

+ MT. CALVARY NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS +
JULY 25, 2010

INTERESTED IN LUTHERANISM. MEMBERSHIP?

If you or someone you know is interested in learning about the basics of the Christian faith as confessed by the Evangelical Lutheran Church, please contact Pastor Long – he may be reached through the church office or by e-mail at PRBLong@aol.com. **Pastor Long is currently teaching a Lutheranism 101 class on Saturdays at 3:00 pm. See him if you are interested in this class.**

CONFESSION

Private confession is available on request; just contact Pastor Long for an appointment.

OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Long is generally available at Mt. Calvary Tuesday through Friday mornings, or by appointment should you need or want to have conversation with him. You may reach him by e-mail at: PRBLong@aol.com.

HOSPITAL CALLS

If you or a loved one have an illness or hospitalization that needs to be brought to the attention of Pastor Long, please call the office as soon as possible so that he may visit you. Note: Be sure the hospital knows that you are a member of Mt. Calvary and that you wish to have Pastor Long visit you. However, the hospitals do not always call the church—it is best if you let the office know.

PRAYER CHAIN

Please take advantage of this opportunity to pray for your needs and those of your friends and family. Cards are available in the pew rack. To activate the chain please call Ardeane at 691-8007.

THIS WEEK'S FLOWERS – were given to the glory of God by Ray and Linda Khattar in thanksgiving for many blessings and in celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary.

On Taking Flowers Home – When you want to take your flowers home with you after Sunday Services, please ask Pastor Long or an usher to get them from the Altar area for you.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP UPDATE – Our weekly offering for the General Fund for Sunday, July 18, 2010, was \$2,514.00. Our weekly need for 2010 is \$5,208.52.

HEARING ASSIST DEVICE AVAILABLE

The Multi-Media Committee has made available a “hearing assist device” for use by those who cannot hear the service clearly. You can call the office during the week (688-4321) or see Pastor Long or the elder for the day on Sundays if you are interested in using one. Please take advantage of this opportunity to hear clearly and plainly the means of grace offered in the services.

CHRISTIAN DAY SCHOOL

Our congregation operates Concordia Lutheran School together with the congregations of Redeemer and Trinity. Call the Concordia School office at 691-8921, or check their web site at www.concordiapeoria.com for information.

CONCORDIA STAFF FROM MT. CALVARY

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| Jan Heien | - 2nd Grade |
| David Heien | - 6 th Grade; 5 th -8 th Grade Social Studies; 5 th -7 th Grade P.E. |
| Bruce Tagge | - 5 th Grade & Music Program |
| Katie Tagge | - 4 th Grade Homeroom (am); 6 th -8 th Grade Art; K-2 nd Grade Music; and Kindergarten Enrichment |

SCRIPTURE LESSONS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

- Psalm 100
Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-26
Colossians 3:1-11
Luke 12:13-21

NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 1ST, OUR YOUTH WILL BE COLLECTING EMPTY ALUMINUM BEVERAGE CANS AND WOMEN OF MT. CALVARY WILL BE COLLECTING MITE BOXES.

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY – Please keep in your prayers the family and friends of:

† Frank Walters, Pat Goetz's father, who fell asleep in Christ on Tuesday, July 20, 2010. Services are pending.

May his family find peace, hope, and comfort in the risen and ascended Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK

† Bob Hartnack – Methodist, Crescent 520A

PICTURE DIRECTORY – If by some circumstance (beyond your control or not) you did not get your picture taken for the directory, you can still be included. Just submit a photo to the office **by this coming Saturday, July 31st** and we will include it in the directory. The pictures can also be e-mailed to secretary@mtcalvarypeoria.org.

