

CALVARY WEEKLY CALLER NEWS

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH // MARCH 18 - MARCH 25



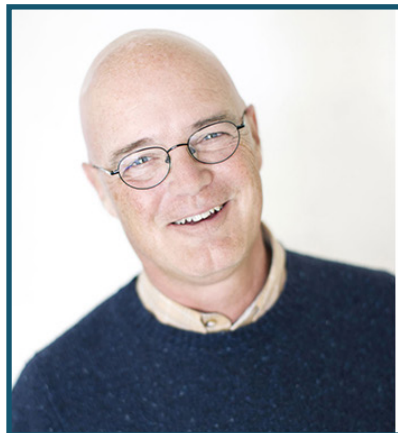
In the wilderness of everyday life we know what it feels like to be "Lost." Lost in our busyness. Lost in our worry and our drive to acquire more. Lost in our agendas, appearances, and doubt. During Lent we'll enter this wilderness together and remember that when we are lost God doesn't sit waiting for 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

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).

FREE TAX PREP / Calvary hosts West Central Minnesota Community Action's free tax preparation services, available to families who earn less than \$53,000 per year and individuals who earn less than \$30,000. Appointments are set by contacting WCMCA directly (800-492-4805).



CALVARY WELCOMES FAITH FOR LIFE SPEAKER
Brian McLaren

APRIL 5TH, 6:00PM AT CALVARY

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.

LOCAL FOOD DELIVERED TO CALVARY / Calvary is proud to serve as a bi-weekly drop-site for Local Harvest Market. Place your order through their website or app (by Tuesday) and pick up your produce, meat, bread, cheese and more at Calvary every-other Wednesday between 3-6pm. Visit www.localharvestmarket.co (note address is .co not .com) to place your order.

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.

SKY RANCH COLORADO TRIP / This is our meeting schedule: Sun. April 23, 12-4pm Sun. May 21, 12-4pm; Monday June 19 at 6:30pm - Final parent/student meeting.

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.

SHARES FUNDRAISER / Thank you for the tremendous support of our youth fundraiser! We exceeded our goals! This will go far in ensuring that young people can afford to engage the camp experience. We can wait to share about the return on your investments in August.

INTERGENERATIONAL SUMMER TRIP TO GUATEMALA / Will be meeting March 22 at 7:30pm to begin preparations! If you applied and still have questions before making a final commitment, or if you applied and are ready to go please plan to attend!

Weekly caller bulletin information is due Tuesday by 1pm of each week. Email heidi@calvaryalex.org.