

## The Caller

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## A New Heart

Bypass. Transplant. New Heart.

Ezekiel 36:26 "A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you."

When I think of the number of men and women I have ministered to with heart conditions, my mind is boggled. Mostly by the fact that their bypasses, transplants, pacemakers and angioplasties were successful and bought them years of life after the procedure. Modern cardiology is a gift of God.



But new hearts aren't free. They come at a price. And not just the financial cost of surgery. Before surgery, bad hearts can wear a body down—making the patient gasp for air, slow her gate, or curtail her activity altogether. Every part of the body that the heart feeds blood is deprived. When the heart is dying, the whole person suffers.

After surgery, the patient may wonder what he has subjected himself to. Whether the supposed benefits he will see are worth the pain of the

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#### **Important Dates**

Coming Together Service Sunday, November 6th 10:00 A.M.

**Healthy Relationships Couples Retreat**Saturday, November 19th

#### From Pastor Lori, continued...

incisions, the shortness of breath, and the labor of walking the halls of the hospital. And that's just two days after the procedure. Then comes the rehab, with physical and occupational therapy, the exercise regime and the heart-healthy diet. New hearts are an investment. An investment in life. An investment in a future.

# A new heart is an investment in the future.

So when we hear Ezekiel declare God's intent: "A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you," we can be sure that God has no illusions about the work he proposes. God knows that when his people need a new heart, they have been taking the old heart for granted. Abusing it, misusing it, testing its limits, or skipping the medication that might help. God knows that the patient he is performing the procedure on is worn down, discouraged, fatigued by life. And God chooses to give the new heart despite the patient's past.

But once that new heart is transplanted, oh the wonders it performs. A new heart creates the opportunity for a man to have years of loving his family, working to support them, serving others' needs. A bypass makes the difference between a sedentary life, and a fulfilling, purposeful existence. Ask Marshia, or John, or any number of other Calvary folks, if you need proof. So why use this language to talk about Stewardship? Well, perhaps we should first reiterate the meaning of the word stewardship: "Stewardship is everything we do after we say, 'I believe."' If we try do the stuff of faith without a new heart, we are like the heart patient living on borrowed time: We are short of breath, and taxed for energy. (Maybe that's why Ezekiel uses the words "heart" and "spirit" almost interchangeably—because the heart actually allows the body to be "in-spired," oxygenated, and able to function.) But, with a new heart, the future is open. Not unencumbered, but healthy, and available.

That is what happens with us as the church at Calvary. God puts a new heart within us—to do ministry and to support that ministry with our money. God's heart procedure (giving us a heart for Christ, and so also for the world), means that, as individuals and as a community, we have a healthy, open, and available future.

In this new stewardship season, may our hearts beat in rhythm with Christ.

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Pastor Lori Cornell

## **Outreach**

## November Red Wagon: Operation Christmas Child

Calvary has sponsored Operation Christmas Child as our November Red Wagon focus for many years.

Our "kick off" for this mission was held on Sunday,
October 23rd. Instructions will be available for you in
the Narthex and outside the Great Room following worship
services. The filled shoe boxes will be presented at the
altar on Sunday, November 13th. Pastor Lori will give a
blessing over them and then they will be prepared for
delivery to the Operation Christmas Child "depot" in Federal Way.



This is a brief outline of the process:

- 1. Wrap an empty shoebox. (Wrap the lid separately.)
- 2. Select a boy or girl and an age category. (Labels are on the brochure.)
- 3. Fill shoe box with gifts, such as school supplies, toys, and/or hygiene items.
- 4. Include a \$7.00 check made out to Samaritan's Purse with "OCC" on the memo line. (Note: You may also pay the \$7.00 online at: <a href="http://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/follow-your-box">http://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/follow-your-box</a>. You will then receive a printable barcode to include in your shoe box. When you pay online, you can track your shoe box and see where it ends up!)

More detailed information is available at the website: <a href="http://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/pack-a-shoe-box/">http://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/pack-a-shoe-box/</a>. Information available online includes ideas about what to pack in your shoe box and more.



