

CALVARY LUTHERAN

CHURCH AND SCHOOL



September 2018 Monthly Newsletter

From the Pastors

"Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? Or how can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when there is the log in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye." - Matthew 7:2-5

I'm getting ready to start a new college Bible study called "What's Wrong With Christianity in America Today." The title is a bit of a mouthful, but it is so relevant. I don't only hear others ask questions like this; I have often asked these questions myself. In a world of declining church attendance, political discord, and economic instability, it can be tempting to ask: "Is the problem *us*?" Perhaps even more tempting: "Is the problem *them*?"

Maybe they have bad theology. Maybe they are too political. Maybe they don't live out their faith, or they have too much money, or they are too judgmental. Conversely, maybe they are too lenient. Or maybe they are people outside the church. It's so easy to blame anyone and everyone else for the church's problems. But lines blur; the problem du jour changes depending on who you talk to and what's on the news at the time. Sometimes Christians entirely disagree on the definition of the problem.

While many of these complaints are probably correct, I'd like to propose we table them, perhaps even indefinitely. For most of us, 'they' are not our responsibility (unless we're a parent looking at our kids or leading a church!). I fear that too often we forget Jesus' words: *"first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye."* Sometimes, we can get so caught up in pointing fingers and spreading blame that we don't even look to see the problems in our own lives.

My advice? If you catch yourself thinking this way, do your best to slow yourself down. Someone else may be struggling with sin--grievous sin--but first take a good long look at yourself. As Paul encourages, don't judge people outside the church (1 Cor. 5:12). If you feel that you truly need to say something, analyze your thoughts and your words to make sure that what you say is truly loving. Speak the truth *only in love* (Eph. 4:15).

Finally, consider your own relationship to God. If you haven't already, join a ministry team, help out with Sunday school, or resolve to attend a Bible study or worship more regularly. Visit our shut-ins. Donate to one of our food drives or mission teams. If you're anything like me, there are countless ways to improve your walk of faith. What's wrong with the church? Well, it's full of sinners, us included. So let's strive to run the race, serve our Lord, and love one another as he first loved us and gave himself up for us. Let's point fellow sinners to the only sinless one. Let's point all people to the world's perfect judge. It will not be easy, but it is so worth it.

God's Blessings,
Pastor Josh Reifsteck

Volunteer Focus

Linda Bugher



What is your role at Calvary?

Fellowship Ministry Team Director

What motivates you to give of your time and talent in this way?

I've been blessed to be a member of Calvary for 49 years and I love our Calvary family. We have a large family so fellowship activities provide opportunities to get to know one another.

What is your favorite thing about serving at Calvary?

I enjoy connecting people with one another and building relationships.

Favorite Book/Verse of the Bible?

*"Be still, and know that I am God".
—Psalm 46:10a*

Favorite Dessert?

Any kind of pie, especially peach pie or cream pies.

What is one thing that the people of Calvary can keep in their prayers for your area of ministry?

Pray that our Helping Hands Ministry will grow. (See page 6)

Staff Spotlight

Sam Troemel



What is your role at Calvary?

Youth and Family Ministry Director. I also lead the Calvary Connect worship services.

What is your favorite thing about serving at Calvary?

The 2nd grade teacher

Who has been the biggest influence on your faith? Why?

I have read both of Nathan Foster's books. "Making of an Ordinary Saint" and "Wisdom Chaser". I really relate to the way he speaks to putting faith into action. I highly recommend these books.

Favorite Book/Verse of the Bible?

Habakkuk 1:5

Favorite Dessert?

Molly's salted caramel apple pie

What is one thing that the people of Calvary can keep in their prayers for your area of ministry?

I start the Special Ministry Pastor program through Concordia Seminary St. Louis this fall.

General

Calvary Connect Contemporary Worship

The next Calvary Connect worship service will take place **Sun., Sept 9 from 10:30-11:15 a.m.** 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.



Save the Date—Calvary's 4th Annual Quilt-A-Thon

Calvary's 4th Annual Quilt-A-Thon for Lutheran World Relief will be here soon.

