

ELLIE (LUNDQUIST) GONCALVES
WorldVenture — Brazil

I can't believe how much has happened since my last update! Life continues to feel full and a little unpredictable, but God has been so kind to us in the middle of it all.

Healthwise, things have been a bit up and down. I've had a few more colds and coughs, but I saw another pulmonologist who reviewed my scans and reassured me that, while there are some small spots of emphysema, it's nothing to worry about right now. That was such a relief to hear! The bigger surprise has been with my hands. Over the past few months, I started having more numbness, especially in my right hand, and even trouble moving it at times. After some tests, I found out I have moderately severe carpal tunnel syndrome in both hands. My doctor thought it would be best to operate on my right hand right away, so I had surgery a little over two weeks ago. I'm already noticing such a difference! The numbness and pain are almost gone. I still have recovery and PT, but I'm so grateful.

On the ministry side, the church plant has been growing! We've now moved to two services every Sunday so we can serve more people. It's been exciting to see God at work here, and we're praying for a greater presence and impact in our neighborhood. We've been walking the streets, praying for our neighbors, and asking God to draw people to Himself.

And there's another fun update — I've been able to turn the basement space in our new house into a recording studio! This has been such a gift. We're so thankful for this house and the ways God is using it — not just for recording, but for hosting and connecting with people around us. We're praying it will be a place of welcome and light in this community.

Attendance Report for Sunday 8/31/2025

Morning Worship: 195

Financial Report for the Week Ending 9/05/2025

Weekly Budget	\$11,571.42	Year-to-Date Budget	\$254,571.24
Income for the Week	\$12,014.44	Year-to-Date Income	\$231,137.08
Giving by Cash/Check	\$8,446.75	Year-to-Date Expenses	\$249,300.61
Electronic Giving	\$2,914.47	August Interest	\$653.22

Give electronically at www.CalvaryCR.org or by using the "Breeze" app.

Ministry Staff

Senior Pastor Jay Jentink
Associate Pastor (Worship and Administration) Michael Frey
Associate Pastor (Youth Ministries). Matthew Slippy
Secretary/Bookkeeper. Marla Hoy

Office Hours: Monday–Thursday, 9:00am–3:00pm; Friday, 9:00am–12:00pm

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MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE
SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

Preparation for Worship Kim Nelson

Welcome Pastor Matt Slippy

Songs of Celebration (Hymn 8) "To God Be the Glory"
"You Gave Your Life Away"

Prayer Justin Caldwell

Scripture Reading (Ephesians 5:21–33) David Eastburn

Song of Preparation "O Spirit, Lift Our Eyes to Jesus"

Message from God's Word Pastor Jay Jentink
"The Savior of the Church"

Song of Celebration "Worthy Is the Lamb"

Communion Pastor Jay Jentink

Song of Celebration (Hymn 165) "Hallelujah, What a Savior"

Benediction Pastor Jay Jentink

TONIGHT AT 6:00PM

GriefShare

Room 14

FALL CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

We still have need for help in the nurseries this fall during worship services. We also need a teacher to partner with Diana Bredenberg in the Junior Department (grades 4–6). Please bless our church families by serving. You can sign up at the Welcome Center. Contact Briana Horning or the church office for more information.

LADIES NIGHT OUT

Ladies, you and your friends are invited to enjoy dinner and fellowship at 6:30pm on Monday, September 8 at Cancun Mexican Grill, 365 33rd Ave SW. If you plan to attend, call or text Deb Gaeta (319-491-7720) or email djgaeta@q.com so she will know how many will be attending. If you need a ride, let Deb know and she will arrange to have someone meet that need.

POSITIVE IMPRESSIONS

Positive Impressions is scheduled for Saturday, September 13, 10:00am–3:00pm in Room 23/24. Invite your friends to join you in creating with rubber stamps or working on some other favorite craft project. This is an enjoyable and non-threatening way to spend time developing relationships and building bridges in order to make a positive impression for Christ on your unsaved friends and family members. Even the greeting cards or other crafts that you create for other people can be beneficial in making a positive impression on their lives. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Jeannette Frey (319-654-4260) and bring a snack or drink to share with the group.

SONSHINE SINGERS

The Sonshine Singers children's choir will begin on Sunday evening, September 14, 6:00pm–7:15pm. Children in K–6th grade are invited to join in the fun of learning about God and His Word through music, choreography, drama, and other creative activities. If interested, contact Jeannette Frey at 319-654-4260 or jjhux59@gmail.com.

CALVARY CHOIR

The Calvary Choir will begin another season of ministry on Sunday, September 14. Rehearsals are Sunday afternoons from 4:30pm to 5:45pm. New members are welcome! Contact Pastor Mike for more information.

MELANSON BABY SHOWER

Men and women, please join us at Calvary on Saturday, September 20 at 10am for a baby shower honoring parents-to-be Joshua & Allie Melanson. You can find their gift registry on Amazon.

SALT & PEPPER RETIREES FELLOWSHIP

On Tuesday, September 23 at 11:30am, we will meet in the fellowship hall for lunch and will enjoy some harp music performed by Abigail Brower. Contact Nadene Roberts or Donna Voss for additional information.

MUMS (MOTHERS UPLIFTING MOTHERS)

MUMs is our very own young-moms program. We will begin on Tuesday, September 16 (registration begins at 9:00am), and we will meet every first and third Tuesday (9:15am–11:15am) through May. MUMs is open to moms whose youngest child is in kindergarten or younger, as well as expecting moms. For more information, pick up our brochure at the Welcome Center, go to the church website, or email crmums2019@gmail.com. Childcare will be provided in our Little Sprouts program. If you are a stepmom, foster mom, adoptive mom, birth mom, or any other kind of mom, you are a MOM, and you are welcome in our group!

GIFT CARD BRIDAL SHOWER

Sydney Crittenden is getting married this fall! Please join us in blessing Sydney and Benjamin Coffman with a collection of gift cards as they begin their life together. Place your card in the decorative box at the Welcome Center. We know Sydney will be delighted to receive these gifts!

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, September 7

9:00am Sunday School/Adult Bible Classes
10:00am Inner Mission
10:30am Worship Service (*Communion*)
6:00pm GriefShare

Monday, September 8

6:30pm Ladies Night Out
6:30pm Fellowship Team Meeting

Tuesday, September 9

9:15am MUMs Leadership Meeting
7:00pm Committee & Ministry Team Meetings

Wednesday, September 10

6:30pm Awana, Youth Group, Adult Bible Study & Prayer

Saturday, September 13

10:00am Positive Impressions