

Calvin Connection



August 2016

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PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH TRIENNIUM 2016

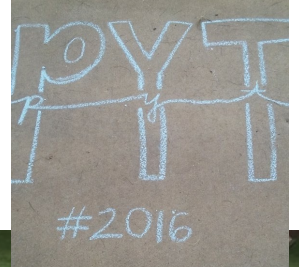
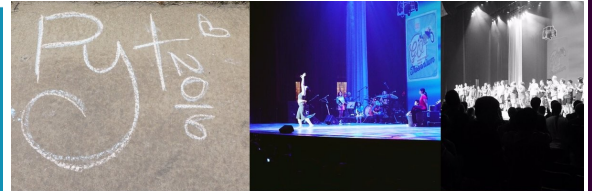
THE GREAT GO-MISSION!

MATTHEW 28:16-20

"THE DISCIPLES WEREN'T STAGNANT FIGURES OR
FIGUREHEADS OF IMPORTANT RELIGIOUS STANDING;
THEY WERE COMMANDED TO 'GO' AND MAKE A
DIFFERENCE."



Turn to page 4 to read testimonials from our
youth that participated in Triennium 2016!



...into the world
and make disciples





Personnel Committee News

John Calvin left Presbyterians a legacy of concern for education. The Reformer, to whom we trace our roots, encouraged all church members to be educated, in part so they could read the Bible. He stressed all clergy be educated so they could provide solid Biblical and theological scholarship for their congregations.

In keeping with his focus, Presbyterians have started schools, universities, and seminaries around the world. His emphasis encouraged churches to do their best to offer Bible classes for children through adults. Prior to being considered for ordination, clergy study for three years at the graduate level and sit for a series of written exams. The contract of every clergy person serving a Presbyterian Church (USA) congregation includes a period of at least two weeks for study leave and funds to be used for that purpose, in the belief that ongoing study benefits not only the clergy but also the congregation.

Pastor Carol approached the Personnel Committee with the request to take time in September to join a group of Christians studying the Apostle Paul and the expansion of the church. The “pilgrimage” is heading to Greece to trace the development of the early church, including visits to Thessalonika, Philippi, Delphi, Corinth, and ending in Athens. In the fall season we can all look forward to hearing about the pilgrimage and learning about the travels of Paul.

The Personnel Committee is working to have everything in place during Carol’s absence. Ordinarily study leave is taken during the summer, but since this travel is with a group it had to be taken when the trip was offered. Carol will be away September 8-24. One Sunday during her absence the youth who attended Youth Triennium will be reporting. The other Sundays Rev. Doug Potter will be preaching. As always, pastoral care in our pastor’s absence will be covered by other clergy and will be well publicized.



Greeter/Liturgist Schedule

August 7 - Communion

Greeter - Ushers
 Liturgist - Shirley Tulberg

August 14

Greeters - Ushers
 Liturgist - Abi Carver

August 21

Greeter - The Rettinger family
 Liturgist - Laura Rettinger

August 28

Greeter - Ushers
 Liturgist - Dwight Chamberlain

Summer Schedule

10:00am Worship

11:00am Coffee Fellowship in Fellowship Hall



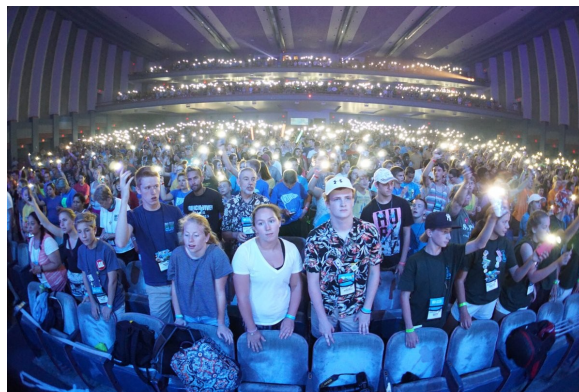
Monthly Activities

Men's Breakfast	1st Monday	8:00am
Feed My Starving Children	1st Tuesday	2:30pm
Session Meeting	1st Tuesday	6:30pm
Lunch Bunch	1st Wednesday	12:00pm
PW Meeting	3rd Monday	9:00am
Ruth Circle	2nd Thursday	2:00pm
Mary & Martha Circle	4th Wednesday	9:30am

Outdoor worship at the Presbyterian Youth Triennium in West Lafayette, Indiana



If you haven't picked up a new church directory, there are still a few left in the Gathering Hall.



