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# CALVARY CROSSINGS

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**Mission Statement:** Gathered to worship, transformed by Christ, sent out to serve.  
**Vision Statement:** The vision of Calvary Lutheran is to be a beacon for Christ in our community.



**ALTERNATIVE WORSHIP LAUNCHES IN HOUSE JUNE 7**

Our Hope, Healing & Renewal year launches its pinnacle ministry by the beginning of an alternative worship opportunity that meets every Tuesday night. **You are invited to join us at 6:30 PM in the lounge for a half hour worship experience with fellowship & training immediately following worship.**

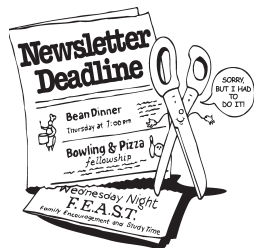
Here is what you can expect: Renewal, Honesty, Openness, Kindness & Sharing. Naming our challenges; Claiming our identity as God's people; and Healing. Worship topics will deal with real life challenges like: financial, divorce or separation, drugs/alcohol, worry, fear, disillusionment and more

Here is what we still need:

- Prayers!
  - Donations of coffee, snacks, mugs
  - Financial support
  - A name! We have a few options for a name for this ministry — REC Night (Renewal for Each Challenge) or R & R (Recreated and Renewed). Come and help us decide!
  - People to serve on the:
    - ✓ PRAYER team     ✓ HOSPITALITY team
    - ✓ SMALL GROUP FACILITATOR team
    - ✓ MUSIC team
    - ✓ WORSHIP LEADERSHIP team.
- (Descriptions of each of these teams and time commitments are available.)

***Come and help Calvary fine tune this supplemental worship experience to celebrate hope, healing and renewal!***

**A council report is available on the website and in the church library.**



**July Newsletter deadline:**  
**8AM June 22 - firm.**  
Please e-mail  
**copy-ready items to**  
**nancy@calvarybemidji.org**

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# Worship

## SUMMER OUTDOOR WORSHIP



### Summer Outdoor Worship home & Invitation **YOU ARE INVITED!**

Outdoor worship begins on our back parking lot on Wednesday, June 8! Our theme this year is **Abundant, True, Faithful – Going Deeper Still**. This year we will be digging into both Scripture and our own lives sharing how God has been abundant, true and faithful. Communion will be offered following the Sundays we celebrate communion and 8th grade disciples will be sharing their faith as the message on select Wednesday nights. If you are interested in reading, hosting, helping with the summer meal or helping in the nursery, please contact Sam.

## SPECIAL GUEST JUNE 19

Local organist, Ken Wold, will lead traditional music for worship on Sunday, June 19 at both services as we celebrate Holy Trinity Sunday.



## SPECIAL OUTDOOR TAIZE SERVICE



**Special Outdoor Taize Service!** Join us on Sunday, June 19, at 7 p.m. in the Calvary grove (across Calvary's open field, east of our building) for a time of Scripture, song, prayer, and silence. We will celebrate the season of Pentecost and enjoy the beauty of the earth.

If you'd like to be involved as a reader or musician, please contact Pr. Andrew. The rain site will be the church sanctuary.

## SERMONS NOW ONLINE!

### NEW to our website!

Sermons are now online. Visit our website: [www.calvarybe-midji.org](http://www.calvarybe-midji.org) to listen to previous sermons. While you're there; check the worship volunteer schedule to see when you serve next, sign-up for Simply Giving, read the latest Council minutes, find info on upcoming bible studies, or send a prayer request.

## SWEPT UP IN GOD'S MISSION

As school winds down and summer ramps up, my thoughts turn to mission trips. And this year, we have three mission trips on the calendar — a trip to Duluth for the middle school, a trip to Heart Butte, MT for those in high school, and an intergenerational trip to Minneapolis.

I am often asked, **“What is a mission trip like?”** And my answer is probably disappointing. Because I always say, “I can't really tell you. Mission trips are really something you need to experience. But if there is one thing I can say about mission trips, even expect on mission trips, it would be to expect the unexpected.

I know amazing, **life changing** things will happen on this trip, I just really don't know what.”

There are a few things I tell the students and leaders attending these trips. The first is that you are not here by accident. You may have felt cajoled, conned, threatened, etc., to be on this trip, but I really believe you were “called” to be on this trip. For I believe that God is calling you to see something, experience something, be a part of something bigger. God is looking to change your reality. Your being here is not an accident.

