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The Calvary Calling

Newsletter for *June, 2017*

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✦ FROM THE PASTOR ✦



The other day I was reading a blog that suggested that there are times when God intentionally gives us more than we can handle. What I took from this author was that he felt that there were often times when we were overwhelmed so that we would first of all be humbled, secondly recognize our need for God and finally recognize our need for others. It is this last point that I believe needs more attention in our culture.

We already know we cannot do it all ourselves and, if you are reading this, chances are you know you need God's help daily, but often we forget that God has given us others so that we might be able to thrive in this world.

As Genesis 2:18 God said: "It is not good for man to be alone." This applies on all levels of life. The truth is we need each other to survive even just on a very basic level. Without couples and child birth we would quickly vanish from the face of this planet. But there is so much more to it. I believe that the family and the Church are some of the greatest blessings that God has given us and so often we take them for granted. Our culture has taught us to prize human individualism and self-reliance so deeply that we think we should be able to do everything without the help of others around us. Our electronic world makes it almost possible to exist without much human interaction or closeness. Yet if we are willing to admit it we need others. The products we rely on daily are brought to us by hundreds, if not thousands of people. The reality is that very few if any of us could exist without others being part of our lives.

We are dependent on others. We were not created to live in this world alone. This is why we need times to remind us that we cannot or should not try to live isolated from others. But more than that, this attack on our independence helps us see the blessings of our interdependence. The people around us are one of the great gifts that God offers us in our lives. When we stop trying to do everything for ourselves we can discover how much fun and strength we can find in working together.

Families and friends are a significant part of this. But even greater than these is the Christian community at its best. When we gather to support and encourage each other in the love of Christ we can find a little bit of what God intended for us when he created this world. Yes, sin has blemished it, but in Christ even in our wounded and scared lives we can love as we have been loved and in doing so make a difference.

I know that we can find better music, teachings and preaching out there in the world of electronics but you cannot find the relationships that God offers us in the local church. I encourage you to discover more of the strength that God offers us in each other. Yes we all struggle with life but we can do it so much better together.

Pastor / wife



COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

The Church Council meeting was held on Wednesday, May 10th. After reviewing the minutes of the past meeting, and receiving reports we reviewed our annual Worker's Compensation and General Liability Insurance costs which were where we expected them to be. We then moved on to review coming events. It looks like we will have an active summer with Crafty Kids Activities, a possible music concert, even a Christmas in July Sale.

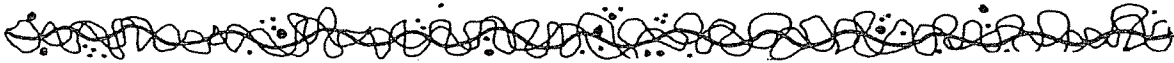
In the Fall we will be looking for ideas on how we can celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. Let's plan something really festive!

The next Council meeting will be held on June 14th at 6:30 p.m. in the church office building.

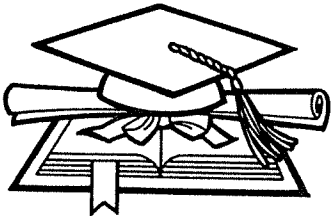


CHRISTMAS IN JULY

The Council is working on a fundraiser for the congregation in July. We are hoping to have a nice sale of Christmas items to offer others in our community. These can be items you no longer use as Christmas decorations or other seasonal items. They can also be homemade items for others to buy as gifts. Joyce Bauer will be organizing the sale. Look for a date and time coming soon and start cleaning out all those holiday items to donate.



CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES



Our Graduates

We received news of 3 graduates from congregation members:

☆ Aaron Brochtrup, son of Gary & Gail Brochtrup, completed an AA degree in Criminal Justice from Cuesta Junior College in December. He took EMT courses this semester and participated in the graduation ceremony on May 19. Aaron is headed to Fresno State University for the Fall semester. His eventual goal is a career in law enforcement.

