



## INTERIM PASTOR

The Deacons and the Church Council have worked to find an Interim Pastor and are pleased to inform you that Pastor Gary Jorgenson has agreed to serve at Calvary in this role. Pastor Jorgenson brings a wealth of experience in pastoral ministry, having served in several churches, the AFLC President's office, and as an interim pastor. He will begin on August 11th.

## MISSIONARY VISIT

Jonni Sliver, missionary to Brazil, will be at Calvary Sunday, August 24th. She will give a greeting and introduction during the worship service and will give a fuller presentation during Coffee Connection that morning.

## CALVARY LIBRARY

We have reviewed the fiction section and made a few changes. The system is organized first by the author's last name, and then by title, with series before standalone novels. Starting September 1st, we will be interfiling the large print books within the above system to avoid double ordering the same book. Going forward, if large print is an option, we will use it when ordering. The committee will always consider any new book suggestions from congregation members. We would appreciate suggestions on any Christian book or author that you would like to have added to our library. We welcome young adults (12-18), to help choose which books to order and, after receiving them, write a brief review for the newsletter. Please let any of the library committee members know if you are interested. We encourage all member to use our library, which offers an excellent selection of reading materials. Please come in and explore our library and see what it has to offer.

## MISSION UPDATES

The balances through July for our mission commitments

(giving \$400/month to each)  
LEE FAMILY \$1935  
ALASKA RADIO \$3630

## COFFEE CONNECTION

We are looking for people or groups to help host Coffee Connection on September 7. Please contact the church office to sign up!

## CALVARY QUILTERS

Calvary Quilters raised money via a Coffee Connection this summer. With that money, they were able to purchase 100 children's and youth Bibles and 88 Spanish and English Bibles for The Net and VBS ministries in Naknek, Alaska. Thank you for being a generous church in sharing God's Word.



## COUNCIL MINUTES

**July 9, 2025 at 8:15 pm,**

Opening Prayer - Ben Christenson

Gospel Moment - Pastor Jim  
Review/Approve Council Meeting Minutes of June 18, 2025  
MSC Joel Kleinschmidt Joel Borowski.

**Deacons' Report** - Wally Stommes

2025-2026 Confirmation Curriculum was approved.

Fall plans for 100 Groups pending the securing of an interim pastor.

**Pastor Jim's Report** was reviewed.

**Pastor Eric's Report** was reviewed. 12 teens and 6 adults and one family attended the Free Lutheran Youth Convention from Calvary.

**Trustee Report** - Joel Borowski  
Trees are being trimmed as needed. The AC in fellowship hall was not working at the start of VBS. Ugstad was called to repair - one unit could not be charged. Andrew will be consulted to look into repair or replacement.

**Financial Reports** - Val Lundby  
General Fund Beginning Bal-

ance: \$15,535.21  
Decrease to General Fund:  
(5,503.05)

General Fund Ending Balance:  
\$10,032.16

Noteworthy Income & Expense Items:

OMA Adoption Grant \$3250.00  
Garage Sale Proceeds to Youth was around \$6,000

Sponsor American Heritage Girls \$1,000.00

Sponsor Trail Life \$1,000.00

MSC to approve the financial reports, Wally Stommes, Josh Bolluyt.

### Old Business:

Budget: Process Review will begin at the October council meeting.

Paid Leave: Val continues to gather information about the Paid Leave required by the state.

The deacons are working with a candidate for the interim pastor position at Calvary.

### New Business:

The call committee voted on by the congregation consists of Dean Nelson-chairman, Wally Stommes-secretary, Ben Christenson, Linda Saurer and Brad Tollerson. They joined the meeting at this point. They had met earlier. They discussed the plans to move forward, using the toolkit provided by AFLC.

Council agreed the committee should take the steps as AFLC guideline suggests.

Call Committee will update the council monthly on their progress

**Next Meeting:** August 13, 2025

Adjournment with Prayer:

MSC Joel Kleinschmidt, to adjourn the meeting.

Closing prayer by Joel Kleinschmidt

Respectfully Submitted

Donna Walkup, Secretary

*These minutes have been condensed to fit this format. A full version is available in the office.*

For more information on any of these items or to contact the church office, please email or call: 218-736-4282  
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