The next thing I tell people is that we are not going on this trip hoping “God will show up” in the place we are serving.

**I believe that God is already there** – working, loving, and serving the people of these communities, and He is waiting for us to join Him. My prayer is that we are smart enough, wise enough, humble enough to see God at work and to allow ourselves to be used by God and allow God to be in control, so that we can take the fullness of this trip in.

At the end of our trip, a trip in which we have served, prayed, worshiped, laughed, cried, taught and learned from each other, I ask my students how can this experience become your everyday life. There is nothing we did in this place that we can not do back home. So what if we lived each day being swept up by God, expecting God to be in this place, allowing ourselves to be used by God and praying that we are humble enough to join God in His work here? What if every day was lived like a mission trip?

~ Hans Vigesaa

## THE CALLING OF HANS VIGESAA, AIM



### SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL CALL MEETING, JUNE 19

The congregation is requested to attend a special meeting at 9:45 a.m. on Sunday, June 19, in the sanctuary to vote to call Hans Vigesaa, our Director of Youth and Family Ministries, as a rostered Associate in Ministry (AIM) through the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). This will not mean a big change in what Hans does – he'll still be carrying out his impor-

tant ministry with our youth – but it does mean that he'll be on an official church roster of leaders and that he'll be more connected to the Lutheran church in northwestern Minnesota and beyond. It also recognizes the discernment, approval, and call process that he's gone through with our regional church body. At the meeting, the church council, which served as call committee, will recommend that the congregation call him in this new capacity.

## SYNOD ASSEMBLY 2011 HIGHLIGHTS



**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**  
God's work. Our hands.

2011 Synod Assembly was a great time of worship, fellowship, learning and connecting. Our theme was Awe-Filled Worship: Doing Acts 2. Worship was our focus! Bishop Mark Hanson both presented and preached. He was very articulate in the future of our church. The night before our assembly began, he also offered a town hall meeting with many in attendance. It was informative and helpful. Susan Briebl, who works with Valparaiso University on Education and Formation of People in Faith, also presented and inspired us with great worship leadership.

Some highlights:

1. Calvary led two small group breakout sessions on Milestone Ministry. Joan did an excellent job representing Calvary and the ministry we offer.
2. Passed Resolutions: #1 (support for Lutheran Campus Ministry 1% of the congregation's annual budget); #2 (celebrating 400 years of the King James Bible Translation on Sunday, July 10, 2011); #5 (directions for mission); #8 (congregations seek out and support mission partners –both in prayer and financial support); #9 (preventative bullying programs and education). Resolutions that did not pass: #3 (memorializing the Churchwide Assembly to reconsider the statement of human sexuality); #4 (certain Church-wide Assembly actions would need to be ratified by each congregation); #6 (that the ELCA stop developing social statements); #7 (memorialize the ELCA church council to initiate a process to review the teaching and preaching doctrine within the ELCA).
3. The Compensation Guidelines as presented & the 2012 fiscal budget was passed with one change: Adding \$1,500 back to the Native American Ecumenical Ministry (which supports The Recovery Church that we visited in Fargo) by reducing Region 3 Camping Network to \$0 and reducing Luther Seminary by \$250.00.
4. Elections were held – all uncontested except one for the Synod Vice President. It was determined by a very close margin. Allen Westby will be the new VP.
5. Next year we will gather on Friday & Saturday, May 11 & 12, 2012 in Moorhead – the following year will be a three day assembly as we elect a bishop for our Synod.

## JUNE MISSION PARTNER

Calvary Lutheran Church will continue to take an extra offering on second Sundays of the month (this month, June 12), but you are encouraged to give all throughout the month to our partners. We are asking that ALL checks are made out to Calvary Lutheran and in the memo line write our mission partner for the month. This will help with better recording keeping. In June, Pathways Lutheran Outdoor Ministries is our ministry partner.

