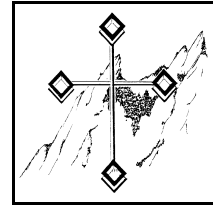
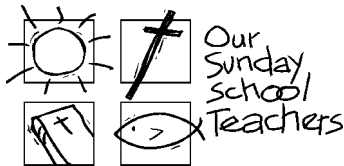


PARISH VISITOR



Mount Calvary Lutheran Church

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A Letter from the Pastor

By Pastor Kevin J. Meyer

Greetings in the name of Christ!

The fall and its busy schedule are upon us here at Mount Calvary! We have noted with interest that the new school calendar seems to have made the summer go by especially quickly this year. However, even as the days get shorter, hope springs eternal as each of us still looks for time to play, since we live in the shadow of some of the most beautiful mountains in the world.

I have noticed that it has been a busy summer with members and staff alike taking time away for rest and renewal. I pray that your summer was all that you hoped it would be in April.

As we surge into the fall there are at least five areas of congregational life that I want to direct your attention toward:

- 1) *Rally Day* will set the tone for our coming school year. Linda Wood, Jenny Everts, and others have been carefully planning some exciting activities for September 7, including the usual meeting of the teachers and a school photo. But there are also some new activities! Look for a complete schedule on the sign-up table by August 24. If you have kids or grandkids, you will not want to miss the day.
- 2) *Sunday School*. There is some exciting news in this area to report!
 - a. There are enough teachers for our expected level of enrollment because of a reinvigorated Christian education committee. Yes, that did read "enough teachers!" But with every bit of good news there always seems to be a caveat. If enrollment exceeds expectations we will need additional teachers somewhat quickly. So please be ready to respond if needed.
 - b. Music and song will be incorporated into our elementary Sunday School curriculum. This music will help teach the faith and important scripture texts.



- 3) *Confirmation instruction* will kick off with a potluck on September 10 at 6:00 p.m. Young adults in grades 6, 7, and 8 will not want to miss the start. I am not sure what Roxie (our interim youth director) and Chris Johnson have planned, but it will certainly rise to a level of fun that will get us all LOL.
- 4) *Adult Forums*. These classes will begin on September 14 between services. A number of years ago, the publishing arm of the ELCA was asked to develop an engaging and insightful way to talk in non-threatening ways about our "BOOK OF FAITH." This study will be the first four classes of our adult forums. Other topics will include one of our own members, who is a published author, leading a discussion about her book, and our Stephen Ministers will lead other classes. Look for additional details in upcoming bulletins.
- 5) We are beginning a "newest" member class September 14 at 6:30 p.m. This will be a time for individuals and families to learn about our community of faith, Christianity, and the Lutheran traditions. It will also be a chance to get to know other "new" folks. If you know of anyone who might like to know more about Mount Calvary please let them know about this exciting class.
- 6) *Music ministry* will be exceptional again this year. If you have been waiting to join the festival choir or "Joyful Noise," the bell choir, to make beautiful music to the glory of God... DON'T WAIT any longer. It will be an extra-special year.

As you can see, much is in motion to make this a special year for us. I pray that you will find in these six areas another way to participate in addition to regular worship.

Peace,
Pastor Kevin

For Sale by Sealed Bid:

1993 Subaru AWD 5 Speed Legacy L Wagon

Just under 85,000 miles with 1) auto car cover, 2) 4 mounted studded snow tires, 3) service history maintained at Foothills Subaru, 4) Current clean air certificate for buyer, 5) Title held by MCLC. One owner before given to MCLC at the end of July 2008.

Please note 1) bid packets are available at entry, 2) minimum bid \$1800, 3) sealed bids will be received until September 15, 4) winning bidder will have five days to claim and pay for the Subaru.

Finally, this is an "as is" purchase, not part of your stewardship covenant.



MUSIC MINISTRIES

"It is art that makes life, makes interest, makes importance...."

—Henry James

A phenomenal season of worship opens before us. As children of God, as members of a compassionate, Spirit-led, scripturally-centered, and intelligent community, let us embrace each other as sisters and brothers in Christ. I encourage my college students to take the path of positive energy and anticipation in performance—I do the same here, with my Christian family. CHOOSE joy, CHOOSE love, and the Heavenly Realm will smile down on us.

