

## From the Senior Pastor

I'm so glad you've picked up a copy of our booklet describing the heart and soul of Calvary. Calvary is about people. Calvary is about people like you. Calvary is about helping each of us develop a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.



As you look through this booklet, you'll find descriptions of all sorts of programs and ministries. It might almost seem a little overwhelming. But we don't expect you to do everything. We want you to find the one or two things that will most help you to grow in your faith and maximize your potential. And if you're not sure what you want to do, we have a *Connexions* ministry designed to help you discover what might give you the most satisfaction and joy.

Whether it's Children, Youth and Family, Missions, Outreach, Small Groups, Prayer Ministries, Music or something else, we want Calvary to feel like home for you. We want this to be *your* place, *your* church. We want you to be able to say, "Calvary is the place and the people that helped me to develop and grow the most important relationship in my life, my relationship with Jesus". May God bless you richly as we grow together here at Calvary.

Your Friend and Pastor,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Pastor Steve Dornbusch".

Steve Dornbusch, Senior Pastor

# Our Mission

Calvary's Mission is to *lead people in a growing relationship with Jesus Christ*. It is our prayer that every person God has placed here, whether member or visitor, grows in these seven "next steps".

## **Believe**

Coming to and continuing my faith in Jesus.

## **Connect**

Living in ever-deepening relationships with God's people.

## **Follow**

Allowing Jesus to reign in every area of my life.

## **Serve**

Using my time, talents, and spiritual gifts to meet practical needs.

## **Give**

Sacrificially sharing my material resources for the benefit of all.

## **Multiply**

Participating in the spiritual birth and nurture of believers.

## **Worship**

Giving praise to God and growing in a life of prayer.

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## Worship at Calvary

### **Traditional Worship Service**

Upholds the best of our Lutheran heritage using liturgy and hymns sung from the great history of the Christian Church. Music is provided by classical musicians. Services are indoors year round.

### **Contemporary Worship Service**

Offers current Christian songs and prayer led by a Praise and Worship Team and band. Memorial Day through Labor Day, these services are held outdoors (weather permitting) in beautiful Calvary Park (just north of the church) under the oak trees. Bring a blanket or lawn chair.

### **Journey Worship Service**

Fresh worship that is: Simple. Engaging. Authentic. Untucked. Visit us at [www.calvary.org/journey](http://www.calvary.org/journey).

**Nursery and Childcare** – is provided for infants through 5 years of age during Thursday evening and Sunday worship services.

**Grace Place (our version of Sunday School!)** – weekly ministry for kids age 2½-6th grade, meets Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. and Sundays, 8:45 and 10:00 a.m., September through May.

**Metro Mobility Tickets Available** – If you or someone you know is Metro Mobility certified and unable to participate in Calvary functions due to financial limitations, please contact Judy at 763.595.9561.

**Parking/Shuttle Service** – An overflow lot is used and shuttle service runs Sundays 7:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. from the Syngenta lot (Rhode Island & Country Club Dr.) from Labor Day to Memorial Day.

**Radio Broadcast** – 10:00 a.m. Worship Service on KKMS 980AM.

## Worship Schedule

### **Thursdays**

6:30 p.m. ~ Contemporary Worship  
Sanctuary, *Labor Day – Memorial Day*  
Calvary Park (weather permitting), *Memorial Day – Labor Day*  
Supper served 5:30 - 6:25 p.m. ~ \$5 each/ \$15 family  
Ice cream sundaes following the service

### **Sundays ~ Labor Day through Memorial Day**

8:00 a.m. ~ Traditional Worship ~ Chapel  
8:45 a.m. ~ Contemporary Worship ~ Sanctuary  
10:00 a.m. ~ Traditional Worship ~ Sanctuary  
11:15 a.m. ~ Contemporary Worship ~ Sanctuary  
5:00 p.m. ~ Journey Worship ~ Sanctuary

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8:45 a.m. ~ Traditional Worship ~ Sanctuary  
10:00 a.m. ~ Contemporary Worship ~ Calvary Park (weather permitting)  
11:15 a.m. ~ Contemporary Worship ~ Calvary Park (weather permitting)  
TBD ~ Journey Worship ~ Sanctuary

### **Lenten Dramas**

Dramatic portrayals of biblical characters each Wednesday during the six weeks of Lent, 5:30 & 7:00 p.m. Supper served 4:30-7:00, \$6/Adult \$5/Children Ages 5-12.

# Directory

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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## Pastors

Dornbusch, Steve; Senior Pastor	763.231.2960
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Peterson, Lynn; Mission & Outreach Pastor	763.231.2964
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## Small Groups

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## Becoming a Member of Calvary

Membership encourages us to establish and enjoy relationships with other members of the congregation. Membership at Calvary also brings commitment to faith, to participation, to prayer, and to financial stewardship.

If you are interested in becoming a member of Calvary Lutheran Church we ask that you complete a *New Member Information Form* and attend a *New Member Event*. Forms may be obtained by contacting Pam Rathlisberger, or the form may be filled out electronically on-line at [www.calvary.org](http://www.calvary.org). Go to the “New Members and Visitors” link and follow the instructions.

Calvary also hosts New Member Events several times a year. A nursery and children’s activities are provided. To make a reservation, contact Pam Rathlisberger.

