

Spring Potluck Picnic

You are invited to come to Calvary on Sunday, May 15, 2011 at 11:30 am for a Spring Potluck Picnic & New Member Welcome!

The Outreach Board will provide the hot dogs and table service. Everyone is invited to bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share. We also plan to bring out the "Bounce House" for the children to play in.

Bring the family, bring your friends! We look forward to a great time of fun, food & fellowship!



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Seeking Children's Books for Bag-A-Lunch

We are asking our members to donate new or gently-used Christian themed children's books to be given to the children who participate in our summer lunch program, Bag-a-Lunch, June 1-August 15.

Bag-a-Lunch is a great out-reach to the children in our Leeds neighborhood. It is our hope to not only feed their bodies, but also their minds and spirits.

Bring your gifts to the church and place them in the special collection box in the Friendship Room. Helpers are also needed. See page 8 for more information.

Confirmation Sunday, May 8

Confirming their Lutheran faith on Sunday, May 8, 2011 at the 10:30 am worship service are:

Savannah B

Brooklynne G

Jennifer M

Daniel T

A short reception to honor these youth will be at 9:30 am, Sunday May 8 in the Parish Hall. All family, friends, and congregational members are welcome to celebrate this faith step in the lives of these youth.

May God continue to strengthen these youth through His Word, worship and Christian fellowship.

Armed Forces Sunday

We will have special prayers for our members in the military on Sunday, May 22, during all the worship services.

Please remember the following Calvary members in your prayers:

Travis
Jack
Trisha

Zackery
Scott
Aaron
Justin
Shawn
Hailey
Richard

We thank them and praise God for their service to our country.

Helping our neighbors in Mapleton

On Saturday, May 14, 2011, Calvary would like to take a group to Mapleton to help with the clean up from the April 9 tornado.

If you wish to be a part of the team, call the church office, 239-1575, or sign your name to the sheet in the Friendship Room.

Our assignment will depend on how many helpers we bring.

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Pastor Travis.



We are "growing" a JUNGLE for VBS

Remember traveling in your imagination to far off exotic places? Today you can help the next generation use their imagination. The 2011 VBS Theme is The Big Jungle Adventure. We are creating a jungle for the children and need lots of artificial plants and stuffed jungle animals for the jungle. If you can lend any of the above to VBS please call Cindy Storm at 239-1575 or 251-2884. Someone will be happy to pick them up and deliver them back at the end of VBS (June 26-30). Please make sure your name is on the bottom so we return it to the rightful owner. Thank you and God bless.

Look in the June Call for items to donate for VBS crafts, foods and more. Your donations help keep the church budget in balance which is greatly appreci-

ated by all congregational members.



Go wild on a faith journey with Jesus!

Grab a vine, brave the rapids, and prepare for a BIG JUNGLE ADVENTURE! Kids (and volunteers!) won't want to miss a minute of this big adventure where they can go wild for Jesus! Complete with interactive and engaging activities, kids will learn about Jesus' amazing love all day, every day.

Being Wronged — Pastor James Travis

Have you ever been called a name, have you ever been paid less than was promised, not received due recognition, or someone did your job leaving you jobless? If you have ever been wronged it is painful, humiliating, and can leave you feeling without value. Our feelings are very real, they are a direct response to reality and not sinful in and of themselves. Even Jesus got angry when he saw money changers in the temple.

The initial reaction to being wronged is to get revenge. People call names, stop coming to church, stop volunteering, do a lower quality job at work, etc., to create a little pain in those that have wronged them. Revenge is very biblical. In fact, in our Maundy Thursday service we talked about the "Blood Avenger" whose job it was to go kill the person who took the life of a fellow family member, especially if it was intentional (See Joshua 20:1-7). However, if it was unintentional, the avenger was not to kill the person who took the family member's life, but instead to return home.

This example is really helpful for us as Christians also. Sometimes we seek to get revenge before we even know if the wrong was intentional or we as-

sume it was! The pain makes us think it was intentional, but from my experience most of the time Christians don't intentionally hurt fellow Christians. That is why Matthew 18 is so helpful, *"If your brother sins against you go and show him his fault, just between the two of you. If he listens to you, you have won your brother over."* You may find out it was unintentional and then an apology and forgiveness can be given. Or, if it was intentional, hopefully they will repent. Remember Christians are sinful people and people who are continuing to grow. Such confrontations grow us to be more like Christ.

However, what if they do not repent? What if the Christian is really evil and does not desire to change? I would urge you to pray for them and follow the rest of Matthew 18. Only after going through all three steps do "we" take revenge?

Revenge is actually wrong too! Listen to the scripture, "Do not take revenge, my friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: **"It is mine to avenge; I will repay,"** says the Lord." God is the avenger. Letting God take revenge takes the burden of revenge off us and allows us room to do good to those who do us evil and to forgive!

