

INTERESTED IN LUTHERANISM, MEMBERSHIP?

If you or someone you know is interested in learning about the basics of the Christian faith as confessed by the Evangelical Lutheran Church, please contact Pastor Long – he may be reached through the church office or by e-mail at pastorlong@mtcalvarypeoria.org.

CONFESSION

Private confession is available by appointment only. Call the Church Office.

OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Long is generally available at Mt. Calvary Monday through Friday mornings, or by appointment should you need or want to have conversation with him. You may reach him by e-mail at: PRBLong@aol.com.

HOSPITAL CALLS

If you or a loved one have an illness or hospitalization that needs to be brought to the attention of Pastor Long, please call the office as soon as possible so that he may visit you. Note: Be sure the hospital knows that you are a member of Mt. Calvary and that you wish to have Pastor Long visit you. However, the hospitals do not always call the church—it is best if you let the office know

PRAYER CHAIN

Please take advantage of this opportunity to pray for your needs and those of your friends and family. Cards are available in the pew rack. To activate the chain please call Ardeane at 691-8007.

CHRISTIAN DAY SCHOOL

Our congregation operates Concordia Lutheran School together with the congregations of Redeemer and Trinity. Call the Concordia School office at 691-8921, or check their web site at www.concordiapeoria.com for information.

CONCORDIA STAFF FROM MT. CALVARY

Brooke Barr - Kindergarten

SCRIPTURE LESSONS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

June 14, 2026 – 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 100

Exodus 19:2-8

Romans 5:6-15

Matthew 9:35-10:20

WOMEN OF MT. CALVARY ARE COLLECTING MITES TODAY – GENTLEMEN, YOUR MITES COUNT ALSO

ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEK – Altar flowers were given by Eileen Benne in thanksgiving for God’s many blessings.

HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK

✠ Gary Beenders -- OSF

✠ Robert Grinslade –now at Arcadia, 700 Main St., in Toulon

STREAMING! -- Mt. Calvary offers a live stream of the 9:00 am service on Sunday mornings! Just go to youtube.com, search for Mt. Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church (you’ll recognize our channel by our orange logo), and click the link. If you “subscribe” to the channel, you’ll get automatic notification when the streaming starts. The recording of the service will stay on the channel to be viewed later even if you don’t catch it live.

HELP WITH STREAMING THE SERVICES -- We are looking for 2 or 3 additional people to help support Mt

Calvary's streaming service. The process is easy to learn and is fairly straightforward. If you would be interested in learning more about this service and service needs, would you please contact Glenn Matson (matson75@gmail.com, 309-360-9362) or Doug Auer (douglas.auer@gmail.com, 309-303-2379).

JUNE SEMI-ANNUAL VOTERS’ MEETING – At the Administrative Council Meeting on May 5, 2026, the June Semi-Annual Voters Meeting was scheduled for **June 14, 2026**. Thank you to everyone who turned in their reports on time. Any late reports will be printed in an Adenum and distributed next Sunday. Now we just need 25 voting members in attendance for a quorum.

OUT OF OFFICE – Judy is planning to be out of the office on Monday, June 8th and Tuesday, June 9th, to spend time with her daughter, Elizabeth, who will be visiting from Connecticut.

TREATS FOR FAMILY HOUSE – We provide treats for Family House on the fourth Monday of each month (see note on bulletin board). If you are able to help, please sign the sheet on the bulletin board or contact LaVelle Borders (309-681-9414) for more information.

CRAFTS AND CONVERSATION – The Crafts and - Group meets at 10:00 am on Thursday mornings and is open to anyone. Bring a craft or activity you like to do or just sit and visit. Sometimes LaVelle asks for help packing goody bags for children that come to pantry. Sometimes Judy has mailings to put together. Come join them, bring your lunch and eat with the group.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS IN JUNE – During June our pantry is requesting donations of **Canned Fruit, Canned Peas, Canned Corn, Sloppy Joe Mix, and Noodles, (or anything else you might wish to bring will be greatly appreciated.) And again, they can always use volunteers** –the volunteers they have (and are very thankful for) are stretched to the limit.

