

Calvary Comment



**Pastor Paul & Phyllis
Zwarich**

Special dates

3~All Saints' Day
3~Congregational Meeting
3~Daylight saving ends
11~Veterans Day
17~Congregational Meal
24~Christ the King Sunday
28~Thanksgiving Day

Calvary Lutheran Church
3231 S. College Hills Blvd.
San Angelo, TX

November 2024
Newsletter

*Sharing God's word & love
within and beyond Calvary.*



*We give thee but thine own
Whate'er the gift may be
All that we have is thine alone
A trust, O Lord, from thee.*

Yes, it is time to talk about stewardship. Stewardship is a subject that needs to be talked about all the time. Stewardship is a word that describes how we put into action the things that God has placed into our care for the benefit of His creation. Remember when flight attendants were called "stewards" or "stewardesses?" Back in the golden age of flying "stewardesses" were tasked with caring for the lives that had been put into their care. The same is true for us.

Stewardship is a way of life. Stewardship has to do with how we take care of what has been given to us by God and how we share these gifts with one another. Stewardship is a tool that we have that God has given to us to help us carry out the mission God has called us to complete.

Please be on the "lookout" for our **Spring 2025 Stewardship Emphasis and Celebration**. The dates and time have yet to be determined. But we will keep you informed as it becomes available. In the meantime, please join us on Reformation Sunday when Mark Hinzman will join us and discuss Legacy Giving during the worship service. Afterwards you are invited to stay and discuss Legacy Giving with Mark Hinzman and enjoy some light finger food and fellowship.

Yes, it is time to talk about stewardship. Stewardship is indeed a topic that needs to be discussed all the time. Rick Warren once said "We can give without loving, but we cannot love without giving." Together our time and resources do make a difference. To God be the Glory. Amen.

Let us pray: Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: ourselves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the One who gave Himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Blessings to you

Pastor Paul

Betty called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Present:

Betty Thane, President
Joyce O'Connell, Vice President
Ashlyn Scott, Secretary
Leon Thane, Financial Secretary
Manuel Ortegon, Treasurer
Ann Helm, Bookkeeper
Heidi Wierzoweicki, Education
Diane Ross, Worship
Jill Zuehlke, Fellowship
Paul Zwarich, Pastor

Not Present:

Elaine Mitchell, Service and Justice

Joyce made a motion to accept August's minutes with corrections, Diane seconded, and motion passed.

Education

Nothing to report
Sunday school stories are going well and will be continuing to do them.

Fellowship

Thanksgiving meal- November 17th
Idea to do christmas cookie exchange in December

Worship

Hymns have been picked through Christmas, nothing to report.

Social Concerns

Amy Mizel from National Health Alliance will be at Calvary, September 22.

Wrapping of donated gifts in December-using Thrivent Funds

Weekend of October 4, 2025- Blessing of Pets

Pastor's Report

Pastor read over the report and was accepted as presented.

General Information

~Congregational meeting on November 3rd- All

Saints Sunday

~November council meeting will be on Thursday, November 14.

~Reformation Sunday- October 27- Mark Hinzman

~Budget Meetings- September 12, 19, 26

-Manuel, Ann, Pastor, Betty, Adam, Diane

~ Cow Conference: Sagerton, September 14, 1-4pm

~ Leak in Sunday School Wing and Narthex due to hail damage

Unfinished Business

~Door to Fellowship hall will soon be tended to with the help of others

New Business

~Sink in Fellowship hall

Joyce made a motion to not fix the sink until a later date due to other concerns as of right now, Leon seconded, and motion passed.

~Credit Cards

Joyce made a motion to raise the treasurer's credit card limit to \$3000 while keeping all other credit cards with the \$500 limit. Diane seconded and motion passed.

~Synod Assembly Delegates (April 25-26)

Will vote for delegates in November Congregational Meeting (Nov 3)

~CD Renewal

Joyce motioned to let the CD expire (On October 3) and take the money to use it for the deductible, Diane seconded, and motion passed.

~Council Christmas Meal on December 10 @ Cotton Patch Cafe

Dutch style meal and each member is welcome to bring a plus one

Financial Secretary Report

Leon read over the report and was accepted as presented.

Treasurer's Report

Manuel read over the report and was accepted as presented.

Leon moved to adjourn the meeting, Joyce seconded motion passed.

Closed the meeting with the Lord's prayer @ 7:15pm.

Secretary,

Ashlyn Scott



THANKFUL
Grateful
BLESSED



THANK YOU for helping.

You can sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex.

DATE 2024	Greeter	Usher	Assist. Minister	Reader (Lector)	Tech	Flowers	Altar Guild	Sunday School
11/3 All Saints		James Lou	Joyce	Valerie	Adam	Parrys	Valerie	Blossom Parry "Daniel"
11/10 Pent 25		James Lou			Adam	Hank & Bee		Marcy Miller "Jonah"
11/17 Pentecost 26		James Lou	Elaine	Phyllis	Adam	Rosalee		
11/23 Christ the King		James Lou	Bee	Bee	Joyce	Bluthardt		



Jill Zuehlke
*Fellowship

It's that time again Calvary Lutheran members! Time for fellowship, food and fun. Sign up sheets will be out the first Sunday in November.