A LUTHERANISM 101 CLASS HAS BEGUN – The class meets **Saturday afternoons at 3:00 pm (as Pastor Long is available)**. The class has only met once or twice, so there's still time to join the fun – talk to Pastor Long if you are interested. **However, the class will be on hiatus until August 21st** due to everyone's summer schedule. See page 5 for a description of the class.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY MOVES TO JONAH – What do you do when God calls you to preach repentance to your mortal enemies? Jonah caught the first boat in the opposite direction! Discover how that worked for him and what it means for us. **Meets in the Parish Hall during the Bible Study Hour.**

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS – This month our pantry is low on **canned tomatoes**. If you can help out by bringing a can or two, your donation can be placed in the baskets in either the Narthex or the Parish Hall and will be greatly appreciated.

FROM WOMEN OF MT. CALVARY

Greeting Cards – All single greeting cards on the "Card Table" in the Parish Hall are 50¢. You may pay Ardeane by enclosing payment in one of the envelopes provided on the table, and then placing the envelope in her mail box.

THURSDAY DIVINE SERVICES – **On hiatus until August 19th for VBS and Pastor Long's Vacation.** Have you tried the Thursday evening Worship/Holy Communion service at 6:00 pm? It's a great alternative service for those who will be out-of-town over the week-end or want to commune weekly. The service is in a spoken and abbreviated format, but still traditional and reverent. The homily is based on the readings of the "one year" lectionary, so it's not a rehash from last Sunday! Give it a try and bring a friend!

THIS IS VBS WEEK! – We open at **8:45 am for registration tomorrow morning**. Bring your friends and neighbors ages 3-10 and join us for a visit to *Planet Zoom*. Meet all of our Bee Friends and bee-come Bold Bee-lievers in Christ. Parents, grandparents, and anyone high school age and above are still needed as helpers.

Registration forms for VBS are in these News and Announcements, pages 7 & 8, and can also be found on the table in the Narthex. If you do not have children in your family able to attend, please pass them on to friends and co-workers. There is also a box on that table for completed forms. **Door-hangers with registration forms are available also. Take as many as you want and pass them out in your neighborhoods.**

YOUTHFUL MINDS –

VBS: Any time that you can spare this week, **Monday through Friday, 9-11:30 am**, will be greatly appreciated. Again, you don't have to be here every morning, only when you are available.

YOUTH GROUP SCOOP –

Can Collection: **Our next collection will be next Sunday, August 1st.** The last trip to the recycler netted us \$40.04 for a grand total of **\$396.56** collected.

VBS: Any time you can spare this week, **Monday through Friday, 9-11:30 am** will be greatly appreciated. We can use all the help we can get, and **you will get points for good work.**

FROM OUR MINISTER OF MUSIC -- Our choir season at Mt. Calvary will begin after Labor Day in September. Adult Bells will begin on **Thursday, September 9th from 6:45 — 7:45 pm**. Adult Choir will begin also on **Thursday, September 9th from 7:45 — 9:00 pm**. Both of these groups rehearse in the balcony of the church. Our men's group, the Anchormen, will begin their season on **Sunday, September 12th from 9:10—9:30 am** at the front of the church. Please consider coming to join us for any or all of these opportunities to praise our Lord. If you have any questions about these groups or about solos, duets, or instrumental offerings, please call our Minister of Music, Bruce Tagge at 361-9821.

FROM CAMP CILCA

Information About Summer Camps – A card entitled "Foot Loose," containing information about the summer camp program at Camp CILCA can be found on the table in the Narthex. Help yourself.

There is still time to register your children for summer camp programs! We have had a blast so far and the camp has been blessed with an awesome staff this year! Register for camp at camp@cilca.org.

LUTHERAN TALK RADIO – REAL REFORMATION RADIO – EQUIPPING THE PRIESTHOOD OF ALL BELIEVERS -- Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Lutheran Public Radio. Topics include: The New Atheists, Christianity in Kenya, The Wives of King David, Miracles in John's Gospel and more. You can listen to what you want when you want at www.issuesetc.org.

