

# CALVARY'S CROSSROADS



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## Special Points of Interest:

- *Sandy Troyan is hired as Collaborative Children's, Youth and Family Minister*
- *Annual Meeting Election results*
- *Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner*

Calvary Lutheran Church  
is in the city for good!  
Progressive, Christ-centered  
community called to radically welcome all  
Vibrantly worship God  
Faithfully work for peace and justice  
in our neighborhood and world

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK --

It is fair to say that change is on my mind. I realize that by the time you receive my next newsletter article, Bill's and my life is going to be upended and shaken in ways that I haven't yet even imagined. As we move into the final days before welcoming a little one into our home, there is a profound sense of wonder, excitement and nerves. Change!

While we are experiencing one change, there is also a deep sense of change in the lives of people in our extended Calvary family. Some are moving through job transitions and interviews; some are wading through the waters of starting a new relationship, others are working through a change or end in a relationship; some are expecting a

child or living into the reality of having a newborn; still others are experiencing the profound loss and sense of change that comes in saying a final good-bye to a parent or long-time friend; others are traveling to places perhaps with excitement or trepidation; others are preparing for or recovering from surgeries.

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## WELCOME OUR COLLABORATIVE CHILDREN'S, YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTER

*Welcome to Sandy Troyan! We look forward to her starting on February 15!*

Grace and Peace to you all!

I am very excited to meet the communities at Bethel, Calvary, and Our Saviour's in the very near future. And I am also very excited about this partnership that is taking place be-

tween the three congregations. It will be exciting to see how God's ministry is revealed to us all in the midst of something new, and what I envision, beautiful.

I look forward to being able to hear your stories, but as I wait in anticipation, let me share a little about

mine. I grew up in the Greater Philadelphia area and I'm in love with most things associated with the city – the Phillies, soft pretzels, water ice, and hoagies. It was the summer before my senior year of high school that I attended a two week theological academy.

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### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

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Every day brings change—the breath-taking, the heart-breaking, the wonderful, the difficult, the extraordinary, the barely noticeable. And in the midst of change we work to chart a course.

The Sundays after Epiphany continue to beckon us as we chart this course. We are reminded again and again that we are not alone. God touches our hearts and lives and continues to invite us to know a profound sense of connection. This Sunday we were invited to shape our lives by “doing justice, loving kindness, and walking humbly with God.” We heard words of blessing poured out on those who are mourning, those who are making peace, those who experience persecution, those who are poor and

struggling to make ends meet, those who are working to make real God's realm.

Wherever you are on your journey this day...this week...this month, it is my hope and prayer that you may feel words of blessing and invitation flow over you. Just as we heard the words of love flow over Jesus at his baptism at the beginning of this Church season, we are reminded that those words of being a beloved child of God are for each of us. And those words and promises remind us that in the midst of the highs, the lows, the busy days, and restless (or sleepless!) nights, and through the many changes of our lives, God is with us.

As we make our way in the world, change is a reality...but so is the unchanging love and presence of God. This promise stands as our shelter, our Home in the World, and a place where we too can shine a light for others.

*Pastor Brad Froslee*



## BABY SHOWER OPEN HOUSE

Please join Megan, Aaron, Josh and Joani on **Saturday, February 12**, between 2:00 and 5:00 p.m. for a baby shower open house to celebrate with Pastor Brad and Bill as they prepare to be fathers. We will enjoy fellowship and refreshments at the Mobergs, 4254 Longfellow Ave. S. in Minneapolis.

Your presence is the greatest gift, but for those who would like to share a gift, think green. Pastor Brad and Bill have received many wonderful hand-me-downs and gifts from friends and family, so what is needed is fairly small.

There is a registry at [www.alternativegiftregistry.org](http://www.alternativegiftregistry.org) (type in Froslee or Oconnor – the password is maddi!).

We also invite guests to bring used children's books to share.

RSVP to [jcmoberg@gmail.com](mailto:jcmoberg@gmail.com) or 612-721-6452. For those who are not able to attend, please note that there will be a reception at church in the Spring so we can celebrate again after baby's arrival.



