

Mt. Calvary Messenger



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WEATHER ALERTS –

With the onset of winter weather here are ways to receive cancellations. The TV stations, WMBD, WEEK, and WHOI will be notified, an e-mail will be sent out (if I don't have your e-mail and you want these notifications, please let me know) and it will appear on our web-site (www.mtcalvarypeoria.org) and facebook page.



THANKS YOU #1

Pastor Long thanks everyone for the cards, prayers, gifts – and the congregation as a whole for their prayers and generosity during the Christmas Season. Blessings to you all – and “Happy New Year!”



THANK YOU #2

Thank you to all the members of Mt. Calvary for thinking of me at Christmas. I am very humbled by your gifts. Thank you also to the volunteers who have helped me during the past year in the office. I could not do without your help.

Judy Honig, Secretary

AND THANK YOU #3

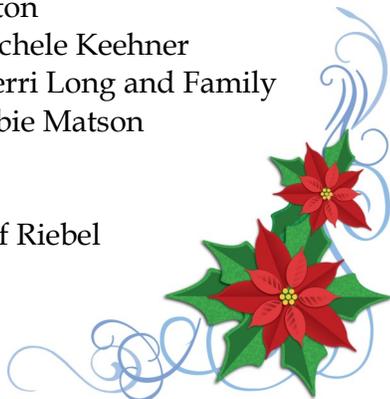
To Mt. Calvary Congregation:

I would like to thank all the Mt. Calvary family for my very generous Christmas remembrance. I appreciate it very much! Thank you also for the care, concern, and prayers for Kate and myself this past year as I am going through treatment.

Bruce Tagge, Minister of Music

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO PROVIDED POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

Daniel Auer
Eileen Benne
LaVelle Borders
Tom and Vicky Brosowski
Chris and Teresa Brusick
Nick and Natalie Brusick
The Claudin Family
Carol DeJarnett
Jerry and Paula Horst
Alice Johnston
Theresa Johnston
Daniel and Michele Keehner
Pastor and Sherri Long and Family
Glenn and Abbie Matson
Nancy Meyer
Marcia Riddle
Cheryl and Jeff Riebel
Barbara Zook



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

1. Arlysha Bovane-Morrow
Steven Flynn
2. Sherri Long
4. Barbara Zook
6. Edmund Fletchall
8. Kyra Lee (Szold)
10. Colin Barr
John Brauer
11. Debbie Livingston
12. Rilla Adcock
14. Keith Crook
Elsa Wilhite
16. Leon Adcock
17. Michael Wilson
18. Doug Auer
Abbie Matson
19. Stephen Bremer
20. Larry Frank
Benjamin Craig
Jeff Fager
Trinity Foote
Rachel Terpening
21. Greg Browning
22. Theresa Johnston
23. Eric Hoffman
28. Ella Barr
Bret Miller
30. Colton Maske
31. Aaron Keehner

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

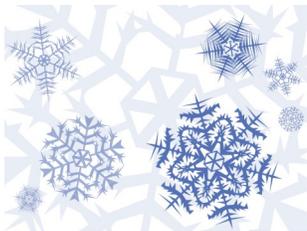
28. Larry & Julie Frank

ALTAR FLOWERS

- January 7 —
January 14 —
January 21 — Theresa Johnston
January 28 —

ELDERS

- January 7 — Daniel Keehner
January 14 — Gary Beenders
January 21 — Tom Brosowske
January 28 — Phil King



Worship Notes

LESSONS FOR SUNDAYS IN JANUARY

Baptism of Our Lord – January 7, 2024

Psalm 29; Genesis 1:1-5;
Romans 6:1-11; Mark 1:4-11

2nd Sunday after Epiphany – January 14, 2024

Psalm 139:1-10; 1 Samuel 3:1-20;
1 Corinthians 6:12-20; John 1:43-51

3rd Sunday after Epiphany – January 21, 2024

Psalm 62; Jonah 3:1-5, 10;
1 Corinthians 7:29-35; Mark 1:14-20

4th Sunday after Epiphany – January 28, 2024

Psalm 111; Deuteronomy 18:15-20;
1 Corinthians 8:1-13; Mark 1:21-28

COUNTERS FOR JANUARY

Pam Lehmann & Kelly Eckert

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Geodes look plain on the outside but contain beautiful crystals. Create these “rocks” to show how God makes us new on the inside.

