

Calvary's Crossroads

From the Pastor's Desk...

At the September church council meeting, Sam Robson reflected on the meeting and on life at Calvary and said something to this effect, "I really feel like we are getting a glimpse of why Calvary is here on this corner doing ministry. We are on the edge of something new that is just starting to happen."

After the experiences of this past month, I whole-heartedly agree.

If it were about numbers, we can say we have consistently had right around 100 people in worship, 30 children in Sunday school, and around 20 people each week in adult education.

If it were about money, we can show that even after the "quieter" summer months, we are ahead on pledges for the first quarter of our fiscal year (June-September).

If it were about volunteer hours, we see the work of an incredible number of volunteers who have been tending the gardens, pruning trees, preparing for children's Sunday school, counting offering, setting up for worship, decorating the sanctuary, participating in Crossroads and Social Justice programs and events.

Yet, above and beyond the numbers, the offering, the volunteering, I believe that we are living into an incredible promise. God's Spirit is moving in this place, and engaging us in places of ministry. We are getting a glimpse of God's unfolding plan for us today.

The reality is that this sense of promise is intriguing, wonderful, and filled with power. It is also daunting, challenging, and at times a little uncomfortable.

Some people worry that they don't know all of the new members' or visitors' names. I want you to know...that's okay. Take a moment to say hello and share your name. If you've met before, let them know you're sorry for not having a better memory, but you would like to be reminded of their name. It's likely they are trying to put 200 names of people together with faces!

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Some people worry about the energy and time commitment of Sunday school and nursery; we are working with parents and other interested adults to make sure that we have additional adult volunteers. If we ask you to help out once a month, don't be offended. Just know that we are trying to care for a growing Sunday school... and that where there used to be 2-4 kids in a class we are now growing into having 8-13 kids in a class. Exciting, but new!

Some people worry about not getting to know others or having time together—with old friends or new friends. Perhaps some folks might be interested in creating small groups or "dinners for 6 (or 8)." This is an opportunity to learn and grow together. Also, feel free to invite others to participate in the things you enjoy—worship committee, the fair trade sale, the rummage sale, cookie and lefse baking. It may not always be the right cup of tea for others, but is a great opportunity to get to know each other and experience something new.

There are many incredible events and opportunities ahead this year...and there is certainly a great deal of promise. Join me in welcoming this unfolding promise and gift of ministry—in whatever ways you are able.

Together we live into what God is doing at Calvary.

Amen! Amen!
Pastor Brad

Blessing of the Animals **Saturday, October 2, 1:00 p.m.**



All are invited to bring dogs, cats, feathered friends, crawling friends, creeping friends, or favorite stuffed animals to Calvary's Blessing of the Animals this Saturday, October 2, at 1:00 PM. We will gather in the courtyard area (weather permitting -- otherwise we will gather in the gym). There will be a rite of blessing and thanksgiving for all of God's creatures, as well as pet treats.

Invite your friends and neighbors! This always proves to be a time of fun, excitement, and a little bit of holy chaos!! *Please make sure all animals are on leashes or in suitable cages or containers.*

Boomer Expo

Are you a "Baby Boomer?" Were you born between 1946 & 1964? If so, you won't want to miss an **informative expo** being held at **Calvary Lutheran Church** **this Saturday, October 2nd between 10:00 a.m. and 1:00p.m.**

A group of area professionals have joined together to offer information geared toward people in the boomer years. They will have booths and featured speakers who will discuss relevant topics. Examples of some of the professionals that will be on hand are a family and elder law attorney, a financial advisor, a realtor, a personal trainer, a funeral pre-planner, travel planners, and many more!

Refreshments and entertainment round out the day, so please mark your calendar and tell your friends.

We look forward to seeing you at "The Boomer Stage-Now What?" For questions-- contact Marilyn Farinella at 612-644-0451.

10,000 Voice for One Minnesota

In one story about Minnesota, our state is home to "the Good Life," to "the Minnesota Miracle" that funded our schools well, and to the town where "all the women are strong, the men are good looking, and the children are above average."

This is a comforting story of our past--and an idealized one that never included Minnesotans of color. Our future looks very different. The state is rapidly becoming more diverse, and we face unprecedented economic challenges.

Beginning in October, ISIAH's 10,000 Voices for One Minnesota campaign will bring us together to create a new story about a Minnesota in which everyone succeeds. 2,000 people of faith will host 1,000 house meetings to listen to 10,000 people share their stories, share their faith, and shape the future.

Calvary will be hosting a gathering in the coming month. Please stay tuned to the bulletin & emails for further information on joining together for one Minnesota.

