

# CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## AUGUST 2023 NEWSLETTER

*Hello*   
**AUGUST**

# Pastor's Ponderings

The desert is an unforgiving place. The desert is stark and barren and plain and simple. There is no complexity in the desert. Life is teeming in the desert even though we Ohioans might not think that anything could live there. Phoenix is located in a valley between two small mountain ranges. Life is abundant in that valley. All sorts of people live there. Rich people with large, beautiful, air-conditioned homes. Middle class people who struggle in the heat to provide for their families. Poor and homeless people also live there struggling in the desert to survive. My visit there was stunning. There are no trees to hide behind in Phoenix. The reality of life hits you in the face like a blast of air so hot, it must come from the lower places of the earth. The stark differences between the rich and the poor are as stark as the landscape. I have never been to a place more real than Phoenix.

As I listened to the stories of the indigenous people whose land was taken from them. I learned that Christianity was forced upon them; I was amazed at the grace they showed to us visitors. I listened and prayed. God is truly loving and graced filled. The forgiveness we stand in for the sins we have committed is truly awesome. Grace abounds in this broken world, like rocks in the desert.

The culmination of the week for me was the closing worship service. The pastor said the words of institution in Spanish. I do not speak Spanish, but I understood the words. "In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord and Savior Jesus took bread and after giving thanks he broke and gave it to his disciples and said take and eat this is my body given for you, do this in remembrance of me." "After Supper He took the cup and said this is my blood

which is shed for you and all people. Drink you all from this in remembrance of me.”

“Body, blood, remember Me,” these are words I think sometimes we take for granted, at least I do. The desert kindled in me an even deeper understanding of what we do when we approach the Lords Table. Christ joins us to Himself, each other, and to the world. The poor, the outcast and loner, the least desirable of society are joined to us as brothers and sisters. The rich and famous, the celebrated and much loved also are joined to us. Together we make up God’s Family. This family is broken and hurting and many of us are angry because we are afraid. Yet this meal of Life, the very bread of Heaven comes into our reality and claims us with the radical notion that we are all the same. We are God’s chosen, all of us in the meal of bread and wine and love.

I want to encourage all of us to get back to basics. Prayer, communion, study. More prayer and then more study. The Word of God is also a place where we can dwell with the cool water of God’s Love. God has placed us in this place at this time for a reason, and I think that reason is to be His light in a broken and hurting world. Remember; “Blood, Body.” I am so proud to be your pastor.

Peace,

Pastor Bob



## **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 CALVARYLUTHERANNORTHWOOD 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.

## **Morning Coffee**

Join Pastor Bob daily  
Monday thru Friday at 10:30  
a.m. on Facebook.





## *CAROL JEFFRIES MEMORIAL DONATIONS*

*Brad & Michelle Timbrook  
Charles & Betty Hyre  
Ester Bell & Cynthia Cluckey  
Kathleen Henline  
Madonna & Clifford Bury  
Dana & Susan Busdeker  
Maryann Egert  
Barry & Ann Ramlow  
Terrance Masserant  
Dolores Mutchler  
Charleen Hoot  
Dolores Herbert  
Larry & Sue Henderson  
Gary & Joanne Henningsen  
Carol Corl  
Denny & MaryLou Fairchild, Joy &  
Family & Scott & Emily  
Jim & Cheryl Hicks  
Wendy & George Kimble  
James Croak  
John Jenkins  
Doug & Shell  
Larry & Shirley Loy  
David & Barbara Sanders  
Carol Crosser  
Sandra Bohland  
Gwen Neundorfer  
Bettie Crawford  
Martha Thornberry  
Larry & Betty Pool  
Mary Jane Joehlin  
John & Lois Keil  
Sandra Miller*



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Dear Friends at Calvary Lutheran Church;

We all love a celebration, whether it be a graduation, wedding, birthday party or at this time of the year, the 4<sup>th</sup> of July! Take a minute to think about the planning of such occasions, the things that make it comfortable, fun and inviting for your guests. What if a celebration was the last thing on your mind? What if the first and foremost was, "What am I going to eat next" or "What will I feed my children?" or "Where is my family going to sleep tonight?", or "How can I get through this grief?"

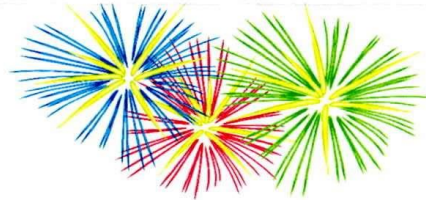
At Lutheran Social Services we hear these questions every day, which is why we are so thankful for donors like you! Thank you for your gift of \$250, received on 7/5/2023 and serving Point Place Community Relief in honor of Rev. Robert S. Noble's 15th Anniversary of Ordination. With each donation you are helping a child, a family or a senior citizen get one step closer to a more sustainable life. We couldn't do this work without you!

We all enjoy a wonderful celebration, today let us celebrate your generosity!

