

Calvary Comment



**Pastor Paul & Phyllis
Zwarich**

SPECIAL DATES

- 04 Independence Day
- 08 Council Mtg
- 18 Soup Kitchen
- 27 Noisy Bucket

***Even in the relaxed pace of
summer, God is at work!***

***Our Sunday service
continues to be a source of
joy and encouragement.
Join us at 10 am in person
or online for inspiring
worship and
meaningful community.***

Calvary Lutheran Church
San Angelo, TX
July 2025



ELCA



It's summertime, and time for everyone to get out and enjoy the beautiful world God created for us. My vegetable garden is full of tomatoes, peppers, and beans. The potted flowers in my back yard are in full bloom and making me sneeze. The Chinese Pistache tree that was planted in my front yard is beginning to take shape and grow. Summertime is indeed a wonderful time of the year. I hope you can get out and enjoy the fourth of July weekend celebrations and rejoice in the freedoms we all have living in the United States of America.

Yes, we live in a land of freedom but let us also remember that the greatest freedom is given to us in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The Bible tells us that through the Redeeming Activity of Jesus Christ we are set free from the bondage to sin and made alive in Christ. And this releases us from our sinful self to go and love and serve our neighbors. Martin Luther wrote in '**Freedom of a Christian**' "A Christian is an utterly free man, lord of all, subject to none." And then Luther followed this up by writing "A Christian is also an utterly dutiful man, servant of all, subject to all."

The Good News is that God did not send His Son to condemn the world but to save the world. John 3:17 states "*For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.*" This verse emphasizes that Christ's purpose in coming to the world was not to judge or condemn humanity, but rather to offer salvation through His Redeeming Sacrifice.

The truth is that God's ultimate response to sin is not punishment but healing, reconciliation and liberation. And that the Word of God has the power to set us free and to empower us to work for the healing and reconciliation of the whole world and our neighbors. Let us therefore respond to Christ's Redeeming work with thankfulness as we go and serve one another and joyfully sing
**"O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus, O how I love Jesus,
Because He first loved me."**

Have A Blessed Fourth of July Weekend. *Pastor Paul*

Calvary Lutheran Executive Council Minutes May 13, 2025 Zoom Meeting

Betty called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

Present:

Betty Thane, President
Joyce O'Connell, Vice President
Ashlyn Scott, Secretary
Leon Thane, Financial Secretary
Manuel Ortegon, Treasurer
Elaine Mitchell, Service and Justice
Paul Zwarich, Pastor

Absent:

Heidi Wierzowiecki, Education
Diane Ross, Worship
Jill Zuehlke, Fellowship

Joyce moved to accept April's minutes with correction and Leon seconded, April's minutes were accepted.

Education, Fellowship, Worship: No report

Social Concerns: Nothing to report

Pastor's Report: Pastor presented his report and it was accepted as presented.

General Information

Manuel motioned to accept and Joyce seconded to accept the amended Semi-Annual Meeting Agenda. Motion passed

Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting: May 18th

Approved Nominations:

Margaret Leifeste- VP
Joyce O'Connell- Financial Secretary
Marie Williams- Parish Ed

Unfinished Business

Leon gave update on the roofing repairs in library and Narthex

Insurance Committee: Potential people that need to be approached:

Heather Lehmann and Ann Helm

August 17: Rally day and Picnic

Stewardship Program 2026 needs to start being organized in September, yet committee needs to start becoming formed

New Business

Next Council Meeting: June 17th, 2025

COW Conference Update: "Leading the Herd."
New program to meet more than twice a year.

Pastor's Pension:

Financial Secretary's Report: Leon read his report and was accepted as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Manuel presented his report and was accepted as presented.

Joyce moved to adjourn the meeting, Ashlyn seconded, notion adjourned.

We closed the meeting with the Lord's Prayer.

Secretary,
Ashlyn Scott





Dear Calvary,

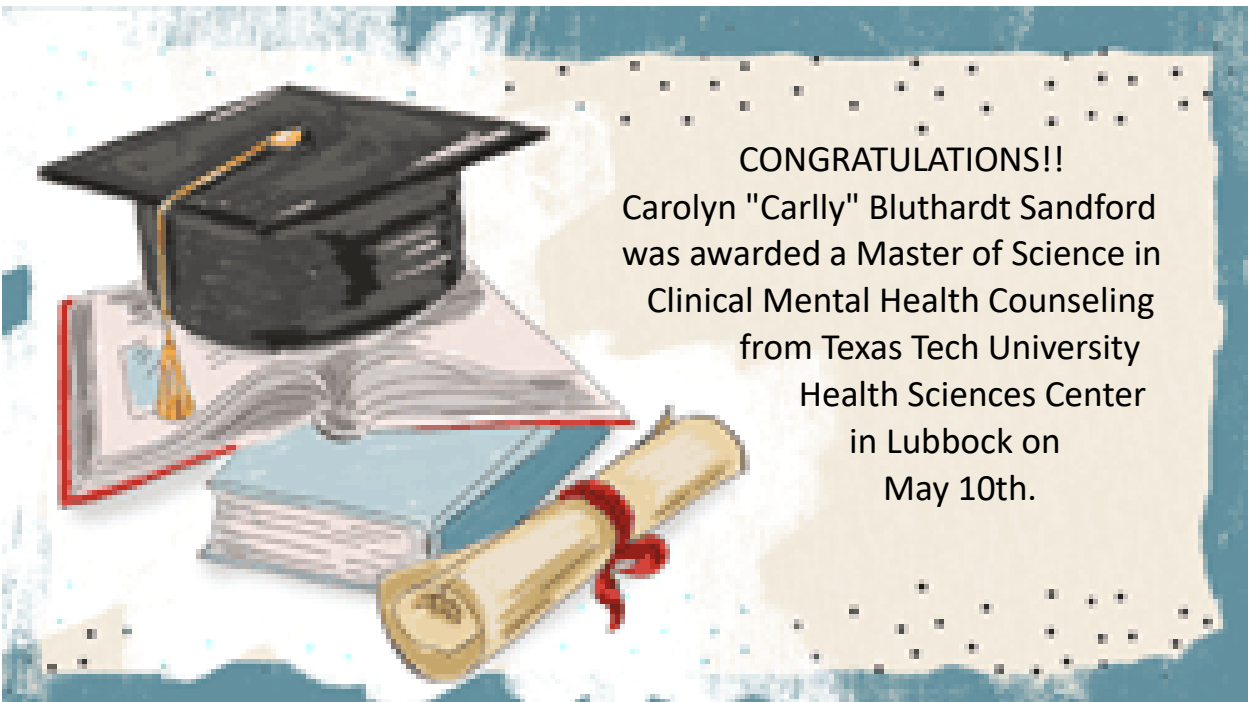
We want to extend our deepest thanks to each of you for the love, support, and generosity you showed in helping prepare for and host our wedding. From the early planning to the final details, your kindness made our special day truly unforgettable.

