

The Calvary Call



Calvary Lutheran Church

2018

Red Letter Challenge

What is the Red Letter Challenge it is an embarkment on a challenge to take serious Jesus' words (sometimes called the letters printed in red). Rev. Zach Zender wrote a book called the "Red Letter Challenge" to help encourage us to not just read these words but to actually do them. It is written as a devotional but with some serious challenges that you can do with Jesus' help.

We start our journey on Sunday, September 30th and Wednesday, October 3rd the and introduction.

October 7 and 10 - **Being** - have a deeper relationship with Jesus - Challenge LWML Sunday - ladies help with service.

October 14 & 17 - **Forgiveness** - receive God's forgiveness in your life and give grace to others.

October 21 & 24 - **Serving** - give you a greater heart of service - Challenge considering making health kits on October 21 with CLWL and join the congregation day to make Mercy Meals on October 24.

October 28 & 31 - **Giving** - help you become more generous - Challenge special Stewardship Sunday challenge.

November 4 & 7 - **Going** - give you confidence to speak about what Jesus has done in your life.

COME JOIN US ON THIS CHALLENGE

Trunk 'n Treat October 28th

This year's Trunk 'n Treat will be Sunday, October 28, 2018, at 4 p.m. in the Calvary parking lot. Everyone is invited. Children are encouraged to dress up in their costumes.

We need 25 volunteers to provide decorated trunks for the Trunk 'n Treat. Contact Julie Barto (712-251-8216) if you want to volunteer your trunk, or sign up in the Friendship Room. .

Prizes will be given for the best decorated trunk. We will provide the goodies to give out for each person hosting a decorated trunk.

Everyone is invited to delicious chili and cinnamon rolls served in the parish hall during the Trunk 'n Treat.

We are asking the congregation for donations of wrapped candy. You can drop off your donations in the church office. This is a Thrivent Action Team event.

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Calvary Youth and WNAC Upcoming Events:

October 7th Hay Ride at Randy Ohl Farm from 2-4 pm.

Trip to Faith Lutheran Church pack Mercy Meals, Wednesday October 24 from 5:30 - 7:45 pm. This is an Orphan Grain Train Servant Event.

The **IDW Junior Youth Gathering** will be held at the Sheraton Hotel in West Des Moines on October 27-28 for all youth in grades 6-8 under the theme "Delivered" from Titus 3:5. Presenter Pastor Ben Johnson, Gloria Dei - Urbandale and MC DCE Tim Kightlinger, Gloria Dei-Urbandale. Musical entertainment by Swen and Dean. With inflatables and games returning to variety time and inspiring sectionals.

The **IDW Senior Youth Gathering** will be at the Embassy Suites downtown Des Moines November 9-11 for all youth in grades 9-12 with the theme "Whatever" from Philippians 4:8-9. Presenter, Tanner Olson, DCE from Austin, Texas; keynote speaker, Pro. Tim Schumacher; devotion leader, Rev. Duncan McLellan; and closing worship leader, President Steve Turner.

November also includes the ham sales event.

December - The youth will be assisting the CLWL with the annual Cookie Walk. In addition there are opportunities for caroling, decorating the church, and participating in the youth Christmas service.

WNAC - regular class schedule resumes on October 3rd at 5:00-5:30 pm with pizza and recreation time; 5:30 pm The Story Bible reading "Genesis"; 5:45 pm classes pre-k - adults; and 7:00-8:00 pm Worship.

October Theme is the "Red Letter Challenge" with an intro on October 3rd; Being on October 10; Forgiving on October 17th; Serving on October 24; Giving on October 31; and Sending on November 7th.



Operation Barnabas - "Called to Serve"

We live in a world of social media. A world that stays connected through Facebook, AOL news, Skype, email, texting and Twitter. How can our congregation use these same forms of media to provide hope, healing and support to our military and their families?

Come to the 6th annual Operation Barnabas Conference on Saturday, October 6 at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Carroll Iowa and share ideas.

You may ask: "Why is it called Operation

Barnabas?" Barnabas was Paul's companion, who helped him in his missionary journey. His name means "son of encouragement." We hope to encourage our military and their families with the Gospel in action.

For more information on the conference go to www.idwlcme.org/news.php or contact Rev. Kevin Johnson at 515-989-3841 or pastorj.holycross@yahoo.com.



