

# CALVARY LUTHERAN

CHURCH AND SCHOOL



November 2020 Monthly Newsletter

## *From the Pastors*

For 2020-2021, our ministry year theme is "Connected in Faith." For the next three months, we'll explore a different aspect of this theme each month.

- 1. Connecting with God - Draw near with a true heart.**
- 2. Connecting with our Church Family - Hold fast the confession of our hope.**
- 3. Connecting with our Community - Stir up one another to love & good works.**

This month, we'll discuss **Connecting with God - "Draw near with a true heart."**

*Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water (Hebrews 10:22).*

There are so many important things to discuss about drawing near to God, but we'll let Hebrews guide our newsletter this month. We...

### **"Draw near to God."**

This encouragement doesn't only occur in the book of Hebrews. James 4:8 says, "Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you." What a beautiful promise! What better reason could there be, than that God has promised to draw near to us if we draw near to Him? And we don't draw near to Him in fear or with doubt. We draw near to God...

### **"With full assurance of faith"**

For God loves us! And we have every reason for confidence in this. As 1 Peter 1:20-21 assures us, Jesus "was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was revealed in these last times for the sake of you who through Him are believers in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God." So Peter is saying that Jesus died and rose again so that we could be confident in and have hope in God's love.

### **"Sprinkled and washed clean."**

How do we know He loves us and not only other people? Our baptism. "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved," Mark 16 says. And Romans 6:3-4 tells us how baptism saves us: "...All of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death... We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life." Because Christ has been raised, we will be raised! Christ's death forgives our sins, washes us clean. And we now have new life in Him.

We draw near to God through worship, through prayer, and through reading Scripture. And we draw near to Him, confident that we are welcome, confident that when we do, He will bless us with His presence, that He will draw near to us.

*- Pastor Josh Reifsteck*

## Staff Spotlight/Volunteer Focus

### Karen Wright



#### What is your role at Calvary?

*I am the recently elected Director of Communications. I am also a counter, the Women in Mission Treasurer and the Women in Mission Silent Auction Coordinator.*

#### What motivates you to give of your time and talent in this way?

*Relationships motivate me. My relationship with Christ and my fellow believers drives me to serve. Seeing how my efforts help others is a bonus reward.*

#### What is your favorite thing about serving at Calvary?

*Serving at Calvary has allowed me to get to know so many wonderful people. Working with generous Christian hearts has been the very best of blessings.*

#### Favorite Book/Verse of the Bible?

*"I can do all this through Him who gives me strength".—Philippians 4:13*

#### Favorite Dessert?

*Bread pudding. If there is bread pudding on the dessert menu of a restaurant, I have to try it.*

#### What is the one thing that the people of Calvary can keep in their prayers for your area of ministry?

*Prayers are needed for the Communications Team to effectively share Calvary's news so that it positively impacts our members and community. Prayers are also needed for the Women in Mission group to find a director to formally lead them.*

### Tony Spelde



#### What is your role at Calvary?

*Director of Music, Lead Organist*

#### What is your favorite thing about serving at Calvary?

*I have been involved with the music ministry since 1976, directing Chorale, playing the organ, selecting music for worship, etc. I enjoy the role of making worship for our congregation a satisfying and engaging experience, both in traditional liturgical worship, as well as newer, more contemporary choices.*

#### Who has been the biggest influence on your faith? Why?

*I have been a lifelong LCMS Lutheran and my dad always made sure we attended church and Sunday school without fail. I started organ lessons when I was 6, and started playing for services when I was 13, and the music focus took on a life of its own. I attended Valparaiso University, majoring in music (organ) and services in that Chapel still hold great memories for me. I also met my wife, Emily, at Valpo, singing in choir. For my first number of years at Calvary, I have fond memories of guidance and discussion with Pastor Meier. We spent many hours in the boat fishing and engaging in conversation.*

#### Favorite Book/Verse of the Bible?

*"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast"  
- Ephesians 2:8-9*

#### Favorite Dessert?

*Well, I try to restrict intake of sugar for health reasons, but you can't beat a hot fudge Sundae.*

