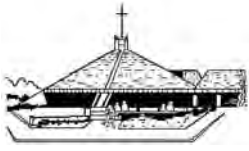


CALVARY CHRONICLE

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Pastor's Column

For the past several months we have been praying and working on several aspects of our ministry at Calvary under the *Transforming for Mission* emphasis. These areas of ministry are in Communication, Outreach, Governance, Leadership and Vision. I would like to look at each of these areas and address the strategies we have developed and the challenges they place before us.

Communication – We formed a committee that developed a questionnaire seeking the best vehicle(s) we have to get the information to everyone in order to keep you current. Those vehicles were; the Chronicle, weekly bulletin, public announcements at worship, word of mouth and the website. This prescription has resulted in better communication due to a heightened awareness of the need and greater commitment on everyone's part to get the word out. The challenge is to keep the communication flow going over a long period of time. We will administer the questionnaire again in January of 2010 to see how we have done.

Mission Outreach – a committee has been formed and is working on getting the two outreach events scheduled for the school population and to the Wittenberg Manor residents. Our first outreach event was our VBS in August that was a huge success as an event and ministry fair, we are still working on keeping contact with all the families – the results have been mixed. We are working on developing ways to connect with our school families through the Partners in Worship Sundays scheduled throughout the year. And we are trying to provide relevant study opportunities and encouraging their participation. The elder board and I are working on gathering topical studies in parenting, marriage and family enrichment and grief workshops for the coming year. Our Wittenberg strategy is to build bridges to them with two outreach/contact events before the first of January and then to continue planning for ways to connect with them. I have been holding a weekly Bible study

in Wittenberg 1 since July on Friday mornings after our coffee hour there. The LWML hosts an annual tea in December that we are going to make more intentional in providing information about Calvary. And on November 1st we are going to host a Wittenberg Anniversary Celebration and Fellowship here at Calvary. Worship will be at 10:00 followed by a fellowship Pot Luck. More information and needs will be shared as we move forward. The challenge is the continual need to be building bridges to our school families, the residents of Wittenberg and the community in which we live.

Governance – The prescription was to consider researching and changing our current governance model. To that end Joel Koerschen came and made two separate presentations on a leadership accountability structure. There will be more dialog and discussion about this in the next few months as we are to consider this in a vote at our January congregational meeting. The challenge we face is the need to change many things in our governance structure and yet maintain the good aspects of it.

Leadership – As part of the leadership prescription I have been in regular contact with a coach appointed by the district to keep us on the prescription track we agreed to at the beginning of this journey, and he has been a great help and encourager. The challenge is to develop on-going leaders to help lead us into the future.

Vision – The final piece of the puzzle is the development of the vision for Calvary's future ministry. This is really the most difficult and frustrating of the prescriptions because it is done on God's timetable and not mine. It involves study, prayer and patience. I am confident that you are lifting me up before the Lord in prayer as we go through this transitional period, seeking God's wisdom and insight in giving us His vision for Calvary.

See only peace!
Sustenance is not nourishment until it
feeds those who speak only truth.
Charles W. Knebel

Odds AND ENDS

Dining for Dollars

Calvary receives 15% - 25% from the sales at these restaurants on our fundraising day.

October 20– Porky's Pizza in San Leandro

November 10– Chevy's Restaurant at Bayfair

December 1– Rigatoni's Restaurant in Hayward

January 12– Chuck E. Cheese in Hayward

February 9– Armadillo Willy's Restaurant in Dublin

Flyers will be available in the cross connection, school office and the info booth on Sunday mornings.

LOOKING FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE THAT DOESN'T REQUIRE A LOT OF TIME?.....

BLOOD DRIVE CO-ORDINATOR

Right now we have one drive a year. It would be great to have at least two. The Coordinator would work with Blood Centers of the Pacific to schedule a date/dates and then advertise the event and be available on the day/days of the event. The past couple of years we have had around 20 sign up. Call Dave if you would like to take this on.

THRIVENT CO-ORDINATOR

This individual needs to be a member of Thrivent. Individual would be part of a committee of three. This committee decides on how the designated funds that Thrivent makes available to congregations would be used. This individual would also advertise and oversee the matching funds that Thrivent makes available to our school. Thrivent has been most generous over the years in supporting church fund raisers and Lutheran school. If you are interested call Dave and he will provide you with the information needed. Very little time involvement needed.

Change of address:

Louise Woodard (203)223-3621
11655 Big Oak Ct
Pine Grove, CA 95655

VBS BRUNCH CASSEROLE

2 lbs- mild pork sausage- brown sausage, drain, remove from pan
3 lbs- hash brown potatoes- brown well in pork drippings, (or oil) remove potatoes
2 lg. Onions- slice & sauté in light oil, till translucent, add sausage. Hold in pan.

