

Calvary Baptist Church

To Know Christ and Make Him Known

Pastor Jack Austin

Pastor Zachary Tornow

Pastor Kodiak Boersma

Services: 8:00 AM & 10:45 AM or streaming on our website or YouTube Channel at 10:45 AM

ABF & Children's Classes: 9:20 AM - 10:20 AM

Sunday, September 17, 2023



Welcome and thank you for choosing worship with us! We hope you will experience meaningful worship and encouraging fellowship through the teaching of the Bible, uplifting music, and prayer.

Upcoming Events

Sept 21st—Parents of Teens Meeting—5:30 pm—If you haven't done so already, please RSVP Pastor Kodiak at kboersma@calvaryrapids.org or call the church office at 715-423-7190.

Sept. 22nd & 23rd—Ladies Retreat at Camp Fairwood; for more information visit campfairwood.org; if you are interested in riding a church van, please sign up by the mailboxes

Oct. 13th & 14th—Work Weekend at Camp Fairwood; for more information visit campfairwood.org; They have projects for people of all ages and abilities! Come help camp get ready for winter!

Oct. 20th—Saints Alive Fellowship Luncheon—12:00 (Noon); Everyone 55 yrs. and older are welcome to come! Please bring a dish to pass! Tableware & drinks will be provided.



Pray for the family and friends of Cheryl Mann, who passed away on 9/3; Funeral Services will be held on Friday, Sept. 22nd, at 11:00 a.m. here, at Calvary Baptist Church. If you would like to help with food, please call the church office at 715-423-7190

Saved People, Serve People

Sign up now to help with the Journey Through Bethlehem Drive-Through Live Nativity held Nov. 30th—Dec. 2nd! Journey Through Bethlehem was designed to bring Bethlehem to Wisconsin Rapids. This event will allow our community to drive the streets of Bethlehem, as we recreate the special night of Jesus Christ's birth. Sign up now in the front foyer or by calling the church office. It is a great reminder to share with others of the reason Christ came.



	Offering for	Budget	\$ Over/(Under)	% Ahead/
Missions Fund	\$62,518	\$ 68,140	(\$5,622)	92%
General Fund	\$272,778	\$ 276,778	(\$3,401)	98.8%

Worship with us in the Word

God's Character on Display in Genesis
#1 – Before the Beginning
Pastor Jack Austin
09-17-23

The Word of God – Genesis 1:1-3; John 1:1-4, 9-14

Important Foundational Elements

- The Bible possesses a single story line.
- Genesis means “Beginning”
- Who wrote it? Co-authored: Moses & God
- It's theme in two words: BLESSING & CURSING
- It's structure identified in 10 sections – “*These are the generations of...*”

Before the Beginning – 3 Significant Things – Gen. 1:1-2

1. There was GOD.

Why this matters:

2. There was LOVE.

Why this matters:

3. There was DARKNESS.

Why this matters:



Great Things
All Praise To Him
All Creatures Of Our God and King
Goodness of God