



Calvary Lutheran Church

The Calvary Call

▶ **May 2009**

Directory

We are in the process of creating a new picture directory of our Calvary Church family. This directory will help up match names to faces. And is a great addition to our upcoming 75th anniversary celebrations in 2010.

Please participate! We ask that you have your picture taken by the professional photographer and meet with a portrait consultant at the church. On Sunday, May 10, we will begin scheduling appointments at the church. You can schedule your appointment now online <http://signup.olanmills.com>. Please sign up as soon as possible to get the best time to fit your schedule.

- Every participating family/household that selects a pose for the directory will receive a free church directory and a complimentary

8x10 portrait.

- You will only need to come to the church once for photography and for portrait viewing.
- The program is at no cost to the church
- You will have the opportunity to purchase portraits and frames the same day as your photography appointment. All portraits come with a 100% unconditional guarantee.
- Whether you dress formally or casual, you will want to make the most of this opportunity.

Dates for photography and viewing are June 1-6.

Volunteer! We can always use help with the sign-up tables, checking people during appoint-

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Our New Directory won't be complete without YOU!





A Pastoral Letter from the Presidents of IDW & IDE

(Note: In response to the recent ruling regarding same-sex marriage, we are printing this letter from our Iowa District Presidents and attachment in place of Pastor Travis's column.)

"Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings in the name of our Crucified and Risen Savior, Jesus, this Holy week.

Like many of you, we were saddened and offended by Iowa Supreme Court ruling regarding "same sex marriage" and the response of the leaders of the Iowa Legislature ruling out any effort to overturn the decision or even discuss it.

Today there are voices telling us that we must learn to "accept" the changes that are taking place in society. The reality is, society no longer values the church's role, is suspicious of our views, and considers us irrelevant. Society has lost its moral foundation upon which to base any decisions regarding true and false, good and evil, right and wrong.

As Lutheran Christians we have a duty and an unprecedented opportunity to speak to society the will of God as revealed to us in His Holy Word for this is the only solid foundation upon which a civilized society

can stand. The Law of God declares that homophile behavior is intrinsically sinful (Lev. 18:22; 20:13; Rom. 1:24-27). The Gospel declares that Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the world (1 John 2:2) and that Christ, who knew no sin, was made to be our sin so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God (2 Cor. 5:21). The church's proper evangelical work is to proclaim the reconciliation of the sinner to God in the death of Jesus Christ (2 Cor. 5:18-19).

Therefore, we cannot be silent regarding the Supreme Court's ruling, but must faithfully and publicly speak against it. For we are "a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that 'we' may declare the praises of him who called 'us' out of darkness into his wonderful light." 1 Peter 2:9

We will continue to define marriage as God has, "a lifelong union of one man and one woman." We will celebrate His gift to us and defend marriage as Martin Luther reminds us in his explanation of the sixth commandment, "**We** should fear and love God so that **we** lead a sexually pure and decent life in what

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we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other.”

We encourage our pastors and congregations to minister to homosexuals and their families with love and concern, calling for repentance and offering forgiveness in the Good News of Jesus Christ when there is repentance.

We are attaching a copy of the 2008 letter from Dr. Gerald Kieschnick, President of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in response to the California Supreme Court ruling and a copy of Resolution 3-05A adopted at the LCMS 2004 Convention both of which further clarify our church

body’s position. We encourage an “in depth” study of the Bible passages cited so that all of our people might be informed by God’s Word.

We urge all of God’s people to pray for our elected leaders, our legislature, our judges that our God will grant them wisdom and understanding so that they might govern us according to His will so that our nation, our state, our communities, and all people might be truly blessed.

Your Servants in Christ,
Dr. Paul G. Sieveking, President,
Iowa District West, LCMS
Dr. Gary M. Arp, President,
Iowa District East, LCMS”



Statement from the President of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

in Response to California Supreme Court Ruling on Same-Sex “Marriage”

June 24, 2008

The recent decision of the California Supreme Court legalizing same-sex “marriage” highlights the downward spiral of moral values that is becoming so prevalent in our culture. This most recent action contravenes not only the Judeo-Christian values that have defined the moral compass of this great nation, but also the laws of nature and the

natural reproductive process.