This is an exciting fall here in Music Ministry. Please mark your calendars for the following events of special note:

* September 7: RALLY DAY, with Women's Gospel Ensemble (WGE) and Festival Choir

* October 5: German National Day, with a range of musicians remembering our German heritage in the Lutheran Church

* October 26: Reformation Sunday, led by the Festival Choir and Kristina Eller on organ at both services, accompanied by a range of instrumentalists and Metro students, featuring the music of Bach, Grundtvig, and our own Martin Luther!

* November 2: All Saints Sunday, led by Lucille Reilly (international dulcimer specialist) and the WGE

* November 8: CONCERT—my own Requiem Op. 120 sung by Mount Calvary choral members, students of Metro, and others, with professional and student instrumentalists, in memory of my father, James R. Myers. Featuring guest artists Julie Mark, Karen Patterson, and Erik Angerhofer

* November 9: Services led by guest artists and Festival Choir

* November 23: Christ the King Sunday, with triumphant music celebrating the power of Christ leading our lives!

Please don't hesitate to contact me by phone or

e-mail if you have requests for hymns, anthems or other music. When appropriate in the church calendar, I love placing beloved worship music! Also if you are interested in exploring any of our musical ensembles (Festival Choir, Women's Gospel Ensemble, Men's Ensemble, Youth/Children's music) or instrumental groups, let me know of your interest and we can find a spot for you! Even if you only want to join in once a month, or in the High Seasons, I am open to all possibilities. Finally, for the November 8 Concert, and the festivities in December, we will be looking for assistance with a range of details in coordinating and executing these events. Please contact Gladi Lefferdink or me if you are willing to help out in any way (advertising, food, lodging, transport, copying, etc.).

In all we do as the body of Christ, let's lift one another up and celebrate our Gifts of the Spirit.

In Peace,
James Myers



FROM OUR CHURCH COUNCIL PRESIDENT

I wish that I could tell you that this summer has been a relaxing time for the council, but unfortunately nothing could be further from the truth. By now, you are all aware that Erik Williams will not be joining the Mount Calvary staff this fall. I would like to ask all of you to keep Erik and his family in your prayers, and I encourage anyone with lingering doubts or concerns related to our youth program to reach out to Pastor Kevin or a member of the church council.

Despite the setbacks we've experienced, we are very thankful for the tremendous effort we have received from both Amanda Mayhew and Kelly Miller. In that vein, we are very excited to welcome Roxie Seeley to our Mount Calvary community, and we've already begun the process of seeking a full-time director of

congregational youth ministry. In the interim, Roxie will coordinate activities for all age levels and Kelly will continue with the plans and activities leading up to next summer's National Youth Gathering in Saint Louis.

Communication and accountability are two key aspects of a successful church. Over the past few years we have been working towards transforming Mount Calvary from a pastoral church to a program church. Certainly you've heard talk of "lay-led" ministry. While we aren't abandoning these concepts, we've realized (thanks to your constructive criticism) that we aren't always getting the job done effectively. To that end, council has established formal liaisons to many of the Mount Calvary committees and ministries. This should really help us, as council, to stay abreast of the many happenings at Mount Calvary while providing a resource to the congregation for dialogue and feedback.

In order to improve our communication, we have added a new feature to the Mount Calvary website. By pointing your favorite web browser to the following URL: "<http://www.mountcalvary-boulder.org/phplist/>", you can subscribe to a series of e-mail lists. Everything from youth activity announcements to breaking council news can now be just an e-mail away. We may even experiment with delivering the *Parish Visitor* electronically.

On a sadder note, you'll read in Gail Strobel's Treasurer's Report that we have had to take the drastic step of cutting the Mount Calvary budget for the remainder of the 2008 fiscal year. These budget cuts don't affect our ability to retain staff, and they won't stop us from keeping the lights on at Mount Calvary, but they do impact a number of our ministries. Nevertheless, we recognize the extreme importance of a healthy and vibrant youth program and have retained sufficient monies for staffing—both now and in the future.

Sincerely,
Dave Gribble
Council President

See the next page for a list
of church council liaisons!