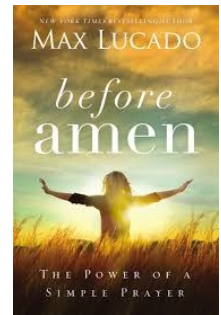
When? Tuesday, October 2 from 9:00 a.m.—7:00 p.m.

We need volunteers to cut fabric, sew straight seams, pin fronts to backs and tie layers together. **No experience necessary. Come for fun and fellowship!!**



Saturday Evening Bible Study

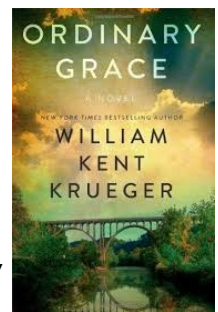
Saturday Night Bible Study resumes **September 8, 2018**. Pastor Main will lead discussion on a 4-lesson DVD study by Max Lucado, "Before Amen", that addresses the Power of Simple Prayer. Lucado writes, "Jesus set a compelling prayer example. He prayed before He ate, for children, for the sick, for the downtrodden. He prayed in the desert, in the cemetery and in the garden (Mark 1:35). There is no better teacher than Jesus. If you are ready, there is no better time than now."



EPIC Center Library Book Study

Dan and Sandy Kendall will be leading a book study in the EPIC Center Library on the four Sundays of **September 23-October 14**. The book for this discussion series is "Ordinary Grace", by William Kent Kruger. It is a novel set in small-town Minnesota in 1961, and the narrator is a 13-year-old boy, who is the son of the town's Methodist minister.

Copies of the book are available from the Kendalls at \$7.00 each, or you may find copies in the Marion County or Greenwood libraries.



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

This faith-based, grief support group provides help and encouragement after the death of a loved one, whether they were a spouse, child, family member, or friend. Because many who attended sessions this summer found the videos and discussion to be very helpful, GriefShare is being offered at Calvary starting Thursday, **September 20**, at 6:30 pm in Room 125.

Trained and experienced *GriefShare* Facilitator JoAnn Heasley from Mt. Olive Lutheran Church will again be leading. Each session includes videos by experts in grieving, support group discussion, Scriptural and personal reflection. The class is open to the community, and you are welcome to begin attending *GriefShare* at any time, as the weekly sessions are not sequential in order. There is no cost to attend.

Need more information? Contact Emily Spelde (317)783-2000, ext. 239, espelde@clcs.org or JoAnn Heasley, (317) 679-5430, joann.heasley212@gmail.com

Free Supper Program: The Science of Addiction – Part 2

Calvary Lutheran Church is partnering with Community Health Network to increase awareness and provide educational opportunities that assist in prevention, create understanding and encourage compassion. This second program will include information on cleverly packaged and easily obtained addictive substances. Parents of middle and high school students are encouraged to attend.

Free event: Pizza & salad will be provided. Speaker: Jan Bresson, R.N.

Location: Calvary's South Narthex - Date: Wednesday, September 26, 2018, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Questions? Emily Spelde, 317-695-9366, email espelde@clcs.org

August Memorials

In Memory of Mike McClintock from:

Bob & Sandy Wilson, Bill & Wendy Messer, Stephen Gault, Kurt &
Jessica Kegerreis, Steve & Pattie Bardonner,
Jill Radcliffe

In Memory of Barbara Grenoble from:

Don & Susan Daniels, Bill & Janet Grube



Sunday School Attendance Awards Summer 2018

Faithful

Maddox Bush
Rebekah Ebert
Ella Frick
Annika Morrison

Maklyn Bush
Aiden Francis
Hayden Langhammer
Katelyn Royer

Abigail Ebert
Brianne Francis
Paisley Langhammer
Regan Wilson



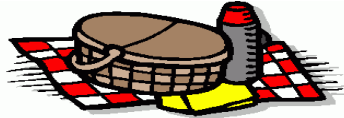
Pins Given

Aiden Francis (Year 6)
Rebekah Ebert (Year 5)