#### What is the one thing that the people of Calvary can keep in their prayers for your area of ministry?

*Calvary is a community of believers and that notion of community is under severe duress right now due to Covid-19. I pray that we will see the return of a full house of worship, with fully involved singing, brass, handbells, Chorale, and of course the organ approaching its limits of power! AMEN!*

# General



## 2020 Holiday Worship Schedule

### WEEKLY WORSHIP

Saturdays at 6:30 pm

Sundays at 8:00 & 10:45 am

### THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Wednesday, November 25, 7:00 p.m.

*Please see the December / January newsletter for the remainder of the Holiday worship services schedule.*

## Calvary Connect Worship Service

The Connect service will be offered **Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup> in the sanctuary beginning at 6:00 pm.** This will be a more complete service, with an order of service similar to Connect services prior to the pandemic. All are invited to dress comfortably and come as you are to hear God's word!

## GriefShare *Surviving the Holidays* Virtual Seminar

The holidays are often painful for adults grieving the loss of a loved one. A GriefShare "Surviving the Holidays" Seminar is being offered virtually on Saturday morning, **November 14<sup>th</sup>**, starting at 9:30 a.m. There is no cost to participants. This seminar will be limited to 12 participants and registration is necessary. To reserve your spot and receive a book and connection information contact GriefShare facilitator JoAnn Heasley, 317-679-5430.



## The Lutheran Witness

LCMS news and updates

Articles on how God is working in lives

Bible study topics

Current issues and events

Letters from the LCMS president

A Q&A section about Scripture and life

### **SUBSCRIBE TODAY! – Cost: \$19.00**

**Your renewal or new subscription** request and payment are due **Monday, November 23** to ensure receipt of the January issue. We will not be able to take any orders after this date. Please fill out the form below and return it to the church office with your payment. Thank You. (Please make checks payable to **Calvary Lutheran Church**)

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**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child, the program that brings the Good News of Jesus Christ to impoverished children in more than 100 countries through gift-filled, shoe-box-sized Christmas boxes, is still happening!

Although we can't pack boxes with school students as we have in the past, our Adult Ministry is coordinating the shoebox project at Calvary.



If you would like to support this Samaritan's Purse ministry project, pick up a red & green shoebox at the display table in the narthex, or donate gift items, and volunteers will fill boxes and deliver all to a local drop site. Samaritan's Purse will add Christian materials to each box. See [samaritanspurserg.org](http://samaritanspurserg.org) to learn more about this ministry.

### **GIFT SUGGESTIONS Remember: Items must fit in a shoebox!**

**TOYS** – small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, “travel size” Etch A Sketch®, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky®, etc.

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES** – pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons or markers, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.

**NON – LIQUID HYGIENE ITEMS** – toothbrush, comb, washcloth, bar soap.

**OTHER** – T-shirts, socks, ball caps; sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, and flashlights (with extra batteries.)

### **These items cannot be included due to safety and shipping issues:**

candy, toothpaste, gum, used or damaged items, war-related items, seeds, food, liquids or lotions, medications or vitamins, breakable items, glass containers or aerosol cans.

**Please bring gift items or filled shoeboxes to the church by Sunday, November 15th and leave them in the donations bin in the south narthex. Questions? Call Phyllis Birdwell, 317-783-1281, Judy Stanford, 317-786-0057, or the church office, 317-783-2000.**

## CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

6.5" Pots (Red Poinsettias with 5 -7 blooms) \$12 each

Order deadline is **November 22**

Leave order with payment in the church office. (Checks payable to Calvary Lutheran Church and “Poinsettias” in the memo)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Attached: \_\_\_\_\_



Thank you for beautifying our Sanctuary during this Christmas Season! Poinsettias will decorate the altar for Christmas and can be taken home Christmas Day after service.



