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APRIL 2024 NEWSLETTER



Pastor's Ponderings

March 2024 Pastoral Report (actually just a pondering) – SAM Jeannine

I'm back!!! Eight full weeks was a really long time!! The theme for this year in our synod is "rest" and as you probably already know, resting is not my forte! I took along a huge tote bag filled with my computer, weighty books on the role of leadership in congregations, scheduling materials for my home congregation, planning materials for the synod SAMs for whom I am basically a really bossy big sister (even bossier than with Pastor Bob!), and lots of devotional materials. I guess I forgot that I was going to be in a 200 sq. ft. space with a husband and dog, setting up and tearing down and moving every week, sightseeing, and constantly moving my phone and the hot spot until I could get some---any---internet to check my email and respond way too late. In other words, there was a lot of unintended and unavoidable resting that looked like waiting and just goofing off. It took most of those eight weeks to realize that unread books, unread emails, schedules and plans that barely happened weren't the end of the world. In fact, the world had been flying by for quite a while and I'd been too involved with "work" to realize it. Maybe I had things a little backward: I've been trying to work first and then rest (or collapse as the case may be), when it's best to begin with rest so that I can work well. When I work from my rest, things are less stressful. There is a carryover of joy from rest to work. It's scriptural, too. The first thing that humankind experiences is rest; after the creation of humankind, God---along with all of creation---rests. *It is only then that man's work of stewardship began.*

Bishop Daniel has offered a monthly calendar to help us see that the value of rest---including times of just looking around and waiting---is that it offers us a chance at practicing awareness of the world around us and thankfulness for it. You can find that resource at: [April-2024-Rest-Calendar.pdf \(nwos-elca.church\)](https://nwos-elca.church/April-2024-Rest-Calendar.pdf)

I'm going to try to remember that all time going forward is an opportunity for awareness and thankfulness. I'll be "working" a little more between helping Pastor Bob with visits and leading worship, doing some pulpit supply, and preparing for an event at synod assembly. But FIRST, I will rest---in a short morning devotional, in turning off the radio in the car and just looking at the world, in turning off the TV and going to bed at a decent hour (you know, the new day STARTS when the sun sets---read Genesis 1 carefully if you don't believe me!). In those times of rest, I will say, "Thank you, God, for being in this wonderful world. Thank you because your grace overlays it all."

I'm glad to be home,
SAM Jeannine



MONDAY MANNA

CALLING KIDS OF EVERY AGE!!

The pastoral team at Calvary and Christ are doing something new with Morning Coffee time!!! Every Monday morning at 10:30 on Facebook, our 15 minutes will be devoted to kids of every age, but especially school age kids! (But, really, everybody is a Child of God, so adults are included, too.)

If you've missed Sunday School or you're just missing Pastor Bob, SAM Clione, or SAM Jeannine, tune in at any time after school and see what we have to say about God, church, and YOU. In fact, we're in the midst of creating a special YouTube channel just for you where you can watch "Monday Manna" *any* time you want. We'll even send you a special invite so you can easily find the video. To get your invitation, have a parent send us your email address so we can put your name on the list. (Send it to: jeanninegrimm@yahoo.com)

And, if you catch one of us mentioning your name, there might be a goodie involved...so you really don't want to miss it! Can't wait to "see" you there!!!

Learning about Jesus together,

Pastor Bob with SAMs Clione and Jeannine

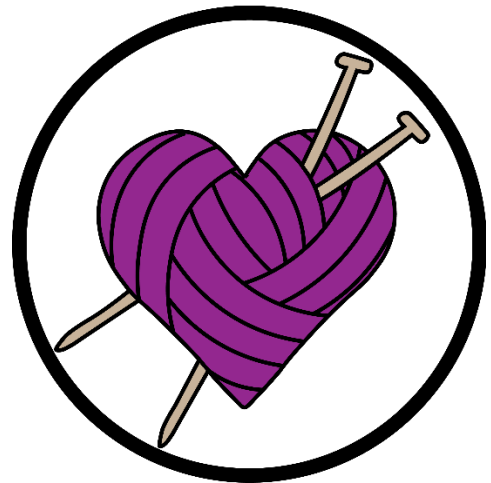


JOIN US

- Fellowship, coffee and donuts every Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.
- Monday Manna with Pastor & SAM's Clione & Jeannine on Facebook at 10:30 a.m.
- Tuesdays with Pastor & Tom on Facebook at 10:30 a.m.
- Wednesday thru Friday Morning Coffee with Pastor on Facebook at 10:30 a.m.
- Bible Study on Zoom Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.
- Designing Women Thursday's at 9:00 a.m.
- Crochet Class Saturday's at 11:00 a.m.

