

Calvary Courier

January 2025

A Publication of Calvary Lutheran Church, Moline, Illinois

From the Pastor,



*May the joy of the season and blessing of the Christ Child be
with you throughout the coming year.*

*In Christ,
Pastor & Mary Knowles*



Happy Birthday to:

- 4 – John Mudd
- 7 – Gordon Nelson,
Sandy Fleming
- 14 – Rev. Don Knowles
- 16 – Ann Donahue
- 20 – Sandy Ohrn
- 21 – Pam Ohrn, Carl Lundstrom



OFFICE CLOSED DECEMBER 24 THROUGH JANUARY 3

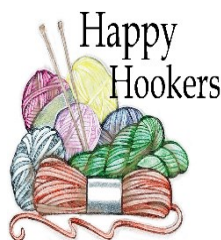
The church office will be closed on December 24 through January 3 as Pastor Knowles and Teri Griebel will be on vacation. **On Monday, January 6** the office will reopen with both Pastor Knowles and Teri in the office. Pastor Knowles can be reached on his cell phone (815) 866-9595.

CALVARY CARETAKER CREW –

Calvary Caretaker Crew will meet at 9:00 on Jan 17. We will work indoors doing some repairs and cleaning in the Sunday School area. Treats provided. Come and join in for some light work and great fellowship.

HAPPY HOOKERS NO DECEMBER MEETING

Happy Hookers will meet on January 29 at 9:30 a.m. Hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year.



Don't Forget!



ANNUAL MEETING SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

ANNUAL REPORT DEADLINE MONDAY, JANUARY 6

This year the Annual Report deadline is Monday, January 6. ALL REPORTS should be in the office or emailed to the church office by the deadline.

The reports should be out by Sunday, January 19 or before.



During the month of December, we have received the following words of thanks....



From Teri Griebel Mary Knowles:

We would like to thank everyone who sang on December 15. Your dedication to the rehearsals really came through, especially to the men who added their rich voices to the piece. We will once again come together to Praise God sometime in February to sing for Easter on March 31.



From Congregation: A Big Thank You to LeRoy and Fran Freeze for picking up the donuts each week.



From LOMC: Thank you for donating to LOMC's ministry of helping guests of all ages connect with God and each other. Your gift of \$233.33 and another gift of \$587.35 from your Endowment fund makes all the difference in helping LOMC thrive.



From Friendship Manor – We received the lap blankets crocheted (or knitted) by your “happy hookers” group. The are lovely, and soft! Thank you so kindly for thinking of our residents to receive these.



From Churches United - Thank you for your continued support of the mission and ministers of churches United. We have received your \$160.83 donation for Moline/E. Moline Care Link. This enables us to keep helping those in need for rent and utility assistance for this area.



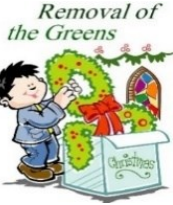
From Bethany – Thank you for your recent donation of hats, gloves, blankets, and other winter items to Bethany for Children & Families. Thank you also for donating blankets, pillows, scarves, and hats to Bethany for Children & Families. Bethany appreciates donations of goods as we provide ever-changing and necessary services to assist vulnerable children and families in the Quad Cities area.



From Pregnancy Resources – Dear Ladies of the Happy Hookers - What a blessing you are! Thank you for the 4 large bags of hand-made blankets. They will go into New baby gift bags for families. Many thanks.



From LSSI – Thank you for brightening a child’s Christmas through Project Room at the Inn! The project Room as the Inn Christmas giving project benefits LSSI’s Children’s Community Services statewide, including our Foster Care Program. Your generous support of \$895 will be used to provide Christmas gifts to a child who may otherwise go without, and meet critical needs that arise for them and their families during the holiday season.



UNDECK THE HALLS...

We will take down the Christmas decorations after service on January 5th. Please stay and help out. Many hands make light work.

**FEBRUARY Newsletter
Deadline - Tuesday, January 14**

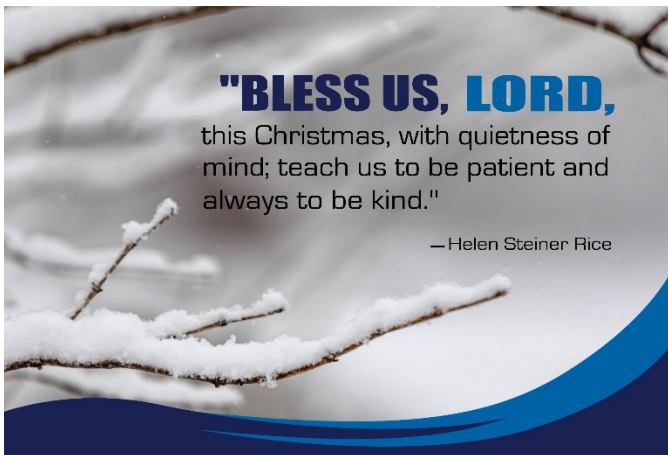


All articles for the February newsletter should be emailed to the church office or placed in my box by **Tuesday, January 14**. The February Newsletter will be mailed or placed in your mailboxes on Thursday, January 23th.

