

Calvary Comment

Calvary Lutheran Church San Angelo, Texas



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From the Pastor

On Ash Wednesday (February 22) we will once again receive the sign of the Cross in ashes on our foreheads and we will remember that we are dust and to dust we shall return. As Christians, during Lent we remember that God created us, but as sure as we are born, we will one day die. On Ash Wednesday we begin our yearly journey to Jerusalem with Jesus, as He travels the road to His death.

This year our Mid-Week Lenten themes will be as follows.

Week One:

Adam: Created in God's Image.

Week Two:

Eve: Partner in Crime

Week Three:

Satan: The Serpent of Deception

Week Four:

Cain & Abel: The Mark of Cain

Week Five:

The Nephilim:
Tall & Hairy Creatures.

Come and join us as we talk about some of the early characters of creation and hear again how God commenced His Redeeming Activity in this world.

But before we start our Lenten journey, please remember that February 14 is Valentine's Day. And in anticipation of Valentine's Day, I googled "Roses are Red, Violets are Blue" and here are some of the poems that popped up.

*Roses are red, violets are blue,
I washed all of the dishes because
I love you.*

*Roses are red, violets are blue,
life is the sweetest because I met you!*

*Roses are red, violets are blue, I'll never
forget the day I fell in love with you.*

*Roses are red, violets are blue, I just
want you to know I think the world
of you!*

*Roses are red, violets are blue, You
don't always smell good
but I still love you!*

Pastor Paul



Worship

Bee Rose
Team Leader



Is everyone getting stuff together for your garden?
We're getting close to planting season. Yea!

Speaking of planting season (March) we are also getting ready for picking hymns pretty soon. Please let me know if you would be interested. Marie has already volunteered (thank you), but it is much better with four.

Thoughts to ponder: Love Your Neighbor

Read Luke 10:25–37

For decades, Mister Rogers' Neighborhood was a place children wanted to be. Everything was peaceful, and everyone was friendly. While it may always be a beautiful day in Mister Rogers' Neighborhood, we all don't live in his neck of the woods. In the real world we live in, our neighbors can annoy us, avoid us, or even appall us. Why does God want us to love those people?

After a studious lawyer discussed eternal life with Jesus, he received a lesson in Neighboring 101. In one of the most well-known stories of the Bible, Jesus answered the question, "Who is my neighbor?" Jesus told the story of a man who was violently assaulted on his way to Jericho. Two individuals passed by, a priest and a Levite, both people you would expect to help (vv. 31–32). But, because of their personal religious practices, they did not want to associate or touch an "unclean" person.

Jesus' listeners probably gasped when He said it was a Samaritan who helped the man (v. 33). The Samaritan's actions were selfless, sympathetic, and sacrificial (vv. 34–35). Jesus then asked, "Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?" (v. 36). You can almost imagine the change in the lawyer's tone of voice when he answered, "The one who had mercy on him" (v. 37).

Jesus says we are to "go and do likewise," (v. 37). But what exactly are we supposed to do? And maybe more importantly, who is our neighbor? The answer is quite simple: Your neighbor is anyone whose need you see and whose need you can meet.

Today, look for ways that you can be a good neighbor and show others the love of Jesus. Be observant and mindful of the needs of the people whose paths you cross today. If there is a way you can meet that need, don't hesitate to act.

Pray with Us

We have all been recipients of timely, compassionate help. We have seen how often You provide through people who know You and delight in generous giving. Grow in us a servant's heart like that.

From Today in the Word daily devotionals

Now, back to the bible questions:

1. Who was Timothy's grandmother?
A. Eunice B. Merab C. Lois D. Elizabeth
2. Who is called Reuel in Exodus 2:18 and Hobab in Numbers 10:29?
A. Ishmael B. Hazekiel C. Reuben D. Jethro
3. Who was taken up to heaven in a chariot of fire?
A. Elijah B. Daniel C. Sisera D. Nathan

See answers on p. 5.





