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# The Caller

Feasting  
with  
God

## Feasting with God

*On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples  
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,  
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.*

~ Isaiah 25:6

In 2013, Calvary began a 5-year  
Lenten tour through Martin  
Luther's *Small Catechism*:  
2013: Ten Commandments,  
2014: Apostles Creed,  
2015: Lord's Prayer,  
2016: Holy Baptism;  
and now this year,  
2017: Holy Communion.

Ever since the time of Martin  
Luther himself, the Lutheran  
Church has made it a practice to  
review the basic teachings of the  
faith. In both the Catholic and Lutheran tradition, this is known as  
"catechism". The word "catechism" comes from a Greek word that  
means "to echo back"—the idea being that when we learn the faith by  
heart (some might say "memorize" it), we have reliable reminders of  
our relationship with God. In fact, writing a catechism for the Saxon



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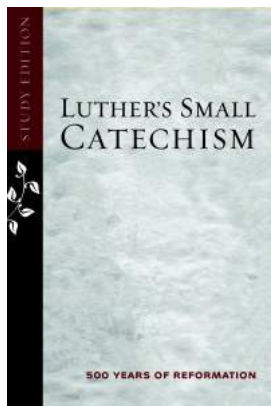
### Important Dates

Movie: *Babette's Feast*  
Sunday, March 12th  
1:00 P.M.

Movie: *Chocolat*  
Sunday, March 26th  
1:00 P.M.

## From Pastor Lori, continued...

parishes of the Reformation was one of Martin Luther's initial ministry acts. He toured the churches, met with the priests and congregation members, and realized—to his dismay—that the lay people were illiterate about their faith; many of the priests couldn't even read the Latin biblical texts—let alone translate or teach it. Writing a catechism in German became a way to make the faith accessible to believers.



So, this year, we take up the topic of Holy Communion. Yes, we'll talk about the basics from the *Small Catechism*. What is Holy Communion? What benefits do we receive from this sacrament? How can eating and drinking do all this?

And when is a person rightly prepared to receive this sacrament? But there's so much more to consider.

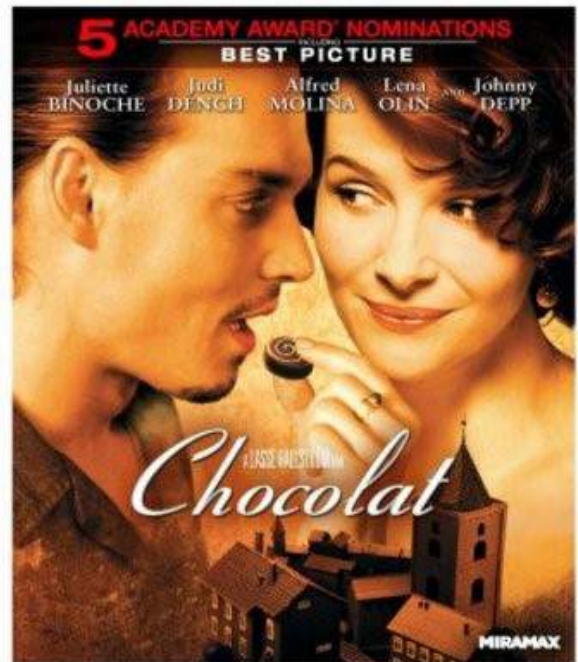
Holy Communion is more than just a religious ritual. This sacrament is packed with the biblical imagery of feasting or fasting, hunger or satisfaction, of trusting God or hoarding, welcoming or rejecting God's company, of looking to have our primal needs met – and encountering a God generous beyond belief.

Time after time, Scripture paints with vivid brushstrokes a portrait of the beautiful relationship God continues to forge with us human beings. A picture in which we, who come to God with empty hands, find ourselves surprised by abundance. And we, who come to God with plenty in our pantries, feel moved to share what we have and then experience gratitude for the opportunity to care for a hungry neighbor.