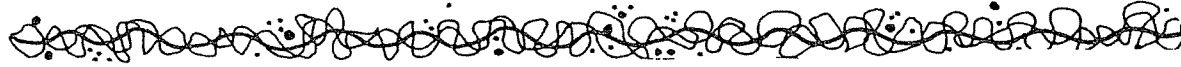
☆ Alexander McKee, son of Jeff & Kea McKee, graduated from Cuesta Junior College in May with an AA degree.

☆ Alicia Cacho, granddaughter of Nancy Padilla and niece of Cindy Haener, graduated from Mira Costa Community College on May 26. She will be attending Point Loma Nazarene College in the Fall.

Congratulations to all of our graduates and please keep them in your prayers as they take this next big step in life.

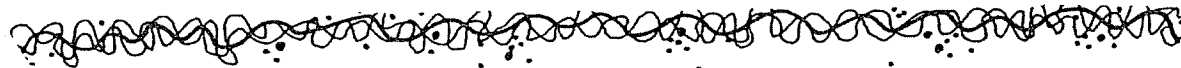
JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Gary Brochtrup
- 5 Gary Orback
- 9 Travis Christmen
- 22 Ken Donohoo
- 27 Olivia Rice
- 29 Elaine Grawe
- 30 Belva Wiese



JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- 15 Tom & Joyce Bauer, 43 years
- 17 Kevin & Nikki Rocha, 17 years
- 19 Gary & Brenda Ouwerkerk, 35 years
- 21 Ken & Valerie Donohoo, 47 years
- 25 Bruce & Beverly Torgerson, 6 years



PRAYER LIST



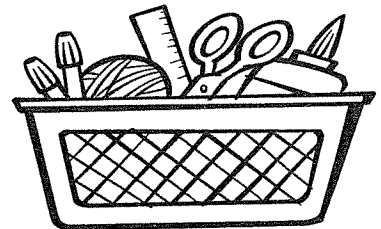
***WE ARE
PRAYING
FOR...***

- ♥ Heidi Carney, starting treatments for cancer
- ♥ James Dilts, recovering from surgery to correct a blocked artery
- ♥ For health and growth for our church
- ♥ Peace for the Middle East
- ♥ the many Christians in the world that are being persecuted
- ♥ Pray that the Lord would turn the hearts of the whole world toward Him and that everyone would worship Him as their Lord and Savior



CALVARY'S CRAFTY KIDS 2017

This Summer we are looking forward to another year of "Calvary's Crafty Kids". We will meet in the Fellowship Hall on selected Sunday afternoons for a craft project which will tie in with a Bible theme or story. Afterwards a potluck dinner will be served. Possible ideas for sessions are: Sewing: (possibly Christmas Stockings, table runners, or a hanging pocket organizer), Cooking (maybe fancy cupcakes, pie, or bread), Christmas Projects: (reindeer necklaces, melted pony bead ornaments or dish, polymer clay Christmas ornaments, Duct Tape: (folded picture frames, masks, or gift bags), Pine Cone Flower Arrangements, Soap Making, Bird Houses decorated with seeds and dried fruit to feed the birds, Quilting (small friendship quilt), Paper Quilling, Perler Bead Projects (these are the beads you arrange on a form and then iron to keep them together), or other ideas the kids may have. Projects will be provided for all age groups. We will need people to help the kids with projects, and to organize meals. Dates have been selected and more information will be available soon! All of our Calvary Kids and their friends are invited to participate but we will need to know approximately how many participants there will be for each session so we can buy the appropriate supplies. If you are interested in helping please talk to Nancy Berg right away. This year's dates are: June 11, July 9, July 30, August 13, and August 27. We will choose a couple more dates in the Fall when schedules become more certain.



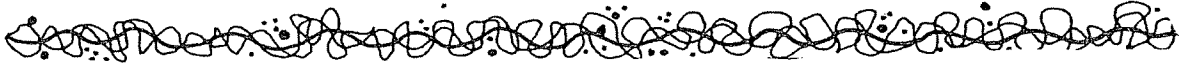


THANK YOU NOTE...