Fellowship

*Dorothy St. Germain
Team Leader*



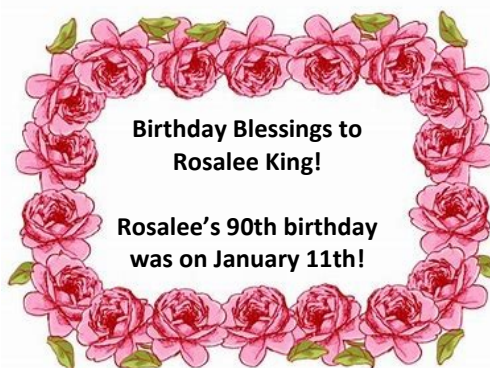
As we celebrate Consecration Sunday on Feb. 5th, we remember God has truly shown us his grace and mercy through his son, Jesus. All that we have is given to us because of his great love for us. As we share the love, time, talents, possessions he has provided, we thank and praise him...we are his witnesses.

As Valentine's Day approaches think of our shut ins, friends, family, church members, and strangers that might appreciate a thoughtful card, call, visit, or email. Joy is found in thinking of others. Please mail cards to shut-in and absent church members so the cards will be received. Sometimes the cards languish in the church mail box. Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

May God bless you. Dorothy



Calvary Lutheran Church is signed up on **February 8th** to provide a meal to the students that attend the United Campus Ministries (UCM) "Food 4 Thought" meal on the ASU campus. If you would like to be involved in this ministry, please contact Joyce O'Connell or Ann Helm.





Everyone is invited to celebrate
Helen Brandenberger's
99th Birthday
Saturday, Feb. 4th from 2-4 pm
At the Rio Concho Terrace Dining Hall
304 Rio Concho Dr.



Sunday, February 5, 2023 is our congregation's Consecration Sunday. Join us for the 10:00 Worship Service and the Celebration Catered Luncheon following worship. We hope to see you there!

Worship Assistants, Flowers & Altar Guild You are welcome to sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex, call the office or contact Bee Rose.						
DATE	Greeter	AM	Reader	Technology	Flowers	Altar Guild
Feb 5	Jo McCormick	Joyce O'Connell	Phyllis Zwarich	John Ulrich	Bob & Valerie Bluthardt	Jo McCormick
Feb 12			Bee Rose			
Feb 19	Jo McCormick				Marie Williams	
Feb 26						



We love Calvary!

Answers to bible quiz on p. 2:

1. C. Lois. Timothy was inspired and influenced by the "unfeigned faith" of his grandmother, Lois, and his mother, Eunice. See 2 Timothy 1:5

2. D. Jethro. Moses' father-in-law, Jethro, had other names. In Exodus, he is initially referred to as Reuel (2:16-18), priest of Midian and father of seven daughters, but then as Jethro (3:1). In Numbers 10:29, the same man is called "Hobab, the son of Raguel the Midianite." See Exodus 2:16-21, 3:1, 4:18; Numbers 10:29; and Judges 4:11.

