

CALVARY *Communicator*



CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH, READING, PA

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“I didn’t know that!? How come no one said anything?”

Communication can be a daunting task in our fast-paced world. Pastor Russ once asked folks how they would most like to receive church information. There were almost as many responses as there were people.

Some of us love the freedom of email. Others like the bulletin. A few said phone calls were the best way to reach them. Announcements are a great way to communicate with some, while the church website can reach folks we haven’t yet met.

Obviously, every piece of information can’t be communicated using every medium every time.

As an additional form of communication, Calvary is trialing a monthly **electronic**

newsletter, rather than adding the cost of a full color printed newsletter.

Ideally, the newsletter will be published on the first of every month. The newsletter will be housed on the church’s website, and a link sent out each month to those on the church email grouping.

The goal of the newsletter is to provide a forum for more in-depth communication than is possible in a brief announcement or a bulletin insert.

Ministries can use the newsletter to promote upcoming events. The congregation can use it to share a personal testimony of what God is doing in their lives. Folks interested in attending our church can read it to get a better sense of who we are.

The newsletter can also include ‘classifieds’ - help wanted for various ministries, ‘items wanted’ for VBS, etc.

The submission deadline for each issue will be the 23rd of the month before.

Any articles, suggestions, etc. should be forwarded to Barb Moyer at Thomasfamily34@verizon.net or by emailing the information to the church office at calvary-baptist.reading@verizon.net. We look forward to your feedback.



“THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED WITH THE BLOCK PARTY BY VOLUNTEERING, BRINGING FOOD, DONATING ITEMS AND ATTENDING! WE HAD A BLAST AND GOT TO KNOW A FEW NEW FACES FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD!”

Time capsule items suffered from dehydration



Pastor Russ, Rod Moyer and Laura Kilpatrick remove the copper box time capsule from the safe.

People weren’t the only ones suffering from dehydration this summer.

The tightly rolled documents from the time capsule, opened at the 100th anniversary celebration needed to be rehydrated, according to the staff at the historical society.

Bill and Laura Kilpatrick took the documents to the Historical Society in mid-August for a few days. Moisture was slowly added into the container holding the papers, so they could be safely unfurled.

Laura said, “The 13 rolled pages contain the names

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Kim Richards, Berks County Historical Society, with some of the church documents.

THERE'S A PRINTED "BULLETIN" FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1909, THE DATE OF THE CORNERSTONE CEREMONY"

of officers, teachers, and scholars of the Baptist Sunday School, Millmont, on November 1909. Some of the names are familiar to me. In fact, my Aunt Dorothy Border Keenan was related to some of those listed. She was married to my mother's brother Paul Keenan."

"There are three handwritten papers telling the story of the Sunday School meeting in the school, the fire, the meeting in the home of Hester Adams, the building of the frame meeting house facing Ivy Street, and then the laying of the cornerstone. "

"Two papers list the names of the Board of City Missions of the First Baptist Church, November 1909, and the Building Committee of the Millmont Mission of the First Baptist Church."

There's a single page listing



First Baptist Church of Reading, shown here, formed five mission Sunday Schools, including what became Calvary Baptist Church.

the names of members of Millmont Sunday School during 1902. Six of the people are from the March family, and the other two have the name Nicrolai -- apparently only 8 members in 1902."

"There's a printed "bulletin" for Sunday, November 14, 1909, the date of the cor-

nerstone ceremony, that is printed on two sides. The outside of the bulletin shows a picture of First Baptist Church and mentions that it was organized in 1828. It's an interesting piece."

"There is also a small 26 page "Church Manual" containing the Declaration of Faith, Covenant and Rules of Order of the First Baptist Church of Reading, PA. The date inside the manual is 1894. "

"In 2008, the Historical Society's library moved into a newly-renovated, former bank building on the north-west corner of Centre Avenue and Spring Street - directly across from the Historical Society. That building is called The Henry Janssen Library."

Copies of all the documents were shared with First Baptist Church, and discussion is being held as to the best way to display the pieces.



These tightly rolled documents were in mint condition, even after 100 years in the cornerstone.



Left to right: Angie Hemmig, Kim Richards, Sarah Hemmig, Lisa Kilpatrick, and Elisabeth Hemmig looking at the unrolled documents at the Historical Society.

CLASSIFIEDS

Help Wanted

LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD MEN

We are looking for men to volunteer at The Link on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 pm - 8 pm, two or three days a month.

Volunteers will spend time with teens from the community, shoot baskets, play pool, throw footballs, etc., and build relationships, while also ensuring the building stays maintained on "Drop In" nights. Interested parties should contact Terri Snook or Monty Walls, or contact The Link at 610-372-7310.

CAR SHOW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Gene Stratton needs the following volunteers for the car show at The Link, September 11, 9 am to 2 pm:

- 7 people to park cars
- 3 people to help with registration

Please contact Gene Stratton at 484-764-7157.

