Calvary Lutheran Church

Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod

Pastor Michael Kessler

In the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ, welcome to Christian worship. We are so happy and thankful you are here with us today. If you are a visitor with us, please sign our guest register by the front door and fill out a worship card given to you by an usher. If you are worshipping with us in a communion service, please note that we practice closed communion. Please read the communion statement at the end of the Order of Service. May God richly bless every one of you!

COMMUNION STATEMENT: Communion is both a participation in Christ's true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins, and a statement of fellowship among those who participate. Members of our congregation, and members of a sister congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod who have properly prepared themselves are invited to attend. If you are not an LCMS member or are of another denomination or synod, please see the Pastor before communing for the first time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Those for whom we are praying:

Those in need of healing:	Kristen Rittenhouse, Ron Hill, Joey Rogers, Randy Ehrlich, Rex Pope, Julie Shine, Valorie Hess, Cheyenne Ellis, Jade Renae, Pete Efroymson, Anna Humphrey, Brian Simpson, Louie Schaetzle, Johanna Emrhien, Julie Mackie, Gaylyn Hildestad Families of Larry Lee and Stanley Grosskreutz who died this past week Peace, comfort, and healing for those facing wars, conflict, and disasters
Those in the Military:	Jacob LeClerc, Michael & Jessica Pray, Cole Fennell, Ayden Dusek, Victor Greenfield, Jacob Rochester, Shane Helton, Tanner Cook, Jason Herwig, Hannah and Jonnie Vergara-Fountain, William Swan, David Schleusener, Sean Wilson, Madelyn Atchley, Lauren Allmon
Those who Protect & Heal:	Law Enforcement, Fire-Rescue-First Responders, all Medical Workers
Those spreading the Gospel:	Rev. Dennis Meeker and all missionaries at large

Those who serve us today:

Elder(s):	Ryan Pope
Usher(s):	
Organist:	Substitute Organist Service
Altar Guild	

Church Council Notes: Contribution amount needed per week is $3,412.00 to meet current budget. Amount received for Last Week: $3,601.00 PushPay donations:

Operation Christmas Child: We will be joining Christ Lutheran Church in collecting boxes and supplies for Operation Christmas Child. Please leave your items in the Fellowship Hall today.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship will be this Wednesday, November 25th at 7 pm.

A Brighter Day Ministries will be celebrating Thanksgiving on Friday, November 27th (the day after Thanksgiving). Please consider donating a **Thanksgiving side dish** for their dinner. Dishes can be brought to Grace Bible Fellowship (300 S. 4th Ave) between 11:00-3:00.

Mite box offerings will be collected next Sunday, November 29th.

God Stories: Do you have a story about how God has worked in your life that you'd like to share? We would love to hear it. Come join us on December 1st at 11:00am in the Education building.

The Calvary Crafters will meet on Monday, December 7th from 10:00am-2:00pm. We will be stuffing Christmas stockings for the Veteran's Home.

Stewardship Encouragement: Matthew 25:44 – **"**Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?'" With this parable Jesus once again emphasizes that our good works come from who we are, not the other way around. Sheep do sheep works, and goats do goat works. So first things first: if we want to live more faithfully, let us come to Jesus, receive His gifts and ask Him to increase our faith!

Reading Synopsis for today: By the Cross of Christ, We Enter the Kingdom of Our God and Father: When the crucified and risen Lord Jesus comes to judge the living and the dead, "he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats" (Matt. 25:32). "To those on his right," who have been crucified and raised with Him through repentance and faith in His Gospel, He will grant the blessed kingdom of His Father (Matt. 25:34). Having been justified by His grace, they live unto righteousness in Him (Matt. 25:35–40). But "those on his left," who trust in themselves and despise their neighbor, will depart "into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels" (Matt. 25:41). Until that day, the Lord searches for His sheep "as a shepherd seeks out his flock" (Ezek. 34:11–12). Through His preaching of repentance, He disciplines the proud sheep and goats, "the fat and the strong," but through the preaching of forgiveness He rescues the lost, binds up the injured, strengthens the weak and feeds "the lean sheep" (Ezek. 34:16, 20). In this way, He destroys the power of death in the children of Adam by His cross, so that "in Christ shall all be made alive" by His resurrection (1 Cor. 15:20–26).

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

TODAY – November 22nd
9:00am Divine Service 4 with Communion
10:30am Bible Study
Operation Christmas Child Boxes due

WEDNESDAY-November 25th
7:00pm Thanksgiving Eve Worship

SUNDAY – November 29th
9:00am Divine Service 1 with Communion
10:30am Bible Study
Mite Box Offerings

God's People At Church

Last Sunday	**46**
Sunday Bible Study	**10**
Sunday School	**5**
Thursday Bible Study	**13**
Last Saturday Bible Study	—

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LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR
November 22nd, 2026