I will be needing help to set up on Saturday November 16th at 10:00AM. Also, clean up after our meal.

Our traditional meal will be Sunday **Nov. 17th** following our service.

If anyone would like to serve on this committee, please let me know.

Thank you and thankful, Jill Zuehlke



Join us for Thanksgiving!



THANKS
From
Pastor Paul

Thank you for your generous gift given to me on Pastor's Appreciation Sunday. It is a joy to walk with you as we journey together on the path God has chosen for us.

Pastor Paul

Interested in service to the church by serving as an Altar Guild member?

If you have wondered what happens when the liturgical colors change, or when communion appears before the service and disappears after the service, you have an opportunity to find out. The Altar Guild of Calvary Lutheran hopes you will consider this service and become a member.

Everyone is welcome to join the Guild.

The next Altar Guild meeting will be Saturday, November 2 at 10:00 am in the fellowship hall.



Veterans Day Salute

After fighting in World War II, Luther Bergeland wasn't done serving his country — or his God. The Minnesota farm boy, who "came back to faith" during combat, later served for decades as a military chaplain. For his actions in the field in Korea, Bergeland was awarded the Bronze Star. Then during Vietnam, he served in the Army Reserves in Colorado, tasked with informing family members about soldiers' deaths.

Despite the challenges, Bergeland embraces the special role he was able to play for four decades, sharing Jesus and his love with countless people. "That's what we did, preaching and reaching out to people," he told a reporter. "I always liked the military very much because it just did a lot for me, and I hope I did a lot for it."

On Veterans Day, we salute Bergeland and all the men and women who selflessly serve.



PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING



All Saints Day is recognized on the 1st Sunday in Nov. in the Lutheran Church. This occasion sets aside a special day to honor and remember the saints who have gone before us, those faithful individuals who have left a mark on the world through their devotion to God. It serves as a reminder of the interconnectedness of the spiritual realm and highlights the hope of resurrection and eternal life. On this sacred day, we embrace the memory of the saints who have gone before us and find comfort in the belief that we are part of a community that extends beyond the earthly realm.

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NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD WITH HEARTS AND HANDS AND VOICES, WHO WONDROUS THINGS HAS DONE, IN WHOM THIS WORLD REJOICES; WHO, FROM OUR MOTHERS' ARMS, HAS BLEST US ON OUR WAY WITH COUNTLESS GIFTS OF LOVE, AND STILL IS OURS TODAY.

Text: Martin Rinkhart, 1586-1649

NOVEMBER



BIRTHDAYS	
6	Caitlyn Phillips
7	James Parry
11	Marie Williams
14	Aymie Portwood
14	Elwin Hahn
16	Kristy Scott
17	Suzy Taylor
19	Joseph Phillips
24	Valerie Bluthardt
27	Cheri Swingle
28	David Cox
28	Rich Myers
29	Blossom Parry



Elaine Mitchell
*Social Ministries



~ Service and Justice will have several activities coming up between now and the new year. Currently we are filling sacks for Project Dignidad. The list has been in your bulletin and there are lists on the table in the North-X. Please use paper sacks to make your donations.

~ We will have a tree in the Narthex for ELCA Good Gifts during Lent.

~ We will have a gift wrapping party to benefit the family shelter. Details on that coming next month.

~ Service and Justice will have a committee meeting on Monday Nov. 4th at 10:00 a.m. at the church. If you're interested in serving on this committee please join us. We will alternate our meetings from weekdays to Sunday after church to accommodate schedules.

Daylight Savings comes to an end.

Remember to turn your clock back on Sunday, Nov. 3rd.



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[grat i tood]

noun

the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness



*Happy Birthday on Oct. 9
Dee Prochazka!*

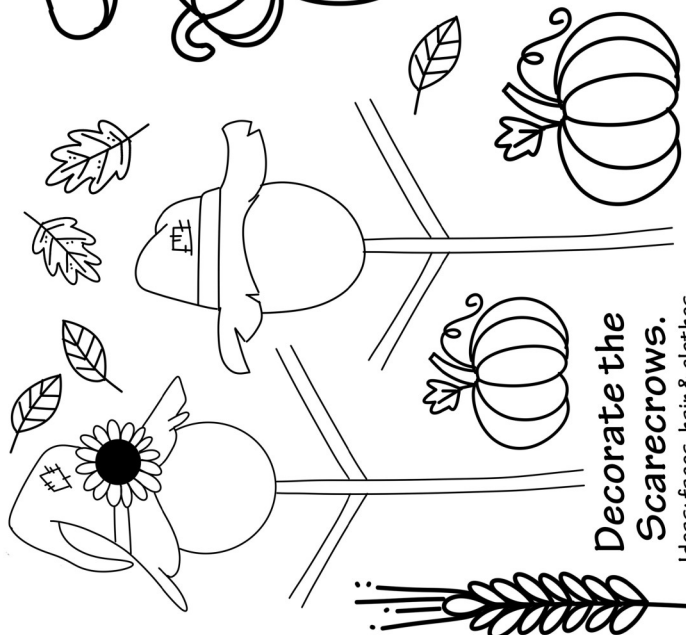
THANKS GIVING



Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

HIS LOVE ENDURES FOREVER.