COMBINE THE NEXT 5 INGREDIENTS, stir in eggs

1 ½ c sour cream

1 c half & half

⅓ c Dijon mustard

1 c Parmesan cheese

1 tsp salt & pepper (or to taste)

20 eggs

6-c cheddar cheese, shredded

Layer in 11"x17" pan, as follows. potatoes, ½ pork/onion mix, ½ shredded cheese, ½ egg mix, ½ pork/onion mix, ½ egg mix. Bake 30 min @ 325. Top with ½ cheddar cheese, bake additional 10 min. Check/adjust bake time, so casserole is set, and knife comes out clean.

Disclaimer: This recipe is for 11"x17" pan, equals 40- 2"x2" small servings. Dividing it in half should fit in 9"x13" pan. Remember I never do a recipe the same way twice....

ENJOY... Howard ... 7-28-09

Kindergarten Goes Apple Picking...

One of the greatest things about fall is fresh apples. In Kindergarten we get to learn all about Johnny Appleseed and how he planted apple trees all over the United States. To celebrate his birthday, which is in September, the Kindergarteners set out on a long journey to Livermore to pick fresh apples. It was our very first field trip and boy did we learn a lot! After we picked some of our own apples, we got to eat them and learn about their different parts. We learned that if we cut our apple in the right way, we would have stars in the middle! Miss Diane also taught us all about how to grow apples and how to turn them into yummy treats like applesauce. We even got to help her make applesauce from the apples we picked! We were so excited to have the opportunity to learn more about apples and cannot wait for our next field trip where we get to explore the pumpkin patch! May God bless you all during this fabulous season we call fall!

Love and Hugs,

Miss Eckhardt and the Kindergarten Class

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PASTOR JAMES BOTHWELL

WEDNESDAY EVENING YOUTH GROUP
SR. High 6- 8pm

Worship Services (beginning Sept. 13)

8:00AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE
(COMMUNION ON 1ST & 3RD SUNDAYS)

9:30AM ADULT & CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:45AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE
(COMMUNION ON 2ND & 4TH SUNDAYS)

5TH SUNDAYS ONE SERVICE ONLY AT 10:00AM
(NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR ADULT STUDIES)

CHRISTIAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
PRINCIPAL TRUDY PACKARD
GRADES PRE-3 THROUGH 8TH



CALVARY SCHOOL IS RECYCLING
ALUMINUM CANS & PLASTIC
BEVERAGE BOTTLES

JR. HIGH YOUTH GROUP
GR. 6, 7 & 8
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9 & 23
6-8PM

Prayers of Our Church



Thanksgiving

For the baptism this morning of Julianna Ramos; Kevin Smith's kidney surgery showed NO cancer; employment for Jeff Rainey; for two successful back to school nights; for our prayer quilt ministry

For peace in the world *President Obama and our country's leadership - For our soldiers, Andrew Hyden (Skjong's nephew) in Afghanistan*

For our staff

Trudy Packard; Chrystle Vincent; Traci McClain; Vanessa Eckhardt; Amy Sosa; Margie Luehrs; Christina Grace; Bethany Blair; Carol Liston; Ellen Hackerd; Kristi Morlock; Abby Einspahr; Mike Souza; Kim Heggins; Blenda Schultz; Michelle Michael; Jim Kyne; Sherrie Akre; Joyce Strom; Lydiana Sanchez; Holly Contier; Pastor Bothwell

Ministry guidance

School Enrollment; Evangelism; Children's, Family, and Youth Ministries; Parish Education; Transforming for Mission guidance

For comfort

Joshua Shear for the loss of his mother, Judy Arnold; Penny Wilkins & family for the loss of her mother, Bernice Silva; Mike Souza & family for the loss of his mother, Ann Netter; Louise Woodard for the sudden passing of her daughter/care giver Ann Marie

Cancer patients

Edith Mena's sister-in-law, Dee Lazaga; Ron Borges, Roger Engler, friend of Skjong's- Bill Burke; Irene, friend of Mabel Stafne; Rita Lowe; Georgiana Robbins, Kim Heggins' mother; Ed Bassard; Mary Peters; Tom Adams; Tessa Diaz; Sheila Weber; Eliose Smith; Kayla Armstrong; Denise Eck; Bernadette Pastorino; Doug Kuglar's father; Bob Nishida; Melody Saldate