## UPCOMING ADULT EDUCATION SPEAKERS

As we continue discussing the topics in Diana Butler Bass' book, *Christianity for the Rest of Us*, we have invited local speakers and congregation members to add to the mix.

**Sunday, February 6,** **Felecia Boone** will be addressing the issue of "Justice" as she helps to educate the congregation on the topic of

malaria and the current Lutheran World Relief and ELCA Malaria Initiatives. Felecia has gone through a local training and is now working to engage others in this significant work.

**Sunday, February 13,** **Jonathan Odell**, local author, speaker, and friend of the congregation, will be addressing the

issues of "Justice" and "Diversity" as he shares from his work on his book, *A View from Delphi*, and invites others into story telling. If you are able to read his book prior to the education hour, it may help to foster greater conversation but know that all are welcome and are certain to get a lot out of this conversation.

**Sunday, February 20,** **Tom Witt**, worship music guru, will be addressing the topic of "Worship" and engage others in conversation around vital and life-giving worship. This is a great opportunity to learn and explore with a Calvary member who is a great resource to our congregation and the larger Church.

## ANNUAL MEETING ELECTION RESULTS

At the January 23rd annual meeting of Calvary membership, the following were elected to the Church Council for 3-year terms:

### Class of 2014

Steve Glass  
Danielle Hill  
Jonathan Holtmeier  
Josh Moberg

They join the other current members:

### Class of 2013

Marcia Haugstad  
Gary Mazzone  
Stacia Wick

### Class of 2012

Sarah Lahr  
Eric Paulsrud  
Jeri Schultz  
Michael Weber  
Sarah Zeigler

Calvary's **delegates** were also elected:

**Augustana Care Center:**  
Nicole Falk  
Nancy Lee Nelson

**Gustavus Adolphus College:**  
Josh Hill

**Luther Park:**  
Joani Moberg

**Minneapolis Area Synod Assembly:**  
Megan Hertzler  
Gary Mazzone



Please support them with your thoughts, prayers, thanks, ideas, and feedback.

*Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young.*

~ Henry Ford

This year's **Executive Committee** was elected at Council Retreat:

**President**  
Gary Mazzone

**Vice President**  
Jeri Schultz

**Secretary**  
Sarah Lahr

**Treasurer**  
Josh Moberg

**CALVARY'S CROSSROADS**

**PLEDGE SUNDAY**

February 20th will be the day when you can submit your annual pledge cards.

On this Sunday, individuals/households will be invited to bring forward their pledge cards during the service

**SAVE THE DATE**

**March 8, 2011**

**Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner  
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.  
Fellowship Hall**



**Stewardship Celebration  
Games  
Pancakes**

**Everyone is invited!**

**WORSHIP LEADERS & TEXTS OF THE DAY**

**February 6**

Deacon: Nancy Lee Nelson  
Acolyte: Karen Rudrud  
Irv Elliott  
Lector: Michael Downs  
Sacristan: Damon Van Duzen  
Usher: Ramona Starks  
Stacia Wick  
Sound Board: Gary Nelson  
Coffee Hour: Aaron Gebauer  
Megan Hertzler  
Joani & Josh Moberg  
Nursery: Josh Moberg  
Jennifer McCarthy  
Isaiah 58:1-9a | Corinthians 2:1-12  
Psalm 112:1-9 | Matthew 5:13-20

**February 20**

Deacon: Jennifer McCarthy  
Acolyte: Damon Van Duzen  
Loren Woodman  
Lector: Felecia Boone  
Sacristan: Sam Robson  
Usher: Zeigler family  
Sound Board: George Robson  
Coffee Hour: Sarah Lahr  
Joanne Shepherd  
Nursery: Gary Nelson  
Nicole Falk  
Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18  
Psalm 119:33-40  
1 Corinthians 3:10-11,16-23  
Matthew 5:38-48