In the face of such moral decline, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) has consistently upheld the Bible-based values that designate “marriage as the lifelong union of one man and one woman (Genesis 2:2–24; Matthew 19:5–6)” (2004 LCMS Convention Resolution 3-05a, attached. All subsequent quotations are from this resolution). The LCMS has consistently held that “homosexual behavior

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is prohibited in the Old and New Testaments [of Holy Scripture] (Leviticus 18:22, 24; 20:13; 1 Corinthians 6:9–20; 1 Timothy 1:10) as contrary to the Creator’s design (Romans 1:26–27).”

As a Christian body in this country, the LCMS has the duty and responsibility to speak publicly in disagreement with this action of the California Supreme Court. In the present context we cannot be silent, since such silence “could be viewed as acceptance of the homosexual lifestyle.” Accordingly, we as a church body urge our leaders, members, congregations, and all Christians, “to give a public witness from Scripture against the social acceptance and legal recognition of homosexual ‘marriage.’”

While this occasion calls us to declare that homosexual behavior is both unnatural and sinful, (see Leviticus 18:22; 20:13; Romans 1:24–27), we also recognize that it is necessary to respond to these “sexual sins with the same love and concern as all other sins, calling for repentance and offering forgiveness in the Good News of Jesus Christ when there is repentance.”

“The Gospel declares that Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the world (1

John 2:2) and that Christ, who knew no sin, was made to be our sin so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God (2 Corinthians 5:21). It is the church’s proper evangelical work to proclaim the reconciliation of the sinner to God in the death of Jesus Christ (2 Corinthians 5:18–19) in a spirit of compassion and humility, recognizing that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by His grace, through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus (Romans 3:23–24).”

Finally, we pray that all people, especially men and women properly united as husbands and wives, will honor God’s divinely ordained relationship of marriage. And we pray that all husbands and wives will “give thanks to God for the blessings of marriage, lead a chaste and decent life, and each love and honor one’s spouse.”

Dr. Gerald B. Kieschnick, President, The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod





Bring your sack lunch and join us for a discussion on May 26 from 11:30 am to 1 pm. We will discuss *Three Cups of Tea* by Greg Mortenson and David Relin. Below is a brief synopsis of the book. If you want the study guide for the book, see Cindy Storm, DCE.

In *Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace . . . One School at a Time*, Greg Mortenson, and journalist David Oliver Relin, recount the journey that led Mortenson from a failed 1993 attempt to climb Pakistan's

K2, the world's second highest mountain, to successfully establish schools in some of the most remote regions of Afghanistan and Pakistan.

By replacing guns with pencils, rhetoric with reading, Mortenson combines his unique background with his intimate knowledge of the third-world to promote peace with books, not bombs, and successfully bring education and hope to remote communities in central Asia.

Three Cups of Tea is at once an unforgettable adventure and the inspiring true story of how one man really is changing the world—one school at a time

Where are they now?

We have been busily reviewing our membership records and we have a number of members listed as "Address Unknown." We need your help in keeping address and telephone numbers up to date. If you or someone you know in the church has moved please let us know. Please call the church office, 239-1575 or drop a note on the secretary's desk. Thank you for your help!



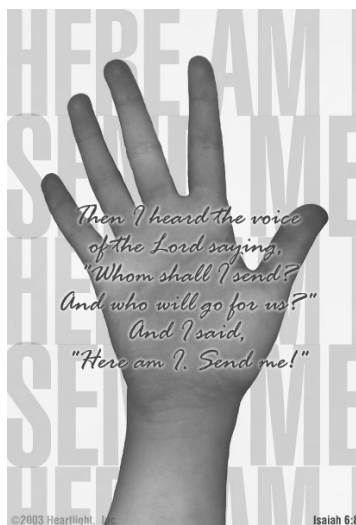


From the DCE Cindy Storm CrPR (Cedar Rapids Recovery Project)

Hi Calvary Family,

I come to you this month with a plea for help, not a plea from me personally, but a plea from the hundreds of families waiting to return home after a year of displacement and uncertainty. These are families who a year ago went to school and work each day and returned to a comfortable home in the evening. That all changed on June 12-15 when the Cedar Rapids river rose to a record breaking 100 year flood stage. Some families barely escaped with the clothes on their backs. It didn't matter though because when they were able to return, everything, EVERYTHING, had to be thrown out on the curb to be taken to the dump. Nothing but the shell of the house was left and that was filled with stinking mud.

not been enough manpower to do all the work. Many local churches organized to help members return home. Some of the displaced families had not been in church since their last child was born or grandma died. They have felt unworthy that



Within several weeks the waters had receded, now the truth had to be faced. Homes were filled with mud and filthy dirty water. All household items had to be thrown out. Families had to decide whether to clean out and re-do or to move and start all over again.

church members would help them when they, themselves, had been so inactive in church life.