Happy Birthday



Joanne Shepherd	10/2	Verna Lutes	10/18
Omar Whittaker	10/3/06	Alex Peik	10/18/02
Steve Glass	10/5	Lydia Huff	10/19/04
Maurine Olson	10/7	Lisa Luedtke	10/20
Christian Moberg	10/17/03	Samuel Tripp	10/24/06


Happy Anniversary



Anders Davidson & Teri Schweizer
October 5th
Elaine & Justin Peik
October 14th

Worship Leaders

Date	Deacon	Acolyte/ Communion Assistant	Lector	Usher	Sacristan	Sound Board	Coffee Hour	Nursery
Oct. 3	Ramona Starks	Judi Linder Brian Aust	Karen Rudrud	Isaac Wengerd Pam Tilseth	Sam Robson	Mary Nelson	Pat Olson Robson family	Kim Zeigler Robbi Bergan
Oct. 10	Loren Woodman	Jeri Schultz Kendra McCarthy	Elisa Holm	Zeigler Family	Sam Robson	Aaron Gebauer	Ebbesen-Wick family Nicole Falk	Anders Davidson Sarah Lahr
Oct. 17	Chris Robson	Loren Woodman Damon Van Duzen	Isaac Wengerd	Beth Lewis Darold Luze	Steve McCarthy	Karen Nelson	Rudrud family McCarthy family	Aaron Gebauer Jen McCarthy
Oct. 24	Nancy Lee Nelson	Eric Paulsrud Joanne Shepherd	Carol Rue	Anne Boone Alex Jackson	Steve McCarthy	George Robson	Loren Woodman Damon Van Duzen Huff family	Josh Moberg Teri Schweizer
Oct. 31	Danielle Hill	Josh Moberg Sarah Zeigler	Aaron Gebauer	Gary Mazzone Ramona Starks	Felecia Boone	Gary Nelson	Moberg Family Hertzler-Gebauer family	Steve McCarthy Sarah Zeigler

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						
					1	2
					9 - 4 UAA Pre-School	9 - noon Food Shelf 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Boomer Expo 1:00 p.m. Blessing of the Animals
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10:15 a.m. Worship 3 p.m. Bagpipers	9 - 4 UAA Pre-School 2 - 6 p.m. UAA School-Age 6:30 p.m. Crossroads Board Meeting	9 - 4 UAA Pre-School 10 a.m. Miriam Circle 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Parenting Oasis 2 - 6 p.m. UAA School-Age 6:30 p.m. Social Justice Committee	8 a.m. Beechwood 9 - 4 UAA Pre-School 2 - 6 p.m. UAA School-Age 6:00 p.m. Encore! rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Calvary Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Twin Cities Women's Choir Rehearsal	9 - 4 UAA Pre-School 2 - 6 p.m. UAA School-Age 7-9 p.m. Bagpipers	9 - 4 UAA Pre-School 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Friday Workers	9:00 - noon Food Shelf 10:00 - noon Masons
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
9:00 a.m. Education Classes 10:15 a.m. Worship - Children's Sabbath Noon - 1:30 p.m. S.S. Teacher Training & potluck 3 p.m. Bagpipers	9 - 4 UAA Pre-School 2 - 6 p.m. UAA School-Age 6:30 p.m. Executive Committee 6:30 p.m. Kenwood Symphony Orchestra Rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Education Committee 6:30 p.m. Executive Committee	9 - 4 UAA Pre-School 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Parenting Oasis 2 - 6 p.m. UAA School-Age 6:30 p.m. Worship & Spiritual Care Committee	8 - 10 a.m. Beechwood, Inc. 9 - 4 UAA Pre-School 2 - 6 p.m. UAA School-Age 6:00 p.m. Encore! rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Calvary Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Twin Cities Women's Choir Rehearsal	9 - 4 UAA Pre-School 2 - 6 p.m. UAA School-Age 7-9 p.m. Bagpipers	9 - 4 UAA Pre-School	8:00-noon Food Shelf 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Rummage Sale Drop-off 6 - 8 p.m. Evening Out for Haiti at McCarthy's home
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
9 a.m. Education Classes 10:15 a.m. Worship Noon - 4 p.m. Rummage Sale Drop off 3 p.m. Bagpipers	9 - 4 UAA Pre-School 2 - 6 p.m. UAA School-Age 6:30 p.m. Mission Support Committee	9 - 4 UAA Pre-School 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Parenting Oasis 2 - 6 p.m. UAA School-Age 6:30 p.m. Property Committee	9 - 4 UAA Pre-School 2 - 6 p.m. UAA School-Age 6:00 p.m. Encore! rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Calvary Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Twin Cities Women's Choir Rehearsal	9 - 4 UAA Pre-School 2 - 6 p.m. UAA School-Age 6:00 p.m. Encore! rehearsal 6:30 p.m. Calvary Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Twin Cities Women's Choir Rehearsal	9 - 4 UAA Pre-School 9 - 5 Rummage Sale	9:00-noon Food Shelf 9 - 4 Rummage Sale
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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IN OUR PRAYERS

For friends of our congregation with health needs, including:

Jacqueline, Marietta, Ramona, Judith, Jeremy, Chad; Hadiyah, Annabelle, Doug, Edie, Henry, Jan, Kelly, Alfhiel, Doris and Lynn.

