

March

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Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church March 2017

From the Pastor

Even more unbelievable than this amazing mild winter weather, for me, is the fact that Lent is already here! It arrives March 1st with Ash Wednesday, and we have a great worship program again this year, with a new twist that I think you will enjoy.

This year marks the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, and we're celebrating the rebirth of our church and our Lutheran heritage throughout the year. "With Awe and Love" is the theme of our midweek Wednesday worship services at noon and at 7 p.m. as we explore and reflect on Luther's Small Catechism together.

On the Sundays during Lent, we have a special treat. Thinking seriously about the wealth of great acting talent we have here in our congregation, it seems only fitting to me to use those gifts and those gifted people to offer something different. "The People vs. Jesus," a dramatic series in which biblical eyewitnesses are called to the stand to testify about his life and work, begins on March 5th.

If you are interested in participating, see Tess Snyder, our Music Director, who will be directing this series.

And don't forget that on Wednesdays we offer a light lunch after the noon service, and a light supper at 6 p.m., before the 7 o'clock service.

These are all opportunities to deepen and strengthen your faith and your walk with Christ as we prepare our hearts for Holy Week and Easter.

“Make me to know your ways, O Lord;
teach me your paths.
Lead me in your truth, and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all day long.”

Psalm 25:4-5

Too often we get caught up in our own ways. Let us wait upon the Lord together as he teaches us his ways.

Whatever our weather does, I pray we make the time during Lent to grow together in God’s grace.

In Christ’s service,

Pastor Janet





March 1-Debra Crago, 3-Diane Demlow, Millicent Hudson, 6-Augustus Nusbaum, 7-Michael Gonsalves, 8-Shirley Welch, 11-Daniel Knoles, 14-Braxton Hanson, Kelsey Kassulke, David Koch, 16-Alexandria Weber, Alexis Weber, 20-James May, 21-Tammy Russell, 23-Treva Hardman, Keith Wise, 24-Don Weber, 25-Charles “Buzz” Knoles, 29-Kate Gearhart, Steve Hummel, James Segelhorst, 30-Steve Wise, 31-Ella Belle Umina

WHO DOES WHAT

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Calvary Lutheran Church

CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES

**JANUARY 17, 2017 COUNCIL
MINUTES**

Members Present – Charlotte Spahr,
Dave Jones, Jeff Webb, Melody Knoles,
Mike Northrup, Jack Thompson, Scott
Nusbaum, Connie Senter, Bill Knoles,
Susan Gearhart, Janis Lane, Teresa
Pelletier Members Absent – Bob Austin

Meeting called to order at 7pm by
President Knoles.

Devotions – Pastor led devotions from
“Guidance Thru Prayer” There are
different kinds of prayers. People are
not comfortable praying...maybe
because it takes patience and we have
to face ourselves. Each member of
council added a petition to a prayer that
Pastor began.

Secretary’s Report – The date on the
December minutes was corrected.

Motion to accept minutes as corrected
made by Scott ; Second -Jeff -Minutes
approved.

Pastor’s Report – In addition to worship
services, meetings, teaching, counseling
and visits to hospitals, homes, and
nursing homes, Pastor conducted a
funeral service for Michael Schaller,
attended the youth lock-in, participated
in the Community Free Meal,
participated in the swearing in of the
Ross County officials and attended First
Tuesday. Mike moved to accept the
report ; Jeff seconded. Report was
accepted.

Treasurer’s Report We are feeling the
impact of an aging congregation and
must be thoughtful yet aggressive in
dealing with trend. If each giving unit
increased their giving by \$3-\$4 a week
our situation would be ‘solved.’ Susan
and Bill will talk with congregation for
about 5 minutes prior to each service.
What is your personal action plan for
doing God’s work in 2017. God needs
you to make a difference in the lives of
others, which ultimately will lead to a
more vibrant and active church.
+ Operating income of \$17,576 was
\$2188 more than expenses but \$1,193
+ less
than budget. Total giving of \$25,368
was \$4,258 more than needed but

\$8,301 less than December 2015. Dave moved to accept the report and Melody seconded. The report was accepted.