Jesus said, "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in. I needed clothes and you clothed me. Then the righteous will an-

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Great progress has been made but after a year, there are still families that have not been able to return home. There has





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swer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? The King will reply, "I tell you the truth whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mind, you did for me.'" Jesus encourages us all to follow His example to "love one another as I have loved you."

Calvary members leave for Cedar Rapids on Sunday, June 7 after being Commissioned to do the Lord's work. We will engage in an intense 24 hours of labor (over three days) of love for those who have had their life shattered. We return on Thursday, June 11.

There are many ways each person can help. First, pray that God sends willing workers. If you are moved to join the group, get a registration form, fill it out and give to Cindy Storm. If you can donate money for food or gas for Project Recovery, there are envelopes you can use. Donated food such as dry cereal, cookies & bars are welcome. Please talk to Sherry Book about food donations. Every Calvary member is invited to be a part of this effort to our family in Cedar Rapids. Check out the CrPR table in the Friendship room for details or talk to Cindy Storm, Julie Barto, or Sherry Book.

A pre-event meeting will be held on Monday, May 11 at 6:00 pm for those going on this trip.



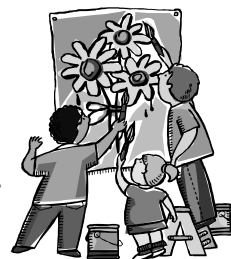
Sunday School Teacher Appreciation Day

\$268.25 — that is what a Sunday School teacher donates in time teaching your child about the love of Jesus. That total does not allow for any prep time so the donation is at least double: \$536.50.

Calvary teachers give generously of their time because they know Jesus' great love for them.

Sunday, May 10 is Sunday

School Teacher Appreciation Day. Let your child's teacher know you appreciate what she or he does in helping your child learn to love Jesus.



THANK YOU TO OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS





63rd IDW Lutheran Laymen's League Convention

St. Paul's Lutheran Church & School of Sioux City Iowa will host the 63rd Annual Convention of the International Lutheran Laymen's League on Saturday, June 13, 2009, from 9 am to 4:30 pm.

The Orphan Grain Train will also be there with a trailer to take donations. They are also serving the Wisconsin Fish Boil for lunch that day. Everyone is invited to attend

Bruce Wurdeman, Directory of the International LLL US Ministries will be the speaker. His topic is the new Men's Network.

Convention pre-registration is \$15. At the door is \$20. Contact Steve Segebart, 712-239-5847 to register or for more information.

St. Paul Rummage Sale



St. Paul's Lutheran Church & School will host an All Congregation Rummage Sale May 29 & 30, 2009.

Come shop for bargains on Friday, May 29, 4-7 pm and Saturday, May 30, 8 am to Noon.

Concessions available during the sale.

5th Sunday Potluck — May 31

Plan now to attend the next 5th Sunday Potluck, Sunday, May 31, at 11:30 am.

Bring a casserole, side dish, salad or dessert to share, to the Parish Hall. Table service and beverages provided.





It's Planting Time!

The Social Ministries Board and the Garden Club members are teaming up to prepare a vegetable garden in the back of the Parish Hall to grow food for the Bag-A-Lunch program. If you would like to donate needed materials, here is our "Wish List" —

1" metal water pipe:

- 3 pieces at 12' (one end threaded)
- 2 pieces at 6' (both ends threaded)
- 1 T connector
- 2 Elbows

1" metal electric conduit:

- 4 pieces at 6' (one end threaded)
- 2 pieces at 4' (both ends threaded)
- 4 Elbows

72 Metal Rebar Ties

2" X 6" or 8" Cedar Boards:

- 8 pieces at 4'
- 2 pieces at 12'
- 2 pieces at 2'



Decorative Fencing w/ Gate: 18' x 38' x 6'

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| 1 Watering Can | 2 Five-gallon buckets |
| 4 Large Rain Barrels | 2 Garden Hoses – 75' – 100' |
| 1 Spade | 1 Trowel |
| Soil | Vermiculite |
| Peat Moss | Topsoil |
| Manure | Vegetable plants |

New or used items will be appreciated.

