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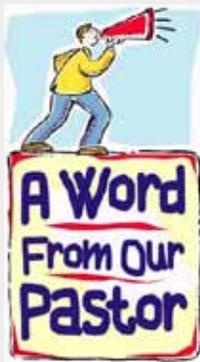
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The Calvary United Methodist Church Newsletter

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minister's message



As summer winds down and transitions into autumn, I cannot help but to reflect upon the season's memories with a thankful heart. It has been an enjoyable period full of excitement and change for me. In the first few months in a beautiful new city, I had the opportunity to try out a few restaurants and

enjoy the annual festivities Ann Arbor has to offer. It only helped that all those wolverine students were on summer vacation so I could explore the city with ease.

Like most good things on this earth, summer must end. Soon students and teachers alike will return to the routine of school, the university will overflow with activity leading to the total avoidance of certain parts of the city, and the vacations, for many of us, will end. It's not all bad though. While I have August 30th circled for the first MSU football game, I can only imagine how the rest of Calvary eagerly awaits Michigan's first game of the new season against Central on the 31st. Fall brings a certain amount of excitement and energy pulling us out of our "summer mode."

For Calvary, fall also means it's game time. We have unique opportunities to capitalize on as we plan for our fall activities. I can't speak for everyone, but I am excited. When I sit alone in the church office, sometimes I will stand up, pace back and forth as I

punch my hand exclaiming "It's game time!" I have high hopes for autumn, and I'd like to think the rest of Calvary does too as we execute the plans we have for this upcoming season.

However, at the same time, I pray we do not lose focus on the nature of God's call. While the calendar year might dictate the flow of activity season to season, we must remember we are Christ followers in all times and all places. In this way, it's always "game time," which means we have the opportunity and privilege to be Christ's love and light to our co-workers, our spouses, and even the angry gentleman that cuts us off during our morning commute.

So I hope we all do share a mutual excitement, but let us be reminded that God and God's work is the source and reason for our activity not the circumstances of our lives or the ebb and flow of the seasons. With this in mind, let the goodness and work we share with the world flow constantly regardless of the circumstance as a reflection of God's own constant presence in our lives.

May you recall the goodness of the lord daily, and through his humble sacrifice and outpouring of grace, let this love overflow in your life as the source of infinite joy and excitement. It's game time, let's share God's love, and let's go!

Grace and Peace,

Andy

national back to church sunday

National Back to Church Sunday is based on the simple principle that 82 percent of people will come to church if invited by a friend, yet only 2 percent of church members invite their unchurched friends. **Sunday, September 15 is your big chance!!**

In addition, Calvary is sending out a mailing to households in the area inviting our neighbors to come to Calvary too!

National Back to Church Sunday is the largest annual community outreach in the nation, sharing the simple message and mission of inviting everyone in America back to church. The campaign empowers churches and church members with the tools they need to welcome their neighbors, friends and loved ones back to church, while providing the unchurched an easy way to find a welcoming church in their community.

As a special bonus, we'll enjoy Ice Cream Sundae after church!

Let's make Sunday, September 15 a great day to invite friends to church and to greet new friends at Calvary!



crop walk

You can participate in the CROP Walk which takes place on Sunday, October 6. The annual Washtenaw County CROP Hunger Walk is an interfaith response to local and world hunger. Funds raised support local, national and international organizations and efforts to end hunger. Sign up to walk with Karen Woollams or support a Calvary walker with your donations.



enjoy singing?

The Calvary Singers practice at 9:00 am on Sunday mornings. Join us! Contact Gerald or Sandra for more information.



feed the hungry

Please bring in your non-perishable food and personal items for Faith In Action every 2nd Sunday monthly and every Sunday in November.



Faith In Action (FIA) is a community funded, faith based assistance and resource center for those who need a helping hand serving Western Washtenaw County.

Items needed right now are:

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| Cream of mushroom soup | Toilet paper |
| Canned Pasta | Kleenex |
| Peanut Butter | Shaving cream |
| Pineapple | Women's deodorant |
| Peaches | Toothpaste |
| Stuffing | Dish soap |
| Jelly/Jam | Laundry detergent |
| Jell-o/Pudding | Cleaning products |
| Meat | Tampons |
| Macaroni & Cheese | Pads |
| Ramen | Shampoo |
| Oatmeal | Conditioner |
| Ketchup | Diapers and Wipes |
| Mayo | Razors |
| Mustard | Canned Chili |
| Salad dressing | Beans in chili sauce |
| Syrup | Mandarin oranges |
| Peas | Pears |
| Beets | Mixed fruit |
| Potatoes | Boxes potatoes |
| Coffee | Pasta side dishes |
| Tea | Sloppy joe |

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| Coffee | Stew/Hash |
| Cocoa | Cake/Frosting |
| Reg size snacks | Pasta Sauce |
| Cream chicken soup | Tomato paste |
| Chowders | Sugar |
| Muffin/cookie mix | Cooking oil |
| Pancake/Baking mix | Cereal |
| Pork n beans/ baked beans | Meal helpers |

address updates

Joann Huff's new address is:

Joann Huff
914 Wilson
Marquette, Mi. 49855

Jane Viery Davis' phone number is:

(757) 436-0304 (a corrected area code)

progressive dinner

It's time again for our progressive dinner--back in the traditional fall schedule starting at **5:30 on Saturday, October 26**. Enjoy fabulous appetizers, dinner and dessert at three different Calvary addresses. Contact Carol Miller if you want to suggest your home as a site or want to help!