LUTHERANS FOR LIFE THOUGHT FOR THE DAY – Our sinful flesh was killed, buried, and raised to newness of life through our baptism into Christ. The debt of sin that stood against us is cancelled, nailed to the cross! (Colossians 2:6-15) This objective reality of cancellation of what we deserve speaks especially to those who have committed sins which they feel are too big to be forgiven, such as sins against life. Apply this "cancellation notice" to such sins.

Life Thoughts in the Church Year from Lutherans for Life, www.lutheransforlife.org or 1-888-364-LIFE

Peoria Area Lutherans for Life normally meets the 4th Monday of the month at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Their next meeting will be September 27th.

HAVE YOU CHECKED OUT OUR WEB SITE YET? – WWW.MTCALVARYPEORIA.ORG – Did you know that you can find both the Mt. Calvary Messenger and the weekly News and Announcements, as well as Pastor Long's sermons there? On the home page, click on the button for "Newsletters and Sermons," then, on the Media page, make your selection. The sermons are in mp3 format, but should play on Windows Media Player or Adobe Flash Player.

EVANGELISM HANDOUTS –

Notepads and Pens – If you want more notepads and pens, they are available in lots of 5 of each item. The only requirement is that you give them away and not keep them for yourself.

Church Business Cards – We now have available a template for making business size cards with our church logo and information on them. If you wish to "order" some of these cards talk to Judy – she will print them for you.

FROM CONCORDIA

Registration for 2010–2011 – If you do not have your Mt. Calvary registration packet, or know of someone whose child is not at Concordia, but who would like to register them, please contact the church office.

Concordia's Annual Golf Outing – Join us for a great day of golf and fellowship while supporting Concordia. This year's event is scheduled for **Friday, August 13, at Kellogg Golf Course**. Shotgun start at 12:30 pm. Dinner will follow golf. Foursomes will use the best ball (scramble) format so golfers at all skill levels can compete! Please contact Greg Sick (673-7072), Bill Ott (681-1906), Randy Begole (689-9780) or the school office. (Registration forms available in the church office.)

Concordia Scrip – Scrip is a program that allows you to make the purchases you already do and help Concordia. Enrollment forms and more details for the Concordia Scrip program are available from Luann Claudin, Concordia School, or the church office.

Scrip is now also online at Concordia.scriporder.com! Members need simply to contact one of the Scrip leaders to get an ID and password. If you aren't enrolled, call the school to sign up.

What's New and Exciting at Concordia – Visit their web site www.concordiapeoria.com to find out.

WE ARE IN NEED OF A CHURCH ARCHIVIST – What this will involve is keeping up the history of Mt. Calvary (there is a file cabinet in the Youth Room full of papers) and on occasion communicating some of Mt. Calvary's history to the Central Illinois District's archivist. The Central Illinois District is in the process of updating the history of the district and its churches. So, if you are in the least interested, contact Pastor Long or Phil Benne, or just leave a note in the church office and we'll get back to you.

LLL RETREAT AT CAMP CILCA – Scripture provides guidance on how God says to survive life's disasters. Dr. Reed Lessing, professor at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, will conduct an informative study on the book of Jeremiah at Camp CILCA on **Sat., Sept. 11th**, from 9-3:30. Lunch is included. To register send your name and \$16 by **Sept. 6th** to Norbert Soltwedel, 9414 E. 1800th Ave., Shumway, IL 62461. The retreat is sponsored by the LLL; however, it is always interesting to meet other Christians.

