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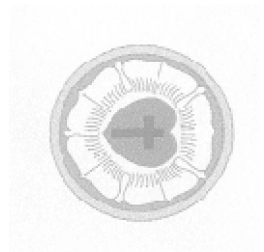


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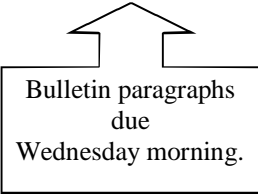
This newsletter is published by Calvary Lutheran Church, a member of the LCMS.  
We are located at 711 S. 7th Avenue, at the north end of Yuma.  
Michael Joynt, Pastor. **We Welcome All Visitors!**

# Worship Schedule

8:00 AM 1<sup>ST</sup> Worship Service  
9:30 AM Bible Class/Sunday School  
10:45 AM 2<sup>ND</sup> Worship Service  
Check out our web site [www.calvary-lutheran.com](http://www.calvary-lutheran.com)



February 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 11:00 AM-Bible study 04:30 PM-Adult information class	4 08:00 AM-Sons of Norway 09:30 AM-Emerald Springs 07:00 PM-LWML meeting	5 09:00 AM-LWML Quilting 01:00 PM-Sons of Norway 03:45 PM-Confirmation class	6 07:30 AM-Bible Study 12:00 PM-Sons of Norway 3:00pm Usher Appreciation
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14 08:00 AM-Communion Service Board Presentations 09:30 AM-Bible Study 10:45 AM-Worship Service 12:00 PM-Picnic	15 <b>Newsletter articles due</b>	16 5:30pm Dinner 6:00pm Board meetings 7:00pm Council meeting	17 11:00 AM-Ash Wednesday Service 04:30 PM-Adult information class 07:00 PM-Ash Wednesday Service	18 09:30 AM-Emerald Springs 05:00 PM-Yuma Community Justice	19 09:00 AM-LWML Quilting 03:45 PM-Confirmation class	20 07:30 AM-Bible Study 3:00pm Annual Chicken Dinner
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## MISSION BOARD NEWS

"Undie Sunday" will be celebrated on Sunday, February 14 here at Calvary and in the entire Pacific Southwest District (PSWD). The PSWD includes Tijuana, Mexico. Many of these people do not have basic necessities such as underwear and socks. Children in Tijuana must have socks to go to school.

There is a box in the Fellowship Hall to place your donations in. Socks and underwear of all sizes are needed. 100% cotton is the most useful. Vitamins are also needed. See the bulletin insert on February 7 for more information.

We will get the donations to Orphan Grain Train through our LWML leaders. Contact Apryl Brand-Applehans or Jerry Ferguson if you have any questions.

Mission committee is planning a church picnic which will be February 14th after church. We will welcome back the winter visitors. The church will provide the meat, condiments, drinks and the utensils. Watch for the bulletins and posters. We will have a sign up sheet so we can get a count of members that will be able to attend. Bring your family and friends and join us for a day of food, fellowship and games.

We will be taking gifts for the Haiti earthquake survivors and it will be sent to LCMS World Relief and Human Care. Additional information about "Helping Haiti" is available at [www.thrivent.com](http://www.thrivent.com).

We thank all that helped at the Crossroads Mission to serve the meals. If you have never done so please consider doing it next time as it really rewarding to help others and see their thankfulness.

Keep praying for your prayer partner. If you did not receive one and would like to have someone to pray for please call Jerry or contact one of the committee members and we will try to give you a name for prayer. Also remember them with a card or note so they know that they are remembered in prayer. You can share your name with them or not.

# FROM THE PASTOR



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Israel spent in the desert, to most important of all the forty days that Christ faced and defeated the Temptes on our behalf in the desert.

During Lent, our Church life is more somber and our prayer and devotional life should be more focused. So in Church we have an opportunity to hear hymns that are more directed at the suffering work of Christ and less directed at His glorious resurrection. Our colors on the Altar and Stoles will be purple to again keep in mind the solemnity of the season. We will have an extra chance to worship every Wednesday, as we remember the Passion of Christ and the words He spoke from the cross.