2018

New Chapter — Pastor Travis

Dear friends in Christ,

We have a new chapter starting in the History of Calvary. Just as Barnabus and Paul went different directions, so now Mike Kipp goes on to new service of God in Norfolk with his family. We pray for good health and balance for him and his family and that he can continue to serve the Lord with his gifts serving youth. Please send him off with your prayers and cards. We will have a farewell party on Sunday, **October 7 at 11:30 am** immediately following worship.

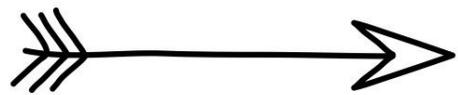
We also begin a new chapter and direction at Calvary, the last three years have been transitional. Calvary has shifted by emphasizing the importance of putting more effort into youth. The Sunday School has been restructured to go deeper into Bible Stories and with deeper application through large crafts and creativity that stretch over weeks and months so that youth do not just hear a Bible story one week and move to the next one, but they live out and get to know one or two for a whole month. WNAC has grown with the introduction of Adult and Pre-K -4th grade classes in addition to the long established 5th-8th Grade confirmation and High School Youth Groups that meet on Wednesday Night.

What is God leading us towards next? God has opened the door through Mike's departure to explore where God wants us to go. I believe God wants us to continue with excellence in Sunday School and WNAC, but I believe God wants us to continue to grow Family Ministry and Discipleship. Family defined as single, traditional, and even

multi-generational family. Our world has sold us a bill of goods that true happiness comes only from money and from recreation. Whereas, we believe God's purposes bring us true happiness. When we put Jesus words into practice we are truly blessed. For example, every Christian I believe should be following someone who's life is worth imitating, just like the disciples learned from and imitated Jesus. Likewise, I pray all of you want a life worth imitating so that others will want to imitate you also.

For October, take up the Red Letter Challenge! Read the words of Jesus and put them in practice! I believe as we follow Jesus with the bar raised others will also want to follow Jesus! We start as a congregation September 30 with the first sermon in the series on October 7! The Lord Jesus equip you with His life saving Words!

Pastor James Travis



KEEP MOVING

FORWARD

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Farewell — Michael Kipp, DCE

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ of Calvary Lutheran Church,

I write this letter to you with a very heavy heart. This past year has been an emotionally difficult and challenging one for me as a DCE. God has really been tugging on my heart over this past year and I didn't know why. Many people within the congregation have said that I should go be a pastor and others have said that I should go do this or that. At the end of the day, I put all of that aside and asked God what is it that He wanted me to do.

First and foremost God has called me to be a Christian and point people to Jesus. I am also called by God to be a husband and father to my children, which is an area I need to work on. I know that no matter if we stay or go something has to change in that department.

As many of you know, Andrea and I have recently been presented with an opportunity to move back home to Norfolk, NE. I have spent a great deal of time in prayer and reading God's Word. The passage that has constantly been coming up is from Joshua 1:7-9, which talks about being strong and courageous and reminding us that no matter where we are or what we do, God is always with us.

As scary as it is to leave and do something that is out of my comfort zone, I know that God is leading us to go back to Norfolk, knowing that He is with us. Even though I will no longer be in full time ministry, I will never stop doing the Lord's work and point people to

Jesus.

Please pray for Andrea, Audrey, Owen, and I as we transition back to Norfolk, NE and look to sell our home here as quickly as possible. I begin my new position as the Project Manager at Weiland Doors on Monday, October 15th. I will continue to pray for Calvary Lutheran Church as you seek God's guidance on the direction to go from here, whether it be to call another DCE or do something else entirely. I will miss you all very much, but know that this is what God wants our family to do.

My last official Sunday will be October 14th here at Calvary Lutheran Church.

Your Brother in Christ,

Michael Kipp



Farewell

Sunday School Christmas Program

The Children's Christmas Service this year will be on Sunday, December 16, 2018 but will be changed to a different time. In previous years, it was held in the afternoon. This year it will be combined with our usual 10:30 Sunday service. The 8:00 am service will be the same as usual. Practices for the children will be on the two Sundays prior to the service - December 2 and 9 from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm

with a light lunch. Come celebrate Jesus' birthday with our children in songs and stories!





