

The Calvary Call

July
2011

Bag-A-Lunch

We are having a great season for Bag-A-Lunch! Over 500 meals were served to the children in our area in the month of June.

Hot and cold meals are prepared and there is often popcorn and fresh produce available for the children to take home after they eat.

A new reading program has been introduced this year as part of our lunch. See page 2 for a report on this part of our project.

We thank Lanette Falk, the driving force behind this project and all her many volunteers — They all have a great time getting things ready on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays for the children and eagerly invite YOU to come and join the fun!



Come be a part of helping our neighbors! Donate your time, your talents and/or your gifts so that we can continue to feed the children of our neighborhood with good food and the Good News!

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Wednesday Bible Journey

On Wednesdays, we invite the children who come for lunch to join us on a "journey" through the Bible.

The Bible, games and activities are just part of the "journey." In June, we have between 20 and 25 children be a part of the journey each week thus far. We would love to have you travel with us! Come along on our "journey"!



Guest Preacher, July 10 – Pastor Flentgen

On Sunday, July 10, 2011, Rev. Ron Flentgen will lead our worship services at 8 & 10:30 am and the Adult Bible Study at 9:15 am.

A potluck luncheon will follow the services. Tableware and beverages will be provided, please bring a main dish, salad, side dish or dessert to share.

We invite you to join us for a festive day.



Bag-A-Lunch Reading Program

This year we started a new reading program for the children who come for lunch.

Over 135 books have been handed out to the children to read at home. They are invited to bring the book back and select another. If they choose to keep the book, that is fine.

At the end of the summer, prizes will be given to the chil-

dren for the number of books read. Along with the prizes, they will be permitted to take home their favorites.

All of these books were generously donated by our members—THANK YOU! The children really enjoy having these books to take home and read.



Thrivent *Choice* funds report

Calvary thanks all of our Thrivent members who directed their *Choice* funds to Calvary in 2011.

Amounts received as of June 7, 2011 are as follows:

February	\$ 222.00
March	5,346.00
April	1,289.00
May	428.00
June	<u>49.00</u>
Total	\$7,334.00

Staff Summer Schedule

Here is the Vacation & Continuing Education schedule for Calvary's Staff during July and August:

Pastor Travis will be on vacation July 7-14 and August 1-7. He will attend continuing education July 25-27. Pastor Schoop will be available during Pastor Travis'

absence. You may call the church office at 712-239-1575 for your pastoral needs.

DCE Cindy Storm will attend continuing education July 6-10.

The Church Secretary, Joan Mason, will be on vacation July 11-15 and August 15-19.

You're Invited

Mary Ann Burg will celebrate her 80th birthday on Sunday, July 3, with an Open House at Calvary Lutheran Church in the Par-

ish Hall, from 2 -4 pm. Please join us as we celebrate this joyous occasion. No gifts please.

Thank you! VBS was wonderful!

We had a great time in the jungle during our VBS week, June 26-30. Details on all the fun and events will be available in the August issue of the *Call*.

Many, many thanks to all our hardworking volunteers. We couldn't have done it without you!

Outdoor Worship & All Church Picnic—August 28

Mark your calendars today and come to our Annual Outdoor Worship Service followed by the All Church Picnic August 28 at Hinton City Park.

Along with our Outdoor Worship we will have great food, fun, entertainment, music, games and more!

See you August 28!!!



“The Bible on Trial” broadcast event

Lutheran Hour Ministries is proud to present *The Bible on Trial: Beyond a Reasonable Doubt*, a full-length broadcast program for television.

The program can be seen on Monday, July 18 at 9 p.m. Eastern, 8 p.m. Central, 7 p.m. Mountain and 6 p.m. Pacific through the National Religious Broadcasters Network (Channel 378 on DirecTV, Channel 126 on Sky Angel, as well as online at www.nrbnetwork.tv).

Hosted by attorney Craig Parton, *The Bible on Trial* lays the overarching question before some of the world's foremost authorities in biblical scholarship and ancient history:

"Are the Bible and its claims trustworthy?" A panel of experts—including Dr. Paul L. Maier of Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Mich.; Dr. Randall Price of Liberty University, Lynchburg, Va.; Dr. Jeff Kloha of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Mo. and Joel Lampe of The Bible Museum, Goodyear, Ariz.—weighs the evidence from contemporary non-Christian writers and archaeological, bibliographic and eyewitness sources. The balanced testimony from these scholars affirms the reliability of the biblical record. The program concludes with a call to the viewer: "What is your verdict?"

These are God's People!

We need your help in locating addresses for the following members. If you have a current address or phone number for any of these people, please call the church office at 239-1575 and let us know. Thank you.

