

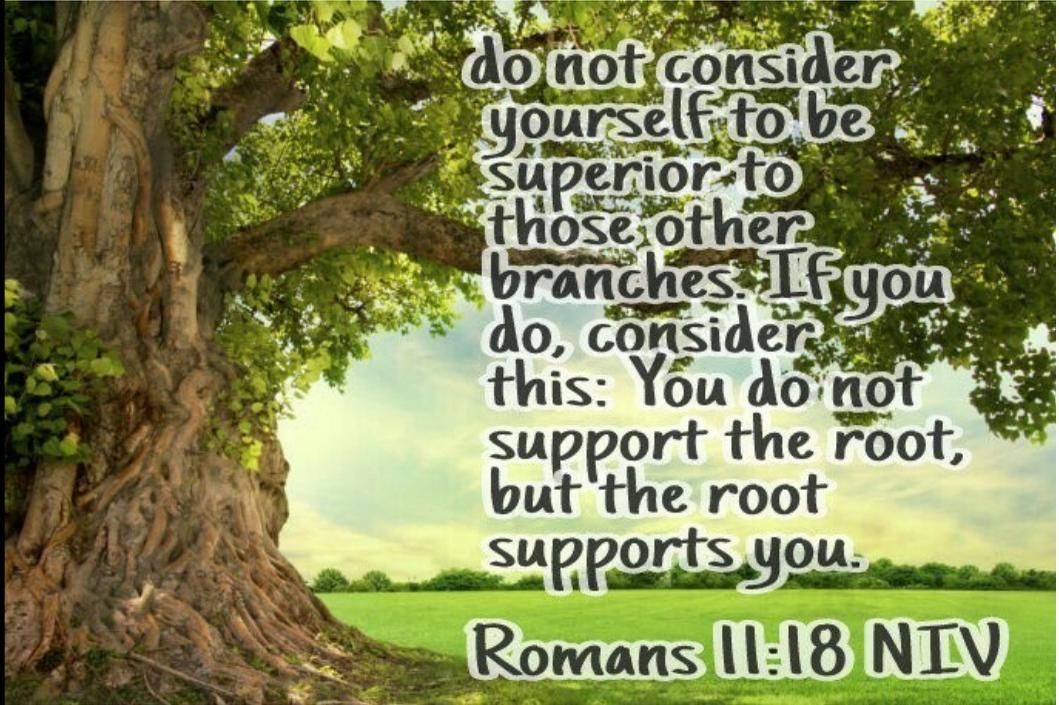


The Calvary Chronicle

“To know Jesus and to make him known, faithfully, boldly, and excellently.”

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LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday (8/30)	9:30a.....Worship
	11:00a.....Worship
Saturday (9/5)	8:00a.....Men’s Bible Study
	10:00a.....Book Club (Zoom Meeting)
	6:00p.....Worship/C
Sunday (9/6)	9:30a.....Worship/C
	11:00a.....Worship/C

'Where God Lives'

"Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple."



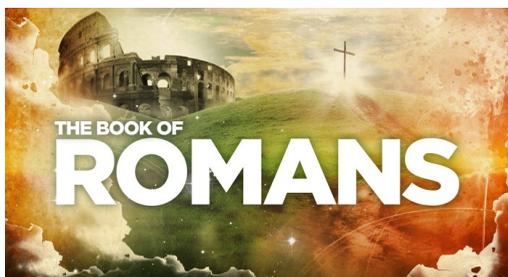
Have you ever watched little children indulge in shameless self-promotion with each other? They are adept at the game of "one-upmanship" from an early age. As they boast back and forth about their abilities and accomplishments, their boasts quickly progress from stretching the truth, to pure fiction, to ridiculous exaggerations: "I can eat 10 cookies. I can eat a whole box of cookies. I can eat a whole case of cookies." You've seen it before. You probably indulged in it when you were little.

The insecurity that leads us to want to impress others this way doesn't leave us when we grow up. Adults may be more careful not to stretch the truth about themselves to the point that it becomes unbelievable, but our thirst for attention, recognition, and superiority can foster some nasty rivalries and lead to divisive behavior. When we are insecure about our own value and identity, we are tempted to find those things at the expense of others. Our Lord does not tolerate it when his own people trash his house—not the buildings where we gather to worship him, but the gathered people in whose hearts he has chosen to live by faith.

"...for God's temple is holy, and you are that temple." This is an impressive statement. And this is not boasting or exaggeration. This truly makes us important. We sinful human beings can receive no higher honor than to have the almighty God cleanse us of our sins to make us holy, and then live in our hearts himself. There is no more prestigious position to hold than that your own body is God's home. There is no promotion, no "up" from there. The Christians in Corinth to whom Paul was writing all had this in common. As a group, God had made them his home.

