

July 2020

Mount Calvary Lutheran Church & Preschool

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Monday – Friday
8am - 12Noon

Join Us For In-Person Worship

Sundays
9am & 10:30am
Wednesdays
6:30pm



A Message from Pastor Hinrichs

²²Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

-Hebrew 10:23-25

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

When was the last time that you read a book that you just couldn't put down? For some people, I know that this is a common experience, but for me, it had been quite a while since I found myself being that mesmerized by an author. But a few weeks ago, I found myself completely engaged by the author, Dietrich Bonhoeffer.

Bonhoeffer was a pastor who lived and served in Germany during World War II. Because of his outspoken resistance to Nazi oppression, he faced many dangers as he led God's people through some very difficult days. It was during this time that he wrote a book called, *"Life Together."* In the book he not only explores what life together as a Christian community looks like Scripturally, but also what it looks like practice.

Although there was something deeply profound on every page, I found myself particularly struck by this quote.

"I have community with others and I shall continue to have it only through Jesus Christ."

As we have lived through this pandemic, we have discovered that, while we are designed to live in community and should always cherish that gift, we have a unity that goes beyond our earthly circumstances. As the Church on earth, our life together will always be impacted by sin on some level. Sometimes the Church will face persecution, as it did in Bonhoeffer's day. Sometimes the Church will face isolation, as it has in ours. And even in the best times, the Church's life together will be impacted by the sin that is present in our everyday lives. And yet, as Bonhoeffer points out, our community is not found in our ability to create a "perfect church," but in the grace that we share in Christ.

This same truth is what the writer of Hebrews was talking about when he wrote the verses at the top of this page, pointing us first to Jesus who has sprinkled our hearts and washed our bodies with His blood. Because it is only from this washing that we are able to live out the life we are called to live together, a life of stirring up one another to love and good works, a life of meeting together, a life of encouraging one another as we wait for the coming of the Lord. This life we have in Christ is truly a life that is lived together.

In the name of our Risen Savior,

Pastor Brett Hinrichs

Worship at Mt. Calvary

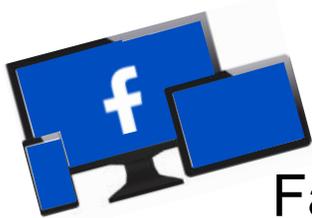
In-Person Opportunities

To sign up call the church office or go to www.mtcalvarydecatour.org

Sunday 9am Worship (45 person limit)

Sunday 10:30am Worship (45 person limit)

Wednesday 6:30pm Worship (45 person limit)



At-Home Worship



Facebook Live Worship: Sunday at 9am

Radio Worship: Sunday at 9:00am on 100.9FM (WZUS)

Bible Study Opportunities



Men's Bible Study

Monday evenings at 6:30pm (Fellowship Hall)



Women's Bible Study

Tuesday mornings at 9:00am (Telephone Conf. Call)

Thursday Bible Study

1st & 3rd Thursday evenings at 6:30pm (Fellowship Hall)

NOTE: For all in-person activities, social distancing measures will be required.

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE IN JULY

ELDERS

July 1	Frank Dunmire
July 5	Tom Little
July 8	Frank Dunmire
July 12	Doug Gerhardt
July 15	Frank Dunmire
July 19	Joel Fletcher
July 22	Frank Dunmire
July 26	Scott Busboom
July 29	Steve Hagan

MEALS ON WHEELS-TUESDAYS

July 7	By Others
July 14	Lyn & Jim Stevens
July 21	Nancy Peck & Kathy Barnes
July 28	Sharon & Rod Butler

Volunteer(s) Needed:

Meals on Wheels

1. Mt. Calvary Route - Meal Delivery on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.
2. Mt. Calvary's MoW Contact Person

If you can help please contact Lyn Stevens at 217-429-1996



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OTHER SERVANTS

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COFFEE & TEA	
COMMUNION SET UP	
GREETERS	
HANDBELLS & CHOIR	Dorothy Damery
NURSERY COORDINATOR	Sharon Goers
ORGANIST(S)	Steve Ford, Krista Hinrichs, Peter Miller, Lisa Peterman
PLANTS	Debbie Goveia
RECYCLING- PAPER	Lyn Stevens
SCRIP COORDINATORS	Ashley Atchason Bonnie Seeforth
SOUND & VIDEO	Scott Busboom Joel Fletcher
SUNDAY SCHOOL	Ashley Atchason Dorothy Damery
TABULATORS	
TAPE & BREAD MINISTRY	NEED VOLUNTEER(S)
USHERS	

