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***Summer 2018***

## Calvary's Mission

As God's Children, our mission is to

Know His Word,

Share His Word

and

Live His Word.

## Calvary's Vision

To be a Christ-centered church, alive with worship and meaningful ministries, where the youngest to the oldest are serving and being served, growing and helping others to grow, and connecting with each other and our surrounding communities.



**Serve.**



**Grow.**



**Connect.**

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I can still remember the first apartment that I lived in. It was in Decatur, Illinois. When I went in to sign the lease, there were several pages that had all sorts of information on them. And before I sign something, I usually like to read what it is that I'm putting my name on. And so as I read these documents, the majority of what I read was lists and lists of rules that were expected to be followed as long as I was going to be a tenant in this apartment, along with the consequences of failing to follow these rules.

Well, in Saint Mark's account of the Gospel, Jesus is telling a parable about some people who were tenants in a vineyard. As Jesus tells this parable, it appears as if there was a fairly big rule that was expected to be followed. At an appointed time, the owner of the vineyard would send someone to collect from the vineyard. Doesn't sound too bad, right? The tenants already have some built in crops that just needed to be tended to. They just have to give some of those crops to the owner when the appointed time comes.

If you know this parable, you know what happens when the owner sends someone to collect (If you aren't familiar with this parable, take a minute or two to read Mark 12:1-12). When they come to collect, the tenants beat and murder the people who came to collect. If that actually happened today, more than likely those tenants would be looking at a new home in a jail cell.

And yet, the reality is that we, too, are tenants here. Even though God has given us dominion over the earth (see Genesis 1:28), the earth is still His creation and He has given us some rules to follow. In fact, there are 10 big ones that you may be familiar with (see Exodus 20). Those ten rules or as we sometimes call them, commandments, are important rules to try and follow the best we can.





***News from Ken Meyer Jr.***

## **His name really is Jolly**

A few weeks ago, on a Wednesday night, a young man named Jolly walked into The Oasis, asking about prayer. He wanted to pray to invite Jesus into his life, but having grown up a Muslim, he simply did not know how. He listened to the Bible teaching, I shared some more about Jesus with him, and then he eagerly prayed with me to place his trust in Jesus. He was so thankful and joyful about it! He shared with me that he had already tried to do so at a local Catholic church in town, but understood nothing because it was all in German. So one Sunday later, he went to Vienna and visited some random church there, trying to learn how to pray to Jesus, but again understood nothing. So, he was VERY thankful to find The Oasis that week, and learn (in English) about prayer and more about the Bible. He came to The Oasis again the following night, and said that he slept well for the first time in many weeks. He kept telling me, "I feel so free! I feel so free!" It was a great evening together, and we watched the Jesus film together, too. And all this in the first week of Ramadan, the Muslim month of fasting by day (and feasting by night). He said that he was honest with the other refugees at the camp, telling them about his decision to become a Christian and not observe Ramadan, which some of them were not happy about, but he simply told them, "I live my life, and make my own decisions, and you live your life, and you make your own decisions."



and now he is not drinking as much. A young single mother now has comfort, hope, joy, peace and strength to face life. She and others look forward to our Wednesday gatherings.

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*Camino de Fe*  
*FaithJourney*

Wednesdays  
7:30 pm



A church that walks with its community

We gather every Wednesday, we pray, we read and study the Bible together and we learn about God's love. We eat together and while we eat, we build relationships. We all know what the others are going through. We all know the struggles that each one

faces, and most importantly we don't judge one another. Instead we support and love one another. There is a woman who joined us more than a month ago who was not working at the time. She was desperate to find a job so she could support herself. We prayed with her and for her, and one of our members was able to put her in contact with the manager at the new Dunkin Donuts in Bernardsville. She started working right when DD did the grand opening.

These are some of the stories of what God is doing in Bernardsville through Camino de Fe.

God came to our world to proclaim the Good News and save the lost, and that is exactly what Camino de Fe (FaithJourney) is doing in Bernardsville.

Here are some ways that you can support us:

- 1) Pray for Camino de Fe – the work that we do is driven by the Holy Spirit and the prayerful support of God's people. Be a part of the vital work of church planting by putting Camino de Fe on the top of your prayer list.



to facilitate workshops with disabled children in Belgium, and I even learned how to ride a Segway in Denmark!

The community service projects provided many unforgettable experiences all around the world. In Mexico, I spent a day with villagers who couldn't afford to go see an Up with People show. While there, I helped fix their broken furniture to make it more usable. In Florida, I helped clean up rubbish from a marsh on the side of a highway. In Denmark, UWP performed for the mayor and his political administration at Naestved's City Hall. In Bruges, Belgium, we performed a flash mob (a large public gathering at which people perform an unusual or seemingly random act and then disperse) in the town square to promote the upcoming UWP show.

Also during this tour, I was very fortunate to have been selected as a Technical Stage Intern. During the five-week period, I learned how to set up a new stage, how to calibrate the sound for the show's facilities, and to assemble and prepare the lighting for production. I supervised all the aspects of show preparation including breaking down the stage after each performance. The internship really challenged me to learn a trade that I previously had no knowledge of. I now possess firsthand knowledge of performance staging which may become useful in my future vocal endeavors.