Team Reports

Archives

Parish Education

Community Life

Communications -

Facility & Landscaping – Report submitted. In addition to regular maintenance the team moved the old refrigerator in preparation for delivery of new one; finished preparing and painted the concrete wall in stairway to Fellowship Hall; Vacuumed Return Air Grills in Fellowship Hall; Flushed floor drains. The team meets each Tuesday at 9am to noon. They also meet one evening from 6pm-9pm.

Fellowship - (Report submitted) Souper Bowl... January 21 – 6-8pm Lots of prizes for the drawing have been donated. The total amount of money will be split 60% to Calvary and 40% plus all the soup to Good Sam. A representative from Good Sam has been invited to Calvary to receive the food and money on February 5.

Finance

Visioning

Outreach – List of concerns by families in the congregation was distributed. We continue to have Community Free Meals. Jeff Webb was applauded for his dedication to this event and his OUTSTANDING cooking skills! More help is needed. Sign-up sheets are available.

Stewardship

Visitation

Worship & Music – Connie Senter is, at the request of W&M and council,

pursuing the use of Substitute Organist Service. Plans for Lenten midweek services and 'lite' meals were finalized. Youth – Christmas caroling and visitation to some senior citizen residences was followed by an evening of fun and a lock-in. It was led by Chris Murphy, assisted by Philip Burke for singing and Mary Webb connecting with senior residences.

Charlotte moved to accept the team reports. Melody seconded. Reports were accepted.

Old Business

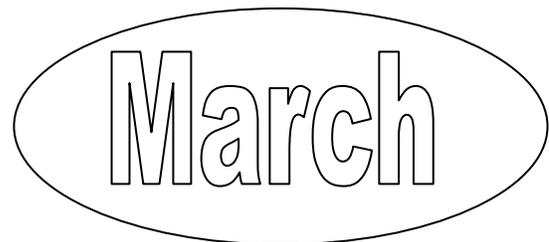
*Dave Jones and Jim Segelhorst will be looking at a 4 camera security system which will provide saved video and provide security inside and out. They will be looking at systems at Sam's Club and making a recommendation to council.

*Jeff will be leading the free community meal on Jan.26. Contact him if you can help. The meal is from 5-6:30p. Others from council signed up to help.

*Still need to work on packet for Chamber of Commerce relocation packet.

* Statehood breakfast will not be at Calvary.

*Job descriptions have been found. They are being reviewed and updated and a procedure for evaluations will be developed.



New Business

*Council thanks Treva Hardman for her MANY years of keeping the sign board up-to-date. She has passed the job to Bill and Melody Knoles.

* Rachel's (Office Administrator) hours will be Monday-Thursday from 8am – 2pm.

* For the third time Tom Breeden has had an article accepted by and published in "Lutheran Message." He has donated his monetary reward to Calvary. Council congratulates Tom on sharing his talents and God's Grace with others!

* Many of our members cannot attend church or church functions because they cannot drive or do not have transportation. Pastor and Bill will check on some potential options to provide these services.

* Announcements will again be displayed on the front wall prior to the services. Melody has agreed to help with this.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Janis Lane

March Dates to Remember

March 1- Ash Wednesday Worship at 2PM and 7PM

March 2-Worship and Music Meeting 5:30PM

March 3-World Day of Prayer Service @First United Methodist 1:30PM

March 4-Statehood Day Prayer Breakfast @Trinity United Methodist 8:30AM

March 7-Directory Planning Meeting

March 7-First Tuesday 7PM

March 8, 15, 22, 29 (and April 5): Midweek Lenten Worship 12PM Service and 1PM Meal; 6PM Meal and 7PM Service

March 10-12-Youth Event LSS Barn Weekend of Service and Fun

March 11-Lay Theology 9AM-4PM

March 23- Free Community Meal 5-6:30PM

See our Seasonal Worship Schedule for more upcoming Services and Events in April!





*It is already Lent, how quickly the season flew by! We have been so blessed by a mild winter and with the spring season just around the corner there is so much to be grateful for! Don't miss the many exciting opportunities at Calvary to prepare your hearts for the resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ!

