CALVARY Presbyterian Church CALLER A Legacy of Worshiping God and Serving Others

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During a previous Olympic year, the network that was hosting the broadcast did a series of interviews and "prequels' featuring many of the athletes representing the United States. For these, they sent a journalist and a camera person to the athlete's hometown. They interviewed family members, former classmates and coaches, teammates and friends. Finally, they would interview each athlete him/herself. This series was called "Up Close and Personal".

Between now and Easter, we will be meeting people via John's Gospel who met Jesus, "up close and personal", starting with Nicodemus. While each week we shall consider a personal encounter between a wide variety of individuals with Jesus, the hope is that you and I will also have a personal encounter with Jesus as well!

That is to say, it is one thing to know a lot of facts about an individual. It is quite another thing to have a personal encounter, to develop a personal relationship with that person, to "know" him/her.

God deeply desires to have a personal relationship with each one of us! How does that happen? One can read the Gospels and get acquainted with Jesus, and learn many facts about him. But how does one have a personal relationship with the Risen Christ? Jesus speaks to Nicodemus about being "born again" or being "born from above".

It is, in part, a mystery. It is something God's Spirit does within us.

As I write this, our daughter in law is experiencing contractions and is due to deliver our granddaughter any day now. Does the baby have any influence over the birth process? Not really.

Spiritual birth is unique in that we have little to do with it, in that it is not a result of our own efforts. The Spirit of God is active in our lives in ways that may be imperceptible at first. The key is looking to and spending time with and being loved by Jesus. That is life-changing!

If you've never read the Gospel of John from beginning to end, I'd encourage you to do so during this season. Ask Jesus to make himself real to you – "up close and personal" – as you read about him, may you encounter the living, risen Lord! That will be life-changing!

See you in Worship,

Pastor Lynell

We All Count

While it may seem unusual to present information about the census in a Caller Article, the information I gathered at a recent workshop put on by the Seattle Area Council of Churches was informative and worth sharing. There were a variety of religious leaders at the conference, both as speakers on panels and as guests. I was impressed that the guests included Catholics, Protestants, Muslims, Hindus, and members who were Buddhists, and Sikhs.

The purpose of the meeting was to explain the importance of the census and to encourage people to fill out the census. I had known that the census was important for the assignment of representatives to the house of representative and to congress. What I did not know was the extent to which the data collected helps determine local funding for programs like Medicaid, support for school lunches, student medical assistance programs and much more.

This year people will be able to complete the census online, by phone or by paper. The census representatives are urging as many folks as possible to fill out the census and to use the internet to do so. Special arrangements are being made for people who live in assisted living facilities and in adult family homes. As reassurance, there are laws that protect the data and no identifying information such as social security numbers or date of birth can be put on the census.

One historical note about the origins of the census. Remember the reason Mary and Joseph left to go to Bethlehem just before Jesus was born? It was because they were to go to their town of origin to be registered. In other words, it was like our census.

The slogan for this year's census is "We All Count." While that is primarily meant that we are all to fill out the census, it struck me that all of us are important for other reasons. The main reason being that we belong to God and are precious to Him. It is His divine intension that we come to know how much He loves us. Remember John 3:16 starts out "That God so loved the world..." and goes on to say the He gave his only son that none of us would perish but have eternal life.

There are many things that compete for our attention and there are more problems that any one of us can tackle alone. But it has occurred to me that one simple way to make a difference is to complete the census. Accurate data will help ensure that we get federal funds to help people in need and to foster further education. With that in mind, be sure to fill in the census and encourage others to do the same. It is one step we can take as God's disciples to extend the message that "We All Count."

Pastor Cindy





Lenten Soup Suppers began on Ash Wednesday, February 26 at 5:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Sponsored by Church Life and Christian Education Ministry Teams the suppers continue each Wednesday night through April 1st. Following dinner a time of contemplative Lenten devotion will be held. The devotions are based on the scriptures and sacred art, depicting scenes from the life of Jesus. Our pastors and the Christian Education Ministry Team are planning to guide us through these meditations. The art work promises variety and insight into the life of Jesus as we use those images and the scriptures as the basis for reflection.

There will be two sign-up sheets: One if you plan to attend which will be a guide for the amount of food needed and the second to provide food and kitchen help.

Please sign up to share your delicious soup in a crock pot, or bring bread/rolls. There also is a place to sign to help with clean up. Sheets will be in the church lobby at the Welcome Table. Any questions please call Adrie in the church office, 360-825-3820.