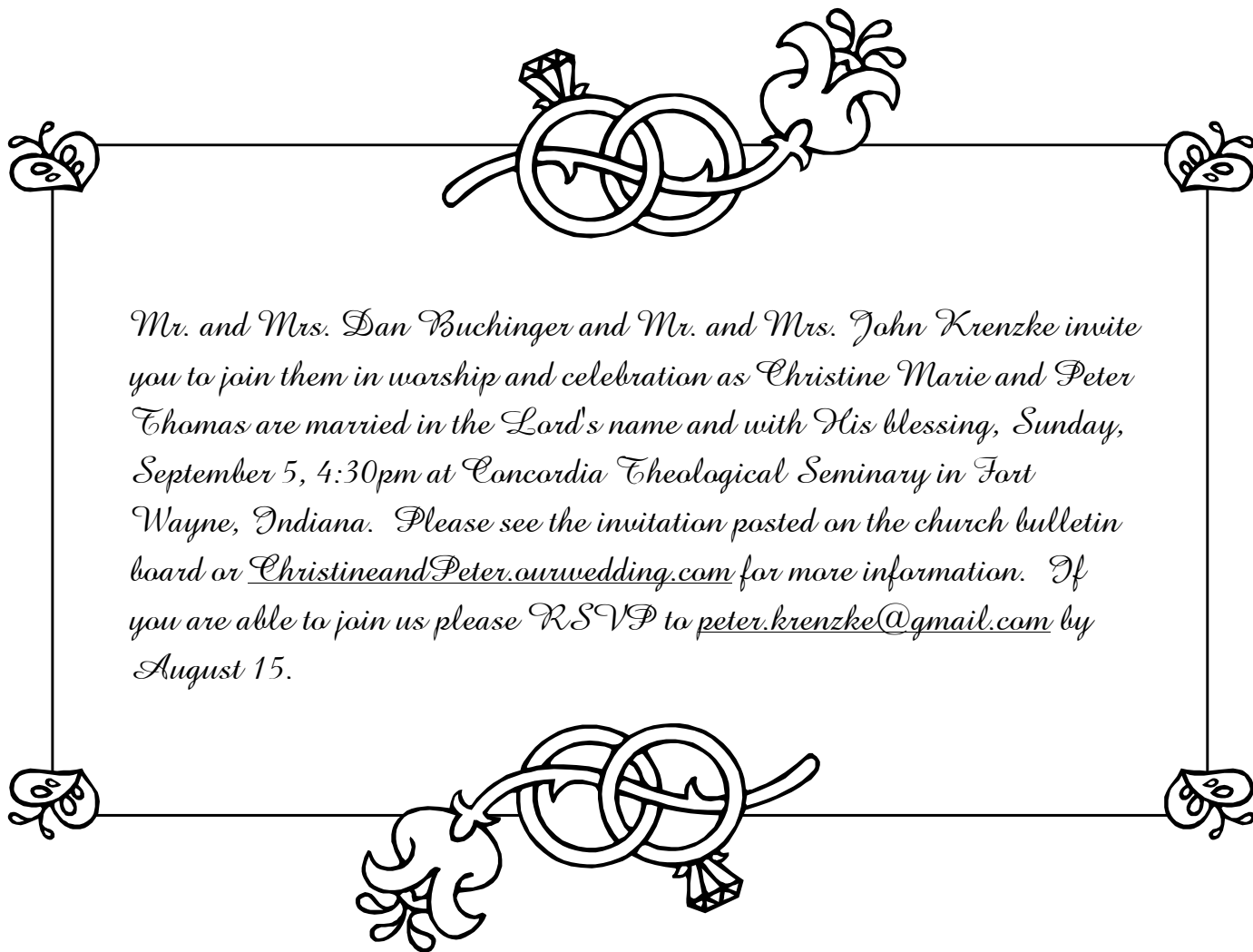
LUTHERAN MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER – **Need a gift idea that lasts a lifetime?** Give the gift of an enriched relationship with your spouse. Attend the next Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekend, and put more fun and romance into your marriage! The next weekend date is: **September 17-19, 2010 in Peoria, IL**. Registration deadline is August 17th. Registrations after that date will be on a space available basis. For further information call **Dan ♥ Charlotte Ricks at 309-682-7273** or www.godlovesmarriage.org

THANK YOU -- "The Peoria Area chapter of Lutherans For Life thanks you all for the diapers collected for the Women's Pregnancy Center in Peoria. In the month of May well over 5,000 diapers were donated by local area LCMS congregations. Your support is greatly appreciated. All glory, honor and praise be to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the Creator and Defender of all Life!!"

