

The Caller

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Greetings! My name is Melissa Anderson Trust and I am honored to serve Calvary Lutheran Church as Intern Pastor this year. I look forward to meeting each and every one of you and experiencing the gift that each of you are to the church and the world.



In some ways coming to walk with you at Calvary is a home-coming for me. I was born and raised in the greater Tacoma area and have lived in Pierce County most of my life. I moved to Southern California for college,

graduating from California Lutheran University with a degree in French and International Studies. While in college I had the opportunity to study abroad in Iringa, Tanzania and Paris, France. After college, I moved to Holden Village and spent a year serving as a Lead Cook in their kitchen, hiking in the mountains, discovering an untapped creative side of myself, and making lifelong friends.

After my time at Holden Village, jobs were scarce (hello recession) so I ventured to Guatemala and spent time with a cousin who was teaching in Guatemala City. Reality called and the job search began. I landed a job at a bakery in Eatonville and began volunteering at Eatonville's local food co-op. While work and volunteering were enjoyable, I didn't know many people my age in the area. My cousin connected me to some of his friends and I joined a co-ed softball team. It was



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through softball that I met my husband, Ted.

While working at the bakery, a customer and fellow food coop volunteer sent me an email for a job opening to work in the office for a mountaineering guide service in Ashford. I was intrigued. I applied and got the job! I have been working for this company ever since. In my role I wear many hats including website and database project management, social media, and customer service.

Ted and I lived outside of Eatonville with our dog, Nala until the big move to St. Paul, MN so I could attend Luther Seminary. In 2016, we packed up and moved across the country. Going to seminary was a leap of faith for me but more so, it was a leap of faith for Ted. He trusts and believes in my call enough that he changed careers and was willing to move away from family and friends. When I doubt my call (which happens and is normal!), remembering his confidence in my call helps.

Seminary has been an incredible opportunity for me to grow as an individual, as a Christian, as a future pastor, as a person in this world, and so much more. My studies have largely focused on biblical Hebrew and the Old Testament. One of the reasons I love studying Hebrew and the Old Testament is

because Jesus was Jewish. Anytime the New Testament references "Scripture," it is the Old Testament being referenced. To better understand Jesus, I think it is necessary to better understand the Old Testament. I hope I am able to share this interest with you.

Despite being a lifelong Lutheran, it wasn't until college that I firmly decided that I am theologically Lutheran. Seminary has continued to help solidify my own theological understandings as being distinctly Lutheran. I love finding law and gospel in the Old Testament (it's everywhere!), discovering how the Holy Spirit is creating faith, and experiencing the Word transformed so that more people can receive it.

During the summer of 2018, Ted and I welcomed our son, Edison, into the world. The past year of seminary has been full of the joys of being new parents, studying, and working. Our hearts are continually bursting with love for Edison and we look forward to sharing him with you all.

One thing you should know about me is that I've never worked in a church. My contextual learning was spent at a senior living home where I served as a chaplain. I've been active as a church mem-

ber but have never experienced church from the other side. I mostly think this will be a strength as I begin internship. I have no expectations for what happens. I seek to learn, explore, and discover how God is at work in the day to day life of Calvary. This next year will be one of growth and discovery as I learn about you and about how I will one day fill the role of pastor.

In college, it didn't take me long to realize that Washington was home. Living in Southern California was wonderful but it wasn't home. Ted and I had the same realization while living in Minnesota. Minnesota is incredible, the Twin Cities have much to offer, but they aren't home. Washington is home. Where the sea meets the mountains is home. Gray, rainy days. Sun breaks and salty air.

Thank you Calvary for welcoming my family home.
I look forward to getting to know you all this year as you help me grow as a person and as a leader.

With good courage,

Intern Pastor Melissa Anderson Trust

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An Interview with Intern Pastor Melissa

Name and meaning:

Melissa Anderson Trust. Melissa means Honey Bee in Greek.

Birthdate: September 15th

Born and raised, where is home:

I was born in Tacoma (Tacoma General) and raised south of Spanaway. I consider the Graham & Eatonville area of WA home.

Church or ELCA history:

I was baptized at Trinity Lutheran in Parkland, WA. I was confirmed and raised at Bethany Lutheran in Spanaway. This where I am a member and receive support while in seminary. I have also been involved with the student congregation at California Lutheran University and lived at Holden Village for a time.

Education Summary:

I am a graduate of Bethel High School in Spanaway, WA and California Lutheran University in Thousand Oaks, CA. At college I double majored in French and International Studies and had the opportunity to study abroad in Iringa, Tanzania and Paris, France. I am in my final year of seminary at Luther Seminary where I hope to graduate in 2020 with an M.Div. I have an Old Testament concentration with my M.Div.

