

## Biblical Communion Practice

When we celebrate the Lord's Supper we welcome to the Lord's Altar those who are of the same confession of faith as are we. Ordinarily this includes other members of Lutheran Church Canada, and members of congregations with whom we share Altar and Pulpit Fellowship (i.e. Lutheran Church Missouri Synod).

To come to the Lord's Table is to confess you:

- Believe Jesus' body and blood are truly present in, with and under the Bread and Wine and are truly received by the Communicant.
- Are repentant of all your sin and desire the forgiveness of sins as Christ offers in this Sacrament...to do otherwise, as the Apostle Paul says in 1 Corinthians 11, is harmful to one's entire being.
- And finally, are of the same faith as the members of Lutheran Church Canada in matters of Biblical teaching as outlined in Luther's Small Catechism.

Prior to receiving the Lord's Supper at Mount Calvary for the first time we ask you to speak with the Pastor. If you have not had that opportunity we welcome you to come to the rail for a blessing. Please indicate you wish to receive a blessing only, by crossing your arms across your chest.

TO REGISTER FOR HOLY COMMUNION PLEASE FILL OUT THE FELLOWSHIP REGISTRY LOCATED ON THE CHAIR AND INDICATE BY CHECKING THE APPROPRIATE BOX.

## Mount Calvary Ministry

Our mission statement is:

"Dependent upon the grace of God, we enrich and support each other in Christian growth, and we reach out to make disciples for Christ."

Our vision statement is:

Mount Calvary Lutheran Church is a joyous family of God.

- Living together — all members of the family gather regularly around Word and Sacrament and for fellowship and faith building. We actively care for and love one another and diligently seek ways to do so, building stronger and deeper relationships with every family member at all times.
- Living in this world — all we do is for the sake of our neighbor, and therefore we actively and visibly declare Christ, and bring Him to our neighbors through Word and deed. Living in God's grace we show love and care for people of all ages, beliefs, race and status. We do this as a church family and as individuals in our daily lives. We trust the Holy Spirit uses these God given efforts to draw more and more people into God's family.
- Living in this world — we know we are part of the larger Body of Christ on earth and therefore passionately support Lutheran Church—Canada and our brothers and sisters in Christ in all aspects of the larger work of the Church.

## Our Week With the Lord

<b>Today Apr 28</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>10:30pm</b> <b>12:00pm</b>	Bible Study Divine Service (Sunday School) Voter's Meeting (Call Meeting)
<b>Mon. Apr 29</b>	
<b>Tues. Apr 30</b> <b>7:00pm</b>	Council Meeting
<b>Wed. May 1</b> <b>7:00pm</b>	Basics of Christian Faith Study
<b>Thu. May 2</b> <b>9:00am</b>	Charity Quilters
<b>Fri. May 3</b> <b>5:30pm</b>	Turkey Supper
<b>Sat. May 4</b>	
<b>Sun. May 5</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>10:30am</b>	<b>CONFIRMATION SUNDAY</b> Bible Study Divine Service (Sunday School)

God calls into His Holy Name through Baptism,

***Karissa Clara Lee MacKenzie,***  
***born November 14, 2023***

the daughter of *Shae & Cody MacKenzie.*

Sponsors are:

Brittany Plunz  
Kenzy Katterhagen  
Dallas Fuller  
Cole Blanchard

May the parents, sponsors and congregation  
provide spiritual nurture for *Karissa.*

Fifth Sunday of Easter

10:30am

Divine Service

April 28, 2024



## Mount Calvary Lutheran Church

(Lutheran Church – Canada)



A Stephen Ministry Congregation

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## As We Gather

When Jesus uses the image of the vine and speaks of vineyards, He is choosing something very familiar to His hearers. Viticulture is well known around the world. More than eighteen million acres worldwide is used for growing grapes—from Panama to Tajikistan to Zimbabwe! Today, the cultivation of vineyards is still an important agricultural component in both Israel and the Jordan, lands where Jesus walked and taught. Life in the vineyard is vital! As branches grafted to the Vine that is Christ, we are vitalized by His power. As we worship, God's life-supporting power infuses us! It is time to continue growing!

## Confession of Sins for Today

Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

## Scripture Readings

### Today

First Reading: Acts 8:26-40

Epistle: 1 John 4:1-11 (12-21)

Holy Gospel: John 15:1-8 (sermon text)

### Next Week:

First Reading: Acts 10:34-48

Epistle: 1 John 5:1-8

Holy Gospel: John 15:9-17

## Congregational Notes

***If you desire regular prayers by your Pastor please speak with him.***

**In Your prayers at home:** Eja Balaricia, Allan & Irene Woitt, Cheryl Wozny, Joanne Babwick, Rob Kober, Ian Lindsay, Lisa Frank, Greg Bjarneson, Ronalee, Lee Adam, Sherry Rudkevitch, Lloyd Stange, Delbert Jobs

**Attendance:** Last Sunday 10:30am – 170

## Announcements

**Prayer List** - If you would like a loved one added to the prayer list you can add them in one of these manners: contact Pastor Don, either by speaking to him in person, calling him 403-346-3798, email [pastordh@telus.net](mailto:pastordh@telus.net) or by calling the church and speaking with one of the assistants. The prayer list is updated each week, so you will need to connect with the Pastor or the office weekly to add your loved one onto the prayer list.

**Celebrating Mother's Potluck Supper & Fellowship** - 'YOU ARE LIGHT IN THE LORD, WALK AS CHILDREN OF LIGHT' Ephesians 5:8  
Tuesday, May 7, 2024 6 - 8:30 pm At Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church Please bring a meat dish or a salad to Feed four people \*Dessert Provided\*  
ENTERTAINMENT Lalie Botha – Violin Solo. Cody Grinder – Bagpipe Solo. All women & girls are invited.

**Turkey Supper – Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 5:30pm** Tickets are sold out. Volunteers are still needed to help with the dinner: setup, cooking and cleanup. Please check out the signup board in the Narthex

**Church Garage Sale** – Mount Calvary Lutheran Church will be having a garage sale this summer! Proceeds will be going towards the final payment of the mortgage. So save your gently used, unwanted items . More details to come and a date TBA.

**Voter's Meeting Dates:-** TODAY @ 12:00pm (Call Meeting)  
-May 26, 2024 – Regular Voter's Meeting

## Announcements

**Sunday School** – Please sign up to teach Sunday School. Sign-up sheets are on the counter in the Narthex.

**Basics of Christian Faith Bible Study** – Wednesday nights from 7:00pm – 8:30pm, and will run for up to 7 weeks. Those looking to join the church are asked to attend, as well as current members looking to brush up on their theology.. ALL are welcome.

**You, Me & He** - You, Me, and He is a visitation/phone call Task Team under the Board of Elders. The Task Team is looking for those who would be willing to visit or make phone calls to those who are lonely. A list of those who would benefit from a visit or regular phone call already exists, and is increasing over time. If you are interested in either making visits or phone calls, please talk with a member of the Board of Elders, or with Pastor.

**Youth Bible Study** – Completed for now. Will Resume in the fall.

**VBS - Jesus is Alive** VBS will take place on May 25<sup>th</sup>, 10:30am - 12:30pm. Children ages 0-10 are welcome and most importantly those who are not attending Mount Calvary. Please invite your friends. Registration Forms are in the Narthex. Volunteers are needed. Please sign up in the Narthex. Planter boxes are already provided. No further boxes are needed. Thank You!