

CALVARY LUTHERAN

CHURCH AND SCHOOL



August 2018 Monthly Newsletter

From the Pastors

Come to the Water and Drink Deep

¹ Blessed is the one who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; ² but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night. ³ He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers. – **Psalm 1:1-3**

As the children, youth, and young adults of our congregation head back to school, I can't help but think of the Lord's call for each of us to be life-long learners. We have the chance to not only grow in the knowledge of his creation and world, but to grow in the promises of His grace and guidance. There is a joke that is told about a man who sat at his kitchen table in desperate prayer for God to reveal Himself and His will to the man. He prayed fervently and feverishly for God to speak to him. All that he wanted to hear was the voice of God. There was nothing uniquely wrong with the man's prayer or his yearning to draw closer to God, but there was a problem that in the midst of all of his prayers to God He never opened up the Bible which lay just three short feet away on the kitchen counter. God does not always answer our prayers the way we would like to, but He does answer. He has provided for us a way to hear the voice of the Lord for our lives in the Scriptures.

This fall, we would like to invite you to a new season with the Lord. We would like to invite you to grow in the Lord as described above in our reading from Psalm 1. While we may not be ready for it, we already begin to prepare ourselves for the coming months when leaves will change and fall, as the growing season will come to a close. Yet, for the one who delights in the words of the Lord meditating day and night it is always a season for growth—to bud and flourish with his grace. Whether it is in personal devotion or an opportunity to gather again with your longstanding small group bible study or to start a new small group, we invite you to grow deep into the Word of the Lord this fall.

God invites us to both grow deep into the sweet water of His mercy and grace, so that we may also go wide into this world, spreading our branches to bear fruit in our vocations. So many of us express a desire to make a difference in our world and to leave a lasting legacy. Perhaps that outer growth and flourishing must first start with the inner growth of our roots into the depths of God's love and forgiveness. Ralph Waldo Emerson once said, "The creation of a thousand forests is in one acorn." The life application? Great things can be unleashed from a single life, if we give it the right conditions and time to grow. After all, as Martin Luther reminds us, "This life therefore is not righteousness, but growth in righteousness, not health, but healing, not being but becoming, not rest but exercise. We are not yet what we shall be, but we are growing toward it, the process is not yet finished, but it is going on, this is not the end, but it is the road. All does not yet gleam in glory, but all is being purified."

So this fall, we invite you to come and grow with us. Look for more information to come on our weekend Bible studies, our new Fall Women's study, opportunities to be a part of a small group through a congregational study held this fall. May you be blessed in this season of life, as you grow in the lavish grace of your Lord Jesus Christ.

Closing Prayer: *Lord, we desire to hear Your voice and to do Your will. Help us to turn regularly to Your Word of truth to hear Your promises that are found alone in You. Give us hearts that yearn for Your presence, so that we may remember that You are with us wherever we go. Transform our perspective of our daily lives to see that each word spoken and every act done is a chance to worship and to serve You. All this we ask in the precious name of Christ, our Savior. Amen.*

God's Blessings,

Pastor Kurt Ebert



Indiana District News

Interview with the newly elected District President Daniel J. Brege. Rev. Brege will take on his new role in Sept.

Q: Tell us a little about your background.

A: I'm a third-generation pastor. My dad and my grandfather were pastors. Of course, you don't inherit the gene for being a pastor! But I did observe my dad, and I also have a brother and two brothers-in-law who are LCMS pastors. I have also been privileged to observe many faithful pastors across the Synod. There's certainly value in having good role models in ministry. In that light, I would like to commend President May for his 15 years of service. As I publicly thanked the Lord for him during Convention, I would again express thanksgiving to the Lord for Rev. May's endurance run of 15 years.



Q: How did you get started in ministry?

A: I began my career as a public school teacher. I taught middle-school math in Berrien Springs, Michigan. Later, I went back to school at Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne and graduated in 1982. My first pastorate was [St. Paul Lutheran Church in Decatur, Indiana](#) — we call it Preble — and I have served there my entire ministry of 36 years.