3. A. Elijah. See 2 Kings 2:11.



2/14/1998

Adam & Kristy Scott

2/14/1998

Pedro & Daisy Montanez

2/26/1983

Terry & Arline Zak



08 Helen Brandenberger

13 Camden Sanford

16 Jane Cocuzzi

17 Andrea Sanford

22 Larry Ross

26 Atre Allen

26 Linda Ortegon

**Walk in
love**

Ephesians 5:2

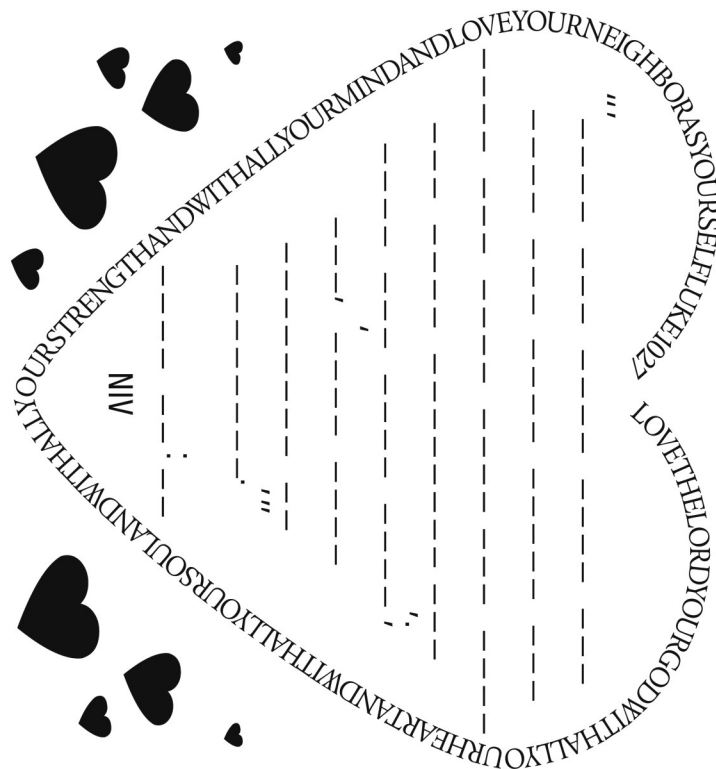


FEBRUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Women's Bible Study 6:30pm	2 AA group 5:30pm	3 AA group 5:30pm	4 Pastor-synod Council mtg
5 8:45am Adult bible study & Sunday School 10am Worship Service 5 Epiphany Consecration Sunday Meal following service	6 AA group 5:30pm Pastor's Day Off	7 AA group 5:30pm Pastor's Bible Study 6:45pm	8 Women's Bible Study 6:30pm ASU UCM Meal 10-2	9 AA group 5:30pm	10 AA group 5:30pm	11 Men's Breakfast Bible study
12 8:45am Adult bible study & Sunday School 10am Worship Service 6 Epiphany	13 AA group 5:30pm Pastor's Day Off	14 AA group 5:30pm Valentine's Day No Bible Study!!	15 Women's Bible Study 6:30pm	16 AA group 5:30pm Council 6:45pm	17 AA group 5:30pm Soup Kitchen 9:30-1	18
19 8:45am Adult bible study & Sunday School 10am Worship Service Transfiguration of Our Lord	20 AA group 5:30pm President's Day Pastor's Day Off Newsletter deadline	21 AA group 5:30pm Pastor's Bible Study 6:45pm	22 Ash Wednesday 6pm	23 AA group 5:30pm	24 AA group 5:30pm	25
26 8:45am Adult bible study & Sunday School 10am Worship Service Noisy Bucket 1 Lent	27 AA group 5:30pm Pastor's Day Off	28 AA group 5:30pm				



Draw lines to separate the words in the heart outline. Then, starting with “Love,” write the words in order inside the heart to complete the two greatest commandments.

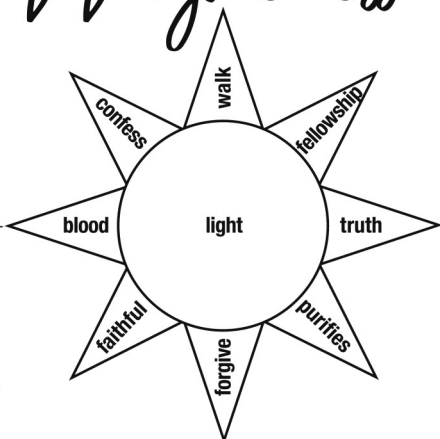


Answer: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'" Luke 10:27, NIV



The light of forgiveness

The Lord is full of mercy and light. What happens when we confess our sins to God?



Directions:

Use the coded shapes to fill in the blanks and complete 1 John 1:7-9, NIV.

But if we _____ in the _____, as he is in the _____,
we have _____ with one another, and the _____
of Jesus, his Son, _____ us from all sin. If we claim to be
without sin, we deceive ourselves and the _____ is not in us.
If we _____ our sins, he is _____ and just and will
_____ us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

1 JOHN 1:7-9, NIV

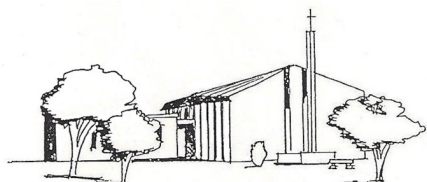
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Calvary Lutheran Church

We strive to recognize and nurture the Christ in ourselves and each person that we encounter along the way. Our church is a thriving community of believers and lovers of the word of God. Calvary Lutheran has a long tradition of outreach and service to its members and the community. We hope you will join us for service on Sunday to experience for yourself the fellowship of Christ.