Contact Jayna Woolridge 239-5817 or Lanette Falk 239-0880 to donate or for more information. Thank you so much!!!

Deaf Missionary Guest Speaker—

You are invited to attend worship on Sunday, Sept 20 at 10:30 am when Deaf Missionary, Pastor Dennis Konkel and inter-

preter, Pat Monroe, will be our special guest Preacher.

(Postponed due to schedule conflicts.)





May 3 Good Shepherd Sunday, Confirmation Sunday — John 10:11-18, “God and Sheep”

May 10 Mother’s Day — John 15:1-8, “Mom’s Garden”

May 17 Sixth Sunday of Easter — 1 John 5:1-8, “What New Thing are You Going to Try?”

May 24 Seventh Sunday of Easter — John 17:11b-19, “Holy”

May 31 Pentecost — Acts 3:1-21, “Ghost — Spirit”



Christmas & Easter in JULY?!?!

Christmas and Easter in July?

Yes, **Wednesday Bible Journey** students will get to celebrate Christmas and Easter in July, without all the commercials.

Students who have finished kindergarten through fifth grade are invited to join the festivities. Registration forms are available from Cindy Storm, DCE.

Registration is limited to 30 students so please reserve your spot early. Cost is \$5 per day and

is refundable if you are not able to attend one of the days. Students bring their own sack lunch with snacks provided.

Dates are July 8 & 22 and August 5. The program runs from 8 am to 4 pm. Doors open at 7:30 am and close at 5:30 pm with supervised time before and after the program.

If you have questions please call Cindy Storm, DCE at 239-1575.

Thank you!

“The Rummage Sale committee would like to say a big ‘Thank You’ for everyone that contributed. To the youth that carried all the boxes up from the basement. To everyone that helped set up, work the rummage, and

helped clean up. And to those that contributed food. We made \$1500. We have a room in the basement that we can store your boxes for next years rummage.”

The CLWL Rummage Committee



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 7 pm Prayer Service for Amy Baschke at Calvary	2 9:30 Annual CLWL Spring Brunch
3 <i>Baptism Sunday</i> Confirmation Sunday 8 Worship w/HC 9:15 Education Hour 9:45 Conf. Reception 10:30 Worship w/HC 11:30 H S Confirmation	4 Pastor's Family Day	5 6:30 75th Anniv. Committee meeting 7 Deborah Circle 7 Dorcas	6 9:30 Lamplight- ers at Trin- ity Hinton 9:30 Bible Study, PA 7 Worship	7 7 Choir Practice	8	9 9-11 Garden Club
10 <i>Mother's Day</i> 8 Worship 9:15 Education Hour 10:30 Worship w/HC LYF Bake Sale 11:30 HS Confirmation	11 Pastor's Family Day 9:30 LWML Quilters 6 CrPR Info Meet-	12 Noon Golden Age 6 Care Team 6:30 Boy Scouts - 7 Out-	13 9:30 Bible Study, PA 7 Worship	14 7 Choir Practice	15	16 8 SLIMM Meeting at Bethel, Lawton 12-4 pm Justin John- son Gradua-
17 <i>Graduation Sunday</i> 8 Worship w/HC 9:15 Grads Reception 10:30 Worship 2-5 Tillo Grad. Party 11:30 HS Confirmation 4 Adult Confirmation	18 Items for next issue <i>Calvary</i> <i>Call due</i>	19 9:30 Rebekah Cir. 7 Martha Circle 7 Ruth Circle 7 Elders	20 9:30 Bible Study, PA 10:45 Photo Dir meets 7 Worship w/HC	21 7 Choir Practice	22	23 Dorinda Krause Graduation Party Parish Hall
24 8 Worship 9:15 Education Hour 10:30 Worship w/ HC	25 Memorial Day Church Office Closed	26 7 Church Council	27 9:30 Bible Study, PA 7 Worship	28 6:30 Wor- ship & Music Board 7 CLWL Board & Topic	29	30 8 am-2 pm Calvary's Day of Prayer
31 8 Worship w/HC 9:15 Education Hour 10:30 Worship w/HC 11:30 5th Sunday Pot- luck 11:30 HS Confirmation 4 Adult Confirmation						

Pastor Travis to Camp Okoboji Continuing Education Event—May 18-20





Worship Assistants for May

Elders: Sun. 8:00 am: Carl H.
 Sun. 10:30 am: Ken S.
 Wed. 7:00 pm:

Ushers: 8:00 am: Rick B., Aaron B.
 Bill B., Brian B.
 10:30 am: Ken S., Darrell S.
 Mike T., Vince T.