Q: That's a remarkable endurance run, too.

A: Yes, and I'm grateful for that experience. In his report to our Convention, LCMS President Matt Harrison described the value of long service in the pastorate. One advantage is that there's a correlation between a long pastorate and our success at retaining young people in the church. We've experienced that in Decatur. Last Sunday, we recognized between 60 and 70 children from our Sunday School program. And for a rural church, we have several youth who are active in our youth program, and more importantly, many who regularly attend the Divine Service. These young people may leave us when they go off to college, but they are, by God's grace, prepared for lives of faith in Christ. It all depends on the Word of God and proclamation of that Word.

Q: How has that commitment to the Word shaped your ministry and how will it guide your presidency?

A: The Word of God is the vehicle of the Holy Spirit. The Word of God is the means whereby people not only come to believe, but the means whereby their faith is sustained. It's the means whereby people are comforted and the means whereby forgiveness is distributed as that Word is proclaimed and as the Sacraments are administered. These are simply applications of the Word of God, which is the ultimate source of all ministry. And this is true also in the office of the District President. The Word of God is that sole vehicle and means whereby problems are dealt with and people are comforted and encouraged. The Word of God is the very foundation of our ministry together. Our District Convention focused on several outreach initiatives — proclaiming the Word of God in places like [Gary, Indiana](#), and [northern Kentucky](#) and the [Purdue University campus](#). I am very supportive of each of those initiatives. I've been a vice president for six years, so I've been on the Board and have been involved with these efforts. I credit Rev. Geoff Robinson and the entire Board for their persistence and desire to work on these outreach efforts.

Q: What makes the LCMS unique today?

A: I think what makes the LCMS unique is that we are confessional, which means that we hold to the Lutheran Confessions. Those Confessions were established to state with clarity our scriptural and historical Christian stance on any number of issues. And so we are a confessional church, and we say this with boldness and thankfulness.

Q: How does the Indiana District fit into that mission?

A: The word "synod" basically means walking together. We certainly can join hands with the other districts in standing for the truth of God's Word. We are also part of LCMS outreach as we continue to support the national and global mission endeavors of our Synod. We thank the Lord those opportunities are increasing.

Q: What will guide your leadership of our District?

A: The pastors of the various congregations are going to be effective if they are grounded in God's Word and if they are enabled to realize Christ's strength and the Spirit's encouragement in relation to the challenges they will experience. As District President, I will strive to continue to firmly ground the pastors in the Word, and I hope to be able to assist our pastors and congregations as they face such challenges. Of course, we are all sinful human beings — whether it be pastors or laity — so I want to be pastoral in supporting these pastors and their congregations. It's about continuing the work of the Church that has existed for centuries. I hope and pray God gives me the wisdom to be able to handle these things.

Q: There are about 100,000 members of LCMS congregations in our District. What do you want them to know about you?

A: I want them to know that I will strive for fidelity to the Word of God and to our Lutheran Confessions. And I want them to know that I will work with them and continue to keep them in prayer.

General

Interested in joining Calvary? Our next **Foundations of Faith** Class for adults starts **Sunday, August 26 at 9:25am in Room 125** (just down the hallway from the church office.) The purpose of this class is to deepen your understanding of the Christian faith and the unique witness of the Lutheran Church, discuss how faith in God applies to our lives in practical, helpful ways, and answer questions about faith and Calvary's mission. Six sessions, no class on Labor Day weekend. Questions? Emily Spelde, espelde@clcs.org, 317-783-2000.

Attention 7th & 8th Grade Youth – Enroll Now for our Head-to-Heart Confirmation Ministry

If your child has not been previously enrolled in our Head-to-Heart confirmation ministry, we invite you to contact the church office for more information. It is a great chance for your child to grow in their relationship with the Lord and others, as each youth prepares to affirm his/her faith in Jesus and begin to receive the Lord's Supper. A special retreat will take place at Camp Lakeview **August 18-19** and meetings will begin on **September 9** (churchsecretary@clcs.org or 783-2000).