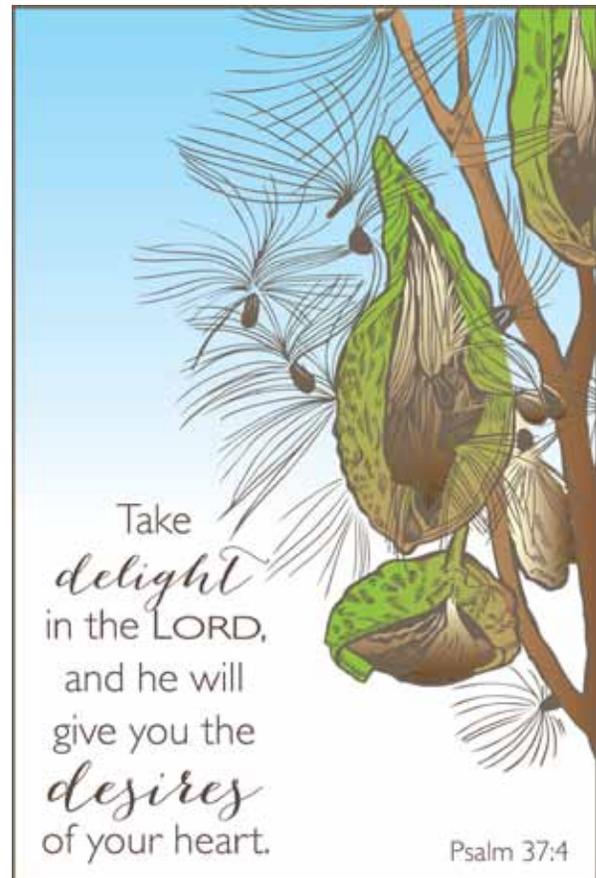
um football tailgate

We'll enjoy pregame fun and watch the Northwestern game on a big-screen TV at Calvary on Saturday, November 16. Game time is yet to be determined. Plan on being there to cheer UM on!



sermons online

Have you noticed Ben Wier videotaping Andy's great sermons? If you missed a sermon or if you just want to see a sermon again, check out the lineup at youtubecom/calvarymethodist. Thanks Ben!



birthdays**september**

- 4 Sherri Givens
- 9 Janelle Gates
- 11 Jael Woolfolk
- 16 Karen Gates
- 23 Tom Jameson
- 25 Jerry Leonard
- 28 Justin Gates



Wish These Friends a
"Happy Birthday!"

october

- 4 Rachel Miller
- 8 Donna Hughes
- 15 Geoffrey Smith-Woollams
- 18 Rose Smith-Woollams
- 21 Daniel Roberts



For Everything There is a Season

anniversaries**september**

- 3 Judy and Ed Wier
- 9 Sandy and Doug Olsen
- 19 Ruth and George Thompson

**october**

- 30 Donna Reed and Michael Parow

the refrigerator page

(you know, to hang on the frig door, so you don't miss anything)
Check your bulletin for details and dates and times that may change.

NATIONAL BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY and SUNDAE SUNDAY —

Sunday, September 15

Come to Calvary for this special day and invite your friends and neighbors. We'll enjoy Ice Cream Sundaes during fellowship time!



ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD —

Tuesday, September 17, 7 pm

PIZZA AND EUCHRE TOURNAMENT —

6 pm, Saturday, September 28

I know you love to play euchre, so come out and enjoy the evening with friends and pizza! Enjoy the food and fellowship even if you don't yet play euchre!



CROP HUNGER WALK— Sunday, October 6

Sign up to walk or sponsor a walker to help fight hunger!

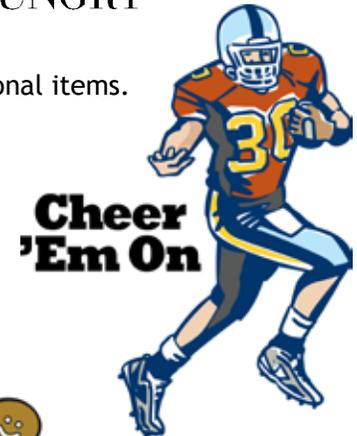


PROGRESSIVE DINNER — 5:30 pm, Saturday, October 26

Details to come...contact Carol Miller if you want to help out!

FOOD DRIVE — Sundays in November (and every 2nd Sunday)

Help replenish Faith In Action's food pantry with non-perishable food and personal items.



UM TAILGATE PARTY AT CALVARY — Saturday, November 16

Enjoy the pregame and Northwestern game at Calvary!

BAKE SALE — after church Sunday, December 8

Buy holiday baked goods to benefit Peace Neighborhood Center.



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE —

December 24



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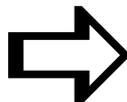
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Sunday School 11:15



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