

Crossroads

The newsletter of Calvary Lutheran Church



July 2016

Paradigm: **noun** a typical example or pattern of something

We are now entering the month of July at Calvary. This tends to be a month that is not our “typical pattern of being.” Activity tends to be a little quieter (for many) within the congregation. Worship services are a little simpler. Many try to squeeze in a bit of vacation or time away.

With this month, however, I appreciate that we are okay changing it up...of there not being a typical pattern.

In fact, we as a congregation are realizing that some things are in a state of change, and that’s okay. Within the next two months our staff will look differently. The congregation is reflecting on best ways to prepare for and carry out Sunday school and adult education this fall...perhaps making some changes.

We are opening ourselves to possibilities.

Yet, let’s be honest, whenever there is change it is easy to feel unsettled. There are questions. There are wonderings. Sometimes people even get frustrated and take to belly-aching. We need to strive to have open conversations and thinking.

That means that over the next month the congregation will be invited into learning more about new staff members as decisions are made. During the next two months there will be conversations about education and activities for the fall. There will also be conversations about possible congregational camp weekends and even intergenerational trips for next summer. Together we will continue work on stewardship and new ways to think about and support the on-going ministries at Calvary.

It will be important for all to listen, learn, and provide feedback.

In some ways we are typical...and have typical patterns...we are a paradigm of church. In so many other ways Calvary is about flexibility, change, and trying new ways of being church.

In these Sundays after Pentecost, often referred to as “Ordinary Time,” we open ourselves to the Spirit and living, being, and becoming anything but “ordinary.” We allow ourselves to live into a paradigm that is not of our own making, but the one to which God is calling us.

Blessings in this season of new life and dwelling in the patterns of the Holy!

Pr. Brad

A Special Note!

Within his newsletter article, Pastor Brad noted that July may be quieter for many...but not all!

One person who has been on his toes this summer is our church administrator, Kurt Posz. Kurt has been working to oversee boiler maintenance/updates, the air-conditioning systems, the new recycling bins, the glitches with the phone and intercom system, the proposals for other building projects...and so much more.

Please take a moment to thank Kurt for all he does! Summer continues to be an extremely busy time in our church office! We give thanks for Kurt (and feel free to wish him a happy belated birthday).

CALVARY’S NEW BANNERS

On Monday, June 27 the new banners for Calvary’s bell tower were installed. These updated banners proclaim that Calvary is in this city for good!



| JULY WORSHIP & MINISTRY LEADERS | | | | | |
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| Ministry | July 3 | July 10 | July 17 | July 24 | July 31 |
| Ass't Minister | - | - | Stefanie Fiser | Lisa Negstad | Joani Moberg |
| Lector | Karen Rudrud | Alli Zeigler | Julie Anderson | Beth Lewis | Josh Moberg |
| Sacristan | Ruth Pope | Sam Robson | Sam Robson | Anne Boone | Anne Boone |
| Sound Board | Gary Nelson | Sigrid Davidson | Dick Peik | Neeve McCarthy | Lydia Huff |
| Coffee Hour | Chris Robson Gary Mazzone | Joanne Shepherd Sarah Lahr Jeremy Shepherd | Steve & Jennifer McCarthy Shari Seifert & Melissa Brooks | Linda Mundt Sam Robson Barb Martinsen | Ruth Pope Isaac & Anne Wengerd |
| Counters | Michael Weber Jeri Schultz | Gary Nelson Ted Fabel | Mary Nelson Marilyn Holm | Pat Olson Danielle Hill | Joanne Shepherd Verna Lutes |
| Food Shelf | (July 9) Judith Glass Michael Weber | (July 16) Gary Nelson Jeri Schultz | (July 23) Marilyn Holm Gary Thorn | (July 30) Aust/lesher family Teri Schweizer | (Aug. 6) Carol Rue Pat Olson |

July Celebrations

Birthdays

7/3 - Declan Byng
7/4 - Jacob Paulsrud
7/5 - Sylvia Braaten
7/8 - James Hill
7/9 - Teri Schweizer
7/9 - Geoffrey Shepherd
7/10 - Jacqueline Browne
7/11 - Adam Mohr
7/13 - Daniel Frost
7/13 - Isabella Haugstad
7/14 - Anne Wengerd

