

2020 MINISTRY UPDATE

MARCH



CALVARY NEWS

Baptism, Sunday, March 15

Interested in being baptized? We are planning to include baptisms with worship on March 15.

Classes for those desiring to be baptized will be held:

Sunday, March 1, Rm 126, 9 am

Sunday, March 8, Rm 126, 10:30 am

If you are interested in being baptized, please register for one of these classes on the church website at www.calvaryefree.church/baptism or email info@calvaryefree.church.

Daytime Bible Study

Bible study on Daniel, taught by Pastor Larry Orth, 11-noon, now through April 22, Fireside Room. Join us for an amazing study on the key Old Testament book unlocking our future.

Calvary Mini-Congregation

Mini-congregations are small to large groups that meet on Sunday morning at church (similar to adult Sunday school). More information and the ability to contact the leaders can be found on our website www.calvaryefree.church

Read Your Bible

Challenge yourself, your family, or community group to grow this year in new ways in your Bible reading, meditation, or memorizing! We have reading guides available in the Information Center, or ask a pastor for more ideas.

Do You Sing or Play an Instrument?

Calvary Worship Ministry Team is looking for you and praying for you. It is a great time to check out the ministry and to get involved. We really do need you. Contact Pastor Dan at dlimkeman@calvaryefree.church.

FAMILY MINISTRY

Summer Plans

This summer, there will be two amazing events for kids! Don't miss VBS week, June 8-11 (for grades K-6 in the fall), and Calvary Week at Camp Victory July 6-10 (grades 1-6 in the fall)!

VBS registration will be available soon on the Calvary website. All those interested in Camp Victory should register on the Camp Victory website (open now). Choose July 6-10, daycamp, and identify Calvary as your home church. (Please contact Pastor Brian with any needs for scholarships for Camp Victory!)

Awana

March 4 - Red Night; Store Night

March 11 - Blue Night

March 18 - Green Night

March 25 - Yellow Night

VBS

June 8-11, 2020; 9:00am-Noon. Climb aboard for mountains of fun at Rocky Railway! On this faith-filled adventure, kids discover that trusting Jesus pulls them through life's ups and downs. Registration is coming soon. We have a variety of volunteer opportunities, so contact vbs@calvaryefree.church if you are interested in helping.

The VBS design team is looking for volunteers to help design and build the many items we use to transform the church for the week of VBS. If you are available to help with construction, building, painting, or creating decorations and props or have questions about this team, please contact vbs@calvaryefree.church.

Parent/Child Dedication

The next dedication will be on July 12. Please register under "Next Steps" on the website.

Parent Summit - March 21

Please join us for our annual Parent Summit! This event is for parents with kids of all ages, but specifically targeted for those who still have kids at home. This year, we'll be talking about "Technology and your kids." 9 am-3 pm, Saturday, March 21 at Calvary. Please register online, \$10/person.

Part I of this event will be "non-religious" and would be a great chance to invite neighbors and friends. Part II will dive into important theological questions related to technology. We will have main sessions with all parents, and break-out sessions by interest and age of kids. Contact Brian Martin at bmartin@calvaryefree.church with questions and register at calvaryefree.church/parentsummit2020.

Short-Term Mission Trip with Joni and Friends of Minnesota

Each summer, families who have kids with special needs gather in Detroit Lakes, MN for Joni and Friends Family Retreat. To serve these families well, JAF is looking for 100 short-term missionaries who serve in a variety of ways, but most notably, as one-to-one buddies for kids with special needs. This would be an incredible opportunity for a family to serve together and be the hands and feet of Jesus! Please contact Brian Martin (who attended last year with his family!) with any questions bmartin@calvaryefree.church.

WORSHIP

Worship Chorale

Wednesdays, 6:30-8:15 p.m. Singers ages 9th grade 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!