Please take the opportunity that this Lenten season provides to meditate on what it means for us to sit at the table with a God who in Jesus fasts, hungers, teaches us about what is enough, welcomes us to eat with him, and there provides for us abundantly.

### HOW YOU CAN BE INVOLVED

**Worship:** Make a Lenten resolution to attend worship more frequently. Maybe that means every Sunday. Or maybe it means both Sundays and Wednesday nights (with "Holden Evening Prayer"). In each of these services, you will hear stories about how God interacts with us, providing for us—even when we may not realize we have any need.



**Sunday Movies with a Moral:** On two Sunday afternoons in Lent (March 12th and 26th at 1:00 P.M. in the Social Hall.) you are invited to the movies. These movies are all about food: *Babette's Feast* and *Chocolat*. If you've seen them, you know that they are worth seeing again. If you haven't seen them then, well, you have no excuse; you need to be there. We'll wrap up each viewing with a conversation about God and food.

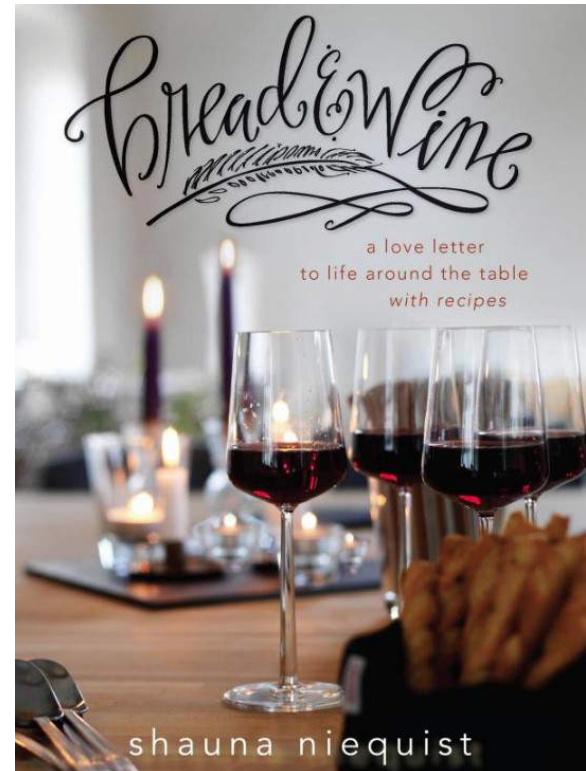




**Red Wagon Food Drive:** Bring non-perishable food items and other essentials (paper towels, etc.) and lay them before the Altar—literally. Wouldn't it be amazing to have every one of us collect 40 items (one for each day of Lent) for the Multi-Service Center? God provides, so we do too. Let's fill the Altar area so full that it's an audacious witness to God's generosity.