Tell us about your family:

My Husband is Ted and we have a son, Edison and a dog, Nala. Ted and I met playing co-ed softball (he thought I was dating my brother). We have been married

since 2014. Our wedding was at a barn near Chehalis. The same year we got married we adopted Nala from my parents. She is a 60 lb.



wanna be lap dog who has the very definition of puppy dog eyes. Our son, Edison was born in July 2018. We are wrapping up celebrating his first birthday as I write this. He has stolen our hearts. He's happy, mischievous, curious, a great eater, and more. He loves spending time in the water and has almost mastered walking.

Goal as an Intern: Learn the practical aspects of serving as pastor

Goal after Internship:

Complete a CPE (chaplaincy) residency.

Social passions:

Food in all its aspects.
Where our food comes
from, how it was grown/
raised/harvested/caught,
how farmers/workers are

treated, accessibility to healthy food options, etc.

Favorite color: Green

Favorite sweet treat: Pies. Berry, apple, rhubarb, peach, etc.

Go-to Starbucks order: Grande latte (hot or iced)

Hobbies:

Softball, hiking, reading, zoos.

Sport Teams or other passions:

As a Washingtonian I think it is important to identify my allegiance: Go Cougs!
Seahawks, Mariners, Sounders, Gonzaga Basketball
Basketball – especially women's, all levels but not the NBA.

Favorite movie genre:

Musicals

Favorite vacation spot in WA: Chelan

And out of WA:

It's been a long time since I've vacationed outside of WA. The most recent non-WA vacation was Maui. We really enjoyed Maui. We are planning a trip to Arizona to watch Mariners at Spring Training and visit some friends. We'll find out if that's a favorite spot.

September Happenings





SUNDAY EDUCATIONAL begins sept. 15th HOUR 10:15 a.m. Adult Forum—Social Hall Learning in Motion, K-6 Grade—LC #2

Faith 5, Grades 6th-8th—Library

The Red Wagon rolls
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8th for

REFUGEES NORTHWEST

You are invited to the

Seeking Refuge Day of Service Project Sunday, September 8th after Summer Worship in the Social Hall

Help pack emergency hygiene kits for refugees and asylum seekers with the Red Wagon items collected at Worship!.

PLEASE DONATE

New and unopened full-size...

- soap
- shampoo
- conditioner
- toothpaste

Also new...

- razors
- toothbrushes
- maxi-pads (no tampons)





Sundays in the Social Hall 10:15 a.m.

RESUMES SEPTEMBER 15TH

Sept. 15th — "Community Organizing: How Partnerships Make Us Stronger." Presenter: Joey Ager, South Sound Community Organizer for Church Council of Greater Seattle.

Sept. 22nd — "Farestart: Teaching Self-Reliance with Food."

Presenter: Jermaine Jenkins, Outreach Coordinator for Farestart.

Sept. 29th — "Partnerships for Affordable Housing."

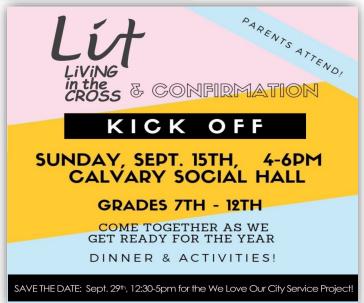
Presenter: Mike Anderson, Compass Housing. Mr. Anderson will also be speaking at both worship services and available for conversation after Deeper Life.

More September Happenings



Bell Choir and Calvary Choir

Thursdays starting Sept. 5th. Bells @ 6 pm, Vocal @ 7:15 pm. Rehearsals in the Loft & Sanctuary. Join in!





Starts September 15th!



Book Groups & Ministries

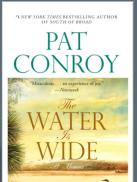






Calvary Book Group

Open to men and women interested in exploring literature together.



Thursday, September 26th 12:30 p.m. Calvary Library

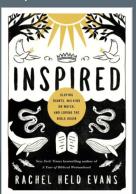
Book: *The Water is Wide* by Pat Conroy

Next Book: *Ordinary Grace* by William Kent Krueger

Contact: Gail Pierson

Fierce Women's Faith Study

Open to all women of Calvary.



Monday, September 16th 6:30 p.m. Pastor Lori's home

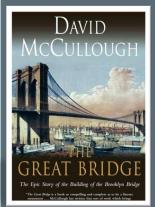
Book: Inspired by Rachel Held Evans. Please have the first 2 chapters read.

Contact: Pastor Lori

Men's Book Group

Open to all men of Calvary.

