

Calvary Lutheran Church

# Crossways

## March 2024

*Grow in God's Love; Serve in Jesus' Name; Welcome Everybody.*

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### Join Us for Worship

Sundays in-person at 10:00am

Or, on Zoom [here](#)

Meeting ID: 840 5961 8157

Passcode: C@lvary876



# Pastor's Page

Peace, grace and blessings,

## “Junk Journaling”

There are many things to discover on TikTok – new music, news, history, fads, what Gen Alpha slang means... But one of my favorite discoveries is something called ‘Junk Journaling.’ As seen in the pictures below, it is taking scraps of things to make something beautiful. Old news clippings, postcards, photographs, stickers, stamps and more - all combined to create a piece of art. It is a very relaxing activity and I whole heartily recommend trying it out.

Recently, while I was taping some random scraps to my journals pages, I thought about the church. I thought about thousands of years of history, traditions, and practices, all combined to make what church is today. I thought about our hymnals, featuring classic hymns and new pieces at the time of publication. I thought about worship services, traditional liturgy and new practices.

Our church, in all the best ways, can be like a junk journal page, keeping bits of the past that still fit in the church of tomorrow, honoring the bright colors they still provide. Yet we can also slip in that new sticker that has a bit of glitter but compliments the overall design.

As we get ready to celebrate the conclusion of Lent, Holy Week and Easter, I hope we all can dream of the future of the church through the lens of ‘junk journaling,’ and try new combinations of the many bits and pieces of church which we love.

-Pastor Rachel



# Book Club Gathering

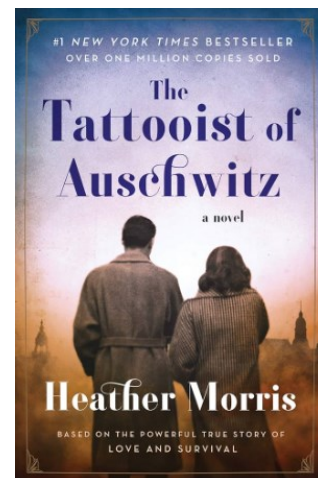
Everyone is welcome to join book club discussions on the fourth Tuesday of the month. We are meeting on **March 26 at 1:30 pm** at Margaret Deveraux Jefferies' house (262 NE 18<sup>th</sup> Ave, Hillsboro). Our backup location is Calvary's library.

You do not need to have finished the book to join the discussion. Just be aware that often the questions have spoilers. Please feel free to join us for fellowship if you haven't read the book.

March's book is ***The Tattooist of Auschwitz* by Heather Morris**. It is biographical and historical fiction. The public library has 23 book copies, 12 large print editions, 4 Audiobook CD sets, 8 downloadable Audiobooks, and 3 eBooks. Margaret will lead the discussion.

## The publisher's description:

In April 1942, Lale Sokolov, a Slovakian Jew, is forcibly transported to the concentration camps at Auschwitz-Birkenau. When his captors discover that he speaks several languages, he is put to work as a Tätowierer (the German word for tattooist), tasked with permanently marking his fellow prisoners. Imprisoned for more than two and a half years, Lale witnesses horrific atrocities and barbarism--but also incredible acts of bravery and compassion. Risking his own life, he uses his privileged position to exchange jewels and money from murdered Jews for food to keep his fellow prisoners alive. One day in July 1942, Lale, prisoner 32407, comforts a trembling young woman waiting in line to have the number 34902 tattooed onto her arm. Her name is Gita, and in that first encounter, Lale vows to somehow survive the camp and marry her. A vivid, harrowing, and ultimately hopeful re-creation of Lale Sokolov's experiences as the man who tattooed the arms of thousands of prisoners with what would become one of the most potent symbols of the Holocaust, *The Tattooist of Auschwitz* is also a testament to the endurance of love and humanity under the darkest possible conditions.



Coming **April 23**: *The Daughter's Walk, A Novel* by Jane Kirkpatrick is historical and Christian fiction based closely on real people and real events.

Nineteen-year-old Clara Estby is hauled by her mother, Helga, on a 7,000-mile walk from Spokane, Wash., to New York in 1896. The fashion industry is looking for promotion of the new, shorter dress for women; Helga is looking for a cash prize to save the family farm from foreclosure ... and Clara dreams of becoming a businesswoman.

