

**FALL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – SUNDAY, NOV. 9th** – following the Thanksgiving dinner, the semi-annual congregational meeting will be held (approx. 12:15pm). Please plan to attend.

**Reformation Vespers** – Sunday October 26, 2025, 4:00 pm. Trinity Lutheran Church, 3223 University Ave, Des Moines, IA. Soup supper at 5:15 pm. Check the invitation on the pillar in the fellowship hall for more information.

**OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE:**

- **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 needed to host at 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 to sign up to place flowers for the altar or to donate to the “Flower Fund.” Check out the flower chart on the pillar in the fellowship hall.

**OUR RESPONSE TO HIS LOVE   October 5, 2025**  
Attendance: 8:00am 80; 10:30am 58

**Our Prayer List – October 12, 2025**

*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

**Maxine Bohannon**, experiencing health issues.

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

- Lowell Lines**, who is having health issues.  
**Rick Day**, friend of Ken Gill, who has cancer.  
**Tom Phalzgraf**, brother-in-law of Jean Schroeder, who has cancer.  
**Jeff Blonigan**, who is recovering from heart surgery.  
**Tony Ivory**, brother of Machel Ivory & nephew of Betty Lewis, who has cancer.  
**Tom Henline**, who has been diagnosed with Parkinson’s disease.  
**Chad Kuehl** who has cancer.  
**Angela Daugherty**, mother of Kraig Daugherty, who is in hospice care.  
**Lee Perdigon Jr.**, son of Lee Perdigon Sr., with health issues.  
**Richard Runyan**, brother of Karla Derrickson, hospitalized with heart issues.  
**Ian Larew**, friend of the Cawthorn’s, who has cancer.  
**Julie Gill**, daughter-in-law of Ken Gill, who has cancer.  
**Barb Zimmerman**, sister of Ken Gill, who has cancer.  
**Mellissa Zuber**, sister of Michelle Meyer, who has cancer.  
**Marilyn Perry** at Westview Care Center.  
**Phyllis Chumbley**, at Good Samaritan Care Center.  
**Gayla Tighe**, daughter of Lowell Lines.  
**Hannah Hester**, our missionary, serving in Taiwan.

**CALVARY'S CURRENT  
CALENDAR OF EVENTS for the week of October 12, 2025**

**TODAY:** 8:00 am Worship  
9:15 am Sunday School and Bible Study.  
10:30 am Worship and Communion

**MONDAY:** 12:00 pm Men's Bible Study  
6:00 pm Board of Education mtg

**TUESDAY:** 9:00 am Textile Tuesday

**WEDNESDAY:** 5:30 pm Midweek Meal  
6:00 pm L.I.F.E. Classes  
6:30 pm CHOIR PRACTICE. Come join us!

**THURSDAY:** 6:30 pm Bible Study: Christians in a Woke World

**Next SUNDAY:** 8:00 am Worship and Communion  
9:15 am Sunday School and Bible Study.  
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/>

**Flowers on the altar today** are given by LWML.

**Lawnmower for this coming week: Bill Sponsler**

**Missing: two wheel mover. Have you seen it or know where it is??**

**Lunch with Pastor:** Since Indianola Schools do not have classes on **Oct. 13**, students from 7th grade to 12th grade are invited to have lunch with Pastor... he's buying! We will be traveling to Giordano's Pizza in West Des Moines because it's Pastor's FAVORITE pizza place EVER. (He'll tell you the story at lunch.) All you've got to do is let Pastor know you want to go. He'll pick you up at your home, take you to lunch, and drop you off when we're done. This will probably take a couple hours. You can call the Church Office or e-mail [pastor@mt-calvary.com](mailto:pastor@mt-calvary.com) or text him at 615-557-6802 to let him know you'd like to go. More details will follow as the time gets closer!

**October Newsletter is available. Pick one up at the Connection Center near the front door!!**

**October is Pastor Appreciation Month** across the LCMS community. Over the past year, Pastor Vanderbilt has diligently been serving and shepherding our flock. He has been feeding us and nurturing us as we graze across the land growing in our faith. Please take time to express your appreciation to the Office of the Pastor during the month of October. On behalf of the Board of Elders and the Mt Calvary Family sharing in Jesus Christ, we appreciate Pastor Tom and Sara's contributions.

**LWML Fall Rally**

The Des Moines East Zone Fall Rally will be held Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at Peace Lutheran Church, Des Moines, Iowa. Registration starts at 8:30 am and a light breakfast starts at 8:45. The Rally starts at 9:15 a.m. Registration fee is \$6. If you have never attended a rally and want to see what it's all about, please join us for a morning of fellowship with ladies from the Des Moines East Zone churches. Contact Becky Sponsler at 515-777-9281 with any questions or if you need a ride to the rally.

**Iowa District West Sr. Youth Gathering – “God’s Calling Your Life”:** Youth grades 9 – 12<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome. The date is November 21 – 23, at the Holiday Inn by the airport. Cost is \$250.00 per person. **Registration deadline is October 24.** If you interested check with Natasha Cooper, Youth Leader.

**Confirmation Open House.** Jeret and Caroline Koenig would like to invite the members of Mount Calvary to an open house to celebrate Hunter Koenig's confirmation. It will be held on **Sunday, October 26 from 2-4pm** at our home, 11276 Nevada Street Indianola.

**LADIES OF MT. CALVARY:** Please join us on Monday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall for our Quarterly LWML meeting. Our guest speaker, Linda Meyer, will share her faith journey through her cancer battle. Please join us and Linda for an evening of fellowship. Questions? Contact Becky Sponsler at 515-777-9281.

**THANKSGIVING DINNER - Sunday, November 9**, 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!