

Calvary News Update – March 2020

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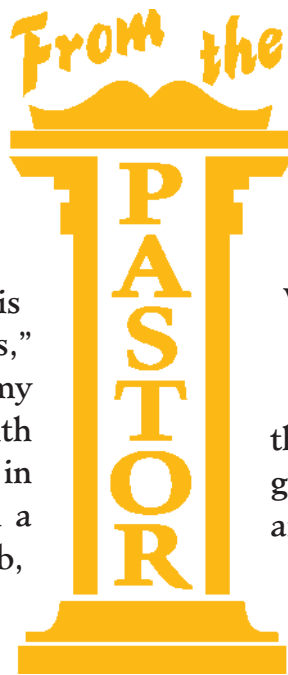
The Good Shepherd

Editor's Note: As Pastor Joe has been traveling, this month we have a guest columnist. You may have heard of him.

I am the Good Shepherd — John 10:14

These are comforting words, which set before our eyes a gracious picture of our Lord Jesus Christ, and teach us what sort of a Person He is, what sort of work He does, and how He is disposed towards men.

And if you ask me whether Christ is saintly, I answer without hesitation “yes,” and I place Him like a shield before my own saintliness, and I trust in Him with my whole heart. For I was baptized in Him and have received in the Gospel a letter and seal, that I am His dear lamb, and that He is my good shepherd, who seeks His lost lamb and deals with me in no legalistic way. He demands nothing of me, neither does He drive me on; He does not threaten, neither does He frighten me, but He shows me His sweet grace, and lowers Himself to me, even



beneath me, and takes me upon Himself, so that I now lie on His back and am carried by Him.

There is scarcely any more precious illustration in the whole Gospel than when the Lord Christ compares Himself to a shepherd carrying back to the flock, on His shoulders, the sheep which was lost.

He is still carrying to this day.

Therefore the sum of the Gospel is this: the kingdom of Christ is a kingdom of grace and mercy, in which there is never anything but carrying. Christ bears our griefs and infirmities. He takes our sins upon Himself and is patient when we fall.

We always rest on his shoulders.

– *Martin Luther*

From *Day by Day We Magnify Thee*
by Martin Luther, Fortress Press, 1982

LENT

Vicar Nathan Rinne preaching
6:30 pm • Wed., March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1



Palm Sunday April 5



and
Holy Week

Maundy
THURSDAY

April 9
6:30 pm
Holy Communion



Good
FRIDAY

April 10
6:30 pm



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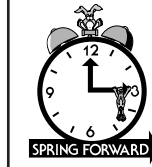
Wednesday Lenten Services, completing one of the final requirements of his AALC Vicarage under the supervision of Pastor Joe Marsh, which he will be finishing in June. Nathan has been preaching regularly at an AALC church in Clam Falls, Wisconsin. Nathan works full time in the library at Concordia University, and also teaches some online classes. He lives in Columbia Heights with his wife and five boys.

LENT

DON'T FORGET!!!

Daylight Saving Time begins

March 8



Don't forget to move your clock ahead one hour when you go to bed Saturday, March 7.

Short Takes...

Rita Schenk, wife of Ken, passed away Feb. 3 after a long battle with cancer. Please remember Ken and the family in your prayers.

Thank you Rev. Orlando Hash for preaching Feb. 23 when Pastor Joe was out of town. Orlando is not only a retired pastor and missionary, but an Air Force veteran as well, and his sermon included reference to his experience in South Korea during the Korean War.

Prayer Request Forms: The ushers have forms you can use to make a prayer request *prior* to the beginning of Sunday worship. If you like, request some forms to take home with you to prepare for the next week. During the week, you may e-mail prayer requests to office@calvarystpaul.org.

Take Note(s): As requested, a "sermon notes" form is now available for your convenience. Ask for it at the ushers' table.

Printed Copies of Sermons are Available: If you'd like a printed copy of the sermon available to you on Sunday mornings, please let Pastor Joe know and a copy will be available for you at the ushers' desk in the narthex.

Calvary's Quilters Helping to Keep Babies Warm

Margee Adrian and her husband, Denny, of St. Paul's West End, are spending their retirement rescuing, refurbishing, delivering and setting up baby equipment for needy families across the Twin Cities. Calvary's quilters have contributed some baby quilts to the effort. Margee sends this note of thanks:



Dear Quilting Ladies,

Thank you so much for your continued support for our baby ministry. Your quilts are always so colorful and beautiful. Many children stay warm because of your kindness, caring, talents, and generosity. We really appreciate all of you and all that you do for us. We gave out more than 330 car seats and 230 cribs in the last year. None of this would be happening without wonderful donors like you!

*Love and Prayers,
Margee & Denny*

Let Us Pray for One Another:



Please pray each day for the following people of Calvary who have special needs: Fred Hall, Sandy Hall, Orlando Hash, Sally Kahn, Jack Lightfoot, Chris Steiner-Lightfoot, Bill White and Kay Witt. Please pray for Pastor Joe Marsh, for God's powerful guidance. Also please pray for other family and friends: Pastor Tom & Mary Aadland, John Amacher, Marcie Ann Coville, Dan & Dawn Hall, Pastor Jay Eberth, the Mart Family (friends of Sally Iverson), Scott McClure, Dawn Stewart. If you know one or more people on the "other family and friends" prayer list in this newsletter, and you think that their names should continue on the list, please let the church office know not later than March 18 so that those names will not be removed from the list.



What's Going On? Newsletter

Submissions to

church office by March 18.

office@calvarystpaul.org

or 651-698-6138

Sunday Morning Fellowship Serving
 March 2020
 April Taylor
 Joan Sedlacek

MARCH 2020

Don't forget...
 Pray for
 Our Troops



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| 1 | 9:00 am Adult Bible Class 10:00 am Worship Service Choir Songs 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship 1:00 pm Karen CRC Worship Ushers: Gretchen & Bob Fett Reader: Bob Witt | | 2 | | 3 | Karol Holmquist | 4 | 8:30 am Prayer Meeting LENT Lenten Service 6:30pm Ushers: Reader: | 5 | Quilters 9:30 am Recovery Meeting Noon-1:00 pm AA Meeting - 7 pm | 6 | Recovery Group 7:00 pm | 7 | Daylight Saving Time Begins Tonight clocks ahead Karen CRC 6-8pm |
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Valentine's Dinner 2020

Calvary couples, singles and their guests enjoyed our annual Valentine's Dinner on February 9 at DeGidio's. The festivities culminated with the coronation of the 2020 Valentine's Queen: Barb Ruuska.



(Thank you to Karleen Witt for the photos.)