On an individual basis you should spend more of your prayer life and devotional time contemplating your own sinfulness. Think on where you have fallen short of God's glory and pray to be relieved of the sinful temptations you face. It has traditionally been a time of fasting and self denial, so people will sometimes "give something up" for Lent.

The purpose of all of this is not to feel bad or guilty about Christ's sacrifice or our sin. It is a chance to be reminded of the importance of what Christ has

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Enjoy the next couple of weeks of Alleluias. On February 17<sup>th</sup>, Ash Wednesday, we enter the most penitential season of the Church year. We no longer sing Alleluias in hymn or liturgy. We drop the Gloria in Excelsis during worship. We even get dust put upon our foreheads on Ash Wednesday. What is this all about?

Lent is the forty day season from Ash Wednesday to Easter (not counting Sundays) during which Christians are preparing for Good Friday and Easter. It is by tradition a season of penitence, prayer, and fasting. It is not a festival mandated by Scripture and reflects no God ordained movement of the Church. However, the forty days is reflective of the role forty often plays in the Bible, from the rains in Noah's day, to the years

done. We relearn how big our problem is (sin) and how stunning God's solution is (the Cross).

So I would encourage you to use this season as a time to study, to contemplate, to repent, and to be forgiven. Fear your sin, but even more revel in the Gospel. All this work will not make you holier or more faithful, although it may improve your life. You holiness and faithfulness are complete in the Lord. You have what you receive from Christ, it is perfect, and you cannot improve on it. Dedicating time and thought to this reality as it is brought home in the Lenten season will help you to remember where your holiness lies and to live in it.

So enjoy a break from the Alleluias of the Church. Live in repentance this Lenten season and look forward to the joy that is Easter and the resurrection that we share in Christ.

In Christ,

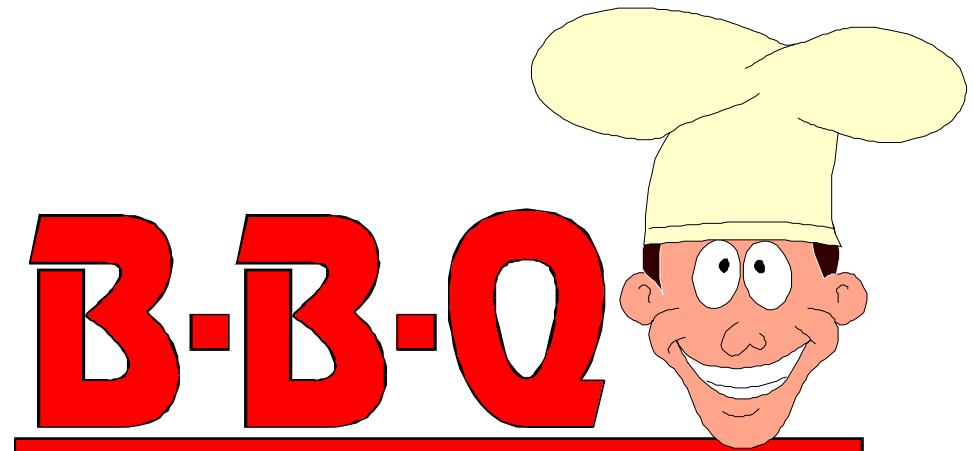
Pastor Joynt

### **Boards and Church groups**

Please remember that all newsletter articles are due by the 15th. Newsletters are printed and folded to be made available the last Sunday of the month.

The bulletin announcements are due no later than Wednesday morning. Bulletins are printed Thursday morning.

All announcements for the bulletin and newsletter must be written up, e-mail is the best way to send them in. The office secretary will than copy and paste.