Council Liaisons with Ministry Committees

Ministry and Outreach	Morey Bevers
Worship	Bill Stange
Adult Learning	Robert Harris
Youth Education	Karen Nielsen
Care Giving	Mike Richters
Support	Bill Stange
Fellowship	Kathryn Duffy
Finance and Stewardship	Gail Strobel/Peter Dietze
Personnel	Mike Wood

CHURCH NEWS

Rainbow Child Care News

By Christine Rubin, Rainbow Church Liaison

As the new church liaison on the Rainbow board, I wanted to share the fun that “Rainbow kids” have had over the summer, as well as give a heads-up about some opportunities for YOU to get involved with Rainbow in the fall.

First off, we may have some future Olympic swimmers at Rainbow! The kids enjoyed swim lessons this year at a beautiful private pool in Lafayette. A big THANK YOU goes out to the Taylor family! Instructor Chris Beckman did a fantastic job, and, with the help of Rainbow staff, was able to provide a “three kids per teacher” ratio in the water. Look for our Rainbow alums in future Summer Olympic Games!

Fall brings about many changes, including in enrollment at Rainbow. We are saying good-bye to six kids who are off to kindergarten and one child who is moving to Ohio. Best of luck...they will be missed! But, just as fallen leaves make room for new growth, we are happy to welcome nine new families to Rainbow in September!

If you'd like to get to know these new families and learn about Rainbow's child care

program first hand, Rainbow is extending an invitation to our “Family Nights.” Current and prospective Rainbow families will meet on the second Tuesday of each month, at 5:30 p.m., for dinner at Wok-n-Roll on Baseline and Foothills Parkway. Join us!

We are reaping the benefits of our spring planting day, and you can, too! Just take a peek over the window ledge in the sanctuary and notice our beautiful flowers. Thanks to all who helped! The kids are enjoying watching the many butterflies and other crawly-creatures who frequent the flower beds.

Now, we'd like to beautify OTHER parts of Rainbow. We'd love the help of any church members on our “Fix Up Day,” Saturday, September 27, from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. (FOOD PROVIDED!) Please bring your work gloves, tools, and muscle! Rainbow is located in a part of the church that is about 50 years old, and we could use some help in updating our “digs.” We'll be painting indoor walls, re-finishing furniture and generally sprucing up the place!

Just as you are enjoying the newly-paved church parking lot, we at Rainbow incorporated that into our learning experience. The kids LOVED their “tour” of the work site, getting to see the heavy equipment in action, and talking to the workmen, who were very kind to our inquisitive kids.

At Rainbow, the staff continues to incorporate aspects of everyday life into the learning process. If you'd like to see “Rainbow kids” in action, check out the church's new promotional video. Thanks to Karen Peterson, director of Rainbow, for providing some great action shots of our talented kids! Please feel free to take a copy of the video home, to share with neighbors, friends...anyone you think might benefit from joining our church and Rainbow family.

Have a great fall, and we look forward to your involvement in Rainbow's activities!

September Book Study

Everyone is invited to join Mount Calvary's Book Study group on Monday, September 29, at noon in the all-purpose room to review the

book *Saving Fish from Drowning* by Amy Tan. For more information, contact Katie Harris at (303) 499-6213.

Summer Baptisms

We rejoice in our four summer baptisms. They were:



- ❖ Blake William Lanterman, son of Kendra and Brian Lanterman, on June 8
- ❖ John Lewis Brinkman, son of Emily and Greg Brinkman, on June 29
- ❖ Zachary Michael Adams, son of Marisol and Darrell Adams, on July 3
- ❖ Tristan Samuel Philpott, son of Kate and Romney Philpott, on July 6

In Memoriam

We remember our Mount Calvary saints who died this past spring and summer:

- ❖ Hannah Chamberlin: February 3, 1922–May 14, 2008
- ❖ Al Muklebust: April 26, 1940–May 27, 2008
- ❖ Neala Koth: June 22, 1944–June 1, 2008
- ❖ Dallas Sieckmann: June 10, 1911–June 20, 2008
- ❖ Shirley Grater: November 25, 1927–July 7, 2008
- ❖ Donna Grulke: October 27, 1932–July 12, 2008

Men's Bible Study

The Men's Bible Study is back on their twice-a-month schedule (first and third Thursday of each month). All men are invited to meet at 6:30 a.m. at the La Hacienda Restaurant in Boulder. For more information contact Bruce Hoelter at (303) 673-0444 or Chris Johnson at (303) 494-4867.

