

2018 MINISTRY UPDATE

AUGUST



CALVARY NEWS

Facility Use

The facilities calendar runs from September 1 - August 31. That means that ALL groups using rooms here at Calvary need to fill out a "Facility Use Request Form" to ensure that you have the space you need for your group. Here is a link to the web form <http://www.calvaryefc.org/resources/facilities-use/request-form>. Thanks for helping keep our calendar accurate and room use organized. If you have any questions contact Joel Minchinton at jminchinton@calvaryefc.org.

Ministry Fair

Are you looking for a place to get connected with others or for a way serve? Come to Calvary's Ministry Fair, Sunday, August 26 in the Gym from 10-1. You will find a variety of opportunities to connect, learn, and serve. The fair includes refreshments and lunch.



Prayer Walk

Prayer Walk, August 4, Join others from several area churches in the Peace Plaza on Saturday, August 4, 9 am, as we ask the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest field (Mt 9:37-38). We are confident in God's great love for this city (Jn 3:16), and that He is eager to respond to us (Hos 6:3)!

Calvary Church Picnic

The Church Picnic will be held on Sunday, August 5, at Soldiers Field Park. A catered meal will begin at 1 pm (donation requested). There will be activities galore: games for all ages, swimming, tennis, and softball. Northlight church and The Gathering will be joining us.

Baptism Class

Classes for those desiring baptism will be offered in September. Choose either Sept. 9 at 9 am, or Sept. 16 at 10:30 or noon (with a free lunch) in Room 126. Call the Church office at 282-4612 or go to our website www.calvaryefc.org to sign up.

Calvary Fall Outing

Save the date: Saturday, September 29 at Ironwood Springs Christian Ranch. Come for outdoor fun, fellowship, a variety of activities, dinner and s'mores! Enjoy mini-golf, wagon rides, zipline, geocaching, or just come and relax around the campfire!

Calvary Community Sheep & Shepherding Series

Calvary Community mini-congregation is holding a special learning and outreach experience. If you like Aha! learning moments you'll love CSI (Calvary Sheep Institute). The series is focused on sheep, shepherds, and the Savior with many guest speakers. Sunday mornings at 9 am in the Gym through August 26. You are encouraged to invite friends.

Grace Ministries

Calvary purchased for our church family and friends an online resource that features training on marriage, parenting, young adult life, discipleship, biblical studies by Dr. Gene Getz, and a host of other resources that are FREE to you and those you invite to view them. These are excellent tools you can use to disciple others as you use and share the login information. www.grace101.org/login.htm Username: calvaryefc; Password: 5072824612.

Do You Sing or Play an Instrument?

Calvary Worship Team is looking for you and praying for you. Summer months are a great time to check out the ministry and to get involved. We really do need you. Contact Pastor Dan at dlimkeman@calvaryefc.org.

Sunday Mornings Options

Calvary Community	Gym at 9	Sheep, shepherd, & savior
Reflections	223 at 9	Sermon-based discussion
Take A Break	202 at 9	Special needs students
ROCK	225 at 10:30	The Truth Project
Oasis (seniors)	223 at 10 30	Varies by week
Connect	224 at 10:30	Varies by week
Coffee Connection	Fellowship Hall	Coffee and donuts

FAMILY MINISTRY

Sunday School Open House

Sunday, Sept. 9, 9-10:15 am, we will have a Sunday School Open House for all students from Tadpoles (ages 2-3) through Grade 6. We invite parents to meet teachers, get familiar with what happens throughout the year, meet other families, and more. There will be NO CLASS for grades 1-6, while Kindergarten and below will have classes; younger kids can be dropped off instead of walking around with families if that is preferred. We invite parents and kids together to start in the Pie-Shaped Room (200) where Amy Bowers will give instructions and direction about a scavenger hunt!

Awana Registration

Awana registration for students age 4 through Grade 6 is now open. Go to our website www.calvaryefc.org to register for this amazing time of growing and learning together! Questions? Contact Amy Bowers at abowers@calvaryefc.org.

Kindergarten = Preschool

To better serve our families, we are making a categorization change for our Kindergarten students. Kindergarten is now under our "Preschool" umbrella on Sunday mornings. The key point of saying this is to communicate that all services, including special services and holidays, will always have classes available for kids through Kindergarten. We hope this serves your family well! This new shift will begin on September 9. Please note the open house on that day!

Promotion Day for Preschool

All Preschool classrooms will "promote" starting on Sunday, September 9. Elementary students going into first grade and up have already been promoted. If you feed them, they keep growing!

Project 224

We discovered 224 volunteer opportunities for our church family to be a part of in order to invest in the next generation! While we already have some of those filled, we are still far from 224. Roles vary in time commitment, skill set, energy level, and direct contact with kids (we actually have a few jobs that have almost no contact with kids). Most are on Wednesdays and Sundays when hundreds of kids hear about and experience God's love. Would you speak with us about where God might be calling you to serve? Brian will be out of the country for a while, so contact Amy Bowers for Children's Ministry (abowers@calvaryefc.org) or John Chaco for student ministry (jchaco@calvaryefc.org).

Feed My Starving Children

On Wednesday, August 15, families are invited to join us packing food at Feed My Starving Children at the Eagan site. To register students and families grades 5-12, please go to the website, click on Ministries, Youth, Events, then click the red "register now" button. (Younger siblings are welcome to come too!)

Montreal Team

Family-together missions trips can be life-changing. Because we believe that, we are sending 9 of our own to Montreal August 3-12. Please pray for the team (Tom, Kathy, Nathan, and Matthew Bergquist, David Henry, Roy and Glenna Makosky, Adam and Jayne Morgan, and meeting up with Steve and Jane Wheeler) as they serve families, as families.

