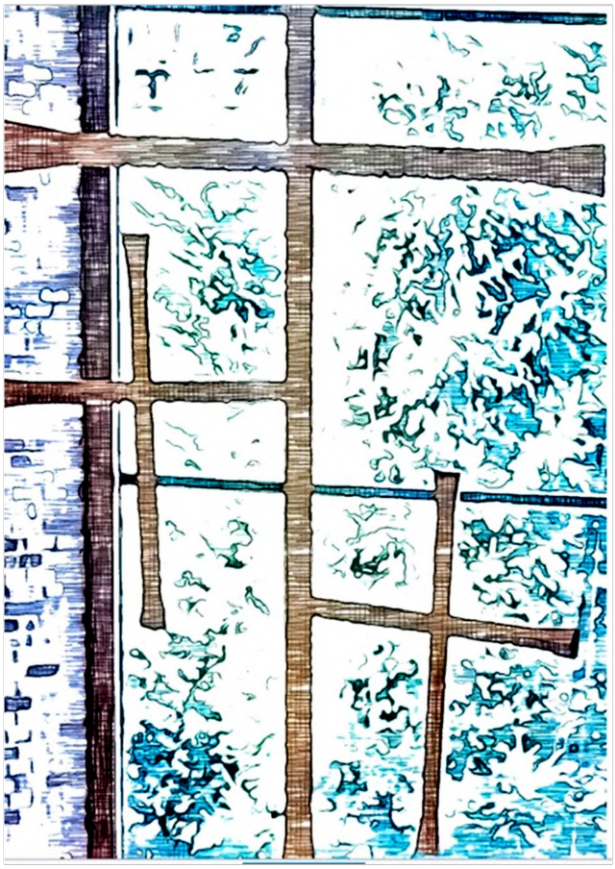
COME and SEE



what's happening at

Calvary Lutheran Church

165 West Crescent Ave
201-327-4786

Allendale, New Jersey
http://calvaryluth.org

November 2026



November 1,2026

We Remember Loved Ones

It is a long-standing tradition of the Christian Church to lift up in prayer on All Saints' Sunday, the names of those who died in the past year.





SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 8TH

FOLLOWING WORSHIP SERVICE

Please join us on **November 8**
for our **Autumn Clean Up**.

Wear your work clothes to the service
and we'll get to work right after.

We've have some weeding, mulching, pruning and light housekeeping on the agenda.

Lunch will be served when the work is done.
The more, the merrier (and quicker!!!)

Important Notice:
Congregational Meeting for Elections



will be held following the 10:30 worship service on **November 15**. Please make every effort to attend.



Prepare the way!
Come help decorate Calvary for Advent and Christmas!

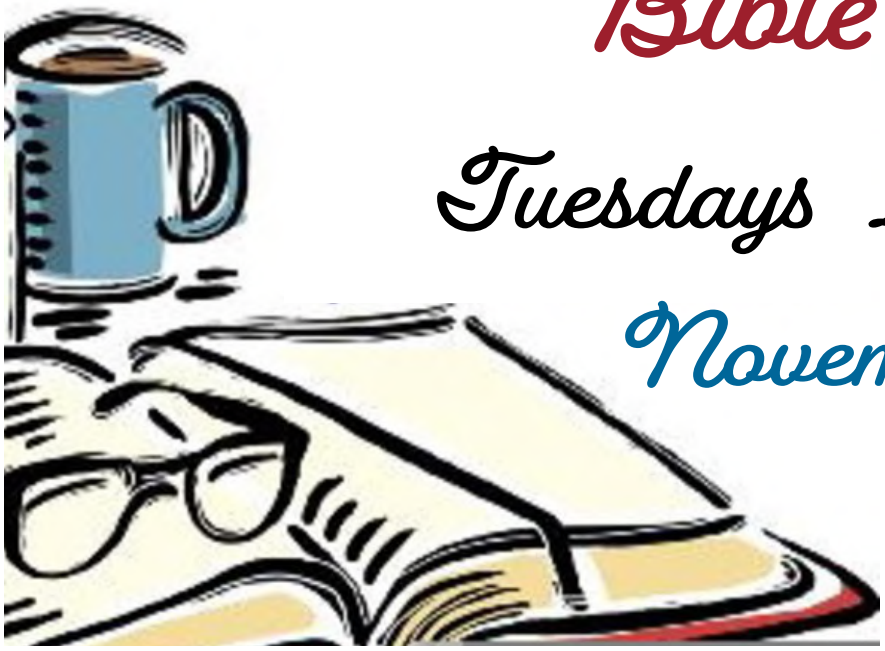
There are trees to decorate & crèches to set up-

banners and wreaths to hang, too!