We are looking for a few good Men (& Women!)

Ushers: Men & Women are needed to assist at the Worship services by handing out bulletins, answering questions, assisting worshipers looking for a place to sit, taking up the offerings, and being a welcoming presence for Calvary. See the Sign-Up sheets in the Friendship Room or call the church office 239-1575 and volunteer.

Greeters for the Sunday worship services at 8am contact: Vandy Junck, 712-239-2293; for 10:30 am contact Mary Ann Burg, 712-239-2848, to sign up for one month at a time. **Thanks for taking the time to serve!**



Holy Cross Annual Hog Roast

All are invited to Holy Cross LCMS, 149 Bison Trail, Dakota Dunes, SD, on Sunday, October 9 from 4-7 pm for our Annual Hog Roast. On the menu: Pulled Pork; Beef Brisket; Coleslaw; Beans; Dessert and Beverages. Tickets: \$8 for Adults, \$4 for Kids. (Carry outs are also available!)

Be sure to check out our Bake Sale and Craft Sale too!



German Dinner

Redeemer Lutheran Church from 4:30-6:30 pm on Tuesday, October 9, 2018. Authentic food - sauerbraten - brats - sauerkraut - mashed potatoes & grave - green beans - apple salad - rolls - apple cake - coffee - tea - water at a cost of \$10 adults (12 and older) & takeouts, \$4 for ages 5-11, and ages 4 & under are free.

Bake Sale also featuring wonderful homemade goodies! Music by New Horizon's Band 4:15-5:15 pm.

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Stewardship Giving Challenge

October 16 the Stewardship Board would like to challenge you to help the Sioux City warming shelter by bringing the following to church: Granola bars, trail mix, peanuts, gum, hard candy, beef jerky, soup, shampoo, deodorant, comb, chapstick, toilet paper, feminine products, hand warmers, bag of quarters, bottled water, bandages, baby wipes, hand sanitizer, wash cloth, travel size first aid kit and instant oatmeal packages. The church is giving each a new testament.

Altar Flowers

Commemorate a special occasion or remember a loved one by providing altar flowers for the worship services. Sign your name to the poster in the Friendship Room or call the church office at 712-239-1575, and we will order a bouquet from A Step in Thyme Shop for a cost of 45.40. If you prefer to provide your own flowers, please let the office know at least one week before your date. We can accommodate up to 2 bouquets each week. Thank you for adding to our services with flowers.

Finance Secretary's Report

Income Received for August, 2018

Envelopes.....	\$ 21,174.50
Plate.....	640.75
YTD Envelope & Plate Total:	\$ 163,356.65
Other:	
Building Fund.....	40.00
Main Street Living.....	50.00
Parish Hall Use.....	75.00
Picnic (Share with Trinity).....	480.00
Red Letter Challenge.....	20.00
Youth.....	50.00
VBS Project Sxld Soldiers.....	356.00
Checking Interest.....	3.42
Thrivent Choice Deposit.....	21.00
Total.....	\$ 22,910.67

Deposits:

Week 1.....	\$ 9,091.39
Week 2.....	3,149.00
Week 3.....	2,623.36
Week 4.....	8,022.50
Checking Interest	3.42
Thrivent Choice.....	21.00
Total	\$ 22,910.67

2018 Year-to-Date Total: 186,267.32

Treasurer's Statement of Income & Expense

August, 2018—

Checking Account Balance, 08/01/18 \$ 83,311.44

Plus Income	\$ 22,907.25
Less Expense	(21,182.50)
Plus Interest	3.42
Plus transf. from LCEF	<u>0.00</u>
	1,728.17

Checking Account Balance, 08/31/18 \$ 85,039.61

LCEF Steward Account Balance 08/01/18 \$ 229.12

Plus Transfers In	\$0.00
Less Transfers Out	0.00
Plus Interest	<u>0.19</u>
	0.19

LCEF Steward Account Balance 08/31/18 \$ 229.31

Dedicated Funds

Social Ministries	\$.00
Building Fund	8,817.80
Designated Memorials	3,721.26
Undesignated Memorials	590.67
Dedicated Accounts	25,456.01
Outside Purposes	(74.06)
National Youth Gathering	565.00
World Missions	(47.06)
Capital Improvement	<u>0.00</u>
Total All Obligated Funds	\$ 39,029.62
Un-obligated Funds	46,009.99

