

The Calvary Call

May 2024

Calvary Lutheran Church 4400 Central St. Sioux City, IA 51108 — 712-239-1575— www.calvaryleeds.com
Pastor James Travis

Welcome Future Pastor Alexander Smith



Alex Smith & Parents- Willie & Diane Smith

Alex Smith & President Turner

Call day was April 23rd and Alex Smith received a call to be our Associate Pastor for Youth, Family, & Education. He will be ordained and installed July 14th at 4:00 pm at Calvary. Contact Julie Barto at 712-251-8216 to help with Music, a Youth Skit and Youth Choir for the service, likewise for helping decorate and with the meal.

Dear members of Calvary Lutheran Church

Greetings in the name of our risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

I am writing to inform you that I received the call from Calvary to be the associate pastor in Sioux City. This call was issued to me by the LCMS board of assignments on April 23rd, 2024. I am grateful that the Lord has led us into ministry together.

Although I intend to accept the Call to Calvary, I am not yet eligible to do so until I have finished all of the classes for the Master of Divinity program on May 17th, 2024. At that time, I will be able to inform you with an official notice of my acceptance of the call. I leave you with this prayer.

Lord God, Heavenly Father, as we embark on a new journey of the mission field that is Calvary in Sioux City, I pray that you give us all a heart to serve and look to see the needs of this community as we begin this time of ministry together. I pray that you strengthen us through your word and make us ever bold to proclaim your son, Jesus Christ, as our risen Lord and Savior. It is in his holy name that we pray, amen.

In Christ's name,

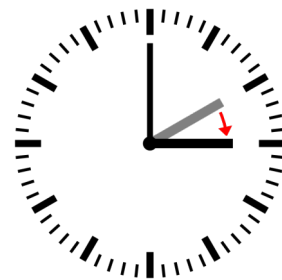
A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alexander L. Smith".

Alexander L. Smith

May 2024

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Summer Worship:
Sundays June 2—Sept. 1
9 AM Worship
10:30 AM Bible Class
Wednesdays
7 PM Worship

Calvary Lutherans 2024 Confirmands



Addison-Parents: Emily & Alan, Ryan & Paigel. Sponsors: Samantha & Jake. Verse: John 8:12. *Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."*

Brady-Parents: Emily & Alan, Ryan & Paige. Sponsors: Samantha & Jake. Verse: Ephesians 4:32. *Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.*

Colin-Parents: Emily & Alan, Ryan & Paigel. Sponsors: Samantha & Jaker. Verse: John 14:6 *Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.*

Chloe-Parents: Emily & Todd. Sponsors: Nicole & Tony, Keith, Chris. Verse: Genesis 1:31 *God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day.*

Jonah-Parent: Brian. Verse John 14:1: *"Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me."*

Kali-Parents: Alicia & Andy. Sponsors: Darcy & (the late) Greg. Verse: Jeremiah 29:11: *"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope."*

Madison-Parents: Daniel & Kayla. Sponsors: Scott, Chris, Danielle, Marcia. Verse: Deuteronomy 31:6 *"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."*

Ella-Parents: Angie & Bill. Sponsors: Jeanett & Toni. Verse: Psalm 139:13-14: *"For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well."*

Bryce-Parents: Sara & Steve. Sponsors: Leah, Makayla Olsen, Blake. Verse: Joshua 1:9. *"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."*

Meika-Parents: Carrie & James. Sponsors: Christy, Nathan. Verse: Psalm 71:3 *"Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may continually come; you have given the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress."*

Brianna-Parents: Chris & Amy. Sponsors: Carolyn Junck & Pam. Verse: Genesis 28:15 *"Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land. For I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you."*

Madison-Parents: Billie & James. Sponsors: Pastor Gerald & Joan Bruhn. Verse: Acts 20:24 *"But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God."*

Morgan-Parents: Billie & James. Sponsors: Pastor Gerald & Joan Bruhn. Verse: Deuteronomy 31:6 *"Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you."*

Our Graduates for 2024

Madelyn will attend the University of South Dakota in the fall and plans to major in elementary education.