Annual Ice Cream Social – The annual Lutheran Home Ice Cream Social/Bake Sale is scheduled for Sunday, August 15, 2010 from 11:30 to 2:30 pm at the Lutheran Hillside Village, 6901 N. Galena Rd., Peoria. It will be held in the Community Center. Come and enjoy good food and fellowship. The event is sponsored by the Lutheran Women of Greater Peoria. The proceeds will benefit the residents of Lutheran Hillside Village.

FROM LUTHERAN HILLSIDE VILLAGE

Senior Wellness Academy –Assisted Living" – the second of two presentations on caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's Disease will be held at Lutheran Hillside Village in the Waters of Life Chapel on **Tuesday, July 27th, at 6:00 pm.** Admission is free, but **please call 689-9610 to reserve seating.** See poster on bulletin board for more information.



Mr. and Mrs. Dan Buchinger and Mr. and Mrs. John Krenzke invite you to join them in worship and celebration as Christine Marie and Peter Thomas are married in the Lord's name and with His blessing, Sunday, September 5, 4:30pm at Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Please see the invitation posted on the church bulletin board or ChristineandPeter.ourwedding.com for more information. If you are able to join us please RSVP to peter.krenzke@gmail.com by August 15.

✦ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT MT. CALVARY ✦

SUNDAY:

YOUTH:

Sunday School:

Age 3 through grade 6 meet in the church basement.

Today in Sunday School, students explored 2 Kings 20:1–11 and Isaiah 38:1–8 as they studied how “God Reverses the Sun’s Shadow.” Students learned about King Hezekiah and God’s miraculous answer to Hezekiah’s prayers. A family-talk topic might discuss times when prayers have been answered. *A review question might be “What sign did God give that He would answer Hezekiah’s prayer? What signs do we have that Jesus’ forgiveness is certain?”*
High School Students meet upstairs in room above the kitchen.

ADULTS:

Adult Class:

Jonah: What do you do when God calls you to preach repentance to your mortal enemies? Jonah caught the first boat in the opposite direction! Discover how that worked for him and what it means for us. **Meets in the Parish Hall during the Bible Study Hour.**

Audio of this class can be made available. Just ask Pastor Long or David Heien for a recording.

Katie’s Class:

The ladies are studying the Lesser Festivals and Commemorations of the Church. **This class meets in Classroom 8 in the basement during the Bible Study Hour.**

Young Adults:

We meet selected Sunday evenings at **7:00 pm**. We are studying C.S. Lewis’ book, *The Screwtape Letters*. Members take turns hosting this time for study and fellowship. Please see “Youthful Minds” updates or call Deaconess Christine (839-2621, home or 688-4321, church) for details.

WEDNESDAY:

Men’s Bible Study:

Matthew: How does a former tax-collector and Jew explain the Messiah to others? Why should that matter to us? Find out Wednesday mornings as we read through the Gospel According to Matthew — a gospel in which

Matthew is inspired to make clear how rigorous and all inclusive Jesus’ call to repentance is. In Jesus’ teaching, as reported by Matthew, we discover better how we are shaped for discipleship in light of the cross. **Meets 6:30 am at Bob Evans on Big Hollow Road.**

Evening Bible Study:

Between the Testaments: **On hiatus until August 25th for VBS and Pastor’s vacation.** So just what happened with God’s people between the time of the last Old Testament prophet (Malachi) and Gabriel’s announcement that John the Baptist was to be born to Elizabeth and Zechariah? It turns out, rather a good deal. What does it mean for us? It’s a picture of both how things can go right and go disastrously wrong as the faithful endure unfaithful governments and wait for the fulfillment of God’s promises. Join us as we do a quick overview of the 400 years from Malachi to Christ. **Class meets in the Parish Hall at 7:00 pm.**

