

CALVARY UPDATE

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Council Meeting November 12th after church
- Sunday School Trunk-or-Treat 4-6PM October 31st
- November 11th Sunday School Water Park Day
- November 19th Sunday School Thanksgiving meal

Find us on 

Church Services 11:00 AM
Sunday School 11:00 AM



November Church Services

November 5th- Joyce White
November 12th- Joyce White
November 19th- Pr. Ruth
November 26th- Pr. Ruth



FROM THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT

To members of Calvary Lutheran Church,

In my last few letters, I have started out by talking about the weather and farmers, so why should I make a change now? As I write this letter, they are talking about snow this week, but I hope not too much, as some of the farmers still have a lot of corn to harvest.

Joyce White mentioned, in our last council meeting, about an online class on the Faith+Lead site called School for Lay Ministry Learning Community that Jenny Lien may be interested in taking. The fee for the class is \$600.00 and may take up to a year to complete. Once the class is completed, the person can speak to the Bishop about becoming a Synod Authorized Ministry "SAM". The council voted to pay for the class, she accepted the offer, and started taking the class here in October. We always enjoy hearing her sermons and playing the organ or the piano. A very gifted young lady.

We will have Joyce White on November 5th and the 12th along with Pastor Ruth being here on November 19th and the 26th.

Pastor Ruth has requested to only come once a month during the winter months from December through March, weather permitting, which will allow for communion to be given. We will have lay people here for the other Sundays.

It was good to see Dave and Marilyn Natwick back in church on Sunday, October 22nd. Please keep praying for Marilyn as she is recovering and trying to get stronger. Also, pray for Dave, who is her caretaker. If you have any suggestions or comments, please call me at 218.435.1001 or 218.779.7007.

Hope you have a nice Thanksgiving! God's Blessings to all.

Elmyrna Kaupang, Calvary Church President

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The Calvary Council met on October 8th after church. Members present included Elmyrna, LaVonne, Marissa, Joyce, Byron, Bob and Steve. The meeting was called to order by President Elmyrna. The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were both read and approved.

There was no Old Business, however, there was a lot of items to be discussed for New Business.

The first item of discussion was setting a rental fee for the use of the church by non-members. (ie. Funerals, weddings, etc.) The church has been used recently for funerals for non-church members which makes for extra work for Gerri, and the Ladies Aid, if they are needed for serving the meal. Joyce made a motion for setting a \$200 rental fee and Elmyrna will talk to the Ladies Aid for a separate fee for them, if they are needed to serve a meal. The motion was seconded by Steve.

LaVonne went over the Garden Valley Capital Credit buyout program. Steve made a motion that we will not take the buyout at this time. It was seconded by Joyce.

LaVonne discussed the premium increase for the church's insurance and did we want to stick with Church Mutual or check around for a new company. Bob said he felt they have been pretty good to us and that we should stick with them, and we all agreed.

The final item LaVonne brought up was that she had visited with Buehler Law Office, and they finally have the Calvary Cemetery Association completed. We have a new EIN for the Cemetery, and she will have the information changed at the bank.

Joyce brought up wanting to potentially go back to having group Communion, however, because we have a lot of the kits already and COVID still going around, it was decided that we will continue to do it this way for now.

Lastly, Joyce brought up an online course that is being offered for Lay people that could potentially become SAMs. We thought this would be a great opportunity for Jenny Lien to go through if she was interested so she could have the certification to give Communion and continue to give her wonderful services for us. The fee is \$600. Steve motioned for the church to pay for the course, it was seconded by Bob.

The meeting was adjourned, and we closed with the Lord's Prayer. The next meeting is November 12th after church.

Marissa McWilliam-Donner, Secretary

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"Give thanks to the Lord! Make his doings known among the peoples."

-Psalm 105:1

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS



Oct 31st
4-6PM
Church Parking Lot



Nov 11th 10AM
Meet at the Church
Pizza Ranch 3PM



Nov 19th
Thanksgiving Meal
after church services



LECTIONARY READINGS FOR NOVEMBER

November 5th (All Saints Sunday)

1st: Rev 7: 9-17

Psalm: Ps 34: 1-10, 22

2nd: 1 John 3: 1-3

Gospel: Matt 5: 1-12

or (Lec 31, Pent 23)

1st: Micah 3: 5-12

Psalm: Ps 43

2nd: 1 Thess 2: 9-13

Gospel: Matt 23: 1-12

November 12th (Lec 32, Pent 24)

1st: Amos 5: 18-24

Psalm: Ps 70

2nd: 1 Thess 4: 13-18

Gospel: Matt 25: 1-13

November 19th (Lec 33, Pent 25)

1st: Zeph 1: 7, 12-18

Psalm: Ps 90: 1-12

2nd: 1 Thess 5: 1-11

Gospel: Matt 25: 14-30

November 23rd (Thanksgiving)

1st: Deut 8: 7-18

Psalm: Ps 65

2nd: 2 Cor 9: 6-15

Gospel: Luke 17: 11-19

November 26th (Christ the King)

1st: Ezek 34: 11-16, 20-24

Psalm: Ps 95: 1-7a

2nd: Eph 1: 15-23

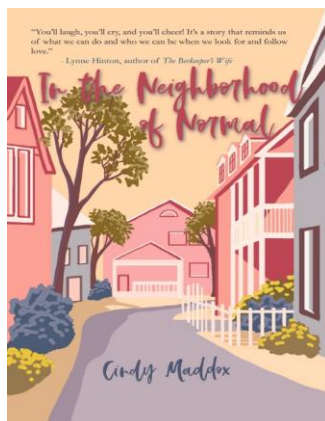
Gospel: Matt 25: 31-46



Your Invited to join First Lutheran Church Book Club in Mahanomen.

Each month a new book is decided upon and generally, the last Wednesday of each month, we meet at 4:30 PM to discuss the book.

The book for the November 29th book club meeting is:
In the Neighborhood of Normal by Cindy Maddox



Eighty-two-year-old Mish Atkinson from Fair Valley, West Virginia, is determined she's going to make something of the time she has left on this earth. When a text message on her new smart phone leads to an encounter with a woman she believes is Jesus, Mish is eager to obey the woman's instructions to follow the love. She knows that Jeff, the gay pastor at her church, think she's lost her marbles, but now that her husband is gone, she's not going to let anyone put a damper on her sunshine. And when a pregnant teen needs her help, it doesn't matter that she doesn't know the difference between STDs and DVDs, she follows the love—in for a penny, in for a dollar, as she always says. Following the love is exciting and meaningful... until it costs much more than dollars and cents.

If you have any questions, please give me a call, La Vonne 218-280-3136. We could carpool too if that works out.



Prayer List:

**Marilyn Natwick
Leroy Johnson
Jesse Hickman,
Carr Smeby,
Homebound, nursing
home & assisted living
members**