Senior Potluck Lunches

Senior lunches are restarting after taking July and August off. All seniors are invited to join the Thursday, September 25, lunch at noon in the Sullivan Room at church. Bring a dish to share and join in good food and good fellowship.

Festival Choir Invites Members

If you love praising God in song in a range of

styles, enjoy the fellowship of a larger ensemble, and have a sense of humor and love to EAT, this is the place for you! Even if you can only sing once a month, or prefer to join for the High Church seasons only, ALL ARE WELCOME. This year Festival Choir rehearsals will be on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary, with our first rehearsal on Tuesday, September 2. The group also has warm-ups/rehearsals Sundays, 9:40–10:15 a.m., between services. The choir will resume musical leadership of the second service on Rally Day Sunday, September 7. If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact our Music Director, Jim Myers, at jmyers@mountcalvary-boulder.org or at (303) 499-1444. This is a non-audition choir open to people of all ages and musical (AND non-musical) backgrounds!

SERVICE

Stephen Ministry Available This Fall

By Tom Moen

Fall is the time when many of our lives seem to get busier. Children are back in school with all the activities that go along with it, things we may have put off doing until fall "when the weather is cooler" need to be done, the church calendar fills up with more activities—choir, Sunday School, Bible Study, Adult Forum, and more.

All of these activities are worthy of our attention, but few of us can do them all and choices need to be made among them. It's easy as Lutherans, and especially as people of Scandinavian descent, to feel guilty if we aren't "doing everything." If you are facing a dilemma about what activities you would like to take part in, whether at church or in other areas of your life, talking to a Stephen Minister might be helpful. We are trained to listen and help you discern what is important for you to be doing in your life. Whether it is a one-time conversation, or continues over time, there are Stephen Ministers ready to be there for you. Also, remember that everything said is confidential.

Please call Jane at (303) 499-1444 or Tom at (303) 423-8058 to have one of our Stephen Ministers talk with you.

Mount Calvary's Tanzania Connection

For about ten years Mount Calvary has been engaged in the fight against HIV/AIDS in Tanzania. We chose two projects, supporting the AIDS Prevention program at Selian Lutheran Hospital in Arusha and assisting orphans at the Lutheran Huruma Centre in Iringa.

The Selian project actually began as a "Climb for the Children," a fund raiser in the late '90s to fight childhood diseases, by donating to a "Climb-A-Thon" on Mount Kilimanjaro. Since that time, funds have been raised by appeal primarily for the AIDS Prevention program as it developed at Selian Hospital.

In each of the recent years Mount Calvary has raised about \$10,000 each year for the Selian effort. A number of trips have been made to Arusha by church members to see firsthand what the situation is on the ground there. Also, Dr. Mark Jacobson, director of Selian, has been to Mount Calvary on occasion to share his stories. In 2006 Mount Calvary initiated a \$5 million U.S. federal grant for hospice care throughout Tanzania. This program is centered at Selian Hospital with a connection at Denver Hospice.

The Huruma story is one of personal support for children at a small Lutheran Orphanage in the southern highlands of Tanzania. We were introduced to Huruma by Dick and Helen Kraft— Dick was teaching for a semester at a nearby university in about 2000.

Church members have visited the centre on three occasions, funding various projects, including the construction of a security wall ringing the facility. Mount Calvary members, during one trip with Holy Love from Denver, built a series of cow pens and pig pens. Mount Calvary members individually purchased cows, pigs, chickens, and ducks to begin a small farm on the three-acre site.

Each year Mama Chilewa, the Huruma Centre director, provides us with a list of the children at the centre (about fifty girls and boys from age 5 through 20). A Mount Calvary family is then assigned to sponsor a child with funds for living and school expenses. While the cost is minimal (\$150 for a young child and \$300 for a teenager), a dollar goes a long way in Tanzania. Our total contribution each year is about \$10,000. Families are also encouraged to develop a connection with

the child through letters and small gifts. Mama Chilewa translates letters since the children's language is Swahili and very little English is spoken.

Our 2009 signup and appeal will be in December. Also, funds during the year are very much appreciated for both projects. God bless you in your efforts.