Casey -plans to go into the welding field.



Micah -will attend Concordia University in Seward, Ne and plans to major in Secondary Education.



Jimmy—will continue working.



Briar -plans to attend South Dakota State University in the fall and Major in Agriculture Science.



Parker -will attend SDSU and receive a degree in Physical Therapy.



Braden -will graduate from Hinton High School and will also have welding degree from WIT. He plans to work with an HVAC company after school.



Bree -is currently working in the Health Care field while she explores her options.



We will recognize these Youth and pray for them May 19th at 8:00 am.

Matthew - will attend ISU for Environmental Sciences.



The Calvary Call

Youth Events

Held every 3 years since 1980, the LCMS Youth Gathering provides thousands of youth and adults the opportunity to come together as a community of God's people to be encouraged in their walk with Jesus Christ and learn about the Christian faith and their Lutheran identity.

The Gathering is more than the five days of the event. The preparation process for the Gathering brings together young people and supportive adults to encourage each other in their baptismal identity. The Gathering provides young people a vision for the vastness of Christ's Church and equips them for vocational service as they continue their walk with Jesus.

This event is organized by [LCMS Youth Ministry](http://www.lcms.org/youth) in Saint Louis, MO. For additional ways to connect to LCMS Youth Ministry, please visit www.lcms.org/youth.

National Youth Gathering will be in New Orleans in 2025. Youth and adults will need to be committed to going by this fall. Future Pastor Alex and our Youth Board will start Bible Studies in September, but will have a special meeting July and or August TBA. We will be meeting with our district youth rep on Sunday August 11th at 5pm at Redeemer. She will have a lot of great information on the National Youth Gathering. Please mark your calendars for that!

LCMS Youth Gathering

ENDURE

JULY 19-23, 2025; NEW ORLEANS, LA



Summer Day Camps & VBS



DAY CAMP #1
KIDS' WOODWORKING CAMP
JUNE 11, 2024 9 AM to 3 PM

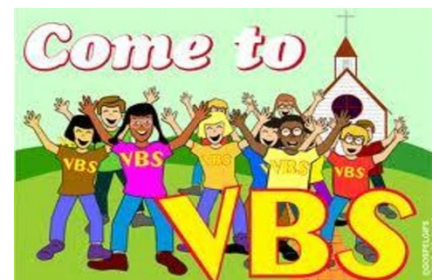


DAY CAMP #2
KIDS' ART CAMP
JULY 9, 2024 9 AM TO 3 PM

DAY CAMP #3
KIDS' COOKING CAMP
AUGUST 6, 2024 9 AM to 3 PM



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
July 15th to 19th
5:30 pm to 8 pm
Bible Stories, Music, Crafts, Games and More!



2024

Pastor Travis' Message-God Listens to Your Prayers

Dear Brothers and Sister of Christ of Calvary Lutheran Church,

God always answers our prayers. Future Pastor Alex being placed here at Calvary and accepting our Call indeed is a big "Yes" to our prayers. Many of us wondered, "Why are you so slow answering?" But then I am reminded that God answered God's people even slower when it came to bringing them out of slavery in Egypt to the promised land in the Old Testament: 40 Years (See the Book of Exodus)!

One of the reason's God answers prayers slow is so that he can do pruning ahead of answering the prayer. John 15:1-2: *"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit."* It is possible God did not give us an Associate Pastor right away was that he did not want us to "hire" a worker to do the work, but instead for us "to call" a shepherd. Shepherd's do not do the work, but they guide the sheep to do the work and bear fruit.

Certainly future Pastor Alex will do work, preaching, teaching, visiting shut-ins, and more, but he is not called to be a secretary, to run all the youth events, fix all the families, or even keep the church clean. No, God has called all of us as the body of Christ each with different gifts and abilities. This past years vacancy has forced us as a church to do the youth work ourselves.

