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Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 – 11:45 a.m.

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BOARD OF DEACONS

CLASS OF 2010

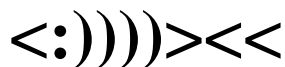
Lisa Ervin	2101 Jefferson Street	753-3635
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CLASS OF 2011

Alan Biggs	913 Wolf Drive	722-2324
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Leeann Murray	2001 Westgate Drive	753-8103
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Tamara Puzzella	3226 N. Pennsylvania Avenue	732-0104

CLASS OF 2012

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Toni Fisher	1899 S. Ridgeview	652-4448
Ken Iles	3212 Crescent	735-0630
Kyle Hall	11 Stoneridge Drive	722-1985
Carol Kelley	810 Walnut Ridge West	722-1235
Ron Myers	5695 W 50 N	753-6375
Beth Workman	89 Heartland Hills	722-9516



FEBRUARY 2010 CONNECTION DEADLINE

January 15, 2010, 9:00 A.M.

Hugs multiply when you give them away.

*Give, and you will receive. You will be given much...the way you
give to others is the way God will give to you. Luke 6:38*

SESSION

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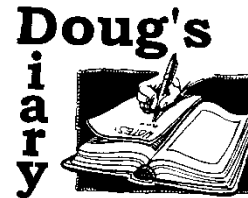
Grover Bishop	417 Montgomery Street	753-3357
Don Hockman	1007 Manorwood Drive	753-8823
Ted Hughes	10 Golfview Drive	753-5990
LaTona McIntyre	460 E Terpstra	753-2805
DeAnn Mankell	3008 Perrysburg Road	737-8204

CLASS OF 2011

Malcolm Bainbridge	2304 Brookwood Drive	753-2033
Shirley Bishop	417 Montgomery Street	753-3357
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Bruce Murray	2001 Westgate Drive	753-8103
Lola Van Dyke	1822 N St Rd 25	753-4688

CLASS OF 2012

Kathy DeWitt	325 Hillcrest	753-3889
Jeff Overway	211 Princeton	732-0841
Sharon Smith	2703 Pottawatomie	561-1840
Terry True	3012 Perrysburg Road	732-0515
Chris Williamson	219 Pontiac Court	722-1237



JANUARY 2010

As you read these words, the year of 2010 has arrived or soon will arrive. The dawn of a New Year reminds me of this experience which William Barclay, the well-known

Biblical scholar, shares in one of his books:

“There is a church in which I sometimes preach which has a very pleasant pastor’s office. It is large and light and airy. It is well-heated and comfortable even on the coldest day. It has a desk at which any person might be proud to work. It has a magnificent wardrobe to hold gowns and coats. It has an armchair and even a couch on which to relax. It has round its walls the pictures of its past ministers and sessions to be an inspiration to the preacher in the present.

But amidst all its splendor there is one thing which this office does not have...it has no wastepaper basket. And that is a real loss. A wastepaper basket is an essential part of life’s equipment. There is an art, and a necessary art, of throwing things away. In life there are certain things for which the wastepaper basket is the only right destination.”

As we begin a New Year as God’s people here at Calvary, I want to suggest that there are some things about the past year which ought to be thrown into the wastepaper basket and forgotten.

For example, we ought to throw into the wastepaper basket our past sins. Those past sins need to be forgotten once and for all! There are some Christians who will not forget sins which they have committed weeks or months or years ago. Even though God has long since forgiven them of these sins, these Christians will not forget them. They continue to think about them and go over them in their minds. They continue to rehearse them and wallow in them. They refuse to throw them in the wastepaper basket. However, that is the only proper destination for our past sins for which God has forgiven us.

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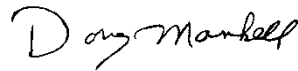
The wastepaper basket is also the proper destination for our past mistakes and defeats. As we look back over the past year, we are acutely aware of the mistakes we have made and the defeats we have experienced. There's no need to keep reminding ourselves of these past mistakes and defeats. Once we have learned the lessons which they can teach us, it is best to throw them into the wastepaper basket rather than dwell upon them continually.

