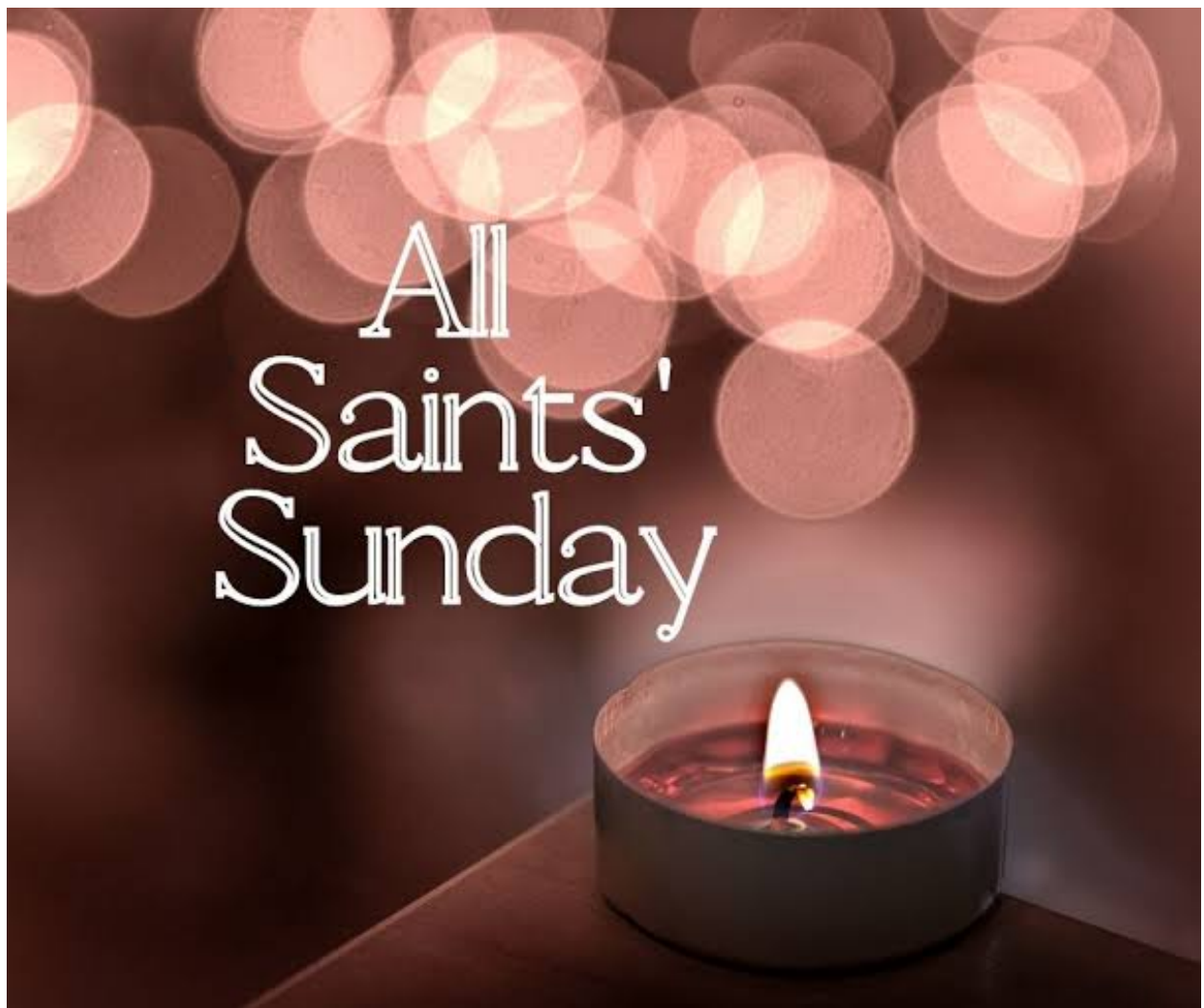




Sunday November 1, 2026
Calvary Lutheran Church
Minneapolis, MN

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 relationship with Indigenous people.

Scan for more information about Calvary Lutheran Church!

Scan QR code for weekly events and connect to our weekly E-blast for more information about Calvary, and ways to get involved!



**Scan to give to the ministry of
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We invite you to financially support the ministry of Calvary Lutheran Church. You can give online by scanning this QR code. Thank you for the ways you keep this ministry going!