### **For more information about Membership, contact:**

Dorree Adelman, 763.231.2973 or [dadelmann@calvary.org](mailto:dadelmann@calvary.org), or  
Pam Rathlisberger, 763.231.2982 or [prathlisberger@calvary.org](mailto:prathlisberger@calvary.org)

## Baptisms

At Calvary, we welcome God’s children, young and older, to Baptism. To prepare for this service of Baptism we ask families to attend a one hour instructional meeting that will explore the meaning of Baptism, help you plan for this event and answer any questions you may have. This is held the first Sunday of each month at 11:15 a.m. in the Family Life Center. For more information, please contact Debby Bromander at 763.231.2948 or [hourlychildcare@calvary.org](mailto:hourlychildcare@calvary.org). To schedule a baptism, contact Georgie Waulk at 763.231.2975 or [gwaulk@calvary.org](mailto:gwaulk@calvary.org).

## Weddings

We welcome members of Calvary Lutheran Church to be united in marriage. A pre-marital workshop and/or counseling are available. To receive a book which gives the guidelines for being married at Calvary or for any questions you may have, contact at Kathi Miller 763.231.2987.

## Illness

Please call the church office, 763.545.5659, so Calvary’s pastors can support you with prayer and presence. Hospitals do not notify churches when members are admitted for care. There is a pastor on call 24 hours a day – call the church office and follow the directions to page a pastor after office hours.

## Funerals

To arrange a funeral service for a member of Calvary, please contact Pastor Skip Reeves, 763.231.2965, or any Pastor you choose.

## Get Connected

In the next pages you will find dozens of ways to become involved at Calvary with opportunities for any ages, any stage of faith, or desired level of involvement.

### **ConNEXTions Ministry**

Unsure where to begin? Try our ConNEXTions ministry. This ministry offers classes to help you find and understand your unique gifts and talents. Our “Connector Team” will then help match your gifts and talents to specific ministry areas such as fellowship, spiritual growth and serving opportunities.

### **For more information about ConNEXTions, contact:**

John Hensrud at 763.231.2966, or [jhensrud@calvary.org](mailto:jhensrud@calvary.org).

## Safe Haven Policy

It is Calvary’s policy to provide a safe environment for everyone at our church. Any leader involved with children, youth or vulnerable adults is required to agree to the terms of Calvary’s Safe Haven Policy and provide personal information which allows background checks.

## Stay Connected

To find current information on Calvary and its ministries refer to:

### **[www.calvary.org](http://www.calvary.org)**

Calvary’s website.

### **Calvary Calls**

Our church newspaper. To subscribe, contact Kathi Miller at 763.231.2987 or [kmiller@calvary.org](mailto:kmiller@calvary.org).

### **eNews**

Weekly eMail newsletter. To subscribe, contact Sharon Lindau at 763.231.2986 or [slindau@calvary.org](mailto:slindau@calvary.org).

### **Weekly Bulletin Announcements**

Available at Thursday and Sunday worship services.

# Alpha

The Alpha Course is a ten-week opportunity to explore the validity and relevance of the Christian faith to your life today. It is a practical introduction to the basics of Christianity centered around a meal, a talk and small group discussion. Over 1.5 million people have taken the Alpha course in the United States and Canada. It is also offered in 43 languages and held in 150 countries worldwide.

The first night of each course is simply a chance to see if Alpha might be right for you. If you like what you hear and want to return for the rest of the course, we'd love to have you. There is no charge for the Alpha course, although you will be asked to make a donation towards the cost of the meal and weekend getaway.

Calvary offers an Alpha course three times each year. Please contact Carol Skjegstad for upcoming dates.

## **For more information about Alpha, contact:**

Carol Skjegstad, Alpha Director, 763.231.2983 or [alpha@calvary.org](mailto:alpha@calvary.org).

# Small Groups

Small groups provide an environment of Christian community where nobody has to stand alone without the strong support of others. Small groups offer a deeper level of community in the church.

A small group is a gathering of people who meet together on a regular basis with a common purpose of growing in their relationship with Jesus Christ and with each other. Groups typically spend their time building friendships, learning, laughing and having fun, caring for one another, praying together, serving others and eating!

Each group determines its own meeting time, meeting place, frequency of meetings, length of commitment to belong to the group, and the focus of the group. Small groups at Calvary are led by lay people who have been through small group training.

Calvary has a wide variety of small groups, including:

- Community and Discipleship Groups
- Serving Groups
- Family Groups
- Marriage-Focused Groups
- Men's & Women's Groups
- Young Adult Groups
- Junior & Senior High Teen Groups

## **For more information about Small Groups, contact:**

Deb Wagner, 763.231.2976, or [dwagner@calvary.org](mailto:dwagner@calvary.org).

## Health & Caring Ministries

Health ministry promotes the well being of individuals and families. When people are well, they are better able to fulfill God's calling for their lives. This ministry reclaims the mission of Christ to preach the kingdom of God and heal, recognizes that the church community proclaims God's desire that we have abundant life, and reaffirms and supports the journey towards wholeness in the relationship of body, mind, and spirit.

### For more information on Health & Caring contact:

**Annette Langdon, Parish Nurse and Director of Health and Caring Ministries**, at 763.231.2955 or [alangdon@calvary.org](mailto:alangdon@calvary.org).

#### Parish Nurses

RNs who have completed Parish Nurse training support and extend the ministry of caring through integration of faith and health, visits, health counseling & education, prayer, advocacy, & referrals.

