

Calvary Comment

Calvary Lutheran Church
San Angelo, Texas
October 2021



Pastor Paul & Phyllis
Zwarich



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From thx Pastor

You'rx Nxxdxd!

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Upcoming Xvxnts

Woman's Biblx Study Wxdnxsday Xvxnings at 6 pm

Mxn's Brxakfast Biblx Study Octobxr 9, 2021 at 8 am

COW Confxrxancx Mxxting Obtobxr 16, 2021
Morx Information to Follow

NT-NL Briarwood Lxadxrship Convocation
Octobxr 18-20, 2021

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Rxformation Sunday Octobxr 31, 2021 Wxar Rxd

Pastor Paul



Church Council

Linda Ortegon
Council Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on the 9TH day of August 2021 by the Council President Joyce O'Connell. Pastor Paul gave the devotion from the Bread of Life Series from Chapter John. "We are what we eat." Which is true of body and soul. Do not consume anger. Avoid sarcasm. You are made for living bread. Savor the words of Jesus. Only the living bread satisfies the heart. Pastor opened with a prayer.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Joyce O'Connell, Chris Kinsey, Linda Ortegon, Dorothy St. Germain, Bee Rose, Leon Thane. Heidi Wierzowiecki, and Pastor Paul Zwarich.

MINUTES: Joyce motion to accept the August 09, 2021, Calvary Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes. Leon moved to accept the minutes. Bee second the motion. The council approved the July Calvary Lutheran Church Council Minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: John Ulrich. Not Present. The Treasurer's report was not discussed.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT: Leon Thane presented the report for July. The council accepted it as presented.

CORE TEAM REPORTS

Education: Heidi Wierzowiecki. The education committee will be meeting later in August.

Fellowship: Dorothy St. Germain. Nothing to Report. Donuts will be served at next Saturday's All Committee Gathering.

Service and Justice: Marie Williams. Absent. Joyce presented for Marie. A total of \$250 per project was approved for the action team's August and Fall project,

"Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen". Four people took part in the preparation and serving of the meal at the

soup kitchen on a July 30 and two people delivered the bread to the soup kitchen from Jimmy John's.

Worship: Bee Rose. Nothing to report.

Evangelism: Ann Helm. Absent.

Pastor's Report:

Pastor Report is for only two weeks. Pastor had three in Person / Facebook Sunday Worship Services. Nine people received Communion in nursing homes. Pastor had five office visits. Our summer church picnic was held July 18, 2021. The Social and Justice Committee meet July 22, 2021. Our All Committee Gathering with our congregation will be held Saturday morning August 14, 2021, at the church. The Blessing of the Backpacks and God's Work Our Hands will be August 15, 2021. The Synod Gathering Together Event is scheduled for September 11, 2021. The location has not been decided for the Faithful Innovation Meeting scheduled for September 18, 2021. Our confirmed participants are Joyce O'Connell, Pedro Montanez, Mark Mitchell, Betty Thane, Pastor Paul. The next COW Conference Meeting is scheduled for October 16, 2021. NT-NL Briarwood Leadership Convention is scheduled for October 18-20, 2021. Calvary's 75th Anniversary Celebration is scheduled for October 16, 2022. Pastor was on vacation July 27th-July 31st, 2021. Pastor will be on vacation September 25th-October 03rd, 2021. Pulpit Supply will be needed September 26th and October 03rd, 2021. Pastor will be on Vacation May 15th -May 21st, 2022. Pulpit Supply needed for May 15, 2022.

Church Council continued

NEW BUSINESS *Corona Virus and Fall Ministry.* Those of us giving communion will be wearing mask. The ushers may wear mask as well. We will not serve food during God's Work Our Hands. Blessing of the Backpacks & School Personnel will be on August 15, 2021. The Committees need to have their budgets prepared. John will give out information this Saturday during the "All Committee Gathering," so the committees can use the information as a guide to prepare their budgets.