# Outreach / Community Garden Update

## **Calvary Community Garden Committee Report**

The Calvary Community Garden Committee is a subcommittee of the Calvary Outreach Team. The mission of the garden is to provide opportunities for folks in the community, not just Calvary members, to have a small plot where they can raise fresh produce. Many members of the congregation have contributed their time over the years, but current volunteer members of the Community Garden Committee include Jake Allen, Mark Jung, Wayne Mayo, Joe Pluckebaum, Jim Richert and Pastor Art Wehrmeister – with Jake and Wayne joining the group this year.

## **Recent Relocation and Improvements**

The Community Garden was initially located on the east side of property adjacent to Orinoco Avenue. Over the past couple of years the Committee has transitioned the primary planting beds from that location to an area of the church property adjacent to the south parking lot. Improvements at the new site included the construction of three additional larger beds from concrete blocks, as well as the construction of a rain-water collection system. The Committee estimates that over 300 volunteer hours went into the various improvements for this year.



## **Current Growing Season Results**

While the intent is always to first make the garden plots available to our neighbors, Covid related restrictions severely limited the use of the garden by the community this growing season. Rather than have the beds go unused the Committee decided in June to plant various vegetables in the beds. In spite of the late planting date the harvest was very productive with several hundred pounds of tomatoes, green beans and other vegetables harvested. These vegetables were given to the local Perry Township foodbank, Hunger Inc. Special thanks to Wayne Mayo who also volunteers at Hunger Inc. for making arrangements to get the produce to Hunger Inc. for distribution.



## **Flower Sales Provide Funding and Additional Support of Hunger Inc.**

The last few years the Committee has conducted Flower Sales in the spring (for Mother's Day) and a mum sale in the fall to raise funds for the support of the Community Garden. The congregation has generously supported these efforts, with the net proceeds from the flower sales this year being sufficient to support some of the improvements and the maintenance of the garden. The flower sales resulted in more funds than were required for the garden and these funds, in the amount of \$500 were contributed to Hunger, Inc. for their use. Thanks again to the members of the congregation for the generous support of the flower sales.

## **Future Plans**

For the next growing season – summer of 2021 - the Committee is not planning to add additional beds. Depending on utilization of the beds in future seasons additional beds may be added. We plan to begin promoting the availability of garden beds in the first quarter of 2021. We have also had conversations with the Purdue Extension Office about hosting gardening classes next year as well.

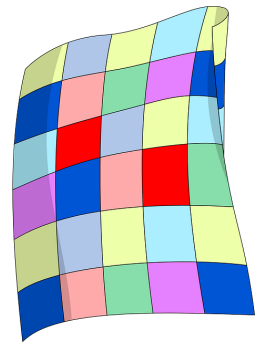
## Women in Mission

### Ladies' Bible Study, Saturday, November 7 8:30 a.m.

This month's study will be "Inspired to Share His Story" from page 16 of the Lutheran Women's Fall 2020 Quarterly and led by Kalai Udhay. Join us in the EPIC Library on **Saturday, November 7** at 8:30 a.m.

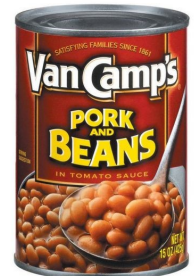
### BLANKETS FOR BABIES

Our November date is **Thursday, November 5** from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the cafe area. Our mission is to share God's love and care by knitting/crocheting blankets for newborn babies whose parents are in need of emotional, spiritual and financial support. Our blankets are donated to the Life Center on Hanna Ave. Fall is a terrific time to start a project or learn a new skill. We have teachers and free yarn to get you started. All ages and skill levels welcome. Questions? Call Susan Daniels 317-882-3691.



### Extravagant Sharing

Calvary responds to so many needs in our community! Through Extravagant Sharing many have had their need for easily prepared food and paper products met. In Colossians 3:17 we read, "Whatever you do, in word or **deed**, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, **giving thanks to God** the Father through Him." In November and December, there will be many ways to give thanks to God through word and deed. There will be no Extravagant Sharing collections until **January** when we'll request filling the Sharing Place shelves with **boxes of pasta and sauce, canned pork and beans.** In November and December thankfully respond to the needs Calvary's Compassion Ministry puts before us.