Thursday, September 12th 1:30 p.m. — LC #1



Book: *Great Bridge* by David McCullough

Next Book: *Mink River* by Brian Doyle

Contacts: Larry Bengtson, Bill Johnson

Bible Studies & Office News

Wednesday Bible Study

Wednesdays at 10:00 A.M. in the Calvary Library

BEGINS SEPTEMBER 11TH!

A weekly conversation based on the upcoming scriptures for Sunday's Worship.

Facilitators: Pastor Lori Cornell, Intern Pastor Melissa Anderson Trust

Men's Bible Study

Thursdays at a NEW TIME!

Sept. 5th 8:00 A.M. Poverty Bay Café

1108 S. 322nd Pl, FW

Now at 8:30 A.M.

 Sept. 12th
 LC #2

 Sept. 19th
 LC #2

 Sept. 26th
 LC #2

Facilitator: Bill Johnson

Young Adult Ministry Bible Study

Thursdays at 6:30 P.M. in the home of Kyle Franklin

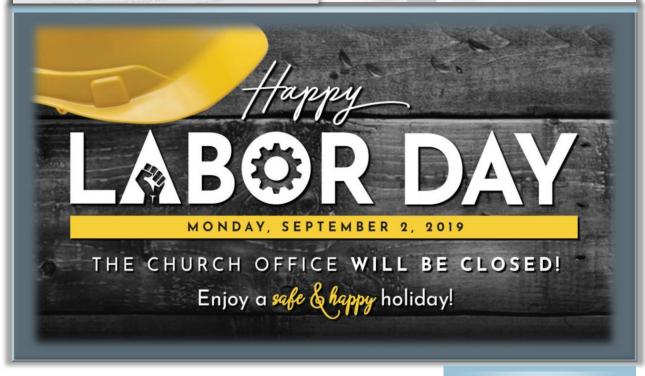
All members ages 19 - 40-something are welcomed to join!

Tuesday Bible Study

Tuesdays at 10:00 A.M. in Learning Center #2

BEGINS SEPTEMBER 10TH!

Facilitators: Pastor Lori Cornell, Intern Pastor Melissa Anderson Trust



Farewell Intern Ben & Adelle

It has been a wonderful 12 months with our Intern Ben Williams and his wife Adelle.
On Sunday, August 18th, we celebrated them with a Camp Benjamin @ Lake Adelle party.

There was camping décor galore and people feasted on picnic foods. Pastor Lori led the Members in sharing their scary ghost stories with humorous twists and singing their favorite camp songs. Ben and Adelle wore tacky camp counselor lanyards with all the badges they've earned such as "Stylish Millennial" and "PNW Camper." Ben led the group in a camp song he invented and was presented with a gift from Roger Lundeen representing the Internship Team.

We wish Ben and Adelle a safe journey back to Minnesota where Ben will finish his last year at Luther Seminary.



















VBS Recap



From Our Neighbor Steel Lake

Members of Calvary Lutheran are welcome to join the Senior Community Connection, a monthly gathering centered on issues that Seniors face in Federal Way. This group is hosted by Pastor Colleen Chinen and aims to bring real change to the Federal Way area.

Senior

Steel Lake has two members, that attend the Connection, appointed to the 12-person Federal Way Senior Advisory Commission. On Tuesday, September 3rd at 2 pm, in City Hall, Cheryl Volheim and Pal Leonard will bring the concerns and ideas they've been discussing into focus for deliberation by the City Council.



The Senior Community Connection meetings take place on the fourth Wednesday of each month. The next one will be on September 25th, at Noon, in the Downstairs Conference Room (down the hall from the Fireside Room). All are welcome to join the group for soup and conversation concerning issues that Seniors (50+ years and older) and their families face in their lifetime.

If you'd like to participate, please contact Pastor Colleen Chinen in the Steel Lake office.



Executive Assistant Leslie Shepard in her Office.

Steel Lake Presbyterian, which is housed in our West Wing, has been without official Office Staff for two years. They have recently hired Leslie Shepard as their Executive Assistant. Welcome Leslie!

If you need to contact Pastor Will or Colleen at Steel Lake, please see Leslie during their Office hours, which are Monday thru Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Or contact them at 253-839-1210, or officeadmin@steellake.org.

Members and Milestones

Prayers for Ongoing Health Issues

Ardy Jobse

Carrie Ferguson

Doris Rime

Grace Schwartz

Janet Freeman-Daily

Jeanne Hotchkiss

Joann Jones

John Moller

Susan Hoppler

Vicki Smith

Vivian Anderson

Birthdays

01 Dan Achman

04 Keith Klungness

12 Elizabeth Chamberlain Rachel O'Reilly

15 Melissa Anderson Trust

18 Bill Huff

19 Jean Warmbo

21 Leif Oksenvaag

26 Renate Cooper

27 Nancy McEleney

29 John Pearson

Baptismal Anniversaries

Doris Achman

Suzanne Higgins

Susan Hoppler

Bill Huff

Gail Pierson

Pat Roragen

Kelly Thoreson

The Calvary Kitchen would very much appreciate donation of *dish rags*. Thanks!