BEGINNER & PRIMARY CHURCH HELPERS

Teen and adult helpers and teachers (teachers must be members) wanted for Beginner Church and Primary Church. Beginners are pre-school & kindergarten. Primary Church is 1st through 4th grades. Interested parties should contact Sandy Guinther or the church office.

FACEBOOK MAINTENANCE

Volunteers Needed to develop/maintain the LINK Facebook page. Please

sign-up on the contact sheet in the bulletin, on the sign-up sheet on the Link Center shelf in the multipurpose room, or email Dani at dmotze@thelinkcenter.org

Items Needed

USE YOUR BAKING SKILLS

The Link Center is having a Classic Car Show, Saturday, Sept 11, 10 am to 2 pm. We are planning to give out free coffee that morning, but sell baked goods.

To donate baked goods, please contact Fay Heckler at 610-375-3598 or by email at shs1951@windstream.net.

We greatly appreciate your donation.

FOR THE LINK CENTER

Toy cars, all sizes, both old or newly purchased and still in the package, outdoor potted plants.

What's happening?

ADULT AS A SECOND LANGUAGE?

Attention ALL moms of ALL ages: are you interested in getting together with other moms for fellowship, encouragement, and prayer on a weekly basis? Would you be interested in working in the nursery on a rotational basis to allow other moms to fellowship? Would you be interested in leading such a group? If so, please contact April Manno at

Aprilmanno@yahoo.com.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY'S EVERYBODY'S BIRTHDAY PARTY!

September 17, 6:30 pm, in the multipurpose Room

Join us as we kick off our new year of events with Women's Ministry. Help us celebrate all our birthdays with cake and fellowship. We hope to see you there!

TUESDAY NIGHT WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

will begin on October 5th, 6:30 - 8:30 pm at the home of Helen Johnson, 167 Miller Drive, Sinking Spring. We will be doing a Kay Arthur Inductive Study, "Living With Discernment in the End Times," a study of I and II Peter and Jude. For more information, contact Dorothy Steck at 610-678-4069.

DINNER AT THE CAR SHOW

Tickets for Big John's Chicken dinners are on sale now for the Car Show on September 11 - the dinners will be available from 11 am to 1 pm that day. The tickets include 1/2 chicken, potato, roll and applesauce. Tickets are \$7.50 each, and may be ordered during Connection Time at the Link's kiosk, or from Terri Snook anytime.

MEN'S FRISBEE GOLF TOURNAMENT

Angelica Creek Park
October 3, 1:00 pm. Sign up your team of four by September 26.

timothykoller@gmail.com
or 610-372-7640



"WE KEPT AT IT,
REPAIRING AND
REBUILDING ...
BECAUSE THE
PEOPLE HAD A
HEART FOR THE
WORK."

NEHEMIAH 4:6
THE MESSAGE



Join us for snacks during Connection Time, 10:45 Sunday morning, between Sunday School and church.

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Welcome to Calvary

The entire Church Family welcomes you to Calvary Baptist Church. Our desire is to minister to you and your family so that you can discover a living, loving God who wants to touch your life.

Our vision is that we would be connecting people with Christ, building disciples who follow Christ, and cultivating leaders who walk as Christ. Whether it is through the preaching of the Word, the study of the Word, or the interaction with fellow believers, our purpose is to glorify God while being obedient to His commands. We see our mission as making disciples who make disciples. We invite you to join with us as we follow God

and seek to make an impact in our community for Him!

Through missions at Calvary Baptist, we seek to lift up God's glory among the nations, bringing more and more people to saving faith in Jesus locally and around the world.

We support ministries through short term projects, and career missionaries among least-reached peoples, primarily doing church planting.

We pray for our missionaries, provide mission education throughout the congregation, trust God to meet our financial needs, and challenge our own members to be involved in world missions.

The Link Center



The Link Center
201 Noble Street
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610-372-7310

The Link Center is a non-profit 501(c)(3). We desire to be a force to provide a Christian influence and strengthen and maintain wholesome family values. You are welcome to become part of The Link Center membership, making

a difference in our community.

Our Mission

The Center exists to provide a central, safe, inviting and open gathering point for the Reading community to engage in activities that encourage relationship building while responding to recognized community needs.

Core Values

Dependency - Fully dependent upon God for direction and resources. Fully committed to prayer as the motor for ascertaining direction and acquiring resources.

Unity in Diversity - Differences serve to enrich dialogue, discussion and perspective. These differences will be met with acceptance and understanding.

Integrity - In both word and deed in the Reading/Berks Community

Urgency - Immediacy and urgency of our call to reach our community

Servanthood - "Just as Jesus Christ did not come to be served, but to serve..."

Belonging - Promote a sense of community and belonging.

Facilities

The Link offers an assortment of air conditioned facilities to assist individuals, families, schools and businesses in servicing their meeting, party, and conference interests. Tables and chairs to seat 300 are available. Alcoholic beverages are not permitted on The Link Center grounds.