



June/July 2018 Monthly Newsletter

## From the Pastors

### Seeing with the Eyes of Faith, Seeing with the Eyes of God

Throughout the Scriptures, we see a unique theme developing in its pages. It is a theme that by its very nature goes against most of our common expectations. When you look at the account of disbelieving Thomas (John 20:24-29), of the "fearful" departure of the women from the empty tomb (Mark 16:1-8), and of Peter's very own words in 1 Peter 1:8 ("Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him..."), we see the common axiom of "seeing is believing" turned on its head.

In John 20:24-29, Thomas refuses to believe the words of his friends until he sees it himself. For Thomas, it takes the act of seeing Jesus for himself to come to faith. Yet, even as we might wish to see and experience the same firsthand knowledge of Jesus, it is not Thomas that received a blessing on that day. Thomas in fact is gently reprimanded, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

In Mark 16:1-8, the women come to the tomb, as we often hear in our Easter readings, but there is one aspect of their leaving the tomb that we often overlook. Mark 16:8 reads, "And they went out and <u>fled</u> from the tomb, for <u>trembling and astonishment had seized them</u>, and <u>they said nothing to anyone</u>, for they were <u>atraid</u>." I don't know which part of that statement to stress. Each phrase emphasizes their confusion and fear, which aren't the emotions we usually associate with Easter. Why would Mark relate the accounts of Easter in this way? Why would he leave us with "hearing about" but not "seeing" the Lord risen from the dead? Professor David Lewis explains it this way, "the reader is left only with Jesus's word and promise...[Jesus] predicted the donkey for Palm Sunday...(11:2-4). Jesus predicted how the disciples would find the room where he would celebrate the Passover ... (14:13-16). And, most important, [Jesus] predicted had resurrection (8:31-31; 9:31; 10:33). Everything came about just as he said. Thus, in Mark, seeing is not believing. Rather believing in Jesus's word and promise becomes seeing."

Contrary to common expectations, life is often much more about what we have not seen, than what we have. As the author of Hebrews puts it, "Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen" (11:1). This is true not only of what we believe about our Lord, but about how our Lord invites us to "see" one another. Believing in God's promises and believing that He has placed us within our unique roles allows us to see this world and our neighbors through those same eyes of faith. Belief in God allows us to see grace, where we experience sin. It allows us to see potential, where everyone else sees waste. Thomas Long puts it this way, "[Living by faith] is like the care shown by a child to their ailing parent struggling with Alzheimer's or dementia. It seems fruitless in the eyes of the world. An unappreciated service that gains nothing, but more work. But we hear in the word of God of just how important this kind of service is. We hear the victory of Christ over the despair spreading Satan."

At this time of year, we celebrate the gift of parents (Mother's Day & Father's Day), as well as the many other men and women, who have influenced and impacted our lives. I encourage you this summer to consider looking at children—your own or someone else's—through these eyes of faith. Recently, I came across an interesting speaker, who had this to say, "We unintentionally overlook a kid's raw and unrefined talent because that very talent tends to first bubble to the surface as an annoyance." The speaker then makes this point, "How does a kid move from annoying trait to talent to strength to success? Because that kid has at least one caring adult in their life who does the following, redirects the annoyance and cultivates the talent. What if a kid's most annoying trait is their biggest talent?" I pondered to myself, "I wonder how I most annoyed my parents as a child. Was it my ability to beat them at golf or to blast my music as loud as possible?" No, I don't think it was that, but it may have been my ability to make dumb jokes at the most inappropriate times. Why do I think that? Probably because I'm still successfully annoying my wife by doing it even today. I feel, however, that the speaker is on to something, especially as he went on to give several real-life examples of adults who had the ability to see with the eyes of faith. May our Lord bless you to see others through the eyes of faith, just as He sees us through His eyes of grace because of His Son.

Pastor Kurt Ebert

(Check out the 7-minute video at <a href="https://joshshipp.com/acuff">https://joshshipp.com/acuff/</a>)

# Staff Spotlight

#### **Paula Streib**



What do you do at Calvary? Children's Ministry Director & Preschool Extended Care

### What is your favorite thing about Calvary?

The congregation

Favorite Book/Verse of the Bible? Luke 6:31—Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.

Favorite Hobby?