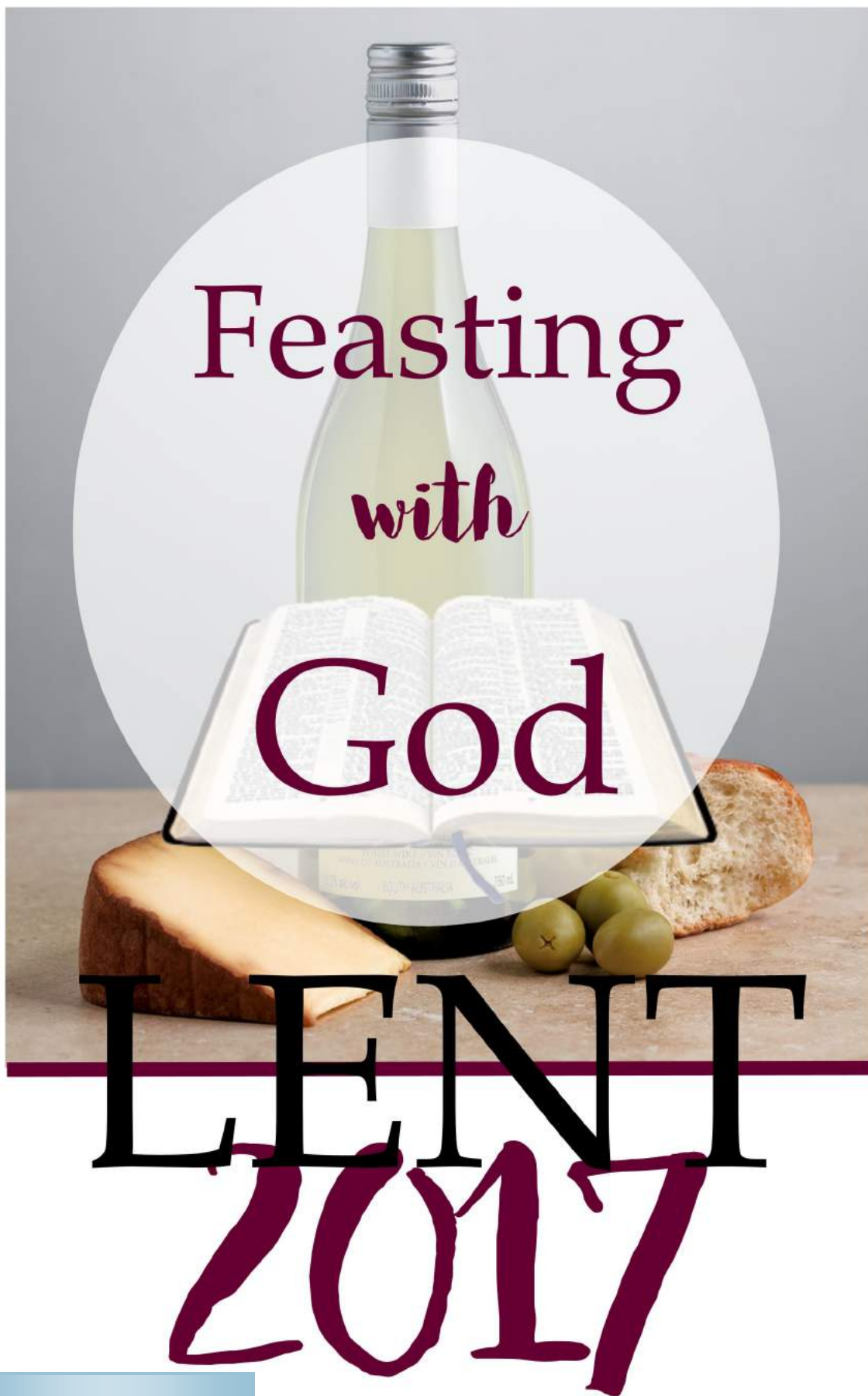
**Midweek Study:** On Wednesdays, we will interrupt our normal 10 a.m. Bible Study and instead have Noon Soup and Conversation. We'll gather for a light lunch, (yes, we invite you to bring soup or bread), and explore one of the rich biblical stories about Feasting with God. At 7 p.m., we will sing "Holden Evening Prayer" and look at the texts we studied at Noon.



**Dinner Groups:** So far, 5 groups are currently scheduled to meet at least twice during Lent. These groups will gather for a coordinated meal of their choice, and discuss the book, [Bread and Wine](#), by Shauna Niequist. If you missed the opportunity to join one of these groups, and have a hankering to be a part of the conversation, contact the Office, and we'll set you up.

Get ready for the Feast!

*Zori Alcorn*



# Women's Ministries



## Naomi Circle

Saturday, March 4th  
at 10:00 A.M. in LC #1&2  
Deanna Kaasa,  
Hostess

Contact:  
Madeline Yamada



## LWR Quilting Ministry

Monday, March 13th  
at 10:00 A.M.  
Learning Center #1

Contacts: Corky Black or  
Madeline Yamada



## Prayer Shawl Group

Monday, March 6th  
at 10:00 A.M.  
Learning Center #1

Contact:  
Deanna Kaasa



## Lunch Bunch

Thursday, March 16th  
at 11:30 A.M.

