

# Outreach

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Calvary United Methodist Church and the  
Nicaraguan Resources Network  
(September Mission of the Month)

The mission of the Nicaraguan Resources Network (NRN) is, "to fulfill Jesus' command to love God and to 'love your neighbor as yourself' by giving of our time, talents and resources to address the spiritual, physical, medical and educational needs of impoverished children and families in Nicaragua.

Calvary United Methodist Church is one of five churches in North Dakota, and one of 25 churches across five states that works with the NRN to fulfill this mission of bringing God's love to the poor, to widows and to orphans.

Our churches commitment of support goes beyond meeting the spiritual needs of the people, addressing basic needs for adequate food, clothing, shelter, education and employment. Through NRN, we are able to work together to meet the identified needs and ministry goals of Pastor Melvin, our church sponsored pastor, in Abangasca Sur, the village our church has worked in for the past ten years. These goals include: the support of a regular church ministry within the village, the support of an established Christian primary school, updates to the current church building and the building of homes for families in need of shelter. NRN's broader focus outside of the village also supports a school sponsorship program through which nearly 2,000 children and young people are currently enabled to attend secondary school and college; provides two classrooms for children with Special Needs; and gives access to a vibrant medical ministry that provides health care for school children. Short Term Missions (STM) are the pipeline through which flows the power of individual relationships. Calvary United Methodist's Short Term Mission participants are equally impacted by the love and generosity of Nicaraguans as we connect with the individual, families, the ministry and the local community of Abangasca Sur in Nicaragua. Each participant walks away from the STM experience with the face and name of a special person and connection that was formed through work, play, prayer and service. You can be assured that your support of the Nicaraguan Resources Network is answering God's call to spread the Good News, shower His love on those in need and grow each of us spiritually and in testimony of God goodness, mercy and loving kindness.



# Calvary

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*To Know Christ and To Make Him Known*

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Thank you for worshipping here today!  
March 19, 2017

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Calvary cares about **you** because **you matter to God!**  
Our desire is to be a Christ-centered, family-oriented, word-sharing,  
life-changing, need-meeting, world-touching body of believers.

We exist to **KNOW Christ and TO MAKE HIM KNOWN** through:

**EVANGELIZING** the Lost of the Community,  
**EXPERIENCING** the Lord in Worship,  
**ENCOURAGING** the Fellowship of Believers,  
**EDUCATING** the Faithful in Christ, and  
**EQUIPPING** our Leaders for Ministry.

**Welcome** to Calvary UMC. If you are a first time guest,  
please complete the Connection Card.

**We invite you to join us again.**

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# Service Schedule

Our nursery is staffed and available during Sunday services for children ages birth to 3 years. Please remember that children must be dropped off and picked up by an adult in the south Childcare wing. The Cry Room in the back of the Sanctuary is a quiet place for a parent to take an infant or toddler (through age two) and still be able to listen to the service.

## Order of Worship

<b>Praise Team</b>	“Forever”	~Screen
	“Blessed Be Your Name”	~Screen
	“Inside Out”	~Screen

Lyrics for all songs and hymns will be projected on the screen. You may also use the black “Praise Songs” binder or the Hymnal—both are located in the pew racks along with Bibles for your reference.

## Welcome

**Outreach of the Month** “Converge” (Grenz family in China)

**Scripture** John 6:63; Hebrews 4:12

**Message** “Changed By The Word: ~ Pastor Dave Motta

**Offering** “My Hope Is Built” ~ Hymn #368

## Benediction

# Weekly Events

## Friday, March 24

**6:00 AM** Men’s Advance ~ Foyer

**9:00 AM** 1 Peter - Women’s Study ~ 101, 102, 115, Foyer

**4:30 PM** First African Church Children’s Meal ~ *Foyer, Kitchen*

**5:30 PM** First African Church Children’s Program ~ *Upper Room*

## Saturday, March 25

**8:00 AM** Prayer ~ 105

**9:30 AM** GriefShare ~ 101

**10:00 AM** First African Church Music ~ *Upper Room (208)*

## Sunday, March 26

**9:00 AM** Blood Pressure Checks ~ *Library (113)*

**9:00 AM** Worship ~ *Sanctuary*

**9:00 AM** Children’s Ministry ~ 114

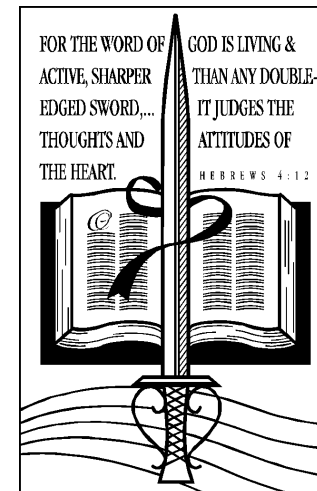
**9:00 AM** Youth Ministry ~ *Upper Room (208)*

**9:00 AM** Adult Studies ~ *Various Rooms - Details at Information Center*

**9:15 AM** Couples Study ~ 102

**10:30 AM** Worship ~ *Sanctuary*

**12:30 PM** First African Church Service ~ *Upper Room (208)*



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**9:15 AM** Couples Bible Study ~ 102