To demonstrate God's amazing pruning at work it is my prayer that you would bear fruit using your gifts in a simple way this summer:

1. Day Camps – People needed to help cook a meal for about 20 kids, help with the Wood Working, Art, or Cooking, and some to just guide children
2. Youth Board – We have 3 openings starting in July for one year to help Pastor Alex with his first year of ministry. It has been said a pastor is only as good as the board that works with them. Thank-you to who have worked hard this past year. Likewise, our Board of Christian Education Board continues to lead our church to bring children up in the fear and instruction of the LORD!
3. We need help with Pastor Alex' Installation and Ordination. We would like the youth to sing, bells to

play, food to be served, and guests from Denison, Carroll, and other places around the country welcomed. It is a special honor for us to have his ordination. This is not simply a welcome ceremony, but ordination is the rite through which Alex Smith will become a pastor. If you have never been to one, you will be impressed. God works mightily and you will meet pastors from all over the state and even country.

4. God uses those who work behind the scenes helping with groups work that has gone on for years. Chancel Guild, Ushers, Acolytes, Board Members & Boards, etc.
5. Prayer – The Lord simply says, *"Ask and you will receive, seek and you will find, knock and the door will be opened unto you."* Calvary is exploring opportunities with bringing English as a Second Language classes to our building to help show our Hispanic neighbors we care about them. Likewise, we wonder if having Spanish in one of our services would be good. Please pray that God would show us His will. Please also pray for our members that our sick, hurting, and our neighboring churches that were devastated by the tornados this past week. We will be taking an offering May 5 and May 8 in the back of the church to help those in need!

Another prayer answered: God has brought 13 youth through four years of confirmation. Likewise, he has brought 9 students through High School. These youth are some of the most active at Calvary. Please pray that Jesus will continue to be their vine and they be His branches that produce fruit in High School, College, and jobs beyond!

Are you not excited concerning what God will do with you? With Alex Smith? With our Youth? Pray, "LORD make Calvary the place parents and youth desire to go to grow in their faith on the Northside of Sioux City! LORD make this the best place to go, provide all the leaders necessary for your Word to go out! In Jesus name. AMEN

In Christ,

Pastor James Travis



The Calvary Call

President Steve Turner (Iowa District West's President)

Dear Friends in Christ,

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, selfcontrol; against such things there is no law. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-25 ESV).

For several months, I have focused my articles on the fruits of the Spirit. The last fruit is self-control. There almost seems to be a contradiction here. How can self-control be a fruit of the Spirit? The word "self" would indicate that the control comes from us and not from God.

The Greek word the Apostle Paul uses in Galatians 5:25 is "ἐγκράτεια." It means "to have power over something." We often think of self-control in terms of willpower; the ability to manage one's impulses, emotions, and behaviors. We like to think we have the ability to control our own actions, emotions, or urges in order to pursue long-term goals. Willpower involves resisting short-term temptations and making choices that are the best for us. The problem is when we find ourselves failing, lack of willpower can indeed lead to feelings of guilt. When we set goals or have intentions but struggle to follow through due to a lack of discipline or self-control, it can result in disappointment and selfblame. Guilt often arises from the perception that we've failed ourselves or others. We deceive ourselves when we believe we have power over sin.

The life of a Christian is lived out in a power struggle between sin and virtue. This ongoing battle between good and evil is lived out over and over in the pages of Holy Scripture. St. Paul gives us an intense but clear picture of this battle in the book of Romans 7. I would ask you to pause reading this article and read Romans 7:6-25.

As Paul clearly demonstrates, self-control is not about willing ourselves to be good. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing (Romans 7:19 ESV). It's about recog-

nizing our total dependence on Christ. Self-control is a Christian virtue that begins and ends with Christ. The very desire to do good begins with the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. We are motivated to do good; that is, to be virtuous, not by the guilt over our sin, but by the power of God's grace. In his struggle to be good, St. Paul reaches this conclusion, Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin (Romans 7:24-25 ESV).