### Mites Box Collections Reach Out

Thanks to your Mighty Mites you helped young at-risk women in Africa. Our mites reach around the world. \$100,000, through the collection of mites, has supported these women in Africa. In Lutheran Women's Quarterly we read: through Lutheran Hour Ministries "programs are offered which provide a powerful force to physically and spiritually change the lives of young women. The purpose of this grant is to provide rehabilitation and counseling for young women arrested for prostitution or small crimes. Bible studies are offered for those women expressing a desire to reform and connect them with the church." Continue filling your Mite boxes, bringing them to the table in the south narthex, so our collective mites spread the love of Jesus throughout the world.



## Calvary Lutheran School News from Principal Rensner

### **Opening Doors**

God has blessed families of Indiana with the choice of sending their children to the school that they feel best meets their needs. The LUTHERAN SGO of Indiana has changed the boundaries of the local school and greatly broadened them. You have the opportunity to open even more doors allowing students to enter the hallways of Calvary Lutheran Church and School. This opportunity will provide scholarship grants to students and their families. Contributions made by you for this purpose will be used to offer a Christian education so that children may not only receive a quality education, but to hear God's Word.

*How do I help open these doors?* Contribution forms for Lutheran SGO are available in the church and school offices or online at [www.LutheranSGO.org](http://www.LutheranSGO.org). The state of Indiana will give to you a tax credit of 50% of your donation. Example: If you give a gift of \$1000.00 you will receive an Indiana state tax credit of \$500.00 and 100% of your donation will be received back to Calvary. This is a unique opportunity. Funding for all of these scholarship grants for current students enrolled at Calvary is \$73,500.00. We have currently gathered approximately \$22,000.00. Those desiring to contribute to this fund may do so through December 31 to receive the tax credit for this 2020 calendar year. Even better still, students under a Scholarship Granting Organization are eligible for a CHOICE Indiana state voucher the following school year. Any additional funds gathered will remain in our account with the Lutheran SGO of Indiana to be used during the 2021-22 school year.

We ask the Lord to provide for the needs of others through the gifts of our hands.

### **Flip a Switch with Expectation**

How many times have you hit the garage door opener, turned the car's ignition switch, pressed START on the microwave, searched computer files, set the wash machine cycle, and clicked the television power button? The numbers would be staggering. Our expectation is that the garage door will open, the car's engine roars, the microwave heats, saved computer files will be opened, the wash machine begins to fill with water, and the Chicago Bears are magnificently viewed on the television screen. We take for granted the daily workings of the appliances and technologies that permeate our daily lives. We more easily remember when these items do not work. We remember the inconveniences and interruption to our lives. We remember the costs and time consumed to once again enjoy these comforts within our day. Perhaps some form of maintenance could have prevented any disruptions.

Physically we are able to consider the same daily expectations. Our heart continues to beat, our lungs grant life sustaining oxygen, energy explodes through respiration, we see, hear, taste, feel, and smell. Yet when we feel pain or illness or any other discomforts or diminished senses our daily existence is changed. Again, exercise and diet and life habits may have helped lessen our symptoms or treatment needs.

How about your spiritual expectations? Do you take your faith walk for granted? Do you feed and nourish your faith through prayer, Bible study, and worship as the Holy Spirit empowers you? Neglecting His Word and preaching of it requires immediate repair and restoration. This cannot be accomplished by our power and might alone. We are unable to pay the cost. Thanks be to God that He daily calls, gathers, and enlightens us. Thanks be to God that the cost has been paid on Calvary's cross. We do not live compartmentalized lives. Each day we are to be about His work as we proclaim our faith through our words deeds, and actions 24/7. How great is our Father's love that when we fail and sin and take our faith for granted that He comes to us with His forgiveness and remembers our sin no more. We are privileged to share this each and every day at Calvary Lutheran Church and School. Our theme for the year is FULLY COMMITTED. We ask the Lord to grant to us His Spirit enabling us to following His will for our lives.



