to the program year and the new things that are going on. I hope by now, you have heard about what is happening on Wednesday nights. This is one of the things I am super excited about! We will be adding a congregational meal and communion worship and expanding our educational opportunities. I really hope that many of you will take advantage of this time to enjoy a meal together and participate in a new (for Calvary) style of worship.

Starting September 12 our Wednesday night schedule will look like this:

5:15pm-5:55pm Meal-Free will donation, open to all. Please sign up by the Monday prior.

6:00pm-6:30pm Worship w/Communion-A relaxed, informal style.

6:35pm-7:00pm Cross Gen Education Time-For kids, parents and other adults.

6:35pm-7:30pm Confirmation-For youth from 7 grade-10 grade.

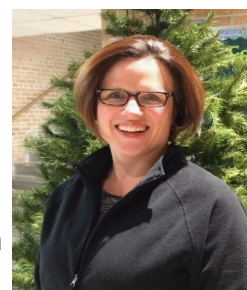
The meal will be a simple, home style, catered meal. Many of you eat out a few times a week already, just make this one of your nights! We are suggesting a free will donation of \$6.00 for adults, \$4.00 for students, and a family cap of \$20.00. 3 years and under eat free.

Worship will be more informal and highly participatory, (think Bible Camp) with the chance to have communion every week. We will use different scripture than on Sunday mornings so if you want to come to both Wednesday and Sunday you will hear something new each time. Wednesday will be shorter, but with enough meat on the bones that you will still feel fed.

I am also excited to introduce Zachary Erickson, our new Youth Faith Formation Coordinator. (See inside the Messenger for more of his bio). We will install him on Sunday, September 16.

Rally Day is Sunday, September 9 and we are looking forward to kicking off Sunday with a special All-Ages Event in Bethany Hall. We will have a light breakfast and fun activities to share! See you there!

- Pastor Naomi Mahler





 The schedule for September Special Music is presented within a decorative frame of musical notes and staves. The title "September Special Music" is at the top in a bold, serif font. Below it, the schedule is listed in four rows, each starting with a date and time, followed by the performers.

Sept. 9- 8:00 am Roger Bengtson
10:15 am Roger Bengtson

Sept. 16- 8:00 am Mary Jo de Cathelineau & Calvary Choir
10:15 am Mary Jo de Cathelineau

Sept. 23- 8:00 am Jon Zaske & Calvary Choir
10:15 am Jon Zaske

Sept. 30- 8:00 am Calvary Choir
10:15 am Anna Rice



Rehearsals for Calvary Choir are **Wednesday's** at 7 pm beginning **September 12.**



Rehearsals for Calvary Bells are **Monday's** at 5:45 pm beginning **October 1.**



Cherub Choir Begins September 19

Cherub Choir is open to all children ages 4 through grade 2. We will have our first practice at 5:00 pm—5:30 pm on Wednesday, September 19. This will still give you time to eat and attend worship. Cherubs usually sing once a month at the Foundation and Praise Worship service. We have lots of fun and I am hopeful that we can keep singing for another year. You will be receiving a post card with additional information.

- Jean Berg, Director

NTY: Not Through Yet



NTY will be meeting at Dickerson's Resort on Lake Florida Friday, September 7 at noon. Please call the church by August 31 so food can be ordered. Thank you!

Stretch, Breathe and Chill Yoga

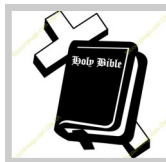


Wednesdays
September 26 -October 31.
Koinonia Room,
12:15-12:45 pm.
Experience a great way to
de-stress mid week!

This class will be gentle and accessible for all fitness levels and will be led by an instructor from Yoga Flock. Pastor Naomi has been enjoying this class at Headstands Everywhere Studio and says it's a great way to take a little time for yourself for quiet and reflection in and maybe even listen to God in the middle of the week. Sign up for this 6 week series in the church office or online at yogaflock.com. The price is \$30 for all six weeks if you sign up before the first class.



The Augsburg Centennial Singers will appear in concert at Vinje Lutheran Church, 1101 Willmar Ave., on Saturday, September 22. The concert, which features familiar hymns, spirituals and sacred music selections, begins at 7 pm. No tickets are necessary. A free will offering will be accepted.