Street Witnessing on Thursdays on First & 3

We'll meet at Peace Plaza at 3:30 pm for a brief time of prayer and simple overview on how to share your faith. We go out in pairs to pray with and share the love of Christ with our community. One shares, the other prays. Remaining dates for Street Witnessing are Aug 2 & Aug 16. Meet at Peace Plaza - Time: 3:30-5:30 pm. Open for anyone, not just for students. Questions, contact John, jchaoc@calvaryefc.org.

Youth Ministry

Summer Sunday School, 9 am in the youth room upstairs. Our middle school and high school students will be going through *The Attributes of God*, by A. W. Tozer as we study the amazing qualities of our Lord.

August 1 Service Project Day

*August 8 Valley Fair

*August 15 Service Project: Feed My Starving & Whirlyball

*Includes grades 5/6

WOMEN

Summer In-Home Women's Gatherings

Moms of Preschoolers: Thu, Aug 16, 7:00-8:30 pm

Group Walk on the Douglas Trail: Aug 18, 9:30-11 am

Homeschool Moms: Mon, Aug 20, 7:00-9:00 pm

www.calvaryefc.org. Please RSVP for each event you'll be attending.

An All-Church-Women's Brunch

Thursday, Sep 6, an all-church-women's brunch will kick off our fall activities. Whether or not you plan to join Renovare Bible studies, you are welcome to come and enjoy this special morning of fellowship with a great speaker! The brunch will be held from 9.15 -11.15 am in the Fellowship Hall. If needed, please sign up for childcare at www.calvaryefc.org.

Renovaré beginning on September 13

If you want to sign up for one of the Thursday morning Renovaré Bible studies, or the evening study, please do so online at www.calvaryefc.org. Our study options will be listed on the website shortly. Any questions regarding Renovare should be directed to Stephanie Conkright at garstepmn@q.com or 507-990-0923. Call Ingrid Ansell with any general questions about Women's Ministry at 507-269-3483.

WORSHIP

Worship Chorale

Wednesdays, 6:30-8:15 pm, beginning August 29 with Fall Round-up 5:45 - 8:00 pm. Singers ages grade 9 and up are welcome.

Formal music background or training is not required. We ask that you be able to match pitch and have a heart for worship ministry. Come and sing with us! Email Dan at dlimkeman@calvaryefc.org

Worship Team

Join the Worship Team this summer! We need singers, guitar and keyboard players, and drummers. "O magnify the Lord with me. Let us exalt His name together!" Contact Pastor Dan at dlimkeman@calvaryefc.org.

Hallelujah! Kids Choir

Hallelujah! Kids Choir will resume rehearsals in the fall.

The choir (grades 2-6) rehearses Sunday evenings, 5:30-7:00 pm. Look for more information on our web site soon. Come join us!

Technical Arts Team

We need sound, projection, lighting, and video "So the Word can be seen and heard." Interested in serving behind the scenes? We will train you. Contact Joel at jminchinton@calvaryefc.org.

Usher Ministry Team

Consider serving on one of our Usher Ministry Teams. Ushering ministry is open to men and women ages 14 and up. This is also a great ministry for couples or families to serve in together. We need you! Contact Eric at eric_andringa@hotmail.com

Upcoming Worship Ministry Events

Worship Team Training

August 18, Saturday, 9:30 am - 11:00 am

or August 21, Tuesday, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm (pick one)

Worship Chorale Fall Round-up!

August 29, Wednesday, 5:45 - 8:00 pm

Upcoming Sunday Worship Dates

August 19 Communion

September 16 Communion

SENIORS PEP (age 55+)

Orphan Train Riders

Wednesday, September 12 at 9:30-11:00 am in the Fellowship Hall to hear the story about the "Orphan Train Riders." Dorothy Lund Nelson, a nationally recognized expert on this part of our history, will be our speaker. Hope to see you then. Any questions, please contact Sharon Landsworth at 288-0592 or at rsland1971@gmail.com.

CARE GROUPS

Financial Peace

9 week class, on Tuesday evenings (6:30-8:00 pm) starting on September 11. What if you were following a plan for your money that you knew worked? With Dave Ramsey's class, *Financial Peace University*, you CAN take control of your money, get out of debt, and create a plan for your future. (Childcare available by request.) Sign up online at <https://www.financialpeace.com/classes/1066967/registration>.

Single Adult Fellowship (50 plus)

Single Adult Fellowship (50 plus) will meet Sunday August 5, 4-6 pm in the Fireside room at Calvary. Please join us for games, snacks and fellowship. Contact Carol Siverling 358-2417 or Nancy Monsen 281-4152.

OUTREACH/COMMUNITY

Rochester Christian Hospitality Network (RCHN)

RCHN is a network of hosts who provide hospitality for short-term stays in the Med City. If you are interested in joining the list and want to know more, come on Thurs, Sept 20, 7 pm to the home of Sharon (Brian) Kaihoi, 2280 Coral Ct NE. Please RSVP to Dianne Orth at 507-269-7112 \ orth.dianne@gmail.com.

Fruit Sale

Teen Hope Ministries (previously Youth for Christ) fruit sale proceeds benefit ministry to area teens. Order deadline is August 8 for Colorado Peaches, Pears, & Organic Peaches. Fruit should arrive around August 22. For more details and to place an order online, visit www.teenhopeministries.

Compassion Counseling Center (CCC)

Note: CCC is on summer break for the month of August.