OLD BUSINESS

Rally Day has been rescheduled. Date to TBD. The hanging mics are working. Our Facebook is getting a lot of views. We may look at the business side of Facebook to decide the geographic location of the viewers. Our in-person attendance has been good. Chris motion to close and Bee second the motion to close the meeting. Pastor thanked everyone for coming.

Linda Ortegon

Council Secretary

Worship Assistants & Flowers

You are welcome to sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex, call the office or contact Bee Rose.

DATE	Greeter	Usher	Acolyte	AM	Reader	Technology	Flowers	Altar Guild
10/3 Pent. 19	Jo McCormick	Lou St. Germain		Ashlyn Scott	Bee Rose	John Ulrich Pedro Montanez	Pastor Paul	Dorothy St. Germain
10/10 Pent. 20			Ashlyn Scott	Ashlyn Scott	Phyllis Zwarich		Hank & Bee Rose	
10/17 Pent. 21							Bluthardt Family	
10/24 Pent. 22				Bee Rose			Norma Kahlig	
10/31 Pent. 2 REFORMATION							Linda Ortegon	



Meetings Resume for Altar Guild

We will resume having Altar Guild meetings on Saturday, November 6 at 9:30am. If you are interested in participating in our church in this way, please join us to learn more and serve our Lord and church. For more information call: Pam Ulrich at 942-9404.



Evangelism

Ann Helm
Team Leader

Matthew 28

¹⁸ He told his disciples, "I have been given all authority in heaven and earth. ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples in all the nations, ^[b] baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and then teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you; and be sure of this—that I am with you always, even to the end of the world."^[c]

Well, there it is. The Great Commission. Our marching orders. The most terrifying words Jesus ever spoke. For most of us, the idea of knocking doors or passing out tracts is our worst nightmare!! But, we love Jesus and certainly want to obey! What is a Christian to do?

RELAX!

In the last couple of years, I have discovered a method of evangelism that can work for even the most reticent among us.

Be a friend

Make a friend

Bring a friend to Christ

Here's how it works. Last year during full Quarantine, I moved into my apartment complex. There are lots of single parents, young couples, and widows in my section of 48 apartments. At Christmas, I made cards for each resident and followed up with Valentines. In the Spring I planted a container garden and put out a bird feeder. A fourth grade girl made me a Christmas card and a valentine; 3 and 4 year old's greet me across the courtyard; I have taken one person to work and another to a doctor appointment and prayed with another over a nasty divorce (she brought me a sick plant.) Soon we will be starting a prayer group.

Each of you has been doing this sort of thing for years and probably denying your evangelism. SURPRISE! It's not that hard. Welcome all you evangelists!

Elaine Welty

WEAR RED FOR
Pentecost



OCTOBER 31st



The Evangelism Team is putting together a "Come and See" Halloween event for October (pending changes imposed by Covid 19). It will be a Halloween Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 30 from 5:30 - 7:00 in the Calvary Church parking lot. We will follow local CDC guidelines for minimal contact by using one-way drive thru only and handing out candy bags. We plan to invite the kids from Bowie Elementary.

All congregation members and their kids/grandkids are invited to join in the fun. You can decorate your cars or the new pop up tent and wear costumes. Masks and gloves will be used by those distributing candy. We will follow SAISD guidelines for costumes appropriate for elementary school children.



We are purchasing candy for the bags, but donations of candy will also be accepted up to October 17. After church Sunday, October 24th we will need help loading up the bags with candy (similar to what we do with rice and beans). If you have any questions, please call Ann Helm at 325-340-6227.

Calvary Lutheran Church Street Ministry

Hello from Gary Griffin! Kara Martinez and I have been sharing the "good news" of the gospel through our street ministry in San Angelo for some time. We are part of Calvary's Evangelism Team and have recently been sharing with the Team how we perform this vital ministry to the homeless community.

As you know, the gospel is "the good news". Evangelism is simply telling other people about the gospel of Jesus Christ. Our fallen world is in desperate need more than ever of this good news and sharing it is vital to us, as Christians. It is so important we are commanded to do so in Mark 16:15 which reads, "He said to them, 'Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation'."