So he lives in and among us today. It puts how we treat each other in a whole new light when we remember that the people sitting around me, the people taking the opposite side of an issue at a church meeting, the people who always seem to rub me the wrong way, are together the holy of holies where God himself is living by his Spirit. It puts how we value ourselves in a whole new light when we realize that God's house is not just a place I go on Sundays. It's who I am. It's who we are. God lives in us, and that makes everything else we are tempted to use to feel good about ourselves seem insignificant.

Pentecost Sermon Series



The Christian Faith, One Word at a Time

Paul's letter to the Romans is a theological masterpiece. In anticipation of a visit to Rome – a stopping point on Paul's journey westward – Paul outlined the main points of Christian doctrine, presumably to confirm the unity of faith and confession

between Paul and the Christians in Rome. The book of Romans is as close to a "Bible Information Class" or "Bible 101 Course" as there is in the New Testament.

During the first sixteen weeks of the Pentecost Season (after the celebrations that occur on the first two weeks of the season; Pentecost Day and Holy Trinity) Year A of the liturgical calendar follows a series of readings through Paul's letter to the Romans. The lessons read like a curriculum for instruction in Christian doctrine and provide the congregation an excellent opportunity to walk through the basics, one word at a time.

Throughout the summer months and into the fall of the year, our sermons will delve into the foundational teachings of the Christian Faith as explained by Paul in Romans. It is "The Christian Faith, One Word at a Time".

Pentecost 2 (6/14)	Atonement	Pentecost 10 (8/9)	Chosen
Pentecost 3 (6/21)	Righteousness	Pentecost 11 (8/16)	Inseparable
Pentecost 4 (6/28)	Reconciliation	Pentecost 12 (8/23)	Roots
Pentecost 5 (7/5)	Reversal	Pentecost 13 (8/30)	Grafted
Pentecost 6 (7/12)	Buried	Pentecost 14 (9/6)	Awe
Pentecost 7 (7/19)	Battling	Pentecost 15 (9/13)	Sacrifice
Pentecost 8 (7/26)	Longing	Pentecost 16 (9/20)	Love
Pentecost 9 (8/2)	Praying	Pentecost 17 (9/27)	Freedom

Practical Tip for Personal Preparation: Stay ahead of the liturgical calendar! Begin reading through the Book of Romans today, taking a chapter each week. In sixteen weeks, you will be finished. By starting now, you will be able to anticipate what each week's message is about. Use the liturgical calendar on page 163 of Christian Worship: A Lutheran Hymnal to re-read each weeks lesson and consider how the above words capture the theme of the lesson.

Power Hour ... To Go!

Calvary's Early Childhood Ministry is launching a NEW program this fall called **Power Hour!** Power Hour is the next-step learning program from Mornings with Mommy for 2-5 year-olds and their caregivers.

The goal of Power Hour is to share Jesus with all the friends we've made in our community through Mornings with Mommy and to offer them a unique place where they can "practice preschool" with their children, building knowledge and confidence for their school-years.



The Power Hour curriculum has a strong academic core, focusing on mathematics, literacy, fine motor development, science, and social studies. These learning concepts are experienced through music, crafts, and activities. Every Power Hour lesson is centered on a Bible story. Our goal is for every child to know how special they are to their Savior, Jesus.

With COVID concerns still high, the fall term of Power Hour will follow a to-go model similar to the VBS Tots program we did this summer. What a blessing!

Here's how you can get involved:

- ◆ Pray for the Lord's blessing and guidance for all who are teaching and learning at Power Hour this fall!
- ◆ Register your little ones for the fall term and share the news with other young families!
- ◆ Volunteer to help with material prep (contact Amy David at tadavid05@hotmail.com or 214-450-5506).
- ◆ Donate items for this project from the attached list or from our [Amazon wish list](#).

Learn more on our webpage at <https://calvarydallas.org/power-hour/>

Calvary Kids

What is Calvary Kids?

Calvary Kids is an interactive Bible experience for children on Sunday mornings.

- ◆ We know that
- ◆ God's Word is active
- ◆ God's Word is powerful
- ◆ God's Word saves
- ◆ God's Word is for KIDS!



At Calvary Kids we celebrate this truth as we dive into God's Word together and grow in God's amazing grace!

- ◆ Each week Calvary Kids connects children to their Savior, Jesus, through:
- ◆ Kid-friendly Bible lessons
- ◆ Upbeat music
- ◆ Creative crafts
- ◆ Engaging activities

"But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen." 2 Peter 3:18

The Details:

Who: Kids! We offer lessons and activities for 2-year-old tots through 6th grade

When: Sunday mornings from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM

Where: Calvary Lutheran Church

Join the fun at Calvary Kids any time! No registration is required.