February Session Highlights

Session approved the following items:

- 1. The PCUSA 2019 Church Statistical Report.
- 2. New Calvary Presbyterian Church Building Use Request Form.
- 3. Receiving the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering on April 5, 2020.
- 4. Faith in Action Sundays May 17 and October 18, 2020.
- 5. Consent Calendar for the most recent Building Use Request Forms.

Session had a first reading and discussion of new organizational guidelines for Committees of Session (Ministry Teams) which will be voted upon at the next meeting of session on March 9.

Let's meet for Coffee!

Friends gather together, new friends meet, discussions range from the Sunday message to how we are doing in our lives. The coffee warms the hearts and snacks warm the tummies. It doesn't magically appear! There is a great need for folks to help provide, prepare, and clean up for Calvary Coffee Hour. Please join with a loved one or friend and sign up for a week or two over the next few months. Let's fill the schedule and continue to have such a great time to be together.

Thank you!! (Please note: there are funds set aside to reimburse for the cost of providing coffee hour food. Reimbursement forms are behind the sign-up sheets in the Narthex.)

Wendy Truitt, Elder of Church Life Ministry Team



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 9:30 a.m. Worship Service & Communion 10:45 a.m. Adult Education 12:00 Noon. Worship Ministry Meeting	2 5:00 p.m. CL Ministry Meeting 6:00 p.m. Christian Education Ministry Meeting	3 10:00 a.m. Caring Hands Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Deacon's Meeting	4 9:00 a.m. Women's Hikers 5:15 p.m. Soup Supper 6:30 p.m. Agape Ringers 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir	5 5:30 p.m. Full Bellies 6:00 p.m. WAM Session reports due	6 6:00 p.m. Game Night Cascade Place	7 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study
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CALVARY'S FINANCIAL FITNESS REPORT THROUGH THE END OF January 31, 2020

Our 9 designated funds at the end of January total \$200,219.67 combined in our bank and investment accounts.

General Fund \$25,783.93: Covers the day to day running of Calvary, such as Personnel, Overhead (Power, Utilities, Insurance, etc.), and all Ministry Team expenses. Also coming from here are the two liabilities of payroll taxes (\$2,149.86) and Senior Pastor Study Allowance balance (\$1982.69).

 January Income:
 \$21,475.13
 YTD
 \$21,475.13

 January Expenses:
 (\$21,872.84)
 YTD
 (\$21,872.84)

 Gain or Loss
 (\$397.71)
 (\$397.71)

Building Fund \$87,682.24: For Capital improvements and major repairs on our campus. (Manse Insurance payment is part of this fund.)

Memorial Fund \$37,155.17: Donations, Gifts, and Bequests that come in when someone is honored by a life well lived.

Mission Fund \$1,097.81: Is a holding fund for organized mission trips somewhere in the world. The monies shown here is seed money for the next trip in the future.

Music Fund \$23.13: The 5 octave set of handbells and hand chimes were cleaned and refurbished in January, 2020 so the majority of the fund was used along with some Memorial Fund money. The Worship Ministry Team has discretion on how this fund is spent.

Wedding-Reception Fund \$1,340.25: Monies come and go in this fund when weddings and/or receptions occur here.

Reserve Fund \$40,886.89: The amount in this fund is the amount at White River Credit Union that can be accessed quickly if needed in an emergency.

Scholarship Fund \$2,955.00: is made up of 3 sub categories—the Dave Klein Scholarship, Worthy Student Scholarship, and the Calvary Pres. Church Scholarship.

Deacon's Fund \$3,295.25: The Deacon's use this fund to help a wide variety of people and projects here on the plateau in the coming year.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted, Eva Dietz Financial Secretary finance@calvarypreschurch.org



March 1, 2020 Communion	John 3:1-21 Up Close & Personal: Jesus and Nicodemus		
March 8, 2020 Daylight Savings Time begins	John 4:1-42 Up Close & Personal: Jesus and Woman at the Well		
March 15 BELLS	JOHN 9:1-41 Up Close & Personal: Jesus and the Blind Man		
March 22	John 11:1-46 Up Close & Personal: Jesus and Lazarus the Dead Man		
March 29	John 12:1-11 Up Close & Personal: Jesus and the Extravagant Woman		

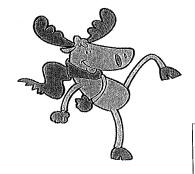
Community Conversation on affordable Housing news

On Thursday February 6, about thirty people from a cross section of the community came together to continue the conversation on affordable housing on the Plateau. Mr. Chris Jowell, Director of Catholic Housing Services of Western Washington gave an overview of the types of housing they build. His presentation also included a list of questions that need to be answered: Who will be housed? (Population: seniors or farmworkers, etc.) Where will the housing be built? Whether or not housing can be built, depends on capacity and funding issues, as well as the issue of sustainability (ongoing operations). Answering these questions is a multi-faceted process. In addition, Chris provided an overview of the development process and various funding sources.