Self-control is clearly not about "willing" ourselves to be obedient or living in the guilt over our sin. Instead, it's a fruit of the Spirit. True self-control relies on Jesus to fight against the three-fold enemy: the devil, the world, and our sinful flesh. As Christians, we rely on God's grace to develop self-control.

This is done through prayer, repentance, confession, and absolution. By joining with other Christians in worship, through our family and private devotions, the Holy Spirit causes us to grow in self-control and honor God in our lives. In his Small Catechism, Martin Luther emphasizes self-control as part of faithful living, recognizing that it's not our effort, but rather God's work within us that enables true self-control. It is a fruit of the Spirit and I remind you again, Against this there is no law!

Always in Grace,

President Steve Turner

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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 10 am 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.

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Worship Assistants for May 2024

Elders

Sun., May 5, 8:00 am: Dave Clausen; 10:30 am: Joe Osterholt
 Sun., May 12, 8:00 am; Denny Barto; 10:30 am: Brian Hickman
 Sun., May 19, 8:00 am; Brad Cale; 10:30 am: Dave Powell
 Sun., May 26, 8:00 am: Jim Torgerson; 10:30 am: Jim Williams
 Wed., May: Volunteers

Chancel Guild

Sun., May 5: Julie Barto, Sandy Ohl
 Wed., May 8: Penny Hofer-Miller, Vicky Boddy
 Sun., May 19: Teri Mevius, Tammy Rawson
 Wed., May 22: Terri Guy, Jennifer Burnette



Ascension Worship: We will observe Jesus Ascension and Mothers Day, May 12 & 15. Ascension Day teaches us what happens after this life. If there were no Ascension there would be no eternal life.

Summer Worship will begin on June 2 at 9:00 am and continue through the summer. We will return to 2 services on September 8 at 8:00 am & 10:30 am.

Trustee's Corner

A couple of areas need to be cleaned—Associate Pastor's office. Cry Room-wash windows, dust shelving and sanitize toys.

The cabinet for the Friendship Room should be here soon.

Thanks to everyone for contributing time and money to improve our church. God Bless.

Thank You

Mary Lou Broderson would like to thank everyone for the flowers, prayers and gifts she received. God Bless everyone for their thoughtfulness.

Membership Class

Do you want to learn more about the Lutheran Church— Missouri Synod? Do you want to become a member of Calvary Lutheran Church? Do you want to refresh your Confirmation lessons from long ago? Classes are Thursday at 7:00 pm. Each class is about 1 hour long and meets for 10 sessions. If interested please contact Pastor Travis at 712-202-8516 or the church office at 712-239-1575.





SR Youth Gathering at Camp Okoboji

Mark your calendars for October 5-6 with the option of arriving Friday night, October 4.

This year's gathering will be different – different month, different location, different schedule, and different cost, but the **same GREAT QUALITY event.**

Theme: One in Christ – Galatians 3:28 “There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.”

Keynote Speaker – Pastor Paul Dare, Immanuel Lutheran, Spirit Lake

It's a challenging world for Christian youth. These days, up is down and down is up. What is a youth to believe? Causing particular difficulty is a new vocabulary that has entered education and mainstream thinking. Words like victim, privilege, social justice, and many others are regularly used. What do these words mean? In addition, people seem to be divided into groups of "good" and "bad" based on gender, race, heritage, and even physical health. What is a Christian youth to think about this? This year's youth gathering, "One in Christ," will examine the origin and goals of this new morality and division from a biblical standpoint and grow into the truth of how God has made us one through His Creation and gracious work of redemption in Christ Jesus.



Activities - Kayaking, Gaga Ball, Archery, Interactive Games, Saturday evening devotions around a campfire, Service Projects, Sunday morning worship, and more!