Sunday November 22
following the 10:30 service

Join us!



Bible Study

Tuesdays 2:00 PM

November 3 & 17

November Birthdays



Your Calvary family wishes you
a happy birthday and joy
in the year to come.

November 4	John Duke
November 7	Nancy Glaeser
	Doug Nacion
November 9	Jessica Barnard
	Rebecca Lunt
November 11	Caroline Chervenak
November 17	Gail Leypoldt
	Alyssa deCavaignac
November 21	Ella Pestano
November 22	Julia Levitzke
November 23	Bruce Heitman
	Kristina Chilian
November 25	Bob Borst

OUTREACH

Committee members : next meeting November 8 9:30am

Donations of food and turkeys are needed to enable our neighbors to share **Thanksgiving** meals. We will take our donations **to the CFA** on **November 19**. If you wish to donate a frozen turkey, please take it directly to the Center at any time before November 23. (90 Ridge Road, Mahwah, NJ)

On **November 15, Rev. M L Drege of Seafarers House International** will be visiting to update us on the essential work of the organization. Chaplains, volunteers and churches (including Calvary) support seamen and asylum seekers as they work on cargo ships for many months in deplorable conditions.



GIVING TREE 2026

Christmas is coming and Calvary will be joining with Lutheran Social Ministries of New Jersey to provide a merrier holiday for children and seniors. Please visit our **GIVING TREE in** the narthex beginning Sunday, November 1. We have specific requests from children and general suggestions for older people.

Gifts should NOT be wrapped but the name must be attached to the gift and gift bags and/or wrapping paper are appreciated.

Please return the gifts to church NO LATER than **Sunday, December 6.**

If you have no time to shop, we can help.
Please contact Lori McCue at edwrdmcc1@aol.com.

Thank you for your support. Merry Christmas.



Poinsettias

Please help decorate the Sanctuary for the Christmas Season by providing poinsettias

There is a sign up chart in the Narthex or email Kathy (kpeterson58@yahoo.com)

Each beautiful plant is $10.00

payable to Kathy Peterson.

Orders must be placed by *November 20.*

BOOK DISCUSSION & POTLUCK DINNER

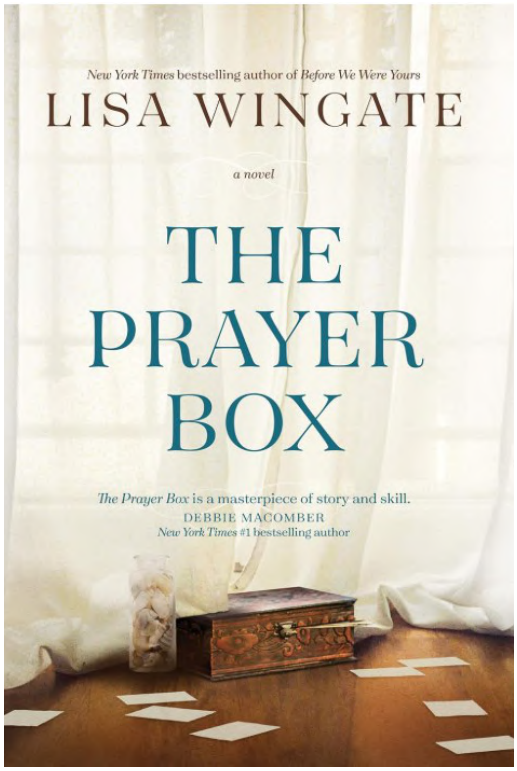
COME JOIN US FOR:

BOOK DISCUSSION & POTLUCK

MONDAY NOVEMBER 30 6:30

If you would like P. Kara to order a copy ($12), please contact the office.

RSVP to Christine Souza (csouza167@gmail.com)



The Prayer Box by Lisa Wingate is a contemporary Christian novel about a struggling single mother who uncovers the life secrets of an elderly woman through a collection of hidden prayer boxes.



We hope your child will join us for Sunday School

on **November 1, 15, & 22 at 10:30**

Please note: Sunday School classes **will not** be meeting November 8 and 29, during school vacations.