## Calvary Lutheran School News from Principal Rensner

**School will be closed on Wednesday through Friday, November 25-27** in observation of the Thanksgiving Holiday. Calvary will be closed on Wednesday as families prepare for Thanksgiving. We ask the Lord to be with all those traveling. We rejoice in the opportunity to share this time with family and friends. School will resume on Monday, November 30. We give thanks to our God with a grateful heart.

### **Fall Back**

We set our clocks back one hour on Sunday, November 1 at 2:00 a.m. Fall back for an extra hour of sleep. The mornings will be lighter with the early afternoons darker.

### **Calendar Changes**

On our original 2020-21 school calendar November 5-6 were no school days allowing the faculty to attend a state-wide conference. The conference was postponed due to the pandemic restrictions. Thursday, November 5 is now a regular school day. Friday, November 6 will be a virtual school day. Please make a note of these changes.



## NEWS FROM LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL OF INDIANAPOLIS

### **Fall Preview Nights – November 5 or 11, 6:00 p.m.**

If you're interested in being a part of a school who cares for you and your family, helps develop your spiritual life, and prepares you for excellence outside of high school, then you should definitely be considering LHS! Join us at one of our Preview Nights on this November, starting in the Ruth Lilly Auditorium. Due to COVID protocols, attendance is limited. **RSVP at <http://www.lhsi.org/admissions/previewnight.cfm>.**

You'll hear from Michael Brandt, our Head of School, as well as Deidre Barnett, Director of Admissions. From there, you will receive a detailed tour, meet our faculty, staff, coaches, and students, and learn about our curriculum, athletics, clubs, spiritual life, scholarships and more! We will include a Financial Aid workshop and an interactive student panel as well! Make your plan to be there.

This event is directed to any 7th or 8th grade students as well as any potential transfer students.

If you have questions or want more information, please contact Deidre Barnett at 317-787-5474, option 3 or at [admissions@lhsi.org](mailto:admissions@lhsi.org).



# Parish Ed Ministry

## Sunday School Update

We hope you are enjoying the different Children's Ministry activities that are available here at Calvary and online! New Sunday School sessions, our very own Puppet Ministry, and children's messages are available weekly to help your families continue growing in faith and to have some fun! Visit the Children's Ministry page of the Calvary website [clcs.org/children](http://clcs.org/children) to access new and all past videos. Make sure to scroll down to learn about even more programs and upcoming events. Please share with friends and family outside of our congregation, so they can also be blessed at a time when many churches do not have programs like ours in place!

We continue to work at making both online and onsite Sunday school meaningful for all ages. Thank you to all who have shared feedback, kind words, and encouragement to the Sunday School teachers during this time of transition; your support is much appreciated!



## Youth Ministry

### FLIGHT (High School Youth Group)

FLIGHT is changing things up! We have now begun meeting on **Sunday afternoons from 2:00-3:30 p.m.** Additionally, we have split our time to connect with more kids. "Talk Time," a time for faith based discussion, takes place from 2:00-2:30 p.m. and is followed by open gym from 2:30-3:30 p.m. Your child is welcome to attend one or the other or both.



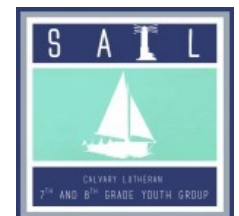
### LAUNCH (5th & 6th)

LAUNCH will meet again on **Wednesday, November 11th from 5:30-7:00 p.m.** This event will include snack and a Bible study. Youth are encouraged to bring a mask and water bottle.



### SAIL (7th & 8th)

LAUNCH will meet again on **Wednesday, November 18th from 5:30-7:00 p.m.** This event will include snack and a Bible study. Youth are encouraged to bring a mask and water bottle.



## Adult Ministry

**No Lunch, Still Learn , Wednesday, November 18 11:00 a.m.**

### *Pilgrims and the Plymouth Colony*

#### Video Conference

**Wednesday, November 18, 2020 11:00 a.m. to Noon**

You know there were Pilgrims who arrived on the Mayflower, but what did they believe, and what was life in the early Plymouth colony like? Plan to connect with us for our monthly **No Lunch, Still Learn** program, to meet and learn from special guest speaker, Dr. Walter Powell, Plymouth, Massachusetts, a retired historian and 1<sup>st</sup> Executive Director of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants.