We use [KidCheck](#) to ensure the safety of all our participants. Learn more about KidCheck and create your free account here: <https://www.kidcheck.com/signup/>

Sunday Schedule:

- ◆ 9:00 and 9:30 AM: Calvary Kid drop-off and flex time fun
- ◆ 9:30 to 10:30 AM: Lessons, crafts, and activities!
- ◆ 10:30 and 10:40 AM: Calvary Kid pick-up

Anniversary Recognition



Ms. Dawn Aswege - 41 Years

I was blessed to grow up in a Christian home where my parents shared the Word of God daily. My mother was a Lutheran school teacher, and my parents encouraged me to become a teacher. After Lutheran Prep high school, I attended Martin Luther College. My first calling was teaching the lower grades in a rural town near LaCrosse, WI. Three years later, I accepted a new position in Watertown, SD teaching 5th and 6th grade. In 1986,

I was called to teach Grades 4-6 at Calvary Lutheran in Dallas, TX and have been teaching 5th and 6th graders ever since. My greatest joy in teaching is to share Jesus each day with my students. The love of Jesus is unconditional and total. I want all my students to know Jesus as their loving Savior. Watching former students grow into Christian adults over the years has been a wondrous treasure!

Ms. Jan Fritz - 40 Years

It is so hard to believe that I am starting my 40th year already! 40 summers ago I took my first plane journey to a state I had never even visited. Texas has become my home. But more than Texas, Calvary has become my home and my family. God has blessed me with wonderful children to love and parents that have become my friends. He has allowed me to share Jesus' saving work with children from grades K-4 and learn more about Him and his love through the same children. Praise God for all His love and benefits gifted to me through these 40 years.



Mrs. Patti Henrickson

I attended a one-room grade school, St. John's, in rural Peshtigo, WI, for grades 1-8. My favorite memory is when our teacher would have students stand in front of the class and retell the Bible lessons. I couldn't wait for my turn to do this, and I'd add in lots of details and even do some character voices. I think I was hooked on teaching! Since then I've had opportunities to teach lots of different subjects and grade levels: kindergarten and gr.

1-2 in Torrance, CA, and first preschool and later gr. 7-9/7-8 here in Dallas, TX. God has truly blessed me over the past decades with an amazing family, "Dream Team" faculties, and a wonderful church family of believers.

Important Announcements



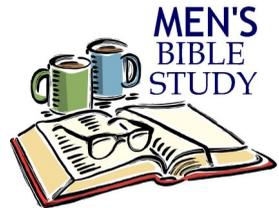
Staff Recognition Spotlight

TEACHING MINISTRY ANNIVERSARY RECOGNITION:

On **Sunday, August 30**, called workers **Dawn Aswege, Jan Fritz, and Patti Henrickson** will be recognized for their many years of service in the teaching ministry. A Box will be available in the narthex, if you would like to leave individual gifts for them.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Men are encouraged to join Pastor for Bible Study on **Saturday, September 5th at 8:00AM.**

Bring your Bible and a friend!



**MEN'S
BIBLE
STUDY**



Saturday evening and will continue to remain our Extra Care Service with a shorter service and less singing.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE: **September**

6th is the LAST SUNDAY for the Summer Worship schedule. The following **Sunday, September 13**, we will return to our regular **worship schedule**. Sunday morning worship is at 8:00am and 11:00am and Family Bible Hour is at 9:30am. Saturday worship is at 6:00pm every

BIBLE STUDY: Women are invited to continue our study on Chapter 4, Enough Food, from *enough for now* by Sharla Fritz on **Saturday, September 12th at 9:30 AM.** In person, with masks and social distancing, a zoom option will also be available. Due to COVID-19 food and drink will *not* be provided.



Ways to Give

OFFERINGS: Our ministry is supported through the offerings of God's people. Traditionally these offerings are placed into an offering plate passed during each worship service. God does not need your money. It's all His already. However, He loves the generosity of giving as part of a joyful response to His generous love for us. **Today we have many opportunities to give our offerings:**

Online: Click the "GIVE" button at the top of the webpage at calvarydallas.org, then click the red "Give Now" button. You can sign up for one-time or recurring gifts.



Mail: Mail a check to Calvary Lutheran, **9807 Church Rd. Dallas, TX 75238**. We are still gathering and depositing these gifts weekly.



App: Download the [Give Plus app](#) and search with 75238 as the zip code. Select Calvary Lutheran in Dallas as your church and sign up for one-time or recurring gifts.

Text: Send a **text 833-948-2221** with the dollar amount you want to give. Receive a text back with simple set-up instructions. All gifts go directly to Calvary.

If you need assistance with any of these giving methods, please contact the Church Secretary at churchsec@calvarydallas.org.

For those interested in the current financial situation: **We have seen a decrease in offerings as we have to more online worship and decreased attendance.** Calvary does need continued support to operate in the same manner. All of the above options are excellent ways to provide that support.