[Red Lobster](#)  
2006 S. 320th St.  
Federal Way 98003

Contact:  
Mary Helen Amberson

# Lenten Daily Devotional



Each day during Lent, a Lenten Devotion is posted on Calvary's Facebook page. You can receive these by going to [www.facebook.com/calvaryconnections](http://www.facebook.com/calvaryconnections).

Near the top of the page, you will click LIKE and FOLLOW. On the FOLLOW button, you can click the down arrow. That gives you the choice to see Calvary's posts default" (wherever they are in the timeline) or "see first."

If you choose "see first," you will see Calvary's most recent posts at the top of your Facebook feed whenever you open Facebook.

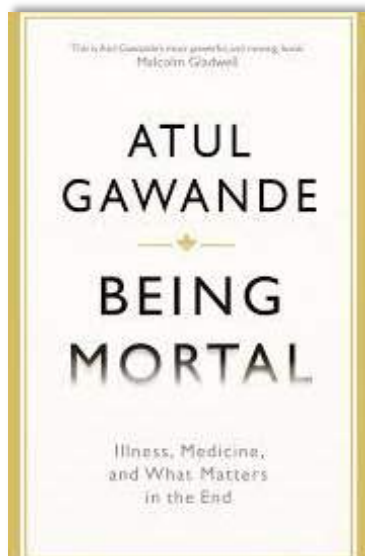
If you don't use Facebook, you can also see these daily devotionals by visiting the Lenten display in the Narthex. Each day's devotional will be added to the display on its correct date.



"I made a New Year's resolution to eat broccoli.  
If I can't stand it, I'll give it up for Lent."



# Book Clubs



## Men's Book Club

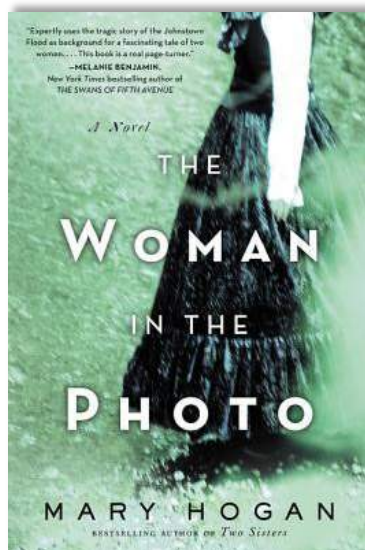
March Meeting: Thursday, March 9th, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.

March Book: [\*Being Mortal: Illness, Medicine, and What Happens in the End\*](#) by Atul Gawande

April Meeting: Thursday, April 13th, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.

April Book:

Contact: Larry Bengtson, Bill Johnson



## Book Club

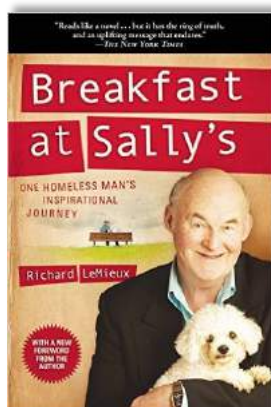
March Meeting: Monday, March 27th, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.

March Book: [\*The Woman in the Photo\*](#) by Mary Hogan

April Meeting: Monday, April 24th, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.

April Book: [\*Breakfast at Sally's: One Homeless Man's Inspirational Journey\*](#) by Richard Lemieux

Contact: Gail Pierson



*You're invited!*

The Calvary Book Club would like you to join our group! We meet monthly (the fourth Monday) at 7:00 P.M. in the church library. We read a mixture of fiction, non-fiction, and classics.

Why do I like Book Club? Being a member of this group has broadened the scope of my reading, enriched my understanding of a wider variety of books, and created a new groups of friends.

