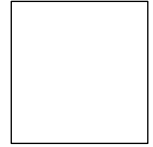


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March 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 5:00 Call Committee @ Calvary 7:00 Lenten Service at Calvary	2	3	4
5 SJL 8:30 Worship w/communion SJL Sunday School Coffee Fellowship CLC 9:30 Bible Study With Glen CLC 10:30 Worship w/communion	6 CLC 9:00 Quilting SJL 9:00 Quilting	7 CLC 3:00 Council Mtg.	8 CLC 5:30 Calvary Kids SJL Confirmation Students to attend Lenten service 5:00 Call Committee @St. John's 7:00 Lenten Service at St. John's	9 8:00 Vicar @ Biramwood Reading Program 9:30 Vicar @ Service at Cloverleaf Terrace 10:00 Vicar @ Service for Autumn Lane 11:30 Vicar's "Oldies Sing-along at Mapleview Apts. SJL 2:00 WELCA Mtg. SJL 6:30 Council Mtg.	10	11
12 SJL 8:30 Worship CLC 10:30 Worship Coffee Fellowship <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS</div>	13 CLC 9:00 Quilting	14	15 CLC 5:30 Calvary Kids CLC Confirmation Students to attend Lenten Service 7:00 Lenten Service at Calvary	16 8:00 Vicar @ Biramwood Reading Program 9:30 Vicar @ Service at Cloverleaf Terrace 10:00 Vicar @ Service for Autumn Lane 11:30 Vicar's "Oldies Sing-along at Mapleview Apts.	17 9:00 am Senior Support Group @ Calvary	18
19 SJL 8:30 Worship w/communion CLC 9:30 Bible Study With Glen CLC 10:30 Worship w/communion SOUP-A-RAMA at St. Paul Lutheran – Aniwa 11am – 1pm	20 CLC 9:00 Quilting SJL 9:00 Quilting	21 CLC 6:00 WELCA Friendship Circle Meeting	22 No Calvary Kids – Spring Break SJL Confirmation Students to attend Lenten Service 7:00 Lenten Service at St. John's	23 8:00 Vicar @ Biramwood Reading Program 9:30 Vicar @ Service at Cloverleaf Terrace 10:00 Vicar @ Service for Autumn Lane 11:30 Vicar's "Oldies Sing-along at Mapleview Apts.	24	25
26 SJL 8:30 Worship SJL 9:30 Sunday School CLC 10:30 Worship	27 CLC 9:00 Quilting	28	29 Lenten Service 7:00 p.m. Calvary's Kids Service Project on March 30 th CLC Confirmation Students to attend Lenten Service 7:00 Lenten Service at Calvary	30 8:00 Vicar @ Biramwood Reading Program 9:30 Vicar @ Service at Cloverleaf Terrace 10:00 Vicar @ Service for Autumn Lane 11:30 Vicar's "Oldies Sing-along at Mapleview Apts. FOOD WITH FRIENDS 4:30 – 6:00pm Prepared by Wittenberg Tavern Front	31	April 2 Palm Sunday April 6 Maundy Thurs. April 7 @ SJL Good Friday April 9 Easter Sunday



March 12th
 Don't forget to set your clock forward. Daylight time
 Begins at 2:00 a.m. on March 12th.

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN NEWS AND INFORMATION

CHILDREN'S Sunday School

Sunday School dates: 9:30 start

March 5 & 26

April 2 & 16

May 7 & 21 (last Sunday school class)

Confirmation Class at St. John's

March 8

March 22

March 30 (Thurs., help with Food w/ Friends @CLC)

April 12

April 26 (Wed., help with Food w/ Friends @ CLC)

May dates to be determined

Confirmation will be held on May 21st.

SHELL GAS CARDS

are still available from any SJL council member. Remember this is a fundraiser for the parking lot.

St. John Council
meeting 6:30
Thurs., March 9

SJL WELCA will
meet at 2:00 p.m. on
Thurs. March 9

- **Reminder: Lenten Season Project:** There is a laundry basket in the back of the church for your donations. **Here is the list of what is needed:**
 - Week 1 – 1 light-weight bath-size towel (between 20"x40" and 52"x27") dark color recommended
 - Week 2 – 2 or 3 bath-size bars of soap, any brand in original wrapping
 - Week 3 – 1 adult size toothbrush (or can bring multi-pack)
 - Week 4 – 1 sturdy comb
 - Week 5 – 1 metal nail clippers (attached file optional)
 - We will assemble kits at a later date.
- **We will be having a church parking lot special drive in March.** All members will have an envelope in their mailbox at the back of church. Any donations would be appreciated and the envelopes can be placed with the regular offering.

