

Calvary Comment



**Pastor Paul & Phyllis
Zwarich**



**Calvary Lutheran Church
San Angelo, TX
July 2024**

On September 8, 2024 we will celebrate **“God’s Work, Our Hands”** Sunday. As you may recall, **“God’s Work, Our Hands”** Sunday is our annual day of service where we package rice and beans for Project Dignidad and celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) – one church, freed in Christ to love and serve our neighbor.

As we prepare for the event, this year we will offer the opportunity for you to order the official **“God’s Work, Our Hands”** T-Shirt. We will have an order signup sheet in the Narthex for you to place your order during the month of July. We will place the order on Friday August 9, 2024 to ensure we receive the T-Shirts before **“God’s Work, Our Hands”** Sunday. The cost will be 12.95 per shirt. For an additional cost our congregational name can be imprinted on the back of the t-shirt.



On August 18, 2024 we will host our annual congregational picnic and celebrate Rally Day as well. We will also bless the backpacks on this day, and we invite everyone to bring a friend to the event. Please put this event on your calendar and come and celebrate with us as we begin another year of Christian Education. There will be a food signup sheet in the narthex for you to contribute to the church picnic.

⁴ Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. ⁵You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. ⁶Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. ⁷Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. ⁸Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, ⁹and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates. Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Have a Blessed and Joyful Summer, *Pastor Paul*



**Bee
Rose**
**Worship*

Well folks, this really is my last newsletter post. Again, I hope you have enjoyed or learned something from these posts I've submitted over the years. May God party special attention to each of you.

Here is a little kernel of truth for you to think about:

Throughout life, we are surrounded by uncertainty, skepticism and fear. In times of confusion, the Holy Spirit invites us to center ourselves in our faith.

One of my seminary professors, Dr. Monica Coleman, challenged us to discover our “kernel of truth,” or the core essence of our faith. Our theological kernel of truth is what remains after we have peeled back all the layers of life experience, social location, and theological training. Admittedly, these core values may take a different shape in different contexts. My kernel of truth is that we serve a God who is intimately and infinitely concerned with each and every one of us. Our theological kernel of truth can help anchor us in our faith.

My kernel of truth rests on Romans 8:38-39. Paul proclaims, “For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.” During times of uncertainty, we know God’s love is constant.

This message is excerpted from “Hope is all the more precious” by Angela T. Khabeb in the June 2020 Café online magazine.

Q&A

1. Shishak, king of Egypt, was notable for taking away this city's, including Solomon's golden shields.

A. Joppa, B. Dan, C. Capernaum, D. Jerusalem

2. Nebuchadnezzar was king of this city.

A. Sparta, B. Athens, C. Babylon, D. Assyria

3. 1 Corinthians was written by Paul to fellow Christians in Corinth. Where was the city of Corinth located?

A. France, B. On the Nile river, C. On a small island near Rhodes, D. Greece

Answers:

1. D. Jerusalem. See 2 Chronicles 12:9.

2. C. Babylon. This king of Babylon is mentioned in multiple places in the Bible. His sack of Jerusalem, for example, is related in 2 Kings 24.

3. D. Greece. The ancient city of Corinth on the narrow isthmus that connects the Peloponnese peninsula to the mainland.

July 2024 Church Council Members

President	Betty Thane	Education	Heidi Wierzowiecki
Vice President	Joyce O’Connell	Fellowship	Jill Zuehlke
Secretary	Ashlyn Scott	Finance	Leon Thane
Treasurer	Manuel Ortegon	Worship	Diane Ross
Evangelism	---	Service & Justice	Elaine Mitchell

DATE 2024	Greeter	Usher	Acolyte	Assist. Minister	Reader (Lector)	Tech	Flowers	Altar Guild
July 7 Pentecost 7	Jo			Bee	Phyllis			Ann Helm & Kara Martinez
July 14 Pentecost 8					Valerie		Dorothy & Lou Anniversary on the 20 th	
July 21 Pentecost 9	Jo			Elaine	Bee		Zwarich	
July 28 Pentecost 10				Leon	Betty		Hank & Bee Anniversary	

UCM at ASU



UCM is in need of a replacement AC, as their 20 year old equipment died, and it's intolerable to be in the UCM building . They were hoping to have a retreat there this summer, but that isn't feasible under the current situation.

The estimate from Superior Services is \$8,815.00

Anyone interested in supporting this necessary equipment replacement may place a check in the offering plate marked for the UCM AC.

