

Connections

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Sunday Services

9:00am Sunday School
10:00am Inner Mission
10:30am Worship Service
(Livestream Available)

Office Hours

Monday through Thursday
9:00am – 3:00pm
Friday
9:00am – 12:00pm

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Please give contact information updates to the church office.

JOIN US!

TRUNK OR TREAT



We are looking forward to reaching out to our friends and neighbors with a fun afternoon of costumes and fellowship on Saturday, October 31 from 1:30pm to 3:30pm at our “Trunk or Treat” event. We will need your help with the following:

- Be a trunk—Park your vehicle, open your “decorated” trunk (optional), and hand out *your* candy. (Please note that the church may be able to supplement your candy supply if necessary.) There will be a best trunk and best costume contest for those participating.
- We need donations of candy or cash to purchase candy and prizes.
- Visit the Welcome Center to drop off your donations and/or reserve your parking spot! For more information, contact Roxann Von Lienen.

YOUTH GROUP BLACK LIGHT PARTY

On Wednesday, October 28 the youth group will be having a black light party! Teens, invite some friends and bring along some of your favorite snacks and drinks to share.





OCTOBER EVENTS

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

A men's Bible study has been meeting in the church library on Tuesday evenings. That Bible study is now meeting at the home of Tom Dries (6820 Boulder Dr NW) at 6:30pm on Tuesdays, and they welcome new attenders! Contact Tom at 509-863-6015 for more information.

MEN'S MINISTRY BREAKFAST AND HIKE

Men, join us for breakfast at Café Saint Pio in Czech Village at 8am on Saturday, October 3. After breakfast we will hike up Mount Trashmore. For more information or to RSVP, contact Shawn Hoy (319-540-1715/hoy2045@gmail.com).

LADIES NIGHT OUT

Ladies, you and your friends are invited to enjoy dinner and fellowship together on Monday, October 5 at 6:30pm at Cheddar's (161 Collins Rd NE). If you plan to attend, please call or text Deb Gaeta at 319-491-7720 or email djgaeta@myctl.net so she will know how many plan to attend. Let Deb know if transportation would be helpful.

POSITIVE IMPRESSIONS

Positive Impressions is scheduled for Saturday, October 10, 10:00am–3:00pm in Room 23/24. If you aren't available for the full 5 hours, don't let that keep you from coming. Your own schedule can determine your arrival and departure times. Invite your friends to join you in working on favorite craft projects. This is an enjoyable and non-threatening way to develop relationships and build bridges in order to make a positive impression for Christ on your unsaved friends and family members. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to Kim Nelson (319-640-9856) and bring a snack or drink to share with the group.

NATIONAL LIFE CHAIN

Make a public, prayerful, peaceful stand for LIFE on Sunday, October 11 from 2:00pm to 3:30pm. Meet at St. Matthew Church parking lot (2310 1st Ave NE) to sign in and pick up signs. A send-off prayer will be shared before participants will go to their assigned blocks. Chairs and strollers are welcome. Pre-registration is preferred to Sherry Johnson (SLJ12146@gmail.com).

QUARTERLY MINISTRY UPDATE

Join us for our Quarterly Ministry Update on Sunday, October 18 at 6:00pm. Members, please come to be informed about reasons to praise the Lord for His gracious work among us as well as opportunities to support, serve, and participate in the ministries of the church. Ministry leaders, please come prepared to share how the Lord has been at work in your areas of ministry and what is planned for the coming months. *The meeting also is expected to include follow-up regarding the previously presented church discipline issue, with the possibility of a vote to terminate membership.*

SALT & PEPPER RETIREES FELLOWSHIP

Retirees will be meeting for lunch in the Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, October 27, at 11:30am. Watch the Sunday bulletins for additional information.

DISCOVERY CLASS

If you want to become a member of Calvary or just want more information about the church, we invite you to attend the Discovery Class on Saturday, November 7, from 9:00am to noon. Please notify the church office if you plan to attend. If childcare would be helpful, let us know, and we will make arrangements to meet that need.



FAMILY FORUM

NOTE OF APPRECIATION

Tyler and I would like to thank everyone who either brought food or provided gift cards during our meal train. All of the food was delicious and so appreciated. Thank you to our church family.

Jenna & Tyler Seamans

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

We offer our condolences to Joe Barger and family on the passing of Joe's sister, Penny Barnts, on September 14.