Calvary Connect Contemporary Worship

The next Calvary Connect worship service will take place **Sun., Aug 12 from 10:30-11:15 am**. Join us as we sit at tables, enjoy coffee and baked goods, and hear God's Word in a casual atmosphere.

Want to make sure you can follow the music with us? Check out [Facebook.com/CalvaryConnect](https://www.facebook.com/CalvaryConnect) to preview the message and songs for this event.



Bazaar Coordinator Meeting

Bazaar Coordinator Meeting will take place on **Wed., Aug 22 at 6:30 p.m.** in the narthex. We only have two and a half months and two meetings until the Bazaar! Yes, time is flying by. The Bazaar is upon us! Hope to see you there. Questions? Kathy Ford 317-784-1564 or kathrynford11@aol.com

Calvary Fall Women's Bible Study 2018

"We Saved You a Seat" by Lisa-Jo Baker

A 7-session study that explores our relationship with Jesus as the ultimate model for authentic friendship.

September 11—October 23, 2018

Morning Session 9:00am

Evening Session 6:30pm

Workbook Cost: \$15.00

Sign-Ups will be in the Narthex, or email Kristen Schwark at schwarkteam@sbcglobal.net



GriefShare - Every Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

Room 125, through August 30th. Led by trained facilitator JoAnn Heasley, this faith-based support group provides encouragement, info videos and discussion for anyone grieving the loss of a loved one. Free program, you can start any time, as each session is self-contained. For more info call JoAnn H, 317-679-5430.

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University

What if you were following a plan for your money that you KNEW worked? With Dave Ramsey's *Financial Peace University*, you CAN take control of your money, get out of debt, and create a plan for your future. If you're interested in learning more about the group, Sarah Shadday at 317-881-4477. We're offering it at Concordia Lutheran Church starting August 15th from 7pm-8:30pm. Know for sure you want to join the class? Go to: <https://fpu.com/1065032> to register.

June/July Memorials



In Memory of Erich Rensner from:

Rev. James Brammeier

In Memory of Bob Stebbe from:

Marilyn Michalske, Mel Wessler

In Memory of Lorraine Yates from:

Paula Fisk, Rev. Jim & Connie Myers, Jim & Kristen Schwark, Catherine Woempner

In Memory of LaDonna Scrogam from:

Dennis Meyer, William & Ruby Sherwood, Nyla Kelley

In Memory of Dolores Wren from:

Mary Beth Wren

In Memory of Ann O'Shaughnessy from:

Pauline, Eric, Carol & Cindy Miller

In Memory of Irene Kaiser from:

Erica & Don Duggan

In Memory of Stan Salomon from:

Dale & Judy Onken

In Memory of Mike McClintock from:

Alan & Tracy Moore, Richard, Sewell, Ted Smithey, Kim Barndt, Linda & Gary Bugher, Carolyn Day, Perry & Jean Moeller, Duane & Sherri Lytle, Bob & Janet Polk, CLCS Facilities Ministry, Jan Meiners, Margie Leive, Don & Erica Duggan

In Memory of Barbara Grenoble from:

Gerald Kiesling, Phyllis & Jim Birdwell

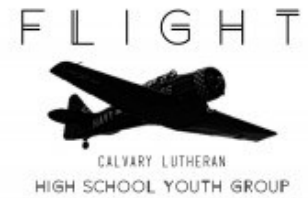


Youth Ministry

FLIGHT—High School Youth Group

FLIGHT meets **Sunday evenings from 5:30-7:00** pm in the youth room. Events typically include food, Bible study, small group discussion, and an activity. This group is open to all students currently in grades 8-12.

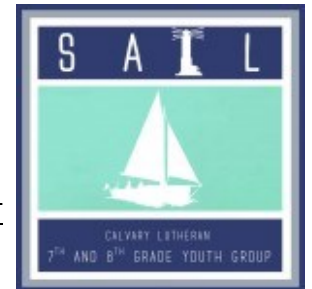
Mark your calendars for **July 11-15!** Flight will be traveling to Minneapolis for the National Youth Gathering to join with 20,000 other high school believers for a week of fun, faith building, and service.