What you need:

- Clean cardboard egg carton
- Scissors (and adult help)
- Epsom salt
- Plastic zippered bags (one per color of dye)
- Food coloring
- Glue
- Paintbrush



What you do:

1. Cut out the tops and bottoms of all the egg compartments so you can make 6 ball shapes.
2. In each bag, put 3 tablespoons of Epsom salt and a drop or two of food coloring. Seal and shake to mix.
3. With the paintbrush, spread glue inside two egg-carton halves. Sprinkle a spoonful of Epsom salt into those halves. Then close and shake.
4. Open your homemade geode and shake out excess salt.
5. Optional: Preserve the crystals with a coat of clear-drying glue.



✠ Prayer List ✠

Prayer Notes: Folks have asked from time to time “who all are we praying for?” Here’s a partial list with reference to their relation to the congregation. **If you know of anyone who needs to be added, or who can be removed, please let Pr. Long or Judy know. Help us keep the list manageable!**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> † Jacob Achterberg - grandson to Ron, nephew to Linda Khattar † Phyllis Basquin - mother to Luann Claudin † Mary Bonesteel - friend to Long family † Ethan Saunders - grandson to Roger and Carole Hoffman † Gail and Jonathan von Holten - friends of Jessica Horman † Sharon Wenger - daughter to Sally Taylor † Cathy Hafley - daughter to Sally Taylor † Pr. Hoech & family (Ivy, Noah and Kayla) - our “TIM” partners † Gordon Adams - Lynn Laredo’s father † Dave Maxwell - husband to Tina † Pr. Glenn Niemann - circuit pastor, disability † Jonathan Stutz - grandson to Donna † Maureen Leuba - Concordia parent † Christiane Ramahi - member † Ruth Leibel - friend to Mark Manthey † Yasmin Ramahi - daughter to Christiane † Kathy Gruben - sister to Jan Heien † Gloria Carter - friend of Nancy Meyer † Eric Puterbaugh - friend of a member † Patty Reck - sister-in-law to Carole Hoffman † Michael Teeter - friend to Long Family † Dale Warren - † Ward & Cathy Lenz - sister and brother-in-law to Paula Horst † Jennifer Lenz - their daughter, niece to Paula & Gerry † Shannon Wilson - friend of Maxwell family † Alex Zook - military, grandson of Barb Zook † Faith Zook - granddaughter of Barb Zook | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> † Jenna Zook - granddaughter of Barb Zook † Derrick Foote - military, husband to Wendy (nee Crook) † Josh Crosiar - member † Anne Maske - member † Steve Brinkmann - son to Dale & Vonnie † Braylynn Davis - friend to Brill family † Steve Brown - family to Josh and Michelle Joseph † Gordon Dupres - family to the Tagges † Shane Cremeens - brother to Brande Ruskusky † Lil Mulvaney - friend to Pauli family † Ginny Preston - friend to LaVelle Borders † Clara Riddick - friend to Brill family † Jackie Brant and Family - Member † Neil Barnhart - friend to Long family † Max Wessler - father-in-law to Carol Wessler † Bill & Pam Barr - members † Megan Primmer - cousin to Ginger Abel † Larry & Karen Stabler - parents to Tracie Johnson (member) † Sally Taylor - member † Kenneth Garner - acquaintance of Jan Pacey (Phyllis Knebel’s daughter) † Sally Leon - mother to Joe Leon (husband to Susie) † Lorrie Kaspar - member † Constance Danage - former cleaning person for the congregation † Rod Pauli - member, son to Harold & Carolyn † Gloria Teeter - friend to Long Family † Mark Buettner - associate of Carol Wessler † Tamesha Gates - friend to Szold family † Sandra Boyer - daughter of food pantry contributor † Mark Leon - brother-in-law to Sue Leon † Shirley King - mother to Phil King † Rebecca Sierra - friend to Linda Khattar † Virginia Tackmann - mother of Michele Kehnner † Kris Taylor - Josh Joseph’s aunt |
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✠Prayer List (cont.)✠

(Continued from page 3)