We welcome new members. We welcome you to visit. Try us out! Even if you don't want to be a regular but a particular book is of interest to you, please join us for that meeting. ~Gail Pierson

# Bible Studies

## Sunday Forum

*Sundays at 10:15 A.M. in the Social Hall*

March 5th: Steel Lake Presbyterian's building use proposal

March 12th, 19th, 26th, & April 2nd: We will look at Luther's teaching on Holy Communion in the *Small Catechism*. Bring your copy and take notes.

## Tuesday Bible Study

*Tuesdays at 10:00 A.M. in LC #1*

This weekly Bible Study continues a study of the Gospel of Matthew

March meeting dates: 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 3/28

Facilitators: Pastor Lori Cornell, Intern Pastor Jake Schumacher

## Midweek Bible Study

Midweek Bible Study will not be held in March. Instead, you are invited to attend Ash Wednesday Services and the Lenten Soup & Study on Wednesdays at Noon. See Pastor Lori's lead article (pp. 1-3) for more information.

## Wednesday Evening Bible Study

Wednesday Evening Bible Study will not be held in March. Instead, you are invited to attend Ash Wednesday Services and the Holden Evening Prayer Lenten Worship on Wednesdays at 7 o'clock. See Pastor Lori's lead article (pp. 1-3) for more information.

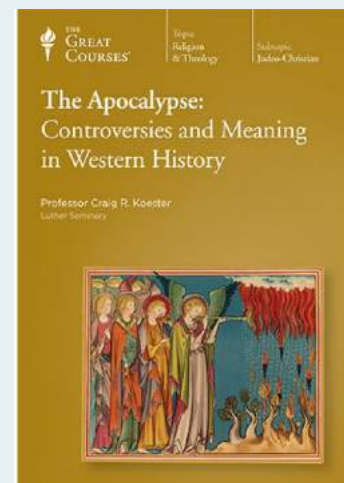
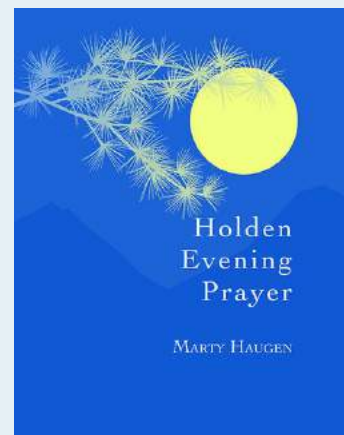
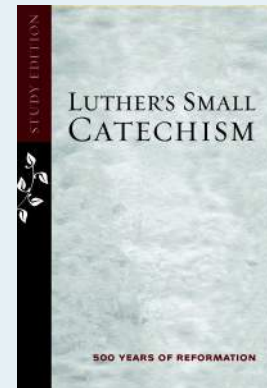
## Men's Bible Study