We also ought to throw away our past grievances. I can't imagine a person who has not had his or her feelings hurt or feel he or she has been dealt with unfairly during the past year. Again, let us throw away our past grievances and hurt feelings and put them into the wastepaper basket once and for all.

Throwing things like those mentioned above in the wastepaper basket...that's what Paul was talking about in Philippians 1:13:

"This one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus."

I wish each of you a Happy New Year!!



Douglas M. Mankell



2010 FLOWER CHART

The 2010 flower chart is in the hallway outside the sanctuary door. Please sign up on the date of your choice. List the person being remembered or honored, or the event being honored, along with your name. Send your check of \$25.00 to Calvary Presbyterian Church. The florist will bill the church.



GREAT BANQUET WEEKENDS

An opportunity to renew one's faith is available at the upcoming Great Banquets. The Men's Great Banquet will be February 11-14, 2010. The Women's Great Banquet will be February 18-21, 2010. Anyone interested in attending one of these weekends should contact the church office, 753-0505, for further information. Approximately 55 Calvary members have attended a Great Banquet weekend here at Calvary or at another location.

SPECIAL SESSION MEETING

There will be a special Session meeting on Thursday, January 7, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. in the Library to approve the 2010 budget.



CHANGE OF ADDRESSES:

Carl and Carolyn Penn

1845 N 800 W

Delphi, IN 46923

765-564-3121

Eugene and Jessie Koch

11895 West Stanford Place

Morrison, CO 80465



CALVARY COFFEE HOUR

The Board of Deacons would like your help to continue Coffee Hour treats. Please sign up one Sunday to provide goodies. Ask a friend to help you and each bring five dozen. At least ten dozen is needed for most Sundays. Thank you for your help in providing treats for the Coffee Hour at Calvary.



WORDS FROM JESSICA WIETZKE...

Thank you very much for your warm welcome. I look forward to joining you in January. One of my mother's favorite words is *epiphany*. It is the Greek word meaning "to manifest" or "to show" or "to reveal". She likes how the word sounds melodious and expressive. Since she taught literature, the word often came up as different characters in various literary works experienced epiphanies or revelations, which were important keys for understanding the theme or message of the work.

The term also has great significance in the Christian faith. The twelve days of Christmas after December 25th take us to January 6th, the day we celebrate Epiphany. In most Western churches, it commemorates the coming of the wise men bringing gifts to visit the Christ child, who by so doing "reveal" Jesus to the world as Lord and King. Famous writers and theologians throughout the centuries have also experienced epiphanies. And we as believers in Jesus Christ can also experience epiphanies in ordinary, everyday life as God's word and mystery unfold. Because Jesus, who was revealed over 2,000 years ago, continues to reveal Himself to us. That is why we're on this journey together of learning, growing, and transforming. Epiphany is an evocative word. What does it evoke for you?

Blessings, Jessica



YOUTH NEWS AND VIEWS

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. A new year is a good time to reflect on the year gone by and look forward to the year ahead. We welcome Pastor Jessica and are looking forward to working with her! A big thanks to the youth group for helping with the Thanksgiving baskets and Angel Tree gifts deliveries. It has been such a rewarding experience working with this wonderful youth group. We pray this year will be a year of spiritual growth and bountiful blessings for you!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Some youth events in January include: HPHT on Mondays from 4:00-6:00 p.m., laser tag outing, skating party and movie night. Watch for the Youth Happenings Newsletter for dates and times.

Celebration Choir and Kids Club K-5 will resume Thursday, January 7th from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Jennifer True, Interim Youth Director

REMEMBER SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:45-11:30 SUNDAYS IN
YOUTH ROOM!

WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU THERE!

