

# CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

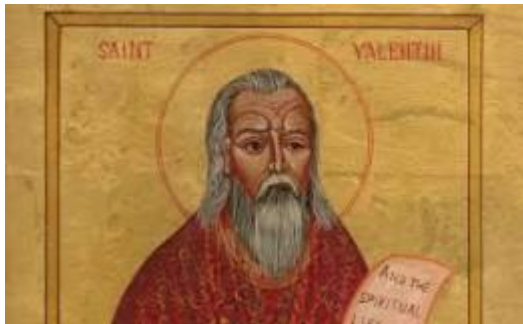
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## FEBRUARY 2022 NEWSLETTER

Why did Saint Valentine become a saint?



Valentine **refused to deny Christ before the emperor Claudius II Gothicus** (214-270) and was executed outside the Flaminian Gate as a result. The Flaminian Gate is in the City of Rome. His martyrdom on 14 February became his Saints' Day, which has been observed as the Feast of Saint Valentine (Saint Valentine's Day).

# Pastor's Ponderings

Dear Friends in Christ,

How wonderful it is for friends to gather in the name of Christ. Every Sunday when I look out on your faces, and as I consider all those watching online, I am grateful for your presence. These are days in which we are undertaking new things. Thank you for being open to the possibilities that God is sharing. God is faithful and true and will never leave or forsake His children. Cold mornings will soon be replaced by the warming of spring. During the coming weeks we will begin to prepare in earnest for Lent. We will continue and expand our worshipping during this time, God willing.

Wednesday evenings will be filled with soup and fellowship. We will journey once again together through Lent to the Cross of Jesus. We will meet our savior there on Good Friday. We will contemplate the loving act of the Cross. We will wait with patience for the shinning of the sun on Easter morning. How good it will be to be together in love during these weeks. We will pray together, sing together and love together through the ancient mysteries of the church. Once again, the promise will be kept, and resurrection will become our reality.

Many people like to sacrifice things for Lent. We often call it "giving up" something for Lent. I would like to recommend that instead we all do more during Lent. Pray more, study the Bible more, worship more, give more, sacrifice time and financial resources given to other things and focus your energy on Christ and His journey to Easter Sunday. I promise you will not be sorry.

We are living in a time that is a time of changing and growing in the church. God is, as always, in control and we cannot see or know the outcome of the things to which God is calling. What I do know for certain is that we can and will do and learn and see these new things together, and that is a blessing. 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 RECEVE 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!.



## Bible Study

Join us for bible study  
Wednesday evenings at  
7:00 pm. You can join in  
person or provide an email  
and you can join via Zoom.



# LENT

**Please join us during Lent for soup suppers and worship. Starting Ash Wednesday (March 2<sup>nd</sup>) and all Wednesday's during Lent we will have soup supper at 6:00 p.m. and service at 7:00 p.m. Please reach out to Paula Hudak if you're able to bring a soup, salad, bread or dessert.**

**All are welcome!!!**

# 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, Linda Moery and Lisa Baker.

## Prayer Chain

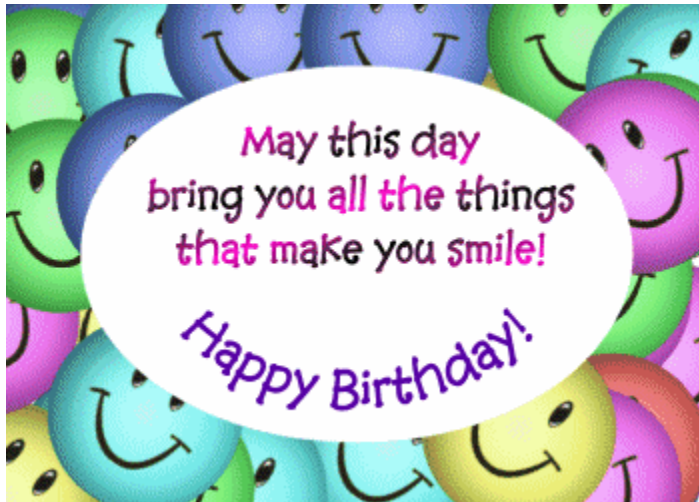
*Are you or a loved one in need of prayer? Calvary's Prayer Chain will be most happy to pray for you/them. The person does not need to be a member of Calvary. We include **everyone** in need of prayer! To start a prayer for yourself or someone else, call Charlene at 419-836-1999. When the person no longer 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



## February Birthday's

Carol Corl	2/4
Lorraine Putnam	2/5
Marv Reitzel	2/6
Noelle Wulf	2/7
Patti Hotmer	2/10
Jill Cousino	2/13
Vel Campbell	2/20
Kathleen Ross	2/24
Don Collins	2/25

**HAPPY  
ANNIVERSARY**

**Tony and Dodie Bruns    53 yrs    2/23**



## "A View From The Pew"

Hi, Tom Susor here for another "A View From The Pew". In my never-ending drifting I came across a very interesting poem I'd like to share with you. It is quite short however it does contain a vast myriad of deep meaning. It's by Emily Dickinson and is titled "Unto Me" I do not know you.