Phyllis Dirks (Dishtowel Maven)

Our Sack Lunch Program needs a *Helper* to prep and serve lunches to the public on Tuesdays between 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. See Mary Sawyer.



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Submit info to media.calvaryelca@comcast.net by SEPT. 23rd

Thank you to the Calvary members who took the led worship on August 25th for Lay-Lead Worship. Especially Marj Hause who presided, Kathleen Parks for her sermon, and Randy Baeth, along with Neal Cook, for the children's message.







September's Leading in Worship Schedule

Sept 2019	1	8	15	22	29
Sanctuary	08:6	9:30	00:6	00:6	00:6
Altar Guild	Dixie Baeth	Dixie Baeth	Cindy Wagner	Denise Achman	Gayle Miller
Hospitalit∨	Corky Black	Council	Diana Paris Bonnie Nagode	Holly Fisher, Lynn Fisher Holly Fisher, Lynn Fisher Holly Fisher, Lynn Fisher	Dixie & Randy Baeth Dixie & Randy Baeth
Building Supervisor	Randy Baeth	Phil Sell	Neal Cook	Kelly Thoreson	Bill Johnson
Greeter	Marcly Curtis	Mike Ragan	Joyce Criss	Nellie Gordon	Chuck Harris
	Corky Black	Marsha Case	Vonne Fowler	Barb Frost	Chris Harris
Usher	Jean Warmbo	Izzy Parity	Phil Sell	Betty Huff	Bobbi McClain
	Vern Warmbo	Bill Johnson	Isaac Winslow	Bill Huff	Al Parke
Acolvte		Suzannah Winslow	Emily Kropp	Logan Fant	Emily Kropp
				Suzannah Winslow	Morgan Fant
Assisting Minister	Karin Johnson	Melissa Trust	Craig Hoppler	Melissa Trust	Madeline Tam
Reader	Chris Harris	Morgan Fant	Mike Ragan	Bill Johnson	Karin Johnson
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Communion	Craig Hoppler	Gail Pierson	Randy Baeth	Renate Cooper	Chris Harris
Assistant	Shari Winslow	Al Parke	Marj Hause	Kyle Franklin	Chuck Harris
serve juice or tray	Bill Johnson	Suzannah Winslow	Emily Kropp	Logan Fant	Emily Kropp
	Marj Hause	Madeline Tam	Sandra Cook	Suzannah Winslow	Morgan Fant
Pew Communion	Mike Ragan	Bobbi McClain	Gail Pierson	Marj Hause	Craig Hoppler
Sound Board	Glenn Sawyer	Glenn Sawyer	Al Hagen	Glenn Sawyer	Glenn Sawyer
Deeper Life @ 11:15					i.
Greeter			Mary Sawyer	Betty Pingeon	James Nichols
Communion			Paula Fowler	Waverly Hagen	Catherine Sannerud
Assistant	di .		James Nichols	Mary Sawyer	Mike Ragan
Please find your own replacement, then notify	cement, then notif	y the office. For future scheduling clcschedulefw@gmail.com	heduling clcschedu	lefw@gmail.com	updated 8.28.19

September's Calendar

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Church Financials

A Report from Your Finance Team

2019	July	Year to Date	Total Planned	YTD % of Plan*
Income	\$19,092	\$202,333	\$464,158	43.6%
Expenses	\$29,323	\$224,552	\$464,158	48.4%
Net Ordinary Income	(\$10,231)	(\$22,219)		

^{*} July is 58.3% of the year

2018 Data for Comparison

2018 Actual Results

2018	July	Year to Date	2018 Total (Actual)	YTD % of Actual Total
Income	\$41,368	\$217,109	\$394,016	55.1%
Expenses	\$28,311	\$224,484	\$395,565	56.8%
Net Ordinary	\$13,057	(\$7,375)	3	X

What's noteworthy?

- July's income was far below average, leading to an operating deficit of (\$10,231) for the
 month and increasing the year-to-date operating deficit to (\$22,219). Expenses were
 also below average for the month. (Monthly expenses and income over the last 3 years have
 averaged \$32,700 to \$33,700).
- The year-to-date deficit is much greater than in 2018. In 2019 the year to date expenses
 were nearly identical to 2018, while the income year-to-date is significantly less than it
 was in 2018. Typically, in the fall months monthly average income increases as the end
 of the year approaches. Council will be monitoring the situation month to month.
- Please ensure your giving pledge is up-to-date.
- Thank you for your support to Calvary and its missions in 2019!



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