

Crossroads

The newsletter of Calvary Lutheran Church



PASTOR ANITA - FAREWELL TO CALVARY

June 2015

May 28, 2015

Dear Members of Calvary Lutheran,

It's been my privilege and honor to serve as your interim Pastor for the month of May. Pastor Brad's sabbatical has been a gift to me, allowing me to get to know you and your vibrant ministry of welcome and service on the corner of 39th and Chicago winding out across at least four Minneapolis neighborhoods and beyond.

In a short time, I've experienced the joy of children and youth at Calvary, from their engagement in Sunday worship to leading teaching stations for us on the final day of Sunday School. It's a beautiful thing to be in the midst of the holy chaos of sharing the peace of Christ during worship services! It's a blessing to celebrate and serve Holy Communion as we gathered around the round altar table group after group. Visiting members has deepened my understanding and appreciation for Calvary.

Your leadership team, staff, and musicians put a shine on their ministry during my time with you. I am especially grateful for the work of Daniel Pederson, Kurt Posz, Laura Huff, and the Executive Committee. Your church night each month starting with a meal and devotion followed by a rotating set of committees month by month is a model to be shared elsewhere.

From your Urban Arts and Beechwood connections, to hosting choirs and theater groups, Calvary Lutheran Church is a place of grace and gospel at work in the world. You have much to be proud of and much yet to do to make sure everyone knows about the mission and ministry of Calvary.

On Pentecost Sunday, I charged you with telling your story of faith and sharing the story of why the community of Calvary matters to you. May you tell everyone you meet what God is doing among you and because of you.

May Pastor Brad Froslee's sabbatical leave bring him back to you with energy and new opportunities for service in ministry. May Pastors Laura Ingersol and Jerrett Hansen have a wonderful experience getting to know you, and you them. They are wise, experienced pastors and have much to teach. I trust you will greet them and encourage your summer Sabbatical interim pastors with your care, concern, prayers, and hospitality as you have for me. You'll do well together!

Look for me in the pews again sometime. I'll want to hear how things are going, and hang out at coffee hour with Calvary long and leisurely.

God bless you all!
Pastor Anita Hill

WELCOME PASTOR LAURA & PASTOR JERRETT

On Sunday, May 31, Pastor Laura Ingersol and Pastor Jerrett Hanson will be present for the worship service, and we will have the opportunity to pray with them as they begin their 2½ months with Calvary during the remainder of Pastor Brad's sabbatical leave.

WELCOME LUNCH – JUNE 7

A lunch of welcome for Pastors Laura Ingersol and Jerrett Hansen, our sabbatical clergy team, who will begin their time at Calvary in June. Pat Olson will prepare the meal and all people are invited following the morning service.

JUNE WORSHIP & MINISTRY LEADERS

Ministry	June 7	June 14	June 21	June 28
Ass't Minister	Emilie Bouvier	Danielle Hill	Linda Mundt	Lisa Negstad
Lector	Carol Rue	Josh Moberg	Carol Ulrich	Irv Elliott
Sacristan	Stacia Wick	Anne Boone	Anne Boone	Melissa Brooks
Sound Board	Eliot Aust	Neeve McCarthy	Gary Nelson	Dick Peik
Coffee Hour	Wick/Ebbesen Irv Elliott	Brian & Kristy Rolig	Aust/Ilesher Schultz/Nelson	Felecia Boone Sam Robson
Food Shelf	Judith Glass Michael Weber	Gary Nelson Jeri Schultz Josh Kestner	Marilyn Holm Gary Thorn	Carol Rue Pat Olson
Counters	Joanne Shepherd Verna Lutes	Michael Weber Jeri Schultz	Gary Nelson Ted Fabel	Mary Nelson Marilyn Holm

June Celebrations

Birthdays

6/2 - Daniel Huff
6/3 - Jim Seller
6/3 - Joel Westby
6/6 - Eric Ebbesen
6/6 - Damon Van Duzen
6/7 - Marilyn Holm
6/9 - James Seifert
6/9 - Tom Witt

