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Sunday March 8, 2020
Worship 10:30 a.m.
2nd Sunday In Lent



**This is the day the Lord has
made. We welcome you to the
worship of our Lord Jesus
Christ where our salvation lies.**

VISITORS and GUESTS

If you are worshipping with us for the first time,
Welcome! Please sign our Guest Book located in the lobby.
Please include your name and address. Thank you.

COMMUNION

At Calvary **all baptized Christians** are welcomed at the
Lord's table. Please come forward at the direction of the
ushers. Both wine (red) and grape juice (white) are offered.

PRAISE BAND

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING OF THE PEACE

PRELUDE BY HIS WOUNDS

CONFESSION

HYMN: COME, NOW IS THE TIME TO WORSHIP

READINGS

SERMON

HYMN: THE WONDERFUL CROSS, MIGHTY TO SAVE

PRAYERS

OFFERING

COMMUNION

BENEDICTION

HYMN: YOUR GRACE IS ENOUGH

DISMISSAL

First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a

12 Now the LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ² I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

⁴ So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

Psalm: 121

¹ I lift up my eyes to the hills—

from where will my help come?

² **My help comes from the LORD,
who made heaven and earth.**

³ He will not let your foot be moved;
he who keeps you will not slumber.

⁴ **He who keeps Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.**

⁵ The LORD is your keeper;
the LORD is your shade at your right hand.

⁶ **The sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.**

⁷ The LORD will keep you from all evil;
he will keep your life.

⁸ **The LORD will keep
your going out and your coming in
from this time on and forevermore.**

Second Reading: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

4 What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? ² For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about,

but not before God. ³ For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” ⁴ Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. ⁵ But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

¹³ For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴ If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵ For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

¹⁶ For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷ as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”)—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

The Holy Gospel: John 3:1-17

3 Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ² He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” ³ Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” ⁴ Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” ⁵ Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit.

⁶ What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the

Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' ⁸ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." ⁹ Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰ Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

¹¹ "Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹² If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³ No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴ And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

¹⁶ "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

¹⁷ "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Blood Pressure Screenings

Our Parish Nurse, Jackie Langlois, will be doing blood pressure screenings in the Gathering Place the last Sunday of every month beginning Sunday, February 23rd. The times for the screenings are at 9:00 a.m. before Service and at noon after the Service.

Lenten Prayer Group

The Lenten Prayer Group will meet every Monday during Lent at 10:30 in the Gathering Place. Everyone is welcome. Please consider making this a part of your Lenten journey.

Advanced Directives Seminar

On Sunday March 15th at noon after the Service we will be having an Advanced Directives Seminar with Joy Gladieux from Eggleston-Meiner-Pavleyt. She will be presenting important information regarding advanced directives/funeral planning. Lunch and beverages will be provided. Please sign-up on the bulletin board if you plan to attend.

Holy Space

Please be mindful of members who desire quiet time in the Sanctuary before Service. Please speak in low tones. Thank you.

Attendance Cards

Please remember to sign the attendance cards that are located in each pew.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers gracing our altar today are given to the glory of God by Kurt and Larraine Putnam in Memory of Larraine's Father's Birthday.

Confirmation Classes

Below is a list of dates for this year's Confirmation Classes. You will note that there are fewer dates. We will be meeting from 4-6 p.m. We will conclude each class this year with a small supper. We will be focusing on the Bible this year. Anyone is invited to join us. Remaining class dates are as follows:

March 15, 2020

April 26, 2020

"Our Daily Devotional" Booklets

The **March, April and May 2020** booklets are available in the narthex. Large print copies are available for **January, February and March 2020**. Pick up your copy today.

Altar Flower Chart

There are many dates still open on the 2020 altar flower chart. The cost of two bouquets is \$27.00, You may take them home with you or have them delivered to our homebound.

Easter Flower Order Forms

Please place your order form and payment in the offering plate. Orders must be placed by Sunday March 22nd.

Prayer Concerns

The Family of Chuck Campbell, Rex Parsons, Bob Joehlin, Marlene Ehrsam, Paulette Columbo, Candace Ross, Dee Mutchler, Norma Carsten, Sandy Murray, Eleanore Sheronick, Pat Snider, Don Koenig, Kim Fitch, Eric Mason, Jeanette Shepard, Beverly McIntosh, Emily Hyder-Jasinski, Ava Burkey, Jon Schwandner, Melissa Zenz, Darlene Zenz, Pam Gensen, Cinda Robertson, Tonya Meeker and the Family of Donna Kalmbach.

Toiletries Collection for St. Paul Episcopal Church's Food Pantry

St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Oregon continues to be in need of toiletries for the 160 families that they serve every month. We will continue collecting toiletries for their food pantry. Items such as soap, shampoo, shaving cream, disposable razors, deodorant, tooth paste, toothbrushes, toilet paper, and paper towels are needed. The food pantry is open the 2nd Tuesday of every month from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. If you would like to volunteer to help at the food pantry, please let Pastor know. All help is greatly appreciated by the members of St. Paul's.