I have a simple method I use in street ministry: (1) Approach, (2) Listen, (3) Ask questions, (4) Witness, (5) Pray, and (6) Leave. We also distribute communion and hand out Bibles.

If you are interested in learning more about street ministry or would like to ride along with us sometime, give me a call at (325) 234-2343 or call Ann Helm at (325) 340-6227.

Gary Griffin



Worship

Bee Rose
Team Leader

First, I would like to ask if anyone would like to help with picking Hymns for December through February/March. In the last couple of times we have been able to get four months done but that's not a requirement. There are a couple of people who have asked me about hymns so now it's your chance to pick what you would like to hear. Pastor Paul and I are very flexible in schedules and can meet on Saturdays. Please let me know by October 15th if you would like to help.

Second, I want to thank the people who have participated in our daily Worship devotions. Your insights help me in my journey more than you know.

Third, if anyone would like to do some stewardship this may be an opportunity for you. It is helping with the Soup Kitchen here in San Angelo. I am going to be there on the third Friday of each month and would greatly appreciate any help I can get from about 9:30am -1:00pm. Thank you Marie, Ann and Dorothy who have already helped. If you can't stand for a prolonged time then you can help Marie with the desserts or open cans, separate tortillas, put bread in a steamer insert, or I'll figure out something for you.

Fourth here are my questions on Bible knowledge:

1. Which Old Testament character had 1,400 and 12,000 horsemen?
A. Saul B. Noah. C. Moses. D. Solomon
2. Who was not an Old Testament prophet?
A. Isaiah. B. Daniel. C. Silas. D. Jeremiah
3. What new name did God give to Jacob?
A. Israel. B. Abraham. C. Saul. D. Mohammed

(answers on page 7)

And here is what I would like to leave you with to think about.

Recently my sister and I reminisced about how, when we were kids, we believed things would always be the same. The same pastor would be in the pulpit; the same church ladies would host the monthly Ladies Aid meeting at the same house as the year before; the same mail carrier, the same propane delivery man would come to the farm and lend excitement to our days. The myth of changelessness didn't survive childhood.

How do you relate to change in your life? Is it an irritation or is it a chance for renewal? Trying to get a more pleasant outlook on unexpected and inconvenient changes, I hold on to Hebrews 13:8, "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." Relying on Jesus brings comfort and stability no matter what changes in our lives.

This is an excerpt from "Our hope is in God's steadfastness" by Phyllis Rude from the blog of the Women of the ELCA.

Blessings to all,
Bee Rose





Service & Justice

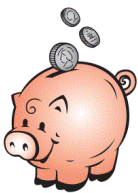
Marie Williams
Team Leader

August 29, 2021 Calvary along with Trinity SA prepared and served 200 meals at Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen.

If anyone is interested in helping prepare, serve, and clean up at the soup kitchen on the third Fridays of the month, please let either Marie Williams or Bee Rose know. You can also let the office know, and they will pass along the message.

On September 19 through October 17, we are asking the congregation to participate in an activity by donating to the Family Shelter here in San Angelo. Since many of the people entering the shelter have left with only the items that they have on them, they will take new or used clothing that has been washed for all ages and size. Other items needed are personal care items like: toothbrush, toothpaste, combs, hairbrushes, body soap, shampoo, deodorant as well as small stuffed toys, crayons, markers, coloring books, or paper. The items will be delivered on October 17.

Marie Williams



Noisy Bucket

**Remember your coins on the
4th Sunday of each month.
Donations go to the Good Gifts Fund.**



ANSWERS TO BIBLE QUIZ on p. 6

- 1) D. Solomon. See 1 Kings 10:2
- 2) C. Silas. See Acts 15:32
- 3) A. Israel. See Genesis 35:10.