**Collecting Precious Moments** 

#### Favorite Sport/Team(s)?

Softball—Midwest Astros

#### Favorite Food?

Pizza

### Hidden Talent/Little Known Fact about You?

Baton Twirling is a talent of mine. I also won 2nd place in state by singing a solo in high school

### Mary Jo Mascher



What do you do at Calvary? I am a teacher's aide in 1st and 2nd grade.

### What is your favorite thing about Calvary?

Talking about Jesus to the children and my friends that I have at Calvary.

### Favorite Book/Verse of the Bible?

Joshua 24:15—Choose this day whom you will serve. As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.

Favorite Hobby? Working in my flower and vegetable gardens

Favorite Sport/Team(s)?

Colts

### Favorite Food?

Strawberries

Hidden Talent/Little Known Fact about You?

I love trying new recipes.

# General

# **Calvary Connect Worship Service**

The Calvary Connect contemporary worship event will be offered on Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup> & July 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am. Coffee, baked goods, and other refreshments will be on hand as we sit around tables to hear God's word and sing His praise. We invite you to come dressed comfortably with your family and friends as we connect with our Savior and His people to find out what God is doing in our lives and what He wants us to do about it.

Keep up with Calvary Connect by following us on Facebook at Facebook.com/CalvaryConnect. Here you can find previews for events including songs, scripture, and introduction questions.

# Calvary and Habitat Once Again

CALVARY congregation will partner again with HABITAT FOR HUMANITY to build a home in our Indianapolis community. **THE DATE IS WEDNESDAY**, **JUNE 13<sup>TH</sup>**. We need 6-8 volunteers from Calvary for Interior and/or Exterior work. SIGN UP BEGINS

IMMEDIATELY. Signup by emailing your name to Pastor Art at <u>wehrmeister49@yahoo.com</u> or texting him at 317-460-4488. Lunch is provided-pizza. Calvary usually provides coffee, juice and donuts in the morning for all those on site. The daily schedule is as follows: 7:40-8:00am = arrive on site; 8:00-8:15am = required safety talk; 8:15am-2:30pm = work day with Lunch break. Habitat schedule has only one work session per day. Habitat provides training, materials and safety equipped. No experience is required. You must be 16 years old. Questions can be directed to Pastor Art, Coordinator on behalf of Stewardship Ministry team or Pete Joseph.

A SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED WITH OUR CALVARY BUILDS DAY WITH HABITAT ON MAY 12<sup>TH</sup>. Thanks for helping your neighbors: Laura Andrews, Rosemary Batteiger, Evan Bugher, Gary Bugher, Linda Bugher, Ed Davison, Jim Dunaway, Tim Finke, Ken Kettler, Dennie Morrison, Joe Ngai, John Shaw.

# Into the Word: "Old Testament Poetry"—Sunday Morning Bible Study

Ever wonder why the Psalms often repeat themselves? Or why the Song of Songs uses so many weird metaphors? Or even how to read poetry? Pastor Reifsteck is leading a 6-week study to explore these questions and more. Join us as we look at the different ways God uses poetry to speak to his people... and to us! The class will meet in Room 125 during the Sunday morning Family Education Hour (9:25-10:25 a.m.), **June 17-July 22**. Each class session will feature a different topic, so feel free to come to any or all the sessions.

# John—"The Word Became Flesh" - Thursday Afternoon Bible Study

This summer Bible study on the Gospel of John begins on **Thursday**, **June 14**. We will meet in Room 125 from 1:00pm until 2:30pm. This study led by Pastor Art will follow the study from the CPH series 'God's Word For Today.' You can order a study book from CPH through the church office or use your favorite Bible and the worksheet provided by Pastor Art. Sign up in the church office or email Pastor Art at <u>wehrmeister49@yahoo.com</u>. Books are \$10.00.





**Finding Your Roots–Genealogy Program–Thurs., Jun 21, 2018 6:00–8:00pm** This program is open to all adults and teens interested in tracing their ancestry. Bill Laut caught the genealogy "bug" in 1976. While working in the Probate Court records room he discovered his ancestors' naturalization papers - and was "bitten!" Whether you are a novice and have always wanted to learn about your family tree, or have experience in genealogy and want to dig deeper, come learn about the process and resources. Charlie Klasing will bring Concordia Cemetery up-to-date burial records and will be available to answer questions. Pizza, salad, drinks and all materials will be provided, thanks to an "Action Team" grant from *Thrivent Financial*. All adults are welcome to attend, but please help us plan! Contact Emily Spelde, <u>espelde@clcs.org</u> or call the church office, 783-2000 to register.