SAIL—7th - 8th Grade Youth Group

SAIL will meeting for our first event of the school year on **Wednesday, August 29th from 5:30-7:00 pm**. We will meet in the youth room for food and Bible study before heading outside or to the gym for an activity.

All 7th and 8th grade students are invited to the Junior High Youth Rally at Camp Lakeview on **September 14th and 15th**. This event costs \$50 and includes a fun overnight trip to camp to join with youth from all over central and southern Indiana.



LAUNCH—5th - 6th Grade Youth Group

LAUNCH is ready to kick-off another year with our first event on **Wednesday, August 22nd from 5:30-7:00 pm**. We will meet in the youth room for food and devotions before heading to the gym or outside for an activity.



Facilities

Facilities Ministry Update

Facility Improvements

- Carpet cleaning and tile floor waxing is complete.
- New AC condensers were delivered, placed and are functioning on the church sanctuary and church office roofs.
- The north and south parking lot and sidewalk repairs have been completed.
- The new security system is up and running.
- New LED lighting was installed in classrooms 404 and 406.
- New lighting in the north parking lot.

Fellowship Ministry

SAVE THE DATE – SEPTEMBER 16, 2018 Annual Church Picnic at German Park

- Worship service - 11:00am; lunch - 12:15pm
- Lunch provided by Edwards Catering
- Entertainment by The John Stebbe Quartet
- Bounce houses
- Kids, youth, and adult activities
- Watch for more details



Picnic Patrons

We are asking for *Picnic Patrons* to help with the cost of food catered by Edwards Catering at our church picnic on Sept. 16, 2018.

- **PLEASE use a Picnic Patrons envelope** (on table outside the church office) rather than your giving envelope so we have the necessary information to list our Picnic Patrons in the Sept. 16th bulletin (*Anonymous is an option on the envelope*).
- Return the *Picnic Patrons envelope* **Aug. 1st through Aug. 26th** at a worship service or church office OR donate online at <https://goo.gl/U6iSdF> (wait until new fiscal year (Aug.1) to donate).
- Choose from three levels of support:
GOLD - \$100 SILVER - \$50 BRONZE - \$25

Please consider being a Picnic Patron! If you have any questions, contact Linda Bugher at fellowship@clcs.org or 317-432-1865.

Helping Hands

Fellowship Ministry Team is organizing a *Fellowship Helping Hands group* to help with fellowship activities after services and activities throughout the year in the following areas:

- Preparing food (baking, finger foods, etc.)
- Purchasing food (fruit, donuts, etc.)
- Set up food & serving
- Clean up (food/dishes)
- Help with tables (set up or cleanup)



Does the *Fellowship Helping Hands group* fit you? If so, please contact Linda Bugher at thebughers@att.net or 317-432-1865 with:

- Specific areas listed above you are interested in serving
- Your contact information (email & phone – texts OK?)

When we contact you, help if it fits your schedule! It's that easy!

Fellowship Opportunity August 4-5

Please join us for food and fellowship in the narthex *after all services* **August 4-5**. Take this opportunity to introduce yourself to someone you don't know!

Saturday – ice cream and toppings; fresh fruit; Sunday – coffee cake; fresh fruit

Calvary Lutheran School News from Principal Rensner

Opening the Doors to the 69th School Year

The hallways are still echoing the sounds of students as we begin looking forward to another school year in the Lord. Much energy was consumed during this past school year by our students, faculty, staff, and parents. You are to be proud of all that your child has accomplished this year. A true blessing is the growth exhibited in the Lord. Together we are equipping your children each year as they walk with their Lord. This will continue as we prepare for the 2018-19 school year.

Our theme Bible verse for the 2018-19 school year is: "Be on your guard; STAND FIRM in the faith; be courageous; be strong. Do everything in love." 1 Corinthians 16:13.