Education

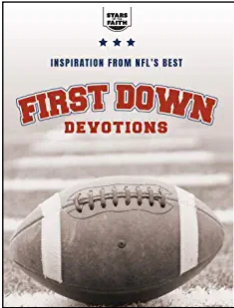
Heidi Wierzowiecki
Team Leader

Men's Breakfast Bible Study

**Saturday October 9, 2021
Rosa's Café & Tortilla Factory
4235 Sherwood Way at 8 am**

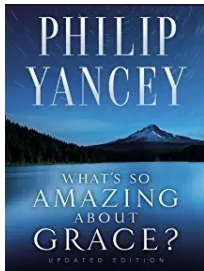
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Best Stars of the Faith, 2"**

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Women's Bible Study

We have started meeting again on Wednesday nights at 6:00. We are discussing a book called *What's so Amazing About Grace?* by Philip Yancey. All women in the church are invited to participate. You are also welcome to bring a friend. Books will be provided. Contact Ann Helm at 325-340-6227 for more information.



**October is Pastor
Appreciation Month!**



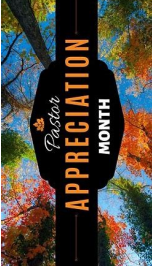

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Stephen & Ervilene
Kuhlmann

10/12/1985
Bob & Valerie



1	Phyllis Zwarich
4	Barbara Walker
6	Kim Fiveash
6	Manuel Ortegon
7	Mark Heinze
7	Lou St.Germain
9	Dee Prochazka
10	Aubrey Sanford
10	Christopher Riley
14	Sheryl Sad
15	Diane Ross
16	Terry Zak
22	Elaine Welty
25	Joyce O'Connell
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28	Sarah Anderson
28	John Cocuzzi
30	Chloe Kinsey
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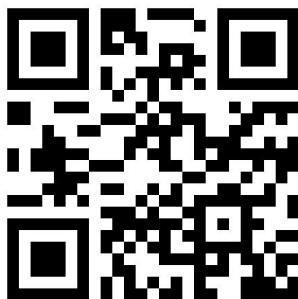
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	October is Pastor Appreciation Month!				1	2
3 10am Worship Service Pentecost 19	4 AA group 5:30pm Pastor's Day Off Office is closed.	5 AA group 5:30pm Office opens today.	6 Women's Bible Study 6pm	7 AA group 5:30pm	8 AA group 5:30pm	9 Men's Breakfast Bible Study 8am Rosa's on Sherwood Way
10 8:45am Adult Class bible study with Pastor 10am Worship Service Pentecost 20	11 AA group 5:30pm Pastor's Day Off 6:30pm Church Council Meeting	12 AA group 5:30pm	13 Women's Bible Study 6pm	14 AA group 5:30pm	15 AA group 5:30pm Soup Kitchen 9:30-1	16 COW Conference
17 8:45am Adult Class bible study with Pastor 10am Worship Service Pentecost 21	18 AA group 5:30pm Pastor's Day Off	19 AA group 5:30pm	20 Women's Bible Study 6pm	21 AA group 5:30pm	22 AA group 5:30pm	23
24 8:45am Adult Class bible study with Pastor 10am Worship Service Pentecost 22 Noisy Bucket Bag Candy for Trunk or Treat	25 AA group 5:30pm Pastor's Day Off Newsletter input deadline	26 AA group 5:30pm	27 Women's Bible Study 6pm	28 AA group 5:30pm	29 AA group 5:30pm	30 Trunk or Treat 5:30-7pm 
31 8:45am Adult Class bible study with Pastor 10am Worship Service Pentecost 23 Reformation Sunday	November 6- Altar Guild 9:30am 7- All Saints' Sunday 8- Council Meeting 6:30pm 11- Veterans' Day 13- Men's Breakfast	14 - Congregational Meeting 21 - Thanksgiving Dinner 25 - Thanksgiving 28 - Advent Begins Every Wed. 6pm Women's Bible Study				

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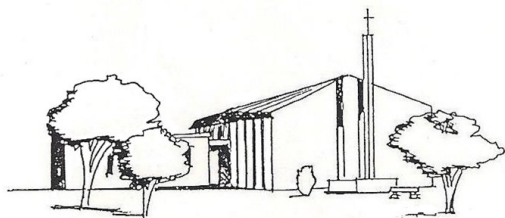
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Calvary Lutheran Church

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.