#### Pastoral Counseling

If you are in need of pastoral counseling, our staff is always willing to share time for your concerns. We also have a referral service to help facilitate specific needs. Contact Pastor Skip Reeves at 763.231.2965.

#### Visitation

It has been a focus and commitment of Calvary to bring the Heart of Christ to people who can't regularly come to worship. Calvary's pastors and staff bring this warmth to people in many settings. If you know of anyone who has been hospitalized or is in need of a visit from a pastor or a caring Christian friend, contact Pastor Skip Reeves, 763.231.2965.

#### BeFrienders

Are specially trained lay people who enter into caring relationships with others at times of special need by visiting them and bringing emotional and spiritual support.

#### Care Team

Responds to the non-medical, "quality of life" needs of individuals not routinely provided by social service programs. Volunteers form teams to provide respite care and individualized support and socialization. Contact Sandy at 763.544.7902.

#### Disabilities Awareness

The focus of this group is to help make Calvary a place that welcomes people with disabilities through accessible environment and with personal openness. Contact Kristin at 763.595.7606.

#### Environmental Stewardship

Raises the value and commitment to care for God's creation by promoting respect in worship services, church events, congregational practices, and personal actions. Contact Laura at [envsteward@yahoo.com](mailto:envsteward@yahoo.com).

#### Health Ministry Team

Offers health education and promotes wellness of body, mind and spirit through such activities as health fairs, blood drives, education, exercise, etc.

#### Blood Pressure Screening/Checks

**2nd Tuesday each month** ~ 11:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, Room E120

**3rd Sunday each month** ~ 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Room A119

#### Prayer Shawl Ministry

Offers prayer support in a very tangible way to those in crisis or suffering in body, mind or spirit. Volunteers pray as they knit or crochet a soft shawl that brings physical warmth and spiritual comfort. Contact Judy at 763.588.4419 or Linda at 763.545.7313.

## Health & Caring Supportive Groups

There are times in each of our lives when we have difficulty coping with events or experiences. It is our prayer that you receive the support you need to have hope and faith in a God who cares for you. Unless indicated, all groups meet at Calvary and are free of charge. Not all groups meet year round. Contact Annette Langdon at 763.231.2955 or [alangdon@calvary.org](mailto:alangdon@calvary.org) for information on any of these groups.

### **Alcoholics Anonymous**

**Thursdays, 10:00 am, Room N209**

For persons struggling with chemical addiction. Contact Ellen, 763.545.3302, or Neil 763.551.2519.

### **Compassionate Friends**

**3rd Monday ~ 7:00-9:00 pm, Room N004**

Open to parents who have experienced the death of a child at any age. Contact Carol, 763.542.8528.

### **Domestic Abuse Support for Women**

**Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30 pm, meets at Home Free in Plymouth**

Child care provided free. 763.545.7080. 24 hour line: 763.559.4955.

### **Grief Support**

**3rd Sunday, 11:15 am, Luther Room**

For individuals who are grieving the loss of a loved one. Supportive, confidential environment with a Christ-centered focus.

### **Divorce Care**

**Every Tuesday ~ 7:00 pm, Room N209**

For men and women needing hope and healing through separation and divorce. Safe, confidential and a Christian focus.

### **Infertility, Infant Loss & Miscarriage Support**

**4th Tuesday ~ 7:00-8:30 pm, homes**

For men and women at all stages of their journey through infertility. Contact Daonna, 763.559.1890, or Marianne, 763.550.0529.

### **Living with Cancer**

**3rd Tuesday ~ 6:30-8:00 pm, Room N211**

Christian focus for people living with cancer and for their family members. Contact Pastor Skip Reeves, 763.231.2965.

### **MN Depression & Bipolar Support Alliance (MDBSA)**

**2nd & 4th Mondays ~ 7:00-9:00 pm, Room N004**

Anyone wanting support and information on depression or manic depression (bi-polar) is welcome to attend this Chapter of the DBSA.

### **NAMI – National Alliance for the Mentally Ill**

**3rd Tuesday ~ 7:00-9:00 pm, Room N207**

Support for any persons, and their family members, experiencing mental illness.

### **Crohn's & Ulcerative Colitis Support**

Support and education for individuals and their family members as they deal with these conditions. Contact Deb at 763.231.2976 for information on dates and times.

### **Suicide Survivors Support – West Metro Group**

**1st & 3rd Tuesday ~ 7:00-8:30 pm, Luther Room**

Support for people who have lost a loved one by suicide. Contact Bev at 763.323.3178.

# Hospitality at Calvary

## For more information about ConNEXTions, contact:

John Hensrud at 763.231.2966, or [jhensrud@calvary.org](mailto:jhensrud@calvary.org).

*Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me. And anyone who welcomes me also welcomes the one who sent me. Matthew 10:40*

The purpose of Calvary's Hospitality Committee is to support and help carry out the mission of leading people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.

We want visitors and members alike to feel safe and be welcome at Calvary – we want to create an atmosphere where people are anxious to come back.

It's the People

Hospitality is all about people.

It is people giving to people, people making a difference for other people.

It's putting a face on Christ, a face of welcome and warmth.

### **A Fishy Attitude**

To set the tone of Calvary's Hospitality Ministry we use the F.I.S.H. video every year to help create an atmosphere of fun, which we Christians call JOY. It's important that people witness the joy that Christ brings to this place. That's our job and we love doing it.