*"But just as you excel in everything in complete earnestness and in your love for us - see that you also excel in this grace of giving."
2 Corinthians 8:7*



Forward in Faith Fund

An inside look at...



Since its very beginning in 1972, Calvary Lutheran School has been committed to providing children a high-quality education rooted in the truth of God's Word.

THE CHALLENGE

The cost of education is rising rapidly. This presents challenges for both Calvary Lutheran School and student families.



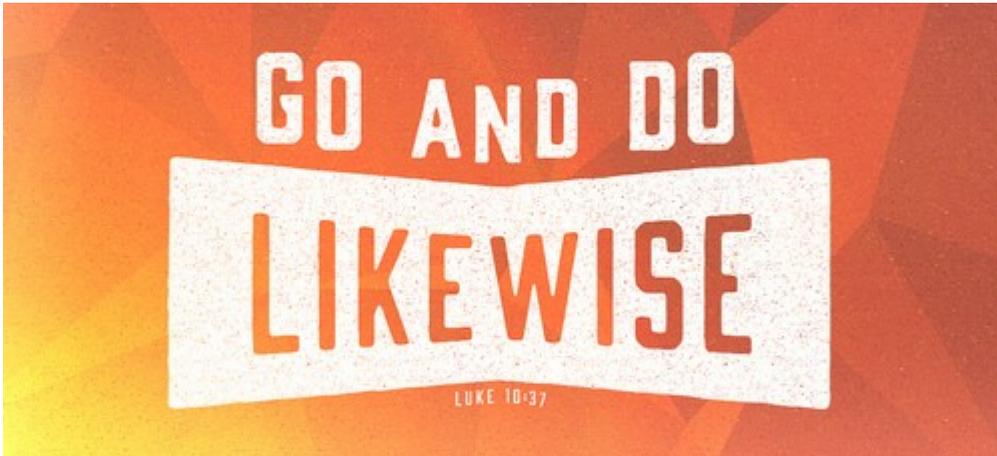
THE OPPORTUNITY

Forward in Faith is base of Difference-Makers who use their blessings from the Lord to give the gift of Christian education to the next generation. This committed base supports ministry,

YOU can make a difference through Forward in Faith!

*Looking for more information about Forward in Faith?
Visit our web page at <https://calvarydallas.org/school/fif>
and join the movement!*

Good Samaritan Fund



In Luke chapter 10, a teacher of the law asks Jesus the question,
“And who is my neighbor?” (Luke 10:29)

Jesus replies with the parable of the Good Samaritan,
which ends with the question, “Which of these three do you think was a
neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?” (Luke 10:36)

The teacher of the law correctly responds,
“The one who had mercy on him.”

Jesus then tells him, “Go and do likewise.” (Luke 10:37)

In the same way, Jesus also calls us to have compassion
and mercy on our neighbors.

**Calvary has a Good Samaritan fund available for those in need.
After helping many of our neighbors, it is now low in funds.**

**Please consider making a donation by marking your checks/envelopes
for the Good Samaritan Fund.**

Today in Sunday School

Mary and Martha

Bible Reading: [Luke 10:38-42](#)
& [John 11:1-45](#)

Key Point: Listen to God's Word

Memory Verse: *"Mary sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said."*
Luke 10:39

Prayer: Dear Jesus, your Word, the Bible, tells us about your love for us. Give us both the time and the energy to listen to your Word, so that we can hear and believe in your mercy. Amen.



Sharon Gray	8/30
Darin Peterson	8/31
Jayne Duncan	9/02
Marybeth Hamilton	9/02
Anthony Hines	9/03
Debra Schumacher	9/04
Barbara Read	9/05

Craig & Chong Summers
August 31st, 1996

Rusty & Carmine Caudle
September 3rd, 1993

Our Response To the Word

IN TIME AND GIFTS:

Worshippers Last Weekend.....	128 Present & 55 Online
Given to the Glory of God for June 2020.....	\$64,607
Needed monthly for God's Work.....	\$71,428

IN TALENTS THIS WEEKEND:

Preacher/Liturgist.....	Pastor John Koelpin
Pianist.....	Saturday - Sue Ellen Jackson; Sunday - Dawn Aswege
Audio/Visual.....	Rick Jackson and John McCarthy

Elders & Ushers:

Saturday.....	Rick Jackson
9:30am.....	David Bertram & David Schallert
11:00am.....	Larry Gray & Hans Voss

Mowing Crew:

9/5.....	Beavan Team
9/12.....	Barbour Team
9/19.....	David Team
9/26.....	Henrickson Team
10/3.....	Kliebert Team

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

First Lesson.....	Exodus 6:2-8
Psalm.....	34
Second Lesson.....	Romans 11:33-36
Gospel Reading.....	Matthew 16:13-20