Our theme for the school year – **STAND FIRM**

God goes before us. We STAND FIRM in faith through the power of the Holy Spirit. This foundation equips us as His Called children to be courageous and strong. We are then to show His love to everyone and to do everything reflecting this gift of love. These opportunities are presented each day through the Christian Day School.

Final Registration

2018-19 final registration for Preschool–8th grade is scheduled for Mon., July 30. Important business is accomplished during this process. Registration times will be from 9:00a.m.-noon and 4:00-7:00 p.m.. Registration will take place in the gymnasium. Please call the school office with any questions regarding our registration process. Please alert the school office if you will be unable to attend so that arrangements can be made for accomplishing these tasks prior to the first day of school. You are also invited to visit the classrooms, bring in school supplies, and set-up lockers.

Preschool Orientation

Preschool orientation will be conducted by Mrs. Armao and Mrs. Alexander in the school Media Center. Parents of Preschool students are asked to attend this orientation on Monday, July 30 at either session scheduled for 11:00AM or from 6:00PM. We praise God for the opportunity to share His love with His Little Children. We ask the Lord to bless this for the good of each child. Please contact the school office if childcare is needed.

August Calendar Preview

Monday, 7/30		Final Registration 9:00AM-NOON; 4:00-7:00PM gymnasium
		PS Orientation 11:00AM or 6:00PM
Wed, 8/8	8:00AM First	Day of Kindergarten-8th Grade
	8:15AM First	Day of Preschool sessions that meet on Wednesdays
	8:30AM	Opening Chapel Service
Thurs, 8/9	8:15AM	First Day for PS 3-4 year olds, two day session

Enrollments Still Being Accepted

We are still accepting enrollments for the 2018-19 school year. Please let your friends, family members, neighbors, and co-workers know about the quality Christian education opportunities at Calvary Lutheran School. We extend this ministry to all people desiring this Christian education.

Staff Changes at Calvary Lutheran Church and School

Mrs. Rebecca Alcorn is our new teacher of record for our special education program. Mrs. Alcorn is employed through MSD Perry Township and assigned to Calvary for three days each week. We welcome her to our staff and ask the Lord to bless her work among us.

Mrs. Kirsten Springer will again be wearing a different hat this year. Due to the increase in enrollment she will be teaching our additional 5th grade. We are blessed by God to have Mrs. Springer serving in this capacity.

With our two 8th grades, Mrs. Schultz joins Mr. Jacobs as our additional 8th grade homeroom teacher. Mrs. Faubion will be our 6th grade home room teacher. Mrs. Faubion will lead our 6th grade Outdoor Education experience in early September. We thank God for the gifts given in these individuals eager to serve among us.

Visiting Students from China

We welcome 15 Middle School students from China. These students will be attending Calvary from August 8-17. We thank God for this opportunity. Host families are still needed. Please contact the school office if interested in this service or for additional information. The students will be in the United States from August 6-20. We ask God to bless their travels.

Calvary Lutheran School News from Principal Rensner

SGO Information

Too Good To Be True?!

God has provided a unique opportunity to help fund the Christian education of our Calvary students. The Lutheran Scholarship Granting Organization of Indiana has been identified as a new Scholarship Granting Organization. Scholarships through private and corporate donations are granted to Calvary student families whose income is less than 200% of the Federal free or reduced hot lunch guidelines.

How may I help?

Donations are currently being accepted. We are in need of \$42,500.00 to fully fund these grants.

Multiple Benefits for Calvary Lutheran School students, the private or corporate donor, and Calvary Lutheran Church

1. Students and their families accepted in this program will receive a scholarship grant per child enrolled in Kindergarten -8th grade at Calvary.
2. The donor will receive a 50% Indiana State tax credit for every dollar donated. Example: A donation of \$1000.00 will result in a tax credit of \$500.00 towards your Indiana income tax liability as well as a \$1000.00 charitable deduction on your Federal taxes if applicable. Private as well as corporate donations will receive this benefit.
3. The \$42,500.00 received will eliminate the amount of money granted to our students and their families through our own budgeted funds.