## **Ushers**

Ushers graciously attend to the needs of Calvary's worshipers. They greet them at the doors of the sanctuary with a smile and a bulletin and see to their needs while worshiping by collecting offerings and prayer cards and responding to any needs that arise for individuals (hearing difficulties, emergencies, etc.).

## **Greeters**

Greeters are the people behind the smiles at Calvary's main entry doors before each worship service. Greeters set the atmosphere for people when they come into this place of worship. For new visitors they convey – "You're among friends". "It doesn't matter where you've been, you're here now". For others – "You're back with friends" and "We're glad to see you again". And at the Welcome Centers they are ready to help anyone who needs information. They have building maps to guide people, calendars of events with room assignments, and general information about Calvary's ministries.

## **Parking Lot Attendants**

Parking lot attendants actively assist people in cars through Calvary's parking lots. Helping people find a parking spot is very important to the team. Showing that Calvary cares that God brought them here ranks even higher. Parking Lot Attendants take away a lot of anxiety for worshipers at Calvary, but they also put smiles on people.

## **Fellowship**

Coffee and doughnuts is always a highlight before or after worship. Teams of smiling faces greet visitors and members and extend hospitality and welcome by serving beverages and doughnuts. Some members really have come to count on this hospitality and look forward to it each week. This is a great service activity that many families do together.

## **Welcome Days**

The Hospitality Committee also sets the framework and provides support for Welcome Days at Calvary, probably the largest festival of the year for us. A team of 10 people plan and carry out this event and over 325 people make the day special, to let Calvary witness our joy in Jesus Christ. Each ministry is represented and offers information to members and visitors. There is a carnival atmosphere with games and food for all. This kicks off the church school year in September.

# **Family Life**

## **For information on Family Life Ministry, contact:**

**Pastor Matt Anderson** at 763.231.2962 or [manderson@calvary.org](mailto:manderson@calvary.org).

## **Marriage**

Calvary hosts and co-hosts speakers and seminars throughout the year to enrich marriages within Calvary and in our community. Watch the website, Calvary Calls or eNews for information. For more information on Calvary's Marriage Ministry, contact Donna Erickson at 763.231.2980 or [derickson@calvary.org](mailto:derickson@calvary.org).

**The Marriage Preparation Program** provides an in-depth review of the key issues premarital couples need to consider to build a solid foundation for a happy and healthy marriage. Integrating relationship insights, communication skills, and scriptural references, this 5-week premarital class reflects more of what God intended marriage to be. For the next orientation date and class schedule, contact Donna Erickson.

**“The Marriage Course”** is a seven-week study designed to help any marriage grow as God intended. Registration required. \$65/couple. Call for next scheduled course dates.

**“Discover the Love of Your Life All Over Again”** is an 8-week video series by Gary & Barb Rossberg. Registration encouraged. \$20 per couple. Call for next scheduled course dates.

## Parenting

**Parent Education Night**, offered each November, offers nationally known speakers and information to equip you with necessary tools to be successful parents.

**Parenting classes** offer support in the journey of parenting and faith building for families with children ages birth to teen.

Classes directed at the first 2 ½ years of a child's life meet monthly on Sunday mornings, September through May. Contact Debby Bromander at 763-231-2948 for more information.

For classes available for parents with elementary age children, contact Cindy Engelkes at 763.231.2970 or cengelkes@calvary.org.

For class availability for parents with teenage children, contact Pastor Matt Anderson at 763.231.2962 or manderson@calvary.org.

## Bible Camp for Youth & Families

### **Lake Wapogasset Lutheran Bible Camp, Amery, WI**

This beautiful facility and program help you grow spiritually and build meaningful relationships, in addition to just plain having fun!

#### **Family Camp Weekend ~ *For the whole family!***

July 25-27, 2008

#### **“Seeds” Weekend 2nd & 3rd Graders ~**

July 25-27, 2008

#### **Youth Camp Week for Grades 4-12 ~**

July 27-August 1, 2008

### **Mount Carmel Camp, Alexandria, Minnesota**

Enjoy swimming, kayaks, paddle boats, great worship, fellowship, entertainment and speakers! There's something for everyone.

#### **Family Camp Weekend ~ For the whole family!**

August 2008 (Details to come).

## Family Service Opportunities

A great way for families to grow together in Christ. Contact Cindy Engelkes, 763.231.2970, or Dawn Dresser, 763.231.2988.

## Family Togetherness

One time and annual events where families spend time together and get to know other Christian families. Events include Celebrate Spring, All Saints Carnival, Advent Workshop and more.

# Early Childhood Ministry

## **New Baby Hotline**

To announce the arrival of your new baby, call Debby Bromander at 763.231.2948, or e-mail Debby at [hourlychildcare@calvary.org](mailto:hourlychildcare@calvary.org).

## **Nursery**

Calvary's nursery is open for infants through five years old during worship services on Sunday mornings at 8:45, 10:00, and 11:15 a.m., and on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. during the church school year.

All those who love children – parents, grandparents, friends, and youth (grade 7 and over) are welcome to help care for our children in the nursery. Contact 763.231.2949 or [nursery@calvary.org](mailto:nursery@calvary.org).

## **1st Anniversary of Baptism**

This celebration of all baptisms from the previous year is held on the day of Jesus' Baptism during worship services.

## **Teensy Tots – 3rd Sundays, 10:00 a.m.**

For parents and children birth to age 1½. One hour class. Topics center on how to encourage faith development at this early age.