**NEED CHURCH COUNCIL
MEMBERS OF CALVARY**



As 2023 draws to a close, 2024 begins a new year at Calvary, we have council members with terms expiring in January. We are looking for volunteers from the congregation to join the council. If you are interested, or have any questions about how the council operates, please contact Pastor at (309) 762-5423



"BLESS US, LORD,
this Christmas, with quietness of mind; teach us to be patient and always to be kind."

—Helen Steiner Rice

LOST AND FOUND

Lost
and
Found




Marilyn Mudd has lost a RED Tupperware container with a WHITE lid. On Monday December 9, Marilyn Mudd brought cookies to the Altar Guild meeting to share. She left her Tupperware container here with cookies for coffee hour on Sunday. When she went to look for it on Sunday, December 15 she was unable to find it. Please look to see if you accidentally took it home. Thank you.



**LSSI
CHRISTMAS
GIFTS**

Becki (with LSSI), Charlene Lundstrom & Teri Griebel, with the gifts collected for LSSI. Because of your generosity, between St.

James and Calvary, we collected gifts for 17 children. The total amount of cash donations between the two churches was \$985.00

 Looking forward to January? What a better time to take care of your bodies and do a little flexing to keep you moving! We meet Monday and Thursday at 9:00 a.m. Motion is Lotion!





Please read over carefully the two-month schedules. Please note there are now two communion assistants listed for each Sunday. If you are unable to full-fill your commitment, please find a replacement and let Teri know in the office

ALTAR GUILD for JANUARY

Renee Ketelsen and Candice Tennison

LECTORS & COMMUNION ASST. for JANUARY

- Jan. 5 – Sandy Ohrn (L & CA);
Sheila Doering (CA)
- Jan. 12 – Judi Ingerson (L);
Renee Ketelsen & Connie Langston (CA)
- Jan. 19 – Joe Geerts (L & CA);
Gary Gross (CA)
- Jan. 26 – Val Daniel (L & CA);
Bruce Daniel (CA)

BACK DOOR GREETERS for JANUARY

- Jan. 5 – Connie Langston
- Jan. 12 – Sandy Ohrn
- Jan. 19 – Renee Ketelsen
- Jan. 26 – Barb Geerts

COUNTERS for JANUARY

- Jan. 5 – Paul Levesque & Barb Geerts
- Jan. 12 – Deb Faith & Teri Griebel
- Jan. 19 – Gary Gross & Terry Langston
- Jan. 26 – Greg Johnson & Connie Langston

USHERS/GREETERS for JANUARY

- Jan. 5 – Greg Johnson & Linda Chase
- Jan. 12 – Joe Geerts & Gary Gross
- Jan. 19 – Kirk Ketelsen
- Jan. 26 – David Peterson & Terry Langston

ALTAR GUILD for FEBRUARY

Renee Ketelsen and Candice Tennison

LECTORS & COMMUNION ASST. for FEBRUARY

- Feb. 2 – Gary Gross (L & CA);
Bruce Daniel (CA)
- Feb. 9 – Barb Geerts (L);
Renee Ketelsen & Sandy Ohrn (CA)
- Feb. 16 – Paul Levesque (L & CA);
Dawn Levesque (CA)
- Feb. 23 – Karla Kirkwood-Johnson (L);
Connie & Terry Langston (CA)

BACK DOOR GREETERS for FEBRUARY

- Feb. 2 – Joe Geerts
- Feb. 9 – Vicki McAlister
- Feb. 16 – Gary Gross
- Feb. 23 – Linda Chase

COUNTERS for FEBRUARY

- Feb. 2 – Pam Gross & Linda Chase
- Feb. 9 – Charlene Lundstrom & Vicki McAlister
- Feb. 16 – Deb Faith & Teri Griebel
- Feb. 23 – Paul Levesque & Barb Geerts

USHERS/GREETERS for FEBRUARY

- Feb. 2 – Vicki McAlister & Volunteer
- Feb. 9 – Bruce & Val Daniel
- Feb. 16 – Greg Johnson & Linda Chase
- Feb. 23 – Joe Geerts & Gary Gross