4th ANNUAL CHICKEN BBQ  
February 20, 2010 - 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.  
Calvary Lutheran Church - 711 South 7th Avenue

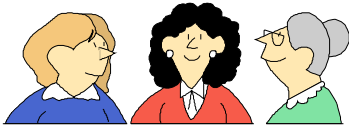
Mark your calendars now and plan to attend this favorite and delicious chicken dinner. It comes complete with freshly grilled chicken, rolls, coleslaw, pinto beans, and homemade brownies. It's a meal to satisfy and delight the body, and a social outing to share with your brothers and sisters in Christ. (It will also, as in the past years, be available as take-out.)

Proceeds from the barbeque will go toward the outstanding loan and other bills incurred during the construction and upgrade. As a church sponsored event, everyone here has a vested interest in the welfare of our church building. Parishioners now benefit from all the hard work and tireless efforts of the many individuals who worked diligently to bring the construction to fruition. We are ever so grateful for their dedication, their courage to make tough decisions, and the time and energy expended on the project.

Calvary is now better equipped to serve the people of Yuma and its winter visitors. Pray that God may grant success in all Calvary's endeavors to bring His Word and salvation to this part of God's world.

Please play an active role in this event, not only in purchasing your tickets but, as able, to serve as volunteers to help with advance ticket sales, set up, baking brownies, clean up and other areas of service that will be needed. Watch for more details in the near future.

Dinner tickets will be \$8.00 each and will be limited to PRESALE ONLY.



## Board of Christian Education

The February meeting for LWML will be on Thursday, the 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. The program will be the annual mug exchange led by Linda Kaiser, a former member now attending Shepherd of the Hills. This is the most popular meeting of the year and we invite all to join us. Each lady brings a mug – it can be a new one, a recycled one, religious, pretty, funny – any mug. Write your name AND ADDRESS SUMMER/WINTER, a favorite Bible verse, your birthday (date only, year not needed) and your wedding anniversary (if APPROPRIATE) on a piece of paper and place in the mug. Linda leads a program on Friendship and then we exchange mugs and the person whose mug you receive is your prayer partner for the year and visa versa.

I apologize for a mistake in the last newsletter article. I stated that \$4000 from the kitchen fund had been transferred to the fund for refurbishing the altar area. I do not know where I got that number! The correct figure is \$2890.

Remember the rummage sale will be March 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> and you are welcome to bring your items to the church now and put them in the old women's restroom.

REMEMBER: all women members of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod are LWML members.

- The youth have finished painting the library, and continue to work on bringing library materials up to date. Visit the library and see the new look.
  - Two or three of our congregation's youth and two chaperones will be attending the *Higher Things* youth gathering in Logan, Utah, from June 29<sup>th</sup> to July 2<sup>nd</sup>. Google "higher things" to find out more about this great Lutheran youth experience!
  - We will be having a Panda Express takeover to raise funds for *Higher Things*. Check your service bulletin for details.
- We are looking for a Sunday School teacher to teach either Kindergarten & Pre K or First & Second Grade. These classes are currently combined, and the kids would benefit from a smaller class. Contact Beth Joynt if you are willing to help.

### BIBLE STUDIES

Sunday mornings:

Parish Hall	Sermon study
Sanctuary	Sharing life;
	Sharing faith

Wednesday mornings:

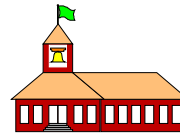
Parish Hall	Gospel of Matthew
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Thursday mornings:

Emerald Springs:	Sermon study
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Saturday mornings:

Parish Hall	Sermon study
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## Do you remember Dorothy Bell?

Dorothy Louise (Mackensen) Bell Went to be with the Lord 11/06/09. She was born 12/07/17, in Moorhead City, Minnesota and is survived by 2 brothers, Rev. Gordon Mackensen and Rev. Robert Mackensen,. 4 children, Sheila (Ray) Thompson, Arthur (Dayle) Bell, Robert (Jane) Bell and Charles (Julie) Bell, 13 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren, and 16 great, great grandchildren She grew up in the Midwest...her father being a Lutheran pastor in Glen Ellen, Illinois, she went to Valporaiso university, Where she excelled in music, earning Degrees in voice and instruments. She met and married Arthur P. Bell in 1941 lived first in Indiana and then moved to AZ, first to Douglas and in 1946 to Yuma, for 50 years She directed both children and adult choirs at Calvary Lutheran Church where Art and she were members and then at Christ Lutheran where they transferred membership to. She and Art were a popular duet team. She founded and taught preschools and kindergartens first at Calvary Lutheran and then at Christ Lutheran Church. Known for her love of turtles she raised desert tortoises from hatched eggs to full size. As the Turtle lady in Yuma, she raised and collected turtles-her favorite pet, both living