- † Delcie Lane - member
- † Mark Manthey - member
- † Sherry Emberton - Vonnie Brinkmann's sister
- † Earl Boyett - father of Theresa Brusick, grandfather of Nick
- † Sharon Rumbold - member at Bethel, Morton, occasional organist for us
- † Luann and Shelby Cooper - members
- † Victoria Buschard - family of Michael Marshall
- † Ms. Ellen Rytter - teacher at Concordia
- † Cheryl - friend to Linda Khattar
- † Jenny & Olivia Bradley - family to Lynn Laredo
- † Theo Norman - member, child of Cole and Brooke
- † Harriet Nora - member
- † Becky Richards - mother of Kim Carver
- † Daryl Claudin - member
- † Natalie Brusick - member, wife to Nick
- † Deb Alig - co-worker of Theresa Johnston
- † Carol Loughridge - member
- † Anne & Miguel Bolwerk - daughter and son-in-law to Dave & Jan Heien
- † Cheris Hofmann - member
- † Harriet Caughey - member
- † Carole Hoffman - member
- † Maureen and children - extended family to Roger & Carole Hoffman
- † Teresa Kerrick -
- † Mary Dowds - occasional visitor
- † Pr. Drews - member of our local circuit
- † Joann Bettinghouse - mother to Abbie Matson
- † PJ Comacho - friend to Mark Manthey
- † Lorie Livingston - wife to Ty
- † Patty Caughey - member
- † Linda Perrone - friend to Patty Caughey
- † Ada Becker - mother of our custodian, Michelle
- † Pr. Mark Matthews - brother in law to Tom Brosowske
- † Jessica Horman - member
- † Scott Wilson - custodian Michelle's boy friend
- † Elizabeth Auer - military, daughter to Doug
- † Tomi - mother to Chris Brusick
- † Nancy Meyer - member
- † Bill Parrott - Brad Parrott's father
- † Diane Norris - friend of member
- † Marty Liex - friend to LaVelle Borders
- † Ann Jacobson - sister to Richard & Harold Pauli
- † Doug Auer - member
- † Hugh - friend of member
- † Ray Khattar - husband to Linda
- † Dale & Vonnie Brinkmann - members
- † Harold & Carolyn Pauli - members
- † Jane Wood - mother to Sherri Long
- † Ryan & Carol Stetzler - friends to the Tagges
- † Sue Elder - friend of Theresa Johnston
- † Roger Woolsey - Carolyn Pauli's brother
- † Tricia Smith - sister to Marcia Riddle
- † Chris Walker - brother-in-law to Vicky Jones
- † Brett Parrott - relative of Brad & Erin
- † Paul Fager - member
- † Diane Freeman - member
- † Don Moran - Judy Norman's brother
- † Bruce Tagge - member
- † Bev Hoffman - niece to Gordon
- † JayCee Grier
- † Norah Rossman - friend to Riebel family
- † Nan Borunda - sister to Lou Ann Cooper
- † Chris Pacey - son to Jan Pacey (daughter of Phyllis Knebel)
- † Bob Burdin - neighbor to Patty Caughey
- † Donna Kirkman - sister to Lynn Laredo
- † Kevin Gartley - nephew to Tom Brosowske
- † Ilsa Adams - stepmother to Lynn Laredo
- † Karla Boorom - sister to Bruce Boorom (regular visitor)

Attendance		Com.	General Fund Weekly Offering
December 3	91	69	\$11,540.01
December 6	33		—
December 10	107	30	\$4,780.00
December 13	27		—
December 17	89	67	\$6,766.00
December 20	21		—
December 24 (am)	35	6	—
December 24 (pm)	129	67	88
December 25	31	28	\$20,593.00
December 31	43		\$4,785.00
		Total	\$48,464.01



PUZZLE

HAPPY NEW YOU!

Changing the calendar each January is a reminder that God makes all things new.

Directions: Use the clues and the calendar code to complete 2 Corinthians 5:17, ESV.

JANUARY 2024						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	God	night	word	in	love	Jesus
7						
glory	therefore	speak	give	light	Christ	a
14						
saw	beginning	anyone	waters	help	is	many
21						
he	again	through	earth	made	while	back
28						
new	if	and	creation			

The second Monday _ _ _ _ _
The last Monday _ _
The 16th _ _ _ _ _
One day before the 20th _ _
The day before the first Friday _ _
The last weekday of the second week _ _ _ _ _
The day after the 20th _ _
The day after 18th _ _
The first day of the second weekend _
The last Sunday _ _ _
The last day of the month _ _ _ _ _

Answers: Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation.