Acolytes:

Sunday 8 am	Sunday, 10:30 am	Wednesday 7 pm
<i>May 3 & 6</i>	Jenna L. Chris O.	Chris U.
<i>May 10 & 13</i> Tanner P.	Brooklynn G. Cristin G.	Chris B.
<i>May 17 & 20</i> Emily B.	Savannah B. Rylee B.	Reese B. Mitchell B.
<i>May 24 & 27</i> Chris C.	Dan T. Jenny M.	Jordan K.
<i>May 31 & June 3</i> Tanner P.	Jenna L. Chris O.	Chris



Chancel Guild:

Sun., May 3, 8 am: Ramona M., Regena K.
 Confirmation, 10:30 am: Marilyn M., Nada E.
 Wed., May 6, 7 pm: Penny H.
 Sun., May 10, 10:30 am: Sharon J., Lorraine A.
 Sun., May 17, 8 am: Terry W., Virla M.
 Wed., May 20, 7 pm: Wilma J., Vandy J.
 Sun., May 24, 10:30 am: Sharilyn S., Rhonda H.
 Sun., May 31, 8 am: Diana L., Julie C.
 5th Sunday, 10:30 am: Annelie S., Nancy H.

Greeters:

Sundays, 8 am: Ken & Nada E.
 Sundays, 10:30 am: Julie C.





Garden Club News

Every "gardener" is invited to be a part of Calvary's Green Ministry. Come to our next meeting – Saturday, May 9 from 9-11 am in the Conference Room.

Other news: **Learn to make a Rain Barrel** Classes: May 12 from 6-7 pm at Earl May on Gordon Dr, and May 19 from 6-7 pm at Mosher's Greenhouse on War Eagle Drive. They will provide the equipment, materials and instruc-

tors, and attendees will assemble their own rain barrel to take



home. The cost is \$25 per person. Advance registration and payment is required. Class size will be limited. If you have questions, call Mimi Shanahan at 712-276-2157 or email mimishan@iastate.edu

Free Lunch—Bag-A-Lunch

Starting June 1 through August 14, the Social Ministries Board will be handing out free bag lunches to elementary kids

(grades K-5) 3 days per week. Want more info? Contact Lanette F., 239-0880, and find out how you can help!



Confirmation Class — 2009

Congratulations to our Confirmands: Matt , Samantha, Katherine , Taylor, Cody, Natalie and Ashley.

You are invited to attend a reception for the students, their families and friends in the Parish Hall at 9:45 am.

The Rite of Confirmation will be held on Sunday, May 3, 2009, during the 10:30 am Service. We pray God's blessings on them as they continue their walk in His grace.

Monthly Day of Prayer

Our Next Prayer Day will be Saturday, May 30, 2009, from 8 am to 2 pm. The sign-up sheet will be posted in the Friendship

Room two weeks prior to the date. Plan now to spend half an hour with your Lord in prayer!





Altar Flowers

Commemorate a special occasion, a new baby, or remember a loved one by sponsoring the weekly Altar Flowers in 2009. Signing your name and the occasion to the chart on the bulletin board in the Friendship Room.

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. *Note:* We can accommodate up to 2 bouquets each week.



Care Team Ministry, May — Diane Krause

Calvary Care Team Foundation Emerging

As you may be aware lay members are being invited and encouraged to join this new ministry group here at Calvary. Calvary's elders, Pastor Travis, and lay members are aware of the need to help each in-reach! Many realize the importance of connecting with our brothers and sisters in Christ who are in our midst but whom we may not know necessarily or perhaps may not even know their names! Any one who has a servant heart and a passion to help and uplift others and does something intentional about it *cares*. Whether we are on the giving side or the receiving side we all share commonalities that are important to remember. We are all baptized children of God and greatly loved by Him. We are also, each and everyone, sinners who have been graciously forgiven again

and again. In the Easter Sunrise service message, "Living a Good News Life in a Bad News World, Rev. Matt Harrison conveyed that "It's a done deal!" Our living in and through Christ provides us with an abundant amount of compassion and resources in order that we might pray for and show mercy to others, as well as uplifting others, helping them, serving them, and leading them as God directs. There are many, many opportunities and ways each of us can do our part to help our brothers and sisters in Christ. Three elders, Pastor Travis, DCE Storm and nine lay members met April 21 to continue the process of building core team relationships (which I believe, is the basis for any successful endeavor). Laying the ground work for the actual care team also continues; constructing a self-directed work team, engag-

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ing team leadership, as well as the "equipping of the saints." Again, it may be a cliché but I believe it's so true, "By showing care to others, they too will care." Care team members continue to pray for their respective Calvary

families and individuals as well making some initial contacts. The next meeting for Calvary's care team is Tuesday, May 12, from 6:00-7:00 p.m. We forge ahead in faith, Hebrews 11:1, "Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see."

