Therefore, accept one another, just as Christ also accepted us to the glory of God. Romans 15:7



at Calvary Presbyterian Church October 8 2023 ~ 19th Sunday after Pentecost

WE ARE SHOOTING FOR THE STARS!

We envision a bright future for a church building that can accommodate the physical needs of everyone.



Today, we start our "Lift Off" campaign for the installation of a lift. If we can raise \$50,000 by next August, an anonymous donor will match it. Please help us on our journey...together we can get where we want to go!

The Monday Women's Study group will meet at church at 6:30 PM on alternate Mondays starting on October 16th. This is to see if any of you who are working during the day might be interested in joining us. We'll give it a try for a couple of months to gauge interest. If you want additional

Everything is more fun with friends

information, talk to Jana Cox or Lyn Wargny. The meetings usually last about two hours, with a lesson, sharing time, and prayer and will be in the pastor's office.

If you have pledged for 2023, a statement has been emailed (or mailed) to you, to keep you apprised of the status of your pledge. Please check your spam email folder in case your email provider has routed it there. You can request a donation statement at any time by contacting the church office.

Calling All Bakers!

The fall festival committee needs your help! We are planning to offer baked goods as prizes and also have "for sale" items. If you have a special recipe that you would like to bake and donate OR if you need a recipe, some (easy, cake mix recipes and recipes with a minimal amount of ingredients) will be available in the narthex along with a signup sheet. The committee thanks you for helping us to spread community spirit.



Saturday, October 21 is the date for Calvary's Fall Festival

Let's get together with our families and neighbors for games, crafts, food (of course!) and enjoy the gorgeous fall weather. Bounce House!! Photo Booth!!



Fill a large trash bag with all the plastic that isn't collected by your town...bubble wrap, bread/newspaper sleeves, bags from cereal, dry cleaning, ice, you name it...it just has to be clean and dry. When we have collected 1,000 pounds of plastic (it really won't take that long) we will be rewarded with a brand-new Trex bench for the Thrift Shop. This is a WIN/WIN. Thanks to Diana Dohrmann for signing us up for such a great project.

November 12 Stewardship Sunday

Please prayerfully consider this community of faith, these grounds, this building, this church family... your place within it, and your commitment to it.

> A soup and sandwich lunch will take place in the Fellowship Hall after the service.



TIME FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

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October 8, 2023 19th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00am *Please rise in body or in spirit. Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus PRELUDE G. Welsh, arr. C. Berry WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Come. Christians. Praise the Lord CHORAL INTROIT H. Hopson RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP (inspired by Psalm 84, 1 Kings 8:27) How beautiful are the places where you dwell, O Lord! This house cannot contain your glory; even the heavens are bursting with the goodness of your presence! Happy are those who find their strength in you. Hear our prayers this day, Holy God, as we proclaim your praises to all the earth! *GATHERING HYMN #130 O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison) Written by Beth Merrill Neel on her blog, 'Hold Fast to What Is Good'. Used with permission. Holy God, giver of blessings, we thank you for the mercies we know, and ask your forgiveness we when fail to acknowledge you as the source of all good. When we hoard your gifts, when we say, "that's mine," when we ignore the bounty around us, when we are blind to the good, forgive us. Help us to share, to see, to live gratefully. Through Christ we pray. Amen. (Silence) ASSURANCE OF PARDON Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! CONFESSION RESPONSE #807 Gloria Patri CALL FOR THE OFFERING **OFFERTORY** Jesus Is Calling G. Stebbins, arr. F. Ritter *OFFERTORY RESPONSE #496 Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart *PRAYER OF DEDICATION

| CHORAL ANTHEM | Bless This House | Taylor, Brahe, arr. Ringwald |
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| SCRIPTURE READINGS | Deuteronomy 10:12-13 ~ Matthew 6: | 24-34 ~ 1 Corinthians 3:9-11 |
| | This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God | |
| DRAMA | "This Old Church" | |
| Jerry Blackman, John Cecchini, Barry Emens, Steve Gilbert, Dorothy Talavera, Lyn Wargny | | |
| CLOSING HYMN | | #612 How Firm a Foundation |
| *CHARGE AND BENEDICT | ΓΙΟΝ | |
| *CHORAL RESPONSE | Go in Peace | D. Grotenhuis |
| *THE PEACE | The peace of the Lord be with you And also with you. | J. |
| (As you leave the | sanctuary, share greetings of Christ's pe | ace with one another.) |
| *POSTLUDE | Andante Maestoso | A. Corelli, arr. B. Price |

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Many thanks to Rev. Jane Price and the Drama Players for leading us in worship this morning.

As always, we thank our A/V volunteers Michael Gilbert and Jerry Blackman for sharing their time and talents. This morning we also thank Dorie Cecchini for refreshments and Allison Farnen and Kathy Haider for greeting and collecting the offering. Everyone is invited for Fellowship after the service in the Assembly Room.

Prayers for: our President and all our elected officials, all world leaders, our men and women in uniform, peace in the world, victims of natural disasters, those endangered by war and violence; Calvary's mission and ministries; all our friends and members at Calvary, and in particular: Georgie Ackers; Dovieanna & Anthony Falconiero; Ed Gilmore; Ed Hartmann; Stacy Cardwell, friend of Nedra Cawley; Pam Jones Nelson, cousin of Allison Farnen; Trevor, nephew of Dave & Janny McGrath; Jesse James, nephew of Terry Pahl; Chea and Roxanne, friends of Alyx Reinhardt; Bill Robbins, brother of Dorothy Talavera; Delanco friend Aurelio Conigliaro and Steve Harker, husband of Cindy.

The chancel flowers this morning are dedicated to the Glory of God and in honor of Jack and Ellie's 13th birthday by Mike and Nancy Stasko.