Alternatively, you may send a check directly to the UCM house:

United Campus Ministry, 2453 Dena Drive, San Angelo, TX 76904

Save the Date:

We will be supplying lunch for the students and faculty on October 2, 2024 and March 5, 2025. Any assistance with these projects will be greatly appreciated – funds, food and/or labor!



Present:

Betty Thane, President
Joyce O'Connell, Vice President
Leon Thane, Financial Secretary
Ann Helm/Manuel Ortegon, Treasurer
Elaine Mitchell, Service and Justice
Bee Rose/Diane Ross, Worship
Jill Zuehlke, Fellowship
Heidi Wierzoweicki, Education

Not Present:

Ashlyn Scott, Secretary
Dorothy St. Germain, Fellowship
Leon moved to accept April's minutes with corrections, Heidi seconded. Motion carried.

Education

Heidi updated the council about camper sign up. Only 2 campers so far and need at least 12 by the Wednesday before in order to hold camp. Day camp time: 8:30-3:30. Need to prioritize hanging up flyers (health clubs and public spots)

ELCA Gathering: Church has enough money to pay for campers. Leon moved to supplement cash of \$150 per youth, seconded by Heidi, along with \$520 per youth for gathering. Motion passed.

Worship

Picked hymns for upcoming months

Pastor's Report

Read over report

Unfinished Business

Council Retreat:

Delayed council retreat until later in the year. Leon moves to postpone council retreat until another agreed date, Bee seconds, motion passed.

New Business

Church Picnic: Bee moved to have the church picnic and rally day on August 18th, Leon seconded. Motion passed.

NT-NL Mission Endowment Legacy Giving: Bee made a motion to get Mark Hinzman to talk to the congregation, Leon seconded, motion carries.

NT-NL Assembly Report: Bee made a motion for the Leifestes to give temple talk at their convenience, Ann seconded, motion passed.

Installation of Council members: June 30th.
2024-2025 Council Members

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Manuel Ortegon, Treasurer
Leon Thane, Financial Secretary
Heidi Wierzoweicki, Education
Elaine Mitchell, Service and Justice
Diane Ross, Worship
Jillian Zuelke, Fellowship

Authorized persons for online banking access and check signatures for First Financial Bank Accounts and online transactions for Mission Investment Funds:

Manuel Ortegon, Treasurer
Ann Helm, Bookkeeper
Betty Thane, President

Joyce moved for Ann to hold the position as Bookkeeper until Manuel is comfortable with taking over as Treasurer, Bee seconds, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

Ann read over the report and was accepted as presented.

Financial Report

Leon read over the report and was accepted as presented.

Communications

Through March 5th, our congregation has sent \$4,400.48 to the NT-NL for mission support.

Bee moved to adjourn, Joyce seconded

Closed the meeting with the Lord's Prayer at 7:10.

Secretary,
Ashlyn Scott





ANNIVERSARIES

7/6/2013
John & Kim Fiveash

7/15/2000
Robert & Heidi Wierzowiecki

7/19/1989
Chet & Denise Cooley

7/20/1963
Lou & Dorothy St. Germain

7/26/1977
Gary & Penny Griffin

7/31/1993
Hank & Bee Rose

BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Chris Kinsey
- 6 Kristen Kuhlmann
- 7 Monte Montgomery
- 8 Ashley Schell
- 11 Karla Hariman
- 12 Vera Itz
- 18 Alexzandra Wierzowiecki
- 20 Grady Schell
- 22 Betty Thane
- 23 Bob Bluthardt
- 26 Gary Griffin
- 27 Gladys Jones
- 27 Haley Williamson
- 28 Ashlyn Scott
- 29 Grace Allen
- 30 Rod Smith
- 31 Pastor Paul Zwarich



Ida Walter has a
new phone number:
325-315-5708

Donations to Project
Dignidad from
4/14 to 6/13
total
\$120.00.

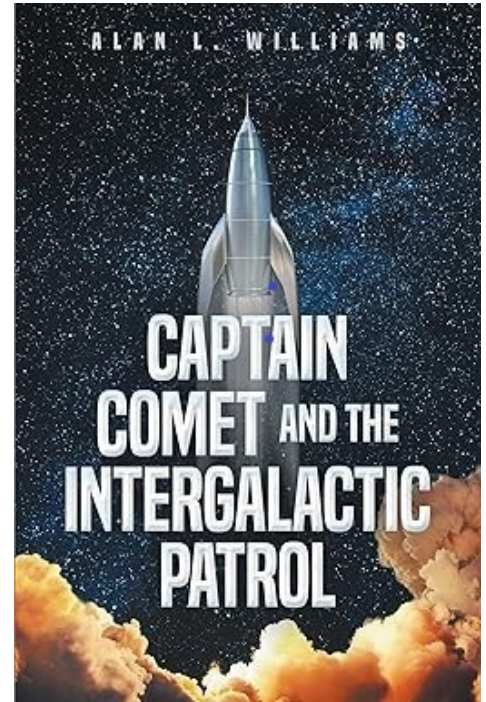
NEWS

From Pastor Alan Williams

I served Calvary from 2000-2008 as pastor. I am now retired and have authored a book for young people that is a Christian Sci Fi book. The publisher's press release says:

Rev. Alan L. Williams's newly released "Captain Comet and the Intergalactic Patrol" is a thrilling space odyssey of faith and adventure.