Whether you helped set up, brought food, offered prayers, or simply joined us in celebration, we felt surrounded by a community that truly cares. Your efforts made our wedding day not only beautiful, but full of joy and grace.

We are sincerely grateful to be part of such a wonderful congregation. Thank you for blessing us with your time, energy, and love.

With heartfelt appreciation,

Anna and Bob Zwarich



CONGRATULATIONS!!

Carolyn "Carlly" Bluthardt Sandford was awarded a Master of Science in Clinical Mental Health Counseling from Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Lubbock on May 10th.

DATE 2024	Assist. Minister	Reader (Lector)	Tech	Flowers	Altar Guild
July 6 Pentecost 4	Joyce O	Bee R	Adam S		Pam U
July 13 Pentecost 5	Elaine M	Ashley P	Adam S	Marie W	
July 20 Pentecost 6	Ashlyn S	Ashley P	Joyce O	Lou & Dorothy	
July 27 Pentecost 7	Bee R	Valerie B	Marcy M	Pastor Paul	



Happy summertime to all of our members. Hopefully you will have some great trips and get together with family and friends.

Mark your calendars for August 17th for our annual picnic after church. Thanks to Fritz for grilling the burgers and hotdogs!!

Stay cool! *Jill Zuehlke*



Parish Lay Minister, Joyce O'Connell is pictured with the Father's Day Cross on June 15th.



ANNIVERSARIES

7/6/2013
John & Kim Fiveash

7/15/2000
Robert & Heidi Wierzowiecki

7/20/1963
Lou & Dorothy St. Germain

7/26/1977
Gary & Penny Griffin

7/31/1993
Hank & Bee Rose

BIRTHDAYS

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

THANKS TO OUIDA & ERVILENE
FOR SHARING THIS RECIPE!

SPICY CRACKERS

Ingredients

- 1 box Zesta Saltine Crackers
- 1 c Canola Oil (Must be Canola Oil)
- 1 pkg Ranch Seasoning Mix
- 2 Tbsp crushed red pepper

Directions

1. Place 1 box Zesta saltine crackers in a large bowl with a sealable lid. In a separate bowl whisk together the remaining ingredients. Drizzle mixture over crackers. Seal lid on bowl and turn bowl over and over for about 10 minutes to make sure all crackers are coated. Crackers are much better if they are allowed to set for 1 day. This allows them to absorb all of the oil and flavoring.
2. Serve with chicken salad, spinach dip or just by themselves.





SHOES FOR SCHOOL

Sharing Gd's love and blessings with you!

Project Dignidad is seeking donations to purchase vouchers for our Shoes for School program. Vouchers are given for a pair of shoes worth up to \$50 for the school aged children of our clients.

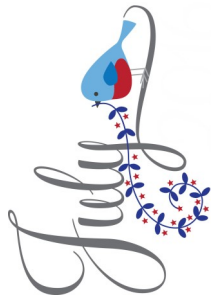
Requirements for receiving a voucher include:


- *Proof of income
- *Proof of child's name (one per child)
- *Proof of age (5 to 18 years of age)
- *Child must be present to purchase

Vouchers are only redeemable at the Shoe Department located in the mall. Donations will be accepted until September 1, 2025.

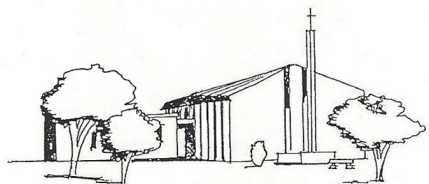
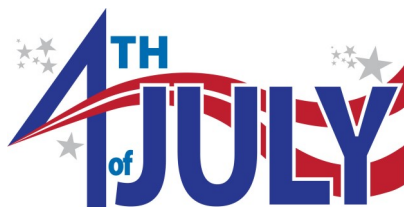
Project Dignidad
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San Angelo, TX 76903

For information, call 325-658-7885 or 325-777-1304.



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

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*Sharing God's word & love
within and beyond
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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.