

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

1930 Bradner Road
Northwood, OH 43619
Phone: 419-836-8986

Pastor Bob Noble

Email: calvarynorthwood@hotmail.com

JANUARY 2022 NEWSLETTER

Sunday Service:

**Beginning January 2, 2022 service will
begin at 11:00 a.m.**

Attend in person or

Watch Live On The Church Facebook
Page

<https://www.facebook.com/calvarylutherannorthwood>

***ANNUAL MEETING IS JANUARY 23, 2022.**

Pastor's Ponderings

11 For surely, I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. 12 Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. 13 When you search for me, you will find me. (Jeremiah 29: 11-13a, NRSV)

Another year has begun and with the New Year comes many wonderful possibilities. The New Year also brings new beginnings. I am writing my first Pastor's Ponderings to two congregations. I am humbled by the confidence that the people of Calvary and Christ have shown in me to be the leader of this larger flock. While there is a physical distance between the two church buildings, I cannot help but feel as if this is one bigger whole congregation. My dedication to you all is that in this new reality I will strive to be the best pastor I can be for everyone. I see a bright spiritual future for us all in the coming years.

We are blessed with a staff at both churches that care for the people and feel deeply called by God to be of service to God's people. I would not even have considered this undertaking without the presence of secretaries, custodians, computer technicians, musicians, parish nurse, and pastoral assistants that are in place to make our lives together easier and more meaningful. I am grateful beyond words to them for their dedication to their calling. My goal is to offer a staff that is flexible and able to respond quickly to the needs of the people. I am confident that we are there already with this gifted group of folks.

The leadership of both church councils has been inspiring to me during this time of transition. Consistently they have looked to the future and have not locked themselves in a past that can never be recovered or repeated. They own the role that God has called them. They own it humbly without thought of self but only of community. Working together, listening to each other, and discussing possibilities have brought us all together to this point. I look forward to working with them all in the years to come.

My wife Sandy and I are excited by this new opportunity in our ministry. We look forward to being with you all for many, many years. When I first discerned God's call to ministry it was a humbling experience. After 14 years it is still as humbling. The proclamation of God's Word, the administration of the Holy Sacraments, and the care and education of God's people is not something to be taken lightly. I ask for your prayers and Christian love. I am so proud to be YOUR pastor.

Peace,

Pastor Bob

News & Notes

Morning Coffee

Join Pastor Bob daily
Monday thru Friday
at 10:300 a.m. on
Facebook



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.

HUNGER PROGRAM

Your donations to the Hunger Program will be greatly appreciated especially during this time. We are helping St. John's Lutheran in Stony Ridge and St. Paul Episcopal Church in Oregon with this endeavor. St. Paul needs all items for their food pantry. Also, St. Paul is appealing for cash and help. If you would like to drop off donations at the church, please call the office to arrange a time. Thank you!.



IN OUR CHURCH...



In our Prayers

Jill Cousino, Bob Joehlin, Marlene Ehram, Paulette Colombo, Eleanore Sheronick, Pat Snider, Don Koenig, Jeanette Shepard, Beverly McIntosh, Ava Burkey, Emily Hyder-Jasinski, Jon Schwandner, Dan Pfouts, Craig Lake, Katie Glenn, Carole Allen, Dee Mutchler, William Putnam, Tony Sleek, Logan Murphy, Terry & Robin Potter and Lisa Baker.

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 Charlene at 419-836-1999. 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 419-836-1999. Many thanks & blessings. Charlene Hoot*

Loaves and Fishes Our "Loaves and Fishes" ministry has a facilitator: Parish Nurse, 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 Jackie at 419-779-6283. You do NOT have to prepare a gourmet, they can either be home cooked, deli or store bought. As always your help would be greatly appreciated.



REMEMBER OUR HOME BOUND

- Eleanor Sheronick, 3445 Fleitz Road, Oregon, OH 43616
- Lloyd (Jim Schneider, Ohio Veterans Home, 3416 Columbus Avenue, Sandusky, OH 44870
- Jeanette Shepard, 5015 Parkside Drive, Oregon, OH 43616
- Marlene Fouty-Ehrsam, 2466 Luther Hills Circle #66, Oregon, OH 43616
- Mary McLaughlin, 30630 Drouillard Road, Lot 168, Walbridge, OH 43465
- Carol Cedoz-Allen, 3450 Seaman Road, Cottage #I, Oregon, OH 43616

JANUARY, 2022 BIRTHDAYS

Kurt Putnam	1/4
Tony Sleek	1/11
Nate Gartee	1/14
Lauren Susor	1/15
Mason Lake	1/17
Sue Sass	1/19
Eleanore Sheronick	1/20
Allison Susor	1/20
Don Pfouts	1/22
Emily Whitmore	1/22
Pat Snider	1/23
Marilyn Roth	1/25
Marlene Fouty-Ehrsam	1/26
Sandy Harmon	1/30
Tamia Land	1/30



Roger & Terry Phillips 38 years 1/14



FINANCIALS

ONLINE GIVING

Calvary has online and mobile options for giving. You can set up an account through the church office to give weekly, monthly or other options. You can also set up an online account by going to our website and clicking on the online giving button.

You also have the option of giving and signing up with your phone or mobile device by downloading the Vanco mobile app.

If you would like assistance in doing any of this, please contact the church office.

Thank You!

Monthly Financial Activity

Balance end of October:	\$805.12
Income:	\$14,803.83
Expenditures:	\$14,189.79
Balance end November	\$614.04
Savings & Investments	\$15,679.02

Council notes for November:

- *Financial- approved renewing video license.
- *Pastoral Asst.-Made phone call to home bound members.
- *Gathering - lighting changes to Gathering Place. Still waiting on roof quotes.
- *Sending - Eighteen families were given Thanksgiving baskets.
- *Old Business - congregation voted yes to sharing Pastor with Christ Lutheran.
- *New Business - discussed hiring bookkeeper.
- *Annual meeting - will be January 23, 2022.