"It can be messy", he declared, indicating the complexities of such an undertaking. Developing affordable housing does not follow a straight line, but if the community and its leaders are committed to the process it can and will happen.

The group was heartened by the offer of representatives from the King County Library System who offered the services of their reference department. Some research has already been done. If you would like to know more, contact Lynell Caudillo at 360-825-3820.

The next gathering will be on Wednesday, March 18th, 7-8:30 p.m. in the Community Room of the Enumclaw branch of KCLS. The public is welcome to join in this ongoing conversation!



<u>"SIMPLY SOUP" IS BACK</u> JUST A DIFFERENT LOCATION !!!!!!!!!!

ENUMCLAW MOOSE LODGE #798 IS HOSTING "SIMPLY SOUP" AT THE LODGE THE LAST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH.

THURSDAY 5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

THIS IS A COMMUNITY EVENT OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY TO ENJOY 2 DIFFERENT TYPES OF HOMEMADE SOUPS THAT ARE BEING PREPARED BY THE (LADIES OF THE MOOSE) CHAPTER #798 THIS MONTH'S SELECTION – SPLIT PEA SOUP OR HAM & BEAN SOUP (SERVED WITH) ————— ROLLS & COOKIES

THIS IS OPEN TO EVERYONE OF ALL AGES

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE: PLEASE CALL TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS AT 360-825-3973 OR 253-332-7705.



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A VERY HAPPY DAY TO EVERYONE WHO IS CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY THIS MONTH. MAY YOU BE BLESSED WITH HAPPINESS AND A GOOD LIFE.





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Summer Intern!

The Christian Education Ministry Team has some exciting news to share! Calvary will have a summer intern from Whitworth University...Amanda Pool! While the dates are being worked out, Amanda will be with us for ten weeks this summer! During that time she will be working closely with Pastor Lynell and our CE Elder, Dawn Miller. One requirement of the program involves providing a "home stay" with a church family. If you have a spare bedroom and would be willing to host our intern for all (or part) of the summer, please contact Pastor Lynell or Dawn Miller. (Amanda will have her own transportation.)

This time we changed things up and redesigned the job description to include exposure to community non-profits that work with and address varying needs in our community, as well as involvement with our summer VBS and adult education offerings. Since our Intern, Amanda Pool, is a psychology major/theology minor, it seems like a "good fit"! Amanda is from Tacoma, and is completing her junior year at Whitworth University in Spokane.

The following is a brief "biography" that Amanda has provided.



I'm Amanda and I'm a junior psychology student at Whitworth! Besides drinking coffee and prioritizing relationships I pursue a side job of free lance photography! I love getting to be creative whether that be with calligraphy, photo taking, journaling etc.. Being able to create allows me to hone in on my spiritual connection to my creator. My favorite thing about myself is that I can ask great questions! I often think that is my spiritual gift. I am highly relational and I am also highly introverted believe it or not! I cherish my alone time to recharge and I benefit from a slow schedule. Because of these things I'm easy going and I'm so excited to see where the Lord uses me in the future.

Please be praying for Amanda as she completes her academic work now through May, and for her time with us this summer. It will be a great opportunity for us all to learn and grow together!

Love to Play Games?

Love to play cards or board games? Join us on Fridays, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Cascade Place. Open to all ages. Fun refreshments will be provided! Contact Brocc Snyder at (253) 332-8612 with any questions.





HUMANITARIAN AID FOR NICARAGUAN REFUGEES IN COSTA RICA

CALVARY LENTEN CLOTHING DRIVE

WHEN: DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH

WHERE: DROP OFF IN THE NARTHEX OR CHURCH OFFICE

LOOK FOR THE CLOTHING BASKET

URGENTLY NEEDED: ESPECIALLY MEN'S CLOTHING

NEW OR GENTLY USED, PLEASE

SHIRTS-PANTS-SHORTS

FOR ALL SIZES: Small - Medium

Large and Extra-Large.

Boys & Girls and Women's wear also accepted.

ONLY NEW PACKAGED

UNDERWEAR & SOCKS

THANK YOU!