*Following the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper at 5PM on February 29th, on March 1st Ash Wednesday begins our midweek Lenten worship with services at 2PM and 7PM.

*Church Women United will be having a World Day of Prayer Service on Friday at United Methodist Church at 1PM. It is so nice to gather with all our brothers and sisters in Christ from all the different churches.

*The Statehood Prayer Day Breakfast will be on Saturday March 4 at 8:30AM at Trinity United Methodist.

We will be under the table to catch all the yummy crumbs!

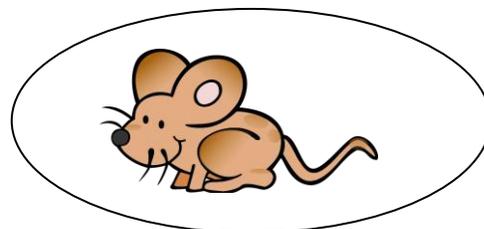
*Additional midweek Lenten worship starts on March 8th. These wonderful midweek services are a great way to enjoy fellowship and camaraderie here at Calvary!

*The Calvary Youth will be having a weekend of Service and Fun at the Lutheran Social Services barn with the weekend concluding Sunday morning at Church. If you want to participate contact Bob Austin or Karla Hanson.

*We heard Melody Knoles and Sophie Fulkerson are organizing bowling teams for a charity event for Big Brothers and Big Sisters. All us mice look great in our tiny bowling shirts!

*The Free Community meal is on Thursday March 23rd. We are always there to help with clean up. Talk to one of the facilitators if you can pitch in. The more, the merrier!

*As we prepare for our Lenten journey, we pray for peace in your hearts and lives always through Jesus Christ Our Lord! See you at Calvary!





Dear Calvary Lutheran Church,

I am happy to share I received news from my doctor I am cancer free. Thank you so much for your prayers for me!

-Robin Ward

Dear Calvary Lutheran Church,

A big thank you to everyone at Calvary Lutheran Church for the love, support, cards, food, and especially the prayers you have sent my way this difficult year. They always showed up when I needed them the most. My wrist is healing and my cast is off. I am on working on getting the motion back in my wrist and thumb. I feel so blessed to be part of our Calvary family.

-Julie Ries

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the great success of the Souper Bowl. Money was raised for both our church and Good Samaritan Food Bank who also benefited from the many wonderful soup donations contributed by all of you! Your generosity makes a difference in the lives of those in need right here in our community!

Thank you to our Fellowship Team for all of their hard work organizing our great events here at Calvary. Shrove Tuesday and other events provide us with a chance to gather, share great food and fellowship, and feel comfort in the love and presence of Jesus as we celebrate together. Thank you to all our teams, volunteers, cooks, and attendees!

In Christian *Sympathy*

We extend our Christian sympathy to the family and friends of Doug Botts Sr., and of John Androsac, who have joined the Saints in Light. May God comfort them in their loss, and ease their hearts with hope in Christ's promises of resurrection and reunion.



**CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH
PLANNED YOUTH ACTIVITIES
2017**

Our next Youth Event:

Friday to Sunday, 03/10-12/2017

LSS Distribution Barn in McArthur for the weekend, led by Karla Hanson and Bob Austin. Service and fun! The weekend starts Friday at 7:30 p.m. and ends Sunday at 8:30 a.m. by going to church. Donation requested is \$35. Church will offset some cost.

Look for additional details/specifics about these exciting events in future announcements as these events occur.

Questions? Contact Bob Austin

Phone # 740-703-4646

**LECTORS ARE NEEDED FOR SEASONAL AND
SUNDAY WORSHIP**

Lectors (lay readers) are needed for upcoming Sunday worship. This is a great way to participate in worship as well as polish your public speaking skills. Lectors are provided readings through the mail prior to Sunday with plenty of time to practice or answer any questions. A sign-up sheet is in the back of the Sanctuary. If you have any questions please contact Linda Mohr at: Mohr_gary2000@yahoo.com

OUTREACH TO DOWNTOWN BUSINESSES

We will be starting the cookie deliveries to downtown businesses once again in 2017. If you are interested in helping bake or deliver cookies, please contact Jim or Brenda Segelhorst at 740-775-5115. The team will visit 6 businesses in our downtown area each month. This outreach is intended to grow our ministry and share a friendly thank you with our downtown neighbors in Chillicothe. More participation and help is always welcome!