CALVARY TALENT SHOW & CARRY-IN DINNER



6:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2010

Be sure to put the date on your calendar. Calvary Presbyterian Women and Friends will sponsor a Carry-In Dinner and Talent Show in Bigler Hall to welcome our new Associate Pastor, Jessica Wietzke. The dinner will begin at 6:00 p.m. with the talent show immediately following. We need your participation for the talent. Please contact the Church office or Mary Kay Baar (722-1911) to let us know of your willingness to share your talent with us. Remember, we all have talent, hidden and otherwise.

Please come to our party. There is no charge for this event, but there will be door prizes.



OFFICER INSTALLATION /ORDINATION

New officers will be ordained and installed during the worship service on Sunday, January 10, 2010. Those persons who were elected in December are asked to make a special effort to attend this service so that they may be able to officially begin serving as elders or deacons.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday, January 3, 2010, Communion Sunday

Sunday, January 10, 2010, Ordination/Installation of Church Officers

Sunday, January 31, 2010 Annual Congregational Meeting



ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At a Special Congregational Meeting held on December 13, the following church members were elected to church office:

- Elected as Deacons, Class of 2012
Cheryl Enders
Toni Fisher
Kyle Hall
Ken Iles
Carol Kelley
Ron Myers
Beth Workman
- Elected as Elders, Class of 2012
Kathy DeWitt
Jeff Overway
Sharon Smith
Terry True
Chris Williamson



THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE invites you to come for the removal of the greens on Wednesday, January 6, at 6:00 p.m. Come and help “undecorate” the church of Christmas decorations.

DECEMBER SESSION SOUNDINGS

Business conducted at the December Session meeting includes the following:

- Approved \$400.00 to be taken from Leonard Whiting Music Trust Fund to pay for various Christmas-related music expenses.
- Approved the following elders to continue serving as chairs of 2010 committees: Don Hockman (Mission), Ted Hughes (Stewardship), Tona McIntyre (Christian Education), Malcolm Bainbridge (Maintenance), Grover Bishop (Worship), and DeAnn Mankell (Outreach). Shirley Bishop will be the new Clerk of Session.
- Removed Cherylynn Boyd, John Clapp and Stephanie Crane from active membership rolls.
- Was presented with inspection report of kitchen from Cass County Health Department. The kitchen received a very favorable report with no major violations noted.
- Disbanded the Computer Task Force and approved a church technology sub-committee to function under the Maintenance Committee of the Session.
- Approved new policy to include year-to-date actual income and year-to-date actual expenses in the weekly bulletin.
- Called meeting for Thursday, January 7 to approve 2010 budget.
- Approved Sunday, January 24, for soup and salad Capital Improvement Fundraising dinner
- Expressed appreciation to retiring elders (Craig Blume, Jim Hall, Dex Jones, Darcy Metcalfe, Terrie VanSoest) and to retiring Clerk of Session, Rose Wagoner.

IN THE HOSPITAL OR RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED



Lois Shafer, Arbor Unit, Memorial Hospital, Logansport
Bill Wardlow, Arbor Unit, Memorial Hospital,
Logansport

Dick Sims, Hospital in Florida
Betsey Luey, Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne
Roberta Shaver, Memorial Hospital, Logansport
Rosanna McFatridge, Arbor Unit, Memorial Hospital, Logansport
Jill Rowe, an Indianapolis Hospital
Charlie Burks, Indiana Heart Center, Indianapolis

If you or a loved one enters a hospital, be sure to notify the church so the pastor may come and visit with you. The HIPAA law prevents any institution from notifying the church unless upon request. Please call the church office, 753-0505, to let us know. We will pray for you!

PRAYER NEEDS: call Linnie York, 735-2780. Our Mission Statement is "To praise God and to lift people up in prayer in times of need". We will add each request to the prayer chain with the approval of the person involved.

THANK YOU

Jane would like to thank Calvary church for the visits by some of your members such as Judy Cadwallader, and Doug, of course. She would be glad to see any of you from time to time at Miller's Merry Manor room 217. She continues to be in good spirits and mobile in her wheelchair.