## **Tiny Tots – 2nd Sundays, 10:00 a.m.**

One hour class for parents and children ages 1½ to 2½. Parents and their children participate together and apart with presentations, discussion, games, Bible stories and faith building activities.

## **Calvary Hourly Child Care**

Short-term hourly care, love and ministry for children ages 16 months through kindergarten. Open September through May, Tuesdays, through Fridays, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with a five-hour daily limit. Reservations required. Call Debby Bromander, 763.231.2948.

## **Calvary Child Care Center**

Full day, educare ministry of Calvary that serves infants through pre-kindergarten age. Operates Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. with curriculum that provides a variety of age appropriate activities focused on spiritual, cognitive, and physical development. Call Becky Robinson at 763.231.2951 for more information.

## **Calvary Pre-Kindergarten**

45 year history! Calvary's accredited weekday, enrichment classes promote readiness for life and learning in a Christian environment. Separate programs are available for children ages 2, 3, 4, and 5. Contact Carol Zwernik at 763.545.5933.

# Children's Ministry

## For information on Children's Ministry, contact:

**Cindy Engelkes, Children's Ministry Director**

763.231.2970 or cengelkes@calvary.org

**Sharry Hosfield**

763.231.2969 or shosfield@calvary.org

**Karen Rosch**

763.231.2968 or krosch@calvary.org

## Grace Place – our version of Sunday School!

Grace Place is Calvary's weekly church school ministry for kids age 2½-6th grade. Small groups meet Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. and Sundays at 8:45 and 10:00 a.m., September through May. Everyone is welcome!

## Connect your Kids!

### Bible Brigade

Select a Bible storybook and receive bookmarks to record your reading progress. Every time you complete a bookmark, dig into our Treasure Chest of prizes for encouragement!

### Choir

See page 36 for choir/music opportunities for your child.

### Family Fellowship Events

These fun events include the All Saints Costume Carnival, Advent Workshop, Celebrate Spring, and Roller Skating Parties. See website, Calvary Calls, bulletin announcements or eNews for information.

## Family Serving Opportunities

Learn more about ways you, as a family, can serve the Lord at Calvary and in the community.

## Lake Wapogasset Lutheran Bible Camp (WAPC)

See Bible Camp page 22.

## My Faith Journey Events

An opportunity for children from ages 2½ through 12th grade and their parents to come together to share, celebrate, and record stepping stones of faith.

## Vacation Bible School

Every June, kids from age 3½ to 6th grade gather here for the best week of the summer: VBS! A new and exciting theme guides us each year to better know, love and follow Jesus. Registration begins in late March and April.

## SpottsLife Camps

The desire of SpottsLife Camps is to help the church develop children's faith in Jesus through sports and arts themed programming and to work in unison with the church and our volunteers to provide an environment where long term, Christ-centered relationships will start between churches, volunteers and campers. Registration begins late March and April.

## Youth Basketball

Open to girls and boys in grades 3-12. No previous basketball experience is needed. Focus is on sportsmanship and fun, everybody plays! Registration begins the end of September. Weekly practices begin in November, and games played in the Christian Athletic Association start the first week of January ending in March. Volunteers always welcome as coaches, team parents, scorers, FANS, etc.! See Basketball Bulletin Board outside the gym.

# Junior High/Middle School

For information on Junior High/Middle School, contact:

**Kathy Brown, Confirmation Director**

763.231.2971 or kbrown@calvary.org

**Melanie Grosklags, Junior High Youth Director**

763.231.2972 or mgrosklags@calvary.org

## **Confirmation/Wednesday Night Live (WNL)**

Calvary's confirmation program, called Wednesday Night Live (or WNL), is for all 7th, 8th, and 9th graders. WNL includes worship music led by a live band, fun videos and dramas, and inspirational talks on relevant topics. Students also participate in small groups, service projects, retreats, and a mentoring program during Lent. The Affirmation of Baptism Service is in the fall of 10th grade. For more information contact Kathy Brown, Confirmation Director. Dinner is available Wednesdays 5:15 - 6:00 p.m., \$6 each/\$18 family maximum.

## **Ignite (7th & 8th Grades)**

Monthly social events for 7th and 8th grade students include Timberwolves games, paintball, Valleyfair, and ski and snowboard trips. The goal of every Ignite event is to provide a safe & fun place for Junior High and Middle School students to hang out with each other and grow closer to God. For more information on Ignite, contact Melanie Grosklags.

## **Friday Ignite**

Meets in the Student Underground from 6:00-8:00 p.m. No permission forms are needed and there is no cost.

## **Youth Choir**

For choir/music opportunities for your child, see page 37.

## **Youth Basketball**

For details on Calvary's Youth Basketball program, see page 27.

## **Lake Wapogasset Lutheran Bible Camp (WAPC)**

See Bible Camp page 22.

# Senior High

## For information on Senior High School, contact:

**Bryan McInnis, Senior High Youth Director**  
763.231.2958 or bmcinnis@calvary.org

**Claire Van Grunsven, Senior High Youth Intern**  
763.231.2956 or cvangrunsvan@calvary.org

### **Wednesday Current - Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00 p.m.**

We will gather to worship together, hear powerful messages related to God's word, learn about what it means to follow Jesus, and meet new friends.

### **TIM (Teens in Mission) Team**

If you are in 10th-12th grade and are looking for a place to use your leadership skills and serve your peers, here it is! TIM Team members help with Grace Place, Confirmation, youth events, retreats, VBS, summer camp, and other areas around the church.

