

Connect at Calvary January 2020



Sunset at Virginia Beach

“The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters. The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.” (Psalm 29:3-4; a hymn of praise)

Here we are, watching the waves of a new year lapping towards us and saying our goodbyes to the sunset of a year that has barely receded into the past. What memories from the past year bring you thanksgiving? What are the joys that you look forward to in the coming year?

As the sounds of the waves of the past crash onto the shore of today, God’s voice is powerful and thunders above it all. Did you hear the voice of God in your yesterdays? Do you hear the voice of God in your today?

Let us pray. Living God, help us to listen for your voice as you move over the waters of our daily lives. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen



Weekend Worship Services

January 4/5, 11/12, 18/19, 25/26

Saturday 5:30 pm Sunday 8:15 and 10:15

Wednesday Meals January 8/15/22/29

Wednesday Meal served from 4:45 – 6:15 pm

Education Classes

3 year olds – 5th Grade - Session 1 - 5:00 pm - Session 2 - 5:45 pm

6th Grade Pre-Confirmation – 5:15 – 6:00 pm

7th & 8th Grade Confirmation – 6:30 – 8:15 pm

High School Youth – 7:15 – 8:30 pm

Wednesday Worship - 6:30 pm

Sunday, January 5

9:20 am Ladies Chorus Rehearsal

11:20 am Living Prayer Rehearsal

Monday, January 6

10:00 am Women's Bible Study

5:30 pm Wednesday Band Rehearsal

7:00 pm Hand Chime Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, January 7

5:15 pm Kindred Spirit Rehearsal

6:00 pm Men's Chorus Rehearsal

Wednesday, January 8

9:30 am Phoebe Circle

Thursday, January 9

7:00 am Men's Breakfast

9:00 am Quilters

Saturday, January 11

6:30 pm Congregational Potluck

Sunday, January 12

9:20 am Ladies Chorus Rehearsal

11:20 am Living Prayer Rehearsal

Monday, January 13

10:00 am Women's Bible Study

5:30 pm Wednesday Band Rehearsal

7:00 pm Hand Chime Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, January 14

11:00 am Praying in Color Group

5:15 pm Kindred Spirit Rehearsal

6:00 pm Men's Chorus Rehearsal

Wednesday, January 15

9:30 am Naomi Circle

Thursday, January 16

9:00 am Quilters

Friday, January 17

5:45 pm Care Center Meal

Sunday, January 19th

9:20 am Ladies Chorus Rehearsal

11:20 am Living Prayer Rehearsal

Monday, January 20

10:00 am Women's Bible Study

5:30 pm Wednesday Band Rehearsal

7:00 pm Hand Chime Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, January 21

5:15 pm Kindred Spirit Rehearsal

6:00 pm Men's Chorus Rehearsal

Thursday, January 23

9:00 am Quilters

Sunday, January 26

9:20 am Ladies Chorus Rehearsal

11:20 am Living Prayer Rehearsal

2:00 pm Valentine Card Making Party

Monday, January 27

10:00 am Women's Bible Study

5:30 pm Wednesday Band Rehearsal

7:00 pm Hand Chime Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, January 28

5:15 pm Kindred Spirit Rehearsal

6:00 pm Men's Chorus Rehearsal

Thursday, January 30

9:00 am Quilters



Linda Atene, Carolie Zacher, Hazel Mueller, Charlene Buescher, Mark Schuh, Thomas Abell, Orland Paulsen, Charlotte Rowland, Leona Aaker, Bill Groethe, Mary Repp, Lori Mehlberg, Nick Arneson, Kristi Cihak, Mark Rossignol, Karen

Paulsen, Kevin Steever, Tim Olson, Michael P. Wheeler of Laurel, Montana, Robert Schlenker, Arlene Schmagel, Liz Hamburg, Kenny Post, Fay Swenson, Suzanne Swenson, Jim Burke, Chip Elverud, Diane Forsyth, Sandra Kurry, Clarisse Brookens, Tom, Jeanie Montgomery, Aliyah Fauth-Gunhammer, Jan Fraser, Lyla Johnson, Eunice Hanson, Richard Person, Tait Hope, Bill Gust, Mother of Laurel French, Jon Dahlke, Virginia Martin, Betty Trankle, Nadine Long, Vernon Kahre, Susan Piebenga, Bob Sandmeyer, Megan Hyke, All Military, First Responders & their families



Bluegrass Worship Service

Saturday, January 4

Music starts at 5:25

Our next Bluegrass Worship Service will be Saturday, January 4th, at 5:30 pm.



