

weekly focus: prison ministry

By faithfully sharing the love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ, we desire to see hearts changed and lives transformed. A diverse group of volunteers work together to fulfill Christ's call to action in Matthew 25:36 when he says, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.

One of the ways this ministry serves is by carrying out church services in the local jail and area prisons. Services include prayer, a time of worship, preaching God's Word, an invitation to salvation, and a time for one-on-one counseling and prayer after the service. God is very active in this ministry both in the lives of our volunteers and those who are incarcerated. Our volunteers are growing spiritually and inmates are coming to Christ and growing in their faith.

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If you would like to be involved in this ministry, we need more volunteers to participate in the worship services by reading scripture, leading worship through music and by engaging in one-on-one counseling/conversation. For more information, **come to the Connection Point after the service** or contact Ardo Draper (adraper@calvarygr.org) at ext. 5182.

serving opportunities

College Lunch Looking for Cooks!

On Sundays we provide lunch to a group of 75 local college students and we need help accomplishing this mighty task! If you or your small group are interested in signing up or learning more, email collegelunch@calvarygr.org.

Sunday Morning Help Needed:

- **Indoor or Outdoor Greeters** - Warmly welcome those coming to worship with us.
- **Cafe Assistants** - Assist with the serving of coffee, beverages and treats. Set, replenish and clean up the cafe and kitchen.
- **Guides** - Guide people to classrooms, nurseries, etc. Coordinate with Welcome Center and Connection Point volunteers.

Sign up to serve at mycalvarygr.org or contact Rebekah (rkennedy@calvarygr.org) with questions.

congregational care

BEREAVED

We extend our Christian sympathy to Judi and Rick Warner at the homegoing of Judi's mom, Carolyn Hagedorn on August 1; and also to Mark and Bethany Welling at the homegoing of Mark's mom, Joyce Welling, on August 2.

RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED PRAYER LIST

If you have been hospitalized, or anticipate hospitalization, and would like to be added to the prayer list, please call the church office at 956-9377.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank Calvary Church for all the expressions of sympathy and kindness after the sudden passing of my husband, Bob. A special thank you to Josh Mateer, Mark Welling, and Andy Crowder for making the funeral so meaningful in every way. Bob loved Calvary and enjoyed ushering every week.

Karen Nash

The deacons would like to thank those who contributed to our Benevolent offering last Sunday. We collected \$18,436.

Calvary Church Deacons

August 12, 2018

9:00 & 10:45am

Prayer as a Battle

Mark 14:32-42

Jim Samra, Senior Pastor

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READY
STORIES OF REDEMPTION

FOR THE RECORD

	Projected Offerings	Actual Offerings	Surplus/ (Deficit)
Last Week	\$ 124,602	\$ 118,895	(\$ 5,707)
Fiscal YTD Sept. 1 - Aug. 5	\$ 7,266,901	\$ 7,175,278	(\$ 91,623)
Jerusalem Project		\$ 256,322	

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welcome

If you are visiting today, we are glad you are here. For information about our many groups, programs and events for all ages, pick up a copy of the quarterly *Calvary Life* magazine, visit us online at calvarygr.org, or stop by the Connection Point (located in the Gathering Place across from the main Sanctuary entrance). We would love to meet you! If you need hearing assistance, listening devices are available at the Welcome Center in the Crosswalk.

this morning

Boiler Room Prayer | 8:50-11:50am | Room 222

Pray over every aspect of the service as the Holy Spirit leads, assisted by a request sheet composed by staff.

Language Translation Details

During the 9:00 service, the songs and sermon are interpreted into Farsi. At 10:45, the worship service is interpreted into both Korean and Arabic. Pick up a receiver at the Welcome Center.



Do you have a heart to pray with people? A Prayer Tent at CityFest, September 8-9, will provide many the opportunity to be prayed for and with, perhaps even to come to saving faith in Jesus. There are two opportunities to be trained to serve in the Prayer Tent:

- August 18 | 9:30am | Discovery Christian Reformed Church
7245 Eastern Ave SE, Grand Rapids
- August 21 | 7:00pm | Gold Avenue Church
49 Gold Ave NW, Grand Rapids

For more information, go to www.cityfestwestmichigan.org.