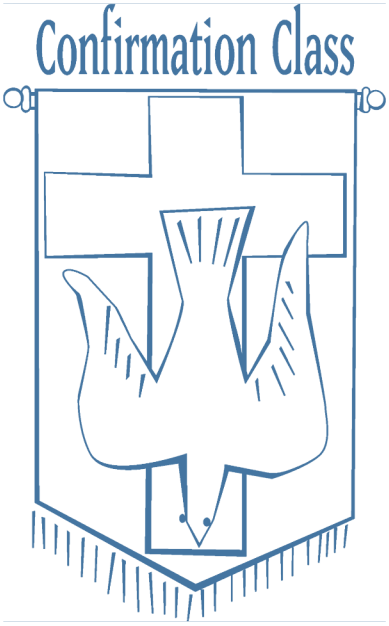
Please sign-up your child if they are coming/not coming—it really helps with our planning

Upcoming Dates for Confirmands

Confirmation class November 1 10:30-11:30* if you can stay afterwards to start your Art Mural, that would be wonderful

Confirmands will so have an opportunity to serve at our Nov 22 Praise Band Sunday Service.

Then help decorate the church for Advent and stay for fellowship over pizza lunch !





Practices Schedule :

Tuesday Nov 3 @7:30

Thursday Nov 19 @7:30

Sunday Nov 22 @ 9:30

Praise Band Worship Sunday Nov 22 !



Thank you to everyone who helped make the **October Calvary Fall Festival** such a wonderful community event! With more than 10 vendors, the most beautiful and fragrant mums in town, a bouncy house, and plenty of family-friendly activities, there was something for everyone to enjoy.

The packed indoor garage and rummage sale was another festival highlight, raising over $1,000 on its own. Altogether, the event brought in almost $1,900 in proceeds—a wonderful result made possible by the generosity and support of our church and local community.

A heartfelt thank-you to all the volunteers and to the Calvary Lutheran Church congregation for their time and hard work. Special thanks to Christine Souza and her team for their outstanding organization, planning, and staffing and to Laurie Jacober for spearheading the rummage sale Sunday staffing. We're grateful to everyone who participated, supported our vendors, and helped make this festival such a memorable day for Calvary.

--Carl Glaeser



CHURCH FINANCES



November and December 2026 – Notes from Calvary's Treasurer

Dear Friends of Calvary,

As we approach the holiday season, I hope you are finding time for reflection, joy, and peace.

We are finalizing Calvary's 2026 year-end finances and beginning work on our 2027 budget. Your continued generosity and engagement are essential to Calvary's mission and long-term vitality.

Because Calvary is a nonprofit organization, your contributions may be tax-deductible. Below are several ways to support our ministry as we close out the year.

Cash giving options

We offer several ways to give online. We encourage you to use Squarespace or your bank's Bill Pay service, which avoid the commercial convenience fees charged by PayPal and Venmo.

Squarespace

Give through Squarespace by scanning the QR code below.

Give Online

Bank Bill Pay

You can make a contribution through your bank's online Bill Pay service, including TD Bank. You can set up a one-time payment or recurring payments. This option avoids the 3.5% fee charged by PayPal.

For help with either giving option, please contact me at cglaeser@gmail.com.

Gifts of appreciated securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds etc)

You can also donate appreciated securities, such as stocks, bonds, or mutual funds. To make this type of gift:

1. **Contact your financial custodian (for example, Schwab, Fidelity, Thrivent, or Merrill Lynch).**
2. **Request the custodian's donation form and indicate the ticker symbol and number of shares you wish to transfer.**
3. **Use the following transfer information:**

- **Account name: [Confirm account name]**
- **Receiving firm: National Financial Services (NFS)**

Account number: Available by phone upon request for security reasons
Processing usually takes several weeks. If possible, please send me copies of your paperwork by December 1, 2026.

A gift of appreciated securities may qualify for a tax deduction based on its fair market value. Please consult your tax adviser about the tax treatment of your gift.

If you are considering donating other assets—such as real estate, coins, vehicles, artwork, or business interests—please contact me to discuss the options and Calvary's requirements.

Email: cglaeser@gmail.com

On a Closing note

On behalf of the Calvary Council, thank you for your faith, generosity, and partnership. Together, we are helping Calvary serve our community today and for generations to come.

Warm holiday wishes,
Carl Glaeser
Treasurer, Calvary Lutheran Church

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 All Saints' Day 9:30am Choir 10:30am Sunday School 10:30am Confirmation class 10:30am Worship	**2** 10am-2pm Office Hours	**3** 2pm Bible Study 7:30pm Praise Band Practice	**4** 10:30am-1:30pm Office Hours 7pm Choir	**5**	**6** 10am-2pm Office Hours	**7**
8 9:30am Choir 9:45am Outreach Mtg 10:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 11:30 am Clean-Up Day	**9** 10am-2pm Office Hours	**10**	**11** 10am-2pm Office Hours 7pm Choir	**12**	**13** Office Closed	**14**
15 9:30am Choir 10:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship 11:30am Congregation-al Mtg/Council Mtg	**16** 10am-2pm Office Hours	**17** 2pm Bible Study	**18** 10am-2pm Office Hours 7pm Choir	**19** 7:30pm Praise Band Practice	**20** 10am-2pm Office Hours	**21**
22 9:30am Praise Band 10:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship w/ Praise Band 11:30am Decorating	**23** 10am-2pm Office Hours	**24** 10am-2pm Office Hours	**25**	**26** 	**27** Office Closed	**28**
29 9:30am Choir 10:30am Worship	**30** 10am-2pm Office Hours 6:30pm Book Discussion & Potluck					



