

CHURCH NOTES

July 4, 2010

THE CHURCH CALENDAR

Today		No Youth Group
Monday	6:30 p.m.	Mother's ChristCare (Parish Hall)
Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Quilting
Thursday	6:30 p.m.	Spur One (gym)
	7:00 p.m.	Board of Education
Friday	9:30 p.m.	Co-ed Softball Game @ Alva Jo

FLOWERS/LANDSCAPING

Flowers are placed on the altar today to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for His many blessings by Benno and Velma Brandt in honor of their 64th Wedding Anniversary on July 6th; and by Gerald Scharnau in memory of his and Arlyne's 56th Wedding Anniversary on July 7th. Our thanks for these services of love.

WE LOVE CHILDREN and are happy they are here with us. Just as a child learns to speak by imitating the voice of mom or dad, so too a child learns to worship by participating in the service at an early age. We have a beautifully equipped and staffed nursery in the Ministry Building. It is open for all young children. Parents can also use it when quieting a child or changing a diaper. The service can be heard in the nursery. An usher can direct you. Thank you for your help. We do ask that sick children not be left in the nursery for the well being of the other children there. **PLEASE NOTE:** Due to insurance regulations only nursery staff and family members who are dropping off or picking up children are permitted beyond the counter in the nursery.

MY QUIET CHURCH BAGS ARE AVAILABLE FOR YOUR CHILDREN: Having children in the worship service is a sign of a healthy, and growing, congregation. They contain coloring books, crayons, Bible Story books, and other goodies that will be "new" to your child. They are available in the narthex (just ask an usher). We just ask that you put them back after the service so that they can be used again by another child—ENJOY!

ADULT EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES:

1. **Adult Bible Class:** Pastor Truwe will continue leading us in unpacking the assigned scripture readings for the Sundays. Typically, a pastor will choose one reading in particular to base his sermon on, but there are two other readings and a psalm that serve the theme for that particular Sunday. Maybe you have questions about one of those "other" readings, or even have additional questions about the sermon. This class is for you!
2. **Bread of Life:** The class is currently doing a study on 1, 2, and 3 John called *Love and Hate, Light and Darkness*. Bread of Life is an adult small group class meeting Sunday mornings in the Parish Hall and is taught by Wanda and Larry Laxson.
3. **Wednesdays in the Word:** (@ 7:00 p.m.) Will resume in September.
4. **The Lutheran Difference** (Thursdays @ 9:30 a.m.) Will resume in September.

FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

1. **Co-Ed Softball** - The summer softball season has begun! Our next game is July 9th at 9:30 p.m. @ Alva Jo, 10700 Nacogdoches. Admission is \$1.00.

CHRISTCARE SMALL GROUPS

Day Group – Joy Miller – 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 9:00-10:30 a.m. at Mt. Calvary in the Parish Hall. This group will take the summer off and resume on Tuesday, September 21st.

Night Group – Jan Miyauchi – 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at 2219 Peach Blossom.

Women – Tammy Copello – 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Mt. Calvary in the Parish Hall.

Men – Jay Miller – 1st & 3rd Saturdays, 7:00-8:30 a.m. at Mt. Calvary in the Parish Hall. This group will meet July 10th and July 24th (2nd and 4th Saturdays in July).

Mothers – Wanda Laxson – 1st & 3rd Mondays, 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Mt. Calvary in the Parish Hall.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be July 26th–July 30th from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Mark your calendars now! Planet Zoom shares new perspective that encourages even the littlest bee-lievers to make a big difference in God's big world. No child is too young to understand the depth of Jesus' love. So prepare yourself for a swarmin' good time.

Registration/Volunteer forms are in the narthex.

- **ADULT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** will be offered during this time. Pastor Carl Reiter will be teaching this class. There is a sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall narthex if you are interested.