Men's Bible Study- begins September 11 at 8:00 am in Bethany Hall.

REMINDER:

**First Community
Meal of the season
Sunday, September 16 at 6:00 pm in Bethany
Hall.**



Community Meal



Family Promise®

Family Promise

September brings another opportunity for Calvary to host Family Promise. As you read this we will only be a week away from our host week. Thank You to all who have so faithfully continued to volunteer to make our weeks at Calvary a success! Our Sign Up Genius continues to be an efficient way for individuals to volunteer and also to receive updates for our host weeks. If you are not participating in the Family Promise Sign Up Genius please contact us: northwatch@charter.net or 320-894-2614 and we will send you an invite to Sign Up Genius. You can then create your own log in. Look over the areas still needed to be filled for our host week and sign up to help. This is a fun and easy way to get involved and great way to meet new people from our congregation, besides helping make a difference in someone's life. You can also go to the Family Promise Bulletin Board located next to the elevator in the foyer and pick up some information on evening and overnight hosts responsibilities. We look forward to you becoming a part of Family Promise.

God's Blessing

Your Family Promise Committee

Welcome To Calvary - Zachary Erickson

Zachary is super excited to join the Faith Formation team here at Calvary. He grew up in Chetek, WI and comes to us From Crystal Falls, MI where he served as the Camp Intern and Program Coordinator at Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp. He has a Bachelor's Degree from Northern Michigan University where he Majored in Philosophy and Minored in both History and Religious Studies. In his free time you can find Zachary listening to and making music, Quoting *The Office*, visiting art galleries, talking about Existentialism or Aesthetics, trying to become a Pokemom Master, drinking coffee at a coffee shop, listening to podcasts, watching a movie, on a hike or enjoying a good book. Zachary will Start Sunday, September 9.



Confirmation Announcements:

Sept. 5 — Confirmation Orientation

- Parents, Youth & Small Group Leaders from 6:30-7:30 pm
- Reminder to all 10th grade Confirmation students, your confirmation gown order and information sheet are due to the Church office no later than September 5.

Oct. 3 — Confirmation dessert reception for 10th graders, small group leaders and parents.

- 9th grade serves the banquet.
- 7th & 8th grade meets at regular time for meal and worship followed by a special activity with small groups.
- 6:30 pm Confirmation pictures
- 7:00 pm Confirmation rehearsal
- 7:30 pm Confirmation reception

5th Quarter :

When: September 7 & 28 and October 12 from 9-11 pm

Where: Vinje Lutheran Church

(1101 Willmar Ave, just a couple blocks from the football field)

Who: Grades 6th-8th

What: Games, Snacks & Activities

Cost: \$3 to cover cost of pizza, beverages and snacks.

Contact Pastor Naomi if you have any questions or are interested in chaperoning! (235-2508). We will need to provide a couple of adult chaperones to help with this event each time in order to make this happen.



High School Breakfast Club

All High School Youth are invited to get together on Wednesday mornings starting September 26, from 7:30—8:30 am @ the Goodness (downtown Willmar).

FREE rolls. Beverages on your own. Come to be a part of community, pray together & start your day off right! If you need help coordinating a ride talk to, text or Snap Pastor Naomi. 320-894-2863.





IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

If you haven't registered your child(ren) for Sunday School, please do so. Registrations help us get accurate classroom size numbers and updates your contact information. The 2018-2019 Registration forms are available at the church's Welcome Center and online at Calvary's website (www.calvarywillmar.org).

The first day of classroom Sunday School is
September 16!

WANT TO MAKE A LASTING IMPACT ON

A CHILD'S LIFE?

Consider being a teacher for Sunday School this year! We continue to search for teachers for the following classrooms on Sundays from 9:05-10:05 am:

- 3 year olds
- 4 year olds
- 1st grade
- 2nd grade
- 3rd grade
- 6th grade

If you enjoy working with children and want to teach or just help out, please contact Janel @ 235-2508 or email her at janel@calvarywillmar.org



SEPTEMBER 2018 CALENDAR:

SEPTEMBER 2

- 9:45 am- Back to school Blessing during worship for all Children, Youth and Adults who are returning back to school!

SEPTEMBER 9

Rally Sunday!

- 9:05 am- ALL AGES come together to kick off another year of Faith Formation! EVERYONE meets in Bethany Hall.

