

## December 21, 2025

Real people, growing in faith, living in grace, following Jesus every day, everywhere!

### 10:00 AM Service

Welcome  
Call to Worship  
Advent Candle Lighting  
\* *“Here I Am to Worship”*  
\* God’s Greeting  
\* *“Angels We Have Heard on High”*  
Children’s Worship Blessing  
Call to Confession  
“A Christmas Hymn”  
Assurance of Pardon  
Congregational Prayer  
Scripture: Matthew 1:1-17 (pg. 783)  
Message: Pastor Nate  
“THE FAITHFUL LOVE OF GOD”  
Offering: Christian Ed Fund  
“Joy to the World”  
\* God’s Parting Blessing  
\* Doxology  
“Agnus Dei”

### 6:00 PM Service

Welcome & Announcements  
Call to Worship & God’s Greeting  
Songs of Praise & Worship  
\* “*Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne*” HWC 127  
\* “*O Little Town of Bethlehem*” HWC 141  
Ministry of Music: “*Mary’s Boy Child*”  
Scripture: John 3:16 (pg. 862)  
Message: Pastor Roger  
“LET US RECEIVE THE GIFT SO FREELY GIVEN”  
Ministry of Music: *The Birthday of a King*  
Prayer  
“*O Holy Night*” HWC 148  
Offering: Mission Fund  
Candlelight Ceremony  
Ministry of Music:  
“*Oh Little Town of Bethlehem*”  
“*Silent Night*”  
God’s Parting Blessing  
Doxology  
“*His Name is Life*” HWC 114

### Assisting us in Worship:

AM: Nate Gallaher, Dan Van Kooten, Logan Gallher, Allison Van Wyngarden, Kevin Bolt, Lee Roose, Amy Juffer, Sound: Evan Van Gelder, Projection: Kevin Herdegen, Video: Drew Van Wyngarden, Jesse Roose  
PM: Mary’s Boy Child: Dan, Lisa, Emily, Caroline, Paul, Joe Zylstra, Birthday of a King: Phil Goodyk, Dan Van Kooten; Haley Van Hal, Amy Juffer, Sarah Dockter, Cindy Gritters, Projection Kevin Herdegen, Sound: Gerrit Vande Zande, Video: Jesse Roose, Christy Van Zee

### About our Members:

- We extend our sympathy to the family and loved ones of LeNora Van Weelden in her passing on Tuesday morning.
- Please continue to keep Lisa Groenendyk in prayer as she is at MercyOne Acute Care in Clive being treated for bacterial meningitis.
- Please pray for the Vroom Family as Ed Vroom, Howards brother has been moved to hospice care.

Sunday	7:30 9:00 10:00 6:00	Prayer Meeting Adult Sunday School Worship Worship
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Christmas Day Service: December 25-9:30 AM

All Sunday School will break until Jan 11th. Wednesday Night programs will break until Jan 7th. Be sure to look for updates from your ministry leaders for specific scheduling.

If you are baking holiday cookies, please consider making an extra batch or two for our coffeetime after worship. We’d all appreciate any and all bakery treats, not just cookies (reminder we can’t accept items with dark food coloring or nuts). Thank You - Fellowship Committee

Adult Sunday School will begin a new series on January 11. We will be studying Habits of the Household lead by Dan Van Kooten. We would like to provide complimentarily copies to those who would like to attend. Please sign up at Welcome Center by December 28 for a copy.

Special thanks to the team that put together the Children’s Christmas Program last Sunday, including Katie Hoksbergen, Ana Martinez, Sarah Dockter, & Cindy Gritters, as well as the help from Children’s worship and Sunday School teachers.

Calvary is creating a young adult care team ministry. Members interested in praying for, connecting with, and encouraging our young adults please reach out to Pastor Nate if interested in joining the team.

The Deacons would like to thank the generous members of Calvary Church for your giving spirit this past Thanksgiving! Through your faithful gifts, we collected \$36,275 in support of over 30 organizations that serve our community and beyond. Thank you for your continued generosity and for sharing Christ’s love through giving!