Joy in Ministry Banquet

Iowa District West is sponsoring a "Joy in Ministry" Banquet at the Boulders Conference Center, Denison Country Club, 1215 Donna Reed Rd., Denison, Iowa on Pentecost Sunday, June 12, 2011. Featured speaker is Dr. Brian Friedrich, President of Concordia University—Seward, and Iowa District West Alumnus.

Come hear about the "Joy in Ministry" in our district

Registration begins at 5:30 pm; Banquet at 6:00 pm There is no charge for the banquet.

To make reservations contact Sue at the District Office (515-

576-7666 or
sue.light@idwlcms.org)

All Joy in Ministry Students and Families; Future Students; Prayer and Financial Partners; Professional Workers and Lay Leaders; Friends and Guests are invited.



Thrivent: *Rise Fest 11*

The Thrivent Community is providing tickets for Rise Fest 11 to its members and guests. We especially encourage Youth leaders and Youth groups to attend.

Rise Fest, a family-friendly Christian festival, will be held June 25, 2011, at Northwest College in Orange City, Iowa. Several Christian performers will entertain throughout the day including Lincoln Brewster. All attendees will need a ticket.

More information will follow in the church bulletins during the month of May. Registration is

required by the week of May 29 to allow time to order the t-shirts.

A total of 500 tickets will be given out on a first-come, first-served basis so we encourage you to get your order in as soon as possible.

(Children under 10 will need a special ticket that will not be included in the 500.)

For additional information, please go to [Thrivent.com-Find Events & Schedules](http://Thrivent.com-Find-Events-&Schedules).

The Class of 2011

Karl B

Jayson B

Raleigh B

Curtis K

Madison I

Zachary R

Samantha

Keaton W

Congratulations and God's
riches blessings!



We're Proud of You!

2011 Easter Sunrise Service

God blessed our churches with a wonderful new venue for outreach. We do not just do the Easter Sunrise worship for entertainment but to sincerely share the Good News of Jesus Christ with our community.

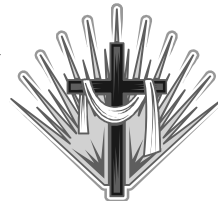
The purpose of moving the Sunrise service to the Stoney Creek Inn was for making it more central so that more people could attend it easily. Not only for those from our congregations but also from the community. And it proved a success with over 550 people attending.

We also recognized that not very many non-Christians will

make an effort to get up at 6 AM, but that a 10 AM time would be easy for people in our Hispanic community who are curious about Jesus. This event was not a worship service but a direct telling people about Jesus for the whole family.

Special thanks to Pastor Henry Witte and everyone who had a part in this grand celebration.

Remember:
EVERY SUNDAY
IS EASTER!



From the DCE — Cindy Storm

Summer Safety

There are many articles in magazines, newspapers and the internet to educate parents in safety in the home for their children. One such website is <http://www.medicinenet.com/> which lists the top 10 summer safety hazards to children. I would encourage you to check it out. Many dangers can be eliminated or avoided with diligent parental supervision. Every child can have a safe and happy summer.

There are very few articles on the dangers of evil which every child of God, no matter what the age, faces each day. The danger from evil is very real, not just the danger from evil acting people, but from the devil and his demons. How do we protect our children from evil that cannot be seen? In 2 Timothy 4:18 we read: *The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into His heavenly kingdom. To Him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.*

In June everyone is invited to Calvary's Vacation Bible School where we will explore 2 Timothy 4:18. The Bible accounts will clearly show us how God protected His people in the past with baby Moses and the entire Israelite nation crossing the Red Sea. We will again celebrate Easter and our rescue from death with the story of Peter and John at the empty tomb. The final account will tell us of our heavenly home where there is no more physical danger and no more danger from sin, the devil and death.

Come to VBS!

Come to Calvary in June to learn how we are protected by God Himself. Come receive His Word and His comfort. A registration form is included in this newsletter so you can reserve your spot in our vacation Bible school's Big Jungle Adventure; A Faith Journey with Jesus. See you in the jungle!!!!



Church Projectionists Meal & Training

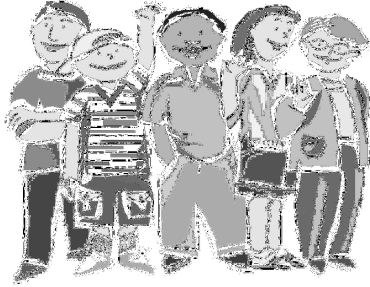
On Wednesday, May 25, at 5:30 pm we invite all interested persons to learn how operate the new A/V System for our worship services.

