



The
Christmas
Story

December 24, 2025
Calvary Lutheran Church

Welcome to Calvary Lutheran Church

- To the right of the sanctuary is our Kids' Space, where all God's Children are invited to make themselves at home.
- The Communion Table is open to all people.
- If you need hearing assistance, headphones can be obtained from an usher.
- Join us on Zoom: *Meeting ID: 840 5961 8157 Passcode: C@lvary876*
- Church Office Hours: Tue & Thur from 9 am to 5 pm

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP & LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

ELW 283 Oh Come, All Ye Faithful vs. 1-3

CHRISTMAS DIALOG

GATHERING HYMN

ELW 270 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

PRAYER OF THE DAY

FIRST READING

Isaiah 9:2-7

PSALM

Psalm 23

SECOND READING

Titus 2:11-14

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW 292 Love Has Come vs. 3

GOSPEL

Luke 2:1-20

SERMON

Pastor Rachel Kramer

HYMN

ACS 914 Jesus, the Light of the World



1 Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, Je-sus, the Light of the world;
2 Joy - ful, all you na - tions, rise; Je-sus, the Light of the world;
3 Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Je-sus, the Light of the world;
4 Hail the heav'n-born Prince of peace! Je-sus, the Light of the world;



“Glo - ry to the new-born king,” Je-sus, the Light of the world.
join the tri - umph of the skies; Je-sus, the Light of the world.
Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord! Je-sus, the Light of the world.
Hail the Sun of righ-teous-ness! Je-sus, the Light of the world.

Refrain



We'll walk in the light, beau-ti-ful light, come where the dew-drops of mer-cy are bright.



Shine all a-round us by day and by night, Je-sus, the Light of the world.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, stanzas; George D. Elderkin, 1845–1928, refrain
Music: WE'LL WALK IN THE LIGHT, Traditional; arr. George D. Elderkin

APOSTLES' CREED

THE PRAYERS

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

OFFERING SPECIAL MUSIC Some Children See Him (Brent & Shari Young)

OFFERING PRAYER

GREAT THANKSGIVING (Tune: "Angels We Have Heard on High")

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Tune: "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear")

DISTRIBUTION

All are invited to share God's meal. We believe that in this sacrament, the Savior Jesus comes to us, bringing forgiveness of sins, renewal of our lives and the promise of salvation. Those who do not wish to receive the elements are encouraged to come and receive a blessing.

COMMUNION HYMNS ELW 290 Go Tell It on the Mountain

ELW 277 Away in a Manger

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

CANDLE LIGHTING

The minister, taking a large candle, lights it from an altar candle, which symbolizes Christ, the light of the world of whom John's Gospel speaks. The ushers light their candles from the pastor's candle. Then they light the candles of each worshiper nearest the aisle. The lighted candle is never tilted, but is always held upright when giving light to another. Once all the candles are lit, the lights in the sanctuary will be turned off.

HYMNS BY CANDLELIGHT

- ELW 279 O Little Town of Bethlehem vs. 1 & 2
- ELW 296 What Child is This vs. 1
- ELW 281 Silent Night, Holy Night vs. 1 & 3

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN ELW 267 Joy to the World

DISMISSAL

Special Thanks to Those Who Served Today

ALTAR GUILD: Judy Britton

WORSHIP ASSISTANT: Brent Young

LECTOR: Dave Moore

USHERS: Gary Clark & Dianne Pratt

FLOWERS: Sharon Elliott

Ways to Get Involved at Calvary

THIRD PLACE

Dinner and Games when you need a **break** from adulting



COMMUNITY CRAFT NIGHT

5:30 - 7:30 PM

IN THE
FELLOWSHIP HALL



EVERY
4TH
TUESDAY



Bible Study: Fridays at 2pm

Monthly Book Club



Regular Quilting Meetings



Community Garden



...and more!

Coming up in 2026:

Annual Congregational Meeting: February 1st at 11:30am

Look forward to Easter and Vacation Bible School.

Sign up for our weekly emails by scanning the code:





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Weekly Sunday Service: 10am-11am



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