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Gather

Gathering Song - How Can I Keep From Singing

Vs 1

My life flows on in endless song
Above earth's lamentation
I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn
That hails a new creation

Vs 2

Through all the tumult and the strife
I hear that music ringing
It finds an echo in my soul
How can I keep from singing?

Chorus

No storm can shake my inmost calm
While to that Rock I'm clinging
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth
How can I keep from singing? Karen

Vs 3

What though my joys and comforts die?
I know my Savior liveth
What though the darkness gather round?
Songs in the night He giveth

Bridge

Raise your voices if you hear
The heavenly symphony of the spheres

Vs 4

The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart
A fountain ever springing
All things are mine since I am God's
How can I keep from singing?

Welcome

Invocation

We gather in the name of God the parent Jesus the Son and the Holy Spirit

Amen

Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always

And also with you

Let us share a sign of peace with one another

Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity,

✠ one God,

who creates, redeems, and sustains us
and all of creation.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of word and sacrament in the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your

sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Invitation to be seated

Word

Revelations 7:9-17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!”

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” I said to him, “Sir, you are the one who knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God
and worship the Lord day and night within God's temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
They will hunger no more and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat,
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Psalm 34:1-10, 22

I will bless the Lord at all times;
God's praise shall continually be in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast in the Lord;
let the humble hear and be glad.
O magnify the Lord with me,
and let us exalt God's name together.
I sought the Lord, and God answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.
Look to the Lord, and be radiant,
so your faces shall never be ashamed.
This poor soul cried and was heard by the Lord
and was saved from every trouble.
The angel of the Lord encamps
around those who fear God and delivers them.
O taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are those who take refuge in the Lord.
O fear the Lord, you God's holy ones,
for those who fear the Lord have no want.
The young lions suffer want and hunger,
but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

Invitation to rise.

Gospel Acclamation

Halle, halle, hallelujah
Halle, halle, hallelujah

Halle, halle, hallelujah
Hallelujah, hallelujah

Holy Scripture

Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Invitation to be seated.

Sermon

Pastor Jennifer Sung

Song of the Day - When The Poor Ones

Vs 1

Cuando el pobre nada tiene y aún reparte

Cuando alguien pasa sed y agua nos da

Cuando el débil a su hermano fortalece

Va Dios mismo en nuestro mismo caminar

Va Dios mismo en nuestro mismo caminar

Vs 2

When the poor ones, who have nothing, still are giving

When the thirsty pass the cup, water to share

When the wounded offer others strength and healing

Refrain

We see God, here by our side, walking our way

We see God, here by our side, walking our way

Vs 3

When compassion gives the suffer'ing consolation

When expecting brings to birth hope that was lost

When we choose love, not the hatred all around us

Vs 4

When our spirits, like a chalice, brim with gladness

When our voices, full and clear, sing out the truth

When our longings, free from envy, seek the humble

Vs 5

When the goodness poured from heaven fills our dwellings

When the nations work to change war into peace

When the stranger is accepted as our neighbor

Invitation to rise.

Profession of Faith

**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, "Lord in your mercy," and the congregation will sing,

The prayers conclude:

**"Open my heart
Open my heart
Open my heart
Open my heart"**

We lift up the saints who have gone before us

Lynny Duncan

Sally Burrell (sister-in-law's sister)

Kohen Whiley

Nolan Wells

Nicole Good

Alex Pretti

Larry and Sara Van Meter

Laura Van Meter McElroy

Augusto Chavez Perez

Maria Vilma Arizabal Villafuerte

Eric Paulsrud

Mabel Toleu

Symon Ruben

Todd Endo (Scott's dad)

Bruce Pagel (Angie's dad)
Chuck Wally (Angie's uncle)
Karen Clark

Confident that the Holy Spirit receives our prayers and answers us, we commend all for whom we pray, to God's loving-kindness made known to us in Christ Jesus our Savior. **Amen.**

Invitation to be seated.

Offering

Offertory Prayer

Let us pray.

God of abundance, you fill our lives with good things and call us into community. Stir in us a deep gratitude for these gifts. Root us in our vocation to be the church, in service to our neighbors. Weave us together as your people, with the presence, talents, and treasures we offer, that we may embody your love and justice in the world.

Amen

Invitation to rise.

Meal

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We life 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 Parent 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 - Soon And Very Soon

Communion Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen**

Sending

Invitation to be seated.

Announcements & Prayer Requests

Invitation to rise.