**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, <u>espelde@clcs.org</u>, 317-783-2000.

## Collecting for St. Thomas Clinic - Got Meds to Donate?

During the month of June Calvary will again be collecting for Franklin's St. Thomas Free Clinic. If you have changed prescriptions and still own medications you can no longer use, St. Thomas clinic will distribute them to needy individuals. Please note:

- 1. Prescription medications need to be less than 1 year old
- 2. Please leave medication name and "use by" date on containers
- 3. Narcotic painkillers cannot be accepted
- 4. Over-the-counter unopened, valid date items are accepted: antacids, ointments, vitamins, nutritional supplements, incontinence supplies
- 5. Used orthopedic braces and splints are also accepted.

Please drop these items off at Calvary's church office. Thank you for helping others to be healthy. Questions? Nancy Brandt, 787-5950, if you need more information.

## It is Bazaar Planning Time--Already!

The Annual Holiday Bazaar "Joy to the World" will be Saturday, November 10, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Are you looking for a way to serve and have great fellowship with others at the same time? We are currently looking for many volunteers to help with the planning stages. Coordinators are needed to organize various aspects of the bazaar. Team members are needed to work with coordinators to accomplish tasks. It takes many hands and minds to make a successful bazaar. To volunteer please contact Jan Main at <u>imain1948@gmail.com</u> or 317-786-7583. Come join the fun as we serve together.

Proceeds from this year's bazaar will benefit Lutheran Military Veterans and Families Ministries Inc. (LMVFM), Hope Center Indy, and Calvary Lutheran Church (Music Ministries).

# 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.

LAUNCH AND SAIL -5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Youth Group

LAUNCH and SAIL will continue to meet throughout the summer! Events will take place monthly on Wednesday nights from 6:00-7:30 pm.

Our first event will be a game of shaving cream baseball on **Wednesday**, **June 6<sup>th</sup>**. Come with a towel and change of clothes. This event is open to all students recently completing grades 4-8. Bring a friend!

> Our July event is tentatively scheduled for July 18<sup>th</sup>. Check the church bulletin for updates as this date gets closer.

# **Parish Education**

# Vacation Bible School—June 11-15, 2018, 9:00-11:30am

Get ready for our VBS Shipwrecked **June 11-15**!! Register now in the church or school office or online at <u>clcs.org/vbs</u>. Questions? Contact Paula Streib, pdmde@sbcglobal.net. Register anytime.

# Calvary Summer Women's Bible Study 2018

"The Quest ~ An Excursion Toward Intimacy with God" by Beth Moore 6 Weeks Running June 5 - July 10, 2019 Morning Session 9:00am Evening Session 6:30pm

Workbook Cost: \$15.00 Sign-Ups will be in the Narthex, or email Kristen Schwark at <u>schwarkteam@sbcglobal.net</u>









# Parish Education

## SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL





WOW! We are going to have TOO MUCH FUN!!!

This summer's Sunday school theme is "Animals

and Other Things." What a great God we have to create such a wide variety of animals for us to enjoy! And not only do we get to enjoy them, but through them God provides for our needs and teaches us a lot about Himself and how we, in turn, can live.

Each week includes:

Fun songs about each animal,

skits,

crafts,

video clips,

and Bible verses

Right now we need YOUR help! We are looking for the following items to make a great animal -themed room and a successful summer program:

Old copies of National Geographic for Kids, Ranger Rick, or other 'animal' magazines Animal books to peruse Animal posters Animal stickers Safari hats, straw hats Animal costumes and/or masks Posterboard

Finally – We need volunteers to help 1 or 2 Sundays throughout the summer to help make our program a success. Would you like to help decorate our animal-themed room, help prepare a craft, research video clips of animals, or just show up to help? It promises to be a LOT OF FUN!

Call or email Diane Gibson if you can help in any way (<u>Jg13751@aol.com</u> or 317-885-9158) **P.S. – The fun begins June 3!!** 

(Note that preschoolers—Kdg will continue to meet with a variety of special activities this summer as well.)

## **Calvary Lutheran School News from Principal Rensner**

#### Thank You for Giving—A Special Appreciation to our Cafeteria Staff & Volunteers

On July 17<sup>th</sup> 2017, we received word that our cafeteria manager position was vacant. In just a few weeks school would once again be in session. What to do on such short notice? We thank MSD Perry Township for providing our lunch service for this year. Their professional staff was very accommodating and we are very thankful that this was made possible.

