CALVARY UPDATE

August 2023

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

PO Box 100 114 S Main St

UPCOMING EVENTS

after church





Church Services 11:00 AM



August Church Services

August 6th- Pr. Ruth August 13th- Joyce White August 20th- Jenny Lien August 27th- Pr. Ruth



FROM THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT

To members of Calvary Lutheran Church,

Thanks to Joyce White for inviting us to have church at the chapel on her farm on July 16th. It was a nice day except for a little rain shower. The sermon Joyce gave explaining all the symbols on the stained-glass windows was inspiring. The potluck dinner that followed was enjoyed by all who attended. Maybe she will invite us to do this again sometime in the future.

Thanks to Karl Donner for cleaning the bushes by the church. It looks a lot better now with all the weeds gone and the bushes trimmed.

Pastor Ruth Hetland will be here to give services on August 6th and 27th, Joyce White on August 13th and Jenny Lien on August 20th.

We have a good Pastor and Lay people coming to give services every Sunday. It would be nice to see some more of our church members attending services. If you cannot make it to church, please remember to send in your offerings.

Please keep our church members and local people that are having health problems in your prayers.

God's Blessings to all.

Elmyrna Kaupang, Calvary Church President

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The Calvary Council met on July 9th after church. Members present include Joyce, Marissa, LaVonne, Byron, Elmyrna, Bob, Steve, and Dave.

The meeting was called to order by Elmyrna. The Secretary and Treasurer reports were both read and approved.

For Old Business, the landscaping around the church was discussed. There was talk of either clearing out all the bushes or having someone work on trimming and cleaning them up. LaVonne suggested having Karl look at them and see if he could do anything.

There was not much for New Business other than what Joyce and the Ladies' Aid were doing for the potluck that was planned for after the service at her farm.

The meeting was adjourned, and we closed with the Lord's Prayer. The next meeting will be August 13th.

Marissa McWilliam-Donner, Secretary

"You have great faith. Let your desire be granted."
-Matthew 15: 28

Thank you, Joyce, for having us at your farm for a great service in the chapel and potluck fellowship!

Just a reminder that offerings can be sent to LaVonne McWilliam at 23684 410th St SE Winger MN 56592, the church at PO Box 100, or you can set up a direct deposit from your bank using ACH or Bill Pay.

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A NOTE FROM PASTOR RUTH HETLAND

I am so glad to be able to spend some time with your congregation! I have been interim pastor at First in Mahnomen for the last 10 months and will be with them until they find their next called pastor. As we explore ways that First and Calvary might partner in these changing times, it's fun to be able to spend Sunday mornings with you a couple times a month. Thank you for warmly welcoming me into your midst!

I live in Detroit Lakes and have been a pastor for 23 years. I served full-time calls in Akron, NY; Colorado Springs, CO; Clifton, TX; and Audubon, MN before starting interim ministry in 2021. Mahnomen is my second interim after doing a year-long interim at Trinity in DL.

In addition to working as an interim pastor, I own my own business called ConseCrate Subscription Box, LLC – I send out subscription and gift boxes to ministers around the world! I source items for the boxes from creative ministers and other small businesses. I also enjoy writing and reading and doing yoga. I am currently in the process of getting my 200 hour yoga teacher training certificate.

Speaking of reading, I invite you to come to our book group in Mahnomen! We meet once a month and read a variety of books. It's a small group of 4-5 people right now so there is plenty of space for newcomers. Our next books is "The Dressmakers of Auschwitz" by Lucy Adlington. Our next meeting is on August 30th at 4:30 pm at First Lutheran in Mahnomen. Let me know if you have any questions.

If you need to reach me for any reason, don't hesitate to call me at 254-265-5349 or email at ruthehetland@gmail.com.

Pastor Ruth



LECTIONARY READINGS FOR AUGUST

August 6 (Lec 18, Pent 10)

1st: Isa 55: 1-5

Psalm: Ps 145: 8-9, 14-21

2nd: Rom 9: 1-5

Gospel: Matt 14: 13-21

August 13 (Lec 19, Pent 11)

1st: 1 Kings 19: 9-18

Psalm: Ps 85: 8-13

2nd: Rom 10: 5-15

Gospel: Matt 14: 22-33

August 20 (Lec 20, Pent 12)

1st: Isa 56: 1, 6-8

Psalm: Ps 67

2nd: Rom 11: 1-2a, 29-32

Gospel: Matt 15: [10-20]

21-28

August 27 (Lec 21, Pent 13)

1st: Isa 51: 1-6

Psalm: Ps 138

2nd. Rom 12: 1-8

Gospel: Matt 16: 13-20