Corey Adair	Craig Blunck	Toni Boschker
Roberta Carmen	Amanda Donnell	Tony Downing
Randal Fredericks	Sally Krause	Collen Larson
Alexandra Larson-Kyte	Michelle Lieber	Jean Martin
Timothy Orban	Casey Schlumbaum	Lori Schmidt
Teresa Schumacker	Daniel Shank	David Shank
Douglas Sherrill	Michelle Sherrill	Valinda Sherrill
Carolyn Stabe	Jim Stabe	David Stowe
Lisa Stowe	Brittanie Tague	Jennifer Thomas
Debra Toliver	Nordyn Vickery	Shannon Wade
Robert Worden		

God's Busy Church & Parish Hall

Grace and peace to you from God our Father through Jesus Christ our Lord. I thank God for all of your enthusiasm! We have over 66 people serving this coming year in church boards and committees, countless numbers serving in the Bag-a-Lunch summer program (See the Board in the Friendship Room: We have between 30 and 70 children coming daily), Vacation Bible School with morning and evening sessions (50 plus kids attending as this is being written), Wednesday Bible Journey, Quilting, Women's Circles, Chancel Guild, Ushers, Greeters, Golden Agers, Aerobics, and countless others accomplishing many works in praise of Jesus Christ our Lord. I thank you and I thank God for your service and enthusiasm for serving Jesus! Calvary is truly a serving congregation!

Yet, a fleshly element appears at times when serving Christ. Which group, person, or persons deserve more respect or attention? Who deserves to have more storage space in the church for their particular area of service? It can be challenging using one space for many activities! A good rule of thumb is from the Holy Spirit Himself through St. Paul: *"Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but*

rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you." (Romans 12:3) Then Paul points out all of us are part of one body and have different gifts. An older gentleman once told me after I saw cracker crumbs on the floor of the church, "Thank God that visiting family was here." Yes, it was work to clean up, but his point was to thank God they were hearing about Jesus!

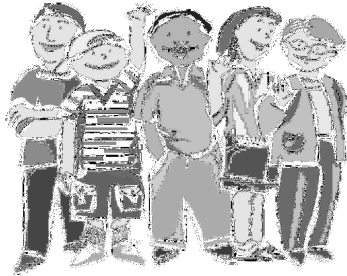
Thank God that Jesus came to serve us, to feed us His body and blood, to wash our feet, and to take away our sins! Thank God we have the privilege to work with the fellow Christians who also are imperfect, but are working on the behalf of the Savior. We do not serve ourselves but instead we follow Christ the crucified and risen Savior!

Keep up the good service of Christ! But also thank God for your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ who do various other things!

Pastor James Travis



Our Church Family:



Baptism:

This month we welcomed into the family of God through the spiritual washing of Holy Baptism, *Cheyenne Avery Livermore*, daughter of Brandon & Kari Liv-

ermore, on Sunday, June 19, 2011. Sponsors were Amie Bastian and Dustin Livermore.

Marriages:

Congratulations to:

Holly Johnson & James Petzoldt who were united in marriage on Saturday, June 18, 2011.

Trista Thomas & Kyle Utech who were united in marriage on Saturday, June 25, 2011.

We pray the Lord's blessings on your new lives together.

Church Officers & Boards to be installed July 17 & 20

During the worship services on July 17 & 20, we will install our new officers and board members for the 2011-2012 term who were elected June 26, 2011:

Church Officers: President: Rick Book. Vice President: Kevin Schindler. Recording Secretary: Susan Lowrey. Treasurer/Finance Secretary: Phil Ubben

Trustees: Jim Anderson, Brad Binnebose, Orville DeJong, Bill Book, Jack Lawrenson, Tom Crawford and Carol Banta.

Elders: Brad Cale, Bruce Lahrs, Duane Nelson, Greg West, Vic Renken, Charles Kennedy, Denny Barto, Kent Kilstrom, and Len Sembach.

Outreach: Carl Harrison, Lee Umland, and Chris Mansfield.

Education: Julie Barto, Kristin Casotti, Emily Mogensen, and Julie Cook.

Social Ministry: Mary Ann Betsworth, Michelle Betsworth, Dixie Hegarty, Jack Lawrenson, and Lanette Falk.

Stewardship: Craig Merry, Jeff Woolridge, Kevin Kuhlmann, and Shane Soule.

Youth: Karen Binnebose, Michelle Hansen, Dawn Soule, Jayna Woolridge, Christy Cale, Amy Konda, Debbie Levine and Robin Buckholtz.

Care Team: Diane Krause, Kim Cale, John & Connie Persinger, Glen Christensen, July Rentel, Shane Soule, Bonnie Oldaker, Regena Klein and Dee Clausen.