Peace,

Leslie Smith Mayfield

# Updates from Council

Peace be with you in this season of Lent as we prepare for Easter.

During the Annual Congregational meeting in January, someone asked about Calvary's current mortgage balance. On February 5, the balance was \$16,970.75. The monthly payment is \$1009.00, and the interest rate is 4.25%. Continuing this payment schedule, the mortgage should be paid off by early 2025.

Giving: is a little below the budget target.

Audit Committee has had one meeting with our insurance carrier and have a second meeting scheduled for next week. Once they have completed this, they will give their report and recommendations to the council.

Elected Council officers: President - Leslie Rabon, Vice-President – Ross Patton, Council Secretary – Anita Hiebel. The installation of officers will take place when Anita returns from her trip.

We are looking for someone who might be interested in being the Treasurer. Dave Moore would like to step back from this responsibility. It is a volunteer position. If you are interested, please talk to me or Pastor Rachel.

The search for a new Office Manager is underway. In the meantime, the council authorized that the temporary/interim (me) be compensated based on the 2024 budget allocation. It is much appreciated.

I hope you have taken time to read, enjoy, and contemplate the gifts that we see in Pastor Rachel. Perhaps you see some of these gifts in yourself or others or see something you would like to strive toward. I see them in you.

In peace,

Leslie Rabon





# Calvary Happenings

## Lent

Our cross display is growing! There is still room for more, if you would like to participate.

Please let the church office, LaRayne Rowland, or Leslie Rabon know if you would like to add your cross.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed.



## Our 90s+

The 90s celebration was a success!

Thank you to all of our special celebrants and their families for allowing us to spotlight you (or put you on the spot).

We love and appreciate you.



## Easter Cross Decorating

We will be decorating the cross at 8:30am on Easter morning, 3/31/24. There will be buckets at the door for people who would like to drop off flowers on Saturday. Come on Sunday morning ready to have fun. If you have garden clippers or shears, please bring them. Children of all ages are welcome!



# This Month We Celebrate...



## MARCH BIRTHDAYS



2	Dina Moore
12	Anya Landtiser
17	Don Giese
20	Venita Volpp
21	Rik Mayfield
31	Dave Rabon



# In Our Prayers

## For the World

Ukraine, Turkey, Syria  
Wildfires, floods, earthquakes,  
blizzards

## For the Oregon Synod

Bishop Laurie Larsen Caesar  
Rev. Melissa O'Keef Reed  
Juan Carlos La Puente Tapia  
Jemae McCanna  
Christie Bernklau Halvor, PhD  
Jack Mandeville  
Rev. Matta Ghaly

## For Calvary Lutheran Family

Jim Bany  
Shirley Clergy  
Betty Dendinger  
Carol Dougall  
Shelley Kubik  
Rik Mayfield  
Gail Nagel Erickson  
Jann Patton  
Kourtney Peterson

Edie & John Pyle  
Chris Sauerwein  
Cameron Sauerwein

## We keep in prayer the family and friends of...

Sheralyn Clark  
Gary Krahmer

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 10:00am Calvary Worship In person & Zoom 11:00am Celebrating the 90s 11:30am Devotional Study 2:00pm Life Center Worship; Sanctuary 4:00pm Nueva Vida	26 7:00pm Life Center Rehearsal; Sanctuary	27 12:00pm Red Cross Blood Drive 1:30pm Book Club at Margaret's	28 Midweek Lenten Gatherings 7:00pm Life Center Prayers; Sanctuary	29 6:00pm Not-So-Youth Group - Welcome Room 6:00pm Nueva Vida 6:30pm Women AA; Fellowship Hall	1 7:00pm TGIF AA Group	2 9:00am Quilting and Knitting 11:00am Recital 4:30pm Nueva Vida Music Practice
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31 Easter Sunday 8:30am Flower Cross Decorating 10:00am Calvary Worship In person & Zoom 11:30am Devotional Study 2:00pm Life Center Worship; Sanctuary 4:00pm Nueva Vida	1 7:00pm Life Center Rehearsal; Sanctuary	2 12:00pm Red Cross Blood Drive	3 7:00pm Life Center Prayers; Sanctuary	4 6:00pm NSY Group 6:00pm Nueva Vida 6:30pm Women AA; Fellowship Hall	5 7:00pm TGIF AA Group	6 9:00am Quilting and Knitting 3:30pm Nueva Vida Music Practice