Some other individuals came stepping up to the plate eager and willing to serve in our cafeteria. Immediately upon hearing that our cafeteria program was in need Ellwyn Parks came into the school office. Mr. Ellwyn Parks offered his assistance as needed. He has arrived each morning before 6:15 AM to get the kitchen ready for breakfast service. Mr. Parks is an amazing example of God's love, care, and service with hands and feet. We thank Ellwyn for not only preparing our breakfast service each morning, but for his visiting and working with the students to help them prepare for their day as well. Mrs. Angela Ransdell volunteered her service as well hearing that our cafeteria program was in need. Angela stepped up and provided for our lunch service throughout the year. Her giving heart lovingly interacted with both students and staff. Angela took it upon herself to create a loving and caring cafeteria environment by decorating for the various seasons of the year. Thanksgiving, Christmas, Valentine's Day, fall, winter, spring, and graduation just to name a few. Everyone appreciated her decorations and homey touches to the cafeteria. Her smile is contagious. Mr. Al Royer is another example of God's love. Mr. Royer is a tireless worker. His personality brightened the cafeteria. He made the lunch service time an enjoyable time for the students. He sliced thousands of apples during the course of this year. Mrs. Jackie Hollenbaugh continued to work in the cafeteria as our cook. She brought a cheerful disposition to school each day. She handled all of the technical aspects of the lunch program. Jackie has blessed our school cafeteria for numerous years. We are so very grateful for her loving and caring service. Jackie stepped up and immediately took the reins. Her leading is a gift that we celebrate. Mary Steward has recently helped volunteer during the breakfast times. She is the mother of Mrs. Amy Hardiman, our Kindergarten teacher. Once again we witnessed the spirit of cooperation and support as needs were met and met with excellence. These are only a few instances of the tremendous heart of our Calvary Lutheran Community. We celebrate the aifts of God found in His People as we LOL!!

#### Year in Review

As another year is completed, a review of programs and activities is always part of the process. Each season of the school year has its own unique activities and challenges. This cycle is experienced year after year. Only one item is present throughout all seasons, months, weeks, and days of the school year. This common thread is the teaching and instruction of God's Word. This remains constant as the students enter the next grade level. It is present in every classroom as every subject is taught.

The witness of faith shared by members of our Calvary Community this year is indeed a blessing. God has and continues to bless us with a tremendous faculty and staff. He has given us facilities to meet and exceed our needs for programs and services. God has blessed us with a group of students eager to learn and to use the gifts of God to their fullest. We are blessed by supportive parents. Yet above all these blessings is the gift of faith. We celebrate the joy that is ours as we proclaim and share the Word of the Lord to one another.

#### We Welcome Mrs. April Yancey to Calvary

Mrs. Yancey will be serving as our school cafeteria manager as we begin the 2018-19 school year. We extend a Calvary welcome to her as she joins our current cafeteria staff. We ask the Lord to bless Mrs. Yancey and all that serve the students of Calvary Lutheran Church and School.



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## **Calvary Lutheran School News from Principal Rensner**

#### Congratulations, Mrs. Faubion

We commend Mrs. Stacey Faubion for her yearlong work as she completes her colloquy degree. Mrs. Faubion received a Divine Call on Sunday, May 20 to continue in her present position as our Middle school science teacher. We ask the Lord to bless Stacey as she shares God's Word with her students and fellow colleagues each day.

#### School Registration 2018-2019

Registrations for the upcoming school term are still being accepted. Many classes are reaching capacity. Most preschool classes still have openings. Please stop by the school office for more information. We ask the Lord to send His little ones to our open doors so that they too might hear His Word each day.

Our Preschool Extended Care program is again ready for preschool students. This program is for our preschool students requiring care before and after their session. Care is provided 5 days a week from 7:00AM – 6:00PM. Lunch is also included. We are excited to have this available for our families in need of this service. Please share this information with your friends, neighbors, co-workers, and other family members.

#### **Report Card Distribution**

Report cards may be picked up from the school office beginning Tuesday, June 5. This pick-up procedure will continue through Friday, June 8. The school office will be open from 8:00AM-4:00PM during this week. Summer office hours will begin on Monday, June 11. Report cards may be picked up throughout the summer.

#### Final Account Statements

All family accounts will be totaled and reported the week after school is dismissed. All accounts must be addressed prior to release of school records. Please contact Mrs. Combs with questions regarding current statement balances. Thank you for your expedience in this matter.