You can join the video conference using a computer, tablet, smart phone, or just call in.

To join with video: <https://meet.google.com/enb-mbyz-swo>

and then click on the green "Ask to Join" box.

To join by phone only: dial 302-505-1227 and enter  
this PIN: 683 443 795#

**Need More Info?** Contact Emily Spelde, [espelde@clcs.org](mailto:espelde@clcs.org), 317-695-9366

## Compassion Ministry

### Thanksgiving Food Collection

Compassion Ministry is still collecting food for Thanksgiving baskets. Contributions can be placed in the donation bin located in the narthex. Sorting and distribution will take place on **November 15**. Thank you for being a blessing to others this Thanksgiving.



## Stewardship Emphasis

**Stewardship Update** *By Rachel Daeger, Stewardship Ministry Team Acting Dir.*

### **Need Giving Envelopes in 2021?**

As Calvary's services moved online many members changed from using weekly envelopes to online giving out of necessity. If you intend to continue your online giving and do not need a packet of envelopes printed for 2021, please contact [stewardship@clcs.org](mailto:stewardship@clcs.org) so we do not order envelopes that won't be used. Notification by November 15 appreciated.

### **Thrivent members - don't let your Action Team grants go unused**

All Thrivent members are eligible to lead a Thrivent Action Team. However, the number of teams each member can lead per year depends on his or her membership type. Thrivent Action Teams make it easy to live generously. It starts with a simple question: "Who can I help and how?" Calvary Ministry Team have several projects this fall that could use the financial support Thrivent provides through these grants. Have questions about connecting your Thrivent membership to a project? Contact Stewardship at [stewardship@clcs.org](mailto:stewardship@clcs.org).

### **Critical Needs Identified**

- **Schwark Scholarship Fund Shortfall**

This year has created a greater financial need for families to enroll due to the COVID-19 impact on the economy. Families that would not qualify for the CHOICE or SGO grants based on household income are now facing hardships. Your assistance will help provide for the continued enrollment of 15 Calvary students. Please mark your contribution as August Schwark Annual Fund 2020-21.

- **Camp Lakeview Funding Deficit**

Due to the cancellation of summer camp programs and group rentals, we have seen a loss of income nearing \$800,000. For more information and to find out how you can donate and/or take action, visit [lakeview.camp/storm](http://lakeview.camp/storm).

- **Support for Calvary Lutheran School SGO Funding**

Currently, \$72,000 is needed to fully fund the 54 scholarship grant applications. Please send in your donation by December 31. Please call the school office for further information. You are invited to visit [www.lutheranSGO.org](http://www.lutheranSGO.org) for additional information.

### **How the CARES Act helps donors meet these needs:**

As a result of legislation passed earlier this year, the following tax benefits are available to you for your charitable contribution.

A partial above-the-line deduction for up to \$300 in charitable contributions:

This deduction permits is available to everyone regardless of whether you itemize contributions or takes the new, higher standard deduction. This is applicable for tax years beginning after 2019 and does not sunset after 2020.

Modification of certain limitations on charitable contributions during 2020:

This provision increases the limitations on for charitable contributions made in cash by individuals who itemize, as well as corporations. For individuals, the 60 percent of adjusted gross income limitation is removed for cash contributions made in 2020. Consult with an attorney, financial advisor or qualified accountant before acting on this provision to ensure you are safely maximizing your charitable gifts.

Another provision of the CARES Act places a moratorium on the need for seniors to take a Required Minimum Distribution from a Traditional IRA in 2020. Those with IRAs can still support ministry by having a Qualified Charitable Distribution made from their IRA to a charity without having to claim the distribution as taxable income. A QCD, however, is not deductible from income taxes owed on other income.