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 - Here I Am

Vs 1

I, the Lord of sea and sky

I have heard My people cry
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night
I will make their darkness bright
Who will bear My light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Chorus

Here I am, Lord; It is I, Lord
I have heard You calling in the night
I will go, Lord, if You lead me
I will hold Your people in my heart

Vs 2

I, the Lord of snow and rain
I have borne My people's pain
I have wept for love of them
They turn away
I will break their hearts of stone
Give them hearts for love alone
I will speak My Word to them
Whom shall I send?

Vs 3

I, the Lord of wind and flame
I will tend the poor and lame
I will set a feast for them
My hand will save
Finest bread I will provide
Till their hearts be satisfied
I will give My life to them
Whom shall I send?

Sending

Go in peace and Serve the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

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Worship Leaders

Week of	November 1	November 8
Presiding and Preaching	Pastor Jenny Sung	Pastor Jenny Sung
Assisting Minister	Shari Seifert	Felecia Boone
Lector	Sam Robson	Susan Olsen
Usher	Pat Olson	Mobergs
Sacristan	Linda Mundt	Linda Mundt
Livestream	Connor Swearingin	Sarah Shepherd
Musician	Ben Larson	Ben Larson
Coffee Hour	Ferris's	Deb Paulsrud
Church Set-up	Ferris's	Mobergs

This Week at Calvary

Sunday, November 1

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

Monday, November 2

6:00 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting

Wednesday, November 4

9:00 a.m. Sanctuary open for prayer and pastoral care
 5:00 p.m. Community Potluck

6:30 p.m.

Contemplative Prayer Service

Announcements!

Post Election Prayer Service and Open Sanctuary!

Whatever we carry into the days after the election, grief, gratitude, fear, hope, anger, or uncertainty, we are all invited to bring it to community.

Join us at Calvary Lutheran Church at 39th and Chicago on Wednesday, November 4th. From 9-5 the sanctuary will be open for prayer and pastoral support. Come light a candle or contribute to our community art project! Starting at 5 pm we invite you to a community potluck for an evening of gathering around prayer, food, and reflection. At 6:15 we will gather in prayer to lament what weighs on our hearts, give thanks for what sustains us, pray for our neighbors and our nation, and remember that we do not walk this road alone.

Come as you are. Bring your questions, your worries, your hopes, and your whole self. There is room for all of it here.

9 - 5 PM - Sanctuary Open for prayer and pastoral/Community care

5:00 PM - Community Potluck

6:15 PM - Prayer Service Around the Cross

In a time of uncertainty, may we find comfort in one another, courage in our faith, and hope in the love of Christ. All are welcome.

Rudrud Open House Food Shelf Fundraiser

Friday, November 20 from 5:30–8:00 p.m.

1201 Yale Place, Minneapolis, MN 55403

Our neighbors are still counting on us. This year the food shelf has distributed over 600,000 pounds of food, and in September we served 3,975 neighbors. Join hosts Don and Karen Rudrud for hearty appetizers and desserts by Pat Olson, a silent auction, and great company, and help us raise \$45,000.

- Suggested donation of \$25
- RSVP here: www.pp.events/food-shelf

Other Ways to Support

Contribute to the Silent Auction

Donate items or offer your time and talent: host a dinner party, wine tasting, game night, or other gathering. Contact Pastor Jenny at pastorjennifer@clchurch.org to donate. Items must be delivered to the Church by Wednesday, 11/18.

Give and Share Online

Support our online fundraiser and share it with your friends and family:
<https://www.givemn.org/organization/Calvary-Food-Shelf>

Invitation to Submit Stories for Pat's Cook Book!

Good news! There's a new book project underway...

This book will be a way for younger generations and other congregations to more deeply experience church as a place for food, justice & community. Recipes and perspectives from church elder, Pat Olson, will combine with Calvary Lutheran Church's stories of change over time. This cookbook will offer inspiration, healing, love and light...along with recipes for tastable treats! Please consider submitting a story to the project by December 1, 2026. Here's how:



- 1) Use [this link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe-vhFdMQBAnhUJJq-No19e19VFm0QGE_qll_do4lkfSNjNGQ/viewform) to connect to the form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe-vhFdMQBAnhUJJq-No19e19VFm0QGE_qll_do4lkfSNjNGQ/viewform
- 2) Use the digital form to share your story about Pat's food ministry by typing out that story or requesting a visit with a writer that can record your story,
- 3) Submit the form with the press of a button.

Note: the project team will work to include as many stories as possible, but not all may work. Thank you for considering sharing your ideas about Pat's ministry through food, justice and community with Calvary.

Stewardship Brunch!

