

February Themes

February 4

Theme: Beginning God ...

Bible: Isaiah 62:1-5 & John 2:1-11

Message: Water to Wine-life to eternal life

Main Point: The first miracle pointed to the time when His life would be given for all the nations of the world. He was to die so that we might live.

February 11

Theme: Beginning God ...

Bible: Exodus 3:1-12 & Matthew 4:12-23

Message: First Calling of the Disciples

Main Point: Moses was called to lead the people out of slavery to Hope, and Jesus calls us to lead people out of slavery to Hope.

Ash Wednesday is the official start of the Season of Lent. A season for penance, reflection and fasting, in order to prepare us for Christ's Resurrection and for our Redemption.

Ash Wednesday Service - February 14 at Zion-4:00

IMPOSITION OF ASHES/HOLY COMMUNION

Message: Fasting-Giving up something you normally do or taking on something you do not normally do.

February 18

Theme: The Way- Walking in the footsteps of Jesus

Bible: Matthew 3:13-4.11

Message: Baptism and Temptation

February 25

Theme: The Way- Walking in the footsteps of Jesus

Bible: Luke 4:33-41, 9.1-6

Message: The Healing Ministry



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Emergency Pastoral Care

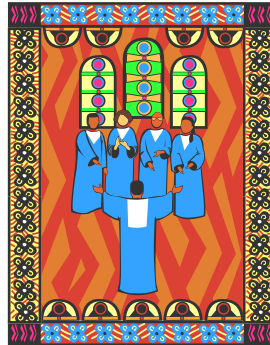
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***Pastor Michael's e-mail!**

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E-mail Updates*

Please notify the office of any e-mail changes and birthdays.
If you know of e-mail updates of members and friends,
please feel free to send along this newsletter.
Thanks so much!



Choir Practice 10am, Friday, February 9th @ Calvary
Choir Sings Sunday, February 11th

CALLING GREETERS & FELLOWSHIP HOSTS

Greeters and Fellowship hosts are needed to offer gifts of hospitality.
Please sign up to help welcome our guests!

*“Don’t burn out; keep yourselves fueled and aflame.
Be alert servants of the Master, cheerfully expectant. . .
inventive in hospitality” (Romans 12:13, NLT)*

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NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Jolene and I want to thank you for your gift to us this Christmas. We are humbled by your generosity. These congregations have made our transition to full time in Door County much easier. You have helped me personally to grow in faith by demonstrating the creativity and talent you all have. We have grown to care for you over these three years and look forward to many more in the future.

Jolene & Michael

FEBRUARY MISSION OF THE MONTH: Easter Food Gift Cards

Calvary and Zion will collect funds in support of area families during the month of February for Easter Food Gift Cards. Please give generously. Checks can be made out to Calvary or Zion with “Easter Food Gift Cards” in the memo line. *Thanks so much for sharing your gifts!*

COST FREE MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

There are several ways in which you can help support missions that don't cost you anything. Here are a few ideas.

The following can be turned in at church:

- Box Tops for Education
- Campbell Soup labels
- Labels for Education – Post Foods and Campbell Foods
- Kid\$ Cap\$ for Cash from milk bottles
- Econo Foods grocery receipts

Sign up at:

- Target for rebates to the school of your choice
- Pick ‘n Save for automatic rebates to either church

Neighbor to Neighbor has an urgent need for males, females, and couples to become volunteers for their peer companion and respite care programs. Individuals from Northern Door are currently in need of volunteer matches. Volunteers do *not* provide medical care or housekeeping; they simply spend time with people, sharing conversation. Sharing one hour of your time each week can make a huge difference in the life of someone else. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Neighbor to Neighbor at (920) 743-7800.

MISSION MOMENT

For many years it was our routine at Calvary to designate the first Sunday of the month as “food pantry Sunday.” We are invited to the communion table on the first Sunday of each month. We, in turn, can share our bounty and blessings with our community by bringing a grocery item on that same Sunday for distribution to Northern Door food pantries.

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SPECIAL THANKS

A special thank you to all who contributed to the January Mission of the Month: Koinonia Kupboard. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by those in need. Calvary received a thank you note from Help of Door County for our donation through the Angel Tree campaign. Zion received thank you notes from the following for donations made to their organizations:

- Door County Community Foundation, Inc. for a gift to the Healthy Water Door County Fund
- Midwest Mission Distribution Center for Personal Dignity Kits
- Help of Door County for support of Victims of Domestic Violence
- Salvation Army
- Living Water International
- Coventry Care
- Food Pantry at First Baptist Church



CURRENT EVENTS @ CALVARY

Current Events meets Tuesdays at 9:00am in the Calvary Library; Warren Burlend, host. All are welcomed.

30 PIECES OF SILVER DEVOTIONAL FOR LENT

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ: the early Christians observed with great devotion the days of our Lord's passion and resurrection, and it became the custom of the Church that before the Easter celebration there should be a forty-day season of spiritual preparation. The goal of Lenten worship is not better self-awareness but a deeper, more faithful commitment to the lordship of Christ---strengthening our spiritual life and experiencing spiritual renewal.