Where Do I sign up?

Donor forms are available online at www.LutheranSGO.org. Be sure to mark **CALVARY LUTHERAN SCHOOL** as the recipient of your donation.

How Do I Proceed?

Return the completed donor form along with your donation to the School Office or directly to the Lutheran SGO of Indiana by **December 31, 2018. The Lutheran SGO of Indiana will issue your tax credit statement for your 2018 tax filing.

What happens in the future?

Children receiving a scholarship grant are eligible the following school year to convert this grant to an Indiana State voucher. This again significantly reduces the need for congregational funded scholarship dollars.

Children will have the opportunity to hear God's Word each day through your giving. God continues to open doors to others once thought closed due to financial needs. Your assistance in this program is so greatly appreciated!

Have you participated in the SGO donation?

Over 65 families have participated in this process by donating over \$375,000.00 during the past seven years. We are asking those past donors to enlist two other families to become involved in this "Too Good to be True" adventure. By donating in the past you are fully aware of the unique benefits this SGO provides. Please help by talking to at least two other families and enlist their participation as well.

This same opportunity is available to businesses. Take full advantage of this as you note your state tax liabilities. Please address any questions to Mr. Rensner.

Calvary Lutheran School Athletics

There are many coaching positions available for this coming school year. We are looking for adults over the age of 21 interested in coaching 5/6 graders (JV) or 7/8 graders (V). Coaches must be able to volunteer 5-10 hours per week with practices, games, and some weekend tournaments depending on sport and grade level. Interested adults do not need coaching experience but it is desired. Those interested need to be able to organize and run practices and games, teaching the fundamentals and good sportsmanship of the game. Keeping a Christ centered focus and environment is a must.

Positions Available:

JV & V Volleyball (Head & Assistant Coaches)- Aug. 13 - Oct. 8

JV/V Soccer (Asst. Coach) - Aug. 13 - Oct. 1

Cross Country Asst Coach - Aug. 13- Sept. 29

JV & V Girls' Basketball and JV Boys' (Head & Asst)-Oct. 22 - Feb. 22

Asst. Track Coach - March 18 - May 10

If interested please contact Dawn Schultz, AD at schultz@thecalvaryschool.org



Women in Mission

Extravagant Sharing

Calvary members and friends, The Sharing Place of Lutheran Child and Family Services continues to appreciate our sharing with those who are in need of food and household goods through EXTRAVAGANT SHARING! Imagine how many peanut butter and jelly sandwiches were eaten in June as the result of our 100 pound donation of jars of peanut butter and jelly taken to the Sharing Place from your sharing in May. The canned fruits and veggies being delivered to the Sharing Place from your sharing in July will be used quickly. Thanks to all of you who continue blessing so many in this way. In August please bring **Soup and Soup Mixes** to the Extravagant Sharing shelves in the narthex of church. God loves a cheerful giver!

BLANKETS FOR BABIES

Our August date is Thursday, Aug. 16th. We meet from 6-8 p.m. in the cafe area. We have yarn just waiting to be made into blankets for newborns! It's perfectly fine to come late or leave early-whatever suits your schedule. Questions?? Susan Daniels, 317-882- 3691.

Women's Saturday Bible Study Sat., August 4, 8:30 a.m.

This month's bible study will be from pg. 20 of the LWML Summer 2018 Quarterly—"Finding Balance in our Ident" and led by Susan Daniels. Please join us from 8:30-9:30 a.m in the EPIC Center Library.

Lutheran World Relief Project Promise—School Kits

Shop the many Back-to-School Sales and donate school supplies

70-sheet notebooks
 12-inch rulers
 Pencil sharpeners
 Pair of blunt scissors
 Unsharpened #2 pencils
 Black or blue ballpoint pens
 Box of 16 or 24 crayons
 2 ½" erasers



Help Pack School Kits

August 8, 9:30 am

Room 125

Everyone welcome!

No skills required!

