

CALVARY UPDATE

October 2024

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UPCOMING EVENTS

-Council Meeting October
13th

Find us on 

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



October Church Services

October 6th-

October 13th- Jenny Lien (Communion)

October 20th- Jenny Lien

October 27th-



SERVICE UPDATES

Greetings,

I want to inform you even though Pastor Ruth is no longer with us, we will have communion every month. I visited with Bishop Bill Tesh, of the NW Synod, on Wednesday, September 11, 2024. Explaining to him, Pastor Ruth's inability to do Sunday services for us and the need for communion. He has authorized Jenny Lien to administer communion. This means we will not have a designated Sunday for communion. Jenny's schedule changes monthly, therefore, our communion Sunday will be a Sunday she can be with us. We will try to have it listed in the newsletter, but sometimes that information may not be available before it is printed. It will be noted in our weekly bulletins.

Jenny has been taking the Faith+Lead classes since last October. In our February newsletter, she explained what this entails. She stated that Faith+Lead is a lay school for ministry classes. It is an online platform that can be done whenever it works into her schedule and at her speed. Each month there is a different topic, 2-4 hours of video lectures, and a monthly Zoom class to participate in or watch the recording when it is convenient for her. Some of the coursework topics include the basics of sermon writing, how to understand the text, rural ministry trends, and how to preach at funerals. The Zoom meetings allow her to interact with classmates from similarly sized congregations throughout the United States.

We are very thankful for Jenny. Not only does she serve us as a layperson, but she also is the organist, and pianist and sings along with us.

I also want to thank the other laypeople who have been so willing to step up and conduct services for us. If we did not have these wonderful people, we would not be able to have church services. They are Joyce White, Nathan Johnson, and Jeanne Rains.

LaVonne McWilliam

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The Calvary Council met after church September 9th. The meeting was called to order by Vice President, Elmyrna. Members present included LaVonne, Marissa, Elmyrna, Bob and Dave.

The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were both read and approved.

For Old Business, LaVonne mentioned that we are still working on getting a quote from Lonny Gieseke on fixing the awning on the outside of the kitchen door.

Steve and Bob are working on options for fixing the cross in the front of the church, as it is a nice display.

LaVonne also discussed needing to have a meeting with Bishop Bill about him authorizing Jenny to give us Communion one Sunday a month which will coincide with the classes she is taking.

Under New Business, we talked about Gerri painting the garbage cans and giving her a donation as she did not want payment for her hard work.

Karl will be working on tearing out and replacing the bush next to the cement steps, and in the spring replace with something better, as the current one is growing a lot of weeds. The McWilliam-Donner family will donate that when the time comes.

The next meeting will be October 13th after church.

Bob made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dave. We closed with the Lord's prayer.

Marissa McWilliam-Donner, Secretary

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea.

-Psalm 46



Just a reminder that offerings can be sent to 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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**Jesse Hickman,
Carr Smeby,
Norman Versdahl,
Norman Hillstad,
Homebound,
nursing home &
assisted living
members**

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Sunday School will coincide with church services beginning at 11:00AM and end about 11:50AM. There will be two classes: one for kids 4-11 and one for kids 12 and older. There are multiple ideas for activities that are being planned throughout the year. Look forward to events and dates as they come up. Please fill out the registration and give back to Devra so she can keep in contact with parents for the updates!



LECTIONARY READINGS FOR OCTOBER

October 6th (Lect 27) (Pent 20)

1st: Gen 2: 18-24

Psalm: Ps 8

2nd: Heb 1: 1-4; 2: 5-12

Gospel: Mark 10: 2-16

October 13th (Lect 28) (Pent 21)

1st: Amos 5: 6-7, 10-15

Psalm: Ps 90: 12-17

2nd: Heb 4: 12-16

Gospel: Mark 10: 17-31

October 20th (Lect 29) (Pent 22)

1st: Isa 53: 4-12

Psalm: Ps 91: 9-16

2nd: Heb: 5: 1-10

Gospel: Mark 10: 35-45

October 27th (Reformation)

1st: Jer 31: 31-34

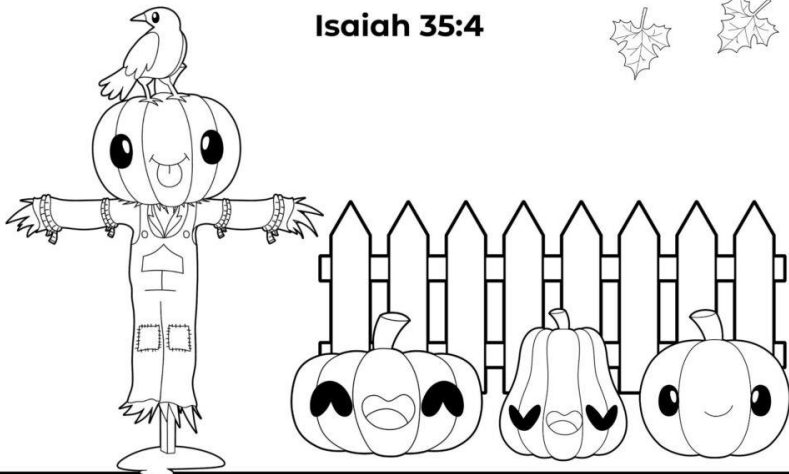
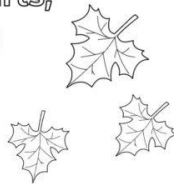
Psalm: Ps 46