### ABOUT PATHWAYS LUTHERAN OUTDOOR MINISTRIES

*Pathways is a Bible Camp Corporation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). It provides faith building opportunities through youth summer camping programs, and year-round youth, adult, and family retreats. Pathways serves over 150 churches throughout Northwest Minnesota at three distinct and beautiful sites in Baudette, Cass Lake, and Menasha. (Adapted from Pathways website.)*

*Calvary has a long and fruitful history of supporting and participating in the life of Pathways. We send kids to camp, use the facilities for retreat events, use their challenge course, and partner with them in Northwestern Minnesota ministry activities. What a wonderful way to equip our current and future church and to be awed by God's creation!*



## JUNE SERVICE GROUP

**Please Note:** You are assigned to serve on a monthly Service Group to help with Calvary Alive, funerals, weddings and other needs as they arise. Thank you for your partnership in this ministry!

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Denise Conner.....	218/333-3960
Pat & Wendy Dolezal.....	218/759-0538
Ed & Char Espe.....	218/751-3776
Jacob Foss.....	218/224-3601
Chad & Ann Frenzel.....	218/444-4928
Stephanie Hanks.....	218/766-1894
Darryl & Deb Holman.....	218/333-0909
Bonnie Jevning.....	218/751-3118
Teresa Kuleta.....	218/333-0492
Mark & Cindy Lewer.....	218/224-3866
Jeanette Lukowski.....	218/333-8829
Florence Lundmark.....	218/751-5605
Kent & Sheri Minske.....	218/444-7926
Terry Nielsen.....	218/444-8885
Susan Olson Goins.....	218/444-8238
Doug & Sandi Oman.....	218/586-2957
Lanette & Gordie Pierce Jr.....	218/444-7154
Julie Reiplinger.....	218/759-0178
Thomas & Brenda Sand.....	218/333-0677
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Arlyce Sipe.....	218/444-8836
Roger & Alyssa Stenson.....	218/586-2824
Shawn Swenson.....	218/785-2909
Bruce & Janet Tiegen.....	218/333-8501
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Rick Turn.....	218/751-2192
Lowell Vagle.....	218/751-3118
Dallas & Joyce Way.....	218/751-8384

## FREE DQ

### Attention Newsletter Readers!

The first 20 people to reply to this ad by email or a phone call to the office saying, "I read the newsletter!" will receive a free DQ treat! We want to know how effective our newsletter is for communicating with the congregation. We will be keeping track of the time it takes for 20 readers to reply to this ad. If you're reading this - call or email now! Email: calvary@paulbunyan.net, phone: 218-751-1893 ext. 103 or speak with Casey.



## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

### HOST FAMILIES NEEDED FOR THE LAND OF LAKES CHOIRBOYS COMING TO CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH!

The Land of Lakes Choirboys is one of the preeminent boys choirs in the Midwest and we will have the pleasure of hearing them at Calvary Lutheran on June 11, but we need your help to make it possible. We are in need of families to host the boys on the night of June 11. The boys' ages are from eight to thirteen, and they stay in groups of two. If you would be interested in hosting these boys please call the church office and ask for Sam.



### SHARE OUR ABUNDANCE

The Calvary Lutheran Green Committee needs your help. The Green Committee will be sowing seeds to help share our bounty with the community. The Green Committee is in need of tomato cages and a watering can. On May 22 after the second service, we planted warm weather crops in the Calvary garden. Anyone interested in joining the cycle of Calvary's garden or donating may contact Hal Sanders at 218-766-1020.

### WE NEED PHOTOS

It's that time again when Calvary Lutheran is going to begin working on our next picture directory. If you attend any events at Calvary (coffee fellowship, adult education, Sunday school, etc.) please take pictures and give them to the office. We have a camera you can check out to take photos. Stop in the office to check it out or just to ask questions. Thanks!



## CANCER SURVIVORS



You are invited! Join other cancer survivors and bring along your primary caregiver on Tuesday, June 7 from 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM at Calvary Lutheran Church. It's a birthday celebration! Birthday cake and hors d'oeuvres will be served. There will also be door prizes and Relay for Life T-shirts!

## ADULT MINISTRIES

### ADULT EDUCATION:

#### BIBLICAL STEWARDSHIP: OUR DUTY AND DELIGHT

What does it mean to give to God? How does God call and empower us to use our lives and money? Learn from video presentations from Mark Allen Powell, Lutheran pastor and professor. Calvary adults enjoyed and learned a great deal last fall from another Powell series. In this series, we'll explore what it means to give God our whole selves.