#### School Office Summer Hours

Summer hours will begin the week of June 11 and continue through July 20. The school office will be open from 8:00AM-1:00PM Monday – Friday and by appointment. Please call prior to stopping by the office. Errands and supply trips are also part of the summer preparation. Much business continues throughout the summer months as we review our current year and plan and prepare for next year. Thank you!

#### SGO: Are You Ready-July 1?

The Indiana State fiscal year begins on July 1. Scholarship grants will be accepting donations. Be sure to contribute early ensuring your tax credit. A gift to the Lutheran SGO of Indiana will provide the donor a 50% tax credit. Donate \$1000.00 and receive a \$500.00 tax credit off of your 2018 tax liability. Tax credits have run out before December 31 before. Please donate early. Our anticipated need for the 2018-19 school year is \$35,000 in scholarship grants.

#### THANK YOU TO ALL THE PEOPLE OF CALVARY

We thank God for the commitment and dedication of this congregation for 68 years as we are afforded the opportunity each day to share the Gospel message with His children through the Christian Day School. It is indeed a thankful time as we are urgent about the Lord's business in this place. We ask God to continue to bless this ministry with His grace and love. Thank you again for the privilege to serve as partners in this ministry and mission. We commend all who teach and all who learn into the Lord's hands.

# Women in Mission

### **Extravagant Sharing**

Calvary members and friends, continue sharing with those who are in need of food and household goods through EXTRAVAGANT SHARING! These donations support Lutheran Child and Family Services, The Sharing Place, on Oaklandon Road. Thanks to all of you who have blessed so many with peanut butter and jelly donations in May. During June, please support Compassion Ministry as they encourage Calvary to reach out in support of Hunger, Inc. In **July**, please bring **canned fruits and canned veggies** to the Extravagant Sharing shelves again in the narthex of the church. Support the many needs of those in our community with the love of Jesus through your donations of food. Thank you!

## **BLANKETS FOR BABIES**

We meet once a month during June, July, and August. Those dates are Thursdays: **June 14, July 19,** and **August 16** (6-8 p.m. in the cafe area) If you'd like to knit/ crochet a baby blanket but are unable to come to our meetings call Susan Daniels to arrange to use some of our yarn. 317-882-3691. The blankets are given to the Life Centers on Hanna Avenue.

### Women's Saturday Bible Study Sat., June 2, 8:30 a.m.

This month's bible study will be from the LWML Spring 2018 Quarterly and led by Kalai Udhayanesan. Please plan on joining us from 8:30-9:30 a.m in the EPIC Center Library.

### Lutheran World Relief Project Promise—School Kits

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. Please help by bringing in school supplies during July and placing in the bin in the narthex. The goal to donate 100 school kits will require:

- 400 **notebooks** of 70-sheet wide- or college-ruled paper, approximately 8" x 10 ½"; no loose-leaf paper
- 100 rulers, 12 inches with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- 100 pencil sharpeners
- 100 pair of blunt <u>scissors</u>

500 unsharpened #2 **pencils** with erasers; 500 black or blue ballpoint **pens** (no gel ink); 100 boxes of 16 or 24 **crayons** 

100 DOXES OF 16 OF 24 <u>Crayor</u>

### 100 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" <u>erasers</u>

### Packing Project Promise School Kits <u>August 8</u> 9:30 am

Room 125

Thanks to the **Sew Blessed Quilt Group** for volunteering to make 100 backpacks for the school supplies.

SOME IMPORTANT GUIDELINES from LWR: Please give new items only. Please do not donate items with any religious symbols, messages or your group's name. Please do not donate any items decorated with a U.S. flag, patriotic or military symbols, or references to the armed forces, including camouflage. Do not add or substitute other items. Contact Betty (317-341-1967 or <u>bbardonner@comcast.net</u>) for more information.

NO Lunch OUT! on June 6th, due to daytrip on June 7th; join us for An Evening Out! Wed, June 27th

Lunch & Learn Wednesday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 11:30 am Our Annual "Cook Out, Eat In" Provided entrée: Grilled Hamburger or Hot Dog

**Program:** DigIndy! Come hear Jessica Castellanos from Citizens Energy Group and learn about the \$2 billion DigIndy Tunnel System, a 28 mile-long network being built 250 feet under Indianapolis, which is designed to eliminate sewage overflows and improve water quality of the White River and its tributaries.

