



**March 9, 2025**  
Calvary Lutheran Church  
Minneapolis, MN

# Welcome to Calvary Lutheran Church!

Beloved of God, each and every one of you is welcome here.

This welcome is for all of us in our multiple identities --- including all sexual orientations, gender identities and gender expressions, people of the global majority, doubters, skeptics, seekers and people of other faiths.

We seek to repair harm we have done as church.

We strive to be actively antiracist and to dismantle White supremacy in ourselves, in church, and in society.

*Calvary is a Reconciling in Christ congregation  
of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA)*

As a community of faith, we at Calvary Lutheran acknowledge that our church was formed on the ancestral homelands of the Wahpekute Band and other bands of the Dakota Nation. The Dakota were forcibly removed from their homelands. With God's help, we strive to repair ongoing injustices and grow toward right relationships with Indigenous people.

The weekly announcements, prayer concerns, and calendar of events are available in the Calvary E-Blast. Use the QR code to access the weekly email for this week or to sign up.



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# GATHER

## Gathering Song

### "Here I Am"



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.  
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.  
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.  
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

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Music: HERE I AM, LORD, Daniel L. Schutte  
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## Welcome

## Invocation

We gather in the name of God the Parent, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

## Kyrie

Leader or All

Se - ñor, ten pie - dad de no-so - tros. Cris - to, ten pie - dad.  
O Lord, have . . . mer-cy up-on us. Christ, have mer - cy.

All

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Leader or All

Se - ñor, ten pie - dad. Se - ñor, ten pie - dad.  
Have mer - cy, O Lord. Have mer - cy, O Lord.

## Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Let us share the sign of peace with one another.

## + Confession and Forgiveness

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Most merciful God,  
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. **Amen.**

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of **+** Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**Amen.**

#### **+ Prayer of the Day**

Let us pray. O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **WORD**

### **Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16**

You who live in the shelter of the Most High,  
who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,  
will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress;  
my God, in whom I trust."  
Because you have made the Lord your refuge,  
the Most High your dwelling place,

no evil shall befall you,  
    no scourge come near your tent.  
For God will command God's angels concerning you  
    to guard you in all your ways.  
On their hands they will bear you up,  
    so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.  
You will tread on the lion and the adder;  
    the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.  
Those who love me, I will deliver;  
    I will protect those who know my name.  
When they call to me, I will answer them;  
    I will be with them in trouble;  
    I will rescue them and honor them.  
With long life I will satisfy them  
    and show them my salvation.

### **John 13:31-35**

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

### **+ Scripture Reading**

### **1 Corinthians 13**

If I speak in the tongues of humans and of angels but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers and understand all mysteries and all knowledge and if I have all faith so as to remove mountains but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my

possessions and if I hand over my body so that I may boast but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable; it keeps no record of wrongs; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part, but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see only a reflection, as in a mirror, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love remain, these three, and the greatest of these is love.

Sermon

Pastor Jennifer Sung

+ Song of the Day

"Flowers"

*Verse 1*

Jesus, you're planting the kingdom of heaven  
In hearts that are weary and cold  
And somehow like magic the flowers keep spreading  
From foolhardy farmers of old  
And slowly the world turns  
From garden to garden  
Please soften the soil quick to harden  
Help us remember  
The wonder of daylight  
Please give us the courage to face the night

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*Chorus*

Let us bloom where love has died  
From ashes, roses divine  
May Your peace perfume the world  
From dead things, fragrance occur  
We'll make cracks where hate builds walls  
From prison, freedom for all  
Make our lives a sacrifice  
Of flowers, flowers like you making life

*Verse 2*

Only a savior would plant in a desert  
And places where nothing can live  
But dying is nothing when death is made nothing  
And love can't be greater than this  
What higher example  
Could we hope to follow  
To even in death find our calling  
And not just in death but in life everlasting  
In heavenly sunlight we'll dance and sing

*Bridge*

Ufalme wako urike utakalo (Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done)  
Lifanyike duniani kama mbinguni (On earth as it is in heaven)  
Amina (Amen)

+ Profession of Faith

*From the United Church of Canada*

We are not alone,  
we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus,  
the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others  
by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

to celebrate God's presence,  
to live with respect in Creation,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

## + Prayers of the People

Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the church, God's good creation, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence. Each prayer petition will end with singing :*



O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: when I call, an - swer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer: come and lis - ten to me.

