CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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OCTOBER 2024 NEWSLETTER For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven Ecclesiastes 3:1-22

Pastor's Ponderings

Dear Friends in Christ,

The purpose of this mailing is to invite you all into a time of reflection and prayer with me. I begin by thanking you for your faithful giving to our congregations in the past. I understand that for many of us we give what we can. It is no secret that these days have been challenging in so many ways. We face wars and rumors of wars around the world. The political climate in our country is quite toxic, bringing about fears for our future and the future of our families. The larger Christian church is facing challenging times as we emerge from a global pandemic and attempt to define where God is calling the church of the future. In all of these things we wonder where is God? What is God thinking? It does not seem like a time to "**SAY THANK'S!**"

Through all the years since Jesus' glorious Resurrection, the constant has always been Christ, and what He did for us on the Cross. My own life has been full of plenty of ups and downs. There are days when I wonder where God is and other days when I know God is truly with me. Even in the bad moments however, I am comforted by the knowledge of God's unconditional Love for me and the whole world. And because of the Grace of God, we can always **"SAY THANK'S!"**

Enclosed you will find two charts. One shows what percentage each household gives based on their weekly income. The other chart shows a breakdown of where we all are in our giving. Find on the chart how much you give, and then please prayerfully consider taking a step up to the next level of giving. I know these are tough times, but working together we will continue to make a difference in the lives of the communities we serve.

In the coming weeks you will be receiving letters from some of your friends. They too will be asking for you to prayerfully consider what you are giving. This program will culminate on October 27, 2024, Reformation Sunday. Pastor Brian Haller will be Proclaiming the Gospel to us that day at both churches. We will also have a time for each family to make a written commitment to God concerning their giving.

I am thankful to God for many things. My family, my friends and my call. Never doubt for a minute that one thing I am most especially thankful for is all of **YOU!**

Peace,

Pastor Bob



We are trying something new. It's called Constant Contact. We will, along with our usual communications, will also be sending

occasional email and text messages and special announcements with constant contact. We can text your mobile number if you wish with reminders of upcoming events or cancellations. If you wish to be on this list and receive these communications and if we do not already have your current email address and mobile phone number to receive texts. Please along with your name, make a note of your email address, mobile phone number and drop it off at the church office or email it to <u>calvarynorthwood@hotmail.com</u>. Also pass this along to someone who may wish to receive these communications to get their information to us. We appreciate you.

Blessing of Pets will take place on Sunday, October 6th. Pastor will be at Calvary at 2:00 p.m. and Christ Dowling at 5:00 p.m.



Sunday Morning Adult Study

Join us on Sunday mornings at 9:45 for the adult study class. We are currently exploring some spiritual practices and will continue with studying the 50+ Bible stories everyone should know. Clione Schneider and Tom Susor, Sr. are leading the class. (Coffee and donuts will be coming.) Fellowship will follow at 10:30. The worship service begins at 11:00 a.m. We are looking forward to good discussions!

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MONTH OF OCTOBER



FIRST READING	<u>PSALM</u>	SECOND READING	GOSPEL
Gen 2: 18-24	Ps 8	Heb 1:1-4; 2:5-12	Mark 10:2-16
Amos 5:6-7, 10-15	Ps 90:12-17	Heb 4:12-16	Mark 10:17-31
Isaiah 53:4-12	Ps 91:9-16	Heb 5:1-10	Mark 10:35-45
Jer 31:31-34	Ps 46	Romans 3:19-28	John 8:31-36
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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.





- Sunday morning Adult Study class at 9:45 a.m.
- Fellowship, coffee and donuts 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 and Thursday Morning Coffee with Pastor on Facebook at 10:30 a.m.
- Designing Women Thursday's at 9:00 a.m.

CATECHISM OCTOBER SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 6th – catechism class at 7:00 p.m. at Christ Dowling

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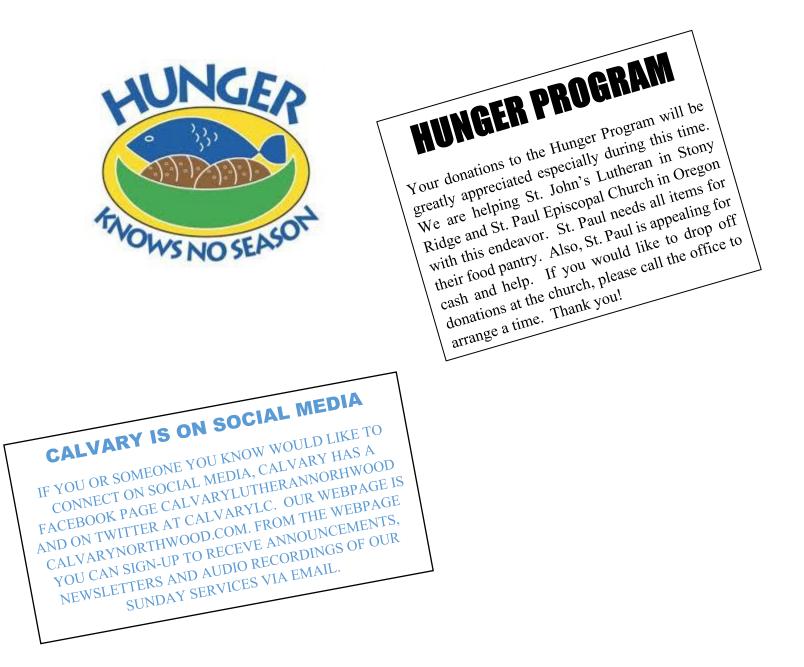
Sunday, October 20th – catechism traveling to Islamic Center of Greater Toledo, 25877 Scheider Rd., Perrysburg, OH 43551. Meet at the Mosque at 3:00 p.m. All are invited.

