

# *Calvary Courier*

## *October 2018*

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From the Pastor:

*“As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.”*

A few weeks ago everything in my life lined up just right so that I could no longer ignore the weeds that were growing in the beds alongside our house. I really don't like doing yard work, but it was my day off, it wasn't ungodly hot outside, and the sun was shining. After mowing I decided to attack the weeds. So, donning my leather gloves I took one of the tree-like weeds by the neck and pulled. And pulled... And pulled... Determined not to lose this tug-of-war, I stopped for a moment, then yanked again hoping this time I might catch the weed off guard. I swear it started to pull back. I was, however, persistent and continued this epic struggle. Finally I was able to muscle the weed out of the ground. The root, it turns out, was at least 2 feet long. No wonder this weed was so difficult to move, being so deeply rooted.

So deeply rooted.... Paul, in the verses cited above, reminds the people of the Colossian church that they, too, have deep roots. They have been rooted in the faith shared with them by Paul. And through that faith they have been built up as a community of believers, “abounding in thanksgiving.” The deep roots of their faith have created a strong church, reaching out into the world around them.

Next month we begin a year-long celebration of Calvary's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

We are a congregation with strong roots, planted nearly a century ago by faithful men and women who sought to make the gospel available to God's children on the outskirts of Moline. From those simple beginnings as a Sunday School, Calvary has

continued to be deeply rooted in faith while growing into a vital ministry, abounding in thanksgiving. From our roots we have spawned several pastors to share the gospel in other parts of the kingdom. We have brought comfort to those in need, fed the hungry, and labored for justice in the world. We have cared for the sick and grieving. We have supported missionaries throughout the world. We have been God's hands at work in creation.

Over the course of the next year we will offer thanksgiving to God to those ancestors in the faith who established Calvary's roots.

At the same time, we must also remember that the purpose of the roots is to help the plant grow and bear fruit. So, while we celebrate our roots we will also focus our attention on the mission that God has set before us – to continue to grow in faith, sharing the gospel in word and deed. Our roots are well-established by the nurturing faith of those who have gone before us so that we can continue to bear God's word in the world for the next 100 years and beyond.

In Christ,

*Pastor Knowles*

*Café on  
Vine*



**CAFÉ ON VINE**

**OCTOBER 13 – 11:00 a.m.**

We NEED volunteers to help serve Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup>. If you can help, please contact Ruth Laabs-Wilcox or call the church office at (309) 762-5423.

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Happy Birthday to:

- 1 – Brett Daniel
- 3 – Dylan James Gross  
– Robert Fuller
- 6 – Jack Gross
- 8 – Joyce Armstrong, Matt Mudd, Mike Mudd
- 9 – Jeanette Wren
- 11 – Beverly Boyle
- 14 – Connie Langston
- 20 – Norm Carbiener
- 22 – Matthew Geerts
- 25 – Bruce Daniel
- 27 – Gloria Fortin
- 28 – Dick Jensen
- 30 – Lorraine Beckingham



Happy Anniversary to:

- 15 – Tim & Margo Miller (1977)
- 19 – Jim & Linda Johansen (1996)
- 27 – Peter & Sheila Doering (1974)
- 28 – Roger & Karen Thorsvold (1967)
- 30 – Steve & Kimmi Miller (2010)



During the month of September we received the following word of thanks....

➤ Please except my thanks to everyone for your expressions of sympathies, prayers and lunch at the time of Minta's death.

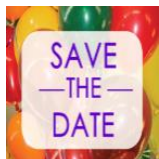
---- Stan Heed

➤ A simple thank you cannot express my gratitude for all the cards, phone calls, meals being delivered and well wishes I received when I had fallen. Thank you for being such a caring church family.

----May God Bless You, Betty Clark

➤ Thanks to everyone who contributed this past summer for the kids in Romania! Our items, and those of several other churches, including many pairs of shoes, went by truck to Chicago, then by rail to New York, then by ocean vessel to Romania, then by truck to the Another Child warehouse. Everything should arrive there by October 1<sup>st</sup>. The kids will greatly appreciate all that we have donated to them. I might even be able to give these items to the kids on my mission trip to Romania October 17 – 27.

----- Thanks again. Greg Johnson



### SATURDAY - OCTOBER 6

From 2-4 p.m.

### 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration!

A 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration for Jack Gross is planned for October 6 from 2-4 p.m. in Erlander Hall. Everyone invited to help Jack observe his milestone birthday!



### LUNCH BUNCH –

Tuesday, October 16 at 11:00 a.m.

Lunch will be served in the Upper Room. Invite your friends and neighbors to join us for a wonderful meal and a special program on “Better Brain Health” that will be presented by Linda Guebert, MS. RN. from United Point-Trinity Hospital. She will tell us what we can do to adopt a “brain healthy” lifestyle, inform us about available resources, and discuss the different types of dementia.

### NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

DEADLINE is October 11



Please be sure all items are into the church office. If you would like to receive your newsletter by email, please either call the church office (309-762-5423) or email: [secretary@calvarymoline.org](mailto:secretary@calvarymoline.org) with your address.

CAFÉ - Saturday, October 20 at 9:30 a.m.

Moline Public Library Café, 3210 41<sup>st</sup> Street, Moline, IL

Sponsored by St. James WELCA



Please join us for a cup of coffee, tea, and maybe a pastry, as we gather for Bible Study. All women of St. James Lutheran and Calvary Lutheran Churches are invited.