7/15 - David Grundhoefer
7/16 - Nancy Wheeler
7/20 - Gary Mazzone
7/21 - Sigrid Davidson
7/21 - Tim Raducha-Grace
7/22 - Amy Kumm-Hanson
7/22 - Isaac Wengerd
7/25 - Kim Egan
7/25 - Rick Rouse
7/26 - Emma Haugstad
7/27 - Ella Endo
7/27 - Ted Fabel

7/28 - Ruth Pope
7/31 - Nathan Paulsrud

Anniversaries

7/5 - Kim & Sarah Zeigler
7/16 - Brian & Kristy Rolig
7/20 - Brad Froslee &
Bill O'Connor
7/22 - dorothy lesher & Brian Aust
7/25 - Tami & Chris Tripp

CALVARY SUMMER PICNIC

Wednesday, July 20, 6 p.m. Phelps Park

Our annual picnic is a potluck, bring your own eating utensils, chairs, blankets, outdoor games to play. Phelps Park is accessible and has a great playground. ALL ARE WELCOME!

Calvary will furnish lemonade.



MAINTAINING THE BUILDING

In June, the phone system voice mail unit stopped working and was removed, and is being repaired. It is an old piece of equipment and there has been a delay in getting replacement parts. The intercom at elevator door malfunctioned, causing all the phones to ring incessantly until it was removed. A replacement has been ordered. The air conditioning unit that serves the BeechWood offices stopped working. A proposal to repair it has been accepted by the Executive Committee. The bricklayer (for courtyard sign pillar construction) will hopefully start that work soon. Underground oil tank engineering firm provided bids to do test hole for samples of soil, and the Council is considering that proposal. The boiler was found to be leaking at the end of the heating season. A contractor has been hired to investigate, and the Council will review the proposal for repairs.

DID YOU REMEMBER?

When you travel and kick back in the summer your congregation keeps going on — working with camp kids and Vacation Church School helping people in need organizing and creating worship experiences keeping utilities on and paying staff.

In other words, it's important to continue our financial support of Calvary through the whole year. Bring or send your contributions through the mail so that Calvary can continue to be vibrant and loving all summer long!

Thanks!

ALL-CHURCH NIGHTS THIS SUMMER

Calvary will continue the monthly community meals that precede committee meetings during the summer months. **All are welcome to come and join in the meal** at 5:30 p.m., and the committees begin their meetings at 6:30 p.m.

Monday, July 18

Executive Committee at 5:00
Church Council at 6:30

Monday, August 8

Race Equity, Education, Property, Worship

Pastoral Care in July

While Pastor Brad is on vacation any pastoral emergencies will be covered by Pastor Brenda Froisland (Bethel Lutheran) or Pastor Jen Nagel (University Lutheran Church of Hope).

Pastor Brenda is on-call from July 1-July 4; July 7-14. She can be reached on her cell at 651.270.4960.

Pastor Jen is on-call on July 5-6. She can be reached on her cell at 612.227.9673.

If there are any additional concerns or questions, please feel free to call Kurt Posz in the church office.

Worship & Music Leadership:

July 3

Preaching & Presiding: the Rev. Justin Lind-Ayres
Music: Nancy Lee

July 10

Preaching & Presiding: the Rev. Judie Mattison
Music: Cheri Sykes

July 17

Preaching & Presiding: the Rev. Brad Froslee
Music: Jennifer McCarthy

JULY MISSION OF THE MONTH AUGUSTANA AUXILARY



CALVARY INTERGENERATIONAL BOOK CLUB

The Calvary Race & Equity Committee invites you to join us this summer in reading *The Watsons Go to Birmingham*.

You may choose to attend the book club either:

Sundays 9:00 -10:00 a.m. June 26, July 10, July 17 in the Narthex or

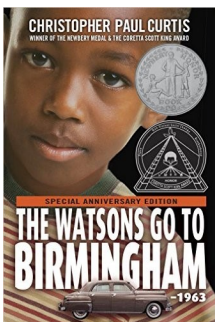
Thursdays 6:30-8:00 p.m. June 30, July 7, July 14 in the Lounge

* Session 1 was held on Sunday, June 26 and Thursday, June 30 (Chapters 1-5 were discussed)

* Session 2 Thurs, July 7 and Sun, July 10 Chapters 6-10

* Session 3 Thurs, July 14 and Sun, July 17 Chapters 11-15 (end)

Sign up on the Narthex bookshelf. Books are available for \$8 each.



"The Watsons Go to Birmingham" Movie Night

Bring a blanket or sleeping bag and come see the film version on Saturday, July 23 at 6:30pm. Popcorn and drinks will be provided!

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