Donations Needed for Urban Arts Academy

Cleaning out your closets? Urban Arts Academy would love donations of the following items. Please contact Sarah Brown by phone 612-827-1641 or email Sarah at sbrown@urbanartsacademy.org with any questions.

Wooden building blocks
Building tools
Legos
Duplos
Easels
Drawing Boards
Dominoes
Baby & toddler toys with moving parts
Action figures
Dolls
Vehicles
Science Kits
Water toys
Sand toys
Remote-controlled toys
Magnets
Musical instruments
Balls
Bike helmets
Kids' used bikes in good condition

The Practice of Word & World

You are encouraged to read and ponder the Scripture readings for Worship

October 3rd

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4
Psalm 37:1-9
II Tim. 1:1-14
Luke 17:5-10

October 10th

II Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c
Psalm 111
II Tim. 2:8-15
Luke 17:11-19

October 17th

Genesis 32:22-31
Psalm 121
II Tim. 3:14-4:5
Luke 18:1-8

October 24th

Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22
Psalm 84:1-7
II Tim. 4:6-8, 16-18
Luke 18:9-14

October 31st

Jeremiah 31:31-34
Psalm 46
Romans 3:19-28
John 8:31-36

Thank you

Dear friends,

Your gift has arrived! As we enjoy another beautiful fall retreat season, we give thanks for you and for your desire to share of what God has given you.

Every year we hear the huge difference Luther Park has made in the lives of campers, former staff, and parents. The faith stories from here and around the world remind us of the privilege we have to serve in Bible camping ministry. Remember you serve alongside us through your generous giving.

Thank you for your Mission-of-the-Month gift of \$185.00. It has and will make a difference and be a blessing. Who knows how far the blessing will go and how many children and families it will touch. God bless you.

In Christ's love,

Joel Legred

Executive Director

Luther Park Camping & Retreat Center

Rummage Sale Coming! We need your help!

Why do we have the Rummage Sale?

- Mission outreach to the community
- Promote responsible stewardship of our possessions
- Fund raiser for Crossroads Community Organization
- Bring people into our church
- Promotes fellowship among the Calvary members who volunteer and those who come to buy!

When is the Sale?

Friday, October 22nd and Saturday, October 23rd

When can I bring donations?

Saturday, October 16th from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 pm

Sunday, October 17th from noon - 4:00 p.m.

When can I help with set up and pricing?

Monday-Wednesday, October 18 - 20 from 9:00 a.m.- 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 21st from 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.



Is there a Pre-sale for Volunteers?

Yes! Thursday, October 21st from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
(for those who work 4 hours or more)

What can I do to support the Rummage Sale?

- ___ bring gently used items for the sale
- ___ help with pick-ups of large items on Saturday, October 16th or Sunday, October 17th
- ___ bring food for the bake sale on Friday, October 22nd and Saturday, October 23rd
- ___ post a sign in your yard
- ___ volunteer to work at the sale
- ___ request gently used items from friends/co-workers/neighbors
- ___ put up signs at your place of work or send an e-mail to friends co-workers/neighbors inviting them to come

We enjoy great camaraderie with our Calvary community as we work together at the Rummage Sale. Our neighbors greatly appreciate being able to purchase our gently used items at low prices!

We are grateful to Thriven Financial for Lutherans for their financial support of our neighborhood programs through this event!

Upcoming Events

November 1, Monday, Worship at Bethany Lutheran 7:00 p.m. to celebrate the renewed sense of hope for the future of Bethany.

November 7, Sunday, Bishop Johnson will be with us at our 10:15 a.m. worship service to sign Pr. Brad's letter of call.

Needed: Homemade Bread

During the months of September, October and November, we would like to use homemade bread for communion. There



is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. You may call Judith Anderson at 612-871-9082 or email her at:

Children & Adult Education Classes

**9:00 a.m.
Sunday mornings**

Children meet upstairs in the Education wing

Adults meet in the Narthex, (entrance at the corner of 39th & Chicago)

All are welcome!