Brianne Francis (Year 6)

Abigail Ebert (Year 5)

Fellowship Ministry



Church Picnic

Church Picnic at German Park – Sept. 16, 2018; 8600 South Meridian Street, Indianapolis

- ° Worship service - 11:00am; lunch at 12:15pm
- ° Lunch catered by **Edwards Catering**
- ° Menu: chicken tenders, pork BBQ, green beans, coleslaw, mac & cheese, fried biscuits (apple butter)
- ° Tea donated by **McAlister's Deli**
- ° Free will donation to "Reduce General Fund Deficit"
- ° Congregation members are asked to bring a dessert
Please label "Nuts" or "No Nuts" (Gluten free if applicable)
- ° Entertainment by **The John Stebbe Quartet**
- ° Bounce houses, corn hole, and games for all ages
- ° Handicap parking available

Join us on **September 16th** at German Park for fellowship, food and a lot of fun!

Helping Hands

What is Fellowship Helping Hands Ministry?

It's a ministry to assist Fellowship Ministry Team with activities throughout the year and after services in the following areas:

- ° Bake food (coffee cakes, cookies, muffins, etc.)
- ° Buy food (fruit, donuts, baked goods, etc.)
- ° Prep food to serve and/or serve
- ° Clean up (food/dishes and/or general clean up)
- ° Set up/take down tables & chairs



Interested in joining this ministry?

Contact Linda Bugher at fellowship@clcs.org or 317-432-1865 with:

- ° Specific areas (see list above) in which you wish to serve
- ° Your contact information (email & phone – texts OK?)

Help ***if*** it fits your schedule

For our recent August 5 Fellowship Opportunity, SEVEN people donated coffee cakes. We are grateful for their time and generosity!

Coming.....Hayride this Fall

Saturday, October 27, 2018 at Southeastway Park; 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Shelter 6 - Three wagons - 6:00pm, 6:40pm, 7:20pm

Watch for more details!



Youth Ministry

FLIGHT—High School Youth Group

FLIGHT meets **Sunday evenings from 5:30-7:00 p.m.** 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.

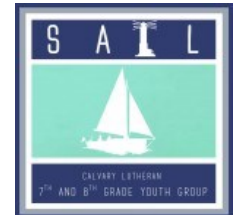
There will be an informational meeting on **Sunday, September 30** for those interested in attending the National Youth Gathering this coming summer in Minneapolis. Check the bulletin for the meeting date and time.



SAIL—7th - 8th Grade Youth Group

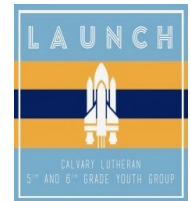
SAIL will meet next on **Wednesday, September 26th from 5:30-7:00 p.m.** We will meet in the youth room for food and Bible study before heading outside or to the gym for an activity. SAIL is open to all youth grades 7/8.

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 \$55 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, September 19th from 5:30-7:00 p.m.** We will meet in the youth room for food and devotions before heading to the gym or outside for an activity. LAUNCH is open to all youth grades 5/6.



All Youth Kick-Off

All youth grades 5-12 are invited to the all youth kick-off on **Sunday, September 9th from 5:30-7:30 p.m.** This event will include a glow party, yard games and bonfire.

NEWS FROM LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL OF INDIANAPOLIS

LuFest 2019 – Early Bird Pricing now at LuFest.org

LuFest, the annual Lutheran Festival and dinner-auction, will be held **Friday, April 12, 2019** at The Nest Event Center in Greenwood. Get more info or register now for **early-bird pricing** on tables and individual reservations at LuFest.org or call 317-224-1108. New this year — discounted pricing for LHS alumni 40 and under, first-time LuFest attendees, and those 70 or older.