CROCHET CLASS

Dee Mutchler will be teaching a Crochet Class at Calvary Lutheran Church. It's for beginner to intermediate crocheter's. But if you're a pro feel free to join. You will need to bring a size "G" crochet hook. The church will provide the yarn. Our project will be a lap robe which we will donate to one of our homebound members. We're planning to start the class in February so keep your eyes & ears open for



**SATURDAY'S AT
11:00 A.M.
BEGINNING APRIL
6TH!!!**



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!

CALVARY IS ON SOCIAL MEDIA

IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW WOULD LIKE TO CONNECT ON SOCIAL MEDIA, CALVARY HAS A FACEBOOK PAGE CALVARYLUTHERANNORHWOOD 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.



Altar Flowers

Flower Chart

The 2024 Flower Chart is on the wall in the narthex across from the office. The cost of the flowers will be \$30.00. Flowers are put on the altar for the Glory of God



Altar Care-

If you would like to volunteer to help with Altar Care please see Paula. Basic weekly duties are changing paraments as needed, set-up communion and clean up after service. Thank you.



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*



SERVICE HELPERS NEEDED!!

We are looking for volunteers to help with Sunday service. If you are interested in Assisting the Pastor, Reading lessons or Greeting friends & guests on Sunday mornings please contact Clione Schneider.



REMEMBER OUR HOME BOUND

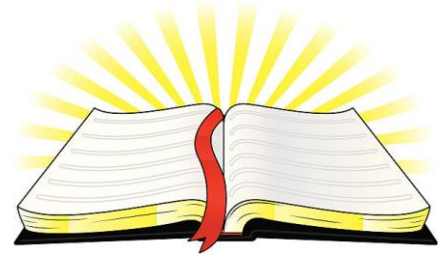
- Eleanor Sheronick, 3099 Stearns Rd., Room 401, Bedford, MI 48144
- Marlene Fouty-Ehrsam, 2466 Luther Hills Circle #66, Oregon, OH 43616
- Mary McLaughlin, 30630 Drouillard Road, Lot 168, Walbridge, OH 43465
- Janie Kollarik, 30630 Drouillard Road, Lot 9, Walbridge, OH 43465
- Jill Cousino, 1706 Dier Rd., PO Box 75, Curtice, OH 43412



In our Prayers

Jill Cousino, Bob Joehlin, Marlene Ehrsam, Paulette Colombo, Eleanore Sheronick, Don Koenig, Beverly McIntosh, Emily Hyder-Jasinski, Ava Burkey, Jon Schwandner, Dan Pfouts, Craig Lake, Katie Glenn, Dee Mutchler, William Putnam, Logan Murphy, Wendy Kimble, Lisa Baker, Terry Murray, Dan Skadeland, Betty Messling, Duane Ralston, Shirley Loy, Paul Goodman and Angie Mazey Noesen.

**SCRIPTURE READINGS OR
MONTH OF APRIL**



<u>DATE</u>	<u>FIRST READING</u>	<u>PSALM</u>	<u>SECOND READING</u>	<u>GOSPEL</u>
April 7 th	Acts 4:32-35	Ps 133	1 John 1:1-2:2	John 20:19-31
April 14 th	Acts 3:12-19	Ps 4	1 John 3:1-7	Luke 24:36b-48
April 21 st	Acts 4:5-12	Ps 23	1 John 3:16-24	John 10:11-18
April 28 th	Acts 8:26-40	Ps 22:25-31	1 John 4:7-21	John 15:1-8



April Birthday's

Terrie Phillips	4/5
Kaelen Ross	4/8
Tom Susor, Jr.	4/10
Matthew Jenkins	4/11
Larry Dominique	4/12
Paulette Colombo	4/14
Tammy D'Amore	4/19
Lola Sleek	4/19
Kit Ross	4/28
Sandy Susor	4/28

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 as of 1/31/24	\$1,339.72
February revenue	\$19,978.24
February expenses	\$19,275.24

Council notes: February 2024 meeting

***Old Business:** Council reviewed the Easter mailer. Council to proof after requested changes made and approve before mailed. Council to determine residential areas that will receive mailer.

Crochet class to begin April 6th at 11:00 a.m.

Pastor offered to find someone to address soffits that need repaired.

***New Business:** Synod Assembly is June 1, 2024. Pastor, Clione Schneider and Paula Hudak to attend.

Home Plate is June 22, 2024 at Tiger Stadium.

Dine to Donate fundraiser for Youth Gathering in New Orleans is March 19th at Texas Roadhouse.