Stewardship: A Faithful Response to God's Gifts

Stewardship has been defined as “the careful, responsible management, protection and organization of things entrusted to one’s care.” The bible instructs us that God gave humanity the responsibility to rule, care for and cultivate the earth. This is an active duty to protect and develop creation. Genesis 1:28.

We on the Stewardship Committee want to make your own stewardship of Calvary and our community as easy as possible. We have envelopes available in the Narthex and offer any number of ways to support the goals of Calvary: whether via electronic donation, or the old fashioned way.

And while Stewardship itself is not defined in terms of dollar, the well-being of Calvary and the people it serves depends on your generous donations.

So on behalf of the Stewardship Committee, thank you for all you do to make Calvary and its mission a reality.

Pledge cards are available from an usher or
Print, detach and put in the offering plate on Sunday or mail to
Calvary Lutheran Church 165 W. Crescent Avenue, Allendale, NJ 07401

Pledge Card for 2027

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____

In grateful recognition that all my time, treasure, and ability come from God, I gladly join with others in the support of Calvary's mission by pledging:

Per Week ☐ Per Month ☐ or _____

$ _____ for local and global ministries, including worship, education, outreach, fellowship and upkeep of the church in the name of God.

_____ _____

Signature Date

This commitment may be adjusted by presenting your request to the church office

Please complete the card and return to the church office. Tear off this portion and keep as a reminder of your pledge.

My Pledge to Calvary for 2027

I committed to give

$ _____ to my church per

___ week ___ month

other (_____)

November Worship Assistants



	Altar Guild	Communion Assistants	Greeter	Lector	Ushers	Counters
1 white	Kathy Peterson	M. Levitzke K. Nooney	Kathy Peterson	Mike Levitzke	M. Levitzke J. Peterson	K. Nooney T. Gooden
8 green	Kathy Peterson	*******	Kathy Peterson	Kristine Nooney	G. Strauch J. Peterson	K. Nooney T. Gooden
15 green	Kathy Peterson	*******	Hollands	Nancy Holland	J. Tangen M. Levitzke	K. Nooney T. Gooden
22 white	Kathy Peterson	*******	Youth	Youth	Youth	K. Nooney T. Gooden
29 blue	Alma Costello	*******	Christina Metri	Tori Gooden	J. Tangen G. Strauch	K. Nooney T. Gooden
Dec 6 blue	Alma Costello	C. Metri G. Strauch	Glaesers	Bill Scher	M. Levitzke G. Strauch	C. Metri & TBD



Save THE Date

for Robyn Rohsler's Christmas
Flower Arranging Workshop
for Calvary Family & Friends
Sun. 12/13 @ 2-4 pm.
More details to come !





Dec 13 10:30



Dec 20 10:30

Christmas Eve Service

Dec 24 5:00



Church Information

Calvary's Mission Statement

To teach and display the love of Christby connecting with people of all walks of life through worship, discipleship, and outreach to our community.

If you are in need of pastoral support, please contact:
Pastor Kara Song
through the church office
Office Administrator: Sam Choi
Office Phone 201-327-4786
Office E-Mail: calvaryallendale@gmail.com
Office Hours: please see calendar p.12

MINISTERS AND WITNESSES :
All the people of
Calvary Lutheran Church
Music Director
Elise Carter

Church Council Members

Jim Holland	President
Alma Costello	Vice President
Gerry DelGatto	Secretary
Carl Glaeser	Treasurer
Sara Strauch	Stewardship
Ned Roller	Worship & Music
Christine Souza	Outreach
Christina Metri	Caring
Kristine Nooney	Christian Education
Tori Gooden	Property

Committee Chairpersons

Caring	Laurie Jacober
	Janet Berger
Christian Education	Nancy Glaeser
Outreach	Lori McCue
Property	George Strauch
Stewardship	Bill Scher
Worship & Music	Kathy Peterson

Scenes from…..

the 2026 Fall Festival, Mum sale, & Garage Sale



















Youth outings to Six Flags Great Adventure and Filipino Food Restaurant...







...and Reformation Sunday Service at Calvary!