LHS Homecoming – September 7

Homecoming 2018 is Friday, September 7. LHS alumni, please join us for **Saints Games** at **2:00 pm** and then come to the **Homecoming Football game** at **7:00 pm** as the Saints take on the Twisters of Oldenburg Academy. Questions? Email Development Assistants, Julie Pflug, jpflug@lhsi.org, or Beth Woodruff, bwoodruff@lhsi.org, or call 317-224-1108.

Grandparents Day – September 21

Grandparents of current Lutheran High students are invited to join us at **9:00 am** on **Friday, September 21** for **Grandparents Day**. You will be able to watch Ruth Lilly Distinguished Speaker, Sonny Beck's talk, go to class with your grandchild, and have lunch with them. The day will conclude at 1:00 pm. Register at lhsi.org or call 317-224-1108.



Calvary Lutheran School News from Principal Rensner

STAND FIRM

Our biblical text for our school theme for this year is from 1 Corinthians 16:13:

*"Be on your guard; STAND FIRM in the faith; be courageous; be strong. Do everything in love."
1 Corinthians 16:13.*

We are constantly exposed to the teachings of mankind where truths are individually determined. These truths are beyond mere opinions. Truths dictate our understanding of the world in which we live. When these truths are challenged we are ready to defend them. But what foundation are these worldly truths supported by? God has given to us the only truth. This truth is found in His Word. It is vitally important that we study His Word equipping us to STAND FIRM through the power of the Holy Spirit when these truths are challenged. We are never too old or too young to ignore God's Word and the preaching and teaching of it.

Jesus refers to Himself as the Way, the Truth, and the Life. This Truth is a proper noun. It is only through Jesus that we are able to come into the presence of God the Father. Through the blood of Jesus we are redeemed.

We thank God for the opportunity to join with your family and this congregation in teaching God's truth to His children. This is God's calling of parents, teachers, and pastors. This is our charge as a community of believers. We lift one another in prayer.

We grow and mature in Christian love and service through the power of the Holy Spirit as we gather for worship, hear His Word, partake in the sacraments, and pray. We thank God for the opportunity and privilege to share in this daily walk with you at Calvary Lutheran Church and School.

We ask the Lord to bless you with His love as we walk each day together in the shadow of the cross stepping out in faith and to STAND FIRM sharing His truth to those we meet and greet.

SMILE SMILE SMILE

The students of Calvary Lutheran School will have their school photographs taken on Tuesday-Wednesday, October 2-3. The majority of our students will have their picture taken on Tuesday. Tuesday will be a non-uniform day allowing the students greater choices for their photographs. Preschool 3-4 three day session and any absentees from Tuesday will have their pictures taken on Wednesday. Chapel will be on Wednesday, October 3. Students not having their photograph taken need to wear appropriate attire for chapel.

Windy City Players

Our first all school assembly is scheduled for Friday, September 7th. The Windy City Players will be performing "The Adventures of Tom Sawyer." Our assembly begins at 8:40AM.

Labor Day

Calvary Lutheran School will be closed on Monday, September 3rd in observance of Labor Day. We thank God for the gift of work. We strive to use His gifts to our very best potential as His created beings.

Outdoor Education

Our Sixth Grade class will be experiencing Outdoor Education on Wednesday-Friday, September 5-7. The class will travel to the wilds of Camp Lakeview. Mrs. Faubion will lead this expedition. For further information please contact Mrs. Faubion. We ask the Lord to go with our 6th graders and all our adult chaperones granting them safety in their travels. We ask the Lord to grant to them His Spirit as they grow together through this experience.

1st Quarter Mid Term

Our first quarter mid term is Friday, September 7. Students in second through eighth grade will receive their midterm reports on Wednesday, September 12 via Renweb. We ask that our parents review these reports with their children. We strive to provide many evaluations throughout the school year.

Grandparents or Special Person Day – September 28

SAVE the DATE –We invite all Grandparents or Special Persons of Kindergarten through 8th graders to Calvary Lutheran Church and School on Friday, September 28. The fun will begin at 12:30PM.

Service Hour Program

We thank so many of our parents and families who have already completed numerous tasks providing for the needs of our church and school. Many more hours of service are needed. Please continue to check the church and school offices for a posting of current opportunities of service. We gather together in the work of our Lord.