Following a light supper, we

will teach you how easy it is to operate the system and enhance our Worship experience.



Our Church Family:



Baptism:

On Sunday, April 24, 2011, we welcomed into the family of God through the spiritual washing of Holy Baptism, *Meika*,

daughter of Chad & Carrie. Sponsors were Christy and Nathan. May the Holy Spirit keep this child in saving faith until life everlasting.

Marriage:

Congratulations to *Carol Dammann & Dick Parrish* who were united in marriage at Calvary Lutheran Church on Saturday, April 23, 2011. We pray the Lord's blessings on their new life together.

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!

Vacation Bible School: Helpers, teachers, recreation leaders, crafts, etc., evening or morning sessions. Contact Cindy Storm at 239-1575.

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

Bag-a-Lunch: Free lunches will be given to Leeds children on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays, June 1 through August 15, 11:30-12:30. Helpers are needed whether regularly, once a week or once a month. Contact Lanette Falk at 239-0880.



Book Club News

On Tuesday, May 24, *Look Again* by Lisa Scottoline, will be the Book Club's last book for this season. Discussion will be lead by Gretchen Nelson.

Glimpse of the book: Most people throw away fliers that say "Have you seen this child?" Features writer Ellen Gleeson doesn't — she stares at the image of Timothy Braverman wondering if her adopted son has a twin. As a reporter, it is in Ellen's DNA to question, so it isn't remarkable that the picture of the child continues to trouble her. And even though her newspaper is instigating cutbacks as a response to hard economic realities, Ellen remains obsessed with the face of the missing child.

Juggling a jealous coworker, an intriguing boss who looks like Antonio Banderas and an important newspaper deadline, Ellen

finds it impossible to turn away from the fear that has invaded every aspect of her life. As wound up and anxious as an overly-stimulated three-year-old, Ellen spends her off hours re-searching her adoption and tracking persons involved. No matter the answer, Ellen can't stop asking the questions.

Come at 11:30 am, with your sack lunch and enjoy some fellowship time before we begin our discussion at 12 noon.



The Book Club will take the summer off, returning in September to create a new list of books for 2011-12 reading year.

Do you know where they are?

We need your help in locating addresses for the following members.

Corey Adair
Toni Boschker
Kim Carney
Ted Goss
Matt Hansen
Michelle Lieber
Nickolas Milbrodt

Timothy Orban
Russell Spearman
Kayne Weaver
Robert Worden

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.

Worship Assistants for May

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

Ushers:
 Sundays: 8:00 am: Elgin H, Bruce L
 Jack L, Ryan L
 10:30 am: Glen C, Dolly C
 Keith S, Kevin S

Acolytes:

Sunday 8 am	Sunday, 10:30 am	Wednesday 7 pm
May 1 & 4:		
Megan B	Jake L	Brandy S
Allyssa T	Jacob M	Brandon S
May 8 & 11:		
Chris C	Jessa W	Gavin B
	Mickayla L	Rylee B
May 15 & 18:		
Amelia	Tristin J	Alex T
	Taylor J	Shae M
May 22 & 25:		
Allyssa Tr	Jake L	Megan K
	Jacob M	Page W
May 29 & June 1:		
Megan B	Connor W	Mary B
	Chris O	Ana M

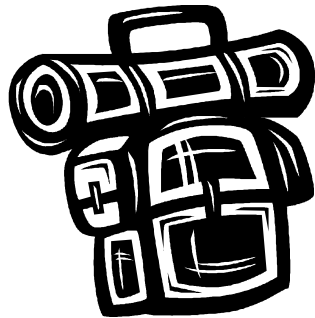
Chancel Guild:

Sunday, May 1, 8 am	Penny H, Bettie S
Wednesday, May 4, 7 pm	Sharon J, Lorraine A
Sunday, May 8, 10:30 am:	Wilma J, Vandy J
Sunday, May 15, 8 am:	Sharilyn S Rhonda
Wednesday, May 18, 7 pm:	Diana L, Julie C
Sunday, May 22, 10:30 am:	Annelie S, Nancy H
Sunday, May 29, 8 am:	Julie K, Dolly C
10:30 am:	Julie B, Sandy O

Greeters: Sundays: 8:00 am: David & Annelie S
 10:30 am: Caroline R

Come to Camp Okoboji this summer!

Camp Okoboji offers summer programs for all age groups and experiences. Below are the scheduled camps for this year. Be sure to check out their website for a full description of each camp. (<http://www.campokoboji.org>) Don't miss out on great summer fun!!!! Calvary does have limited scholarship funds available. Please talk to DCE Cindy Storm for the details of the scholarship.