SUMMER IS THE SEASON FOR ROAD TRIPS – filled with breathtaking scenery, priceless family memories, and yes, sometimes flat tires and cranky passengers. Women of Mt. Calvary, you are invited to end the summer with one more road trip to the 3rd Annual Women's Retreat! "**Are We There Yet? Bumps and Blessings Along the Way**" will be a time of Bible Study, fellowship, fun, and spiritual encouragement as women from all stages of the journey of life share their insights from along the way. This year's participants will also have an opportunity to participate in a service project supporting Haven for Hope. Our retreat setting will be the scenic grounds of Camp Lone Star and this year we will be housed in the comfort of the retreat center for two nights. Come for one night or two and bring a friend! Dates are **September 10-12** and cost is **\$75**. A sign-up sheet is available in the Parish Hall narthex. Don't miss out on what promises to be a memorable weekend!

OUR SYMPATHY to Gene Knuth at the death of Ann last Sunday. The funeral service was last Thursday at Mt. Calvary.

CONGRATULATIONS to Allan and Debbie Pundt at the birth of their granddaughter, Mallory Ann Pundt, born on June 12.

BOOK OF THE MONTH: *More than a Skeleton*, by Paul L. Maier

Did you enjoy reading last month's thrilling book by Lutheran pastor and professor, Rev. Dr. Paul L. Maier? You won't want to miss its sequel! Here's a synopsis of the book: *What if Jesus returned for an interim appearance before His final coming, and in a manner least expected? Once again, Dr. Jonathan Weber must determine the truth at all costs.* The deadline to sign up for a copy is July 15th. The order will be placed that day. Either sign up in the Parish Hall Narthex, send an email to Pastor Truwe (gtruwe@mountcalvarysa.org), or call the church office. Cost of the book is \$15.00 (or less if we can find it!)

PORTALS OF PRAYER FOR July-August-September are available in the narthex.

PASTOR DEVRIES will return to the office on Tuesday, July 6th.

YMLT TO MEET AUGUST 1st - We'll have much to talk about and we hope everyone can make it, following the late service in the Parish Hall. Lunch will be served.

TABLES AVAILABLE - We've purchased new tables for use in the gym, which means the formerly used tables are available for you to have. They are perfect to use for your summer outdoor party! Just call the office and let us know when you can come by to pick one up so we can be ready for you.

LUTHERAN NIGHT AT THE BALL PARK AT WOLFF STADIUM will be Thursday, July 29. It will be dollar night with most refreshments being only \$1.00. Tickets are \$5.50 for non Thrivent Chapter members and \$2.0 for members and their guests. There will be a picnic before the game. The cost of the picnic and the game is \$15.50 for non-members and \$5.00 for members and their guests. All tickets will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis. Contact Bill Dorey at thrivel@satx.rr.com or 210-673-2371

THE ANNUAL CAMP LONE STAR BBQ AND AUCTION is Sunday, July 25! Activities begin at 11 a.m. with an outdoor worship service led by Rev. Michael Meissner, pastor of Lifebridge Mission in Cypress. A delicious barbecue meal will be served immediately after the service. The benefit live auction is held in the Koop Activity Center from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Silent auction tables will offer bidding opportunities throughout the day. Come out for Christian fellowship and show your support! Visit us at www.lomt.com for more information, a map to camp, or to donate an item to the auction, or call 800-362-2078.

THE LUTHERAN HOUR - July 11th, **“Out of Hell, Into Heaven”** (Please note new times and stations)

6:00 a.m. on WOAI 1200 AM; 9:00 a.m. on KAWZ 88.5 FM; or KWED 1580 AM (Seguin)

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus -A teacher of the law asked Jesus, "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" The unspoken question is, "How can I avoid eternal death and damnation?" (Luke 10:25-37)

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ELDERS FOR TODAY

<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>	<u>6:30 p.m.</u>
Marshall Leiber	Bill Stolhandske	Charles Koch
Mac McNamara	Jim Koenig	

USHERS FOR TODAY

<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>	<u>6:30 p.m.</u>
Robert Axtell*	Rex Rheiner*	Gary Franzen
Winstor Curry	Bill O'Brien	Wally Mencke
Phillip Glaspay	Ramon Kniepkamp	Gregg Henning
Leonard Zacek	Dean Hartfiel	

ACOLYTES FOR TODAY

<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>
Isaiah Sefton	Nathaniel Aguilar

GREETERS FOR TODAY

<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>
Rosemary Wessels	Irene Roberts

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

8:30 a.m. – 143	9:45 a.m. – 122	11:00 a.m. – 135	6:30 p.m. – 23
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