

CALVARY WEEKLY CALLER NEWS

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH // MARCH 11 - MARCH 18



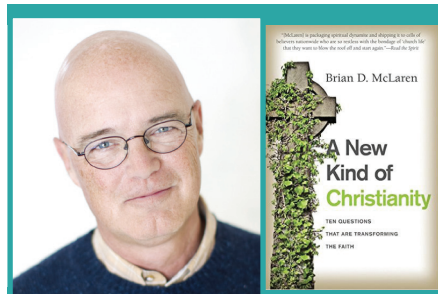
In the wilderness of everyday life we know what it feels like to be “Lost.” Lost in our busyness. Lost in our worry and our drive to acquire more and more. Lost in our agendas, appearances, and doubt. During Lent we’ll enter this wilderness together and remember that when we are lost God doesn’t sit waiting for us to find our way back. Rather, God is always frantically searching us out. Nothing will separate us from this God. With God, you are never truly lost.

JOIN CALVARY IN THE WILDERNESS THIS LENTEN SEASON

HOLY LAND OLIVE OIL / The Calvary group that traveled to the Holy Land in 2014 will sell fair trade Palestinian Premium Olive Oil for one more weekend. All proceeds will go toward scholarship funds for the four schools run by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jerusalem and the Holy Land. Thanks to a Thrivent Action Team for providing seed money to launch the initiative.

TEMPORARY FOOD SHELF / Please donate non-perishable food (meal items are helpful), household, and personal care items for our temporary food shelf in collaboration with WCMCA’s free tax prep program.

HS FOOD SHELF FUNDRAISER / Join students and teachers as they host the Empty Bowls Project on March 21, 5-7pm at AAHS. The event raises awareness about hunger, and proceeds support The Shelf for Students at the HS as well as other local organizations working to eradicate food insecurity. Purchase tickets at the door (\$5-\$15).



FAITH FOR LIFE SPEAKER: BRIAN MCLAREN

On April 5 at 6pm, Brian McLaren will wrap up this year’s Faith for Life Speaker Series. He will help us think about what it means to love your neighbor, regardless of their race, creed or religion, in what he calls a more humble, inclusivist approach to live like Jesus.

SPECIAL EASTER CHORUS / Join the Calvary Choir this Lent for a special Easter Celebration Chorus! Rehearsals are Wednesday, March 29th, April 5th, April 12th from 7pm to 8pm in the 2nd floor chapel. We will perform several selections during the 9:30am Easter service. All are welcome!

THE CHOIR OF CHRIST CHAPEL FROM GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS COLLEGE is presenting a concert at Calvary on Thursday, April 6 at 7:30PM. In addition to attending the concert, we need interested people to provide overnight housing to the choir members. Choir members are grouped by 2’s. You are welcome to provide housing for more than one set. Please contact Joyce Engel or the church office if you are able to help or would like more information. jengel_farm@hotmail.com or 320-310-6132.

CALVARY IS HIRING A BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR / We are looking for an enthusiastic and hardworking team member to provide financial, human resource and operational support and oversight to the mission and ministry of Calvary Lutheran Church. The position is full time and requires 3-5 years of experience. A full job description is available in the church office.

DISCUSSION ABOUT “THE SHACK” AT SR. COFFEE- MARCH 14TH AT 10 AM “The Shack” is showing at a theater near you! At the next Sr. Coffee, there will be an opportunity to discuss the book and/or movie. Any and all seniors, you are invited to join the Calvary Staff for coffee and conversation at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 14th in the Svea Library Lounge. *If you have not read the book or seen the movie, please know you are still welcome to come and share fellowship.

GOLDEN GLOWERS (55 yrs +) Will meet Monday March 13th at 11am in the choir room downstairs. Pastor will lead an interesting Bible study. Share in a delicious potluck meal at noon. We enjoy having visitors! Questions: Call Linda Fiebelkorn at 320-760-1401.

NO CONFIRMATION THIS WEEK / We will worship on Wednesday but there will be no mentors or Confirmation following worship due to spring break.

SKY RANCH COLORADO TRIP / Our meeting schedule: Sunday April 23, 12-4pm Sun. May 21, 12-4pm; Monday June 19 at 6:30pm - Final parent/student meeting. Meetings are critical.

COLLEGE BOUND 10TH, 11TH, 12TH GRADERS & FAMILIES / Calvary will be holding a 3 week event, April 24, May 1 and May 8 from 7-8:30pm each week, to help students and parents as you begin the journey to college. Lots of questions surround this big event and week one we will engage them together with Dr. James Pence, former college dean who will share perspectives on some of the big questions — based on his 20-year career as a college administrator. Week two will be spent learning from a panel of parents who’ve recently walked this journey as well as students who are currently engaging the process. Finally the third session will be spent digging into each student’s unique giftedness by engaging the Strengthfinder Assessment tool, with trained Strength coaches Karin Weigel and Katie Christensen, which will help students as they begin to discern their vocational call. If you would like to attend please RSVP to katie@calvaryalex.org by April 17.