

Pastor's Letter

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Hello everyone,

As I write this page, I am preparing to spend the next four days being the Assistant Spiritual Director for the Women's Emmaus Walk. When I walked in 2005, I was tremendously blessed and because I participated, I came home with a clearer idea of what God's plans were for me. This weekend couldn't happen without the many hours put in by many volunteers. In the same way things in the church don't happen without many hours from volunteers. Over the last couple of years, due to covid, we have been a little lax in the official processes that it takes to run this church appropriately. Calvary has been extremely blessed by those who have worked hard to keep things going but it is time for us to get back into a more formal routine of how we do the work of the church. Of course, this means that we need volunteers.

Peter 4:10. Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

As members and friends of Calvary Church we each have a calling to serve in our church. Some may have skills relating to mission, others may have skills in finance, education, teaching, human resources, music, worship design, gardening, carpentry, or many of the other talents God has given to his disciples (yes you are a disciple). Some of you are leaders and some of you are followers. We need you all regardless of your skill level or type of skill. A pastor and a handful of the members and friends cannot do it all.

Ephesians 2:10. 10 For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

In this month's edition of the newsletter, you will find a list of areas in which you may volunteer. Please don't ignore it. In order for Calvary Church to remain a vital part of God's church and this community we need your help. You know that my heart is in mission. I believe that when God called me to be your pastor, he was calling me to a mission. My calling was about more than preaching on Sunday and doing the occasional funeral, wedding, or Baptism. My calling is about being the hands and feet of Christ in many different places and in many different ways. I am very thankful for the talents that God has given me and the places He has guided me into as I use those talents. God has blessed each of you with a variety of gifts and He expects you to use them, if not why did he give them to you?

Please, as you review the list of positions for volunteers, prayerfully consider where you may use your gifts for the building of God's kingdom, for his glory and for his honor. If you would like to talk with me about where you may serve God through Calvary I would be happy to meet with you, have a cup of tea, or coffee and chat.

In Christ's service,
Pastor Lynn