



# The Booster

Calvary United Methodist Church

February 2014

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## There's Always Hope!

The rapid changes in our world can give us a sense of uncertainty and unease. We can be thrown off balance by the suffering we see around us, the evolving technology that outpaces our ability to absorb it, and the daily rise and fall of financial markets. Sometimes what seems worthwhile today has less value tomorrow.

As problems mount, we can become discouraged and lose heart. But basing all our hope on man's ability to solve problems or modify a situation is not the answer. We can achieve only temporary peace when we alter our own circumstances or adjust our outward behavior.

The root problem in our culture is spiritual—namely, humanity has a sin nature that is at enmity with God. Sin prompts us to look out for ourselves and pursue what we want. Neither our intellect nor talent could have changed our sinful state or brought us peace with God. However, those who trust Jesus as Savior receive a new nature and are reconciled to the Lord.

As His adopted children, not only are we at peace with Him but we've also been given the power to live in harmony with one another. No matter how much life changes, we can have hope, for we are anchored to a firm foundation that will never be shaken.

As Christians, our hope rests in the Triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Our heavenly Father knows each of us by name. Our Savior keeps every divine promise. And the Holy Spirit assures us that we are secure in Christ, both in this life and in the life to come.

**"<sup>20</sup> For no matter how many promises God has made, they are "Yes" in Christ. And so through him the "Amen" is spoken by us to the glory of God." (2 Corinthians 1:20)**



## Calvary Women's Group News

What an awesome month, last December was for our group and the missions that we support. We started with a very successful Baby Shower for Jesus bringing in over \$350 worth of products for the Associated Churches Baby Closet. That night we made over fifty blankets for the Griffin Gift project, plus we had a great meal and a lot of fun too! We were not done yet. Our Cookie Walk brought us a profit of \$231 and the donations for postage for Christmas Cards was \$394. Well done, loyal and faithful workers!

Now the real fun begins at our next meeting in March (Wed. March 12th at 1:00 p.m.) when we talk about ways we can put this money to work for the Lord. Please come and be a part of this wonderful group of women. I hope that I will see you all there. God Bless You All,  
Pat White

## Scheduled FCJ Town Hall Meetings

The Fruitful Congregation Journey team will be holding Town Hall Meetings on Sunday's after worship on Feb. 2, Feb. 16 and Feb. 23 at 10:35. This is the time for you to attend to hear what has been discovered, and the prescription for our church. It is your opportunity to ask questions to better understand what needs to be done to help Calvary not only maintain but grow to keep our church alive and healthy. Please plan to attend at least one meeting.

Then on March 16<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Church conference to review the prescription and take a vote to see if we shall continue with the program. Please make every effort to be there, remember we are talking about OUR church, we want to make it the best it can possibly be, for now and the future.

## SEARCHERS WORK SESSION

The Searchers will meet at the church on Saturday February 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm to prepare for Spud Sunday. Many hands make light & quick work!!

## Socks for Seniors UPDATE

Thank you for the generous donations of 140 pairs of socks to the Senior Community. Our cold hard winter is making these socks a vital part of winter warmth. Thank you for helping to keep feet warm.

The Searchers

## Griffin's Gift of Generosity

Thank you to the Women's Group who made 50 blankets to be donated to the local hospitals. These blankets will be used for premature infants. All blankets were made during the baby shower for Jesus. Many women made blankets to comfort God's tiny babies.

Muriel Muth



Pat and I would like to thank the congregation for all the prayers and cards following my recent back surgery. Calvary is truly a "caring" church. Thanks also to Dave and Lindsae Harrold for their hospital visits and prayers. As a token of our appreciation we will be totaling the cost of all the cards (and postage) involved and contributing a love offering in that amount to assist in the expenses of the church. Recovery is going slowly but showing a little progress every day.

Al & Pat White

Inasmuch Ministries would like to thank you for your donation. It is such a gift as this that allows our Ministry to continue. Alyn Biddle

Thank you so much for the visits, and the goodie bags for Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas. It is so nice to be remembered by my Calvary family. Thanks again.

Edna Eickhoff

A Big Thank You to all of the people who helped us bring back the Tradition of the Live Nativity here at Calvary. It defiantly was a team effort. If we are able to do this again (and I think we will) we have already heard some suggestions on how we can improve the event. So if you have any ideas please let us know, we are asking for your input. Again thank you to all who helped!

Pat White & Jeri Fiveoved



## Coffee and Conversation

The February Coffee Host – The Women's Group

**Deadline** for articles for the next Booster is February 16<sup>th</sup>



People to keep in our prayers Chelsa DeMarchis, Denise DeMarchis, Paula Girdner, Olive Paxson, Lynn Umber, Tim White, Al Zimmerman

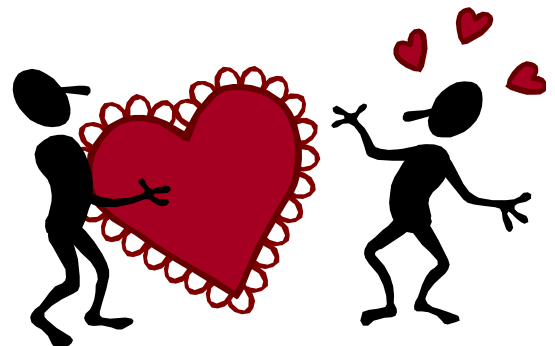
Also keep in prayer for fast recovery the following people who have recently had surgery:

Al White, Barb Herring, Marge Bowser, Cindy Ralph and LaDonna Jackson.

Nursing care, Assisted living and Homebound: Charles (Bogie) Boghosian, MaryAnna Brookhart, Edna Eickhoff, Norma Fisher, Paula Girdner, Delight Hostetler, Ruby McKee, Naomi Osborn, Evelyn Phillips, Jo Pond, Jim & Joan Roth, Al & Marge Zimmerman

Prayers for our service men & women

Benjamin Garrison is in Texas, (grandson of Marge Hughes, nephew of Jay Hughes); Kent Taylor is in the National Guard Reserves, Nathan Stocking serving in San Diego (nephew to Phylis Richter); Brandon Fawbush is at camp LaJune, North Carolina (grandson to Elaine & Sheldon Light)



*Happy Birthday!*



- 02/03 – James Roth
- 02/06 – Marie Bailey
- 02/08 – Amy Beck
- 02/08 – Ashley Dickerson
- 02/08 – Jerry Tracey
- 02/11 – Kent Taylor
- 02/13 – Sylverta Blaugher
- 02/13 – Patsy Diehm
- 02/17 – Alexander Derickson
- 02/17 – Barb Mast
- 02/25 – Norma Fisher



- 02/09 – Michael & Sylverta Blaugher - 40 years
- 02/14 – David & Nancy Dickerson - 38 years

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