Yours in Christ's love,
Carl Forsberg, African AIDS Orphans Projects

Two Exciting New Opportunities for Service

By Bill Stange, Church Council Secretary

I think we can all agree that we need to be more effective in communicating at Mount Calvary. To help accomplish this we would like to develop the means to e-mail announcements, special events, the Parish Visitor, etc., to those who might prefer electronic mail versus paper mail. If you would like the opportunity to receive written communication via e-mail, a means will shortly be available to accomplish this. Please look for and read an upcoming *PV* announcement by Dave Gribble that will explain how we will begin the process toward providing electronic communication at Mount Calvary. We are also trying to make the Mount Calvary website more attractive and inviting for both our current members and those who may be looking for a new worship experience. To accomplish this we are looking for individuals who have an IT background/knowledge and who might be interested in assisting with the development and maintenance of the Mount Calvary website. If you are interested please contact Dave Gribble (gribble@vcn.com) for more information about the opportunities that are available. We have a lot of talented individuals at Mount Calvary. Together we can make the Mount Calvary website something we can all take pride in. If you have any general questions regarding these two new opportunities, please call me in the evening (303) 665-2844 or you may e-mail me at home (awmp.stange@comcast.net). Thank you in advance for considering this request and for your assistance.

THANK YOU

For Helping in the Church Office

A mighty thanks to all who helped out in the church office while Jane took a week of vacation! Thanks go to Ruth McCarty Anderson, Melissa Johnson, Jean Friedberg, Bob Martig, Helen House, Nancy Markham, and Ellen Cook.

Thank You to Our PV Collators

Thank you to Bonnie Altman, Ernie and Helen Arndt, Ethel and Charley Pope, Myrt Schwartz, and Nancy Markham for helping print and collate the July/August *Parish Visitor* newsletter. Won't you please sign up on the Response Sheet or at the sign-up table to help with the October newsletter, which will be collated on Tuesday, September 23? Everyone welcome!

Thank You from Our Interim Youth Leader

Surely God is my salvation;
I will trust and not be afraid.
The Lord, the Lord, is my strength and my song;
He has become my salvation.
With joy you will draw water
From the wells of salvation.
In that day you will say:
Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name;
Make known among the nations what he has done,
And proclaim that his name is exalted.
Sing to the Lord, for he has done glorious things;
Let this be known to all the world.
Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion,
For great is the Holy One of Israel among you.
—*Isaiah 12:2-6*

Dear Mount Calvary,

As I leave this wonderful community I take comfort in these awesome words of Isaiah. He had it right! Take joy in the everyday, like when you draw water from the well. I have taken much joy these past few months in the everyday, walking everyday with your youth. Thank



you so much for being so generous with me and sharing your children with me! I have been marked by this place, and will never forget your great kindness. I am just so thankful for all that I am able to take with me from here. A few memories before I go... Watching Ryan Duffy run across the stage at Southern Hills school play and the stuffing falling out of his fat suit (classic); Chris Johnson's unforgettable confirmation class—who knew modern music could be so biblical? Ben and Sam Nielsen at Family Camp singing “I just wanna be a sheep,” but wait, Mom, I don't wanna be a sheep; skiing with David Housewright in Steamboat; watching the sun set at Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp; my first Confirmation lock-in; telling scary stories at the middle school camp-out; Day Camp kids singing the new songs they learned that week in Clifford all the way to the North Boulder Rec. Center; and the rafting trip with the senior high, jumping off twenty-foot cliffs. Thanks for the memories!

Peace,
Amanda



September Birthdays

03	Kenneth Hatland, Roxanne Perkins, Joyce Eastman
04	Karen Nielsen
05	Molly Kirk, Ben Neal
06	Dave Satterley, Gail Gray, Cindy Jones
08	Chris Olson, Christine Labozan
00	Burt Gillan
12	Greg Brinkman
14	Anna Labozan
15	Eileen Johnson
16	Ben Boggs
17	Milt Jones, Susan Stone, Jeff Strobel
18	Claire Cross
20	Joyce Bowlin
23	Jen Merrill, Mike Lavelle
24	Kristin Fitzgerrell, Lora Rennau
25	Joyce Schmidt, Ryan Duffy, Tyus Muklebust
26	Marion Swanson
27	Jeff Olson
28	Cindy Longfellow, Amelia Reeves, Sam Kirk
29	Tom Merrill
30	David Dawson, Tim Vanportfliet