JULY BIRTHDAYS



7/3	John Graff
7/4	Beth Ann Butler Carol Campbell
7/5	Debra Brosam Melba Lacey Nancy Peck
7/6	Beth Langdon
7/8	Barbara Harting Stevan Krueger
7/9	Peg Sites
7/10	Larry Horath
7/12	Kallie Howard Melissa Jozwiak Elva Klekamp
7/19	Mary Lindsey
7/21	Brenda Roland Myrna Tegatz
7/23	Aidan Gerhardt Amber Robb
7/26	Michelle Burns
7/28	Jerry Sebok
7/29	Steve Hagan

JULY ANNIVERSARIES



7/2	William & Brenda Peter
7/22	Douglas & Krista Gerhardt
7/27	Joel & Stacey Fletcher

July 2020						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4th of July
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

From Building and Grounds Committee

Since we have resumed in-person gatherings, we want to assure you that our janitorial staff are not only continuing their regular cleaning functions, but are working diligently to frequently disinfect our facilities during this season. We thank them for the effort they give to protect our health and to maintain cleanliness around the building God has given us.

Upcoming Events

Stitches of Love

Thursdays
July 9th & 23rd
from 2:00 to 4:00 pm

Our crafty club meets the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month. We handmade 1202 hats in 2018 and that doesn't include hats for preemies or baby hats! We also made a number of scarves. Thank you for your help with this ministry.

If anyone has yarn they would like to donate, please call Nancy Peck at 423-1109.

Mt. Calvary Lutheran Preschool Registration 2020-2021

Our preschool is getting ready for our upcoming school year! If you, your family, or your friends are looking for a place to have a little one prepare for kindergarten, invite them to check out our program!

Registration is now open and forms are available through Mrs. Kurecki and through the Church Office. If you have any questions, please give us a call 217.428.0641.

Partner Ministry Updates

The Lutheran School Association of Decatur, IL seeks a full-time Store Manager for the LSA ReSale Shop. The LSA was founded in 1959 and, today, has an approximate enrollment of 370 students. We are a Lutheran Kindergarten through 12th grade school with full sports and fine arts programs. The sole purpose of the LSA ReSale Shop is to generate revenues to support the Lutheran School Association (LSA).

Our ideal candidate will have a bachelor's degree and a minimum of three to five years of retail management experience, preferably in the thrift store area. Must have excellent organizational skills with demonstrated ability to work independently and in a team environment. Interested candidates should send letter of application and Resume' to:

Lutheran School Association
c/o Dr. Jeff Holmes
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CAMP CILCA LOWDOWN: JULY 2020

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Camp CILCA exists to foster and strengthen faith in Jesus Christ and relationships with others in a unique outdoor setting.

Friends in Christ,

Camp CILCA was supposed to open its gates in the summer of 1949. But Polio happened, and camp was delayed until 1950. This is the 70th anniversary of that first camping season, and so it is in some ways fitting that a virus should once again strike and close CILCA's gates. It is with great sadness that I write that *there will be no overnight camp in 2020.*

However, as we move into the month of July and August, **we will be offering a series of Day Camps for various age groups on Saturdays.** To learn more about these camps and/or to register, go to www.cilca.org or check out our Facebook page.

Despite not being able to offer our usual events, we would like to note the following:

- 1. The grounds will remain **open** for families and small groups (10 people or less) to hike, fish, boat, or camp out in tents, trailers, or cabins. We pray that you will take advantage of this and come out to enjoy God's wonderful creation.*
- 2. We will be selling "**Camp-From-Home**" kits. These will include a camp t-shirt and other merchandise, as well as the Bible study, a craft, and a variety of activities designed to help you engage with God's creation. These will be on sale by Memorial Day weekend. The cost will be around \$50, depending on the cost of shipping.*
- 3. We will also have **some on-line content**. These videos on our website, or Facebook, however, are not designed to keep children indoors and staring at a screen. There are enough of those out there. Our hope is that these videos will encourage you and your campers to **connect with our Lord in His Word and to engage His creation first hand.***
- 4. The Chicken Fry and Auction are still planned for Labor Day Weekend. It is my prayer that by then this will all be an unpleasant memory.*

Our lives rest in the pierced hands of our risen Savior. Let us trust that He will bring us through, and continue to work for our good. God bless you all.

Joshua W Theilen

Director, Camp CILCA