6/13 - Paris Shepherd
6/16 - Eunice Jernell
6/17 - Joyce Thompson
6/17 - Michael Weber
6/20 - Julie Anderson
6/23 - James Neubauer
6/25 - Robert Bowers
6/28 - Steve McCarthy
6/30 - Jonathan Holtmeier

Anniversaries

6/16 - Eric Ebbesen & Stacia Wick
6/19 - Carolyn & Matthew Youngbauer
6/21 - Angie & Scott Endo
6/23 - Don & Karen Rudrud
6/28 - Jessy & Ted Fabel



COMING IN JULY:

Annual Calvary Summer Picnic Wednesday, July 15, 6 pm Phelps Park

Come and learn the game of Rugby with Stacey Bridges! 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. If it doesn't snow, kids can play in the pool!

Calvary will furnish lemonade.



MISSION OF THE MONTH FOR JUNE: LUTHER PARK

Use your pre-printed green envelope for June to contribute to Luther Park in Danbury, Wisconsin. If you don't have a green envelope, simply note in the memo of the check, "June Mission of the Month."



THE SPIRIT OF GENEROSITY

In a recent June article in The Lutheran magazine, Peter Marty highlights the idea that our generosity has less to do with means and more to do with our spirit. It reminds us of the woman who gave her last few coins to benefit others. The amount was secondary to her generous spirit. Marty puts it this way: "Any of us is capable of carrying out a kind or charitable deed. All it takes is a soft moment, brought on by a compelling grab at our emotions, and our hands and wallets open wide. But a person who enjoys little spasms of generosity is not the same as one who is generous to the bone."

Marty speaks of generosity as pouring out love unconsciously. How much we possess and give (money, abilities, energy) is secondary to our *desire* to be generous. He calls to memory those prisoners of concentration camps who walked among the people in barracks, comforting them and giving away their last piece of bread.

He concludes with the observation that "truly grateful people tend to be generous people. And generous people tend to be really happy people." His experience is that he's never met a truly generous soul who is a grump. "We don't want to confuse bursts of charity with bone-deep generosity." Generosity flows from our appreciation of all that God has given us in life and the *desire* to share it with others.

LET'S GO TO THE THEATRE!

The Calvary Theatrical Production Team invites you to join us at the Guthrie Theatre production of *The Music Man*, a fun musical suitable for the whole family! We are getting group tickets for Sunday, July 19th at 1pm and ticket prices are \$52 for Adults and \$33 for Students & Seniors. (The theatre recommends ages 8 and up and no one under 5.)

If you want to join us for this fun outing, please contact Michael Luedtke. Tickets need to be reserved and paid for by June 7th, so don't hesitate! Join us for a fun afternoon at the theatre!

Contact info: Michael Luedtke – email
mluedtke123@yahoo.com

or michael.luedtke@sightpathmedical.com

or phone (651-621-4177, please leave a message)

The Calvary Theatrical Production Team!



Thank You!

The Calvary Property Committee would like to thank the members of Calvary for the FANTASTIC support that was shown on May 16 for the annual clean-up day. There were 28 people who came that day to help with washing, dusting, organizing, scrubbing, sealing the wooden exterior doors, sorting, and enjoying themselves during the process! Many hands do make for light work, and your efforts are very much appreciated.

The Calvary Property Committee



Narthex Lights Shining Brightly



Linseed Oil Applied to Doors



Beauty Restored to Old Wood



Fingerprint-Free Woodwork

WOMEN'S RETREAT Pre-registration

Saturday, September 12 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Fireside Room at the Landscape Arboretum

The Hourglass of Change

Ruth Bachman will be our keynote speaker and will discuss her experiences of the impact of change in our lives, the coping strategies that we can use as we go through change and understanding what it is like to be in the narrow neck of the hourglass and then moving into the next stage of our lives.

This retreat is for ALL ages. We are continually dealing with change. Sometimes the change is big and dramatic as in Ruth's cancer. Sometimes it is the change of going from having a toddler to a first grader. Or leaving a failed relationship. Entering a new relationship. Changing jobs. Retiring. Moving. Going back to college.