"Unto Me?" I do not know you—  
Where may be your House?

"I am Jesus—Late of Judea—  
Now—of Paradise"—

Wagons—have you—to convey me?  
This is far from Thence—

"Arms of Mine—sufficient Phaeton—  
Trust Omnipotence"—

I am spotted— "I am Pardon"—

I am small— "The Least  
Is esteemed in Heaven the Chiefest  
Occupy my House"—

Emily Dickinson

Emily does not use quotation marks very often and when she uses them, they mean that these are not her words, but are in fact another's words, which in this case are Jesus' words. This Poem is a conversation between Emily (plain text) and Jesus (quoted text) . Jesus says, come unto Me, and Emily wants to know where He lives and how He will arrange for her to travel such a large distance (across space, time, and dimension) . Emily says she is unworthy and spotted (physically by freckles and spiritually by flaws and failures) . But Jesus, true to form tells Emily that all that is needed is divine love (Arms of Mine, sufficient Phaeton) and forgiveness (Pardon) , which traverse all space and all time in the realities of the Kingdom of heaven. I believe she was truly divinely inspired in this brief poem that defines the open arms of Our Savior. The Lord is always there for us, all we need do is ask. Jesus said in John 9 vs. 5 "As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world."

**Remember when you think that "someone should do something" that someone can be you!!!!**

**Peace & Love, Tom Susor Sr.**

# We Need Your Help!!!

In an effort to keep lines of communication open with all members of Calvary we thought, on an annual basis, we would ask for updates of addresses, emails and telephone numbers. In addition, we have various ways of communicating to you and would like you to give us your preference on how to be notified of events. Below is a form: please fill it out and return to Calvary. You can mail the form to 1960 Bradner Road, Northwood, OH 43619, email the completed form to [calvarynorthwood@hotmail.com](mailto:calvarynorthwood@hotmail.com) or call the office and leave information with the secretary or voicemail 419-836-8986. Thank you for your help!!

## CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT IS THE BEST WAY FOR CALVARY TO RELAY INFORMATION TO YOU:

\_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE

\_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL

\_\_\_\_\_ MAILED LETTER



# 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 November:	\$614.04
Income:	\$17,772.28
Expenditures:	\$11,135.19
Balance end December	\$6,637.09
Savings & Investments	\$16,119.85

## Council notes for November:

**\*Pastor's Report**—conducted numerous funerals, Pastor & Clione delivered baskets to homebound. Attended all meetings, led all worship services, Morning Coffee and Bible Study.

**\*Equipping**—Paula will be looking into soup suppers during Lent.

**\*Old Business**—discussed upcoming Christmas services. Clione will lead December 26 service, Epiphany is January 2, 2022.

Calvary Lutheran Church  
2021 Annual Congregational Meeting Minutes  
January 23, 2022

The 2021 annual meeting of Calvary Lutheran Church was held January 23, 2022 immediately following service at 1930 Bradner Road, Northwood, Ohio 43619.

There were twenty (20) congregational members present.

The meeting was opened with prayer and called to order by Council President, Tom Susor, Sr.

**Elections.** With the current state of low member attendance it was decided to poll the congregation at the next three (3) Sunday services to determine if anyone is interested in running for office. Pastor offered to get a list of office's that are available.

**Pastor's Report.** Pastor's report was provided for all to review. Pastor provided an overview of his report.

**Pastoral Assistant Report.** Clione Schneider's report was provided for all to review.

**Treasurer's Report.** Council has contracted with Kelly LaPlante to provide bookkeeping. Carol Corl requested to have Kelly LaPlante added as an authorized signer on Account No. XXXX4002 at Genoa Bank allowing her to pay bills online on behalf of Calvary Lutheran Church.

There being no further discussion, congregation approved Kelly LaPlante being added as an authorized signer on Account No. XXXX4002 at Genoa Bank allowing her to pay bills online on behalf of Calvary Lutheran Church.

**Adoption of 2022 Budget.** The 2022 proposed budget was provided for all to review. Council President informed those in attendance that the budget request includes Pastor Nobel's full salary. President Susor further explained that Pastor can only be called to one church and that is Calvary. Our contract with Christ Lutheran Church in Dowling provides that Christ Lutheran will pay Calvary half of Pastor's salary including all incidental expenses: housing, health/pension/disability, insurance, car allowance, social security offset education, seminars, etc. on a monthly basis.

Rodger Phillips moved to adopt the 2022 budget as proposed and Sandy Noble seconded. 2022 proposed budget passed.

**President's Report.** President Susor's report was provided for all to review. President Susor provided an overview of his report.

The meeting was closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted  
Paula Hudak, Council Secretary