THURSDAY:

Afternoon Bible Study:

The Gospel According to St. John: **On hiatus until August 19th for VBS and Pastor’s Vacation.** Sometimes simply called the “Fourth Gospel,” this account of Christ’s work and teaching was given as a supplement to Matthew, Mark, and Luke. John is given to focus on Jesus’ divine nature, the power of His word, and that faith in Him is what brings life now and in eternity. Join us as we read through this powerful witness to Jesus. **We meet at 1:00 pm in the Parish Hall.**

SATURDAY

Lutheranism 101: **On hiatus until August 21st due to everyone’s summer schedule.** What are the basic teachings of the Christian faith? What gifts are given us by God so that we can live with Him in peace? Why do we worship the way we do? Where do Lutherans come from anyway? These and other questions — including yours — may well be answered as we embark on another Lutheranism 101 class. We will meet **Saturday afternoons at 3:00 pm (as Pastor Long is available).** The class has just begun, so there’s still time to join the fun — talk to Pastor Long if you are interested.

+ THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR +

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| <i>Sunday</i> | <i>St. James The Elder, Apostle</i> | |
| 07/25/2010 | Worship | 8:00 a |
| | Fellowship Coffee | 9:15 a |
| | Sunday School/Bible Classes | 9:30 a |
| | Worship | 10:45 a |
| | Worship & Music Committee | 12:00 p |
| <i>Monday</i> | VBS - Visit to Planet Zoom | 9-11:30 a |
| <i>Tuesday</i> | VBS - Visit to Planet Zoom | 9-11:30 a |
| <i>Wednesday</i> | Men's Bible Study - The Gospel according to St. Matthew | 6:30 a |
| | VBS - Visit to Planet Zoom | 9-11:30 a |
| | Executive Committee | 4:45 p |
| <i>Thursday</i> | VBS - Visit to Planet Zoom | 9-11:30 a |
| <i>Friday</i> | VBS - Visit to Planet Zoom | 9-11:30 a |
| <i>Sunday</i> | <i>Tenth Sunday after Pentecost</i> | |
| 08/01/2010 | Worship/Holy Communion | 8:00 a |
| | Fellowship Coffee | 9:15 a |
| | Sunday School/Bible Classes | 9:30 a |
| | Worship/Holy Communion | 10:45 a |



Join us for
Vacation Bible School
At Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church
908 W. Hanssler Pl.
Peoria, IL 61604
Phone: 688-4321

July 26th through July 30th, 2010
9:00—11:30 am
Ages 3-10 years

Planet Zoom VBS is full of fun!
Come explore Bible stories, take
Bible challenges, make crafts, eat
yummy snacks, play fun games,
sing awesome songs, and more!
Fill out the registration form on
the back of this page and place it
in the box in the Narthex.
Questions? Call Judy at 688-
4321.



Register me for Planet Zoom
 Vacation Bible School
 July 26 through 30, 2010
 9:00 – 11:30 am
 Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church
 908 S. Hanssler Pl., Peoria, Il 61604
 Phone: 688-4321
 One form per child, please.

Child's name _____

Birthday _____ Age _____ Grade Completed _____

Parents' names _____

Home address _____

Home phone _____ Alternate phone _____

Emergency contact person _____

Relationship to student _____

Home phone _____ Alternate phone _____

Food allergies Y N List: _____

Medical concerns Y N List: _____

Family doctor _____ Doctor's phone _____

Siblings attending VBS (names and ages) _____

Church affiliation _____ Church membership at _____

People who may pick up the child _____

VBS leaders have permission to photograph/film the minor (s) designated above in any manner or form for any lawful purpose associated with this VBS program.

Parent's (Guardian's) signature _____