Scholarship Tax Credit 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, Inc. has been identified as a 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.

Updates from the 2017-18 School Year

- 41 families/individuals contributed \$56,770.00 towards this Scholarship Tax Credit
- This funded the need for 28 Scholarship grants.
- Many grant recipients are now enjoying the benefit of an Indiana State voucher.
- All Calvary Lutheran Church and School student aid from the General Fund has been eliminated.

New Information

- Over \$375,000.00 has been gathered through the state tax credit initiative over the past 7 years.
- The donor base has been virtually unchanged over these years.
- Donors are increasing their gifts. Why? The "Too Good to be True" aspects
- We are asking for previous year participants in this program to communicate all the benefits inviting two-three others to prayerfully consider involvement increasing our donor base.
- Personal tax credits that remain against your tax liability may be used for up to 9 years.
- All can now be accomplished online. www.lutheranSGO.org
- Be sure to identify Calvary Lutheran School, Indianapolis as the recipient of your donation.

How may I help?

Donations are currently being accepted. We are in need of \$42,500.00 to fully fund this year's grants. Please prayerfully consider your involvement and support in this most worthwhile program.

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 as applicable. Private as well as corporate donations will receive this benefit. 25% tax bracket individuals would receive \$750.00 back from a \$1000.00 gift.
3. A student receiving a Scholarship grant in Kindergarten will then be eligible for an Indiana State voucher through 12th grade. This could result in a total of over \$65,000.00 towards Christian Education.

Where Do I sign up?

Donor forms are available in the church and school offices or at www.lutheranSGO.org.

How Do I Proceed?

Return the completed donor form with your donation or send it directly to the Lutheran SGO along with your donation to the Church or School Office. All donor forms will be sent in one cover to Lutheran Scholarship Granting Organization. They will issue your tax credit statement. Be sure to identify **CALVARY LUTHERAN SCHOOL** as the recipient of your donation.

Checks are to be payable to: The Lutheran Scholarship Granting Organization of Indiana, Inc.

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 has eliminated the need for congregational funded scholarship dollars.

Children will have the opportunity to hear God's Word 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!



Women in Mission

Extravagant Sharing

The soup and soup mixes you brought in August and the canned fruits and veggies from July provided for many at the Sharing Place of Lutheran Child and Family Services. Thanks to each of you! Throughout September, Calvary will continue supporting the needs of many through the Sharing Place by bringing boxes or individual serving size macaroni & cheese. Place them on the Extravagant Sharing shelves in the narthex. *Cheerfully bless others as you have been abundantly blessed by Jesus.*

BLANKETS FOR BABIES

Our September dates are Thurs., Sept 6 and 20. (6:00-8:00 p.m. in the cafe area.) We have lots of pretty, new yarn just aching to be made into baby blankets! Fall is a perfect time to learn how to knit or crochet. We recently donated 28 blankets to the Life Center. Each blanket has a cross and a label sewn in that says: "Blessings from Calvary Lutheran Church." We send each blanket with God's love. Questions? Susan Daniels 317-882-3691.

Women's Saturday Bible Study Sat., September 1, 8:30 a.m.

This month's bible study will be from pg. 22 of the LWML Summer 2018 Quarterly—"Hold on to His Promises when Overloaded" and led by Jill Jupin. Please join us from 8:30-9:30 a.m. in the EPIC Center Library.

Lakeview Ministries Women's Retreat

For only \$95, spend an incredible fall weekend at Camp Lakeview on **September 28-30th**. Go on an adventure, make awesome crafts, eat delicious food, sing around a fire, enjoy a massage, or simply take a nap and relax. Hear from speaker Lisa Lessing as we explore this year's theme **The Lord's Name: My Safe Place**. Leave encouraged by new friendships, laughter, rest, and words of truth and love. For more details and to sign up for a great weekend, go to lakeviewministries.com/women.