CURRENT BIBLE STUDY TOPICS

Youth Sunday School Classes. – **On hiatus for the Summer.** The classes meet in the church basement at **10:30 am September through May. Watch for information about next school year in August.**

Sunday Morning Adult Class – **Paul's Letter to the Galatians** -- Paul's letter to the church of Galatia is aimed at stamping out a particularly bad, yet earnest, heresy: the claim that in order to be a "good" Christian, you "must" keep particular rules or laws. Paul counters such notions with the Gospel's insistence that salvation is by grace alone, through faith alone, and in Christ alone. **Meets in the Parish Hall at 10:30 am.**

Men's Bible Study -- The Formula of Concord: After Luther's death, with pressure from the Emperor, and in debate with other "reformed" churches, the Evangelical Lutherans found themselves besieged on all sides. And in the midst of that, they began debates among themselves that threatened to tear the "evangelical" churches apart. The Formula of Concord sought to resolve these debates on the basis of the Scriptures, and succeeded in giving the Lutheran Church a foundation that has proven sturdy into our own age. Join us as we read through it to discover the gifts it has for us. **Men's Bible Study meets on Wednesday mornings at 6:30 am at Gebby's Family Restaurant at 726 East War Memorial Drive in Peoria Heights.**

Thursday Lunch Together and Bible Study -- We're reading the Gospel according to St. Luke. Trained as a physician,

Luke is inspired to give an orderly account of Jesus' work so that all who hear can be "certain" of the things in which they have been catechized. He emphasizes the universality of God's grace in Christ, the completeness of the forgiveness that Jesus won for all, and Christ as the seeker of the lost and lowly. **We meet in the Parish Hall for lunch at 12:00 pm and Bible Study at 12:30 pm. Come, join us!**

STEWARDSHIP – Please remember that the ministry of Mt. Calvary continues throughout the year. Your prayers and contributions of time, talent, and treasures are still needed.

Carol reported at the May Administrative Council Meeting that she currently has \$21,153.59 in the General Fund. You may mail your envelopes in (checks only, please), or drop them by the office. You can also make electronic donations through our web page: (www.mtcalvarypeoria.org) by clicking the "donate" tab and setting up a profile with VANCO. If a donation is given using a credit card or debit card there is a 2.75% fee. If an electronic check is used the fee is 1.00%. A few people have been donating through e-giving and have learned how easy it is to use.

DOLLAR FOR MISSIONS --

The second 2026 project for Dollars for Mission is a new lighted sign for Wittenberg Lutheran Center. \$7,000 will be collected for the cost. Project: A new lighted, cast aluminum sign for Wittenberg Lutheran Center at ISU. Reminder that online one-time and recurring donations can now be made at:

<https://www.aplos.com/aws/give/LCMSCentralIllinoisDistrict/D4M>

KFUO RADIO -- Kfuo Radio, the broadcast voice of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, shares Christ for you anytime, anywhere on **KFUO.org** via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. Find programs on demand at kfuo.org and wherever you get your podcasts! Find us on social: **@KFUOradio** on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/kfuo), [X](https://twitter.com/kfuo), and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/kfuo).

CHRIST FOR YOU this week on KFUE AM850 & kfuo.org: We've begun a new study of the book of Matthew on Sharper Iron (weekdays at 8 a.m. CT)! This week, we'll dive into chapters 3 and 4. On Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 11 a.m. CT), we're digging into the book of Romans! Tune in as we unpack chapters 10-14. Don't forget to join us for Concord Matters this Saturday (6/13 at 10 a.m. CT)! We're wrapping up our study of the Power and Primacy of the Pope with a discussion of the Subscribers of the Treatise. Find your favorite programs on demand by visiting kfuo.org!

ISSUES ETC. – ESSENTIAL EXERCISE FOR THE CHRISTIAN MIND

Issues, Etc. is a podcast and radio talk show produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Recent topics include: A Lutheran View of Psychiatry, The Crusades, Roman Catholicism on Faith, The Comfort of Lutheran Doctrine, Pro-Life Feminism and more. You can listen on-demand at issuesetc.org, the LPR mobile app of your favorite podcast provider.

FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE – A Life Quote for Sunday, June 7, 2026

-- "Remember that our Savior was born into a human household ... He is our Friend, our Brother, He will help us in our time of need, especially when we seek Him out in God's Word and fervently in prayer. As you relate to others in your home, ask God's Holy Spirit to give you wisdom in difficult situations, mercy in abundance when forgiveness is needed, and love to cover all your family's interactions." *Rev. Dr. Oswald Hoffmann, former speaker of "The Lutheran Hour" – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

A Life Thought in the Church Year for June 7, 2026 –2nd Sunday after Pentecost

-- Sin is the cause of all our woes in this life. God says so. Does it mean we can pick out particular sins as being the cause of particular woes? Quite often not. But we do know the cure to all our woes: the death of Jesus. His death paid for all our sins. His death gives us eternal life, no matter what sins we carry and no matter what woes we suffer. Jesus is greater than them all, and Jesus has paid the price for them all. So, as St. Peter says, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself" (Acts 2:38-39). Repent of your sins and let Him cure all your woes.

Concordia Positions Open -- Concordia Lutheran School is seeking applicants for the following positions for the 2026-2027 School Year:

- Part-time Teacher Aide – Duties include assisting instructional staff with student supervision, assessment, and individualized student needs;
- Substitute Teachers – Are you looking for a flexible and rewarding position where you decide when and what grade levels you want to work with? Concordia is looking for substitute teachers for the next school year.

Please contact Emily Craine 309-691-8921 or email your resume to employment@concordiapeoria.com



IT IS TIME FOR SPRING CLEANING --

IN THE KITCHEN!

-- The Women of Mt. Calvary are going to spruce up, clean out, wipe down to get the

kitchen ready for any and all activities here at Mt. Calvary. We plan to have a kitchen work day **this Saturday, June 6 starting at 9:30 AM.** Many hands make light work, so we hope you can join us for some fellowship, fun (hopefully), and conversation while we clean up the kitchen. Bring your favorite cleaning cloth, gloves, cleaner, etc. Thank you!

LWML MITE BOX FUNDING

As of early May, Lutheran Women in Mission (LWML) has dispersed \$1.3 Million in funding for selected mission grants. Ten grants have been fully funded and LWML is not even halfway through the biennium with half the monies raised. Way to go, Congregations! Remember, we collect mite boxes on the **first Sunday of each month** with a collection box in the front entry way. You don't have to be a woman to put money into a mite box and you don't even have to have a mite box! Just drop your money/change into the large mite box and know you help fund some wonderful mission projects and activities. A list of those projects are available in the narthex. Thank you!



CELEBRATING MEN!

-- The Women of Mt. Calvary are priming the pump for Father's Day by hosting a time for games, fellowship, and food for the men of the congregation - including young men (you don't have to be over 18), old(er) men, and any male friends or family you want to bring along. The festivities will take place at church on Saturday, **June 20, starting at 11am.** As always, there's a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board across from Pastor's office.

SAVE THE DATE . . . PIE IN JULY SATURDAY, JULY 11 @ 1:30 P.M.

The Women of Mt. Calvary along with Family Life are hosting our 2026 Summer Social with "Pie in July!" Save the date and join us for an afternoon of laughter, conversation and of course, PIE! More details and sign up coming soon.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR for Women of Mt. Calvary's
June Brunch on Saturday, June 13 at 9:30 AM.**

Come and join us as we celebrate another year of supporting our congregation and our freedom to worship. We've had a great year of meals, activities and projects (most of them finished) and we've elected officers for next year, so now we get to sit back and relax and have some fun and fellowship. Please bring a dish to share...breakfast, lunch, sweet or savory and sign up on the bulletin board **no later than June 7**, sooner if possible so we can start planning. To show your American spirit, wear your favorite red, white and blue!

We look forward to seeing you on June 13th for a morning of treats and being free to worship our Creator and King!