Imagine having to choose between a meal or purchasing a notebook. Project Promise School Kits are sent to places where even the few required school supplies may be more than a family can afford. Pencils and paper can help write a positive future. Women in Mission appreciate your support.

Adult Ministry

Lunch OUT!

Adult Ministry's monthly outing is the first Wednesday. In August we will meet at Leon's Mexican Cuisine, 1241 S Emerson Ave, Greenwood, IN 46143. Just south of County Line Road, this newer restaurant offers daily specials. **Wednesday, Aug. 1st, 11:30am.** Adults of all ages are welcome, no reservation necessary; tables will be reserved for Calvary Lutheran. Come join us!



Lunch & Learn



"Places to Go, Ways to Get There." **Wednesday., August 15th, 11:30am**, in the church narthex. Come learn about using Uber, Lyft and other transportation options. Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes and gravy will be provided. Bring \$2 and a dish to share. Come early for free blood pressure checks. August birthdays will be honored, too. Adults of all ages welcome. School will be back in session - please park in the north lot.

Parish Ed

Spring 2018 Sunday School Attendance Awards

Faithful

Abigail Ebert

Aiden Francis

Drew Hiatt

Hayden Langhammer

Anton Laut

Rebekah Ebert

Brianne Francis

Grace Hiatt

Paisley Langhammer

Katelyn Royer



Compassion Ministry

Compassion Thanks You

Thanks to the congregation, VBS participants and a Thrivent Grant we were able to furnish school supplies to the El Salvador Mission Team and Perry Township. We had 103 erasers, 104 rulers, 180 glue sticks, 184 pens, 1245 pencils, 73 scissors, 182 markers, 54 boxes crayons, and 128 colored pencils. Thank you for your generosity. These supplies will get students off to a good start at school.

Stewardship Emphasis

Stewardship Update *By Rachel Daeger, Chair, Stewardship Ministry Team*

Firm Foundation Campaign – Still Time to Support the Effort

By the time you read this newsletter it's likely the July 31 deadline has passed for contributions to the Firm Foundation campaign to raise \$200,000 for critical repairs to Calvary facilities. As I write this we know that \$178,000 has been raised and you can see the results in the new security cameras and the parking lot lighting. New air conditioning units aren't easily observed but the units well past their lifespan are being replaced. The final project is pavement and sidewalk repairs in the south parking lot so watch for updates in the bulletin and website at <http://www.clcs.org/about/news/firm-foundation-appeal-2018/> to see if we've reached the goal. If you would like to help fund this last part of the campaign you can still make an online contribution at <http://www.clcs.org/donate>. Or contact the church office at 317-783-2000 to speak with business manager Gary Bugher for other financial gifts (e.g. stock gifts, IRA distributions, etc.).

Supporting the Calvary Bazaar

Each year the proceeds from the Willing Workers/ Women in Mission Holiday Bazaar benefits three charitable causes. This year, the 51st annual bazaar to be held Saturday, November 10, will support Lutheran Military Veterans and Families Ministries, Hope Center Indy, and hand-bell refurbishment for the Calvary Music Ministry. The Bazaar is also a key outreach to our community to welcome them to Calvary and invite them to worship with us. Interested in how you can support the bazaar? Consider:

1. Invite your crafty friend to purchase a booth space to be a vendor.
2. Donate an item or service to the silent auction or ask a local business where you shop to donate.
3. Donate an item to be sold in The Attic (No shoes, clothing, building materials, or large electronics)
4. Donate a baked good for the Country Kitchen,
5. Volunteer your time to help set up, greet guests, monitor the silent auction, etc.
6. Encourage your friends to come to the event and shop!



Save the Date for Fall Time and Talent Fair

Mark your calendar for Calvary's fall Time and Talent Fair on Saturday, October 6 and Sunday, October 7. Calvary's ministry teams will set up tables in the narthex where you can ask questions about how to get involved as a volunteer or support a mission.