### **Cell Groups**

A time for youth to meet together and talk in small groups about what it means to follow Jesus in everyday life. Not only are cell groups a safe place to talk about these issues but are a place they can receive encouragement and support. Cell groups meet weekly in the homes of adults who are passionate about youth. For a list of current Cell Groups check out the Calvary Website.

### **Bible Camp**

Lake Wapogasset Lutheran Bible Camp (WAPO)

### **Sr. High Camp**

This includes a water park, high ropes, and other special activities just for you.

### **TIM Team Camp**

This is a leadership camp for those who want to work with younger kids. We do a lot of group building and learning how to work with younger kids. Time is spent actually being a junior counselor for our 4-5th graders at camp.

### **Wilderness**

Experience God in a different way, canoe and camp through the boundary waters of Northern Minnesota.

### **Family, Faith and Football - (September-January)**

Join families from the Calvary Community and cheer on the Vikings in the Student Underground. For a list of Family, Faith and Football Sundays, check out posters around Calvary or click on the youth link at [www.calvary.org](http://www.calvary.org). 11:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

### **Coffee House**

Every first Sunday evening of the month Sr. Highers will gather for an evening of music, conversation, games, and hangout time in the Student Underground. \*This is a great place to come grab a mocha, a snack, and work on your homework. 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

### **Summer Trip**

Each year about 80 youth and chaperones grow in their faith through work trips, youth conferences, or service opportunities over the course of a week during the summer. The 2008 Summer Trip destination will be Panama City Beach, FL, June 21-28.

# Adults

## Evangelism

Join our Evangelism Ministry Team meeting and be part of the excitement of discussing how to help Calvary grow, be visitor friendly, share your faith and much more. Meetings are monthly. Contact Dorree for more info at 763.231.2973 or dadelmann@calvary.org.

## Altar Guild

Responsible for preparing communion at all worship services and cleaning up afterward. They care for the altars in the Sanctuary, Chapel and Prayer Chapel and help with Christmas season decorating. Great way to meet and work with new people. Contact Inez Weist at 763-545-5750.

## Crown Ministries

*For more information about Crown Ministries, please contact Liz Turner at 763.231.2963 or lturner@calvary.org.*

**Crown Ministries Biblical Financial Study.** This 10-week Bible study explores the many things God's Word has to say about money. Trained leaders offer participants concrete ways to apply these principles in a setting that gives privacy yet accountability through a small group experience. Classes begin in September, January and May. Pre-class and weekly homework is required.

**Crown Ministries Video Series.** Beginning in September and January, Calvary presents a Crown Ministries video series. Teaching occurs on video and through small group discussion on topics that may include Debt, Godly Counsel, Honesty, Giving, Work, Saving/Investing and Teaching Children About Money. Classes meet weekly and limited homework is recommended.

## Food Service

All through the year Calvary serves meals for a variety of functions and activities. Volunteers are needed in several capacities from preparation of meals, cooking, cleaning, and serving. Contact Craig Rothfolk at 763.231.2959 or crothfolk@calvary.org.

## Facility Ministry

Volunteer to help with the building facilities and grounds maintenance. Contact Craig Rothfolk at 763.231.2959 or crothfolk@calvary.org.

## Women's Ministry

*For more information on Women's Ministry, contact Cheri Almquist at 763.231.2981 or calmquist@calvary.org.*

## Bible Studies

Since our primary source of growth is the study of God's Word, we offer a number of different Bible study groups for women including both day and evening meeting times.

## Circles

Circles are groups of women who meet monthly September through June. Their meetings are a combination of Bible study, fellowship, and mission support.

## MOPS (Mothers Of Preschoolers)

MOPS is a ministry to mothers with children from birth to kindergarten providing friendship, creative outlets and teaching. A children's program is available during the day group meeting. The day group meets the 2nd & 4th Monday of each month, 9:30-11:20 a.m. Evening group meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month, 6:45-8:30 p.m. Contact Heather at 763.383.1008.

### **Small Groups for Women**

Small groups exist for the purpose of forming meaningful relationships with other Christians who can support and encourage one another in their walk with Christ and in their life situations. They typically meet in member's homes.

### **Special Events for Women**

At various times throughout the year, Calvary women are invited to special one-time events where they can hear challenging teaching, special speakers, or musical guests, and enjoy fellowship with other women.

### **Special Interest Groups**

Are formed around a particular interest or service area. Some examples are knitting and crocheting, and scrap booking. Watch Calvary Calls and bulletin announcements for details about these classes or groups and their meeting times.

### **Women's Leadership Team**

Meets the third Monday evening of each month to plan special events for women. New members are always welcome.

## **Men's Ministry**

*For more information on Men's Ministry, contact Dave Wagner at 952.512.0362.*

Calvary Men's Fellowship (CMF) is a great way to meet and get to know other men from Calvary. Our mission is to connect the men of Calvary for the purpose of growing in their relationship with God and with each other.

Join us monthly for a "Purpose-Driven Breakfast" held the second Saturday of each month. Breakfast is served starting at

7:45 a.m. (\$5 donation is appreciated) and the meeting starts at 8:00 a.m., followed by a dynamic speaker, music and fellowship time.

We also plan other men's events and our steering committee usually meets once a month. Watch Calvary Calls or the bulletin for details.