Bring \$2 and a dish to share. June birthdays will be honored, too! Adults of all ages are welcome!

**DAYTRIP Thursday, June 7, 2018**, to CANDLES Holocaust Museum in Terre Haute, IN, to hear museum founder and holocaust survivor, Eva Kor. Eva's story is the subject of an award-winning documentary. The CANDLES Holocaust Museum and Education Center is dedicated to the memory of the twin victims and survivors of medical experimentation at Auschwitz. Limited number of seats are still available. Charter bus leaves Calvary Lutheran Church north parking lot at 9:00am, returns at 5:00pm. Cost: \$37.00 per person, covers charter bus, driver gratuity, and museum admittance. Lunch is not included. Plan to bring cash for lunch. Make check payable to Calvary Lutheran and memo line: June Daytrip. Questions? Email Emily Spelde at espelde@clcs.org or call 317-783-2000.

**Dinner and Concert! June 27<sup>th</sup>**, meet at **Shapiros**, 808 S Meridian St, Indianapolis, 46225. Free, easy parking. Tables will be saved for Calvary Lutheran. Afterwards we will head to **Garfield Park** for a **FREE 7:00 pm Concert :** The 38<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division Band, Indiana Army National Guard. Garfield Park MacAllister Amphitheater is located at 2450 Conservatory Dr, Indianapolis, IN 46203. Easy parking and seating is provided, no need to bring a lawn chair.

Happy July 4<sup>th</sup>! No Lunch OUT due to Independence Day Holiday.

### Lunch & Learn July 18th

Program: A HARD Subject – Indiana Limestone! Come learn about the type of Limestone found in this part of Indiana, some of the history of quarrying and the properties of Indiana limestone that make it so sought after.

Provided Entrée: Pork and chicken barbecues and buns.

Bring \$2 and a dish to share. July birthdays will be honored, too! Adults of all ages are welcome!

# Fellowship Ministry

### April 27 Firm Foundation Fellowship Dinner – Many Blessings!

Enjoyable featured speaker, Don Fischer ~ a delight to hear a glimpse of his past and thankful for his time

Private donors who made the evening possible

Fellowship Team and Dinner Committee who coordinated the event

Two Thrivent Action Team grants for table decorations, tableware, and desserts

Delicious dinner catered by El Salvador Mission Team (after expenses, \$1,683 was donated to El Salvador Mission Team)

**\$15,972** was raised for "A Firm Foundation" campaign with additional gifts still coming in. An evening of fellowship was enjoyed by over 150+ people

Various details were covered by <u>many</u> who contributed their time and talents to make the event successful. **Thanks to ALL!** 

**Coming in August...** Fellowship Opportunity after all services August 4-5

# **Stewardship Emphasis**

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

Firm Foundation Campaign Update – 60 days to raise final \$34,000 In response to God's blessings, Calvary members have generously contributed to the A Firm Foundation campaian to fund critical repairs and improvements both inside and outside the building. A special thank you to the Fellowship Ministry Team and everyone who contributed during April's fellowship dinner which raised nearly \$16,000 to the campaign. In total over \$160,000 has been raised to date so work has started on the parking lot lighting. The 22 security cameras will be installed starting June 4 and the HVAC unit for the sanctuary is on order with a planned early July installation. While contracting these projects and reviewing Calvary's needs, it has been determined that several areas of the south parking lot and the south side walk are dangerous to students. The final funds raised will be directed to this repair so please consider your support. You can find weekly updates and the opportunities to support the effort online at http://www.clcs.org/about/news/firm-foundation-appeal-2018/. Please 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.).

### Quarterly Mission Envelopes support India Mission Scholarships

The mission envelopes for this quarter will sponsor tutoring students in India. For each \$200 donated, Calvary will sponsor a Tutoring Center student through Calvary India Mission. This provides a meal, tutoring help and Christian education for 1 year. Once we know how many students we are collectively sponsoring Stewardship will share some information about them

so we can keep them in our prayers. In addition to support through the mission envelopes, Calvary members can also support students individually by contacting Marv Hansen (marvin.m.hansen@gmail.com, 317-358-7733); Pastor Raji (theindiamission@gmail.com, 317-408-2356).