Thursday evening worship during the Presbyterian Youth Triennium at Purdue University.



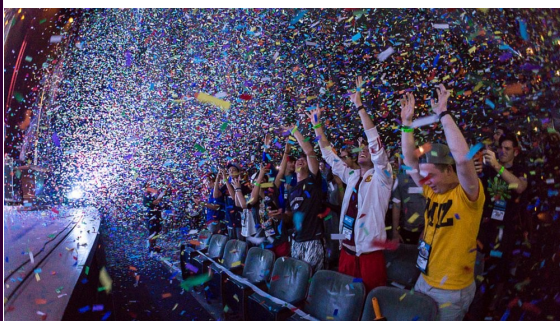
Testimonials from our youth that participated in Triennium:

“There was a pin that was funny but true at the same time, it said, ‘Presbyterian energizers are like clubbing with God’...That basically sums up the whole trip. It was clubbing with God and meeting new people you saw God in. Thank you everyone for supporting and praying for us on this trip which was an amazing experience! I hope to go again in 3 years!” -Scotlyn Carver

“There are no words to describe how awesome this experience was. I met so many incredible people, some which I plan on hanging out with that live like 5 minutes from me. My favorite part was when we had our final worship and we sang all the songs and then at the very end they started playing ‘Firework’ by Katy Perry and we all had glow sticks cause it was dark and late at night and when the chorus would come on we would all throw our glow sticks up in the air. I would also like to thank all who helped with the fundraisers and who helped make it an incredible experience.” -Jac Carver

“It was a once in a lifetime experience that I will never forget. It was so incredible to meet so many people from across the country who shared the same faith as we do. It was so much fun, and I didn’t want to leave!” - Matt Hagan

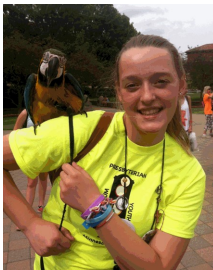
“Triennium was like nothing I have ever experienced before. I met so many kind-hearted people there. We shared our faith together and worshiped as one with God. It was so cool to have over 6,000 people worshipping together!” -Carley Hagan



At left: Triennium closing ceremony and send-off.



At right: One of the small groups of our Calvin youth.



Above: Scotlyn Carver
At right: The whole Triennium group (including our Calvin youth) from the Twin Cities Presbytery.





Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery of the Twin Cities Area

Invite you to our Fall Gathering

Saturday, October 15, 2016

Calvin Presbyterian Church
Long Lake, MN

(more information to follow)

*We will have our school kits and hygiene kits on display during the Fall Gathering. Let's make it a large showing! See items that are needed for the kits below.



August Birthdays

August 3	Leah Burak
August 4	Terry Olson
August 11	Ken Pratt Judith Lent
August 12	Teri Wood
August 13	Pat Headley
August 20	Sara Tomczik
August 25	Ryan Bracken
August 29	Candy Bowman
August 30	Lillian Miller

August Anniversaries

August 10	Ike & Helen Pesonen
August 13	Jeff & Martha Brown
August 15	Doug & Lois Potter
August 18	Walter & Susan Baker
August 23	Rob & Tammy Wenz

Celebrate!



It's time to start thinking about back-to-school supplies and hygiene kits! We will assemble these kits for CWS (Church World Service). The kits require -

- Three 70-page wide-ruled spiral bound notebooks (or two 100-page)
- Six new pencils
- One full size eraser
- One pencil sharpener
- One box of 24 crayons
- One 12" ruler
- One pair of blunt-end scissors



The Hygiene Kits for CWS are distributed wherever there is a healthcare disaster. For these kits we need:

- One hand towel and washcloth
- One wide-tooth comb (suitable for thick, coarse hair)
- One nail clipper
- One wrapped bath size bar of soap (no Irish Spring)
- One toothbrush (in original packaging)
- Six standard size Band-Aids®

All items should be placed in a one-gallon zipper top plastic bag.