Prayer Cards: Cards are available at the CityFest station outside the Connection Point. Write down the name of five friends you're praying will come to know Jesus as their Lord. Turn your card in at the station to receive regular reminders from CityFest to pray. Their prayer team will also join you in praying for your five people.

Promote CityFest: Pick up stickers, flyers, yard signs and other promotional materials outside the Connection Point.

coming events & announcements

Stronger Together

August 22 | 6:30-8:00pm

Register at mycalvarygr.org

Stronger Together is an evening for single women of all ages, stages and life seasons at Calvary. Join us in the Gathering Place for fellowship, yogurt parfaits and a devotional. We will also facilitate conversation around the tables to hear from you about your experience! Our hope is to make connections that help us all grow in Christ, that we may indeed be... stronger together.

DivorceCare

Tuesdays, Beginning September 4

6:30-8:30pm | Room 252

Find help and healing for the hurt of separation and divorce. DivorceCare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. Don't go through alone. DivorceCare meets weekly to help you face these challenges and move toward rebuilding your life. Contact Dane Bjork (dbjork@calvarygr.org) to register.

DivorceCare 4 Kids (DC4K)

Tuesdays, Beginning September 4

6:30-8:30pm | Room ??

DC4K is a special ministry to help children (age 5-12 years) heal from the hurts caused by the separation or divorce of their parents. The weekly sessions are filled with engaging activities centered around a weekly theme. These topics correlate with those dis-

cussed in the adult DivorceCare sessions. Best of all, children will learn how God's love can strengthen them and help turn tears to hope and joy! Childcare will be provided for children birth through preschool. Be sure to register in advance.

If you are interested in serving in this ministry or would like to register your children, contact Carla (cboonjulien@calvarygr.org).

Men's Ministry: Fall Kickoff

September 6 | 6:00-8:30pm

Gathering Place | \$5

Worship, BBQ, and great fellowship! Come join us and find out about all the great Men's Ministry opportunities taking place over the year.

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)

Thursdays (First, Third & Fifth)

Beginning September 20

9:00-11:15am

If you're a mom with one or more preschool aged children or younger (including babies!)—there's a sisterhood of moms from all over the area with different backgrounds who would love to meet you and do life with you. Join us as we support each other through this stage of being mamas to young ones. Space is limited, so register soon to reserve your spot for the fall! For more information email MOPS@calvarygr.org or register at calvarychurchmops.wordpress.com/about/.

this week at calvary

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Middle School 56: Rock Climbing

August 14 | 2:00-4:30pm | \$5

Be adventurous and climb some rock walls with us! Incoming fifth graders welcome. Register at mycalvarygr.org.

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Kids Camp: Art & Engineering

August 15 | 9:30am-12:00pm

Kids that have completed kindergarten through fourth grade come and join us as we engage in a construction project and produce a work of art. Kids will learn that God has had a plan for them before they were born and we are all *In Need of a Savior*. Register by August 13 at mycalvarygr.org.

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Taste of Calvary - Open House

August 15 | 4:30-6:30pm

Gathering Place | Room 208 | Calvary Kids Ministry Area

Welcome fall with an open house at Calvary Church! We will be serving hot dogs, chips and dessert in the Gathering Place. Throughout the night Calvary staff from all ministry areas will be available to catch up with you after the long summer! Children are encouraged to come visit their rooms for the new ministry year.

Whether you are new to Calvary or have someone you've been wanting to introduce to church - this will be a great night to reconnect with the church family. Information about upcoming events, small groups, and serving opportunities will also be available. Dinner is \$2/person with a \$10 max per family.

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OASIS (Older Adults) Bike & Breakfast

August 16 | 8:00am

Join us at the 8th Avenue Trail head at Marne for breakfast and a bike ride. Let's go cruising down Musketawa Trail! Questions? Contact Pastor Bruce (bruce@calvarygr.org) at ext. 5025.

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Middle School 78: MVP Pool Day

August 16 | 1:00-4:00pm | \$10

Meet at MVP - 115 Crahen Ave SE

Grab your swimsuit, sunscreen and a towel and join us for a day at the pool! Register at mycalvarygr.org.