Home Energy Assistance Program

Applications for HEAP, a federally funded program designed to help eligible Ohioans meet the cost of home heating this winter, are available in the holder on the office door, There is a green flyer on the bulletin board in the Narthex with more information. If you have questions, you may contact Lisa Thompson at 419-725-6957 or email her at lthompson@areaofficeonaging.com. Lisa is the HEAP Coordinator.

Prayer Chain

Are you or a loved one in need of prayer? Calvary's Prayer Chain will be most happy to pray for you/them. The person does not need to be a member of Calvary; we include **everyone** in need of prayer. To start a prayer for yourself or someone else, call Carol at 419-691-7941. When the person no longer needs our prayers, we would appreciate knowing that as well. If you would like to be a **prayer warrior**, please call me at 419-691-7941.

Many thanks and blessings.

Carol Crosser

Calvary Is On Social Media

If you or someone you know would like to connect on social media, Calvary has a Facebook page

calvarylutherannorthwood and on Twitter at **calvarylc**.

Our webpage is **calvarynorthwood.com**. From the webpage you can sign-up to receive announcements, newsletters and audio recordings of our Sunday Services via email.

Calvary Lutheran Church Hunger

The second Sunday of every month is Hunger Sunday.

Please remember to bring in your donations which will be delivered to St. John's Stony Ridge for their Food Pantry.

Please remember our homebound:

- Ken Orris, Ohio Veterans Home, 3416 Columbus Avenue, Sandusky, OH 44870
- Eleanore Sheronick, 3445 Fleitz Road, Oregon, OH 43616
- Lloyd (Jim) Schneider, Ohio Veterans Home, 3416 Columbus Avenue, Sandusky, OH 44870
- Jeanette Shepard, 5015 Parkside Dr. Oregon, OH 43616
- Marlene Fouty-Ehrsam, 2466 Luther Hills Circle #66, Oregon, Ohio 43616
- Theone Caris, 601 Dixon St., Walbridge, OH 43465

Carillon Programming

Please find on counter of the Welcome Center a *Carillon Programming* sheet. If you would like the Carillon Chime Master to play a hymn on a certain date, please fill out the form and put it in the basket on the Welcome Center. There is no charge to request a hymn. The hymns list that it plays is in the Chime Master Carillon folder on the Welcome Center. Thank You!

Loaves and Fishes

Our “Loaves and Fishes” ministry has a new facilitator: **Jackie Langlois**. When anyone in the congregation is temporarily home bound because of an illness or surgery we try to provide meals for about a week. If you are willing to prepare a meal or would be willing to make calls, please call our new **Parish Nurse, Jackie Langlois 419-779-6283**. You do NOT have to prepare a gourmet meal, they can either be home cooked, deli or store bought. As always your help would be greatly appreciated.

Savvy Senior News Center

We now have a Savvy Senior News Center in the Narthex on the table by the Sanctuary. It will have current newsletters and information available to you from Lucas, Wood, and Ottawa County. If you should have any questions or need help, please let the office know. The **March** edition of the County Connection for Wood County has arrived. Pick up your copy and see what is happening around your town.

Electronic Automated Giving:

Electronic automated giving is now available. You may fill out a form, sign-up online, or use the GivePlus app on your smartphone. The forms are available in the office. The office will input the information and return the form to you. You may sign-up online for automatic giving. Go to Calvary's webpage at **calvarynorthwood@hotmail.com** and create your account. You can also sign-up and create an account on your smartphone. Download the GivePlus + app, create your account, make sure you delegate Calvary Lutheran Church, Northwood as your default church and choose how you wish your donation set up.

Calvary Lutheran Church Calendar **March 8, 2020 – March 15, 2020**

Sun. March 8		2nd Sunday in Lent
	9:15 a.m.	Fellowship/Learning
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
Tues. March 10	9 :30 a.m.	Quilters
Wed. March 11	6:00 p.m.	Soup Supper
	7:30 p.m.	Lenten Service
Thur. March 12	9:30 a.m.	Designing Women
Sat. March 14	9:00 a.m.	Quilters Open Sewing
Sun. March 15		3rd Sunday in Lent
	9:15 a.m.	Fellowship & Learning
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service

Penney's Paint Party

Ok folks, it's time to get your paint on! We will be having a Penney's Paint Party here at Calvary on Sunday March 22nd at noon. The cost is \$25.00. All supplies are included. Please bring your own beverage and snack if you like. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

Attendance:

The attendance on Sunday March 1, 2020 was:
56 Members and Guests.

The attendance at the Wednesday Mid-Week Lenten Service on March 4, 2020 was 26.

Offering: The offering for Sunday March 1, 2020 was \$2299.00. Thank You!

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Tom Susor	3/1
Annette Joseph	3/6
Annie Rose Land	3/8
Mary Jane Joehlin	3/13
Wendy Kimble	3/13
Kim Reitzel	3/21
Candace Ross	3/21
Roger Jeffries	3/22
Morgan Susor	3/24
Eric Goetz	3/27
Cliff Bury	3/29
Aubry Whitmore	3/30
Ronald Phillips	3/31

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

Tamia & Marty Land	43 yrs	3/12
Kurt & Lorraine Putnam	37 yrs	3/27



Go In Peace To Love And Serve The Lord