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Core Values

1. **Christ-Centered Ministry:** John 17:3; Colossians 1:18
2. **Authority of Scripture:** 2 Timothy 3:16, 17; 1 Peter 1:25; Matthew 4:4; Hebrews 4:12; Psalm 119
3. **Lost People Matter:** Luke 15; Matthew 28:18-20; Revelation 5; Matthew 25:31-46; Acts 10
4. **Foundation of Prayer:** Psalm 127; Philipians 4:4-7; 1 Thessalonians 5:17; James 5
5. **Ministry Team Approach:** Ecclesiastes 4:12; Proverbs 27:17; Romans 12:1; 1 Corinthians 12
6. **Leader as Role Model, Recruiter, Equipper:** Ephesians 4:11-13; Luke 10; 1 Timothy 3; Titus 1

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Calvary

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

To Know Christ and To Make Him Known

Thank you for worshipping here today!

December 10, 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.



Second Sunday of Advent

- To Know Christ and To Make Him Known -

Service Schedule

Our nursery is staffed and available during Sunday services for children ages birth through 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 “Joy to the World”
“Glorious Day”
~ Monologue & Lighting of the Advent Candle
“Hallelujah”

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

Men’s Chorus *Joy to the World* (9:00 service)

Scripture John 3:1-10

Message “The New Birth” ~ Pastor Dave Motta

Offering *Hark the Herald Angels Sing* Hymn #240

Benediction



Outreach - Update

Converge ~ Grenz Family Update

She’s Here!! Our daughter Jael Tirzah Grenz was born on October 28th in Chiang Mai, Thailand. We spent a total of 7 weeks in Chiang Mai. The first 3 weeks we served at a worship and prayer training for 50+ students from all over SE Asia, including 20 from mainland China. We were really blessed to see these students daily encountering God’s love for them, and growing in love for Him in return. We’re confident that from those three weeks, songs of love for Jesus will increase all across this region!

We returned to China mid-November, and after taking the first week to rest and adjust back to China (and begin adjusting to life with 4 kids), Daniel has jumped back into ministry. Our focus this semester is on training and pouring into our 4 full-time interns. We’ve handed the day-to-day leadership of the prayer room to them, and are coming alongside to further train them in ministry and encourage them in their walk with the Lord. We’ve also enjoyed having our time freed up a bit more to spend more time connecting with students on campus.

We’re planning a Christmas party for students, and hope to see many encounter the love of God for the first time! Join us in praying for a great harvest this Christmas season as we celebrate the love, humility, and greatness of our God!

*Much Love,
Daniel and Karla Grenz*

Weekly Events

Sunday, December 10

- 9:00 AM Worship ~ Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Children's Sunday School ~ 114
- 9:00 AM Youth Sunday School ~ Upper Room (208)
- 9:00 AM Various Studies for Adults~ See Information Center for details
- 10:30 AM Worship ~ Sanctuary
- 12:30 PM First African Church Service ~ Upper Room (208)
- 3:00 PM Children's Christmas Program ~ Sanctuary, Foyer

Monday, December 11

- 6:45 PM Men's Bible Study Fellowship ~ Church Building

Tuesday, December 12

- 10:00 AM Men's Bible Study Fellowship Satellite ~ 102, 105
- 12:00 PM Prayer ~ 105
- 1:00 PM Staff Meeting ~ 101
- 6:30 PM United Methodist Women Dorcas Circle ~ 115

Wednesday, December 13

- 10:00 AM First African UMC Prayer ~ 105
- 6:30 PM AWANA ~ 110, 101, 113, 114, 115, gym, cry room
- 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study ~ 102
- 6:30 PM Youth Ministry ~ Upper Room, 200, 201 202, 203
- 7:30 PM Choir ~ 106 Choir and Christmas Fellowship
- 8:30 PM Men's Chorus ~ 106 (Choir Room)

Thursday, December 14

- 5:00 PM YMCA Family Dinner & Christmas Program ~ Gym, Foyer, Sanctuary
- 6:00 PM Finance Team ~ 101

Friday, December 15

- 6:00 AM Men's Advance ~ 101

Saturday, December 16

- 8:00 AM Prayer ~ Prayer Room 105
- 10:00 AM First African Church Music ~ Upper Room (208)

Sunday, December 17 Blood Pressure Checks

- 9:00 AM Worship ~ Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM Various Studies for Adults ~ See Information Center for details
- 10:30 AM Worship ~ Sanctuary
- 12:30 PM First African Church Service ~ Upper Room (208) and Foyer

Sermon Notes

The New Birth

John 3:1-10

Two Questions:

1. Is there confusion about the New Birth?

* Stats from Barna:

~ 9% of evangelicals _____.