This year we are providing a way to help you to strengthen your spiritual life. It is called the 30 pieces of silver devotional. You will receive a letter with an outline for daily readings and "silver" offering bag. Each day you follow the outline and put a piece of silver in the bag. Bring the bag on Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday or Good Friday. Remember silver coins are nickels, dimes and quarters.

The 30 pieces of silver offering will be given to Door-Tran, which is a creative community network dedicated to connecting people to transportation services that are affordable, available, and accessible.

I know that some of you live away from Door County but you can still participate. You can give your offering at the church you attend away from here.

Pastor Michael Morris

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CALVARY/ZION UNITED METHODIST WOMEN (UMW)

There will be a noon Soupluck meeting on February 13th at Calvary. The Brunch Bunch will meet on Monday, February 26th at 9:15am at Al Johnsons. In 2017, the United Methodist Women gave a total of \$2,098 to the following organizations/causes:

- Feed My Starving Children
- Bellin School of Nursing Mission Trip
- Coventry Care
- Confirmations
- Midwest Missions Distribution Center
- Days for Girls
- Prison Ministry
- Koinonia Kupboard
- Thanksgiving and Christmas Food Cards
- School of Christian Mission
- Prayer and Self Denial
- World Thank Offering

ZION NEWS

The New Year in Door County started with fireworks and the first cherry drop in Sister Bay. So we now have our own “count down.”

I guess you all probably know Door County North got a lot of snow recently. The first part of January there was a thaw with many bare spots. Then snow again. It was very beautiful. Now it, too, is going through a thaw. The weather has been like a yo-yo, up and down temperatures getting tangled up with precipitation. It then starts over and repeats itself.

With winter and so many people gone elsewhere for a while plus illnesses, our worship numbers have declined. Zion did make its 50% goal for missions in 2017. Thank you for continuing to give. No yo-yo here.

Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, and Valentine's Day both fall on the same day. One day is a special day for expressing love for another; the other a season of devotions and searching for a deeper relationship in love with the Lord.

Jonathan was released on January 2, 2018. He has been very busy getting his life organized and his apartment set up. He is delighted and enjoying every day. He is very grateful for all the assistance that he has received.

I received a note from the son of Virginia (Ginny) Davis saying she had a stroke on October 13, 2017 and passed peacefully on November 1st.

The days are getting noticeably longer. Ultimately God's laws are in place with all evolving according to plan. God is in control of all things and there is hope. Seek the positive. Our job is to believe and trust.

Love can hope where reason would despair. Lord Lyttleton.

Love never saith, this far I will go, and no more.

Myrtle Clark

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MINISTRY OF PRAYER

Christ taught us to pray and encourages us to pray unceasingly. Let us continually pray for our loved ones, our friends, our world. Michelle Reinhard is our Prayer Chain leader. You may contact her by email: teachers@gate.net using “Prayer Chain” in the subject line. For those without email, please call her cell phone 727-480-4409 year-round or locally at 920-839-9911 (Easter thru October). Michelle would like to start a phone prayer chain so people who do not have email can participate. The information would be the same, but you would receive a call. If you are interested in joining the email prayer chain or being included in the phone chain, please let Michelle know so you can be added to this “link of faith”.

CALENDAR ITEMS

If you have any events or items you wish to have included in future newsletters, please call or email the office for inclusion.

CONTRIBUTION REPORT

Dear Members and Friends,

We will continue to publish a brief financial report. You will notice what our year-to-date offerings have been compared to our expenses. After looking at the report, if you have any questions please ask me.

In Christ,

Michael B. Morris, Pastor

Year to date through December 31, 2017

Calvary

Income: \$114,983

Expenses: \$ 113,944

Net Income: \$1,039

Zion

Income including mission giving: \$83,217

Expenses including missions: \$77,219

Added to General Fund Reserve Account: \$6,000

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FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1. J. C. Pfeiffer
7. Peter Peterson
9. David Pitchford
18. Carrie Franke
20. Ryan Dietrich
23. Peggy Pfister
25. Gus Abrahamson
26. Mary Ann Enigl
Claire Murphy

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

1. Jon Masson
3. Margo Goode
Jerri Rix
Jim Russell
5. Evelyn Mingle
7. Rich Dirks

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

*All suffering with illness
All recuperating from surgery
All awaiting test results
All lingering in the grief of loss
All struggling to make ends meet
All striving to bring healing in their families
All serving in the military and overseas*

Members & Friends in Assisted Living

Eva Jane Erskine
Western Village, Green Bay
Evelyn Mueller
Dorchester, Sturgeon Bay
Wesley Fischer
Dorchester, Sturgeon Bay
Rocky Fairchild
Age Well of Green Bay
Mary Ann Masson
Alexian Village, Milwaukee