HEALTH NEWS

Flu and Pneumonia Shots 2008

By Linda Hultman

The Parish Health Ministry will once again offer our popular flu vaccination clinic on Sunday, October 12, 2008, between services. The cost will be the same as last year, \$25 for the flu shots and \$40 for pneumonia immunizations. Flu mist vaccine (inhaled) may also be available at a similar price. A registered nurse from the Visiting Nurse Association of Denver will administer the vaccines. Medicare is accepted for both vaccinations. A few private insurances, mostly Medicare supplements, will also be accepted. More information about insurance will be available soon. Children over age 4 can be vaccinated at church; *the parent must be present and sign for the immunization of any child under 18!* Children ages 8 and under need two doses of vaccine the first year they are immunized; we will have information available on where to obtain the second dose.

Influenza, "flu," is a respiratory illness. Symptoms include sudden onset of fever, headache, extreme tiredness, dry cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, and muscle aches. Stomach symptoms can also occur, more commonly in children than adults. *Influenza is not primarily a vomiting and diarrhea disease.* Complications of flu include pneumonia, ear infections, sinus infections, dehydration, and worsening of chronic medical conditions, such as congestive heart failure, asthma, or diabetes.

Flu spreads mainly from person to person through coughs or sneezes of infected people. Touching something with flu viruses on it and then touching one's mouth or nose may sometimes cause infection. Most healthy adults are able to infect others the day before symptoms develop and up to 5 days after becoming sick. That means that you may be able to pass on the flu to someone else before you know you are sick, as well as while you are sick.

The single best way to prevent the flu is to get a flu vaccination each year. This year's vaccine will contain three strains, two type A and one type B; A/Brisbane/59/2007 (H1N1)-like,

A/Brisbane/10/2007 (H3N2)-like, and B/Florida/4/2006-like. These are the strains considered most likely to be present in the US this flu season. Flu vaccines will not protect against flu-like illnesses caused by non-influenza viruses, nor can you get the flu from the vaccine. The minimum age to receive flu vaccine is 6 months. Information on where to get flu shots for younger children will be available.

This year, the CDC recommends that all children up to age 18 be vaccinated against flu. Children typically have the highest attack rates (most likely to get sick) during community outbreaks of influenza and serve as a major source of transmission within communities. Other at risk groups are:

- All children aged 6 months–4 years (59 months)
- All persons aged ≥ 50 years
- Children and adolescents (aged 6 months–18 years) who are receiving long-term aspirin therapy and who might be at risk for experiencing Reye syndrome after influenza virus infection
- Women who will be pregnant during the influenza season
- Adults and children who have chronic lung (including asthma), heart (except hypertension), kidney, liver, blood, or metabolic disorders (including diabetes mellitus)
- Adults and children whose immune systems are suppressed
- Adults and children who have any condition (e.g., developmental delays, spinal cord injuries, seizure disorders, or other neuromuscular disorders) that can compromise breathing or the handling of respiratory secretions or that can increase the risk for aspiration
- Residents of nursing homes and other chronic-care facilities

In addition, all health care workers and contacts of high-risk people should be immunized.

NEW ADDRESSES

Holly and Nick Slater
1606 North Vine St #E
Victoria, TX 77901



Kaisa and Jed Miller
4872 Pine Cone Circle
Middleton, WI 53562

TREASURER'S REPORT

By Gail Strobel, Treasurer

Members of Mount Calvary,
The financial condition of Mount Calvary continues to deteriorate and the council has taken the unusual action of approving a revised budget in August. This is in reaction to several important developments:

1. The parking lot cost exceeds our capital funds available and requires us to borrow additional funds from Thrivent—approximately \$25,000.
2. The Thrivent loan is deemed prudent because we have generated a \$30,000 cash deficit through July of this year, absorbing the \$28,000 emergency fund set up at the end of 2007.
3. Having used many of the available reserves and fund balances, we are very short on cash and have asked some members who normally contribute late in the year and in lump sums to accelerate their contributions. Several members have done so. We recognize this will impact the usual year-end spike in giving.
4. Expenses are below budget, primarily because we planned to have a youth director for the whole year full time. We have part time help now and hope to have a full time person by November (which is what is in the revised budget).
5. You will note that we made no staff reductions and elected instead to cut all the program spending. Council believes we are at a bare-bones staffing level right now.