~ 26% of traditional evangelicals do not think _____ is wrong.

~ White evangelicals are more likely than Catholics and mainline protestants to object o having _____.

~ of 12,000 teenagers who took the pledge to wait for marriage, _____ had sex outside of marriage in the next 7 years.

* The New Testament says the New Birth radically changes people.

1John 2:29; 3:9; 4:7; 5:4;5:18

* Being Born Again happens through the Gospel

1Peter 23, 25;

John 1:11,12

2. What happens in the "New Birth"?

~ New _____, not new _____. John 1:1-3
Luke 9:60; 15:24

~ _____ the _____, not just _____ it. John 3:2 Mark 1:24 John 6:63; 14:6; 6:35; John 20:31

You must be born again.

Announcements

TODAY AND LOOKING AHEAD

Ushers for December 17, 9:00 - Keith & Brenda Kerbaugh, Rick Vernon, Don & Carol Geigle **10:30** - Kyle Freier Family, Chad Miller, Brandon Maulding



YMCA Christmas Program Dinner helpers needed. Calvary is hosting dinner for the families of our YMCA Childcare prior to their program on December 14 and we need some help. Sign-up sheets are at the Information Center for set-up; servers, and clean-up.

Onething Conference, Kansas City: December 28-Jan 1

Got plans for Christmas Break??? Senior High and Confirmation students are invited to join us for this dynamic youth & young adult conference. Check out the details at www.ihopkc.org/onething. Registration cost is only \$50 and includes hotel, travel and some meals. Students will cover their own lunch and dinner. Registration is limited to the size of our church van so it's on a first come basis until the van is full. Sign up by submitting your registration fee and release form to the office or youth mailbox. Questions talk to Blake or Becky Carlson.

The New Life Center is accepting donations for Christmas gifts for the men that are staying at the shelter. Items must be NEW and un-wrapped. Donations may include: stocking caps, gloves, mittens, socks, coats, scarves, thermal underwear, (medium-x-large), long & short sleeved t-shirts, sweat shirts & pants, and long sleeved shirts. Please leave your gifts in the cart across from the kitchen near the gym. Gifts will be picked up the morning of December 20th.

Health Concerns: Wayne Schumacher, Jacque Ulstad, Luella Carlson, Emma Streyle, Benadene Snyder, Glen Lysne, Barbara Olson, Roger Kalinowski, Joan Meidinger, and Al & Ruth Tollefson.

Announcements

LOOKING AHEAD

GriefShare begins Saturday January 6, 2018 from 9:30-11:30 AM at the church. Griefshare is 13-week class support group for people grieving the death of someone close. Please share this information with a relative, friend, neighbor, or co-worker who may benefit from GriefShare. Sign-up at the Welcome Center or by contacting the Church Office at 232-5650. For further information contact Karen Fleming 232-0596.

Youth Ski Trip : Andes Tower Hills Feb 4-5 Attention all 6-12 graders; Join us for this overnight ski outing. Cost = \$50. Fee covers lift ticket, ski rental, lodging, transportation and two meals. Saturday lunch is on your own. If you prefer to snowboard or tube, registration fee may vary a bit. Families that would like to join us for the day on Saturday are welcome to join as well (Cost for skiing only is \$35/person). Sign up by submitting your registration fee and release form to the office or youth mailbox. We plan to leave church at 8am on Saturday and return by noon on Sunday. Be sure to pack all winter-related gear as well as toiletries and a change of clothes.

Contribution Statements: If you and your spouse would like to receive your contribution statement on one paper, please fill out the Combined Contributions form found at the Information Center. Completed forms can be placed in the locked wooden box at the Information Center or in the locked box by the office door.

We pray weekly for your requests! If you have a prayer request or know anyone needing prayer, please fill out the ivory colored prayer request on the Calvary Connection card found in your bulletin.