In His Service

PASTOR:
Rev. Barry Long 243-2042

MINISTER OF MUSIC
Mr. Bruce Tagge 361-9821

SECRETARY
Mrs. Judy Honig 688-4321

CONCORDIA SCHOOL
Mr. Andrew Monkemeyer 691-8921
Principal

CONGREGATIONAL OFFICERS
Chairman.....Gerald Horst
ViceChairman.....David Heien
SecretaryJudy Honig
Treasurer.....Carol Wessler
Finan. Secretary.....Theresa Johnston

CONCORDIA SCHOOL BOARD
Kelly Eckert & Erin Green

CONCORDIA FOUNDATION
Eileen Benne

CONCORDIA TRUSTEES
Jarrod Horman

Boards of Mt. Calvary

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Teresa Brusick, Paula Horst,

BOARD OF EVANGELISM
Jan Heien

BOARD OF YOUTH
Michele Keehner Erin Parrott

MEMORIALS AND SPECIAL GIFTS
Marcia Riddle, LaVelle Borders & Eileen Benne

WOMEN OF MT. CALVARY
Chairperson Luann Claugin
Vice Pres: Theresa Johnston
Secretary: Marcia Riddle
Treasurer: Dawn Henderson

ALTAR GUILD
Co-Presidents: Abbie Matson & Linda Khattar
Treasurer: Marcia Riddle

SUNDAY SCHOOL
Pre-School-1st Grade — Linda Crook & Linda Khattar
2nd—5th Grades — Teresa Brusick & Kelly Eckert
6th Grade-High School — Paula Horst & Tom Brosowske

BOARD OF LONG RANGE PLANNING
Dormant

BOARD OF PROPERTY
Chris Brusick, Lisa Cornelius, Lee Mauschbaugh, Josh Joseph, Jarrod Horman, Vicky Brosowske

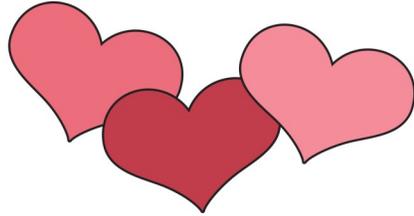
BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP
Theresa Johnston, Kim Beenders, Mike Gavi

BOARD OF ELDERS
(families under each Elder's care)
Achterberg -Brusick Tom Brosowske
Carver — Grinslade Phil King
Halverson — Kroenke Daniel Keehner
Lampton — Norman Gary Beenders
Parrott — Zook Dr. Joel Eckert

FOOD PANTRY
LaVelle Borders
Paula & Jerry Horst



**LUTHERANS
FOR LIFE**



CELEBRATION OF LIFE!

“When Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the baby leaped in her womb.” Luke 1:41 NIV

Peoria Area **Lutherans for Life** believes in the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death. We are preparing for our annual fundraising event and we need your help to make it a success. The event is called "**Pennies for Life.**"

Since this is our only fundraising effort each year, we rely on the proceeds from this event to fund our ongoing efforts throughout the coming year to educate Lutherans of all ages in the tri-county area to support life. We attempt to accomplish this mission through events such as our annual life essay contest and by lending financial support to many pro-life organizations such as the state and national Lutherans for Life organizations, Central Illinois Right-to-Life, Living Alternatives Pregnancy Resource Center, Women’s Care Center, Lutheran Hillside Village, and Peoria Rescue Ministries.

On **Life Sunday, January 21st**, we hope that you will express your thankfulness to your Heavenly Father by contributing a penny for each year of life you have been blessed with.

Please consider this opportunity to support life. We stand ready to continue our work, but we need your help! Please also consider joining us the fourth Monday of each month at 6:30 at Bethel Lutheran Church in Morton. We are a family of believers supporting God’s gift of Life.

CHOOSE
life

*Valentine Boxes for
College Students & Military*

HELP US GATHER ITEMS FOR OUR VALENTINE PACKAGES FOR OUR COLLEGE YOUTH AND MILITARY

– During their meeting on Saturday, February 10th, Women of Mt. Calvary will be packing boxes for our young people who are in college or serving in the military. In this endeavor we need your help: **1) Please get the names and addresses of your college youth to Dawn Henderson (691-5547); and 2) Consider contributing candy, microwave popcorn, individually wrapped snacks, tissue packages, pencils, pens, hotel samples (**no bar soap, please**), or anything a young person away from home might need. Your items can be placed on the kitchen counter, but please mark them for Women of Mt. Calvary College Student Project. The ladies would like them there by **Saturday, February 10th**.**

CONCORDIA CHOIR TO SING

The Concordia Choir will be singing several songs in the 9:00 am service on Sunday, January 21st. Please join us in welcoming this group of Concordia students as they share their love of Jesus with us through song.



Concordia
LUTHERAN SCHOOL

CONCORDIA OPEN HOUSE

On Sunday afternoon, January 21st, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm, Concordia will hold their annual open house. This is a good time to tour the facility, meet the faculty and school board, and learn about all the programs available at the school for our students.

Happy New Year



☐ SING UNTO THE LORD
a new song;
FOR HE HATH DONE
marvelous things.

PSALM 98:1, KJV