Cost: \$85 - October 5-6 - includes one night lodging, 3 meals, and all programming and activities
 \$115 - October 4-6 - includes two nights' lodging, 4 meals, and all programming and activities.

Lutherans for Life

“The Ascension assures us that Jesus has finished His work of salvation and now rules ALL things in this world for the good of His Kingdom and His Church: that is, you and me! What is Christ’s goal that the song highlights? Jesus wants His Body, us, to be with Him where He is in paradise, in heaven.” *Rev. Darren Green, St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls, Minnesota – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

Altar Flowers

Commemorate a special occasion or remember a loved one by providing altar flowers for the worship services through November of 2024, during December we decorate with Poinsettias. Sign your name to the poster in the Friendship Room or call the church office at 712-239-1575 for 2024 and we will order a bouquet from Bittersweet Florals Flower Shop for a cost of \$63.50. Thank you for adding to our services with flowers.

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Finance Secretary's Report

<i>Income Received for March, 2024</i>	\$52,396.39
Envelopes.....	\$33,629.00
Plate.....	439.75
Special Service Donations.....	11,603.00
Checking Account Interest.....	9.97
YTD Envelope & Plate Total:.....	\$45,681.72
Designated Funds	
Adult Education.....	0.00
Birthday Scholarship.....	0.00
Building Fund.....	50.00
Church Renovation Fund.....	830.00
Donut Stop (Donuts).....	7.00
Flowers (Lillies).....	240.00
Parish Hall Use.....	24.00
Pastor's Special Account.....	200.00
Outreach.....	4,259.92
Thrivent.....	222.00
Free Will Offering.....	651.75
WNAC Pizza/Projects.....	0.00
Youth Activities.....	200.00
Subtotal Designated Funds	6,717.67
Total Monthly Contributions	\$52,396.39
Deposits:	
Week 1.....	\$6,496.14
Week 2.....	4,667.75
Week 3.....	16,031.00
Week 4.....	11,275.78
Week 5.....	13,693.75
Thrivent Choice.....	220.00
Checking Interest.....	9.97
Total	52,396.39
2024 Year-to-Date Total:	\$52,396.39

Treasurer's Statement of Income & Expense

<i>March 2024</i>	
Checking Account Balance, 3/01/24	\$228,876.24
Plus Income	\$52,386.42
Less Expense	(25,585.23)
Plus Interest	9.97
Plus transf. from LCEF	0.00
	<u>\$28,811.16</u>
Checking Account Balance	\$257,687.40
LCEF Steward Account Balance 3/01/24	\$10,246.86
Plus Transfers In	0.00
Less Transfers Out	0.00
Plus Interest	5.07
	<u>\$10,251.93</u>
LCEF Steward Account Balance 3/31/24	\$10,251.93
Dedicated Funds	
Social Ministries	\$1,520.00
Building Fund	7,417.37
Designated Memorials	5,242.82
Undesignated Memorials	1,010.00
Dedicated Accounts	36,148.61
Outside Purposes	376.00
National Youth Gathering	0.00
World Missions	0.00
Capital Improvement	0.00
Total All Obligated Funds	\$ 51,715.61
Un-obligated Funds	<u>216,223.72</u>
Total Checking & Savings Funds	\$ 267,939.33

Grief Share

The summer session for GriefShare will begin Tuesday morning, May 21 and run through August 20, 10:30 - Noon. The evening group sessions will take place from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. beginning Thursday evenings, May 23 and run through Thursday, August 22. All are welcome. Bring a friend. Participant exercise books are at no cost (\$20) to you. To register please go to calvaryleeds.com. Turn your mourning into joy. Call 712-389-5226 for additional information. Continued blessings from the Lord to you and your family.

Beginning Monday, May 6 at 10:30 am and continuing the first Monday of each month there will be a GriefShare Reunion Coffee/Conversation in the Parish hall.