Hope Center Indy

Hope Center Indy's mission is to be a Christ-Centered Residential Campus committed to healing the personal and building the professional lives of women, who are coming out of Human Trafficking. The Campus offers an abundance of professionals and volunteers to help equip rescued women with the tools to succeed in life after the traumatic experience of Human Trafficking. **Be part of the change! Calvary's Women in Mission will make an on-site visit to the Hope Center Indy on Thur., Sept 13**, to learn more about this mission. Meet at the Hope Center Indy at 9:30 a.m., 11850 Brookville Road, Indianapolis, 46239. To **carpool**, meet in Calvary's north lot at 8:45 a.m. Please let Rosie Blazek (r.blazer@comcast.net) know if you will be able to drive or desire a ride. After the visit, those interested may eat lunch together at B & C's Hideout, 7242 US Highway 52, New Palestine. This is about a mile east of The Hope Center.

Calvary's 51st Holiday Bazaar is supporting this change by donating a portion of the Bazaar profits to Hope Center Indy.

Women in Mission is planning this activity, but men are also welcome to come and learn more about the Hope Center Indy.

Adult Ministry

Lunch OUT! Wednesday, September 5th 11:30am Come try out Portillo's!

Known for their Chicago-style hot-dogs, sausages, and Italian beef sandwiches, there was lots of media coverage last month of the new south side location at 8150 US-31 South, in front of Hobby Lobby / Michael's stores. Portillo's menu also offers burgers, ribs, salads, pasta, and desserts. Tables will be saved in the party room for Calvary Lutheran.



Lunch & Learn

Wednesday, September 19th, 11:30 am

Come hear our guest celebrity speaker, Carlos Diaz, Eyewitness News Reporter for WTHR 13. A native Hoosier and graduate of Greenwood High School and Indiana University, Carlos has worked more than 20 years in news, sports and entertainment, in several major cities and major networks around the country.



Provided entrée: Fried chicken!

What to bring: \$2 and a dish to share. Bring friends or family – guests are always welcome.

Chocolate Needed!

Adult Ministry is collecting items for a gift basket for this year's Holiday Bazaar Silent Auction. Our theme is simple: "*Hooray for Chocolate!*" Donations can be dropped off at the church office, given to Pat Struss or placed in her narthex mailbox, but must be received no later than September 24th. Thanks for helping support this year's Holiday Bazaar.



Compassion Ministry

Compassion Wants to Help Lutherwood

Lutherwood is in need of things for the emergency dorm. These are kids who come many times with just the clothes on their backs. Following is a list of things needed. Please help in any way possible. Travel size: shampoo/conditioner, body wash, deodorant, toothbrush/toothpaste, combs, brushes, underwear, boxers, socks, plain t-shirts, decks of cards, small board games (travel size), no dice, teen/adult coloring books. Thanks for sharing with these kids in need.

Stewardship Emphasis

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

Firm Foundation Campaign – Answer to Prayer

How firm a foundation, O saints of the Lord, Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word! In December a call went out to the congregation to help fund important projects needed for the safety of Calvary's members, students and guests. As of August 13 the \$200,000 goal has been met and all of the needed projects are fully funded. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Firm Foundation and kept this effort in their prayers.

Habitat for Humanity Interfaith Build

We are continuing our support of Habitat for Humanity in Indianapolis and members will have an opportunity to participate in the Interfaith Build this fall. Three families, Dycus, Turentine and Jimison, will benefit from the efforts of multiple area churches, mosques, temples and synagogues. Watch for details on how you can help this build scheduled for October.

Bethany Irwin to be supported by door offering on September 22/23

The weekend of Sept 23 Calvary member Bethany Irwin will share an update on her mission work with Athletes in Action. She is planning to return to Central Asia for a long-term assignment. The Stewardship Ministry Team is assisting Bethany from Calvary's mission budget but the congregation is encouraged to prayerfully consider contributing to a door offering that weekend.