<b>Giving</b>	
Dec 21	Chr Ed/Missions
Dec 25	Benevolence
Dec 28	Missions/Missions
<b>Greeters</b>	
21st	Cory & Kristen Mass: Narthex Paul & Karla Hofman: Main
25th	Eric & Emma Van Wyngarden: Narthex Eric & Ang Vande Zande: Main
28th	Lee & Tracy Roose: Narthex Bill Strong: Main
4th	Leanne & John Hogan: Narthex Larry & Cornie Ribbens: Main
<b>Fellowship</b>	
21st	Harold & Twyla Van Wyk Kyle & Allison Van Wyngarden
28th	Ladonna Van Zee Bev Van Zee
4th	Galyn & Lori Vande Zande Pete & Carol Verhey
<b>Nursery</b>	
21st	Linda Zuidema Jana Rus Henry Rus Ellie Clendenen
25th	Angela Vande Zande Karla Hofman Ryer Vande Zande Wayne Vande Zande
28th	Angela Vande Zande Haley Van Hal Ryer Vande Zande Malachi Van Beek
4th	Karla Hofman Angela Vande Zande Meyer Vande Voort
<b>Bus (DEC)</b>	Jeff Poortinga 641.780.5585
<b>Drop-In</b>	<b>Pastor Roger: Wed 9-12 AM</b>
<b>Office Hours</b>	<b>Pastor Nate: Thurs 1-4 PM</b>



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Greetings to all my church family,

Though these words are overdue the message has not changed. I am so grateful and thankful for ALL your prayers, beautiful cards, notes, emails and the for the visits those of you came to see me at the prison camp. It was God's mercy and grace flowing through all of you to me that sustained me during those 16 months! As my granddaughter said to me, ' grandma I can't stand the thought of you being in prison'. I told her to look at my time away as if I'm on a mission trip...as that is what I found the setting God put me in!! I could tell many stories how God used me. I was so blessed as He walked me through each day and the people He put before me to witness to. A reminder, though, to you all, my church family, your prayers, cards, visits etc. we're truly my support! Praise God for each one of you!

I've had many challenges since I've been home ( oh, how wonderful it is!) but giving them over to God, He watches over me daily and provides for my needs. My health challenges are continually before me but God is good! The end of October I received my cancer diagnosis and the manner of treatment to be used. It's a very aggressive cancer and walking by faith, I move forward. After three days of chemo pills I could feel positive changes! After one month of treatments (last week) I had a new PETscan and it shows the cancer in several areas that it was, are completely gone! There is NOTHING to see!!! The only place left is my lung and that is significantly smaller. I give God all the glory and thank and praise my church family for your love and prayers!! God's mighty power as our great healer is on display!! Thank you again dear church family for everything!!! We know not what tomorrow holds but we know who holds tomorrow.

Love to you all in this blessed season,

Marilyn Sterk

Calvary Giving Update				
(Through December 14, 2025)				
General	Actual	Budget	Differ-	% Diff
Last	\$19,052	\$10,693	\$8,359	
Fiscal	\$516,795	\$534,654	(\$17,859)	-3.34%
Missions	Actual	Budget	Differ-	% Diff
Last	\$6,025	\$3,381	\$2,643	
Fiscal	\$163,415	\$169,062	(\$5,647)	-3.34%



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#### DISTRICTS 2025

**DISTRICT 1:** DAN VAN KOOTEN & CORY MASS

Admiraal –De Vries

**DISTRICT 2:** JERRY BANDSTRA & AARON SANDBULTE

Dickel – Horstman

**DISTRICT 3:** KYLE VAN WYNGARDEN & CINDY GRITTERS

Huisman – Nugteren

**DISTRICT 4:** PAUL HOFMAN & ERIC VAN WYNGARDEN

Nunnikhoven – Rus

**DISTRICT 5:** ERIC VANDE ZANDE & RANDY KELDERMAN

Sandbulte – Van Hal

**DISTRICT 6:** NATHAN RUS & CINDY VAN WEELDEN

Van Howelingen – Vande Voort

**DISTRICT 7 :** ROB VAN BEEK & LEE ROOSE

Vande Zande – Zuidema

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