

CALVARY UPDATE

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Council Meeting April 12th
after church
- Maundy Thursday service
April 2nd 6PM with Agape
Feast
- Easter service April 5th

Find us on 

Fellowship Hour 10:30 AM
Church Services 11:00 AM
Sunday School 11:00 AM



FROM THERESA'S DESK



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

April is a month of renewal — the earth awakens, flowers bloom, and we celebrate the greatest gift of all: the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. As we journey from the solemn reflection of Holy Week into the joy of Easter, may we be reminded that Christ's victory over sin and death is also our victory.

Let us live as Easter people — filled with hope, courage, and love — sharing the Good News with all we meet.

Office hours are Tuesdays 10am- 2pm (can be flexible.) I continue to encourage anyone to contact me about Baptism (all ages), First Communion, and Confirmation so we can get those scheduled. (We will accommodate the families as best we can to work with times and dates.) We encourage children and parents to come to regular service at 11am. All are welcome!! We continue working on getting the Ladies Aide back up and running, dates will be posted. Vacation Bible school is in the summer planning calendar. Any volunteers to assist please contact me. Please contact me or the office for anyone to be placed on our Prayer list and visitation roster as well.

Heavenly Father, we come before You with humble hearts, asking for Your Spirit to move powerfully in our church. Awaken our hearts to a deeper love for You and a hunger for Your Word. Purify us from complacency and hidden sin. Strengthen our leaders with wisdom and courage, and unite us in love and humility. May our church reflect Christ in character and compassion, drawing people into genuine discipleship. Let revival ignite in our congregation, and may Your kingdom expand through our ministry. Amen

In Christ's peace,

Theresa Sandness, SAM
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COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The Calvary Council met after church on March 15th. Members present were Steve, Elmyrna, Byron, Marissa, Dave, Bob, and LaVonne. Also present were Theresa and Devra Carlson.

Steve called the meeting to order. Theresa gave a devotional prayer. The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were both read and approved. LaVonne discussed that due to the cold winter we have had, we have used a high amount of fuel oil this year compared to the last two seasons.

Devra went over the list of activities the Sunday School would like to participate in, including bowling with pizza, serving rolls on Easter Sunday during fellowship, hosting a community movie at the Fosston Theatre, a teen movie night, and an Open House with brunch.

Under Old Business, LaVonne stated the treasurer's laptop has been uploaded with the new Quicken program, along with the transfer of programs from the old laptop to the new one by the Garden Valley IT department. She also brought up that the church printer is very old and may not be compatible with the new laptop. If this is the case, her home printer can be used in place of the old church printer she has been using.

LaVonne brought up the possibility of putting elbows on the gutter on the back awning that was installed over the kitchen door. Currently, moisture is dripping onto the handrail and the stairs, making for slippery conditions. Steve will check on it.

For New Business, Theresa mentioned she ordered a stand for the microphone to be used on the Communion table, as the headset is still not working. She also ordered children's Bibles, baptismal candles and towels, and welcome banners for outside. She is also going to repaint the cross and fix the church sign.

Discussed the schedule for Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, and Easter services.

As there was no other business to discuss, Dave made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Elmyrna. We closed with the Lord's prayer. The next meeting will be on April 12th, after church service.

Marissa McWilliam-Donner, Secretary

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"The angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said...' "

-Matthew 28: 5-6

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

The Family Bowling Day was a great success.

About 20 kids and parents enjoyed bowling and pizza at the Twin Valley Bowling Alley.

It is great to see parents and their kids having a good time together.

THANK YOU, PARENTS AND KIDS!

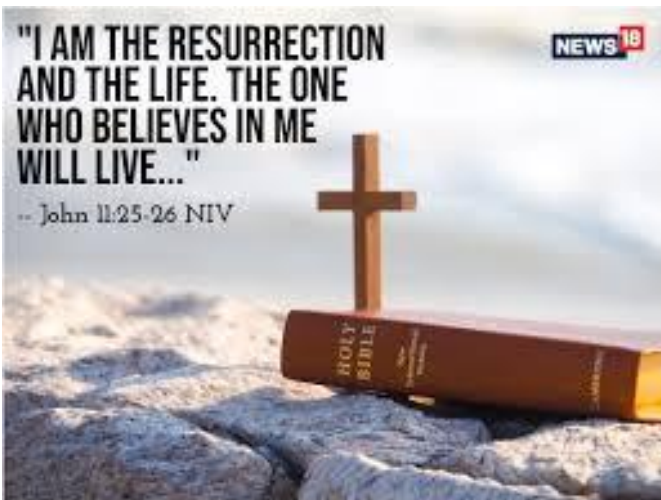
Some of the activities coming up are:

- Youth will serve rolls and coffee before church on Easter Sunday.
- April 18th -Teen movie night at Calvary
- On April 26th, our youth will serve brunch after church and invite the entire community to visit Calvary. The kids will provide a tour of the Sunday School rooms.
- Date to be determined- We will host a movie at the Fosston Theater and invite the community. For \$100, the theater will open and play a movie of our choice, and the entire community is invited to attend.

We are looking for dates to visit McIntosh Senior Living and team up with the Win-E-Mac youth group for a possible Lock-In at Calvary.

Thank you for supporting our youth.

Devra Carlson



Prayer List:

Pam Wang, Hazel Trostad, Corniel Espeseth, Donna Lucken, Homebound, nursing home & assisted living members

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR APRIL

April 2nd (Maundy Thursday)

1st: Exod 12: 1-14

Psalm: Ps 11:1-2, 12-19

2nd: 1 Cor 11: 23-26

Gospel: John 13: 1-17, 31b-35

April 3rd (Good Friday)

1st: Isa 52: 13-53: 12

Psalm: Ps 22

2nd: Heb 10: 16-25

Gospel: John 18: 1-19:42

April 5th (Easter Day)

1st: Acts 10: 34-43

Psalm: Ps 118: 1-2, 14-24

2nd: Col 3: 1-4

Gospel: Matt 28: 1-10

April 12th (Easter 2)

1st: Acts 2: 14a, 22-32

Psalm: Ps 16

2nd: 1 Peter 1: 3-9

Gospel: John 20: 19-31

April 19th (Easter 3)

1st: Acts 2: 14a, 36-41

Psalm: Ps 116: 1-4, 12-19

2nd: 1 Peter 1: 17-23

Gospel: Luke 24: 13-35

April 26th (Easter 4)

1st: Acts 2: 42-47

Psalm: Ps 23

2nd: 1 Peter 2: 19-25

Gospel: John 10: 1-10