*The prayers conclude:*

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

**Amen.**

## + Offering Prayer

Let us pray. God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## MEAL

## + Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**+ Words of Institution**

**+ Prayer Jesus Taught us**

Our Mother/Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.

**+ Welcome to the Table**

The bread is broken, the wine is poured and all are welcome to this table of grace.

**Holy Communion Distribution**

**Communion Song**

**“Eat This Bread”**

The musical score for "Eat This Bread" is presented in two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. The key signature is G major (one sharp). The tempo is marked as "Refrain". The lyrics are as follows:

“Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev-er be hun-gry.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.”

## + Communion Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's Grace

**Amen**

## SENDING

### Announcements

## + Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you

The Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

In the name of God the parent, ✕ Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## + Sending Song

“Send Me, Jesus”

The musical score consists of two staves of music. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. The lyrics are as follows:

1 *Thu - ma mi - na, thu - ma mi - na, thu - ma mi - na, Nko - si yam.*  
2 *Ndi - ya vu - ma, ndi - ya vu - ma, ndi - ya vu - ma, Nko - si yam.*  
1 *Send me, Je - sus; send me, Je - sus; send me, Je - sus; send me, Lord.*  
2 *I am will-ing; I am will-ing; I am will-ing, will - ing, Lord.*

After the lyrics, the music continues with a final line:

*Thu - ma mi - na.  
Send me, Je - sus.*

Text: South African

Music: THUMA MINA, NKOSI YAM, South African

## + Sending

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

**Thanks be to God.**

WORSHIP LEADERS		
Week of	March 9	March 16
Preaching/Presiding	Pastor Jenny Sung	Pastor Jenny Sung
Assisting Minister		Felecia Boone
Lector	Josh Moberg	Linda Mundt
Usher	McCarthy family	Moberg family
Sacristan	Michael Luedtke	Linda Mundt
Livestream	Mark Smith	Jaim Zuber
Musician	Ben Larson	Ben Larson
Coffee Hour	Pat Olson, Michael Luedtke	Susan Olsen & Mark Smith

### THIS WEEK AT CALVARY

#### Sunday, March 9

10:00 a.m. Worship  
11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

#### Wednesday, March 12

5:30 p.m. Soup Supper  
6:15 p.m. Lent Worship

#### Sunday, March 16

10:00 a.m. Worship  
11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour

*We invite you to financially support the ministry of Calvary Lutheran Church, out of your heart and love for God. You can give online by scanning this QR code.*



**Bulletin Cover Art: "Jesus mural of Faith, Hope, Love, and Peace."** This mural places Jesus centerstage with arms outstretched, welcoming all people to him. Incorporated into the figure of Jesus is a mosaic quality that undoubtedly represents his multifaceted nature as well as the ability for all peoples to claim him as their own. Surrounding him is a diverse group holding hands in unity. One of the scripture passages listed for this image gives us the second greatest commandment: "to love one's neighbor as oneself." In loving one another, we stimulate peace, faith, and hope for the war-torn and unjust world in which we live. This painting reminds us that it is in our love for one another—a love that seeks equality and justice for all—that we show true, deep, and abiding love for God as well. Jesus

Mural of Faith, Hope, Love, and Peace, from **Art in the Christian Tradition**, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. Original source: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/36847973@N00/3342340183> - CC BY 2.0.