"Captain Comet and the Intergalactic Patrol": a fascinating juvenile fiction that will delight and entertain. "Captain Comet and the Intergalactic Patrol" is the creation of published author, Dr. Alan L. Williams, an individual with a diverse range of experiences and accomplishments. With a dedicated career spanning over five decades, he has served as a pastor in various roles.



Williams shares, "The spaceship is called the Star Treader, which has a crew of fourteen. The crew has a five-year galaxy-policing mission, which is completed with many challenges along the way but costs some lives. They hail from five different planets and take their religious faith seriously as they call on God to help them deal with impossible difficulties such as space pirates, intelligent nuclear spiders, AI viruses, fighting trans-dimensional beings, and rescuing energy beings who are friends. They run into political shenanigans that almost cost them their lives. They find friends in unexpected places. Overall, the combination of adventure, faith, and camaraderie presented in the exploits of Captain Christopher Comet and the Intergalactic Patrol is an exciting glimpse into the world of the future."

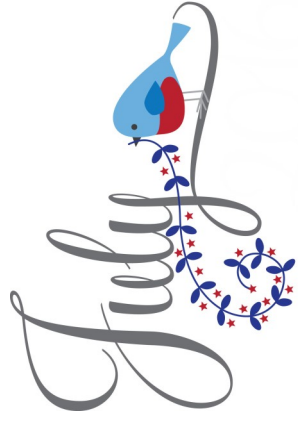
Published by Christian Faith Publishing, Alan L. Williams's new book is a thrilling space odyssey that will captivate readers of all ages. With its imaginative world-building and dynamic characters, it offers a compelling exploration of courage, friendship, and the enduring power of faith. Consumers can purchase "Captain Comet and the Intergalactic Patrol" at traditional brick & mortar bookstores, or online at Amazon.com, Apple iTunes store, or Barnes and Noble.




Thank you, Calvary!

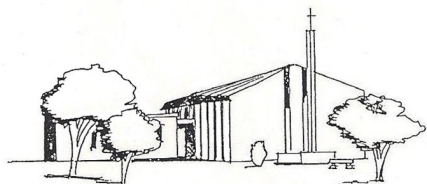
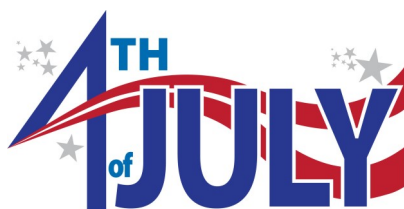
Thank you to everyone for the cards, calls, hugs and prayers these past weeks. Thank you to everyone that brought & served the wonderful food. Thanks to all of you that assisted during the service & reception. I appreciate my church family so very much. Calvary is a special place.

Losing Bill has been very difficult. Your many kind gestures & support will help me get through this time. God bless you all, **Ann Helm**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
				 Independence Day		
7 Pent 7 8:45am Adult bible study & Sunday School 10am Worship	8 AA group 5:30pm Pastor's Day Off	9 AA group 5:30pm Church Council 6pm Zoom	10	11 AA group 5:30pm	12 AA group 5:30pm	13
14 Pent 8 8:45am Adult bible study & Sunday School 10am Worship	15 AA group 5:30pm Pastor's Day Off	16 AA group 5:30pm	17	18 AA group 5:30pm	19 AA group 5:30pm Soup Kitchen 9:30-1	20
		Youth Gathering 16-20 New Orleans				
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Pent 9 8:45am Adult bible study & Sunday School 10am Worship	AA group 5:30pm Pastor's Day Off Newsletter Deadline	AA group 5:30pm		AA group 5:30pm	AA group 5:30pm	
28	29	30	31			
Pent 10 8:45am Adult bible study & Sunday School 10am Worship Noisy Bucket	AA group 5:30pm Pastor's Day Off	AA group 5:30pm		AA group 5:30pm	AA group 5:30pm	

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*Sharing God's word & love
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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.