Third Quarter Mission Support

Each quarter Calvary's mission funds support a different organization. For the third quarter we supported Rev. Joe and Deaconess Dr. Jennie Asher's service in Germany. Joe serves as the pastor of Kaiserslautern Evangelical Lutheran Church, which serves the surrounding English-speaking community. He also reaches out and serves the United States military personnel living on the military bases in the area. Jennie organizes the children's ministry and assists with ministry to the women in the congregation. In addition, she works with the LCMS partner church in Germany, Selbständige Evangelisch—Lutherische Kirche, to coordinate globally engaged in outreach missionaries from the United States who come to Germany to assist in reaching out to refugees.

Additionally we supported the LCMS Ministry to the Armed Forces supports almost 200 chaplains, who represent the church on active duty, the reserves, the National Guard, and Civil Air Patrol. Chaplains meet the needs of military personnel and their families. Learn more about this mission serving those who serve at <https://www.lcms.org/ministry-to-the-armed-forces>



Save the Date

Calvary's Annual Holiday Bazaar "Joy to the World"
Saturday, November 10, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Save Vendor Space

Last year's vendors have first choice to renew their booth by September 1st. Anyone that would want a Vendor position at the Bazaar may find the paperwork in the cafe area near the South Entrance of the church. You may email Angie Ransdell or give her the paperwork.

Save Your Time

The Holiday Bazaar needs a lot of volunteers. Helpers needed before, during and after November 10. Time commitments vary and some tasks can be as simple as making phone calls. Watch for the sign up forms in the narthex and online.

Save (& Share) Your Treasures

Do you have an auction item? Are you willing to donate a service? Can you ask the company you work for to donate items and/or services? You can help make this year's SILENT AUCTION a great success! Pick up a donation form at the LWML table in the south narthex and return to Shari Shaker. **We must have the items by Oct 21.**

Save things to be sold in The Attic. Since space to store attic items is limited at Calvary, PLEASE bring your PRICED donations Friday, Nov. 9th from 3:30-7:00pm. If that is not convenient for you, please ask someone to bring them to Calvary at that time. (Please no clothing, large appliances or building materials.)

Support These Worthy Causes

Proceeds from this year's bazaar will benefit the Lutheran Military Veterans and Families Ministries, Hope Center Indy, and hand-bell refurbishment for the Calvary Music Ministry.

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August 5, 2018 – Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 145:10-21; Old Testament: Exodus 16:2-15; Gospel: John 6:22-35

"The Bread of Life" - Sermon Text: John 6:22-35 - *Rev. Dr. Daniel Brege*

Jesus is indeed the Bread of Life. He creates life for mankind by dying and rising from the dead, thus conquering both death and its cause. He then offers himself to be eaten, which here means to be believed in. He freely gives us His gifts of forgiveness and life through Word/Sacrament, through which we are empowered by the Spirit to believe in Jesus. As we are then eating the bread of life, we indeed possess eternal life.

August 12, 2018 – Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 34:1-8; Epistle: Ephesians 4:31-5:2; Gospel: John 6:35-40

"Try It! You'll Like It!" - Sermon Text: Psalm 34:8 - *Rev. Dr. Thomas Ahlersmeyer*

What one thing is so important to you that you could not imagine living without it? Spouse? Children? Physical mobility? Intellectual ability? Experience teaches that any of these can be taken from us. What is the one abiding thing that cannot be snatched from our grasp? Try it! You'll like it!

August 19, 2018 – Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 111:1-5, 9-10; Old Testament: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18; Gospel: John 6:51, 60-69

"Those Difficult Places" - Sermon Text: John 6:51, 60-69 - *Rev. James Elsner*

Life twists and turns. Our pleasant, peaceful places can suddenly become difficult places in life. Conflicts emerge in family and at work. Health declines and crisis rob us of freedom. In those difficult places, our help and hope are in God alone.

August 26, 2018 – Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 14; Old Testament: Isaiah 29:11-19; Gospel: Mark 7:1-13

"Lip Service or Heart Service?" - Sermon Text: Isaiah 29:11-19 - *Rev. William Mueller*

Do we merely give God "lip service" instead of true "heart service?" What difference does it make? How about God - which one does **He** give us?



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