

The Vitality Team, which is becoming the Strategic Planning Team, will meet on Wednesday, September 21 at 7:00 pm at church. We will be going over the results of the PULSE survey, finding a Biblical story that mirrors our church story and, in harmony with the long-range plans of the Leadership Team, looking at things we can do to make our church more healthy, missional, faithful and fruitful. Anyone interested in joining us (member or attender) is welcome.

The National Alliance on Mental Illness will present a workshop on suicide prevention in our church on Thursday, September 15 from 1-4 pm. The workshop is free, but you are asked to register so that materials may be provided to you. To register on-line, go to <https://safeTALKharris9-15.eventbrite.com>

Confirmation will begin on Sunday, September 25 at 5:00 pm for those in 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> grade who would like to participate. The class will run through the school year. It's purpose is to help young adults make sure of their faith in Jesus. It will cover the Bible, world views, the Covenant denomination and current issues in society. There will be several field trips, guest speakers and a retreat. There will be some learning by heart, but no homework! See Pastor Steve to get more information or to sign up.

It is almost time for our train play structure to arrive from Lake Beauty Bible Camp. We secured the locomotive as it was still being built for the summer theme. The camp has enough play structures and so was willing to sell it to us for less than the cost of materials. Gustafson Excavating will donate pea gravel to put under it. We need to raise \$500 to pay it off and there is a basket at the entryway to the sanctuary. If we each put in about \$10 we can do it easily. Thanks to those who have already contributed!

Are you a Lake Beauty Bible Camp enthusiast? If so, we are looking for you! The LBBC Annual Meeting is coming up on Saturday, October 15, beginning at 9:30 am, and we would be glad for you to represent us there. You will get to spend time with other delegates from our Northwest Conference, hear and make decisions about the ministries of the camp and enjoy a great lunch. It can be a person or couple, member or attender. See Pastor Steve or Jackies Swedeen if you are interested.

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**Weekly Schedule**

**Sunday**

Coffee, fellowship	9:55 am
Worship	10:15 am

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*Nursery is available during the Worship Service for infants and toddlers.*

**Today's Serving Group**

Ushers: Jerry & LaVonne T.  
 Nursery: Amy Dronen  
 Reader: Brad Jacobson  
 Praise Team: 2

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 Youth Pastor Caleb Haynes      641-456-8077  
 Office hours: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday  
 9 – noon and by appointment

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*"Loving God and Loving Others"*

SEPTEMBER 4, 2016

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
 Communion and Benevolence Sunday  
 Pastor Caleb and Brittany's Last Sunday

**Gathering**

Prelude  
 Opening Song  
 Welcome and Call to Worship  
 Songs of Praise  
 Invocation  
 Surprise Box

**The Word**

Judges 2:11-14; Psalm 69:18-28;  
 Matthew 5:21-22;  
 Ephesians 4:26-27; James 1:20  
 "Anger"

**Response**

Celebration of Communion  
 Offering  
 Special Presentation  
 Prayer  
 Sending Song  
 Benediction  
 Postlude

## PRAYER NEEDS

### **Kenn and Adina Wicklund**

*(now living at the Golden Valley Covenant retirement home)*

### **Julie Perrault**

*(daughter to Jeanette Kurtz, sister to Jan Balfanz & Joy Heilmer,  
niece to Jeanine Fairbanks)*

### **Debbie Carlson**

*(wife to Royal, daughter-in-law to Curtis & Elaine Carlson,  
sister-in-law to Sonda Jacobson)*

### **Ron Niemela** *(son to Ed and Sharon Niemela)*

### **Jeanna Anderson** *(daughter to Ed and Sharon Niemela)*

### **Lois Puckett** *(Jolena Axberg's mother)*

### **Muriel Ramberg**

### **Elaine Carlson**

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## SERVING GROUPS NEXT WEEK

### **Ushers**

Steve & Janice Balfanz

### **Reader**

Janice Balfanz

### **Praise Team**

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## SERVING OUR COUNTRY

### **Greg Perrault**

*(grandson to Jeanette Kurtz)*

### **Jared Carlson**

*(son to Royal & Debbie, grandson to Curtis &  
Elaine Carlson)*

### **Ryan Pietila**

*(son to Steve & Lisa)*

### **Ethan Yerigan**

*(grandson to Ruth Waldo)*

## OUR VITALITY PARTNER

Calvary Covenant Church

Grantsburg, WI

Scott Sagle, Pastor

## **What's Happening...**

Our **best wishes to Pastor Caleb and Brittany** as they begin their new ministry at Valley Evangelical Free Church in Chaska! We will miss them! They have fit like a glove, kept us on the fairway, avoided the sand traps, birdied the holes, sunk the clutch putts and, as far as we know, did not wrap any clubs around a tree. Thanks, friends, for playing the game so well and making excellence par for the course!

A **reception** for Caleb and Brittany will be held in the coffee bar following the service. Everyone is invited!

### **Friends of Harris Covenant,**

As you all know, today is our official last Sunday at Harris. While we are excited for the opportunity that God has provided, we are deeply saddened that this means we must leave. As we move into this new season, we hope and pray that you not think of this as us leaving, so much as you sending us out to continue on in following God's call to ministry. We have so thoroughly enjoyed getting to know all of you and we have enjoyed the great community at Harris Covenant. We will always look back upon these last two years with joy and we hope to visit again soon to see all the great work that God will do in and through you all!

So that you know where we are going, here's a little more information. I (Caleb) have been called to serve as the Full-Time Student Ministries director at Valley EFC in Chaska, MN. We have been blessed to find a new apartment in the Chaska area and our new address is 1062 Yellow Brick Rd. Chaska, MN 55318.

In Christ,  
Caleb & Brittany Haynes

### Nursery –

The Welcome Ministry Team is looking into making some changes to the nursery. More information coming soon. The room will be unattended starting Sunday, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>.

A **New Members Class** will be offered for those wishing to join our church, or just find out more about it, on Monday, September 12 at 6:30 pm.

**B.L.A.S.T.** for children begins Wednesday, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm! Our theme this year will be Imagination Factory and we will be learning about the Names of Jesus. All kids welcome – bring a friend!

**September 25<sup>th</sup>**, immediately after worship, join us downstairs as the **Kenya Mission Team** shares photos and stories from their trip. We will also have a delicious African lunch!

The Adult Sunday School class will continue in Hebrews with lesson #9 in the workbook; when classes commence on September 25.

### Children's activity bags-

The Welcome Ministry Team is looking for someone to take over maintaining the children's activity bags which are available for worship service. That person would make sure the bags have books, coloring pages, etc. Materials are available at church for copying and finances are available for purchasing new items as well. Please contact either Julie Lund or Jackie Swedeen if you would like to take over this ministry. Thank you.

**SERMONS** can be found online at [harriscovenant.org](http://harriscovenant.org). Click on "resources", then "sermons", then the one you wish to hear.