SEPTEMBER 12

New Wednesday evening programming begins!

5:15-5:55 pm- Meal in Bethany Hall

6:00-6:30 pm- Worship in the Sanctuary.

6:35-7:00 pm- ALL Ages Faith Formation in the Friendship Room. EVERYONE is welcome! Children are asked to be accompanied by an adult.

SEPTEMBER 16

9:05-10:05 am- classroom Sunday school begins! Children ages 3 yrs-Kindergarten meet in their classrooms on the lower level of the education wing. Children in grades 1st-6th meet in the Sanctuary.

SEPTEMBER 23

9:05-10:05 am- Faith Steps class with 3rd graders and their parents. Meet in the Koinonia Room (2nd floor, ed wing).

10:15 am- ALL 3rd graders receive the *Good News Bible* at the 10:15 am Foundation & Praise worship service.

SEPTEMBER 30

9:05-10:05 am- Faith Steps class with 3 year olds and their parents. Meet in the Koinonia Room (2nd floor, ed wing)

10:15 am- ALL 3 year olds receive *The Beginner's Bible* during the Foundation & Praise worship service.



Grief Care Group will meet Monday's from:
September 10 - December 17,
5:15- 6:30 pm in the Friendship Room.

For more information, please contact Pastor Dean

ELCA Women Lakeland Conference Fall Gathering

Guest Speaker, Pastor Daniel Bowman from
Hawk Creek Lutheran Church

- "From Sorrow To Joy"
- Thursday, September 27, 2018
- Green Lake Bible Camp
- 5 pm Registration, 6 pm Gathering
- \$10 Cost /Includes Dinner
- Deadline for Registration is September 18, 2018



Calvary's own Cub Scout Pack 224 is looking for youth ages K-5th grade.

Do you like: Camping? Crafts?
Games? Food? Then Cub
Scouts is for you! Pack 224
meets most Monday nights
through the school year.

Our trained leaders utilize their skills for great grade
specific and group meetings. We also promote spring
and fall camps as well as summer camp. It is a great
way to spend quality time with your youth! Joining
is easy!

Contact our new Cubmaster- Justin Sietsema.

Our first meeting is scheduled for Monday,
Sept. 10 at 6:30 pm in the Calvary education wing.
Feel free to stop in and see what Scouting is about!

Our Parish Leadership:

President: Bill Fenske

Vice President: Brett Aamot

Secretary: Amanda Newberg

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



Thank you to everyone who helped us kick off the
school year right with donating to our "Stuff The
Bus" campaign! Your donations will help local
students and the community greatly!

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH
General Fund Treasurer's Report
Modified Cash Basis
One Month and Seven Months Ended July 31, 2018

	<u>One Month Ended</u>	<u>Seven Months Ended</u>
CASH AVAILABLE AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	\$ (6,912.74)	\$ 60,585.77
CONTRIBUTIONS		
GENERAL CONTRIBUTIONS		
GENERAL UNDESIGNATED	56,956.76	411,867.48
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	-	1,696.31
CAPITAL FUND INCOME	3,540.00	28,807.50
CHRISTMAS/EASTER	-	4,805.00
SR HI SPECIAL EVENTS		6,138.97
CHILDRENS SPECIAL EVENTS	-	90.00
GRANT	-	1,000.00
BULLETIN SPONSORSHIP		400.00
RADIO BROADCAST SPONSOR	75.00	450.00
SUNDAY COFFEE	87.75	507.11
	<u>60,659.51</u>	<u>455,762.37</u>
SPECIAL OFFERINGS		
LENTEN OFFERINGS	-	10,965.68
MISSION OFFERING	100.00	250.00
COMMUNITY MEAL OUTREACH	-	138.61
SPECIAL OFFERINGS	310.00	2,619.00
THRIVENT CHOICE		1,683.00
	<u>410.00</u>	<u>15,656.29</u>
TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS	61,069.51	471,418.66
EXPENSES		
BENEVOLENCE	5,695.68	41,186.76
PROGRAM MUSIC & WORSHIP	8,301.27	58,551.50
EVANGELISM OUTREACH	283.90	2,404.65
EDUCATION	6,826.12	37,912.75
YOUTH	4,733.47	50,684.00
LIBRARY	-	946.78
STEWARDSHIP	-	161.00
PROPERTY MAINTENANCE	6,608.61	76,129.87
ADMINISTRATION	31,964.77	259,037.88
SPECIAL OFFERINGS	410.00	15,656.29
UNCATEGORIZED EXPENSE	-	-
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>64,823.82</u>	<u>542,671.48</u>
CONTRIBUTIONS IN EXCESS / (DEFICIT) OF EXPENSES	(3,754.31)	(71,252.82)
CASH AVAILABLE AT END OF PERIOD	<u>\$ (10,667.05)</u>	<u>\$ (10,667.05)</u>