Son, Nathan Sharp

CALVARY MEN'S BIBLE STUDY is held Thursday mornings at 8:00 a.m. They follow the Lectionary Bible Readings each week. All men are welcome to come and join in this study which concludes by 9:00 a.m.



THE CHURCH EXPRESSES ITS SYMPATHY to the families of

...Mary Jane Cabiness and family upon the death of her grandson, Michael Casalini, on November 21. Funeral services were held at All Saints Catholic Church on December 7.

...Katie and Mike Hopkins upon the death of Katie's brother, Dick Hiner, on December 4. Funeral Services were held in Wabash.

...Phyllis Heminger upon the death of her husband, Allan Heminger, on December 6. Funeral services were held at Zimmerman Brothers Funeral Home in Rochester on Thursday, December 10.



PER CAPITA ASSESSMENT

The Per Capita assessment for 2010 is \$32.16. Per capita is used to pay for the administrative costs of operating the denomination. Members are encouraged to use the offering envelope in the 2010 box of envelopes to pay the per capita.



RESULTS OF STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN: As of 12/14/09, 120 pledge cards have been turned in totaling \$ 326,178.00. Of the pledges returned:

- 43 increased
- 6 decreased
- 59 remained the same
- 4 were new pledges

MISSION COMMITTEE NEWS

Peabody Retirement Community is proud of our nearly 80 years of Presbyterian heritage of providing quality care. It is located at North Manchester, Indiana.

Their mission is to provide comprehensive service for older adults and selected services to others with grace, compassion and respect for the dignity of the individuals, their families, and the communities we serve in the name of Jesus Christ.

It takes all of us working together to create a superior quality of life for the people who call Peabody home...We want Peabody Retirement Community to be the best place for residents to live and the best place for employees and volunteers to serve. This means we all must know our job and take pride in doing it well.

Strive to provide high quality accurate work...Manage your time and resources wisely. Be aware of needs, if you see an unmet need find a way to meet it, or find someone who can meet it. Consistently provide care with grace, compassion and respect.

Do the right thing even when no one is looking. The Singing Tower was erected in 1937 by Thomas Peabody as a tribute to the parents' generosity and dedication to service.

The Peabody Entertainers...The Peabody Entertainers were organized in 1998 and present programs in the community and surrounding areas. All members are residents of Peabody except two who are residents of the community and one who is the Peabody Chaplain. The average age of this group is 81. The director is Carol Davis, a retired music teacher and the accompanist is Lois Dickinson

Respectfully submitted, Elizabeth Ferguson Co-opted member of Mission Committee



CHAIRS OF COMMITTEES AND ORGANIZATIONS

Please note that your report on the year 2009 activities and funds should be submitted to the Church office on or before Monday, January 4, 2010. If you would like to send them as an attachment or save them on disk, it will make your report easier to print. If your report is hand written, the date due is December 29. Thank you for your prompt submissions of these reports.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING



Calvary Presbyterian Church's Annual Congregational/Corporation meeting will be held in the sanctuary on Sunday, January 31, 2010. No adult Sunday School classes (including High School) will meet that day. There will be Sunday School for children. The purpose of the meeting will be to receive and approve annual reports, elect non-officer members of the 2010 Nominating Committee, approve the compensation of the pastors and conduct other appropriate business.

Printed 2009 Annual Reports will be available to be picked up on January 29, 2010. Please review the report before coming to the meeting.



ABOUT THE 2010 MOTHERS DAY WEEKEND PLANT SALE

That's right The Presbyterian Women will do a Plant Sale this year. We know that people have gotten lots of wonderful plants and we have been able to fund some serious local mission, so we will do it again. We have lots of good plants that we potted up in 2009 and volunteers will pot up hundreds more.

There are several things you can do to help: You can volunteer. The April weather does not always cooperate, but we have had some wonderful and productive workdays and it is a chance to get back outside after a winter indoors. You can let us thin your garden. Stuff gets overgrown after a while. We have helped people move their gardens to be more what they want and potted up lots of wonderful plants. You can buy some of the plants and tell your friends about the sale. It can be one very busy Saturday morning, but the opportunity to get good plants at very good prices can really help you to develop the garden you want. There will be people at the sale to answer your questions about how to get the best out of the plants we sell.