6 weeks, offered:

- ▶ Sunday mornings, 9:45 – 10:30, in Youth Room, through June 12

#### Ongoing opportunities

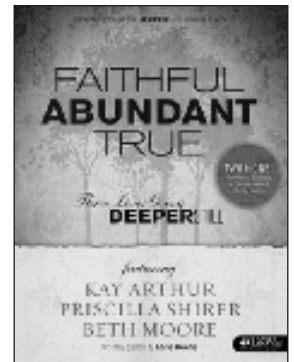
- ▶ Men's Bible study, Weds, 6:30-8 a.m., Southside Restaurant
- ▶ Women's Circles, various times and locations

**Contact Pr. Andrew or the church office with feedback and/or questions.**

### WOMEN'S SUMMER BIBLE STUDY "FAITHFUL ABUNDANT & TRUE"

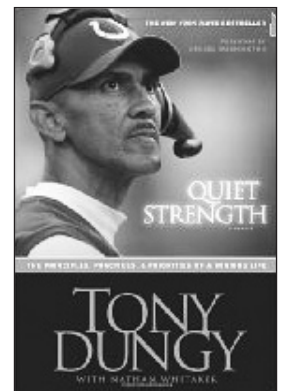
- ▶ Wednesdays
- ▶ June 15 - July 13, July 20-27 optional

Join us for one week of orientation, followed by two weeks each of Priscilla Shirer, Beth Moore, and Kay Arthur. This study includes video sessions, teaching through Scripture study, and personal application. It is made to fit a busy schedule; this brief format will take most women 15 to 30 minutes daily. Study guides can be ordered in the office beginning May 1 for a cost of \$13.00. If you would like your guide for the first session, please place your order prior to June 2. Join us for fellowship during supper and worship with Bible study beginning immediately after worship. Nursery will be provided.



### MEN'S SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

All men - high school age and above - are invited to be part of a six-week Wednesday evening men's Bible study using a book by NFL coach Tony Dungy called Quiet Strength. We'll look at six big questions: What's my game plan? What's my strength? What's success? Where's my security? What is my significance? What's my legacy? The group will meet after worship on Wednesday evenings, from 7:15 - 8:30 in Room 7, from June 15 through July 15. Suggested donation for the book is \$10. Register with Pr. Andrew and send questions to him.



**THE HORIZON CONNECTION**, a non-profit support group focused solely on helping grieving individuals after the loss of a loved one, will meet at 5:30 PM the third Thursday of each month. The next meeting will be Thurs, June 16 at Lueken's North meeting room. For questions, contact coordinator Bonnie Jevning at 751-3118 or e-mail to: [jevndq@paulbunyan.net](mailto:jevndq@paulbunyan.net).

## ADULT MINISTRIES (CONTINUED)

**CENTERING PRAYER/MEDITATION** meets every Mon. in Rm 1. Come at 4:45 PM to receive instruction. From 5:00-5:30 PM we'll pray together.

**THE GLOWING AGE** will meet on June 14 at 12 PM for a potluck luncheon. Come and bring a friend for an afternoon of good fellowship.

**LUNCH BUNCH** will meet Wednesday, June 1 at 11:30 a.m. at Peppercorn. Please bring items for LWR kits such as combs, soap, toothbrushes, nail clippers or washcloths. All widows welcome. We will not meet in July.

### LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF LAYETTES

Now that summer is coming, rummage sales are here. We are in need of:

- sleepers without feet
- sweaters or jackets with hoods - 12 month
- baby socks and baby caps

Please leave in office or quilting room. Thank you.  
Any questions call Betty Port 751-2424 or Geri Bratlien 751-8732.

**CARPOOL MINISTRY** - The Green Committee invites you to carpool. Keep your gas money in your pocket and leave a space for a guest in our overflowing parking lot. If you are interested, please contact Dennis Depew @ 444-8839.



### CRAFTERS PICNIC, SUNDAY, JUNE 5

Once again, the Calvary Crafters will be traveling out to Margo's Cabin for their annual picnic. Everyone should meet at the church parking lot at 1 PM for rides. We will spend the afternoon on the lake and then roast hot dogs and smores over a campfire. Please bring a salad to share. Everything else is provided. Call Margo if you have any questions. This is our last gathering until September. Call Margo at 987-2210 for more information.