## In Our Prayers

- for those who live alone and are separated from their family and friends
- for all who live in fear at this time: immigrants, the disabled/differently-abled, the LGBTQ community, Muslims, Latinos, those working on eco-justice and climate change, the poor and vulnerable, Blacks & African Americans
- for the people of our sister synods, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Nigeria, and the Lutheran Church in Leipzig
- for those in our community celebrating birthdays, including Judi Linder (3/11), Quincy Aust (3/12), Karen Rudrud (3/13)
- for those in our community celebrating their anniversary
- for family and friends we know who are recovering from surgery, ill or grieving, for their families and caregivers:
  - Lyle Jaeger, for recovery and healing as he recuperates at home after a maxillofacial surgery to remove possible cancerous tissues in his mouth, and for the best possible outcome in testing and follow-up of the biopsy results.
  - Sherri Boehlke (Carolyn Youngbauer's mother) who had knee replacement surgery, and for the family members caring for her
  - Joanne, Jeremy, and Sarah Shepherd, and all the family & friends of Judi Plisch (Joanne's sister, who has passed away)
  - Larry Van Meter (father of Chris) as he moved into a senior personal care placement in Louisville
  - Joan Smith (mom to Heidi and Kjell, grandma to Eleanor and Iris) - for peace, calm, and comfort as she is in hospice care with dementia
  - Linda Mundt - dealing with memory loss issues
  - Nancy Lee Nelson (recovering from hip fractures and a pelvis fracture)
  - Henrietta Williams (requests prayers for her strength & endurance)
  - Bonnie Rae (Good Samaritan Home, New Hope)
  - George Robson (as he recovers from a stroke)

*If you wish to add or remove a prayer request,  
please email: [pastorjennifer@clchurch.org](mailto:pastorjennifer@clchurch.org)*



## ***March FoodShare Campaign is Calvary Food Shelf's main fundraising month of the year!***

Calvary Lutheran Church Minneapolis Food Shelf continues to serve our neighborhood and community in Minneapolis and beyond. While life is returning to "normal" for some, chronic food insecurity remains for many. Food prices are rising out of reach, EBT/SNAP benefits are being cut to pre-COVID levels, new families from our Calvary and Belfry community and from abroad are finding themselves dealing with food insecurity, and Calvary Food Shelf numbers continue to remain high. Calvary congregation has identified our Food Shelf as one of its missional priorities!

*SO... We are fundraising for SUSTAINABILITY!*

March Food Share Campaign is Calvary Food Shelf's main fundraising month of the year! So do *what you can to help Calvary support neighbors still dealing with food insecurity by:*

- DONATING \$\$:
  - directly to Calvary Food Shelf through Calvary's website:  
<https://www.clchurch.org/food-shelf>
  - by check made out to Calvary Lutheran Church, PO Box 7038, Mpls MN 55407 with March FoodShare Campaign in the memo line.
- SHARING the campaign with friends, circles, and family on social media, email, signs, or word of mouth.
- ORGANIZING a food drive at your school, job, or building for Calvary Food Shelf. (List of most needed items appears on the next page)
- VOLUNTEERING once or twice a month at the Calvary Food Shelf. Sign up online by using this QR code, or call 612-285-3876.



 **WRITE / EMAIL** your legislator through Calvary's Bread for the World Letter-Writing Campaign by using this QR code. Protect and Strengthen Child Nutrition Programs. Ask your senators and representatives to fully fund and strengthen the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) and provide robust funding for global nutrition programs.

*—Your Friends and Neighbors at Calvary Lutheran Church of Minneapolis*



## Calvary Food Shelf Donation WISH LIST

\*\* = food

- VOLUNTEERS - Volunteer Outreach, Community Outreach, Scheduling, Delivery Intake, Shopping Support
  - \*\*White long grain rice (1-2 pound bags)
  - \*\*Cooking oil (24 - 48 oz. Vegetable or olive oil)
  - \*\*Packaged proteins (canned meat, dried lentils or yellow peas, and peanut butter)
  - \*\*Oatmeal, pasta, pancake mix
  - \*\*Spices (salt, cumin, & garlic powder)
  - \*\*Alternative boxed milks & Gluten-free options
- Clean Paper bags with handles INTACT and re-usable, cloth totes.
- NO egg cartons right now.
- Ziplocs -quart and gallon-sized
- Paper towels and plastic spoons
- Clear (&clean) plastic shoe-sized tubs/boxes.
- Magnet clips or hooks.

Contact Melissa 612-285-3876 with questions or to arrange a donation drop-off at 3901 Chicago Ave.