Save the Date for Fall Time and Talent Fair

Mark your calendar for Calvary's fall Time and Talent Fair on Sat., Oct 6 and Sun., Oct 7. Calvary's ministry teams and groups will set up tables in the narthex where you can ask questions about how to get involved as a volunteer or support a mission. If you are a group at Calvary who would like to share information about your project or outreach please contact the Stewardship Ministry team by Sept 16. We would love to feature as many groups as possible during the Fair.



Fourth Quarter Mission Support

Each quarter Calvary's mission funds support a different organization. For the 4th Quarter our mission envelopes were directed to support individual students at the Tuition and Tutoring Center, a program directed by Calvary's India Mission. Collectively Calvary raised \$800 which funds the meals and basic supplies for four students. Please meet Shekar and Srimanthi from Thazhaiyatham and Epsi and Gopi from T.T. Mottur. We look forward to hearing about their progress from the mission team. Please keep them in your prayers. If you would like to support a student, contact Marv or Rhonda Hansen, marvin.m.hansen@gmail.com or listen to their presentation during services the weekend of



Oct 13/14. The India Mission also has need of funds to purchase Tamil bibles and their other efforts. They promise to have a supply of colorful bangles for sale, products of the very talented students at the center.



Save the Date

Calvary's 51st Annual Holiday Bazaar "Joy to the World"

Saturday, November 10, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Save Vendor Space

Are you crafty or know someone who is? Applications now being accepted for vendors for Calvary's 51st annual bazaar on November 10th. Details can be found in the café area near the south entrance of the church. You may email Angie Ransdell (aransdell@yahoo.com) or give her the paperwork. Space is limited.

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. Sign up in the narthex or email Jan Main (jmain1948@gmail.com)

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, November 9th from 3:30-7:00 p.m. 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, Inc. (LMVFM), Hope Center Indy, and Calvary Lutheran Church (Handbell Refurbishment).

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

September 2018

September 2, 2018 – Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 119:129-136; Epistle: Ephesians 6:10-20; Gospel: Mark 7:14-23

"Stand Against the Devils" - Sermon Text: Ephesians 6:10-20 - Rev. Dr. Walter Maier III

As believers, we are daily engaged in spiritual warfare against Satan and his fellow demons. The good news is that we can stand firm against these fierce and powerful enemies. The Apostle Paul tells us how and why.

September 9, 2018 – Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 146; Old Testament: Isaiah 35:4-7a; Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

"Perfect Healing" - Sermon Text: Mark 7:31-37 - Rev. Paul Shoemaker

When someone is ill, we pray for healing. The Good News that comes from God is that He *may* grant physical healing, but He *always* grants us perfect healing through Jesus.

September 16, 2018 – Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 116:1-9; Epistle: James 3:1-12; Gospel: Mark 9:14-29

"Help My Unbelief" - Sermon Text: Mark 9:24 - Rev. Dr. Daniel Brege

We as Christians believe in Jesus. This belief involves both knowledge and trust. Rightly, we turn to God in the face of trouble; however, at times our faith is eroded, attacked or challenged by the cares, problems, and philosophies of this world. We pray with the man in our text, "I believe, help my unbelief." Through His Word and Sacrament, our Lord indeed sends us the Spirit, so our faith is strengthened, and we rest and hope in the Savior.

September 23, 2018 – Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Psalm 54; Epistle: James 3:13-4:10; Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

"Let God Be God!" - Sermon Text: Mark 9:30-37 – Rev. Dr. Thomas Ahlersmeyer

"Why doesn't God do ____?" "Why would God allow ____ to happen?" Seeking a "new-and-improved-god" is an activity as old as time. Look and listen to Jesus to discover the true God . . . and true greatness! Let God be God!

September 30, 2018 – Pentecost

Psalm 135:1-3, 13-14; Old Testament: Numbers 11:4-6, 10-18; Gospel: Mark 9:38-50

"Belonging to Christ" - Sermon Text: Mark 9:38-50 – Rev. James Elsner

Complain! Complain! Complain! Does that describe someone in your life? Does it describe YOU? Those who belong to Christ, though, have a different sense of faith and life. What's that look like?



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