THANK YOU... Because of the generosity of so many of you, 58 students of Kyle Head Start received warm coats, hats, mittens, scarves and a book. Special thanks go to the High School Youth for donating the books for the children. The Head Start program is so very grateful for your kindness. Thank you for your continued support of this project.

The Calvary In Action Committee



COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES... 5th Graders will be assembling and mailing care packages to our Calvary college students and military members. If you have a child attending college or in the military, please leave their name and full mailing address with Lee Ann in the church office. The deadline is January 12, 2020 and care packages will be mailed the end of January. For more details, contact Pre-5th Grade Coordinator Sonia Sykora at 342-9043.

INTERFAITH DAY AT THE STATE CAPITOL...

Honoring our commitment to ecumenical and inter-religious outreach, we would be grateful if you would join us for the Third Annual Interfaith Day at the State Capitol on **Thursday, January 16, 2020**. On this peaceful day, we will come

together with our neighbors of all faiths and religious backgrounds across this great state. The day will start at 9 am with morning coffee at Lutheran Memorial Church (320 E Prospect Ave. Pierre, SD 57501). Morning Prayer in the Rotunda to follow at 10:30 am. A light lunch will be provided at Lutheran Memorial. To help us plan for the day, please RSVP at interfaithdaysd.eventbrite.com. We look forward to seeing you in January!

MIDDLE SCHOOL FUNDRAISER... 2020

Black Hills Coupon Books for sale in the Narthex. Each coupon book costs \$20.00. Make checks payable to Calvary Lutheran.

Proceeds go towards Calvary Middle School

Kenosha Servant Journey 2020 summer trip.





JANUARY MILESTONES...Calvary's Milestone Ministry is a way of helping families pass on the Christian faith. It is a way to celebrate events in our everyday lives that shape our identity and give us a sense of belonging to the family of Jesus Christ. We

will focus on three age groups:

1st Grade: January 8th...Favors for Neighbors: The focus of this Milestone will be to love God and one another.

4th Grade: January 22rd...Passing on the Faith: The focus is the importance of sharing our faith with those we love. Please call Kellie Meissner, Family Ministries Coordinator at 430-9684 for more information or with any questions.

WINTER BLUES GETAWAY FEBRUARY 18-20, 2020

The long winter needs an interruption. Join Lutheran Outdoors for that interruption on a three-day Event in the Twin Cities. Highlighted by a matinee performance of Momma Mia on Wednesday at the Chanhassen Dinner Theatre. On Wednesday evening we will attend an amazing performance of An American in Paris at the Ames Center in Burnsville. We will enjoy a tour of Luther Seminary in St. Paul, see the flowers and animals at the Como Zoo and Conservatory, and make a MUST VISIT to the Mall of America and/or IKEA! Three fun, busy, and exciting days in the middle of a cold February. Contact Erica (erica@losd.org) or Paul (paul@losd.org) in the LO Office.



MAKING FUNERAL PLANS WITH OSHIEM FUNERAL HOME/PASTOR DAVID - JANUARY 12TH, 9:15 - 10:00 AM, DAKOTA ROOM.

Most of us are not prepared to plan and carry out a funeral ceremony for ourselves or someone we love. Join Osheim Funeral Home and Pastor David as they discuss what decisions can be made now. This information will provide insights necessary to help you and your family create a meaningful funeral experience. For a handout count, please sign up at the Ministry Center. Call Kellie Meissner with more information at 430-9684.



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY... Our new Bible study will be "Better" by Jen Wilkin. This is a 10 week study of the book of Hebrews and will begin on Monday, January 6th 10:00 am. This study will explore how God "provided

something better for us" in the person of Jesus Christ. All are welcome, please join us. Sign up at the Information Desk or online.



VALENTINE CARD MAKING PARTY

Join us on Sunday, January 26th, from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm as we get together to hand make Valentine cards to keep for yourself or send to a Calvary member who would love to get a Valentine made from you. Supplies will be provided, just bring yourself, friends and your family. All ages welcome! Questions! Call Kellie at 430-9684.