Library News



Check out some of our cool books for the hot days of summer

For Kids:

Icky, Sticky, Hairy, Scary Bible Stories

The stories in the Bible are not always nice and happy. Some are messy, some are dangerous, some are filled with foolish, strange awful and lovable people – people like you and me. Best of all – all Bible stories show that God loves us and is willing to sink down in the disgusting muck with us to lift us up and set us free.

Bible Birds & Beasties

Did you hear about the donkey who talked? Or the man who lived inside a big fish? Children will love this collection of best loved Bible stories with Noah, Jonah, Daniel, stories of Jesus and a few surprises.

For Adults:

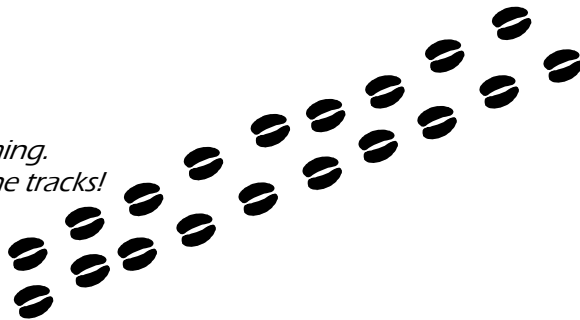
Dancing With Max – A mother and son who broke free by Emily Colson

This is the true story of Emily Colson a single mother who persevered and triumphed over life's toughest obstacles. This is also the story of her 19 year old autistic son Max, a young man who struggles to speak, a young man with a gift. This story will inspire you to get up and live, to break free of the barriers, this young man will capture, even change your heart.

Coming Back Stronger by Drew Brees

In the aftermath of one of the most devastating natural disasters in the U.S. history the city of New Orleans needed a hero. What they got was a Saint. After Hurricane Katrina ravaged the Gulf Coast in 2005 the residents of New Orleans needed something – anything to believe in. Drew Brees signed with the New Orleans Saints and immediately set to work rebuilding not only his career, but the city.

*Something is coming.
Keep watching the tracks!*



Worship Assistants for July

Elders: Sun. 8:00 am: Brad C/Bruce L
 Sun. 10:30 am: Carl H/Duane N
 Wed. 7:00 pm: Charles K

Ushers:
 Sundays: 8:00 am: Dave Clausen, Curt C,
 James Coughlin, Ken E
 10:30 am: Julie Cook, Caroline R,
 Joe Osterholt, Austin F

Acolytes:	Sunday, 10:30 am	Wednesday 7 pm
Sunday 8 am		
July 3 & 6:		
Chris Clayton	Jessa W Mickayla L	Megan K Paige W
July 10 & 13:		
(open)	Tristin J Taylor J	Mary B Ana M
July 17 & 20:		
Allyssa Traver	Jake L Jacob M	Kaylee O Kennedy B
July 24 & 27:		
Megan Buckholtz	Connor W Chris O	Hunter F Avery L
July 31 & August 3:		
Chris Clayton	Dallas B Seth L	Jordan K Kylie C

Chancel Guild:

Sunday, July 3, 8 am	Sharilyn S, Rhonda H
Wednesday, July 6, 7 pm:	Diana L, Julie C
Sunday, July 10, 10:30 am:	Annelie S, Nancy H
Sunday, July 17, 8 am:	Julie K, Dolly C
Wednesday, July 20, 7 pm:	Julie B, Sandy O
Sunday, July 24, 10:30 am:	Donna L, Caroline R
Fifth Sunday: July 31, 8 am:	Margaret B, Vicki B
10:30 am:	Ramona M, Regena K

Greeters: Sundays: 8:00 am: Bruce & Diana L
 10:30 am: Sharilyn S

Altar Flowers

Commemorate a special occasion or remember a loved one by providing Altar Flowers for the worship services in 2011. Sign your name to the poster in the Friendship Room and we will order a bouquet from Terry Lee's Flower shop for a cost of \$32.10.

If you prefer to provide your own flowers, please let the office know at least one week before your date. We can accommodate up to 2 bouquets each week. Thank you for adding to our services with flowers.



Youth trip to Adventureland, July 21



Adventureland Trip

All Youth in grades 5-12 are invited to Adventureland on Thursday, July 21.

We will leave the church parking lot at 7 am and return around 9 pm.

You **MUST** reserve your spot! Call or text: 712-251-2884

Our Ministry Needs YOU!

Adopt a Planter or Pot: The outdoor flower beds need help with weeding, new flowers, watering, etc. Contact Jim Anderson, 239-4203 Note: Inside plants need love too!

