#### How does "Swaddling Clothes" work?

From various donors, we assemble a collection of items associated with pregnancy and motherhood—baby clothes, diapers, and wipes. Then, on the second Saturday of each month, Calvary hosts a "shopping day" where you can survey our collection and take whatever you need, up to a certain number of items. If any of the items you take can be re-donated to Swaddling Clothes when you are done with them, we ask that you do so to help those in need after you.

Many of our centers also partner with a number of other organizations, providing you with referrals if you are seeking counseling, health care, employment, etc... And, of course, being a part of a Lutheran congregation, we are always ready to share pastoral care and a Gospel word with those who need them.

We are open the second Saturday of the month from 9-11.

Donations can be brought in while we are open, or please email, elgin@swaddlingclothes.org, to schedule a drop off time. The mission of Swaddling Clothes is to share the mercy of Christ with our neighbors through the gifts of clothing, food, friendship, and the forgiving Word of God.

#### The Sanctity of Life

God's eternal Son began His earthly life as an embryo. And when that embryo was a grown man, He shed His blood for the entire world, including those who were nothing more than a few cells in their mothers' wombs.

For this reason, God never wants abortion to happen. And, as Christians, one of the greatest ways we can help keep our neighbor far from this temptation is by making pregnancy less frightening.

If you're frightened that you don't have the resources to care for the child in your womb or the children outside your womb, we're here to help.

If you're scared that you don't know how to navigate this new part of your life, we're here to help.

If you're worried about judgment or rejection, we're here with God's word of mercy and hope, a word that no one can take away from you.

Christ loved you from your very beginning. He'll love you to the end. That's why we're here.

### **About Calvary**

Calvary Lutheran Church has served the Elgin community for more than 60 years. Our congregation believes that Christ Jesus has, through his death and resurrection, redeemed the whole world and gives the benefits of His sacrifice to all sinners in the forgiveness of sins, which He delivers to us in His Word, His Holy Baptism, and His Holy Supper. We desire all people to be saved and therefore want to share these gifts of God with all people. We'd like to invite you to partake in God's gifts to you. Certainly, you are always welcome to attend Christ's divine service for us (Sunday mornings, 8:00 and 10:45). But, if you'd prefer to first have more information, please contact us by phone, email or talk to one of our Swaddling Clothes helpers.



# To ask questions, or give a donation, please contact us:

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Sundays Mornings:

Divine Service: 8:00 am Bible Class/Sunday School: 9:15 am Divine Service: 10:45 am



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