TEAM LEADERS ARE NEEDED FOR OUR FREE COMMUNITY MEALS.
Each team leader assembles their own volunteer team to help with the meal. Previous team leads are happy to train anyone who is interested. This is a great volunteer opportunity for a family, club, Scout group, etc. A sign-up is on the bulletin board. Questions, contact one of our facilitators below.

Our next **Free Community Meal** is scheduled for **Thursday March 23rd**, 2017, from 5:00PM-6:30PM.

*This program is being supported, in part, through a grant from the ELCA (World Hunger) Domestic Hunger Grants Program. **More help is always welcome and appreciated!*** All are welcome! Contact one of the facilitators below for more information about becoming involved.

Facilitators: Pastor Hatch 740-773-1044, Jeff Webb 740-253-3558, The Segelhorst Family 740-775-5115

NEW WELCA SERVICE PROJECT

WELCA has adopted the Children's Clothing Bank as our outreach project for 2017. We are collecting **NEW** socks and underwear, all sizes. Everyone is welcome to donate. There is a collection box in the rear hallway. Your contributions are appreciated!

COOKIES ARE NEEDED FOR CHURCH COFFEE HOUR

Store bought or home baked treats are needed for the church coffee hour. Please leave any donations in the upstairs church kitchen labeled "coffee hour". Thank you for your contribution to church hospitality!

LUTHERAN MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

April 28 - 30, 2017
Fairfield Inn & Suites,
Beachwood OH

Apply now at
GodLovesMarriage.org!
Or contact Duffy & Nan Guthrie at
nguthrie@suite224.net or
440-599-9090 for more
information.

Weekends fill fast - don't miss out!

Church Women United World Day of Prayer Service
Friday March 3rd at 1:30PM at First United Methodist Church
585 E Main St, Chillicothe, OH. All Are Welcome to Attend!

SOUND BOARD TRAINING

On Sunday, April 2 at both 9:30 a.m. and at 12 p.m., that is, immediately following each worship service, we will be offering a brief training session on how to run our Sound Board System in the sanctuary. If you are interested in helping out in this way, please plan to attend. At this point we have only three people doing it, and we'd like to offer them some respite and flexibility by adding a few more people to the schedule. Both youth and adults are encouraged to volunteer. The training will be headed up by Bill Knoles, and we will meet in the balcony of the sanctuary.

Fellowship and Fun Event coming on Sunday April 9th

2017 Bowl for Kids' Sake at Shawnee Lanes at 2PM

Calvary will be entering teams for this year's Big Brothers and Big Sisters charity event. Teams consist of 5 persons, all ages are welcome. This will be our Fellowship Service Project to our community. You don't have to be a good bowler to participate. This is NOT about bowling, this is about HELPING KIDS!

Contact Melody Knoles (740) 701-1489 or Sophia Fulkerson for more information. Taking sign-ups now!

Reformation Trip to Germany

Dear Friends,

I am sharing an awesome opportunity with you as we celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. A friend of mine who is the choir director at St. John's (Pastor Janet's former congregation) is organizing a trip to Germany this summer, July 10-16th, 2017, to visit many of the Reformation and Martin Luther sites. All of the ELCA congregations in southern Ohio are invited. It is an exciting opportunity and very reasonably priced! You may also inquire with me.

Thank you!