Contact Pastor Dan at dlimkeman@calvaryefree.church

Worship Team

Join the Worship Team this spring. 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@calvaryefree.church

Hallelujah! Kids Choir

The choir (2nd-6th grades) rehearses Sunday evenings, 5:30-7:00 pm. We are preparing to participate in the worship services on March 22. Our spring musical is on Sunday, May 3. Come join us! Contact Carol at andringa21@gmail.com.

Calvary Orchestra and Brass Ensemble

Play a band or orchestral instrument? Consider playing in our brass ensemble or orchestra. Ages 9th Grade and up. "Praise Him with instruments."

Contact Pastor Dan Limkeman at dlimkeman@calvaryefree.church.

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@calvaryefree.church.

Flowers / Décor Team

Do you have a creative eye for décor, arranging, or a green thumb? We need your gift in our worship ministry!

Contact Pastor Dan at dlimkeman@calvaryefree.church

Upcoming Sunday Worship Dates

March 15	Baptism
March 22	Communion
April 5	Palm Sunday
April 10	Good Friday
April 12	Easter Sunday
April 26	Communion

WOMEN

Bible Study

If you're new to Calvary and you're interested in attending a women's Bible study on Thursday mornings, please contact Stephanie Conkright at garstephmn@q.com.

Special Moms Day Away

Register for *Special Moms Day Away* an event for women who care for children or adults with special needs. It's a wonderful day to connect with other women walking in your shoes and receive spiritual nourishment for your soul. Saturday, March 14, 2020, 9:30 am - 2:30 pm, held at Grace Church, 9301 Eden Prairie Road, Eden Prairie, MN. Register at grace.church/ccb-event/13799/special-moms-day-away/

MEN

Men's Breakfast

Men's Chili Feed Breakfast, Saturday, March 14 at 8 am. Michael Kopp will be sharing on *Being Hot & Salty for Jesus*.

Series 33

DVD discussion series, *A Man and His Traps*. Wednesdays from 6:30-7:50 pm, held at Rochester Ford. Contact Micah Schott at micahschott@gmail.com.

No Regrets Conference

Here is a link to the *No Regrets* men's conference link for those who missed the event.

<https://subsplash.com/noregrets/media>

SENIORS

PEP (age 55+)

PEP has been disbanded for the foreseeable future. Senior events will still be happening from time to time. Let Pastor Larry know if you have a senior event you would like promoted.

CARE GROUPS

Single Adult Fellowship (age 50 +)

Single Adult Fellowship (50 plus) will meet Sunday, March 1, 2020 2-4 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.

YOUTH

Supernight Formal

Friday, 3/13 6 pm-7 am, \$30

Dress up for a formal, then get comfortable as we ride up to the cities to the Mall of America and hangout all night at Nickelodeon Universe and Gameworks then back for a continental breakfast in Rochester! For more information and to sign up go to <https://supernightformal.com/>

District Blitz, April 17-19

District Blitz is an annual student ministries conference for both high and middle school students grades 7-12. The purpose of District Blitz is to provide a conference that challenges students to love God, love one another, and love the lost. This year the conference will be held in Duluth. The theme for this year is *Plug In*. Sign up online, www.calvaryefree.church

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Faithfully Speaking Toastmasters

Enhance your speaking skills in a safe and informal environment. The purpose is to help you speak about your faith with poise and confidence and learn about other faiths. Held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month, 5:30-7:00 pm. Charter House, 211 2nd Street NW, Room 3-15. www.490.toastmastersclubs.org/

Compassion Counseling Center

Compassion Counseling Center is a ministry dedicated to transforming lives and relationships with the hope and healing of Christ. Please pray for the new Lay Counselor Training which begins on March 5. This is an intensive 9-month training done by mental health professionals in the community.

We are in need of volunteers for the Security Team! If you are interested in serving one Thursday evening a month in this very important capacity, please email us at volunteer@compassioncounseling.org.

Announcements are due on the 15th of each month for the upcoming month. Please email the church office at nsobczak@calvaryefree.church.