Physical, emotional or spiritual healing

John Wilkins' mother; Annie Ellis' sister, Glo; Jan Curler; Adam Pye; Earl Raymer now in hospice care; Kevin Smith; Bret Naiman; Wes Curtis; Joan Marden; Matthew Geach, Walter Nishida; Gerry Luehrs; Trudy Packard; Mary Dorr's sister, Joyce; Mabel Stafne; Wilma Ramirez; Louise Woodard; Tom Cain; Lisa Ghiselli; Christina Curtis; Edith Mena's mom; Sergio, son of Jan Curler's coworker; Jim Hohnberger; Ginny Dottaviano; Stephen & Yoon Mitchell; Marlene Mueller's sister, Gloria; Gloria Day; Amy Sosa's mother, Diane; Louise Woodard's cousin, Joyce; Josa Lau; Dian Smith & mother; Rick De La Cruz's mother, Rosie; Tyler Flynn; Stafne's son-in-law; Kristi Morlock's uncle, Dan Cinnamon; Bret Mendia; Alicia Bejarano; Mary Dorr's sister, Joyce; Bill Glock; Sidney Lau; Barney Haug; Stan Miller's parents; Mabel Stafne's sister; Dick Deckert; Nancy Woodard; Carol Liston's, mother, sister, brother-in-law, & nephew; friend of Mary Dorr, Gerry; Debbie Spence; David Cannella; Kim Heggins' sister, Anna; Anna Beasley; Dave Flynn; Tom Masely; Donna Jensen; Verna Abbot

Personal Needs & Other Concerns: marriage difficulties; elderly parents; job related issues; Marie Curtis-school; Binder's grandchildren; Kurt Mena, Van Deckert, Tom Duvall and Guy Marden are all in need of employment.

Pray for all expectant moms - *that they would go full term and have healthy babies,* Kristi Morlock

2010 Altar Flower chart is now up in the Narthex

Calvary's Website:
www.calvarysanlorenzo.com



Hearts and Hands Ministry

Calvary Lutheran Church
17200 Via Magdalena
San Lorenzo, CA 94580
510-278-2555

Calvary's Hearts and Hands Ministry carries out Christ's command to love one another as He loved us. Many members of Calvary have volunteered to provide meals, in-home care relief, and rides for those who need these services.

If you know of someone who could use these services (they do not need to be members of Calvary), please call the particular service coordinator and they will arrange for the service.

MEAL PROVIDER COORDINATOR: Diane Salo

Cell Phone: 510-589-5893

Office Phone: 415-395-8053 (9:00 a.m - 5:00 p.m)

Home Phone: 510-583-0394 (evening & weekends)

(Providing some meals for a person or family who could, due to circumstances, benefit from this service.)

IN-HOME CARE RELIEF COORDINATOR: Maria Mitchell

Phone: 510-828-3346

(Providing relief for a person who is giving 24 hour care for someone in their home.)

RIDE ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR: Jan Kreger

Phone: 510-278-9167

(Providing a ride for someone who is unable to drive: doctor - dentist visit, shopping, run an errand, etc.)

If you cannot reach a particular service coordinator, call the church office.



Jr. High Youth Group Youth Night Schedule

Subject to change and this does not include weekend events/activities

*We meet on the following Friday's from 6-8pm
(Notice the new start time!)*

October 9th

October 23rd

November 13th

December 4th

December 18th

January 8th

January 22nd

February 5th

February 19th

March 5th

March 19th

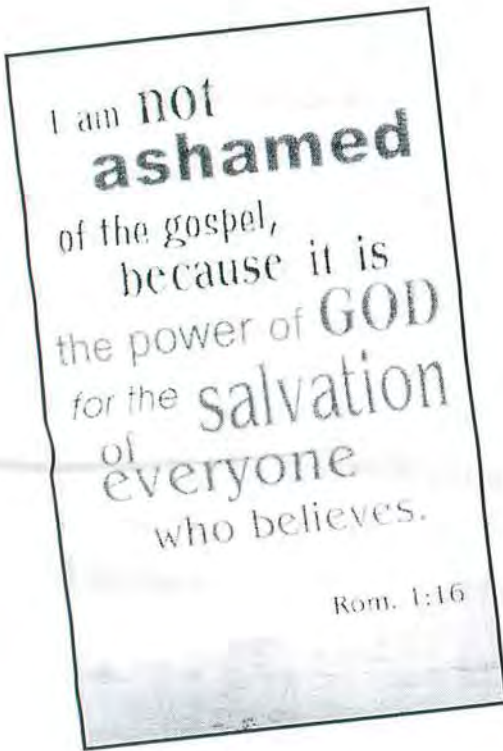
April 16th

April 30th

May 7th

May 21st

June 4th



Adults- Please contact Christina Grace if you are willing to help with any of the above evenings.

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Let's take a moment to reflect on a few of the many blessings that the Lord has recently bestowed upon Calvary Lutheran Church & School!