Ushers: Men & Women to assist at the Worship services by handing out bulletins, answering

questions, assisting worshipers looking for a place to sit, taking up the offerings, and being a welcoming presence for Calvary. Call the church office 239-1575.

Greeters: For the Sunday Worship services—8 am: Vandy Junck, 712-239-2293 or 10:30 am: Mary Ann Burg, 712-239-2848

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Contact us: Phone 712-239-1575; FAX 712-239-8727; email — Pastor Travis: Rev.Travis@hotmail.com. DCE Storm: CalvaryDCE@aol.com; Church Office: CalvarySecretary@aol.com; Church Website: calvaryleeds.com

Treasurer's Statement of Income & Expense

May 2011 –

Checking Account Balance, 05/01/2011		\$ 31,602.04
Plus Income	23,238.81	
Less Expense	-24,307.33	
Plus Interest	.78	
Plus Loan from LCEF	<u>0.00</u>	
	- 1,067.74	

Checking Account Balance, 05/31/2011 \$ 30,534.30

LCEF Steward Account Balance 05/01/2011 \$ 218.48

Plus Transfers In	\$ 0.00
Less Transfers Out	0.00
Plus Interest,	<u>0.24</u>
	0.24

LCEF Steward Account Balance 05/31/2011 \$ 218.72

Dedicated Funds

Social Ministries	\$ 313.19
Building Fund	12,209.86
Designated Memorials	16,228.07
Undesignated Memorials	25.00
Special Accounts	28,000.19
Outside Purposes	44.13
National Youth Gathering	893.95
World Missions	.00
Capital Improvement	<u>1,746.60</u>
Total All Obligated Funds	\$ 59,460.99
Un-obligated Funds	-\$ 28,707.97

Total Checking & Savings Funds \$ 30,753.02

Bulletin & Newsletter Deadlines

All information for the weekly bulletins must be turned into the Church Office no later than 12 noon on Thursdays.

All information for the monthly newsletter must be turned into the Church Office no later than 8 pm on the 3rd Monday of each month. Thank you!

Finance Secretary's Report

Income Received for May 2011

Envelopes	\$ 20,053.00
Plate.....	248.25
YTD Envelope & Plate Total:.....	86,380.18
Other:	
Sunday School.....	49.96
Building Fund.....	100.00
Confirmation.....	15.00
Altar Flowers.....	32.10
Parish Hall use.....	225.00
Social Ministries.....	20.00
Mapleton Relief.....	59.00
Carpet fund.....	625.30
Pastor's Special Fund.....	1,079.99
Postage.....	12.95
Prepare/Enrich.....	35.00
DVDs for Shut-Ins.....	100.00
Men's Prayer Coffee.....	4.00
Initial Offering	20.00
Thrivent Choice Deposit.....	428.00
 Total.....	 <u>\$ 23,107.55</u>
Deposits:	
05/01/2011	\$ 5,709.25
05/08/2011.....	4,325.05
05/15/2011.....	3,925.99
05/22/2011.....	4,912.96
05/29/2011.....	3,806.30
05/10/2011 Thrivent.....	428.00
 Total for Month.....	 <u>\$ 23,107.55</u>
2011 Year-to-Date Total:	\$ 112,802.99

Need a Listening Ear?

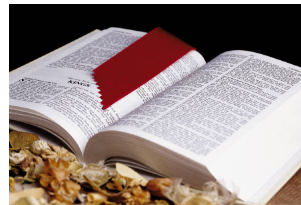
Call the Lutheran Family Service of Iowa at 1-800-622-7285
or the Sioux City office at 712-276-9000

From Lutherans for Life:

"I do not believe human society ... ever has attained, or ever can attain, a high state of intelligence, virtue, security, liberty, or happiness without the Holy Scriptures; even the whole hope of human progress is suspended on the ever-growing influence of the Bible."

William Seward, Secretary of State for the administration of Abraham Lincoln

– A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life –
www.lutheransforlife.org



Calvary's Members at Home

Edith B
Bob F
Don G
Robert L
Evelyn M
Dick P
Mildred S
Gerry U



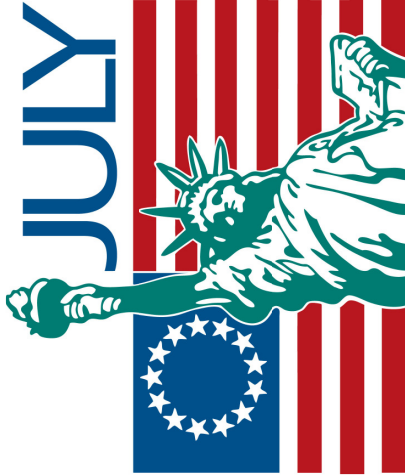


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