Greetings from the Call Committee

We continue the call process through the summer months. We have and continue to interview multiple candidates brought forward by the Synod through July and August. We are being diligent in the assessments, augmenting the interviews with reference checks and observing candidates leading worship service and sermons.

Top Gifts for Ministry & Tasks we are seeking based on the Voice of the Congregation as shared with the Transition Team:

- Build a sense of community
- Help people develop their spiritual life
- Be an effective communicator, preacher
- Be able to share leadership on a team
- Be an effective administrator
- Be innovative & creative in execution of future vision

Each candidate is their own individual, gifted by God. While we seek candidates that have the gifts listed above, the gifts may very well manifest and present themselves through different means and different styles. Each person has an individual style and approach. Change is constant. But, the core God given gifts will be present in our next Senior Pastor and will well serve Calvary in celebrating our solid Lutheran foundation while partnering with the staff and congregation in moving forward to remain relevant in serving our mission.

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 us directly to discuss your questions or thoughts.

Call Committee Members:

Michael Newberg
Meghan Knott
Shane Baker
Abby Teisinger
Charles Ulrich
Deb Larson
Jamie Hultgren
Mike Haugsby

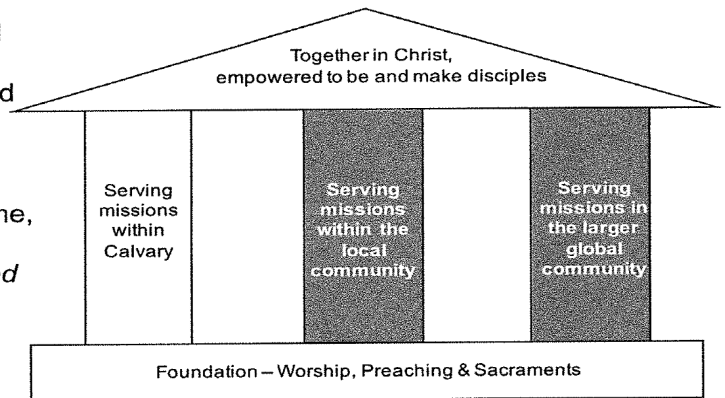
Stewardship – People helping People through living out God's mission

From Matthew, Chapter 25, Verses 34-40:

Then the King will say to those on his right, Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me. Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you? The King will reply, Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.

Stewardship is alluded to many times in the bible, and always with the message that we have each received gifts from God, that we should share out of love for and to help others.

Thank you to each of you who contribute of your time, talents and financial giving. Your gracious giving of time, talents and financial contributions allows us to live out our collective mission – *Together in Christ, empowered to be and make disciples*. This month, the focus is on the way your giving enables serving the missions outside the walls of our congregation to the local and then broader world community:



- Special Offerings – contributions in various offerings collected during the year for specific local causes
- Scouts – community activity hosting for local troops
- Family Promise – helping families in transition seeking housing and employment
- Community Meal – serving meal to local community members
- Cross Congregational activities – celebrating our faith & fellowship with other local congregations
- Advent Festival – a welcoming celebration of the Christmas season on display for all to come and see
- Willmar Area Food shelf – contributions of food to local food shelf to assist families in need
- Giving Tree – providing gifts for local children for the Christmas holiday
- Missionary support – supporting international missionary efforts in spreading the God's word
- First Fruits benevolence – providing financial offerings to the Synod to support a wide range of missions



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 time and finances
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We invite ALL Ages to join us on Sunday, September 9 at 9:05 am in Bethany Hall as we come together to celebrate the beginning of a new year of Faith Formation! We will share a light breakfast, enjoy some fun activities and reconnect with one another! **Hope to see you there!**