and collectable She also transcribed Braille, first by hand and then later by a Braille machine. She also made Braille plates of different Books of the Bible in foreign languages, which are still being used in some churches to print books for the blind in foreign countries as a mission outreach. A rose garden at Christ Lutheran was created to honor her work there. She's remembered by all as a person more concerned about others than herself.

In lieu of flowers, the family request that any donations be made to Hospice of Yuma or the Kindergarten program at Christ Lutheran Church.

A celebration of her life, will be held 03/05/2010 at Christ Lutheran Church.

# Happy Birthday!

Constance Boucher	02/01
James Rochester	02/01
Addison Hildestad	02/04
Jordan Rutledge	02/05
Evelyn Foster	02/07
Lawrence Bezo	02/09
John Cochran	02/11
Neva Sawatzky	02/16
Ronald Foster	02/17
Mary Pickett	02/20
Aja Backs	02/28
Chaylen Hildestad	02/28
AJ McDunn	02/29

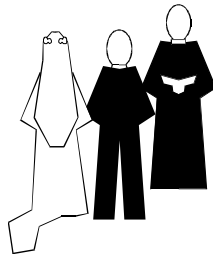
# BAPTISM



Constance Boucher	02/01
Thomas Hoerauf	02/01
Evelyn Foster	02/07
Michael Joynt	02/07
Joanne Williams	02/11
Katherine McDaniel	02/15
Lauren Thiessen	02/15
Ronald Foster	02/17
John Ehrlich Jr	02/21
William Stewart	02/21
James Rochester	02/29

## ANNIVERSARIES

Milton & Jeanene Euhus	02/02
Diane & Eric Hansen	02/14
Arlen & Linda Stange	02/14
Adam & Denise Hildestad	02/16
Shawn & Aja Backs	02/29



### ASH WEDNESDAY

Morning Service is at 11:00am  
Evening Service is at 7:00pm

### LENT

Morning Service is at 11:00am  
Evening Service is at 7:00pm  
preceded by a pot luck at 6:00pm.

## 2009 BUDGET



### Contributions & Expenses

#### DECEMBER 2009

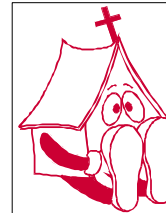
Contributions	\$12,448.05
Expenses	\$17,687.10
Building Fund Contri.	\$ 1,505.00
Building Principal Contri.	\$ 300.00
Building Fund Expense	\$12,672.81

#### YEAR TO DATE

Contributions	\$114,607.53
Expenses	\$183,692.63
Building Fund Contrib.	\$ 15,780.00
Building Principal Contrib	\$ 600.00
Building Fund Expense	\$171,488.38

#### OVERALL FUND BALANCES

Building Fund	\$ 1,211.26
Altar Carpet	\$ 5,159.38



### BUILDING PROJECT PHASE I

#### LOAN

LCEF Loan	\$134,524.46
Balance (01/26/2010)	
Principle payment	
12/31/2009	\$ 600.00

# STEWARDSHIP NEWS



## Church involvement: Personal and Flexible!

Often, people have a desire to join in a particular project, interest, or concern, but do not want to be actually on a church board. That's OK! There are many ways you can serve, and these opportunities can fit into anyone's schedule.

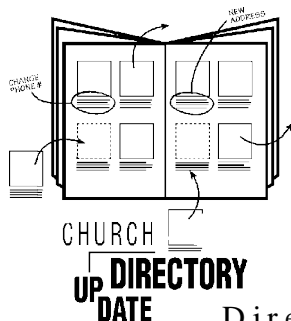
**QUESTION:** What do the various boards at Calvary do, and how might I be able to help?