Our Church Family

Transferred to the Church Triumphant

Marcia Cain-3/29/50-11/28/2021
Jackie Osterholt-6/20/70-3/3/24
Mary Ann Burg-4/22/31-3/9/24
Kent Kilstrom-8/19/53-3/14/24
Clint Utech-10/27/27-3/18/24



Baptized

Rodney Weitzel-3/23/24

Affirmed Faith

Justin Kaiser-4/24/24
Conner Mann-4/24/24

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Brent Bennett, Shannon Deppe, Michael Wojcik
4/30/24

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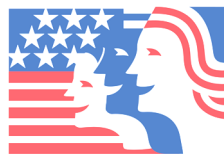
Sara Ferris, Brock Ferris 4/30/24

Our Members in the Military

Please pray for these members:

- Trisha Hansen Goethring
- Taylor Jones
- Riley McFarland
- Cole Barbee
- Timothy Mingo, Jr.
- Colbie Larson
- Collen Larson

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



Calvary Members at Home

Northern Hills:

Sue L (Member of Trinity Hinton)
Marjorie Doran

Westwood:

Jan P (A Calvary Guest)

Pioneer Village:

Bonnie O
Nancy H

Storm Lake:

Roger & Judy R

Whispering Creek:

Bel A

Valley Lake, Valley, NE:

Eva K

Acura Health:

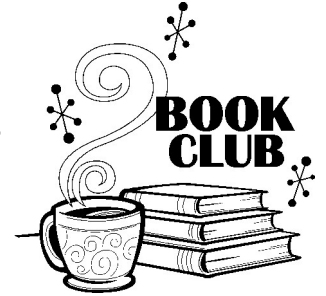
Barbara K

At Home:

Sue W

Book Club

Book Club will meet May 9th at 11:30am at Minerva's to discuss this months selection, *Heaven & Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride.



In 1972, when workers in Pottstown, Pennsylvania, were digging the foundations for a new development, the last thing they expected to find was a skeleton at the bottom of a well. Who the skeleton was and how it got there were two of the long-held secrets kept by the residents of Chicken Hill, the dilapidated neighborhood where immigrant Jews and African Americans lived side by side and shared ambitions and sorrows. Chicken Hill was where Moshe and Chona Ludlow lived when Moshe integrated his theater and where Chona ran the Heaven & Earth Grocery Store. When the state came looking for a deaf boy to institutionalize him, it was Chona and Nate Timblin, the Black janitor at Moshe's theater and the unofficial leader of the Black community on Chicken Hill, who worked together to keep the boy safe.

As these characters' stories overlap and deepen, it becomes clear how much the people who live on the margins of white, Christian America struggle and what they must do to survive. When the truth is finally revealed about what happened on Chicken Hill and the part the town's white establishment played in it, McBride shows us that even in dark times, it is love and community—heaven and earth—that sustain us. as *Deacon King Kong* and as inventive as *The Good Lord Bird*.

Mary Lou B

Maryrose M

Bary B

Lois M

Bev W

Barb S

Joe B (Member of a sister church in NE)