*Thursdays at 8:00 A.M.*

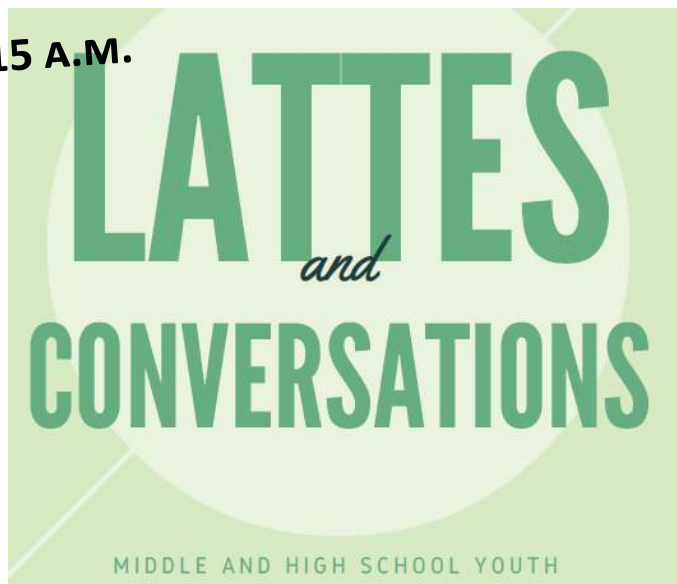
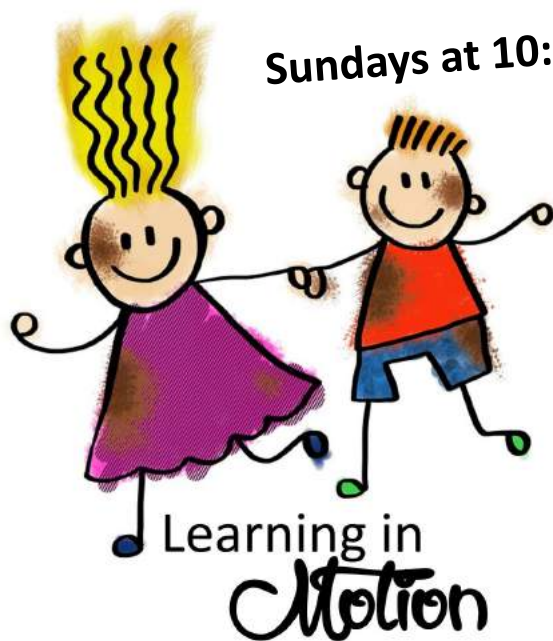
The men are in the midst of study from The Great Courses, [\*Apocalypse: Controversies and Meaning Western History\*](#).

March 2nd	Poverty Bay Café, 1108 S. 322nd Place Federal Way 98003
March 9th	LC #2
March 16th	LC #2
March 23rd	LC #2
March 30th	LC #2

Facilitator: Bill Johnson



# Intergenerational Ministries



*Every Sunday in March.*

## Coffee Shop Hours with Intern Pastor Jake



Thursdays  
10:00-Noon

Poverty Bay Café, 1108 S. 322nd Place, Federal Way, WA 98003

Located behind the 320th Street Safeway.

[www.povertybay.com](http://www.povertybay.com)



# FLY PIZZA PARTY

## SAT. MARCH 11

### 5:30-7:30 PM

## CHRIST LUTHERAN

Join your friends from Christ and Calvary Lutheran churches for food, fun, and service. We'll be making pizza for ourselves and for the ReachOut Men's Shelter. Bring your favorite pizza topping to share.

Questions? Contact Pastor Chelsea  
([pastor@christlutheranfw.com](mailto:pastor@christlutheranfw.com))



# Pub Theology

Friday, March 24th

Friday, April 28th

Friday, May 26th

6:30 p.m.

Billy McHale's  
1320 S. 324th St, Federal Way, WA 98003

Everyone 21+ Welcome!  
Childcare available at Calvary.

# Church Business

## A Report from Your Finance Team

2017	January	Year to Date	Total Planned	YTD % of Plan**
Income	\$34,904*	<b>\$34,904</b>	\$413,636	8.4%
Expenses	\$32,674	<b>\$32,674</b>	\$413,6236	7.9%
Net Ordinary Income	<b>\$2230</b>	<b>\$2230</b>		

\* Includes \$3280 Thrivent Choice dollars

\*\* January is 8.5% of the year

### 2016 Data for Comparison

### 2016 Actual Results

2016	January	Year to Date	2016 Total (Actual)	YTD % of Actual Total
Income	\$31,507	\$31,507	\$415,012	7.8%
Expenses	\$31,100	\$31,100	\$400,870	7.8%
Net Ordinary Income	<b>\$407</b>	<b>\$407</b>		

### What's noteworthy?

In February, we were able to pay back \$70,000 of the \$100,000 loan taken in 2016. This loan provided the cash flow to enable completion of the roofing project last summer. At our request, Mission Investment Fund will re-amortize our loan over the same period of time, which will lead to a reduction in monthly mortgage payments.

## Grounds Work Party

Saturday, March 4th at 9:00 A.M.

Bring your work gloves!