Kay Sykes

Reformation Trip, total cost per person, approximately \$2650.00

Inquire for further details and information from Nick Basham

Email: nrbasham@yahoo.com

Phone: 740-534-0817



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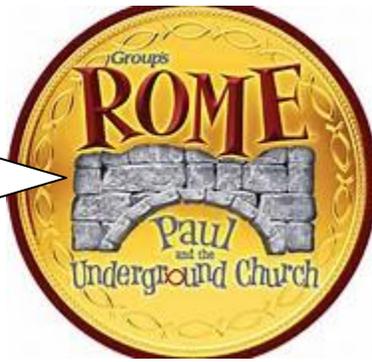
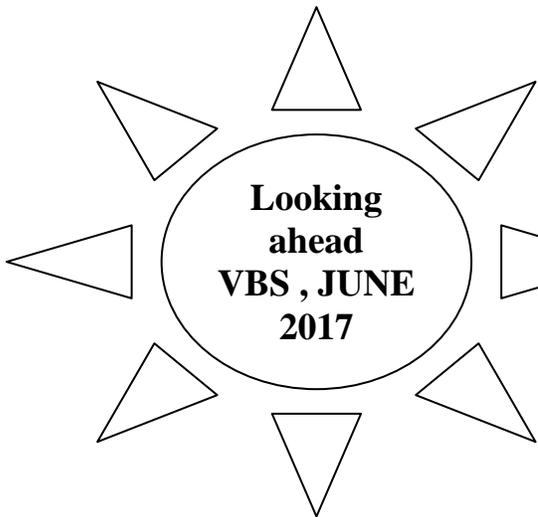
As we continue to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation this year, we will be offering something very special on both the Sundays and the mid-week Wednesday worship services during the upcoming season of Lent. The season itself, which is a time of repentance and preparation of our hearts for Easter, begins on Wednesday, March 1st with Ash Wednesday services at both 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. with the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion. On Sundays beginning March 5th we will offer the dramatic series, “The People vs. Jesus,” where biblical eyewitnesses are called to the stand to testify about his life and work. The theme for mid-week services is, “With Awe and Love,” appropriately based on Luther’s Small Catechism. We will also continue to offer light meals with those Wednesday services, which begin on March 8th: worship is at noon, followed by a light lunch; and then worship at 7 p.m., preceded by a light supper at 6 p.m. Plan to make this a priority on your calendar and in your life this year, as we celebrate what it means to be Lutheran!



Lent and Easter Seasonal Worship Schedule 2017

Ash Wednesday Services	March 1 , Services at 2PM & 7PM
Midweek Lenten Service	March 8 Service 12PM, Meal 1PM Meal 6PM ,Service 7PM
Midweek Lenten Service	March 15 Service 12PM, Meal 1PM Meal 6PM ,Service 7PM
Midweek Lenten Service	March 22 Service 12PM, Meal 1PM Meal 6PM ,Service 7PM
Midweek Lenten Service	March 29 Service 12PM, Meal 1PM Meal 6PM ,Service 7PM
Midweek Lenten Service	April 5 Service 12PM, Meal 1PM Meal 6PM ,Service 7PM
Palm Sunday Worship Services	April 9 8:15AM and 10:45AM
Maundy Thursday Service	April 13, 7PM
Good Friday Service	April 14, 7PM
Easter Sunday Sunrise Service	April 16, 6AM
Easter Sunday Church Breakfast	April 16, 9:30AM
Easter Sunday Services	April 16, 8:15AM and 10:45AM





**Save the Date!
Vacation Bible School
June 5-9, 2017**

Our VBS this year will be one week earlier than previous summers! Please save the date for our children, youth, grandkids, neighbors and friends and **begin praying!**

This year the theme is Rome: Paul and the Underground Church. It is a market place style curriculum. We will be needing lots of volunteers of all ages to man the shops and various centers and folks to make easy togas. Items that you can be on the lookout for in your basement, garage, attic, sales racks and garage sales:

- Canopies (that can be set up indoors)
- Blankets, pots, imitation plants and trees
- Old sheets and fabrics for draping
- Inexpensive fabric for togas
- Hot knife for cutting Styrofoam

Please contact Kay Sykes if you are interested in helping or have questions:
740-804-8161

ksykes@minfordfalcons.net

Further details to be announced soon!

Directory update concluded, but you can update any time!

While the directory update has concluded, you can update or correct your information at any time by contacting the church office at 740-773-1044 or by email at CalvarySec@horizonview.net