

Let's Build a House!

Habitat for Humanity is seeking 4–8 adult volunteers to help at the Indianola Habitat home site on **Friday, October 30**. The volunteer day runs from **8:30 AM to 3:30 PM** and includes a one-hour lunch break on your own. Volunteers must be at least 16 years old. Habitat will provide all training, safety equipment, and tools. The work will likely be on the exterior of the house, so sturdy closed-toe shoes or boots are required. If you're interested in volunteering, please contact Sara Vanderbilt.

HELPING HAND UPDATE: "Did you know October is traditionally the food pantry's busiest month? In October of 2025, we served 452 families! We can only do that with your support! If you have a little extra in your food budget this month we could really use pasta, canned hearty soups, canned fruit, juice, cake mix, cereal, canned ravioli, and shampoo! If that's not feasible, we can always use clean plastic grocery bags! Thank you for helping us feed our neighbors!💙"

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE:

- **Talk to the church office about becoming a Greeter.**
- **Talk to the church office about becoming a Reader in Worship.**
- **Talk to an Elder about becoming an Usher at either service.**
- **Volunteer to be a song leader at our 10:30 am Sunday service.**
- **HyVee receipts. YES we are still collecting them.**
- **Sunday Morning treats – Volunteers are needed to host Sunday morning coffee time.** A sign up sheet is on the pillar in the fellowship hall. A Sunday without the needed volunteers willing to bring treats means we will not have treats during coffee time to enjoy.
- **Altar Flowers – Needed:** Individuals can sign up to place flowers on the altar or donate to the "Flower Fund." **We need 2 bouquets for total of \$50.00.** Please check the flower chart on the pillar in the fellowship hall to see what Sundays are available. Place check in the offering and designate to "Flower Fund". If you sign up to donate and wish to provide your own flowers, Please let Sherrie Engel know that.

OUR RESPONSE TO HIS LOVE

Attendance: Sunday October 18, 2026; 8 am 66 ; 10:30 am 54

Our Prayer List – October 25, 2026

*Rejoice always, **pray without ceasing**, give thanks in all circumstance, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.*

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Family and Friends of **Mary Ann Ohnemus**, mother of Jerry Ohnemus, who passed away this week.

Family and Friends of **Mary Kiger**, mother of Ken Kiger, who passed away this week.

For our Confirmands: Kira Cawthorn and Blake Bingham

Bill Strike, who is recouping at Good Samaritan from an infection following his foot surgery.

Continued prayers for these individuals with chronic or long-term illnesses, homebound or in care facilities:

Ender Tyler, friend of David & Monica Cormeny, with health issues.

Kira Cawthorn, with health issues.

Jan Oeffner, mother of Mike Oeffner, who is having health issues.

Ron Goodrich, brother of Marilyn Reinholdt, who has cancer.

Dianna Cooper, sister of Diane & Mark Johnson, with health issues.

Tom Henline, who has been diagnosed with Parkinson's disease.

Angela Daugherty, mother of Kraig Daugherty, who is in hospice care.

Barb Zimmerman, sister of Ken Gill, who has cancer.

Mellissa Zuber, sister of Michelle Meyer, who has cancer.

Gayla Tighe, daughter of Lowell Lines.

Hannah Hester, our missionary, serving in Taiwan.

CALVARY'S CURRENT

CALENDAR OF EVENTS for the week of **October 25, 2026**

TODAY: 8:00 am Worship
9:15 am Sunday School & Bible Class
10:30 am Worship and Communion and Confirmation

MONDAY: 12:00 pm Men's Bible Study
6:00 pm Elder's Meeting
6:00 pm Quarterly LWML Meeting

TUESDAY: 9:00 am Textile Tuesday

WEDNESDAY: 5:30 pm Midweek Meal
6:00 pm Midweek Classes
6:30 pm CHOIR practice

THURSDAY: 6:00 pm Evening Bible Study

Next SUNDAY: 8:00 am Worship and Communion
November 1, 2026 9:15 am Bible Class & Sunday School
10:30 am Worship

Large print Hymnals are available. If you would like to use one, ask an Usher.
This week's Worship Service can be seen at <https://www.mt-calvary.com/events/>

Altar flowers today were in honor of our Confirmands.

We have **2 youth being Confirmed** at the 10:30 service today: **Kira Cawthorn & Blake Bingham.**

Lawnmower this week: Terry Pauling

Help Wanted: The Financial Secretary is looking for 2 people to help count our contributions, on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Mike & Jennifer Olson would like to "retire" from this position. Anyone interested, please talk to Bill Sponsler.

Please consider: The Elders are asking for someone to step up and fill the role of an additional Elder for our church. If you are interested or have questions please contact David Cooper or Jacob Hermanson.

MIDWEEK MEALS: We would like to continue offering a MidWeek meal on Wednesday nights but we are in need of people to help prepare the meal. Ask a couple friends to join you and sign up on the pillar in the fellowship hall to prepare a meal for a good cause. We serve approximately 35 people.

Mt. Calvary LWML quarterly meeting will be held Monday night, Oct. 26, 2026. The meeting will begin at 6:00 pm. All ladies of Mt. Calvary are invited to attend.

THANKSGIVING DINNER - Sunday, November 15, you are invited to our church family Thanksgiving Feast. This annual dinner will start immediately after the second service (11:30). There is a **signup sheet on the pillar** if you are willing to cook a Turkey (the church will provide the turkey), or provide the potatoes or dressing. You are welcome to bring a salad, vegetable dish, or dessert to share. Table service and drinks will be provided. Everyone is welcome to attend!

NEW IDEA!! Discipleship group helps to organize our midweek meals on Wednesday night. We have been struggling to get people and groups to help with this much needed service to our church and our community. We have decided to have a "meal prep day" where we make casseroles or soups for these meals, and freeze them. We serve approximately 35 people each week. For our meal prep day, we will have all the ingredients for 4 – 5 different meals. **We are asking for helpers to come to the church on Wednesday, November 11, 2:00 pm. to help prep the meals.** Many hands make light work. Once the meals are prepped and frozen, we will still need volunteers to sign up to bake casseroles and serve on Wednesday nights. The Discipleship committee can not do this alone we need volunteers to help as well. Thank you! Any questions talk to JoAnn Chapman 515-250-3847

Help Write the Sermon!

Starting November 22, you can help shape this season's sermons. Pastor Vanderbilt will preach on the appointed Old Testament readings for Advent and on one of our Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols readings. Each week in Adult Bible Study we'll dig into the upcoming text together. Bring your questions, your insights, and your "I always wondered about that" moments. Pastor will use our discussion to write the sermon. The series runs through Christmas Eve and begins Nov. 22 with Isaiah 64:1–9. Come hear God's Word, and help proclaim it!