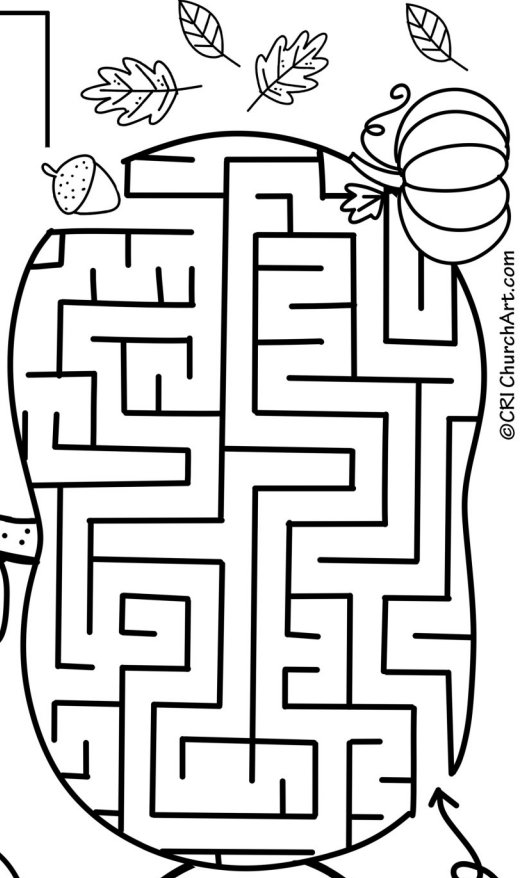
Psalms 136:1, NIV



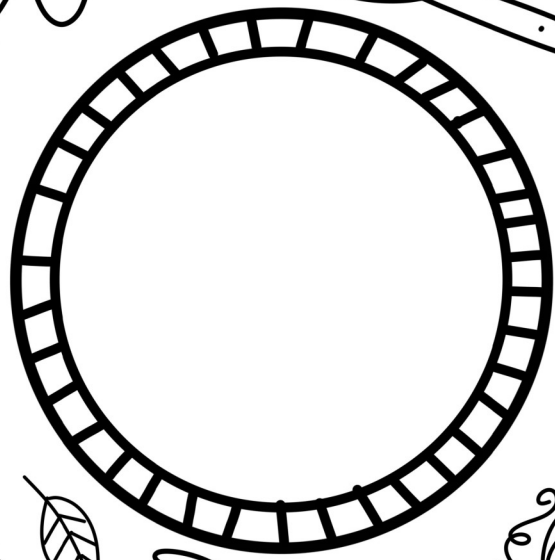
Decorate the Scarecrows.

Ideas: faces, hair & clothes

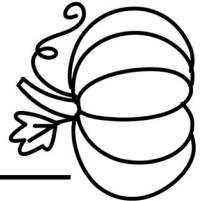
What are you thankful for?





How many pumpkins can you find?



Draw your favorite Thanksgiving Dinner!

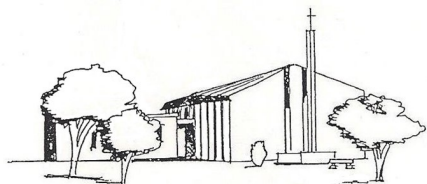


NOVEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 AA group 5:30pm	2 Altar Guild meeting 10am
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
ALL SAINTS SUNDAY 8:45 Sunday School 10am Worship Congregational Meeting Daylight Saving Time Ends	AA group 5:30pm Pastor's Day Off Social Ministries Committee Mtg 10am	AA group 5:30pm Adult bible study 6pm	Women's bible study 6:30pm	AA group 5:30pm	AA group 5:30pm	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Pent 25 8:45 Sunday School 10am Worship	AA group 5:30pm Pastor's Day Off 	AA group 5:30pm	Women's bible study 6:30pm	AA group 5:30pm Church Council 6pm Zoom	AA group 5:30pm Soup Kitchen 9:30-1	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Pent 26 8:45 Sunday School 10am Worship Cong. Thanksgiving Meal	AA group 5:30pm Pastor's Day Off Newsletter Deadline	AA group 5:30pm Adult bible study 6pm	Women's bible study 6:30pm	AA group 5:30pm	AA group 5:30pm	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
CHRIST THE KING 8:45 Sunday School 10am Worship Noisy Bucket	AA group 5:30pm Pastor's Day Off	Adult bible study 6pm	Women's bible study 6:30pm	AA group 5:30pm 		

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We strive to recognize and nurture the Christ in ourselves and each person that we encounter along the way. Our church is a thriving community of believers and lovers of the word of God. Calvary Lutheran has a long tradition of outreach and service to its members and the community. We hope you will join us for service on Sunday to experience for yourself the fellowship of Christ.