Calvary MARCH BIRTHDAYS

01 – Jodi Hilger, Destini Jacoby
03 – Ted Clark
04 – Leon Buck
05 – Zoe Edwards, Austin Wagner
08 – Jorathan Knight
11 – Betty Wyatt
12 - Tanya Zimmerman
13 – Kasandra Peterka
14 – Phyllis Cook
19 – Darlene Larson
22 – Julie Theilman
24 – Keegan Edwards
25 – Joleen Davison
28 – Heidi Depies, Gloria Edwards,
Austin Grall
30 – Tori Kautza
31 – Jean Guse

St. John MARCH BIRTHDAYS

05 Hunter Parker
12 Leonard Pingel
16 Kurt Hafferman
21 Derek Breyer
23 Caden Wanta
28 Zachary Reuter

CLC & SJL Members

Happy March Birthday – if you are not listed please contact Lynda at CLC 715-623-3102 or 715-216-0342 and we will happily add you to the list.



We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of **David Schroeder**. Dave's funeral was held at Calvary on February 4. He was a long time and very devoted member of Calvary.

...To Mary Lou (Jeff) Paulson upon the unexpected death of her brother Chris Wayne (Milwaukee)

...To **Bill (Lynda) Eschmann** upon the death of Bill's cousin **Charles Eschmann** (married to Mary Tobias from Antigo). Funeral service held Monday, March 6th, in Racine.

SOUP-A-RAMA Sunday, March 19

St. Paul's Lutheran – Aniwa
Come enjoy some delicious
homemade soups:
**Chili – Chicken Dumpling –
Vegetable Beef – Pea**
Also serving bread, cheese,
crackers, and dessert. **YUMMY!**
Serving 11:00 am till 1:00 pm
Children 6 – 12 \$4.00
Adults \$8.00

CHURCH COUNCIL 2023

St. Johns:

Wayne Clark (President)
Jeremy Schmidt (Vice President)
Jodi Kluck (Secretary)
Dennis Knaak
Jim Nelson
Terry Nousen
Andy Resch
Pam Reuter
Marvin Uttecht
*Carol Schairer serves as Treasurer

Calvary:

Angie Close (President)
Scot Peterson (Vice President)
Joann Schmidt (Sec/Treasurer)
Melissa Ferg
Glen Gildemeister
Julie Kubiaczyk
Samantha Smith
David Wagner

CALVARY LUTHERAN NEWS AND INFORMATION



- Mar 01 Jesus and Nicodemus
Mar 08 Woman at the Well
Mar 15 Samuel Anoints David
Mar 22 No Class – Spring Break
Mar 30 Service Project: Community “Food with Friends” at Calvary 4:30 – 6:00 **NOTE: DATE CHANGE**
Apr 05 Jesus is Born
Apr 12 Thomas Answers Jesus
Apr 19 Road to Emmaus
Apr 26 End of Year / Community Supper “Food with Friends” at Calvary 4:30 – 6:00

Calvary's Kids is held on Wednesday from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. If Antigo schools cancel or dismiss early due to weather conditions Calvary's Kids will also be cancelled.

A Very Special thank you to our Calvary Kids Leaders: Jan Young, Michelle Hulman and Ashley Donovan.

FOOD WITH FRIENDS COMMUNITY MEAL

Will be held at Calvary on
Thursday, March 30
4:30 – 6:00 p.m.

This month's meal will be prepared by
Wittenberg Tavern Front
(207 Vinal St. – Wittenberg)

A gracious thank you to them for their
willingness to pitch-in and help with our
Community Meal in Antigo.

Remember this will also be a service project
of Confirmation Classes & Calvary Kids



Calling All Seniors!

Senior Support Group
meets at March 17
9:00 – 10:00 at Calvary
Come enjoy getting
together

All Seniors are Welcome!

LIFE-LINE SCREENING
Scheduled to be held at CLC
April 12
Watch for details

CONFIRMATION
(Affirmation of Baptism)
Will be held on Sunday, May 21,
at SJL and CLC.

**Be sure to check the monthly
calendar for Confirmation
Class schedule for both
churches.**

VOLUNTEER IN ANTIGO

Bring a hot meal and a friendly smile to older adults that are homebound in the Antigo Area.

- Meals on Wheels (MOW): Deliver meals to homebound older adults. Routes available Mon - Fri, 10:15 – 11:30 a.m.
- Adopt a Route: Bring together a group from work, church or friends. Adopt a MOW route and rotate delivery among your group.
- Meal Packaging: Get food packaged and ready to go for MOW. Mon - Fri, 9:15 – 10:15 am

CONTACT ADRC (Aging & Disability Resource Center of Central Wisconsin) 715-627-6232 www.adrc-cw.org

ANTIGO FOOD PANTRY

According to our Food Pantry Rep. Pam Bahr current needs are:

Healthy cereal (low sugar and whole grain if possible - Peanut Butter - Canned Kidney and Chili Beans and Canned Fruit. We can always use toiletries, shampoo, soap, and hygiene products and we are still collecting clean paper bags, too.

AVAIL OUTREACH HOUSE: WHAT WE DO:

Our Outreach House is staffed by volunteers and advocates. We have a variety of items and our stock changes daily. Everything is offered free of charge and **ALL** community members are welcome.