2nd: Rom 3: 19-28

Gospel: John 8: 31-36

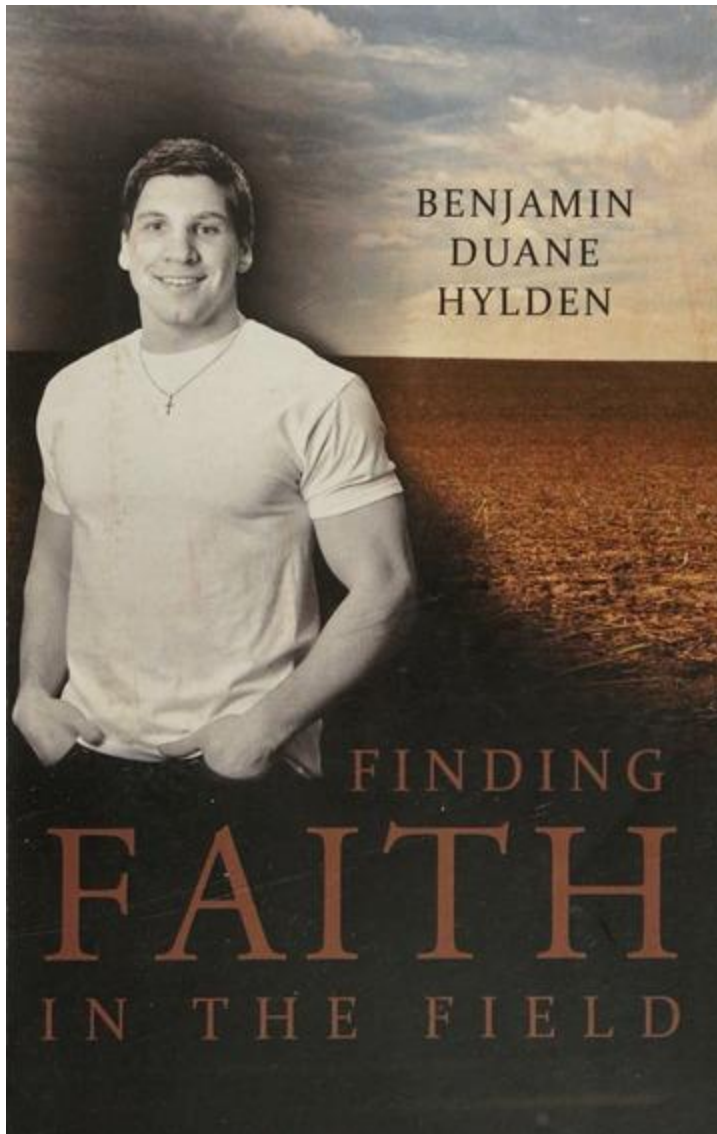
Say to those with fearful hearts,
"Be strong, do not fear;
your God will come,

Isaiah 35:4



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MILLET, AND SPELT; PUT THEM IN A SINGLE
CONTAINER AND MAKE THEM INTO BREAD
FOR YOURSELF. THIS IS WHAT YOU ARE TO
EAT DURING THE 390 DAYS YOU LIE ON
YOUR SIDE.

- EZEKIEL 4:9



You're invited!

**Join us on Wed. Oct 2nd at 7PM
First Lutheran Church
Mahnomen. Free for all!
Refreshments to follow!**

On a cold April day, sixteen-year old Ben Hylden tried on his suit coat for the upcoming school prom, then sped toward nearby Park River, ND for an appointment.

Running late and driving too fast, he lost control of his car on ice, flipped the car and was thrown out the passenger's door—plunging face first into an icy field. Hylden's face and body were crushed beyond recognition along with his dreams of being a basketball star.

After being found by his parents in the field just minutes later and rushed to the nearby hospital, he was only given a 5% chance to survive due to the severity of his

injuries.

However, as he dramatically surpassed the expectations of his doctors, he miraculously escaped his supposed death sentence and began a remarkable journey of faith where he was shown glimpses of life beyond this world and endured many life hardships which ultimately taught him what truly matters most in life.