**ANSWER:** There will be an opportunity to find out about 2 church ministries each Sunday in February during the fellowship time. Calvary members and guests will have a chance to stop and visit with board members and see the projects lined up for 2010. Ideally, people will get an idea of areas where some additional help would be greatly appreciated.

The groups will be available as follows:

- Feb. 7: Stewardship & Missions
- Feb. 14: Elders and Altar Guild
- Feb. 21: Education and Youth
- Feb. 28: LWML and Trustees

Stop by and find out more about what's happening at your church.



Directory photos will be taken during fellowship time on February 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. Please verify your information and update your photo if you so desire. The target date for delivery of the directories is February 28<sup>th</sup>.

### OFFERING COUNTERS

The Board of Stewardship will be contacting individuals who were on last year's list to pencil in dates for 2010. We are always looking for new counters. If this is something you might be interested in please speak to a board member or call the office and we will get you plugged in. Newer members will be paired with an experienced counter. The more we have in the rotation, the easier it is for all.



*Right now you have plenty and can help those who are in need.  
Later, they will have plenty and can share with you when you need it.  
In this way, things will be equal. 2 Cor. 8:14 NLT*

## Calvary Lutheran Church Assistance Fund

A fund has been established to assist members of our Calvary family should unforeseen financial difficulties arise.

People who need help should speak to Pastor (783-3024) or Carrie Kositzke (503-0497). These conversations will remain confidential, and no names will be recorded as having received assistance.

Contributions for this fund can be made using a special Assistance Fund envelope that is by each usher station in the Sanctuary, by designating the fund on your regular offering envelope, or by giving your contribution directly to Pastor or Carrie. All donations to this fund will be credited on your giving statement.

We are ready to help today!

Looking forward to an active 2010. Board of Stewardship  
Johnnie Altstatt, Mary Ann Holloway, Carrie Kositzke, Mike Kositzke

# Raise Money for Calvary Lutheran Youth

Date: Thursday Feb 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Time: 4:00 PM – 9:00 PM ←

Location: 2495 South Ave B

Present this flyer from 4:00 PM – 9:00 PM and 20% of your purchase will be donated to Calvary Lutheran.

Panda Express  
2495 South Ave B Yuma Az  
(928)344 7807

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## Board of Education

The youth attending the Higher Things gathering this summer will be having a fund raiser this month on Thursday, February 11, at Panda Express on Avenue B next to the Wal-Mart. The fund raiser is between the hours of 4:00pm-9:00pm.

Simply present this voucher when you pay for your order.

You must present the voucher for the 20% to be applied to the fund raiser.

More vouchers will be available to be picked up at church.

For more information you can contact Jenny Rochester.

## This is the description of our Lenten series from CPH:

The theme of this series is the seven words of Christ that He spoke from the cross as He offered up His life for the life of the world. Each word imparts a blessing and is a word of Gospel. The sermons and devotions in this series will expound on these words of Christ, linking them to Jesus' words and works recorded in the Gospel as well as the Old Testament prophecies that pointed to Him. Each word of Christ proclaims and delivers something about Him, the Word Incarnate, and delivers His saving death to us that we would trust Him for forgiveness, life, and salvation.

### Ash Wednesday:

The Pardoning Word

“Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.”  
(Luke 23:34)

### Midweek 2:

The Promising Word

“Truly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise.” (Luke 23:43)

### Midweek 3:

The Faithful Word

“Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” that is, “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?”  
(Matthew 27:46)

### Midweek 4:

The Compassionate Word

“Woman, behold, your son!”  
.. “Behold, your mother!”  
(John 19:26–27)

### Midweek 5:

The Suffering Word

“I thirst.” (John 19:28)

### Midweek 6:

The Dying Word

“Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit!” (Luke 23:46)

### Maundy Thursday:

The Remembering Word

### Good Friday:

The Fulfilled Word

“It is finished.” (John 19:30)

### Easter Sunday:

The Vindicated Word