### SUMMER PICNIC TIME FOR THE 70'S GROUP

Summer is upon us and the 70's Group will be meeting in June, July and August for pontoon rides and picnic time at Diamond Point Park. This is a great opportunity for everyone to socialize and be in the great outdoors. The 70's Group is open to anyone who can relate to the 70's era. We will meet on Sunday, June 12 at 3 PM at Diamond Point Park at the picnic tables nearest to Birchmont Drive. Bring lawn chairs, meat to grill, your own dishes, and a dish to share. Pontoon rides will begin at 3 PM, and we will start grilling around 5 PM. Beverages provided. Call Colfords at 444-9036 or Koosmans at 751-9243 to let us know if you are coming.

### INTERGENERATIONAL MISSION TRIP

Calvary is being sent on a youth and adult mission trip to Minneapolis from August 7-10. The trip is coordinated by Urban Immersion and will combine service work (soup kitchen, food shelf, household help) with faith building and education about poverty. The full cost of the trip is \$200, and a \$50 deposit is needed to secure a spot. Missionaries need to have completed 7th grade. This is a great chance for parents, grandparents, kids, and other adults to serve Christ and grow as a community. Contact Hans or Pr. Andrew with questions.

### TWINS BASEBALL

Thrivent Financial will be hosting a trip down to the Twin Cities to see the Twins battle the Orioles on August 22. Cost for the trip and ticket is only \$35.00. You must sign up between June 6 and June 18. For more information please call Bonnie at 218-766-9264.



## STATEMENT OF FAITH



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*Sharing Christ With Others*

Please come and be inspired by these disciples!

### SUNDAY

May 29

8:30 Mitch Deer  
10:45 Madi Larson

June 12

8:30 Grant Tharaldson  
10:45 Madelyn Tews

June 26

8:30 Zach Sandberg  
10:45 Sarah Bock

July 10

8:30 Matt Larson

July 25

10:45 Jayci &  
Vicki McCrory

August 14

8:30 Sam Holm

***Please pray for these young adults!***

### WEDNESDAY

May 25

Amber Rassler  
Mattea Schmidt

June 8

Ben Hodgson  
Andrea LaFriniere

July 20

Shelby Rowland  
Tanner Turn

July 27

Allie Larson  
Courtney Fullmer  
Amanda Barrus

August 10

Isaac Klinke  
Lucas Goins

August 17

Lake Beyer  
Noah Bitz

## FINANCIAL REPORT

### April

Income - all sources ..... \$65,340.32  
Expenses..... \$79,244.06

### YTD

Income - all sources ..... \$257,889.25  
Expenses..... \$249,145.56

### April Ministry Partner

Gideons ..... \$996.00

### Quarterly Benevolences Paid in April

Churches United\* ..... \$1546.47  
Lutheran Campus Ministry - BSU\* ..... \$1395.61  
Northwest MN Synod..... \$8500.00  
People's Church ..... \$750.00  
Bemidji Food Shelf ..... \$2653.47

\*2nd Offering





Hey, did you know Calvary's Youth group has a place on Facebook!!! Just go here: Calvary Lutheran Church High School Youth of Bemidji in Facebook and get signed up. There are tons of pictures, videos and updated schedules.

### HIGH SCHOOL

#### Backyards, BBQ and Bible Study

Coming soon to a backyard near you, is BBBS! BBBS is full of games, hang-out time, worship, Bible study and, of course, your friends will be there. A post card will be stopping by your mailbox soon with all of the important June BBBS details. But for now, reserve June 8 and June 29 for some BBBS fun. Check out the BBBS Facebook site and don't forget to "friend" your leaders.

#### High School Mission Trip

Our high school missionaries leave for their trip July 9. They travel to Heart Butte, MT to experience not only serving the living God but also the incredible beauty of his creation. In next month's newsletter we will be asking for prayers for the group of students and leaders.

### SENIORS

Senior Baccalaureate Service has been moved to Wednesday, June 1. Come celebrate with our seniors this huge milestone in their lives. Service begins at 6:30 PM.



### MIDDLE SCHOOL

#### Mission Trip Commissioning, June 12



Our middle school missionaries leave for their mission trip to Duluth, MN Sunday June 12. During the second worship service on that Sunday our students and leaders will be commissioned for this trip. We would like to ask and invite the congregation to pray for us,

the Youth Works staff, the people we will meet and serve and the ministries we will partner with during our trip.