What we have:

Men, Women, and Kids Clothing; kitchen, bedroom, and other misc. items

Located: 814 6th Ave Antigo **Hours:** Wednesdays 10 am – 2 pm & Fridays 3 pm – 6 pm

Any questions please call: AVAIL, Inc., 715-623-5177

Attention Seniors – Do You Know... ?

- Calvary has a Senior Support Group meeting the 3rd Thursday of the month from 9:00 – 10:00 in Fellowship Hall. It is a fun gathering time with Bingo, light refreshments and a time to make new friends.
- AVAIL has a Senior Outreach Program. We are available to meet with you in a setting that meets your needs. In your home, at our office, or any safe place you prefer. All services are free and confidential. AVAIL offers. . . Support Groups, Legal, Medical and Economic Advocacy, Emergency Shelter, 1:1 Counseling, Information and Referrals.

AWARENESS & SAFETY TIPS FOR SENIORS

- ❖ Trust your instincts, if a situation makes you nervous, let someone know.
- ❖ Refuse to let strangers into your home.
- ❖ Check references of repairmen and workers; especially if they show up without an appointment.
- ❖ Stay alert when you are in public places.
- ❖ If someone grabs your purse or bags, don't fight back – CALL FOR HELP.

Sound
System



Media
System

MEDIA SCREENS AT CALVARY

Sign-up to become part of the Team!

How exciting it is to share the Gospel Worldwide. Calvary has been blessed with this amazing technology and we want to invite you to be part of our Media Technology Team to help share the Good News. You do not have to be an expert by any means!!!! Please sign up if you are interested and we will put together a training time and schedule. Any questions, please contact Angie Close or any media team member. Sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. We again extend a HUGE thank you to the **Schumitsch Family** for their generous donation for our new sound system and media screens. What a Blessing!

Youth and Adult Members (young and old) are encourage to step forward and join the team!



YOUTH GATHERING FROM THE ELCA

Journey with Jesus, held this past weekend and hosted by Imago Dei Village, marked the return of the youth gathering to this synod. There are so many incredible stories to share about the connections we made to one another and with God. An instagram page, specifically designed for the youth of this synod can be found [@ECSW.YOU.th](https://www.instagram.com/ECSW.YOU.th)

Thank you to:
Wayne Clark (S JL) and
Alan Bahr (CLC) for their
donations of copy paper for
the church office. It is
appreciated.

Thank you to **Chris Hartleben** and
crew for replacing some of
lightbulbs in the church proper. It has
really helped brighten things up.
These are not the LED lights, but
work well until we can address that
issue.

Thank you to Pat Peterson for
her many years of serving as
Treasurer for Calvary's WELCA
Women's Group. She has
always done a great job. **Julie
Kubiacyk** will be assuming this
position with **Beth Faller** as
second signature. Thank you,
ladies.

A Message from Vicar Jennifer

Then Jesus said, "Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy to bear, and the burden I give you is light."

Matthew 11:29-30 (New Living Translation)

Greetings! Recently, a friend loaned me a magazine, within the pages I found this quote, "God does not want me to be a stressed out, overworked, overburdened, living sacrifice." (The Christian Century) I wrote it down and put it on my desk as a reminder and thought you might need a reminder too.

How long is your "to do" list? What if on the very top you write the words of Jesus in Matthew eleven, #1 "come to me." Jesus did all the heavy lifting when it comes to our spiritual rest. When two animals are yoked together, no longer do they work alone. Christ gently and humbly cares for you so that your soul can be at rest. "The burden I give you is light." Jesus promises, and he can deliver on that promise. The truth is Jesus is ALREADY carrying the weight of all your cares, fears, and heartaches but it is easy to forget. This is your vicar-ly reminder to let the love of heaven do what it does the best, restore what Jesus died to give you. Peace be with you beloved because God is with you. Always. Thanks be to God. Amen!

In the glorious love of Christ,

Vicar Jennifer



A great donation and a lot of help!

*To all of you at Calvary Lutheran,
Thank you for feeding our community
food and the word!*

*God Bless You
Ann and Caroline
Strasser-Roller Funeral Home*

A HUGE thank you to Caroline and Ann from Strasser-Roller Funeral Home for their very generous donation to Calvary's *Food With Friends Community Meal*. Not only did they drop off the donation on February 23 (a very snowy day) they jumped right in and helped set the tables and volunteered to come back in the evening to help serve the meal. Our Confirmation students are usually a great help but we had concerns about the weather and wondering if the group from St. John's (Birnamwood) would be able to make it to Antigo to help with the evening meal. THANK YOU SO MUCH!

We also thank Melissa Ferg for serving as menu designer, head chef, and miracle worker for this event along with Connie Peterka that helps so faithfully. We have many from Calvary that regularly help with the serving and kitchen detail: Robin Gardner, Linda Grall, Angie Close, Candy Gress and of course our Confirmation Students and Youth from Calvary and St. John's who do so much. Thank you to the people that just pitch in as needed in the kitchen, dining area and making those wonderful desserts. Three Cheers for our Dishwasher Operator Chris Hartleben (Vicar's husband). We could not do it without all of you!