### Calvary continues to support reformed Indianapolis Hispanic Ministry

On March 4, a new Hispanic Ministry was started on the eastside at Trinity Lutheran Church and School at 8540 E. 16<sup>th</sup> Street. Led by Pastor Samuel Ruiz, the new congregation held their first baptism on March 18. With prayer and support, the goal is to have a worshiping community of 150 members by next year. Formerly Lutheran Multicultural Mission, Luterano Indy is being supported by Calvary from the mission line in the congregation's budget.

### Wessler Scholarship and Endowment Fund for the Education of LCMS Church Workers

A generous donation by the Wessler family has founded a new scholarship fund at Calvary to support students in LCMS colleges and universities. Each year up to 5 percent of the fund may be allocated to financially aid the applicants. You can support this effort by a tax-deductible gift to the Endowment fund. If donating online type "Wessler Scholarship" in the Other line.







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# **Facilities**

# Facilities Ministry Update

### Completed items

- \* Smithers Roofing repaired the roof around the gas flues, over the church mezzanine
- \* Jim Birdwell and Bob Polk performed seasonal maintenance on HVAC units, including changing all air handler filters, cleaning evaporator coils and cleaning most of the condenser coils;

### Upcoming items

- \* Volunteer Work Day—Rehab of the kindergarten classroom is set for Saturday, June 2, from 9:00 am – 12 pm. New lights will be installed by members and an electrical contractor will make the wiring connections. 8-10 volunteers are needed to help remove and install the lights;
- \* A new security system contract has been signed and installation will begin on June 4; and
- \* Carpet cleaning is scheduled for July 11-13. The floors are scheduled to be stripped and waxed July 18-20. Volunteers are needed to help move items in and out of rooms and the sanctuary

# Compassion Ministry

# **School Supplies Needed**

I know school is just out but Compassion is helping the El Salvador mission team and students at Perry Township. We are collecting school supplies for the month of June. We need crayons (8 & 24 packs), pencils, glue sticks, rulers, scissors and pens. These supplies will be helping students both near and far. We need your help. Compassion Ministry Team thanks you for your past generosity and for your help in this project.



## **Attention Gardeners**

Compassion Ministry Team will again have the produce table for your garden's abundance. The congregation enjoys the shopping your fresh vegetables. This year, your free will donations will go toward A *Firm Foundation*. Look for the table toward the end of July.



### Worship Anew Lutheran Ministries Media, Inc.

Toll-Free: (888) 286-8002 www.worshipanew.org Sunday 10:00 AM - WHMB-TV 40 Sunday 11:30 AM - Direct TV Channel 377

### <u>June 2018</u>

### <u> June 3, 2018 – Second Sunday after Pentecost</u>

Psalm: 81:1-10; Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:5-12; Gospel: Mark 2:23-3:6 "Treasure in Jars of Clay" - Sermon Text: 2 Corinthians 4:5-12 - Rev. William Mueller

We all easily recognize our human weaknesses and limitations. Our health is fragile and frail – the clay pots, which are so easily broken, remind us of this frailty. But living and dwelling within us is a treasure beyond measure – a treasure that will impact every aspect of our life today and every moment of our future!

### June 10, 2018 – Third Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm: 130; Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:16-18; Gospel: Mark 3:22-35 "Out of the Depths" - Sermon Text: Psalm 130 - Rev. Dr. Walter Maier III

There are times when we feel burdened by a sin or sins that we have committed, overwhelmed with guilt. At such times we are to cry out to the Lord, pray to Him, for mercy. Psalm 130 tells us how God will respond, and why.

### <u> June 17, 2018 – Fourth Sunday after Pentecost</u>

Psalm: 1; Epistle: 2 Corinthians 5:1-10; Gospel: Mark 4:26-34 "Living in a Tent" - Sermon Text: 2 Corinthians 5:1-10 - Rev. Paul Shoemaker

By their very nature tents are designed to be temporary housing. St. Paul reminds us that our body is an earthly tent, designed to be a temporary dwelling. There is a permanent dwelling for us. That is when we are at home with the Lord.

## <u> June 24, 2018 – Fifth Sunday after Pentecost</u>

Psalm: 124; Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10; Gospel: Mark 4:35-41 "Who Is This?" - Sermon Text: Mark 4:35-41 - Rev. Daniel Brege

Who is this, asleep in the boat? It is Jesus, a man who gets tired and is even able to die...just like you and me. Who is this who calms the violent wind and sea? It is Jesus, the eternal Son of God who, by His death and resurrection, has come to still the tumultuous, all-destroying wind and sea of sin and death.



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