The budget you see below is still a deficit of \$2000. We are working to keep the 2008 deficit below the amount of surplus generated in 2007. It means incurring additional debt, but we believe that is preferable to a cash crisis impacting our ability to pay staff, utility bills, etc. Note that these cuts mean we will not be giving our usual 10 percent to benevolence; we will spend virtually nothing more on programs (beyond committed purchases) and will not start a week-night worship program.

These cuts are very painful for council to recommend; however, it is our primary responsibility to secure our long-term survival and to do so, we simply must live within our means. Doing even this virtually empties our re-

serves and future ability to absorb deficits. We have operated in deficit for several years and simply cannot continue to do so. We do not want to overreact. Nor do we want to be reckless. While we hope to reach the giving in the forecast, it may be somewhat optimistic. Therefore, we are attempting to steer this middle ground as the fall season ramps up and things hopefully stabilize.

Council is committed to revisiting the budget situation every month as well as any changes in giving that will make action appropriate. The giving that is forecasted is based upon last year's patterns (exclusive of the large spike at year-end). I hope it is achievable. Some additional members may be contacted as we attempt to ascertain what funds we are likely to have to work with.

We ask for your support and understanding as we navigate these difficult financial waters. Your feedback and ideas are always welcome and needed. These are difficult times for Mount Calvary, but we have been here before and our collective work and sacrifice have kept us going forward doing God's work in Boulder and the wider world. Please prayerfully consider what you can do to help us continue to do our ministry and "be a blessing."

Mount Calvary July YTD and full year budget					
	Jan - Jul 08	Budget	\$ Over	2008	2008
Total Income	215,311	255,910	-40,598	438,702	422,000
Expense					
Benevolence	21,531	22,879	-1,347	43,870	36,870
Property	25,046	27,581	-2,535	49,058	37,620
Debt Service	36,426	39,965	-3,539	68,761	64,485
Worship	3,130	9,479	-6,349	16,250	3,675
Youth Ministry	1,400	3,250	-1,850	5,500	2,750
Witness	1,750	3,760	-2,010	5,052	2,235
Learning	864	1,225	-361	2,100	1,437
Support	1,693	1,021	673	2,175	2,525
Admin	10,134	13,675	-3,541	24,598	19,400
Pastor	51,691	52,103	-412	89,360	89,360
Staff	69,076	90,645	-21,569	152,392	125,224
Synod Delegates	915	896	19	896	915
Total Expense	223,657	266,480	-42,823	460,012	386,496
Net Income	-8,345	-10,570	2,225	-21,310	35,504
Principal payments	21,667	21,667		37,603	37,603
Net cash flow/	-30,012	-32,237		-58,913	-2,099

SEPTEMBER WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

		Communion						
		Acolyte	Ushers	Altar Care	Assistants	Sound Board	Lector	Liturgist
September 7	8:00 a.m.		Bradley Ziegler Karl Ziegler	Janet McDaniel	Carolyn Ziegler Jean Hoos	Jim Winkelman		
	10:30 a.m.		Phil McLean Jeff Strobel	Mona Gillan	Katie Rathburn	Kevin Martindale		Laura Bevers
September 14	8:00 a.m.		Al Altman John Meadows	Bonnie Altman	Jane Fisher Brett Woodiel	Brett Woodiel		
	10:30 a.m.		John Bollinger Kevin Martindale	Joyce Bowlin	Janet McDaniel	Jeff Strobel		Hunter McDaniel
September 21	8:00 a.m.		Larry Danielson Jamie Osburn	JR	JR Jim Winkelman	Brett Woodiel		
	10:30 a.m.		Tom McAvinew Buz Rathburn	Martha Stange	Bonnie Mohler	Tom McAvinew		Karen McAvinew
September 28	8:00 a.m.		Peter Dietze Bob Martig	Ethel Pope	Kirsten Lamphere Alice Lamphere	Bob Kelly		
	10:30 a.m.		Arlene Devore Lori FitzRandolph	Myrt Schwartz	Karen Martindale	Kevin Martindale		Rae Ciciora

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SEPTEMBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE	
<p>Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost September 7 Rally Day 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion 9:15 a.m. Coffee Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion</p>	<p>Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 14 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion 9:15 a.m. Coffee Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion</p>
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