## **Seniors**

Seniors at Calvary use their life experiences and mature faith to nurture others into a closer relationship to the Lord. Calvary invites you to share your gifts and to continue to develop your faith through fellowship, mentoring, evangelism, and service. Contact Pastor Skip Reeves at 763.231.2965.

### **Calvary Cooperative and Apartments Bible Study**

Contact Sharon Lindau at 763.231.2986.

### **Young-at-Heart**

This group has a lot of fun throughout the year with regular events and special projects. Events include monthly lunches with entertainment and participation in the Golden Tones, a senior choir that practices at Calvary. Contact Shirley Harmon 763.588.8488.

### **Senior Dining Program**

Calvary invites those of you 60 years old and older to eat a noon lunch at the church. Contact Volunteers of America Senior Dining at 612.269.8462 from 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

### **Home Delivered Meals Program**

Persons with demonstrated need can have meals delivered to their home by volunteers. Contact Volunteers of America at 612.418.5515 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

# Music & the Arts

## For information on Worship, Music & the Arts contact:

**Dan Oie, Music & Worship Director**

763.231.2944 or doie@calvary.org

**Lora Edwards, Worship & Music Administrative Assistant**

763.231.2945 or music-admin@calvary.org

**Ben Hertle, Associate Music & Worship Director**

763.231.2946 or bhertle@calvary.org

## Adult Choirs – *No auditions necessary!*

### **Traditions Choir**

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Music Auditorium

Sings every Sunday at the 10:00 a.m. Traditions worship.

### **Expressions Choir**

Wednesdays, 6:15-7:45 p.m., Chapel

Leads worship and sings every Sunday at the 8:45 a.m. service

## Children's & Youth Choirs – *No auditions necessary!*

### **Cherub Choir – Ages 4 through Kindergarten**

Wednesdays, 6:00-6:35 p.m. ~ Room N003

Cherubs sing once each month for worship and on Christmas Eve.

### **Carol Choir – 1st-3rd Grade**

Wednesdays, 6:00-6:50 p.m. ~ Room N004

Sings once each month for worship, participates on Christmas Eve, Good Friday and a musical with the Covenant Choir in the spring.

### **Covenant Choir – 4th-6th Grade**

Wednesdays, 6:00-6:50 p.m. ~ Music Auditorium

Sings once each month for worship, participates on Christmas Eve, Good Friday and a musical with the Carol Choir in the spring.

### **Youth Choir – 7th-12th Grade**

Wednesdays, 8:00-9:00 p.m. ~ Room N004

Sings once each month for worship, presents a musical in the spring, and participates in 'Sounds Like Love' Youth Festival and spring mini tour.

## Instrumental Ensembles

### **Carillon Handbells (Adult and High School)**

Wednesdays, 8:00-9:00 p.m. in the Music Library

### **Ringing Praise Handbells (Grades 4-6)**

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the Music Library

### **Calvary Woodwinds**

Contact Dawn Miller, 763.478.2924.

### **Calvary Brass**

Contact Dan Oie, 763.231.2944.

## Summer Music Camp

One week, half day sessions in July for kids in 2nd-6th grade. A musical is presented on the last day of camp.

## Holy Week Art Show

Art work created by Calvary members and friends on display.

## Outreach & Global Mission

We seek to extend God's loving hand beyond the congregation of Calvary, locally and globally. We do this through creating opportunities for you for learning and prayer, partnership and service, mission trips and special projects, missionary support and benevolence giving. All these experiences help us grow in the joy of faith.

### For more information on Outreach & Global Mission contact:

**Pastor Lynn Peterson**, 763.231.2964, or **Dawn Dresser**, 763.231.2988.

### Community Service

We invite you to grow in faith and joy by serving God as a family, an individual, a small group or part of a team. A wide variety of service opportunities range from raking a shut-in's yard, serving supper at a North Minneapolis church or holding babies at the Crisis Nursery, to volunteering with Habitat for Humanity and Feed My Starving Children.

### Partnerships in Faith and Service

Calvary partners with other ELCA congregations that minister in particularly challenging locations. We share prayer support, financial support, volunteer involvement, and worship visits. Congregations in North Minneapolis (Redeemer, Luther Memorial, Salem, Christ English) and Minneapolis' Lutheran ethnic congregations (El Milagro/The Miracle, Lao Lutheran Church, Oromo) are all special partners. We also work with food shelves, immigrant ministries, housing programs, and other social ministry groups to build up life and health in our community. Join us as we join them in ministry!

## Global Missions

Join us as we pursue mission work across the ocean and right here at home! Learn about our global missions projects, meet our missionaries serving in Papua New Guinea, Mexico, Madagascar, Tanzania and other countries, or share a special ethnic worship experience with our partner congregations. Or befriend a new immigrant or an international student at Luther Seminary. Opportunities abound!

### Yearly Mission Focus & Other Special Projects

Calvary friends of all ages engage in hands-on projects that save lives and share Christ around the world like Operation Bootstrap, Heifer Project, Papua New Guinea Well Project, and Lutheran Health Care Bangladesh.

### Hunger and Human Needs Committee

We mobilize Calvary's response to hunger and human needs around the world. Activities range from organizing "Bag Sunday" (food collection drive) to distributing Calvary's generous Hunger and Human Needs giving. We help Calvary invest in emergency response, charity, development and justice-oriented programs to share Christ's love and bring God's hope and healing to the world. You are welcome to join the team!