Calvary Lutheran Ministries is thankful for:

- a delightful preschool summer program
- our praise band and for their willingness to lead us in worship
- Doug Henry, our WONDERFUL web master
- the volunteers who run the soundboard during worship services
- a wonderful and caring staff
- our new 8th grade teacher, Miss Einspahr
- the outside of the buildings getting painted
- for a VERY successful VBS program & for all of the volunteers that made the week possible
- our new Administrative assistant, Lydiana Sanchez
- the fabulous 30 hour fast that our youth group hosted
- the many youth that volunteer at Calvary
- an active parent group at CLS
- the officers of the CPA (Cougar Parent Association) and their willingness to serve the Calvary community
- the many new library books in our school library
- Ann Marie Mrak...who willingly organizes and cleans the school library
- volunteer librarians to run the school library
- an awesome property board & for all of their volunteers
- the new air conditioners in the preschool and kindergarten rooms
- the Calvary Club summer program and for all of the staff that helped to run the program
- all of our new students and for their families
- our returning students and families
- the new carpet tiles that CPA purchased for the 2nd grade classroom
- the volunteers who moved furniture in the 2nd grade room so that we could replace the carpet
- the dynamic prayer quilt ministry and the impact it is having around the world
- the list is endless!!!

Thank you Lord for the many blessings!

Fall



Cougar Parent Association (CPA) Meeting Notes for September

We had a great first meeting with the new board members, unfortunately we only had 11 parents at the meeting and that included 4 board members and the principal. I hope we can do better than this next time around!

We opened up with Rhonda going over the financial report. If you would like a copy, please ask.

There are many ways to earn PPP hours – classroom help, chaperoning field trips, attending CPA & auction meetings, helping with classroom parties, field day, walk for cans, the book fair, hot lunch etc. RECORD HOURS in office.

A parent came up with a great idea for a Calvary Rummage sale and Bake Sale – watch out for more information on that

Promote SCRIP – this is an easy way for the school to earn money!!

Fall Fundraiser ends Sept 25th – make sure all packets are turned in on time with the money

Dining for dollar dates:

Chevy's Bayfair – Nov 10th – you can buy Scrip for this one

Rigatoni's Hayward – Dec 1st

Porky's – Date changed, will update you later

Auction – April 24th – Please mark your calendars for a fun Fiesta night. Margarita machine this year! They need your help....Talk to Laurie Santos for more information- 1st meeting Tuesday, Sept. 22 at 7pm.

We are offering Cheerleading this year – Miss Einspahr will be coaching- more info to come...

We are trying to raise funds for Basketball Uniforms – watch out for more information on ways you can help.

Watch for date of next meeting – will have exciting guess speaker!

Reformation!

The Congregations of the Concordia Circuit
of the California-Nevada-Hawaii District
of the Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod present a

Festival Worship Service

and

German Supper/ Oktoberfest Fellowship

celebrating our Lutheran heritage of the
16th Century

Sunday, October 25, 2009

Service Preacher

Rev. Robert J. Benke

Nationally renowned speaker in a variety of venues
Pastor of Jehovah Lutheran Church in St. Paul, Minnesota

Choral Director

Dr. David Hunsberger

Director of Music, Zion Lutheran Church, Piedmont, California

4:00 p.m. Festival Worship Service

The afternoon begins with a festival Communion service featuring the Rev. Robert J. Benke as speaker. The music for the service will include festive choir anthems and chorales of the Reformation era accompanied by brass, timpani, and organ - under the direction of Dr. David Hunsberger. A 30 to 40 voice choir is anticipated.

6:00 p.m. Oktoberfest

An Oktoberfest celebration with live polka music.

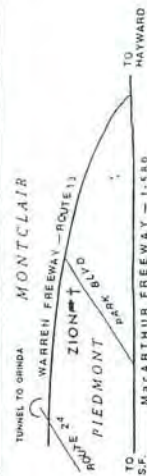
Menu includes: Sauerkraut (Marinated beef with carrots, celery, onions, and tomatoes); Nudeln mit Petersilienbutter (Noodles with butter and parsley); Rotkohl (Red Cabbage, sweetened with apple sauce); Apfelsauce (Apple sauce); Brot und Butter (Bread and butter); Lebkuchen mit Weisses Schokolade (Gingerbread cake brushed with orange-scented honey syrup and frosted with a white chocolate frosting); und Kaffee oder Tee (Coffee or Tea) Hot dogs and chips are provided for the children. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Suggested donation: Adults \$14.00, Children \$5.00. (Traditional German beverages will be available for sale.)

Host Congregation:

Zion Lutheran Church

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Guest Speaker
H.B. London
Focus on the Family



Saturday, October 10, 2009
Pastor's Reception/Silent Auction
5:30PM
Dinner and Program 7-9 PM

Bridges Community Church
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For more information, contact David Whitaker
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