*Individuals should seek legal counsel or advice for their own unique situation.*



# Communications

## ONLINE MEETINGS ARE FOR EVERYONE!

Connecting with others during a pandemic is difficult, but technology can help. By using your phone or computer, you can easily communicate with friends and family. As many of you begin to try out video conferencing, we'd like to provide some basic guidelines for participating in **Zoom** meetings, whether by app or phone call.

### ZOOM MEETING INVITE EXAMPLE:

Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://zoom.us/j/351191532>  
 Meeting ID: 351 191 532  
 Dial: 877 853 5247  
 Passcode: GYx371

## JOINING A ZOOM MEETING BY PHONE CALL

1. Dial the phone number in the meeting invite (see the example above).
2. Enter the Meeting ID followed by #.
3. Enter the passcode, if prompted, followed by #.
4. \*6 will toggle between Mute and Unmute.

Calling into a meeting to listen and participate is as simple as any other phone call. To be a considerate participant, however, it is important to know how to mute and unmute your phone when you are not talking. After saying "Hello" and introducing yourself, put your mobile phone on mute by pressing the '**Mute**' button. This eliminates any disruptive background noises (including heavy breathing) that prevent the speaker from being heard clearly by other participants. Press the mute button again to unmute yourself when you need to speak.



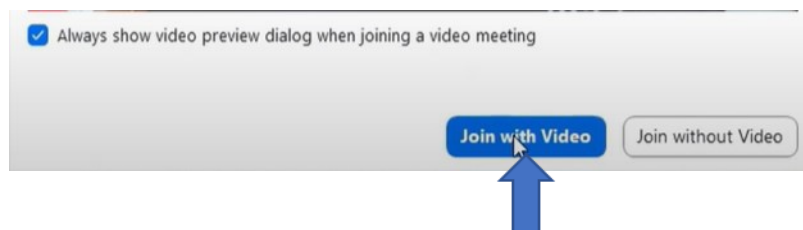
## JOINING A ZOOM MEETING USING THE APP

If this is your *first* Zoom meeting, you will need to download the Zoom app on your computer or smart phone.

*(You don't need an app if you're just calling the phone number using the method above.)*

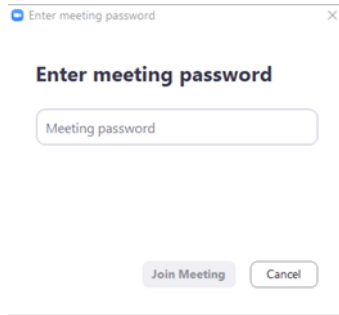
The meeting organizer will send a meeting invite with a URL (website address that begins with *https*), Meeting ID, and Passcode. If you have not received an invite, contact your meeting organizer.

1. Click the link included in the invite email (see the example invite, above).  
*NOTE: This will either open the Zoom app on your computer or on your phone. Your computer may require your permission to open Zoom. This is normal.*
2. In order for people to see your face, click 'Join with Video' (this is optional, and it will require a webcam).

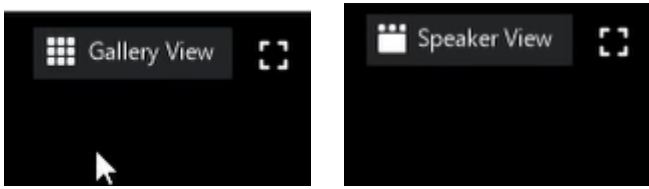


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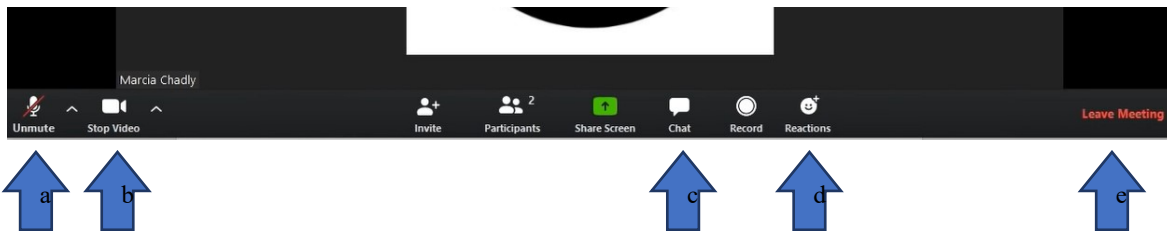


4. In the upper right-hand corner of the screen are buttons that allow you to see everyone in the meeting or just the person speaking. Click these buttons to swap between views.