**Happy Hookers** – will meet on Wednesday, October 31 at 9:30 a.m. There is always something to do for all abilities – and don't forget – we have a coffee break, too!

WELCA – ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED



❖ **DEBORAH CIRCLE** – Tuesday, October 2 – 9:00 a.m. - will meet in the Upper Room. Jan Jackson and Marilyn Mudd are hostesses.

### OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup>

#### WEST CONFERENCE FALL ASSEMBLY

is going to be held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1330 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Moline. Registration begins at 9:00 am followed by brunch. The program will begin at 10 am by the Stars of Bethlehem; followed by a business meeting. In-kind offering will support the programs of the NISO and the Stars of Bethlehem.

If you would like to attend, please see Sue Knipe as reservations need to be by Wednesday, October 17.

### 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary News

As many of you know – Calvary will be celebrating our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on November 3, 2019. Starting this November, we will have various events planned throughout the coming year. Please watch the newsletter and bulletin for more information.

**Each month, beginning in November**, as a Kick-off to our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary Calvary will begin collecting 100 items to be given to local food pantry. Please watch bulletins and newsletters for a list of the items we will be collecting.

### HYMN FESTIVAL ORGAN DEDICATION

#### FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH - GALESBURG

**Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm**

Internationally acclaimed organist, composer, conductor Dr. John A. Ferguson, *Elliot & Klara Stockdal Johnson, Professor of Organ & Church Music Emeritus, St. Olaf College*, will lead **We Sing the Year Round Hymn Festival** at First Lutheran Church, 364 E. Water St. in Galesburg, on Sunday, October 14 at 4:00 p.m.

The Hymn Festival, written and led by Dr. Ferguson, is in celebration of the church's new Allen organ. A free will offering toward organ scholarships will be accepted.

Everyone is invited to come and sing or simply listen as we celebrate the addition of this magnificent instrument to First Lutheran Church.



Moved - New Address

In the past few months, we have had several of our members move to other locations.

#### Address Changes since Last Directory:

##### JACK & MARILYN GROSS

Paulson Manor #144  
2424 41<sup>st</sup> Street  
Moline, IL 61265  
(309) 764-0983

##### DOROTHY HARMENING

1009 48<sup>th</sup> Avenue #2  
East Moline, IL 61244  
(390) 755-5026

##### JOHN HENRIKSEN

1455 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue #327  
East Moline, IL 61244  
(309) 755-0316

##### SHARON HOUGH

5220 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue Ct.  
Moline IL 61265  
(309) 737-2651

##### DOROTHY HULTGREN

Overlook Village – Apt #309  
941 6<sup>th</sup> Street Dr.  
Moline, IL 61265  
(309) 524-3096

##### MARILYN MUDD

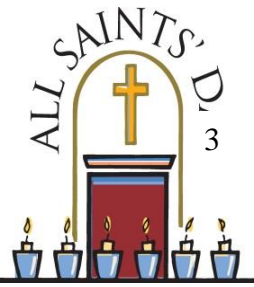
Paulson Manor #1  
2424 41<sup>st</sup> Street  
Moline, IL 61265  
(309) 558-9331

##### NEAL PEARSON

2432 Pacific Coast Hwy Apt. 116  
Lomita, CA 90717  
Email: [nealapearson@gmail.com](mailto:nealapearson@gmail.com)

##### JOANN SULLIVAN

c/o Mike Sullivan  
445 Sparks Avenue  
Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494



### REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES

All Saints Sunday is traditionally a time that the church remembers the people in our lives who fought the good fight of faith and now rest from their labors in the kingdom of God. This year, as a part of our worship on All Saints Sunday, the Worship Committee invites you to remember the loved ones from your life. As the names of loved ones are read, we will invite family members to come forward to place a flower in a vase at the altar in their memory. Flowers will be provided by the Worship Committee.

If you would like to honor the memory of a friend or family member, please complete the form below and place it in the offering plate or return it to the church office by **Wednesday, October 31**. (Remember the plan is for someone to read the names, so please write as legibly as possible.)

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**Your Name** \_\_\_\_\_

Remembering the following people who have been important in our lives.....

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#### KIDS AGAINST HUNGER

WE are in **NEED** of people to help **assemble** meals on Sunday, Oct. 21. If you can help, please fill out the slip, talk to Pam Gross, or call the church office at (309) 762-5423.

## Kids Against Hunger



Each day, thousands of children around the world go hungry. What if it took just one quarter — *25 cents* — to provide a lifesaving meal to a starving youngster? Kids Against Hunger can use your small change to make a **BIG** change for struggling children in foreign lands—and here at home. Calvary will be joining forces with this humanitarian organization to purchase and package meals to combat hunger. How can you help? By filling out the pledge card below and joining us on Sunday, Oct. 21, as we package nutrient-rich meals for distribution both locally and abroad. We will gather for a light lunch, then put on our caps and get to work. If we get a good crew, it shouldn't take more than an hour.

What will  
your  
quarters buy?



\$10.00 = 40 meals  
\$25.00 = 100 meals  
\$40.00 = 160 meals

Blessed that I will not go hungry today when so many others will, I pledge:

- To donate \_\_\_\_\_ to provide meals for those in need.
- To be God's hands by helping to assemble meals on Oct. 21.

Name \_\_\_\_\_