

News from Calvary



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.



Connect.



Grow.



Serve.



“Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord.”

Romans 12:11 (ESV)

Someone once wrote, “The nice thing about apathy is you don't have to exert yourself to show you're sincere about it.”

According to the Merriam-Webster Dictionary, the word “apathy” is defined as: *a lack of interest or concern; indifference*. In the Revelation to John 3:15-16 we read, *“I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you were either cold or hot! So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth”* (ESV). The church that God refers to here is the church in Laodicea. As it would seem, their collective faith was almost non-existent. They had stopped caring. They no longer had any passion. They were in essence only going through the motions. They were apathetic when it came to God.

Unfortunately, apathy is alive and well in many churches today. When I say this, I'm not *just* referring to people who don't take up positions within a church. More often, when I think about this, I think about people's prayer lives. I wonder if people are reading God's Word. I am concerned about those who come to worship and solely go through the motions.

In Paul's letter to the Ephesians 6:10-12 we hear *“Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places”* (ESV).

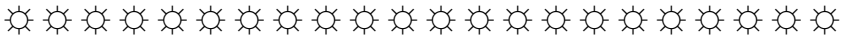
The last half of this passage should terrify us. The fact is that the devil himself is scheming against us, trying to separate us from God. If he has his way, we'll be eternally separated from God when we die. My friends, apathy is one of the strongest

Throw on your camera strap and buckle your seatbelt. VBS 2019 is going to take us on a wild adventure! As the children seek out exotic animals, they will also find snapshots of real-life encounters with Jesus in Scripture.

Kids will go from bewildered to believing as they get **In the Wild** this summer!

Calvary's VBS will run the week of Aug. 5 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Children who have completed kindergarten through sixth grade are welcome to register.

Older children are needed to be crew leaders and site helpers. And even older "children" are needed to help organize, decorate, and teach. Please contact Ruth Bolger 973-303-1613 to volunteer or register.



THE TRAIN OF LIFE (author unknown)

At birth, we boarded the train of life and met our parents, and we believed that they would always travel by our side. However, at some station, our parents would step down from the train, leaving us on life's journey alone.

As time goes by, some significant people will board the train: siblings, other children, friends, and even the love of our life.

Many will step down and leave a permanent vacuum. Others will go so unnoticed that we won't realize that they vacated their seats! This train ride has been a mixture of joy, sorrow, fantasy, expectations, hellos, goodbyes, and farewells.

When the time comes for us to step down and leave our seat empty — we should leave behind beautiful memories for those who continue to travel on the train of life.

--Submitted by Gloria Mangal

Church Family News

- Doris Deede – Died March 21, 2019
Anne Ricca – Died June 3, 2019

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Those Who Serve Us:

✝ Altar Guild: Anne Daly

✝ Greeters:

July 7 **10:00 AM** Gbenga Adesokan

July 14 **10:00 AM** Nancy Keltner

July 21 **10:00 AM** Edith Conte

July 28 **10:00 AM** Lynetta Watkins



Those Who Serve Us:

✝ Flower Visitors:

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| July 7 | Jaya Lakra |
| July 14 | Joyce Sapara-Grant |
| July 21 | Liz Kuder |
| July 28 | Edith Conte |

✝ Ushers:

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| July 7 | 10:00 AM | Gbenga Adesokan, John Ricca, Gordon Wickham |
| July 14 | 10:00 AM | Ajit Lakra, John Wickham |
| July 21 | 10:00 AM | Lewis Dokie, Brian Keltner, Stephen Molinari |
| July 28 | 10:00 AM | Richard Akers, Abbaccus Dokie |



Those Who Serve Us:

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| Aug. 4 | 10:00 AM | Karen Gordon El |
| Aug. 11 | 10:00 AM | Nancy Keltner, Brian Keltner |
| Aug. 18 | 10:00 AM | Karl & Luise Wetter |
| Aug. 25 | 10:00 AM | Gordon & Ruth Wickham |



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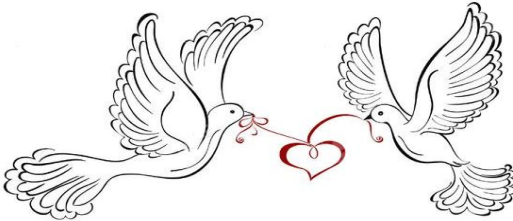
Many Hands Make LIGHT Work



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



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| Aug. 11 | Melissa Houlihan | Aug. 20 | Andrew Wolcott |
| Aug. 21 | Nancy Wolcott | Aug. 28 | Ingeborg Haenchen |



Happy Anniversary

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| July 1 | Karl & Luise Wetter | July 1 | Pastor Adam & Liz Kuder |
| July 11 | Chris & Ruth Bolger | 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 | | |