Kids Need to Feel Special

Here are eight ways to give attention and affirmation to your kids at church and home.

"Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone." Colossians 4:6

1. Please call me by name — especially when you see me outside the classroom. Pray for me by name out loud.
2. Make gentle and direct eye contact. If you really want to honor me — I listen when you kneel down to my level.
3. Please don't ask me "yes" or "no" questions but ask me "how" and "what about" questions. Let me talk and tell you what I think.
4. Touch me in appropriate ways to communicate love. I like hugs, pats on the back, tousling hair, and holding hands. (This does depend on how old I am.)

5. Please be aware of how I'm feeling and accept my feelings. If I'm shy, approach me tenderly. If I'm rambunctious, I might need simply to play with you for a while.
6. I need compliments. But I especially need compliments on the things that God compliments, not just outward signs of beauty the way the world compliments. Compliment the fruits of the spirit that you see in my life.
7. I will really listen to you when I know that you care about me enough to send me a postcard. Wow! Hardly anyone has ever done that for me before!

Grownups are often in a hurry. I need you to slow down and relax. Take some time and enjoy God with me. After all, didn't he take a day and make it special just so there would be time for his people to spend with him?





It's All Happening at Camp Okoboji!

There's a lot happening at Camp Okoboji this summer! Events, Retreats, and programs for ALL ages are on the schedule.

Here is just a sampling. Be sure to check out their website at: www.campokoboji.org to register or find out more information on any of these events!

Building Families of Faith Retreat

Plans are underway to start a new family camp in 2009! The dates are July 19-25, 2009. The camp is being designed for young families and couples who are just starting out. This retreat is one day shorter than our others. There will be various topics for adults, activities for children and child care for the very young.

faith stepping stones, playing with your children, and "ask the doctor"!

We need at least 10 families to commit to this camp! Please contact Lori Gamble if you would like to know more about it! The Reverend Ben Dose, pastor at Zion Lutheran Church in Arcadia, Iowa, will be our Bible study leader!

Topics will include parenting skills, how to do family devotions,

MINNEBOJI

You say that you have checked out the Camp Okoboji schedule and you are busy during Concordia Cubs and Junior High Week? Check another opportunity for kids in grades 4-9, an opportunity known as **MINNEBOJI**.

mission presentations, music, crafts, sports, recreation, and the opportunity to meet new Christian friends.

This year's theme is "WHO IS 'I AM'?" It concerns our GREAT 'I AM' (JESUS) and HIS 'I AM' SAYINGS. The camp registration fee is \$245 (\$275 for 9th grade "Honors" campers). The registration deadline is May 30.





LIFE AQUATIC

If you have completed grades 7-12 and looking for something new and exciting this summer you should go to www.campokoboji.org and find out about all of the exciting things happening at Camp Okoboji.

For the third consecutive year LIFE AQUATIC is being held June 7-13. LIFE AQUATIC is a week



filled with "on the water" experiences that include swimming, boating, canoeing, paddle boats, and scuba diving.

Register on-line and get in on an exciting time on the water and in the Word.

Family Bike Camp



Is your family looking for an affordable weekend get away this summer? The program staff at Camp Okoboji has just the

thing for you!

Check out our Family Bike Camp on June 12-14 2009! Families will stay in our dorm cabins, have opportunity to ride the Dickinson County Bike Trails, have camp fire devotions, Bible study, games and much more!

See our Summer Registration Brochure and our Website for information! All fees include program, meals, and lodging!

Family Reunion & Family Cabin Openings

There are still openings in both Bethel Retreat Center and Joppa Hall for family reunions this summer.

Check our website for the openings and if one of these openings will work for your family call Lorene at 712-337-3325.

There are still openings in Family Cabins for this summer too. They are now being filled on a first-come first-serve basis openings are posted on our Website or just call the office.