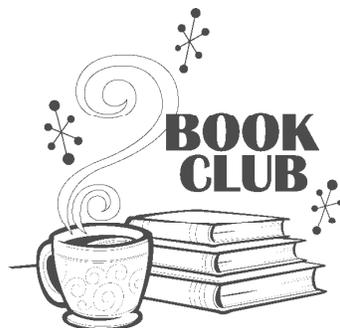
Total Checking & Savings Funds \$ 85,268.92

Bulletin & Newsletter Deadlines: All information for the weekly bulletins must be turned into the Church Office no later than 12 noon on Thursdays. All information for the monthly newsletter must be turned into the Church Office no later than 8 pm on the 3rd Monday of each month. Thank you! The *Calvary Call* is published monthly by Calvary Lutheran Church, 4400 Central Street, Sioux City, Iowa, 51108. **Contact us:** Phone 712-239-1575; FAX 712-239-2466; email — Pastor Travis: Rev.Travis@hotmail.com. Church Office: CalvarySecretary@aol.com; Church Website: calvaryleeds.com; Face book- <http://www.facebook.com/CalvaryLeeds>

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Book Club

Book Club meets on Thursday, October 18th at 11:30 am. The book being discussed is "Before We Were Yours" by Lisa Wingate. Presenter will be Penny Hofer. Bring your lunch come and join us for food, fellowship and discussion.



CLWL News

LWML Fall Rally - Saturday, October 6, 2018 at Concordia Lutheran Church starting at 9:00 am with registration and ending 12:00 Noon with a luncheon. ALL LADIES are included.

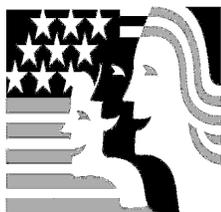
LWML Sunday - Sunday, October 7, 2018 each congregation will have ladies serving as ushers and readers.

CLWL Cookie Walk - Saturday, December 1, 2018. It is never to late to start thinking cookies. A co-chair is needed, please see Karen Hickman if interested.

Our Members in the Military

Please pray for these members:

- Trisha Hansen Goethring
- Nick Hickman
- Joe Mansfield
- Jack Fergen
- Brandon Soule
- Taylor Jones
- Riley McFarland
- Cole Barbee
- Timothy Mingo, Jr.



(If your family has someone in the Military, call us and we will add their names to the list. 712-239-1575)

Our Church Family

Baptism: Eve Lily K, daughter of Aaron & Rebecca (Book) Kallsen.

Transfer: Mary Rose M from Hope in South Sioux City, NE.

Michael W from St. John's Lutheran, East Moline, Illinois

Funeral: Darel Pennington on September 12, 2018



Calvary's Members at Home



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Bringing Faith, Hope, & Strength to All Christ's People

Join us for Hymn Fest 2018!

On Sunday, November 4, 2018, Calvary will host our circuit's annual Hymn Festival, to celebrate together God's victory over sin and death and the heavenly life we look forward to inherit with all those saints who have gone before us.

Music by various music groups from our area LC--MS churches and worship will be from 3:30 - 5:00 pm (Students and adults alike are welcome to participate with their instruments and/or voices. Please contact Pastor Travis at 712-202-8516 if you would like to play, sing, or read a scripture passage.)

A light supper will be served afterwards in the Parish Hall by the ladies of Calvary.



Main Street Living

Great News! The Main Street Living television program is coming to the Iowa West District! It will be aired weekly on KCAU, Channel 9 in Sioux City, at 10:00 am every Sunday morning beginning on October 7th of this year. The first 30 minutes will feature the acclaimed "This is the Life" program from Lutheran Hour Ministries. These programs are remastered and brought to HD format. The final 30 minutes is a modified Lutheran worship service that will feature pastors of the LCMS from the local Sioux City area. A different pastor will be featured each week.

Main Street Living started airing in South Dakota on January 6, 2002. It has become an important asset for shut-ins and others who cannot or do not attend church on a regular basis. Since January, 2017, the Board of Directors of Main Street Living has set out on a plan of expanding the ministry. This planned expansion has the enthusiastic endorsement of Iowa West District President Rev. Steve Turner.