**February 13**

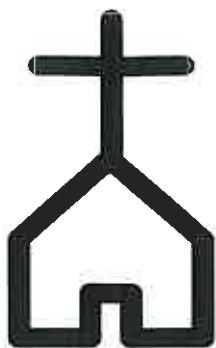
Deacon: Sarah Zeigler  
Acolyte: Sarah Lahr  
Judi Linder  
Lector: Aaron Gebauer  
Sacristan: Damon Van Duzen  
Usher: Huff family  
Sound Board: Mary Nelson  
Coffee Hour: Mary Nelson  
Karen Nelson  
Nursery: Adam Mohr  
Joani Moberg  
Deut. 30:15-20 | Corinthians 3:1-9  
Psalm 119:1-8 | Matthew 5:21-37

**February 27**

Deacon: Ramona Starks  
Acolyte: Hannah Downs  
Josh Moberg  
Lector: Rachel Bjorhus  
Sacristan: Sam Robson  
Sound Board: Karen Nelson  
Coffee Hour: Judi Linder  
Jeri Schultz  
Gary Nelson  
Nursery: Kim Zeigler  
Sarah Lahr  
Isaiah 49:8-16a | Corinthians 4:1-5  
Psalm 131 | Matthew 6:24-34



*Volunteers are seldom paid; not because they are worthless but because they are priceless!*



*In the City  
for Good!*

## SUNDAY SCHEDULE IN JANUARY

### Education Classes

meet at 9:00 a.m. each week.

### Our Sunday Worship

service begins at 10:15 a.m. All are welcome!

During Pastor Brad's paternity leave, we will have guest preachers.

Feb. 20th: Tom Witt  
Feb. 27th: Rick Rouse  
March 6th: Don Rudrud  
March 13th: Lisa Negstad

If you have a pastoral emergency, call the church office. Mary Gail will get you in touch with the pastor on-call.

*Everyone  
is welcome at  
Calvary!*

## JANUARY COMMITTEE MEETING DATES

**Monday, February 7th**  
Crossroads Community  
Organization Board Meeting  
6:30 p.m.

**Monday, February 7**  
Social Justice Steering  
Committee  
7:15 p.m. at Henrietta  
William's home

**Tuesday, February 8th**  
Worship & Committee  
6:30 p.m.

**Monday, February 14th**  
Education Committee  
6:30 p.m.

**Monday, February 14th**  
Executive Committee  
6:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, February 15th**  
Property Committee  
6:30 p.m.

**Monday, February 21st**  
Mission Support Committee  
6:30 p.m.

**Thursday, March 3rd**  
Church Council  
6:00 p.m. - Social time  
6:30 p.m. - Meeting time

Future Council meeting dates  
and times to be set at the  
March 3rd meeting.



*If you would like  
to join a committee,  
please notify Pastor  
Brad.*

## FEBRUARY CALENDAR EVENTS

Urban Arts Academy  
Pre-School meets Mondays  
through Fridays from 9 a.m.  
to 4:30 p.m.

Urban Arts Academy  
After-School meets Mondays -  
Thursdays from 2 - 5 p.m.

Calvary Choir meets  
Wednesday evenings from  
6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Encore! meets Wednesdays at  
6 p.m. Twin Cities Women's  
Choir rehearses each  
Wednesday from 7 - 9:00 p.m.

Our Emergency Food Shelf  
is open Saturdays from 9 -  
noon.

Needlework Group meets  
Thursdays from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Parenting Oasis regularly  
meets each Tuesday from  
9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. & Satur-  
day, Feb. 19th 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

GBI Minnesota, an Indonesian  
congregation, meets each  
Sunday morning in our chapel.

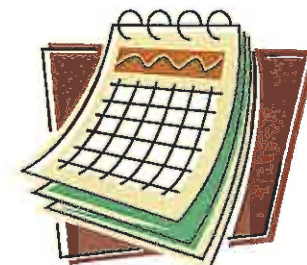
Twin Cities Metro Bagpipers  
meet Sunday afternoons and  
Thursday evenings at Calvary.

Theatre Pro Rata rehearses in  
Feb. for their upcoming play.

BeechWood, Inc. holds their  
monthly staff meeting and  
some game days for their  
clients at our church.

Minnesota Interpreter's Insti-  
tute meets here Feb. 25 - 27.

