

Outreach

Jail Chaplains Blessed as they Bless Others

2017 is off to an amazing start for the Jail Chaplains team! Giving Hearts Day is always a fun and engaging time for the ministry. This year was no exception.

*286 DOZEN red velvet donuts sold

*10 delivery teams distributed donuts to 87 locations

*Volunteers had opportunity to share the ministry of Jail Chaplains

*LOTS of SURPRISED recipients!

*Where did all the donuts go? auto body shop, manufacturing facility, rental company, seed company, freight delivery manufacturing company, veterinary clinic, hospitals, print shop, dentist offices, nursing home, social services agency, corporate office, school staff lounge, grade school classrooms, church men's event, police department, sheriff's office, probation office, Public defender's office, States Attorney's Office

*110 MORE donors, than in 2015, made an on-line gift on Giving Hearts Day

*Financial donations were significantly higher than any previous year.

Life 97.9 featured Jail Chaplains as their Hands & Feet Outreach for February. This meant several times each day the on-air staff told the listeners about the work the Lord has entrusted to the ministry. March 5th Jail Chaplains hosted a community gathering, Broken to Repurposed, where six individuals in recovery shared their story. The men and women have all found freedom from drugs and alcohol through Jesus. Each delivered a clear presentation as the Holy Spirit spoke through them! In the audience was;

Grandmother to a 21 yr old heroin addict, in prison until May

Parents of addicts seeking to gain hope & a better understanding of their kids

Mother whose son overdosed 9.1.15, she listed his name & birth date.

Mother whose son died of alcohol poisoning

Young woman considering an abortion

Several individuals seeking recovery

Individuals wanting to learn how to be more encouraging to those in addiction

Officer from the Cass County Jail who rejoiced to hear stories of former inmates

Thank you Calvary family for your faithful support and encouragement of the Jail Chaplains team. Together we are making a difference as we share the good news of Jesus!



Calvary

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

To Know Christ and To Make Him Known

Thank you for worshipping here today!

April 9, 2017

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.

Palm Sunday

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

Praise Team	“Hosanna”	~Screen
	“Hosanna (Praise is Rising)”	~Screen
	“That’s Why We Praise Him”	~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

Choir “Because He Lives ” both services

Scripture John 15:1-17

Message “Understanding the Meaning of the Bible”
~ Pastor Dave Motta

Offering “Wonderful Words of Life” ~ Hymn #600

Reception of New Members

Benediction

Weekly Events

Friday, April 14

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, April 15

6:00 AM Bible Study Fellowship Leaders Meeting ~ 114, 115

8:00 AM Prayer ~ 105

9:00 AM Auto Angels ~ *Garage*

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

Sunday, April 16 ~ Resurrection Sunday

6:30 AM SONrise Service ~ 102

7:30-10:30 AM Easter Breakfast Youth Fundraiser ~ *Foyer*

9:00 AM Worship ~ *Sanctuary*

9:00 AM Children’s Ministry ~ 114

10:30 AM Worship ~ *Sanctuary*

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

I am
the
vine;
you
are
the
branches.
John 15:5

Weekly Events

Sunday, April 9 ~ Palm Sunday

9:00 AM Worship ~ *Sanctuary*

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

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 Cntr*

9:15 AM Couples Bible Study, "Why I Believe" ~ *102*

10:30 AM Worship ~ *Sanctuary*

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

4:00 PM Central UM Milbank Church visit ~ *Foyer / Kitchen*

Monday, April 10

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

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

Tuesday, April 11

NOON Prayer ~ *Sanctuary*

1:00 PM Staff Meeting ~ *101*

6:30 PM Trustee Meeting ~ *101*

7:00 PM United Methodist Women ~ *115*

Wednesday, April 12

8:30 AM Website Meeting ~ *101*

10:00 AM Upward Sports Meeting ~ *101*

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)*

7:30 PM Choir ~ *106*

Thursday, April 13

6:00 PM Finance Team Meeting ~ *101*

7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service ~ *Sanctuary*

Sermon Notes

UNDERSTANDING THE MEANING OF THE BIBLE

JOHN 15:1-17

Observation = What does it say?

Interpretation = What does it mean?

Correlation = What other verses explain it?

Application = What will I DO about it?

Some basic rules of Interpretation:

1. Consider the historical context. ch 13 to 17 = Jesus' final words of comfort to his disciples before his arrest. John 15:11

2. Define "key" words

"Love" = 9 times

"Fruit" = 9 times

Fruit and Fruitful = 45 times in the New Testament

What is the meaning of "Fruit" in this context?

3. Interpret unclear verses with clear ones. John 15:4

Bearing Fruit is produced by remaining in Christ. John 15:8

Bearing Fruit brings glory to God. John 15:11

Bearing Fruit will give me complete joy.

4. Look for the obvious meaning.

* Remaining in Christ produces answered prayers. John 15:7

* Answered prayer brings glory to God. John 13:14

* Answered prayer give me complete joy. John 16:24

* I bear fruit by asking in prayer. John 15:16

My personal application: Matthew 7:24

Announcements

TODAY AND LOOKING AHEAD

Ushers for Easter Sunday, April 16, 2017 are ~ 9:00: Kevin Eastlund, Tom & Melinda Freier, Bruce Huisenga, Carl & Polly Wendelbo, Duane & Trudy Wanner **10:30:** Dave Andrews, Stugelmayer Family, Joyce & Lyle Janke.



REMINDER

First Quarter Giving Statements will be mailed in the middle of April. If you have moved or changed your phone number in the last six months please contact the church office at 701-232-5650 with the previous and new information. Thank you!

Our Nursery Care givers will be spending Easter Sunday with their families; therefore, there will be **NO nursery care on Easter Sunday.**

Maundy Thursday Communion Service will be April 13th, 7:00 PM in the Sanctuary.

April 16 Resurrection Sunday!

6:30 AM SONrise Service ~ Room 102 (Chapel)

7:30-10:30 Easter Breakfast Youth Fundraiser

9:00 and 10:30 ~ Worship Service

(Easter Sunday begins New Sermon Series on Mercy)

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



Announcements

LOOKING AHEAD

National Day of Prayer is Thursday, May 4, 2017
Holiday Inn, Fargo, from 6:30-7:30 PM. Contact Kathy Spriggs at 701-239-4621 with questions.

Enjoy making new friends?

The New Guest Hospitality Team is looking for people to help make our guests feel welcome. If you are interested, please contact Marcy Scott at 701-715-3739 or marcy.scott@aol.com.

Softball Season is almost here!

If you are interested in playing on the co-ed Calvary Team - sign up at the Information Center.

First African United Methodist Church 6th Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, April 30, 2:00 PM, Sanctuary
Everyone invited to join the celebration!

Mark your calendars for the

Farewell Potluck for the Kerr family on
Wednesday, May 3rd, at 5:30 PM.
Details to come.

New Life Center Auxiliary's 40th & Final Prayer Breakfast
"Movie and a Message", Thursday, April 20th. Prayer Breakfast 9:30 AM at the Hilton Garden 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 or call 701-235-4453. Seating is reserved.