

## Elder & Deacon Slate 2026

Voting will be available in-person only at the following meetings:

- **Informational Meetings:** Sunday, May 24 | 4-5pm & Saturday, May 30 | 9-10 am
- **Congregational Meeting:** Sunday, May 31 | 4 pm

### Elders:

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#### Chris Bekermeier

Chris and his wife, Deanne, have attended Calvary for 35 years. During that time, Chris faithfully served the church as both a deacon and an elder. He feels honored to continue serving the church body, and his favorite Bible verse is Romans 8:1 - "Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus."

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#### Gary Deckinga

Gary has been a member of Calvary for 40 years. He and his wife have four children, all of whom were baptized at Calvary, along with 10 grandchildren. Over the years, Gary has served as both an elder and a deacon, and he considers it a privilege to continue serving Calvary on the leadership team. To God be the glory.

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#### Roger Ellens

Roger and his wife, Jane, have been married for 36 years and have attended Calvary for the past eight years. They have two adult children and three grandchildren. Roger feels called to serve as an elder because he believes God calls each of us to use the gifts He has given us. Through the experiences God has brought into his life, Roger believes he can serve the church well in the areas of administration, finance, and discernment.

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#### Greg Vander Velde

Greg and his wife, Denise, have been married for 36 years and have attended Calvary Church since 2008. They have three adult children, all of whom were married at Calvary, and are blessed with eight grandchildren. Greg previously served as Chair of the Deacons and feels called to serve as an elder with humility, compassion, and a commitment to helping carry out Calvary's mission and vision.

## Care Deacons:

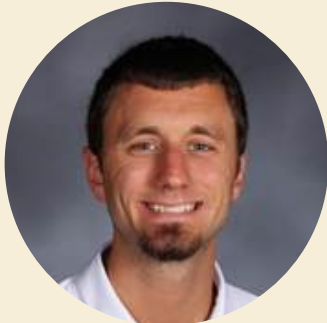
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### Joshua Dampf

Joshua and his family have attended Calvary since the late 1990s, and the church has played an important role in his spiritual growth. After a brief time away following college, he returned to Calvary in 2023 with his wife and two children. Joshua feels called to serve as a care deacon because it gives him the opportunity to share Christ's love in practical ways by serving both the church and the broader community.

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### Mark Zylstra

Mark and his wife, Rebecca, have attended Calvary for eight years and have three children, all of whom were baptized at Calvary. Mark and Rebecca both work at Chicago Christian High School. Mark feels called to serve as a care deacon alongside the other leaders of Calvary to help the congregation grow and thrive.

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## Financial Deacons:

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### Kevin Drenth

Kevin and his wife, Jacquelyn, have attended Calvary for 11 years and are blessed with three children. Kevin feels called to serve once again as a deacon because of his deep desire to support and encourage the church body, serve with humility, and help others grow in their walk with Christ.

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### David Sedakis

David has been a faithful member of Calvary Church for more than 20 years, where his faith has grown alongside his wife, Allison, and their three children. David feels called to serve as a deacon because God has used the experiences in his life to place a deep commitment in his heart to serve the church and encourage others in their walk with Christ.