Masons & Eastern Stars will  
meet on February 5th & 19th.



*Community  
Partners*

## CALVARY'S CROSSROADS

### COMMUNION EDUCATION

*Come together  
to share,  
ask questions  
and learn  
about communion.*

Calvary will be hosting a special education time addressing communion on Saturday, February 12, 10:30-12:00 p.m.

This is an opportunity for children, youth, and adults to come together to learn about and share in communion. If you or your children are interested in attending please contact the church office.



### NEEDED: HOMEMADE BREAD

There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex for folks to indicate their willingness to donate communion bread during the months of March through June.

Please contact Judith Anderson by phone (612-871-9082) or by email (jaawdc@hotmail.com) if you have any questions.

### DAY ON THE HILL - "A STRONGHOLD IN THESE TIMES"

Thursday, February 17, 2011

Minnesota State Capitol at St. Paul  
8:30 a.m. -- 3:30 p.m.

Sponsored by the Joint Religious  
Legislative Coalition

Register online at [www.jrlc.org](http://www.jrlc.org)

### AWARD-WINNING GARDEN

Spring is around the corner!

Do you remember how beautiful our church gardens looked last Spring and Summer? Someone nominated them for an award from Metro Blooms and ours was one of the gardens chosen!

Carol Chalman has agreed to attend the awards ceremony on Saturday, May 14th to receive our award. Thank you, Carol, for all of your hard work to make our church gardens so pleasing to our eyes.



*No matter how  
many candles are on  
your cake - may all  
your wishes come  
true!*

### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Aimee Boone	2/8
Maria Linder	2/9
Felecia Boone	2/15
Zachary Seifert	2/15/04
Cassidy Luze	2/16/01
Henrietta Williams	2/17
Daniel Pederson	2/18
Angie Endo	2/19
Madalyn Youngbauer	2/25/08

### IN OUR PRAYERS

For members and friends of our congregation with celebrations, losses, or health needs, including:  
Judie Mattison; Jeri Schultz (with the passing of her mom); Nicole, Lisa, Bonnie, Cassidy, Doris, Annabelle, Doug, Jan, Alffield and Lynn.



## CHILDREN'S, YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTER

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It was during those two weeks that I learned the power of community, as well as my call to ministry starting to come alive. I found myself the next summer working in the city at a Day Camp that confirmed that God wanted me to explore that a little more. So, I did.

I spent the next four years studying theology and youth ministry at Roanoke College in Southwest Virginia. During my time there I had the opportunity to do a little bit of everything – working at the Virginia Synod, interning in Key West through a Lutheran Camp, as well as holding leadership positions in school publications and

Greek Life. All of this allowed me to see what came next, a calling to youth ministry, which came alive at First Lutheran Church in Fergus Falls. As I leave the community at First Lutheran to move to Minneapolis, it is hard to leave relationships that have been formed, but I am overjoyed to explore this call to ministry in the city that has always been part of my story.

I look forward to sharing with you the love of God, as well as my love for grilled cheese and Penn State Football. You will soon find out that growing up in Philadelphia, spending four years in the South and now living in Minnesota has caused for me

dialect. I love art, live music, snail mail and being surrounded by people. And I never pack my summer clothes away in hopes that I will need to take an emergency trip back to Key West.

I am overjoyed to be part of your community and work with you all to live out God's ministry in the world.

God's Peace,  
Sandy Troyan



## THANK YOU!

Dear friends,  
Greetings from our winter wonderland in the north! Your gift has arrived, and we so celebrate your generosity and timeliness. Thank you!

Luther Park is one of those special places that is a treasure all year long. Music can be heard at anytime of the year. At Christmas, our lodge is sprinkled with lights, the fireplace is crackling, someone's playing guitar, and someone's joining in to sing. The music continues.

Thank you, again, for your gift of \$45.00. Together we are passing on faith to the next generations.

In Christ's love,  
Joel D. Legred  
Executive Director

**Thank you, Carol Chalman, for sharing of your time and sewing talents to sew six children's activity bags for our children's corner!**