The hand towels and washcloths will be provided if others can fill in the remaining items. There are lists by the hand towel display in the Fellowship Hall with the items needed. See Belinda Breit with any questions.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Ruth Circle Meeting August 11th @ 2pm

PW Meeting in August - TBD

Mary & Martha Circle No August meeting





Lunch Bunch in August is on Wednesday, August 3rd at 12pm. Bring your own place settings and a dish to share. And please plan to stay a few extra minutes to help with clean-up afterwards. Many hands make light work! Join us - everyone is welcome!



Pastor Carol and Calvin Family - Thank you for your prayers and expressions of sympathy after the death of my brother. Your support has always helped me through my tough times. Love, Harriet Swanson and family



The faithful garden crew at Calvin could use your help. You are invited to pull weeds or water a dry garden any time you see one. There are always enough thistle and dandelions to share!



Congratulations to Chelsea Rhea for accepting a position with the Orono SPARKS program! Volunteer training will begin in September. If you would like to sign-up to volunteer, please see Angela in the church office.



Thank you to Debbie Stubbs for her time and dedication to the origami crane project. And thanks to all who have taken time to come and help fold the hundreds of cranes! Be on the look-out for more flocks of cranes landing at Calvin soon!



Our weekly exercise class, led by Marj Kvale, is on summer hiatus. It will start again in September.



Save the date! Rally Day will be on Sunday, September 11th following worship. The main dish will be provided by the Fellowship Committee, with a potluck for sides (salads, desserts, etc.). More information and a sign-up sheet as the date approaches.

MUSIC News

Important Choir dates:

Choir party - Wednesday, Sept. 7
Choir's first Sunday - Sunday, Sept. 11
Choir's first rehearsal - Wed, Sept. 14

Greetings from the music department! It's been a wonderfully quiet summer. It's been a chance to take a break from the weekly schedules of the program year and spend a little more time outside with family and friends enjoying my favorite part of Minnesota: the summers. Now that we're past the half-way mark of the summer and the days get shorter, we are looking towards a more active music department. Chancel choir and handbell rehearsals will resume shortly after Labor Day, and if ever there was a time to join us, the beginning of the year is it! Please consider lending your voice to our worship, or picking up a bell and ringing along with us. Calvin is blessed with such a vibrant diversity of programming, please consider how you can add to my favorite part of Calvin: the music department!

~Mark Bilyeu



Bella Coccoluto playing violin during worship on Sunday, July 10th.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

AUGUST 2016

Men's breakfast - Monday, August 1 @ 8am

Feed My Starving Children - Tuesday, August 2 @ 2:30pm

Session Meeting - Tuesday, August 2 @ 6:30pm

Lunch Bunch - Wednesday, August 3 @ 12pm

Ruth Circle - Thursday, August 11 @ 2pm

**Reminder - There will be no exercise classes in August. Classes will resume in September.*

PARKING LOT UPDATE

Our new parking lot is complete and it looks magnificent! Thank to all our generous donors that made this work possible, and to our project manager, Terry Olson. Below are some pictures of the work in progress and the final product.



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Connect with us!



OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
10:00am - 2:00pm

*Pastor Carol is in
the office Tues - Fri
(or can be reached at
her home phone #)*



Please recycle

*We extend a most cordial invitation
to you to participate in worship,
study and the many other activities in
the life of our Calvin family.*



Church Staff

- Pastor - Rev. Dr. Carol Reed
- Parish Associate - Rev. Dwight Chamberlain
- Pastor Emeritus - Rev. Douglas Potter
- Clerk of Session - Walter Baker

- Music Director - Mark Bilyeu
- Handbell Director - Mark Bilyeu
- Choral Accompanist - Taylor Burkhardt

- Office Administrator - Angela Cocoluto
- Treasurer - Pat King
- Financial Secretaries - Marj Eisinger & Tammy Wenz
- Custodian - Dave Zajac

Email address contacts:

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- Angela Cocoluto angela@calvinchurch.net

Calvin Connection deadline: Second Friday of the month
Sunday Bulletin announcements deadline: Thursdays at 10am
Email articles and/or announcements for the Calvin Connection & Sunday bulletins to Angela (see email address above), or drop them off in the church office. Any questions, please call Angela at 952-473-5419.