Sunday November 8th after worship we will gather around a meal catered by our very own Pat Olson! We will have holy conversation, support each

other in our journey of generosity and share more about our mission priorities for the year to come.

Come with an open spirit and any questions you may have. This is always such a beautiful way. of being community together and learning more about the ministry here at Calvary!



Congregation Members have been asking for updates on the offering budget so we will be including this information in our weekly bulletin and e-blast. Included in each update will be the monthly update from the previous month.

For September 30:

Offerings to Date: \$103,447

Budgeted Offerings to Date: \$113,625

We will also include weekly updates from our generosity stewardship campaign. This week we sent out the mailing via snail mail about the generosity campaign and our goal for 2026! If you did not receive this information or have questions let Pastor Jenny know and she will make sure you are looped in!

Only God knows everything the next year will hold, but we know a few things already:

- We know most Sundays there are more people worshipping with us online as in-person, but the video stream can be glitchy and inconsistent. We want to add contract staff hours and a better video switchboard to make our online worship more dependable.

- We know that the costs of health care benefits are going up significantly for church staff across the ELCA—including our beloved pastor and her family. We want to take care of our staff who care for us, lead us in worship, and cultivate our shared mission and ministry.
- We know that whatever may come in 2027, we will show up for each other and for our community with the love and welcome we have received by God's grace.

To strengthen our online worship, support our staff, and continue all the ways we are “in this city for good” we will need to grow our offerings by \$22,000. That's a big amount for a church like ours, but thanks to early gift commitments from church leadership we are already over halfway to this goal!

Goal: \$22,000

Raised: \$12,996

A huge THANK YOU to our leadership for the ways they have committed to this goal. We invite you to prayerfully consider what feels faithful for you and your family. Please submit your commitment cards in the offering plate during worship or mail it back to us at:

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PO Box 7038
Minneapolis, MN 55407

One of the things we love about the commitment cards, and the theology of giving is that it is not just about financial giving. You are apart of this community! Your presence, energy, and voice is what makes us better and whole. Thank you for the ways you faithfully serve, participate, and support this community. We see you and are beyond grateful for you!

In Our Prayers

- ♦ 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, Black & African Americans.

- ✦ The people of our sister synods, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Nigeria, and the Lutheran Church in Leipzig.
- ✦ Those who are celebrating birthdays this week including George Robson (11/7)!
- ✦ Those in our community celebrating anniversaries this week!
- ✦ Prayers for Tito Arizabal and his sisters, as they mourn the death of his mother, Vilma Arizabal, who joined the saints September 25.
- ✦ Prayers for Angie Endo and family including Jan Wally (Angie's Endo's Aunt) grieving the loss of her husband Chuck.
- ✦ Prayers for Cynthia Zuber's mom, Myrna, who was diagnosed with Stage 3b cancer.
- ✦ Prayers for Joanne Shepherd as she recovers from hand surgery. Prayers for a full recovery. She encourages calls or visits and some help if available for some basic needs.
- ✦ For family and friends we know who are recovering from surgery, ill or grieving, for their families and caregivers.
- ✦ Prayers for Henrietta and her daughter, Nicole. She would like prayers of healing and strength for Nicole, herself, and Chandler.
- ✦ Please keep George Robson in your prayers as he continues to struggle with living his life with the ups and downs of his dealing with the frustrations of his stroke.
- ✦ Healing prayers for Nancy Lee Nelson as she recovers from a fractured sternum.
- ✦ Prayers of healing for Nancy Nelson's Friend's daughter Jenny. She is currently in the hospital (in California) with sepsis.

- ✦ Prayers for Cynthia Zuber for her healing after receiving a new diagnosis that could require up to a year of bedrest to rehabilitate and several more years to stabilize and find true healing. Prayers for Jaim as he supports her and takes on a heavier load around the home the next 6-12 months.
- ✦ Prayers for Ruth Roggenbuck (sister-in-law of Gary Thorn and Lyle Jaeger) as she continues newly developed treatment to fight aggressive cancer in her body.
- ✦ Prayers for Ellie, Jen, and family. Ellie is the daughter of one of Angie Endo's college roommates, Jen. Ellie is 27 and was recently diagnosed with stage 3C breast cancer. Please hold them tightly as she begins 6 months of Chemo.
- ✦ Prayers for our trans relatives and friends who need additional love at this time as hatred and fear targets them.
- ✦ Linda Mundt- dealing with memory loss issues.

**If you wish to add or remove a prayer request, please
email pastorjennifer@clchurch.org**