You can also plan ahead. Let us know if there are specific plants you want, you will be surprised at what we can find. Besides the opportunity to try plants out, some people are looking to plant whole beds. Think about whether that is something you want to do. Three clumps of the same plant can make a scheme that pulls your garden together, but sometimes what it takes is a dozen.

Trees are one of those things that take a lot of planning. We have trees because flowerbeds are just the kind of place that tree seedlings like. We do not mow there, and sometimes we provide fertilizer and extra water. Unfortunately, if we let them grow for too long they can overwhelm the bed. So getting the tree seedlings out of our flowerbeds needs to be done every couple of years. We can pot them up and bring them to the Sale. Little trees are the best way to start up a tree. They recover from transplantation shock much more quickly than bigger trees. You can help them out and get good results even faster. Protect them from wildlife like deer and rabbits and from pets. Protect them from weedeaters and lawnmowers. Water them, especially in the first year. Feed them, after that first year. All this sounds pretty ordinary, but a six foot Oak seedling in my sister's flowerbed put on another six feet of growth in 2009 because she got extraordinary rain through the summer.

THANK YOU

I wish to thank Calvary members for their prayers, cards, and flowers that I received after my two recent surgeries. A special thanks to Rev. Mankell for his visits. I hope to be back in church soon.

In His love, Donna March

Dear Calvary,

Thank you so much for the Harvest Box! The snacks definitely come in handy at night when I'm trying to study. Plus, I always love getting mail ☺. Thank you again!

Sincerely, Natalie Scott

Many thanks to all of our Calvary family who sent cards and who have kept Terrie in prayer since her hospitalization in the fall and subsequent testing. Although we don't have a definitive answer to the cause of her attack, we have ruled out those of serious concern and are hopeful that this was a one-time event. Many Blessings and a Healthy New Year to all of our brothers and sisters in Christ!!!

Brian and Terrie VanSoest

Dear Calvary,

Thank you so much for the monetary donation of \$500.00. We would like to express our deep appreciation for all your help. It is great to have a church like yours in our community and this is greatly appreciated. Thank you so much for your generous spirit. Our Fairview staff and students are fortunate to have you lend this helping hand.

Sincerely Fairview Elementary Staff and Students

THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE would like to thank you for your generous contributions to this year's Giving Tree. The Sunday before Christmas, the youth group delivered numerous gifts to children for local families. In delivering the gifts, we agreed that the need in these households has never been greater than it was this year. The parents were very grateful for our help. If you get a chance, ask the Calvary kids about their experiences that day.

Tona McIntyre, Chair, Mike Hopkins, Marilyn Montgomery, Carol Muehlhausen, Leeann Murray, Jo Reinking, Terrie VanSoest



Look who's having a
Birthday!

Birthdays in
JANUARY 2010

02 John Grant
03 John Wakeland
04 Jean Hunter
05 LaNette Urbin
06 Brad Van Dyke
07 Ann Sims
08 Helen Forgey
08 Kendra Morris
08 Trisha Spencer
09 Carolyn Penn
09 Yonda Darlage
10 Carol Rush
10 Terrie VanSoest
12 Donna March
12 Pat Thieke
13 Carl Penn
16 Susan Melenovsky
18 Janet Ingram
19 Bev Iles
19 Charles Burks

19 David Lamb
20 Milton Cole
21 Willodean McPherson
23 Peggy Rinehart
24 Amy Key
26 Kimmer Graham
26 Miriam Wardlow
26 Ross Crowell
29 Bill Turnpaugh
30 Judy McNarny
30 Katie Hopkins
30 Leota Olson
31 Andrew Muehlhausen



Anniversaries
this
Month

Anniversaries in
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13 Ted and Pat Hughes
17 Malcolm and Judith Bainbridge
21 James and Sue Peterson