Thank you to everyone who saved and donated labels, stamps, and glasses this year. We were able to send a manilla envelope of Boxtops for Education to the Navajo Lutheran Mission, a manilla envelope of cancelled stamps to Bethel Institutions, and donate a nice box full of used glasses to the Lion's Club. Thank you for your generosity and for taking the time to collect these items.

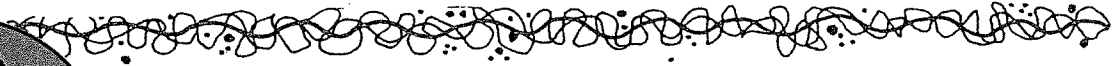


We will continue to collect glasses, Boxtops for Education and cancelled postage stamps over the next year so continue to save them and place them in the collection box inside the kitchen door. Each of these items is appreciated more than you can know.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD NEWS

It is time once again to start collecting supplies to fill our Operation Christmas Child gift boxes. Summer is a great time to pick up flip flops, t-shirts, hats, and sun glasses for children. And school supplies will be on sale before you know it and those are badly needed as well. The collection box will be in the church entryway starting in July.



SUNDAY SCHOOL CORNER

What a wonderful Sunday School year we have had! There is only one more week left in the regular Sunday School year. One more time to learn about all the reasons "We Love Our Church!" We have enjoyed preparing stories and crafts for this theme and we hope you all have enjoyed it as well.



Sunday, June 4

Lesson: "We Love Our Church!" because everyone here is uniquely created by God
Craft: Leather wrap bracelets

A big thank you to our Sunday School teachers, Cindy Haener and Debbie Chrismen, and to our nursery attendant, Aldina Dunn for all of their work over the years. We wouldn't be able to do Sunday School without them! Thanks also to Nikki Rocha who frequently helps out and puts together our Christmas Program.

During the summer children 5 and under may be in the nursery as soon as they arrive on Sunday mornings. We ask older children to come to church with their parents until they are dismissed after the children's sermon. At that time there will be videos, games, and snacks available for students from Kindergarten to Sixth grade. Of course you are always welcome to stay and join the rest of the congregation for the worship service.

We hope you have a great summer!!!

Blessings,
Nancy Berg

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR JUNE

Sunday, June 4 – Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-21

Corinthians 12:3b-13

Psalm 104:24-34 1

John 20:19-23

Sunday, June 11 - The Holy Trinity Sunday

Genesis 1:1—2:4a

2 Corinthians 13:11–13

Psalm 8

Matthew 28:16–20

Sunday, June 18 – The Second Sunday After Pentecost / Father's Day

Exodus 19:2–8a

Romans 5:1–8

Psalm 100

Matthew 9:35—10:8

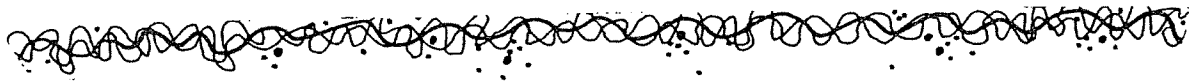
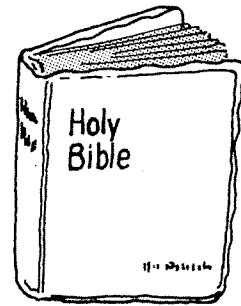
Sunday, June 25 – The Third Sunday After Pentecost

Jeremiah 20:7–13

Romans 6:1b–11

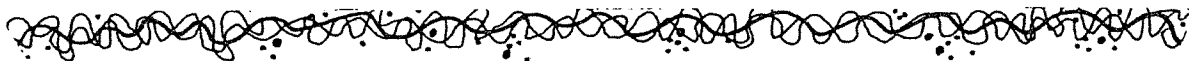
Psalm 69:7–18

Matthew 10:24–39



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Worship</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Notes</u>
4/30	37	7	44	
5/7	47	7	54	
5/14	50	7	57	Mother's Day
5/21	52	12	64	



STAFF:

Pastor - James D. Berg
 Office Secretary - Nancy Berg
 Worship & Music Director – Nancy Berg
 Organist – Ina Davenport
 Janitors – Debbie and Jennifer Chrismen
 Groundskeeper – Mark Orback
 Nursery Attendant – Aldina Dunn