Ellen K

Clair & Linda T



May 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 9:30 am- Lamplighters- Calvary 9:30 am- Pheasant Acres 5:00 pm Confir- mation Pictures 7:00 pm Wor- ship 8:00 pm Exami- nation for Con- firmands	2 10:00 am Bible Study 2:00 pm CLWL board a6:00 pm Stew- ardship	3 7:00 pm Gospel Mission	4
					Adult –Youth Overnight Servant Event at Okoboji	
5 8:00 am Worship w/HC & Confirma- tion 9:15 am-Sun School, Bible Class 10:30 am-Worship w/HC	6 Pastor Travis Family Day 10:30 am Grief- Share Reunion Coffee/ Conversation	7 7:00 pm Debo- rah Circle	8 10:30 am North- ern Hills 7:00 pm Wor- ship w/HC	9 10:00 am Bible Study 11:30 pm Book Club	10	11
	District Conference					
12 8:00 am-Worship 9:15 am-Sun School, Bible Class 10:30 am-Worship Mite Sunday Donut Stop Mother's Day	13 Pastor Travis Family Day	14 6:30 pm Out- reach 7:00 pm Trus- tees	15 3:00 pm Casa de Paz 7:00 pm Wor- ship	16 10:00 am Bible Study	17	18
					Pastor Vacation Pastor Vacation	
19 8:00 am Worship w/HC- Senior Recognition 9:15 am-Sun School, Bible Class 10:30 am-Worship w/HC Guest-Pastor Witte	20 Pastor Travis Family Day	21 10:30 am Grief- share 6:15 pm Wor- ship & Music 7:00 pm Ruth Circle 7:00 pm Elders	22 10:30 am North- ern Hills 7:00 pm Wor- ship w/HC	23 10:00 am Bible Study 6:30 pm Grief- share	24	25 8:30 am & 10:30 am-Mercy Meals at Faith
26 8:00 am-Worship 9:15 am-Sun School, Bible Class 10:30 am-Worship -Children Sing	27 Pastor Travis Family Day	28 10:30 am Grief- share 7:00 pm Church Council	29 7:00 pm Wor- ship	30 6:30 pm Grief- share	31	June 1 11:00 am –2:00 pm- Micah Travis Gradua- tion Party at Calvary
				Pastor Vacation Pastor Vacation		

Note: Worship switches to 9 AM on Sundays during June, July, & August!

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

Youth Connect at Woodbury County Fair

The Youth Connect will again be doing the food stand at the Woodbury county fair. We will be serving on Thursday August 1st. The money we make will be used to help with transportation to the national youth gathering next summer.

The food stand is in need of some repairs and cleaning. There will be 2 workdays if anyone is interested in serving in that way. Tuesday May 14th 8am and Saturday May 18th at 8am.

Go to <https://engage.youth.gov/> for more information.



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On March 16, Rachel Krause and Erin Mackenzie shared how the Lord Jesus is working through them to share the Gospel in Germany and Latin America. Such wonderful stories of people whose lives have been changed by hearing the Good News about Jesus! Visitors from Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota, Illinois, Missouri, and Wisconsin came to rejoice with us at Mission Central, and we pray that our Lord will continue to bless and keep Rachel and Erin always.



It was a day filled with excitement, joy, and strong wind as we welcomed the folks from Lake City, Iowa on April 2. They were so interested to see all the facilities at Mission Central. Quite a few of these folks had never been here before, and they were shocked at what they saw! What a blessing it was to give them a tour that they will always remember.



It was a pure joy to welcome our special guests from St. John Lutheran Church in Yankton, South Dakota on Saturday, April 6. It was a real treat to have Pastor Jacob Bobby join us. His brother, Sam, is serving as a theological educator at the Luther Academy in Riga, Latvia. We had an opportunity to give the group an update on Sam's important work there. It was a wonderful day to celebrate together!



On Tuesday, April 9, we welcomed a HUGE busload of ladies (and gentlemen!) from the famous Norfolk, Nebraska Zone LWML. They came from Battle Creek, Tilden, Norfolk, Madison, and other areas, as well. Many of them had never been to Mission Central, and we gave them the grand tour! We also presented the exciting work that our Lord is doing through our missionary Rev. Shauen Trump and his family, who are serving in Kenya, East Africa. It was truly a day we will never forget!



**MISSION CENTRAL EVENTS
PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

Rev. Chris Tiews and Family

Leipzig, Germany

Saturday, May 4, 2024

1 PM



SPECIAL ASCENSION SERVICE

AT MISSION CENTRAL ON MAY 9, 2024

MEAL AT 5 PM – WORSHIP AT 6:30 PM

Rev. Chris Tiews will share the exciting work that our Lord is doing in the mission fields of Germany.



Rev. Kip and Ivy Hoech

Asia

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

1 PM

Rev. Adam Lehman and Family

Puerto Rico

Saturday, June 1, 2024

1:30 PM