**10:00 AM** Methodist Meeting ~ *Sanctuary*

**10:30 AM** Worship ~ *Sanctuary*

**11:45 AM** Methodist Meeting ~ *Sanctuary*

**12:30 PM** First African Church Service ~ *Upper Room (208)*

## Monday, March 20

**2:30 PM** Powerful tools for Caregivers ~ 101

**6:45 PM** Bible Study Fellowship for Men ~ *Various Rooms*

## Tuesday, March 21

**NOON** Prayer ~ *Sanctuary*

**1:00 PM** Staff Meeting ~ 101

**6:30 PM** Church Council ~ 101

## Wednesday, March 22

**10:00 AM** First African UMC Prayer ~ 105

**6:30 PM** Believing Jesus Women's Study ~ 102

**6:30 PM** Children's Ministry ~ *Various Rooms*

**6:30 PM** Youth ~ *Upper Room (208)*

\*\* No Choir tonight.

## Thursday, March 23

# Sermon Notes

## HOW THE BIBLE CHANGES US John 6:63; Hebrews 4:12

How does God's Word change me?

1. It recreates my life. James 1:18; 1 Peter 1:23
2. It eradicates my guilt. Ephesians 5:25,26; John 15:3
3. It activates my faith. Romans 10:17
4. It stimulates my growth. Acts 20:32; 2 Timothy 3:16-17
5. It illuminates my mind. Ps 119: 130; Ps 119:105
6. It elevates my mind. Romans 15:4; Ps 119:114
7. It liberates my potential. John 8:31,32

### APPLICATION

1. Learn it. Mark 12:24
2. Accept it. 1 Thessalonians 2:13
3. Act on it. John 13:17

# Announcements

## TODAY AND LOOKING AHEAD

**Ushers for Sunday, March 26, 2017 are:** 9:00: Dave & Jan Christy, Cindy & Dennis Humble 10:30: Joyce & Lyle Janke, Kostohryz Family.

**Calvary Serves at Churches United for the Homeless** Friday, March 24th from 4:00-7:00PM. Sign up at the Information Center.

**Save the Date!** National Day of Prayer will be held Thursday, May 4, 2017, at the Holiday Inn, Fargo, from 6:30-7:30 PM. Contact Kathy Spriggs at 701-239-4621 with questions.

Mark your calendars for the **Freier's Annual "German Night"** Wednesday April 5th. Please **SIGN UP** at the Welcome Desk by 4 PM Monday April 3rd.

**An important message about Wednesday Night Meals.** It is very important that you **SIGN UP** for Wednesday night meals so that we prepare enough food. In March we had 59 sign up and we fed 90. Yes there was enough spaghetti to go around but several people that took the time to sign up but can't come until later only got the spaghetti. They didn't get the Texas toast or salad or dessert because so many people that didn't sign up showed up. Please be courteous and **SIGN UP**.

**Please Note:** Blood Pressure Checks will be held on Sunday, March 26th instead of today.



**Health Concerns:** Morgan, Fraase, Gerry Sieler, Barbara Olson, Ruth Tollefson, Roger Kalinowski, Joan Meidinger, and Al Tollefson. Please pray for healing.

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## LOOKING AHEAD

**New Life Center Auxiliary's 40th & Final Prayer Breakfast** "Movie and a Message", Thursday, April 20th. Prayer Breakfast 9:30 AM at the Hilton Gard Inn, Cost \$22; Movie and a Message 6:30 PM at the Fargo Theatre, Cost \$12. Guest Speaker: Kim and Krickitt Carpenter, authors of The Vow. Tickets available at [www.fargonlc.org](http://www.fargonlc.org) or call 701-235-4453. Seating is reserved.

**Ushers are special and greatly appreciated.** Ushers are needed for both services. Please contact Steve Johnson, Bob Baumann, or Kevin Eastlund, or sign up at the Information Center if you are willing to serve the church in this way. Thank you!

**Powerful Tools for Caregivers** is a 6-week class starting Monday March 6<sup>th</sup> from 2:30-4:00 PM at Calvary. This class is designed to help family caregiver reduce stress, improve self-confidence, balance life, communicate your feelings, help in decision-making and locate resources. To sign-up or for further information, contact Rita Ussatis, NDSU Extension Agent at 701-241-5700 or [rita.ussatis@ndsu.edu](mailto:rita.ussatis@ndsu.edu)

**Enjoy making new friends?** The New Guest Hospitality Team is looking for people to help make our new guests feel welcome. If you are interested, please contact Marcy Scott at 701-715-3739 or [marcy.scott@aol.com](mailto:marcy.scott@aol.com).

**Church Women United** invite you to a salad luncheon on April 7, 11:00 AM at Community Baptist Church, 3535 25th St S., Fargo. Lunch will be \$5.00 followed by a tour of the church.

**Conversation-dialogue meeting about the future of the United Methodist Church.** Pastor Dave will be available to meet after each service today in the sanctuary. Many are very disheartened about the election of a practicing lesbian to the office of Bishop in the Western Jurisdiction. This will be the first in a series of conversations.