### Katrina Recovery & Minnesota Flood Recovery

Calvary is "in it for the long haul," sending teams to the Gulf Coast to rebuild houses, offer Camp Noah for children affected by the hurricane, provide speakers and other local support activities. Join us as we now also pitch in to help Minnesotans recover from summer 2007 floods.

### **Mission Tips**

See the world, serve God and grow in faith. This year, Calvary-related teams will serve in Ecuador, Mexico, and Haiti. Mission teams include children, youth, young adults, families, and retirees.

### **Missionaries**

Visit Calvary's website at [www.calvary.org](http://www.calvary.org) to meet these missionaries, learn about their ministries, email them, and offer your prayer support.

#### **Ron and Michelle Olson**

Wycliffe Bible Translators, bring Scriptures, literacy and health development to the Agarabi people of Papua, New Guinea.

#### **Sally and Tacho Dominguez**

Mazahua Valley Ministries bringing witness, leadership training and community development to rural Mexico.

#### **Reid and Caroline Lamphere**

Athletes in Action uses international sports competitions as an opportunity to share Christ; based in Atlanta, Georgia.

#### **Doug and Monica Cox**

ELCA missionaries in Madagascar, working with Project Shalom and with Project Manna, a women's development project.

#### **Chuck and Cindy Lindquist, and Carol Rosales**

World Mission Prayer League, Minneapolis headquarters, sending missionaries around the world.

#### **Dr. John and Joann Toso**

Dodoma Christian Medical Center, Dodoma Diocese, Tanzania, bringing healthcare and Christian witness through a system of rural dispensaries, medical center, dental clinic and HIV/AIDS programs.

## **Life Long Learning**

### **For more information on Life Long Learning, contact:**

**Sharon Lindau**, 763.231.2986 or [slindau@calvary.org](mailto:slindau@calvary.org).

For details about classes currently being offered, refer to the Calvary Calls, bulletin announcements or the Life Long Learning page on the Calvary website. If you would like assistance in finding a class to meet your needs, please feel free to contact Sharon.

### **Sunday Mornings at Calvary**

Classes and Bible Studies are offered regularly throughout the year. A variety of topics, styles and durations are available to fit with differing interests and faith levels. Classes geared towards those with specific needs are also offered such as Christian Parenting, Marriage Enrichment, and Disabilities support. Groups are led by pastors and lay leaders.

### **Weekly Bible Studies and Classes**

Weekly Bible Studies and Classes are available almost every day. A sampling of classes currently being offered at Calvary are:

- Alpha: a 10 week course offered 3 times yearly
- Search Bible Studies with Pastor Phil Worthington: Tuesday evenings and Thursday mornings
- Wednesday Evening Crossways Bible Study
- Women in the Word: Friday Morning
- The Truth Project.

## Calvary Daily Devotional

Share your faith through the written devotional published monthly in Calvary Calls and eMailed daily by request. For details, contact Bob Meyer, 952.922.5617, remaem@aol.com, or Lois Palmquist, 763.231.2985, lpalmquist@calvary.org.

## Library

It's a great place to meet, relax and browse. Books and tapes are available to help you and your family grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ. New books and resources are added regularly.

The library is staffed every Sunday morning and Wednesday evening. Other times are self-service. For questions, call Marlys J. Johnson, librarian, 763-551-1771.

## Prayer

Prayer is a powerful tool that brings peace, healing, forgiveness, and joy. If you have questions or have prayer support concerns, contact Calvary's Parish Nurse, Annette Langdon at 763.231.2955.

### Places to Pray

**Prayer Chapel** – located on the North side of the Sanctuary.

**Prayer Room** – located on the 2nd floor of the North Wing (N212).

Both offer small quiet locations, decorated to encourage prayer. They are available any time the church is open for individuals or small groups.

### Dial-a-Prayer

Call 763.546.PRAY every day for a brief message and prayer.

### Calvary's Prayer Chains

Dedicated Christians pray for the needs of others as requested via the phone or e-mail. If you have a prayer request or would like to pray, eMail pray@calvary.org or call the church office at 763.545.5659. Confidentiality is respected.

### Prayers for Health and Healing

**2nd Sunday each month ~ 11:15 a.m. in the Chapel**

A brief service of prayer for those seeking God's help in a time of need. Come if you are scheduled for surgery or medical tests, struggling with a relationship, grieving, coping with on-going pain or illness, or seeking direction.

### **Personal Prayers or Family Prayer Service**

Available upon request for specific prayer support.

### **Prayer Teams**

Specially trained lay people available after each worship service in the worship area and on Sunday mornings in the Prayer Chapel. They will pray with you for any request, for yourself or for others, for difficulties, or for thanksgiving.

### **Prayer Vigils**

An extended period of time for groups or individuals to come and pray silently for a specific focus. Offered 2-3 times a year.

### **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Offers prayer support to people who are in crisis or are suffering in body, mind or spirit. Volunteers pray as they knit or crochet a shawl that brings physical warmth and spiritual comfort. Contact Judy at 763.588.4419 or Linda at 763.545.7313.

### **Prayer Warriors Ministry**

A ministry for men who are interested in deepening their personal prayer life and praying for our church. Approximately 100 men have committed themselves throughout the year to pray during one worship service per month and attend quarterly breakfast meetings. Contact Pastor Steve Dornbusch at 763.231.2960.