#### Hey Future Freshman!

You are invited to be a part of Backyards, BBQ and Bible Study. BBBS is a great way to stay connected to your friends and an awesome way to meet some of your future high school classmates. BBBS is hanging out with friends, worship, Bible study and of course lots of food. And the genius part is that we do all of this in someone's backyard. BBBS dates for the month of June are the 8th and 29th. Look for a postcard with all the June details coming to a mailbox near you. Check out the BBBS Facebook site.

### CALVARY PRESCHOOL

[www.calvarybemidjipreschool.org](http://www.calvarybemidjipreschool.org)

#### SUMMER PRESCHOOL

There are openings in our summer preschool sessions. The dates for session 1 are June 14-16 and 21-23; session 2 are July 12-14 and 19-21 and for session 3 are August 9-11 and 16-18. Times are 9:00—noon and cost is \$75 for each session. There are brochures available in the church office that offer more information on the classes or visit our website at [www.calvarybemidjipreschool.org](http://www.calvarybemidjipreschool.org). Call Joan with any questions—751-1893.



#### PRESCHOOL DAY CARE OPTION

Calvary Lutheran Christian Preschool is introducing a day care option for those children enrolled in preschool. It will begin with fall 2011 classes and be a 2 or 3 day per week option, depending on which class the child is registered for.

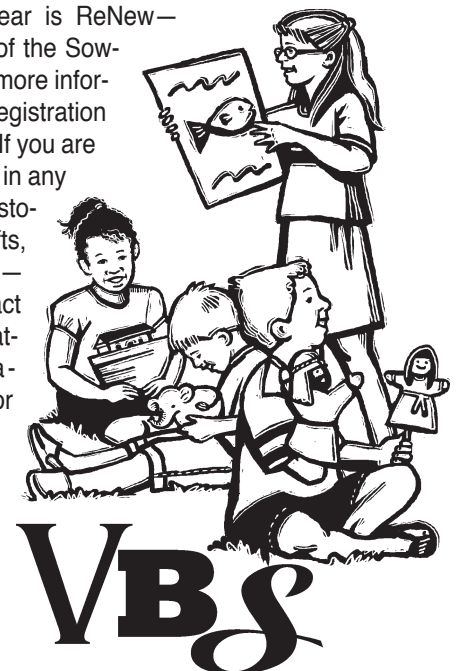
**Cost:** \$25.00 per day  
**Hours of operation:** 7:15 AM—5:45 PM on days school is in session.  
Please contact Joan in the church office for more information or if you have any questions. 751-1893

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

#### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)

Mark your calendars! The dates for Vacation Bible School (VBS) are August 1-5, 2011 and our theme this year is ReNew—

The Parable of the Sower. Watch for more information and registration forms in July. If you are willing to help in any way—music, story time, crafts, or games—please contact Joan. [joan@calvary@yahoo.com](mailto:joan@calvary@yahoo.com) or 751-1893



## IN THE COMMUNITY

Hello from the Green Committee! We hope this day finds you living in abundance and joy.

We have been walking with a variety of prayers — inviting the congregation to form a carpool to church, a bike to church day, and our Calvary garden.

Our parking lot is bursting at the seams; many times this winter the count far exceeded 100. Please consider making room for a visitor, bringing loving kindness to the earth and our community and perhaps saving a dollar or two by carpooling. If you are willing to give or receive rides, please contact Dennis Depew at 444-8839. Thank you Dennis.

By the time you read this, our bike to church day will be over. Thank you Larry Overbeek for the wonderful idea and providing space for folks to park and then bike. Stay tuned! This may unfold to other invitations as the summer wears on. We'll pass the word or look for posters in the church and join us !!



The Farmers' Markets will be starting up soon. They are located in the Pamida and the Bemidji Design Centers parking lots. We can expect canned goods, cold weather crops like lettuce and spinach, and some really great folks there. Please remember, a dollar spent locally stays local.

Seeds are planted in our Calvary garden, and we request prayerful reflection from you that we are blessed with abundance to share within our community. Wednesday, May 11, the first seeds were sown; we were blessed with three sets of small hands to help plant. What joy!

We had big kids and little ones putting potatoes, lettuce and spinach in our sacred ground. Tomatoes, carrots and herbs were added later in May. Thank you Holly for your gifts of plants and seeds. This year three large pots containing dill, basil, and cilantro will ring our garden located in the SE corner of our lot. Please come and see what the Holy One has going there. Speaking of seeds, we of the Green Committee encourage you to take a lesson from seeds and the earth. Let's plant and nourish seeds of love and peace in our hearts and share these gifts. We can create a world that works for all through gratitude, peace, and love.