2017 COUNCIL OFFICERS:

President – Randy Schuldt
 Vice President – Joyce Bauer
 Secretary – Sharron Jackman
 Treasurer – Barb Dilts




SAINTS IN SERVICE
 10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Readers

June 4	Joe Hoeflich
11	Katie Edson
18	Randy Schuldt
25	Alice Kolb

Greeters

June 4	Jennifer Kurrle
11	Scott McCorkhill
18	Barbara Hagiwara
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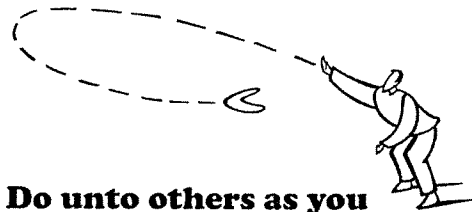


Communion Assistants

June 4	Beth Davis, Joe Hoeflich, and Sharron Jackman
18	Michele Penzel, Beth Davis, Elaine Grawe

Clicker Operator

June 4	_____
11	_____
18	Bob Penzel
25	Bob Penzel



Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.

Usher

June 4	Bruce Torgerson
11	_____
18	Bruce Torgerson
25	_____

Refreshments

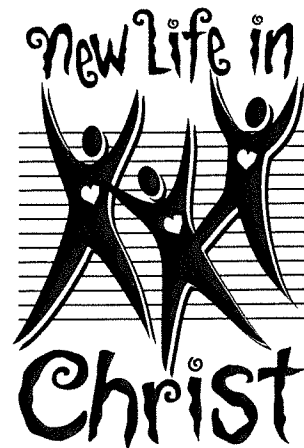
June 4	Beth Davis and the Hoeflichs
11	Joyce Bauer and _____
18	Beth Davis and _____
25	Michele Penzel and _____

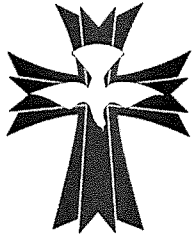
Altar Guild

	Set Up	Clean Up
June 4	_____ and _____	_____ and _____
18	_____ and _____	_____ and _____

Altar Flowers

June 4	Katie Edson
11	Joyce Bauer
18	Robin Karas
25	Brenda Pool





June 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><u>Sunday Morning Schedule:</u> 9:00 Adult Learning Class 10:00 Worship and Sunday School</p>	<p><u>Holy Communion:</u> June 4 & 18</p>		<p>*To Be Remembered in Prayer</p>	1	<p>2 Synod Assembly June 2 & 3</p> <p>*The Donohoo Family</p>	<p>3 9:00 Worship Team Rehearsal</p>
<p>4 Last Day of Sunday School</p>	<p>5 *LaVerne Draeger</p>	<p>6 10:00 Bible Study</p>	<p>7 10:30 Finance Committee 2:00 Constitution Committee *Rosalie Draeger</p>	8	<p>9 *Aldina Dunn</p>	<p>10 9:00 Worship Team Rehearsal Take a Hike Group?</p>
<p>11 3:00 Crafty Kids</p>	<p>12 *Katie Edson</p>	<p>13 10:00 Bible Study</p>	<p>14 6:30 Council Meeting *Ron, Audrey and Carrie Forster</p>	<p>15 Newsletter Deadline</p>	<p>16 *Carol Frasier</p>	<p>17 9:00 Worship Team Rehearsal</p>
<p>18 Father's Day</p>	<p>19 *Steve Glabere</p>	<p>20 10:00 Bible Study</p>	<p>21 *Elaine Grawe</p>	22	<p>23 *The Haener Family</p>	<p>24 9:00 Worship Team Rehearsal</p>
<p>25</p>	<p>26 *Barbara Hagiwara</p>	<p>27 10:00 Bible Study</p>	<p>28 8:30 Newsletter Crew 6:30 Outreach Committee *Herb & Patti Harsch</p>	29	<p>30 *Joe & Debby Hoeflich</p>	