WOYATAN RETREAT CENTER... Construction of the new Woyatan Retreat Center has seen some real progress this fall thanks to the nice weather and a lot of help from our great volunteers. Since September 2018 we have logged more than 2500 volunteer hours, mostly from members of ELCA churches in our Bear Butte Conference, particularly Custer Lutheran Fellowship, South Canyon, Trinity and Calvary Lutheran Churches. We have made significant progress just in the last several weeks as the walls and attic were insulated by project leader Larry Peterson and a group of some of our most regular volunteers -- Chuck Hazlett & Craig Black from Custer; Tom Berg, Kurt Anderson, and Jim Bishop from South Canyon; and Jim Schuh from Trinity. And by mid-December both floors were sheet rocked, taped and textured. We are also thrilled to finally have HEAT in the building. In January we will be looking for volunteers to prime and paint the walls, and also stain doors, windows and trim. If you would like to get involved with this great project and are not currently on our volunteer list, please e-mail me at jeffreyrohr@gmail.com or give me a call at 605-787-3255. Have a Blessed Christmas and we hope to see you at Woyatan in the New Year!

Jeff Rohr, Volunteer Coordinator
Larry Peterson, Project Leader





THANK YOU, to all, for your continued support for all the ministries at Calvary. Your time, talent and treasure are appreciated. The numbers below show our cash flow for the eleven months, ending November 30, 2019.

11/30/2019

Donations	\$777,407
Disbursements	<u>848,618</u>
Donations – Disbursements	<u>\$ (71,211)</u>

While the continued negative number (more spending than donations received) is concerning; historically we receive almost 20 percent of our offerings in December. Offerings so far in December are encouraging. If your generosity follows historical patterns, we can eliminate our deficit this year. With your help we can continue to fund our ministries here at Calvary. If you have any questions on these numbers, please contact Kathy Miller at the church office.



CALVARY'S ANNUAL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH AT 10:30 AM. Mark your calendar and plan to attend Calvary's Annual Meeting.



FOR MOTHERS & SONS... We are excited to announce our first mother/son connection event of the year. Unlike our elegant annual Father-Daughter night, this evening is going to be a little more boy-friendly. Get ready for a Mother-Son Nerf

Night! Get your Nerf guns ready because on February 7, 2020 from 6-8pm, we are going to have a blast...literally! Our DJ will provide appropriate music! Registration starts now and ends on January 31, 2020. You can purchase tickets online at calvarapidcity.org, at the office or from a middle schooler. The cost is \$20 a couple and \$25 a family of 3 or more. We will provide darts, but we highly encourage you to bring your Nerf guns because we will not supply those. We would appreciate any dart donations. We will also provide pizza, drinks, and chips halfway through the evening. During halftime, we will have a special time for our mothers and sons, so invite other mothers and sons to join the fun and crazy evening. If a mother is unavailable to attend, please bring along a grandmother, aunt, or even an older sister. If you have any questions about this evening, please feel free to contact us at 605-342-9043.

Blessings,
Hannah Fleming



We are excited to announce our third annual parent and student event, a “Daddy-Daughter Dance.” It will be a special evening coming up on February 21, 2020 from 6-8pm at Calvary

Lutheran Church. We want to exemplify for girls how to expect dignity and kindness on an old-fashioned, get-dressed-up date. We believe they are worth it. The cost is \$20 per couple or \$25 per family if you have more than one daughter. Registration starts now and ends on February 14, 2020, so make sure to grab your spot! You can purchase tickets online at calvarapidcity.org, at the office, or from a middle schooler. The night will include a time of dancing (DJ available), delicious desserts, silent auction, photo booth, and other fun activities. The speaker is Dustin Calhoun, a humble child of God. We look forward to creating a beautiful evening for our fathers and daughters. If a father is unavailable to attend, please bring along a grandfather, uncle, or even an older brother. For additional information, contact us at 605-342-9043 or hannah@calvaryrapidcity.org

Blessings,
Hannah Fleming

COUNCIL MEMBERS - Tim Becker, Cheryl Chapman, Bill Eldridge, Jessica Gromer, Jon Johnson, Martin Kerkenbush, Nancy May, Jeff Schleusener, Doug Thrash

COUNCIL OFFICERS – Cheryl Chapman – President, Jeff Schleusener – Vice President, Jon Johnson – Secretary, Tim Becker - Treasurer

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Happy
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