Sunday, October 27th – catechism class at 7:00 p.m. Location tba.



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.





Again this year, Calvary will be hosting Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 19, 2024 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. We will have activities for kids in the church as well as treats in the parking lot. Cars and candy are needed to fill our parking lot. If you can help please see Pastor, Gwen or Paula!!!



<u>Prayer Chain</u>

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



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, 533 Sylvandale, Oregon, OH 43616
- Janie Kollarik, 30630 Drouillard Road, Lot 9, Walbridge, OH 43465
- Jill Cousino, 1706 Dier Rd., PO Box 75, Curtice, OH 43412
- Cliff & Madonna Bury, 1247 Stadium Road, Oregon, OH 43616
- Bob Joehlin, Ochard Villa, 2841 Munding Drive, Oregon, OH 43616
- Ted Jeffries, 1705 S. Coy Rd., Oregon, OH 43616
- Pat Snider, 862 N. Curtice Rd., Oregon, OH 43616



In our Prayers

Sandy Murray, Ann Ramlow, Jim Stepanski, Jill Cousino, Bob Joehlin, Marlene Ehrsam, Paulette Colombo, Eleanore Sheronick, Beverly McIntosh, Ava Burkey, Jon Schwandner, William Putnam, Logan Murphy, Tammy Miller, Duane Ralston, Tom Hoot, Jocelyn Marker, Angie Mazey Noesen, Larry and Janet Schafer, Rose Robinson, Erin Biniecki, Helen Hernandez, Norma Leady, Deb Haubert and Sophia Noble.



October Birthday's

Teddy Ross	10/5
Jacob Rumpf	10/13
Shane Pfouts	10/16
Hannah D'Amore	10/19
Sandy Noble	10/20
Josh Ross	10/27
Ashley Colombo	10/28
Diane Kaiser	10/31



Larry & Gerry Dominique	Oct. 4 th	55 yrs.

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 7/31/24 \$1,815.96 August revenue \$15,236.13 August expenses \$16,831.21

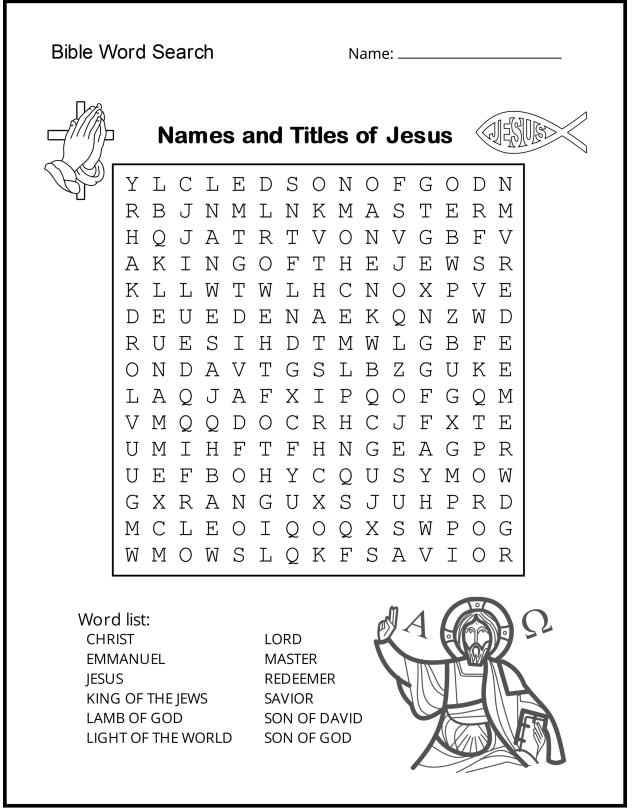
Council notes: August 2024 meeting

*Pastor's Report: Pastor is starting two bible studies. WAM office at Calvary will be opening soon.

*Pastoral Assistant Report: Clione suggested an adult study class on Sunday mornings. She and Tom Susor, Sr. will lead the class.

*Old Business: Carpet cleaning will be rescheduled. SimpleSafe was installed. Training will be scheduled.

*New Business: Trunk or Treat will be held October 19, 2024 from 3:00 to 5:00. Stewardship drive will be month of October. Various letters will be mailed to members along with a step chart encouraging increased giving.



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