# Calvary Family & Milestones

## Prayers for Members with Ongoing Health Issues

Blaine Anderson	Janet Freeman-Daily
Marion Beck	Paula HeideIman
Virginia Benson	Jeanne Hotchkiss
Marsha Case	Harold & Ardy Jobse
John & Pat Corliss	Joann Jones
Yvonne Eagan	Marlise Ross
Carrie Ferguson	Grace Schwartz

## Giving Through Thrivent Financial

Thrivent Financial sees “money as a tool, not a goal.” Their “unique approach to blending faith, finances, and generosity helps our members thrive...We also support programs that help build stronger families, churches, and communities. You could call it a fresh way to think about money.”

With Thrivent Choice, you have the option of directing where some of Thrivent Financial’s charitable outreach funds go. Since 2010, more than 330 million has been distributed to churches and non-profits nationwide. If you have funds invested with Thrivent, you earn Thrivent Choice dollars each year. You must make a choice by the March 31 deadline or the funds go back to Thrivent to distribute for you.



Calvary is listed as an approved Thrivent Choice Dollars recipient. To select Calvary, open up your Thrivent account:

[My Thrivent](#) ► My Account Overview

Scroll down the page to Thrivent Choice, there you will find 2016 Choice Dollars: and 2017 Choice Dollars: and the Total.

Your 2016 Choice Dollars must be directed by March 31, 2017.

Direct Choice Dollars and you will be asked to choose an organization that has been approved by Thrivent to receive those dollars. Once you have given to that organization it will pop up first next time.

Please let Rachel know how much you direct to Calvary, as the money comes to her without detail.

Questions? Contact Marj Hause.

## Birthdays

- 1 Corky Black
- 1 Dottie Corliss
- 3 Logan Fant
- 3 Loren Peterson
- 4 Beth Engberg
- 4 Angella Patera
- 5 Doug Dale
- 8 Bob McClane
- 11 Claudia Vedvick
- 12 Heather Baker
- 14 Blaine Anderson
- 16 Ken Corliss
- 17 John Corliss
- 18 Terry Hill
- 19 Vivian Anderson
- 20 Sarah Sell
- 23 Karin Johnson
- 24 Margaret Peterson
- 27 Amy Bunting
- 29 Nicole Willing
- 30 Cindy Wagner
- 31 Judy Nalley

## Baptismal Anniversaries

John Corliss  
Marj Hause  
Olivia Lienen  
Elizabeth Logan  
Sue Snyder



# Serving in Worship Schedule

March 2017	5	12	19	26
Sanctuary @ 9:00		Daylight Savings!	-	
Acolyte			Nevada Paris	
Assisting Minister	Pat Roragen	Karin Johnson	Marj Hause	Madeline Yamada
Pew Communion	Craig Hoppler	Gail Pierson	Madeline Yamada	Bill Johnson
Communion Assist	Dan Achman	~ Intinction ~ Dottie Corliss	Al Parke	~ Intinction ~ Corky Black
serve juice or tray	Kathleen Parks	Ken Corliss	Jake Schumacher	Pat Roragen
serve juice or tray	Holly Fisher	Bobby McClain	Gail Pierson	Renate Cooper
	Madeline Yamada	Becky Riddle	Donna Wendelburg	Craig Hoppler
Greeter	Betty Huff	Chris Harris	Doris Rime	Nellie Gordon
	Bill Huff	Chuck Harris	Jean Warmbo	Diana Paris
Reader	Renate Cooper	Vern Warmbo	Becky Riddle	Karin Johnson
Usher	Holly Fisher	Bill Johnson	Randy Baeth	Jean Warmbo
	Phil Sell	Keith Klungness	Ray Holmes	Vern Warmbo
Sound Board	Glenn Sawyer	Al Parke	Glenn Sawyer	Craig Hoppler
Building Supervisor	Phil Sell	Keith Klungness	Randy Baeth	Vern Warmbo
Deeper Life @ 11:15				
Communion Assistant	Waverly Hagen	Mike Ragan	James Nichols	Paula Fowler
	Jill Hill	Mary Sawyer	Jake Schumacher	Mike Ragan
Greeter	Jake Schumacher	Paula Fowler	Jean Nistad	Betty Pingeon
Altar Guild	Denise Achman	Denise Achman	H & L Fisher	H & L Fisher
	Mary Ann Odne	Mary Ann Odne	Marlise Ross	Marlise Ross
	Jackie Russo (DL)			
Hospitality	Waverly Hagen (9:00)	D&R Baeth (both services)	Marlise Ross (both services)	H&L Fisher (both services)
	Mary Sawyer (11:15)	Mary Sawyer (11:15)		