Thank you,

*Traci Thank you!*

Tracia Jaksetic  
Vice President



"Per I.R.S. reporting requirements: LSS has provided no goods or services, in whole or part, in consideration for the above referenced donation."



ACCREDITED

Mental Health Facility, Ohio Mental Health & Addiction Services  
Intersynodically Approved by ELCA, LC-MS



Here's is a letter sent, on behalf of Calvary Lutheran and Christ Lutheran to all that generously gave toward the disaster relief in East Palestine, Ohio. As the letter states over \$10,000 was raised!!

## **Calvary and Christ Lutheran Churches Working Together for the Glory of God**

June 21, 2023

*Jesus said, "let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" (John 7: 37b-38 NRSV)*

Dear Friends in Christ,

Thank you does not seem to be enough. However, I will try my best to convey the thanks that I have in my heart for each and everyone of you. Through your generosity we have sent well over \$10,000 to the people of East Palestine, Ohio. That money has been sent to the First Church of God in that city. That congregation has been acting as the staging area for relief efforts for the residents of East Palestine. All monies collected and sent have been used to purchase water for the residents.

Jesus teaches us to care for the afflicted and care for the stranger in our midst. You heard the Call of God and helped us send flowing rivers of Living Water to a people who feel forgotten by the world. You do not know who they are, yet with your heart you answered God. Thank you again and please know if I can ever be of service to you, I stand ready to help in any way I can.

Peace,

***Pastor Bob***

Pastor Robert S. Noble

Calvary and Christ Lutheran Congregations

North Central Conference, NWOS, ELCA



### Flower Chart

The 2023 Flower Chart is on the wall in the narthex across from the office. The cost of the flowers is now \$30.00. Flowers are put on the altar for the Glory of God



### Altar Care-

We continue looking for volunteers to help with Altar Care! Basic weekly duties are changing paraments as needed, set-up communion and clean up after service. Please let Paula know if you can help. Her phone number is 419-320-0514.



## 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!!**

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board across from the office for anyone interested in Assisting the Pastor, Reading lessons or Greeting friends & guests on Sunday mornings.

Please contact Clione Schneider if you have any questions.



## **REMEMBER OUR HOME BOUND**

- Eleanor Sheronick, 3445 Fleitz Road, Oregon, OH 43616
- Lloyd (Jim) Schneider, Ohio Veterans Home, 3416 Columbus Avenue, Sandusky, OH 44870
- Marlene Fouty-Ehram, 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
- Mike Toneff, Browning Center, 8883 Browning Dr., Waterville, OH 43566

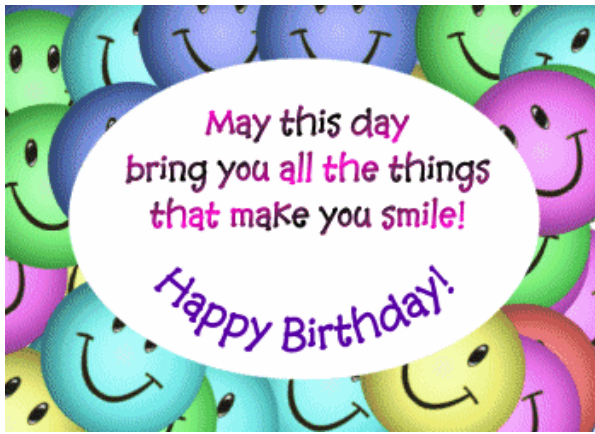


### In our Prayers

Jill Cousino, Bob Joehlin, Marlene Ehram, 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, Chris Poling, Duane Ralston, Shirley Loy, Paul Goodman and Angie Mazey Noesen.

**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.





### August Birthday's

Stephanie Jenkins	8/4
Clione Schneider	8/7
Dodie Bruns	8/8
Cherri Shepard	8/10
Sandy Murray	8/18
Ann Ramlow	8/18
Gina Susor	8/28
AJ D'Amore	8/18
Pastor Bob	8/31



Jim & Cheryl Hicks

August 23<sup>rd</sup> 43 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!

## Council notes:

**The July council meeting was cancelled, The June meeting minutes and finances will be included in the August meeting.**

# August 2023



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Office open 10:00-1:00 Quilters 10:00 Coffee with Tom Susor and Pastor 10:30	2 Coffee with Pastor 10:30	3 Office open 10:00-1:00 Coffee with Pastor 10:30	4	5
6 Fellowship 10:30 Service 11:00	7 Coffee with Pastor 10:30	8 Office open 10:00-1:00 Coffee with Tom Susor and Pastor 10:30	Coffee with Pastor 10:30	10 Office open 10:00-1:00 Coffee with Pastor 10:30	11	12 Scrapbooking and Card Club 11:00-4:00
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20 Fellowship 10:30 Service 11:00	21 Coffee with Pastor 10:30 Council Meeting 7:00	22 Office open 10:00-1:00 Coffee with Tom Susor and Pastor 10:30	Coffee with Pastor 10:30	24 Office open 10:00-1:00 Coffee with Pastor 10:30	25	26
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