Gallery View shows everyone in the meeting at once.  
Speaker View shows the person speaking only.

5. There are several important buttons at the bottom of the screen to use during a meeting.



*NOTE: You may need to move your mouse over the bottom of the screen for these buttons to appear.*

**a. Microphone (Unmute/Mute)** – If you see a red line through the microphone, you are muted and no one can hear you. Click on this button to toggle between Unmute and Mute. Please consider remaining muted unless you are speaking. This eliminates disruptive background noises which could prevent the speaker from being heard.

**Shortcut:** Press and hold the spacebar to quickly mute and unmute your microphone.

**b. Camera (Start Video/Stop Video)** – When there is a red line through the camera, no one can see you. The screen will only show your name. Click on this button to toggle between displaying your face or just your name.

**c. Chat** – Will open up a text messaging window on the right side of the screen where typed messages can be shared. This can be used to communicate with the group while someone else is speaking. It's also useful when someone can't hear the audio.

**d. Reactions** – If you're muted in a meeting, you can still let the host know your thoughts with emoji reactions. Send a thumbs up or a clapping emoji to communicate without interrupting the meeting. Every participant will be able to see each other's feedback.

**e. Leave Meeting** – Click here when the meeting is over or you have to leave.

Want more help? Watch this YouTube video for helpful Zoom instructions: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9isp3qPeQ0E> or search for #MarciaChadly to see more.

Check back next month for instructions on how to use **Google Meet!**

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**November 2020**

**November 1, 2020 – All Saints' Day**

Psalm 149; 1 John 3:2; Matthew 5:1-12

"What We Will Be" - Sermon Text: **1 John 3:2** - Rev. Thomas Eggold

We are purified with the hope of an eternity with Christ and with all who have gone before us. This Gospel message not only purifies us; it prepares us to live our present lives as God's children, knowing exactly what we are going to be.

**November 8, 2020 – Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost**

Psalm 70; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13

"Foolishness and Wisdom" - Sermon Text: Matthew 25:13 - Rev. Shayne Jonker

To live as the wise in faith is to live in the hope and expectation of Jesus' coming Day, whether that Day is today, tomorrow, or the next day. You can live and sleep and die in the confidence of Him who once came for you by manger and cross, who now comes to you by Word and Supper, and who will come again in glory on the Last Day to raise you from the dead to eternal life.

**November 15, 2020 – Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

Psalm 90:1-12; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30

"Investing Your Gifts" - Sermon Text: **Matthew 25:14-30** - Rev. Paul Shoemaker

Each of us has been blessed by God with gifts and abilities. How we use them is our gift to God. How are you investing the gifts God has entrusted to your care?

**November 22, 2020 – Last Sunday of the Church Year**

Psalm 95:1-7a; 1 Corinthians 15:20-28; Matthew 25:31-46

"In Order" - Sermon Text: 1 Corinthians 15:20-28 - Rev. William Mueller

The return of Jesus Christ, and the subsequent end of this age, is not something that should frighten us. Instead, the return of Jesus Christ causes us to long and hope for His return! As we wait, we also rejoice in Jesus' resurrection because His resurrection guarantees all things are in order, and we will rise again!

**November 29, 2020 – First Sunday in Advent**

Psalm 80:1-7; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:32-37

"The Happiness Watch" - Sermon Text: Mark 13:37 - Rev. Dr. Thomas Ahlersmeyer

Remembering that life is short can positively affect you and those around you. The Happiness Watch begins our Advent preparation for Christmas with a faith-filled focus on the end times, including our own physical death, which God can use to transform our lives as we await the coming of our Christmas Savior.



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