Jun 5-11	Life Aquatic Camp
Jun 5-11	Basketball/Volleyball Camp
Jun 12-15	Calm Down
Jun 12-17	Building Families of Faith
Jun 12-17	Great Place Retreat
Jun 17/18	Quilt Display /Auction
Jun 17-19	Kids' Kamp
Jun 19-25	Minneboji
Jun 26-Jul 2	LCMS Servant Event
Jun 27-Jul 1	Jr. Joy DAY Camp
Jul 3	Brunch at Camp Okoboji
Jul 3-9	July 4th Family Retreat
Jul 10-16	Jr. High Week
Jul 17- 23	Concordia Cub Week
Jul 24-30	Youth Week
Jul 31-Aug 6	Family Retreat I
August 7	Brunch At Camp
Aug 7-13	Family Retreat II
Aug 16-18	Saints Alive Retreat

PB & J for Mother's Day!

We are collecting Peanut Butter & Jelly for the Bag-a-Lunch program on Mother's Day, May 8.

Bring your jars to church and place them in the bins in the Friendship Room.

Bal-a-Lunch provides free lunches to Leeds children on

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Birthdays this month—May

If your birthday is missing or not correct, please call the Church office at 239-1575. Thanks and have a great birthday!

Celebrate a new way!

Use the special envelopes in your offering box to **give thanks for your birthday with an offering to Calvary's Birthday Scholarship Fund.**

Calvary helps with tuition at Lutheran Schools such as St. Paul (Sioux City), one of the 10 Concordia Universities, or two Seminaries.

Gaining a Lutheran education is an investment in one's faith! Contact Cindy Storm, DCE for more information!



Thank you!

Easter Egg Hunt: Thanks to all who participated in in any way in our annual Community Easter Egg Hunt! We had 137 registered guests from our neighborhood. We had a great time and many new faces to share Jesus Christ with. Check the photos on Calvary's Facebook page.

Rummage Sale: A sincere thank you to everyone who contributed in any way to support this year's CLWL rummage sale. Your participation is greatly appreciated and helped make the event a great success! Plans for the 2012 sale are already in progress, so please keep this in mind when cleaning your garage and closets. The storage room in the church basement is empty and available for your donations. Contact Carol Banta at 605-422-0132 if you have questions or suggestions for next year's sale.

Easter Lilies: Many thanks to all who provided the beautiful Lily plants for our Easter services. For a complete listing of those who were remembered and honored, see the booklet in the Friendship

Room at the church. You may pick up your plant anytime following worship services or during regular office hours.

Our "At-Home" Missionaries:

The Board of Education would like to thank the following missionaries for their outstanding service to Calvary Lutheran church during the 2010-11 school year. Their hours of dedicated service to our children have given glory to God.

Serving Calvary this year were Dee Clausen, our Opening Director; Julie Barto, our pre-school teacher, Justin Holmes, Katherine Clayton, Mikaela Cale and Nathan Cale, our kindergarten teachers; Michelle Hansen, our 1st and 2nd grade teacher; Lindsey Holmes, our 3rd and 4th grade teacher and Stacy Travis, our 5th – 8th grade teacher. Many parents and volunteers have set an example for our children to follow in service to God. May God grant these workers a refreshing summer.



Want to play the organ?

Pastor Travis is offering to teach interested students in playing the church organ.



If you have ever had the desire to learn the "stops" contact Pastor at 239-1575 or send him a text at 712-202-8516.

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 to be delivered to the church prior to the Sunday you select.

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 helping to make the sanctuary beautiful with flowers.



New Member Classes—this month

If you would like to learn what it means to be a member of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod at Calvary, or just want to "refresh" your confirmation lessons from long ago, you are invited to join Pastor Travis during

the month of May for "LCMS101."

Classes can be arranged to suit your schedule. Please contact Pastor Travis at 712-239-1575 if you wish to be a part of the new class.

Offering Challenge

As you know, many of our congregation members went to be with the Lord in paradise this past year. They serve him now even as we continue to serve him and our neighbors here at Calvary and in our homes.

Please pray about this shift that our giving might match that of our fellow saints from years past. Remember God loves a cheerful giver.

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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

From Lutherans for Life:

The Bible tells you that God in love designed your very existence.

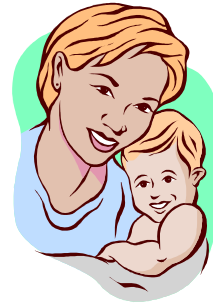
Psalm 139 says

"For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made" (NIV).

You can be sure, wherever you go and whatever happens to

you, that your Creator loves you dearly.

Rev. Mark Jeske, speaker on "Time of Grace"



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

Calvary's Members at Home

Edith Beck

Bob Funck

Don Grieve

Robert Lacy

Evelyn Miens

Dick Parrish

Mildred Scherner

Gerry Utecht





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