All in all, the tour was one of the best experiences of my life thus far. I learned that the places you go and the people you meet can be so meaningful that it enlarges your perspective of the world. Since returning home, I am working at a FedEx warehouse as a package handler. In my future, I would like to pursue a career in music and possibly join Up With People as a full-time employee.



## Stay Connected

Our June Newsletter included an article written by Caitlin Dinger (from our NJ District office). Find below some of her ideas to consider as you make your summer plans.

***Summer is the season for road trips, family reunions, destination weddings, exploring the great outdoors at national parks, and other adventures that draw our members away from home. How can we encourage people to get connected and stay connected to God’s Word throughout their summer breaks?***



### Road Trips With Jesus

*Perhaps the simplest idea. Encourage your members to **mail a postcard to the church** from their vacation locations.*

We’ll decorate our bulletin

board in the narthex with your summer postcards as they arrive!



### Summer (or Fall) Service Projects

*Schedule a “Service Fair” at your church for late summer, before school begins in your area, or early Fall.*

*Invite church members—in family groups, alone, or together with another member—to choose a service project to complete over the course of the summer.*

*Once they've completed their project, groups and individuals can create a trifold display to tell the story of their service.*

*At the "Service Fair," project participants and other church members can visit the various displays, hear the stories of what each group did, see pictures (videos?) and more from their projects, and learn how they might connect with that same organization or do a similar project with their own family or group. Make it a day to celebrate being the church together!*



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*Host a picnic, invite all congregation members to come, and give positive feedback to the families and individuals who take this step of faith together, to serve their neighbors in love, following the example of Jesus Christ.*

Have a list of ideas ready, to help them get started, such as:

- Working at the local food bank
- Helping with outside landscaping at the church or a local community garden
- Making greeting cards, then delivering them to a local nursing home or rehab facility
- Participating in a township cleanup day or other environmental cleanup (beach, trails, etc.)
- Hosting a neighborhood canned food drive—create flyers to share the event with your neighbors, hand out plastic bags (you could reuse plastic shopping bags), and set a date for pickup. (Bonus: You'll get to know your neighbors!)



- July 3 Nancy Slawski
- July 13 Diane Behlen
- July 14 Lynetta Watkins
- July 19 Robert Zinn
- July 25 Joanne Arroyo
- July 28 Wayne Scott
- July 8 Harold Vaughan
- July 13 Chris M. Bolger
- July 19 Jeffrey Sizer
- July 21 Roy Vincent
- July 26 Donald Wernes



- Aug. 11
- Aug. 21



- Melissa Houlihan
- Nancy Wolcott



- Aug.20
- Aug. 28



- Andrew Wolcott



- Ingeborg Haenchen



Pastor and Liz Kuder's son Samuel Willis was born on May 25 at 10:50 p.m., weighing 9 pounds and 12 ounces. Both mom and baby are doing well.



### Happy Anniversary

- July 1 Karl & Luise Wetter
- July 11 Chris & Ruth Bolger
- July 1 Pastor Adam & Liz Kuder
- July 28 Andrew & Nancy Wolcott
- Aug. 5 Matt & Missy Bonaguide
- Aug. 7 George & Marit Lofmark
- Aug. 10 Steve & Lauren Willenborg
- Aug. 29 Dave & Diane Behlen
- Aug. 29 Chris & Julie Erwin



# Those Who Serve Us:

† Altar Guild: Edith Conte

† Greeters:

<i>July 1</i>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	Abbaccus & Jereetta Dokie
<i>July 8</i>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	Edith Conte, Karen Gordon El
<i>July 15</i>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	Nancy Keltner, Brian Keltner
<i>July 22</i>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	Karen Gordon El
<i>July 29</i>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	Klaus & Robin Haenchen



# Those Who Serve Us:

## ✝ Flower Visitors:

*July 1* Joyce Sapara-Grant

*July 8* Edith Conte

*July 15* Anne Daly

*July 22* Joyce Sapara-Grant

*July 29* Edith Conte

## ✝ Ushers:

*July 1* **10:00 AM** Gbenga Adesokan, John Ricca,  
Harold Vaughan

*July 8* **10:00 AM** Ajit Lakra, John Wickham

*July 15* **10:00 AM** Chris Molinari, Stephen Molinari,  
Gordon Wickham

*July 22* **10:00 AM** Brian Keltner, David Eucker

*July 29* **10:00 AM** Karl Wetter, Rich Akers



**Many Hands Make LIGHT Work**

# Those Who Serve Us:

✝ Altar Guild: Anne Daly, Jaya Lakra

✝ Greeters:

<i>Aug. 5</i>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	Chris & Lauren Molinari
<i>Aug. 12</i>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	Don & Lucille Wernes
<i>Aug. 19</i>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	Gordon & Ruth Wickham
<i>Aug. 26</i>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	Nancy Keltner, Brian Keltner



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