The charge for the retreat will be approximately \$25 which includes Ruth's book *Growing Through the Narrow Spots*, entrance to the Arboretum, and coffee break treats. Lunch--bring your own or eat in the cafeteria.

In addition to Ruth Bachman's presentation, the day will include a Bible Study, a brief meditative exercise, time for sharing, time for individual reflection, and a great time of being together!

In order to do some planning for this, we would like to know if you plan to attend.

- Yes, definitely
 Yes, and I plan to bring at least one other person
 Probably, but not certain at this time

Name _____

It would be very helpful, if you could respond to Judi Linder linde002@umn.edu with your response. Thank you!

ENGLISH & MATH TUTORS NEEDED

The English Learning Center, a part of Our Saviours Community Services, is a community of refugee and immigrants adult learners, located in the Phillips neighborhood. We are looking for volunteer English and Math teachers for our summer semester which starts May 18th. We have a need for Morning English Teachers Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:30-11:45. We also have a need for Evening Math Teachers Monday-Thursday from 5:30-6:30. You can choose to teach one or more day a week. No prior teaching experience is needed--this is a great way to connect with your community! Contact Michelle at: volunteer@englishlc.org or [612-874-9963 ext 3](tel:612-874-9963) for more information. Our website is <http://oscs-mn.org/englishlearningcenter/>.



OUR SAVIOUR'S HOUSING: BUILDING HOME

Join us on Sunday, June 14. We are hosting a Block Party to benefit the homeless. Tour our newly-refurbished emergency shelter. Enjoy a backyard cook-out at \$5 a plate. Featuring a live concert with folk-blues musician Charlie Parr. Celebrate summer, meet your neighbors, and learn more about your local homeless shelter. No tickets - no RSVP needed. Come and go, activities will happen between 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Learn more at www.oscs-mn.org/building_home

South Minneapolis Day Camp 2015

Caught up in Creation

June 22-26

We'll be:

romping around in Genesis,
getting our hands dirty
gardening,
learning about solar panels,
composting, making art, and
more!

- **What:** A progressive ecumenical summer day camp experience in South Minneapolis offering faith formation in a fun, safe, Christ-centered and relational setting.
- **When:** June 22-26, 9am-4pm
- **Where:** Bethel Lutheran Church, [4120 17th Ave. S, Minneapolis 55407](http://www.bethel.lutheran.org)
- **Who:** 4 year-olds to 6th graders...and volunteers
- **To Register:** [http://oursavioursmpls.org/uploads/pdf/CYF/Day Camp Registration 2015.pdf](http://oursavioursmpls.org/uploads/pdf/CYF/Day_Camp_Registration_2015.pdf) Or, pick up a copy at church.



Sponsoring Congregations: Our Saviour's Lutheran, Bethel Lutheran, Calvary Lutheran, First Christian (Disciples of Christ), First Congregational UCC, Zion Lutheran, Salem Lutheran, St. John's Lutheran, Augustana Lutheran, Lyndale UCC, Lake of the Isles Lutheran, Living Table UCC, St. James on the Parkway (Episcopal), Lake Nokomis Presbyterian

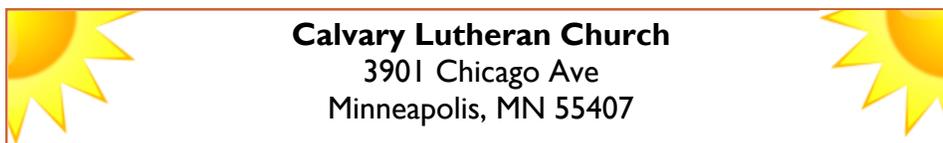
For more information: Contact the Day Camp director [Martha Schwehn Bardwell](mailto:martha@oursavioursmpls.org) (612-871-2967 option 4).

Volunteers are also needed!

Help with logistics, lead an activity, share a special skill or talent, or just provide a supportive presence. Sign up for a few hours or every day. Training will be provided. Please contact Martha (612-871-2967 option 4) with questions and suggestions about how you can be involved.

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daniel.pederson@me.com

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office@clchurch.org

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Henrietta Williams

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