We offer our condolences to Sarah & Travis Caldwell and family on the passing of Sarah's Mother, Mary Bran, on September 14.

October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 2:00pm GriefShare 2:00pm – 9:00pm Photos for Church Directory	2	3 8:00am Men's Ministry Breakfast and Mt Trashmore Hike
4 9:00am Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes 10:00am Inner Mission 10:30am Worship Service (Communion) 6:00pm Sonshine Singers 6:00pm Ministry Training/ Teen Girls & Guys Groups	5 6:30pm Ladies Night Out	6 6:30am Elders Meeting 9:15am MUMs 6:30pm Men's Bible Study	7 9:00am Staff Prayer 6:30pm AWANA 6:30pm Youth Group 6:30pm Adult Bible Study & Prayer	8 2:00pm GriefShare	9	10 10:00am–3:00pm Positive Impressions
11 9:00am Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes 10:00am Inner Mission 10:30am Worship Service 2:00pm National Life Chain 4:30pm Choir Rehearsal 6:00pm Sonshine Singers 6:00pm Ministry Training/ Teen Girls & Guys Groups	12 6:30pm Fellowship Ministry Team Meeting	13 6:30am Elders Meeting 9:15am MUMs Leadership Meeting 6:30pm Men's Bible Study 7:00pm Trustee Committee and Missions Ministry Team Meetings	14 9:00am Staff Prayer 6:30pm AWANA 6:30pm Youth Group 6:30pm Adult Bible Study & Prayer	15 2:00pm GriefShare 6:30pm Deacon/Deaconess Committee Meeting	16	17
18 9:00am Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes 10:00am Inner Mission 10:30am Worship Service 4:30pm Choir Rehearsal 6:00pm Sonshine Singers 6:00pm Teen Girls & Guys Groups 6:00pm Quarterly Ministry Update	19	20 6:30am Elders Meeting 9:15am MUMs 6:30pm Men's Bible Study	21 9:00am Staff Prayer 6:30pm AWANA 6:30pm Youth Group 6:30pm Adult Bible Study & Prayer	22 2:00pm GriefShare	23	24
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October Birthdays

1 Andrew French	9 Anna Howard	Brooks Tower	21 Sophie Tokpa
Rachel Truitt	12 Carol Allen	17 Walter Rich	22 Steve LeMont
3 Susan Roberts	Maren Bourne	Linda Setzer	25 Jan Tower
5 Janna Murra	13 Judy Fields	19 Jace Bourne	Paul Langholz
8 Brenda Enfield	Sarah Caldwell	20 Levi Hanna	26 Hola Assogba
Kate Howard	14 Laurel Langholz	Lisa Powell	27 Rock-Ryan St Fleur
John Howard	15 James Stober	Bethe-Sabie St Fleur	28 Jackson Hagemeier

PLANT A CHURCH TOGETHER (PACT) 2026

October at Calvary means it's time for a special missions project that we call Plant A Church Together (PACT). Our PACT offering this year will help provide a village in the Deep Forest region of Rajahmundry, India with a permanent church building where believers can gather, worship, grow in their faith, and reach their communities with the love of Christ. It will also help provide a safe and stable home for a pastor, in order to continue to faithfully serve the villages God has called him to serve for years to come. God is transforming communities in the Deep Forest of India through local churches and the pastors who faithfully lead them. This project is through our missionary partners Joe & Monica Steffek with Children's Relief International. Children's Relief International is a network of passionate people on mission to share the light of Christ with the poor of our time in Word and deed. Learn more about CRI's work at childrensrelief.org.

To give, please mark your offering envelope "PACT" or select PACT for the fund when giving electronically through the church website or Breeze app, or text the amount + PACT (like "\$25 PACT") to 319-255-2527.

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October MUMs Special Events

Thursday, October 22

Niabi Zoo at 10:00am

13010 Buysee Dr, Coal Valley, IL

Admission is free

Parking and other attractions not included

Tuesday, October 27

Prayer Walk at 10:30am

Mount Trashmore: 2250 A St SW, Cedar Rapids

Fall Festival at 6:00pm

Moms only Fall Festival with chili/pie bake-off

MUMs is open to moms of
kids ages 18 & under and
meets every 1st and 3rd
Tuesday of the month
from 9:15am to 11:15am
(Registration begins at 9:00am)