



CALVARY FAMILY NEWS

The Worst Surprise Ever!

This is a little late but please roll with me on this.

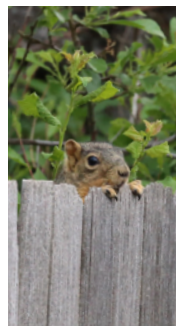
It is really hard to surprise someone when they are involved in just about everything. Tamera Pierce has volunteered her time, effort, and love for the body of Christ as the Church Office Administrator for almost seven years now. April 24th is (or was by the time you read this) Administrative Assistant's Day and the leadership has decided that it would be wonderful if our church family all pitched in to surprise her with a new computer for the office (The current one is old and decides to get rather wonky sometimes).

Here's the problem: every avenue we have to get the word out about goes through her (she'll be the first one to read this article) so the surprise factor is already kinda gone. But even though she knows about it we are still gonna do it. The plan is that for the next two Sundays, April 28th and May 5th (and any time in between) we will be accepting contributions for this "surprise" project. Just put "computer" on the memo line of your check or put it in an envelope. We will take all the contributions and have our resident computer expert help us find one that will be just right. It will be a great way to say "We appreciate you."

Serving Him,

Pastor Karl

P.S. Thank you Tamera, for all you do!



Yes I was Very Surprised and Humbled when reading Karls letter for the newsletter to see a new computer to use in the office is in the works. Thank you. And I appreciate you folks allowing me to service in the church office, and be able to visit with and hear from folks I would not otherwise be in contact with. Thank you very much.

Tamera Pierce

***How lovely is Your dwelling place,
O LORD of hosts!
My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the
LORD;
My heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God...
Blessed are those who dwell in Your house,
ever singing Your praise! (Psalm 84:1-4)***

Why is the dwelling place of God so attractive? Its appeal comes from the fact that the Lord is there.

Where does God dwell today? Because God is omnipresent and omniscient, we can approach Him through Christ wherever we are.

The Bible is clear that Christ is present in a special way when His people gather to worship Him. In other words, the Lord's dwelling place is with His church. Jesus said,

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am among them" (Matt. 18:20).

John Calvin knew this, and he knew that it applied to the church. He wrote, "Those who desire Christ's presence will meet in his name." Conversely. "Whoever either neglects the sacred assemblies or separates himself from his brethren... demonstrates by this fact that he cares nothing for Christ's presence."

Do you love Christ's presence? Then meet to worship Him with His church.

We should long to be present with the Lord in His house. May that longing for His dwelling place cause us to commit ourselves to the place where His Spirit dwells in the church of Jesus Christ.

(Submitted From Table Talk article by Dr. Jonathan L. Master by Forrest Schroeder)



May Birthdays

- 5 Kevin Hays
- 9 Sue Schroeder
- 11 Crystal Pierce
Kelli Wright
Keith Miles
- 16 Cleta Sword
- 28 Beulah Shumway

**Men's
Round up at
Camp Tadmor
September 6-8th
Contact with Dennis or Karl
for more details and to
coordinate lodging,
Spots fill up fast and
registration has
begun!**



All Church Breakfast and Workday



For our annual workday, we had a great turnout of 17 folks. We started with a delicious and plentiful breakfast of bacon, scrambled eggs, cornbread, and croissants, with coffee.

(And yes, you could have come and joined us, whether you stayed or had other things to do.)

Many things were accomplished but I did not get pictures of work in progress, but did some of the completed work that the crew tackled.

Outside, the lawn was sprayed of weeds, the trees were trimmed over the sidewalk and street, weeding was done in flowerbeds and around shrubs, and the entryway steps, sidewalks, and walls were swept of dust and cobwebs.

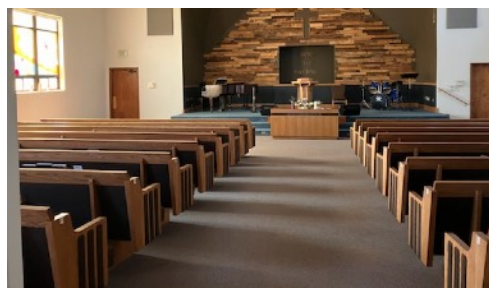
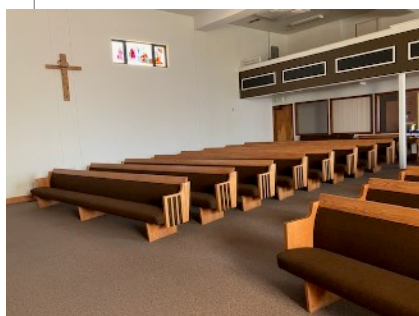


Inside, the sanctuary received spring cleaning-dusting and deep vacuuming, the kitchen underwent a deep clean and replace a light fixture to make it really nice and bright in there and really shows off the cleaning, the food pantry was organized and gone through, a new conversation area was enhanced in the old youth room behind the sanctuary with another couch from the children's church area, and a few other rooms were organized and spruced up.

There were probably other things that happened that I did not see while I was working as well.

Before we had the cleanup day, the lawn was mowed and edged by some teens, and after the homeschooler will be cleaning the carpets as an extra thank you for us!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 9am Adult Sunday School 10a Worship Children's Church & Nursery	29 5:30pm Youth Group 6pm Men's Bible Study 6pm Ladies' Bible Study	30 10:00-11 am Ladies Bible Study in Browning Hall	1 11a-Noon Ladies Lunchtime Bible Study @ Yvonne's 5:30p Dinner & Prayer	2 5:00-6:00 pm Community Dinner: ** 6:00pm Celebrate Recovery	3 9am Ladies First Friday Breakfast at Truck Corral	4 
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