## IN THE COMMUNITY

### CHURCHES UNITED IN NEED OF STORAGE SPACE!

Churches United, our ministry partner serving neighbors experiencing poverty and homelessness, is in need of 500-700 square feet of storage space for its Household Depot program, which distributed over 500 pieces of furniture in 2010. If you or someone you know can donate or offer reduced-rate storage space, please contact executive director, Sarah Einerson, at 444-1380, or Pr. Andrew.



### BELLS OF BETHEL

Come and see the fantastic Bells of Bethel Bell Choir at Bethel Lutheran church on Wednesday, June 1 at 12:00 PM. Lunch will be available for purchase after the performance.

## CHURCH COUNCIL

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## WORSHIP SPONSORS

We invite you to consider sponsoring worship to celebrate a milestone in your life or to honor a loved one. This helps us incorporate your personal life in our community worship together. The money given will go to support our worship needs (microphones, candles, stands and other needs). We thank the following for sponsoring June services:

- June 5** Betty & Gary Port in honor of their 51st Anniversary
- June 12** Skip & Linda Vigen in honor of their Granddaughter, Kylee Seitz' Birthday
- June 19** Guy & Linda Wold in honor of their 40th Anniversary
- June 26** Sponsorship still needed at press time

## CALVARY ALIVE MENU



- June 8:** Brats & Hotdogs, Chips, Pasta Salad, Ice Cream
- June 15:** Grilled Chicken Breasts on a Bun, Chips, Carrots and Dip, Dessert
- June 22:** Sub Sandwiches, Chips, Potato Salad, Dessert
- June 29:** Taco in a Bag, Fruit, Dessert



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### WORSHIP SERVICES

*Sunday*  
8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.  
*Wednesday*  
6:30 p.m.

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

*Monday-Thursday*  
8:30 AM - 3:30 PM  
*Friday*  
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*Sunday*  
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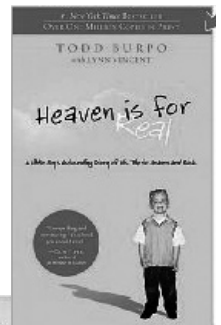
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### HEAVEN IS FOR REAL by Todd Burpo with Lynn Vincent

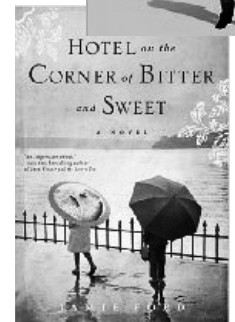
When Colton Burpo made it through an emergency appendectomy, his family was overjoyed at his miraculous survival. What they weren't expecting, though, was the story that emerged in the months that followed – a story as beautiful as it was extraordinary, detailing their little boy's trip to heaven and back.

Colton, not yet four years old, told his parents he left his body during the surgery – telling them exactly what they were doing while he was being operated on. He talked of visiting heaven and told about people he met there. ....He describes Jesus, the angels, how "really, really big" God is, and how much God loves us. ...Colton says, "Nobody is old and nobody wears glasses" in heaven. (from back of book review) Inspiration – 4.



### HOTEL ON THE CORNER OF BITTER AND SWEET by Jamie Ford

This wartime-era Chinese-Japanese variation of Romeo and Juliet is set in Seattle's Japantown. It is a tender satisfying story. The story unfolds in 1986 on the corner of Bitter and Sweet. Henry Lee is reminded of a friendship forged in the 1940s. The war time story told here is not one of the battlefield but of the cruel damage to the hearts and humanity of individual people. Henry had met and become friends with Keiko Okabe. His father did not approve of the relationship. Keiko's family was moved to an interment camp and Henry lost track of his friend. Bitter and Sweet will provoke the mind and heart. Fiction – 1.



### A PEOPLE'S HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY by Diana Butler Bass

In this beautifully written history, Butler Bass reveals the living, beating heart of love at the core of Christian faith. Bass's book raises new questions, points out neglected themes, reminds us to reassess familiar topics, and draws the reader into fresh looks at biblical history. For those that question Christianity this book will give some convincing answers. Bass discusses what it means to be the church in today's broken world. After reading this you will have many questions and even some answers. Found in Church History.

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