Please find your own replacement, then notify the office. For future scheduling [marj.calvaryelca@comcast.net](mailto:marj.calvaryelca@comcast.net)

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# March 2017 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>26</b> 9:00 AM Traditional Worship/Communion/Sanctuary 10:15 AM Lenten All Age Activity & Brunch/Social Hall 11:15 AM Deeper Life/Communion/Great Room 12:45 PM LEGS/LC#1	<b>27</b> 9:00 AM Staff Mtg/Work Room 12:00 PM Visitation/Communion Team Lunch/LC2 6:30 PM Deeper Life Band Rehearsal/Great Room 7:00 PM Book Club/Library	<b>28</b> 10:00 AM Tuesday Bible Study/LC#1 7:00 PM Finance Tm/LC #1 7:00 PM Neighbors in Faith/Sanctuary & Social Hall	<b>1</b> Ash Wednesday 12:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service I/ Sanctuary 7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service II/ Sanctuary	<b>2</b> 8:00 AM Men's Bible St/Poverty Bay Café 10:00 AM Coffee with Intern/ Poverty Bay Café 6:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal/ Loft 7:15 PM Calvary Choir Rehearsal/ Sanctuary	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 9:00 AM Grounds Work Party 10:00 AM Naomi Circle/LC #1&2
<b>5</b> 9:00 AM Traditional Worship/Communion/Evert Baptism/Sanctuary 10:15 AM Forum/Social Hall 10:15 AM Lattes & Conversation (Grades 6-12/Fireside) 10:15 AM Learning in Motion (Grades K-5/LC #2) 11:15 AM Deeper Life/Communion/Great Room	<b>6</b> 9:00 AM Staff Mtg/Work Room 10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Group/LC #1 6:30 PM Deeper Life Band Rehearsal/Great Room 7:00 PM Peer-to-Peer Mental Health Support Group/Fireside Rm	<b>7</b> 10:00 AM Tuesday Bible Study/LC#1 7:00 PM Management Team/WkRm	<b>8</b> 12:00 PM Lenten Soup & Study/ Social Hall 7:00 PM Lenten Worship/Great Room	<b>9</b> 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study/LC #2 10:00 AM Coffee with Intern/ Poverty Bay Café 1:30 PM Men's Book Club/LC #1 6:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal/ Loft 7:15 PM Calvary Choir Rehearsal/ Sanctuary	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 6:30 PM FLY Communion Bread & Pizza/Christ Lutheran Church
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## Weekly Lenten Activities in March



Sundays, 9:00 & 11:15 a.m.  
Sundays, 10:15 a.m.

Sunday Worship  
Forum: Holy Communion  
(3/12, 3/19, 3/26, 4/2)

Sanctuary  
Sanctuary

Wednesdays, 12:00 p.m. (Noon)  
Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m.

Lenten Soup & Study  
Holden Evening Prayer

Social Hall  
Great Room

## Special Lenten Activities in March



Sunday, March 12th, 1:00 p.m.  
Sunday, March 26th, 1:00 p.m.

Movie: *Babette's Feast*  
Movie: *Chocolat*

Social Hall  
Social Hall

Evening Dinner Groups will meet at least twice during Lent.  
Please contact Intern Pastor Jake Schumacher for more information.