There is a display in the narthex with shoeboxes and instructions. Pre-wrapped shoeboxes must have the lid wrapped separately and a rubber band works well to keep it secure. The boxes will be inspected before they are sent, so please keep the contents accessible.

If you are unable to attend on Sunday, November 15th, completed shoe boxes can be dropped off in the church office by Monday, November 16th to be included in Calvary's delivery to the Federal Way OCC "depot."

Thank you for considering making a child feel loved and providing hope!

Blessings to You All,

Marcly Curtis

## **Reach Out Shelter**

#### 2016-2017 Reach Out Men's Homeless Shelter Site



The Reach Out Men's Shelter will be moving to Calvary on Monday, December 26th.

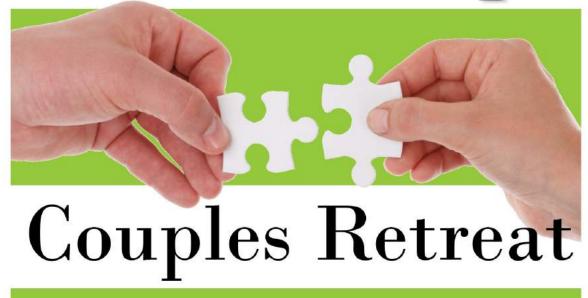
It is anticipated that the shelter will be full. They will be at Calvary until Sunday, February 26th, 2017. During their stay, Calvary is committed to providing a supervisor each evening for 9 weeks, plus providing meals for 2 weeks (January 2nd—15th).

How you can help:

- 1. Act as church supervisor. This is the person with the key who will let in the meal teams and the overnight supervisor from Catholic Community Services. They also will show the meal teams where to set out their meal and make sure lunches and sandwiches are ready for the next day. We hope to have enough folks so that no one serves more than 1 night each week. Already there are some who would like to serve every week and others who would like to do only 4 or 5 of the 9 weeks but we still need more.
- 2. Make & serve a hot dinner. We are responsible for dinners only for 2 weeks this year (January 2nd—15th). Marj Hause will be coordinating the meals so if you want to be part of a meal team, just let her know: <a href="marjhause@gmail.com">marjhause@gmail.com</a>. The meals need to arrive at the church by 8:30 P.M., to be served about 8:45 P.M. Clean up should be done by 9:30 P.M.
- 3. **Pack sack lunches** (2 weeks' worth). We will be packing lunches on Sunday, January 8th, in the room over the kitchen between services.
- 4. **Purchase supplies.** The shopper will buy non-perishable items for sack lunches plus meat and cheese for sandwiches, milk & juice for dinner & breakfast, plus cereal. A shopping list will be provided.

The sign-up chart will be in the Lobby on Sunday, November 13th, so check your calendar and sign up for what you'd like to do. Any questions? Contact Suzanne Higgins, e-mail: <a href="https://higginsjs@comcast.net">higginsjs@comcast.net</a> or phone: 253.395.8722.

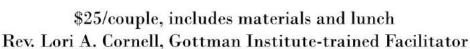
# Healthy Relationships



Saturday, November 19th

9:00 A.M.—4:00 P.M.

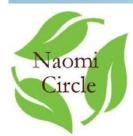
Calvary Lutheran Church 2415 S. 320th Street Federal Way, WA 98003



Register at www.calvaryfw.org/couples-retreat or call Calvary at 253.839.0344.

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### Women's Ministries



#### Naomi Circle

Saturday, November 5th 10:00 A.M. Marj Hause's Home 102 S. 325th Place Federal Way 98003

Contact: Madeline Yamada



#### LWR Quilters Group

Monday, November 14th 10:00 A.M. in LC #1

Contacts: Corky Black & Madeline Yamada



#### Prayer Shawl Group

Ministry Monday, November 7th

Contact: Deanna Kaasa

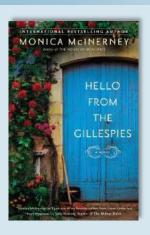


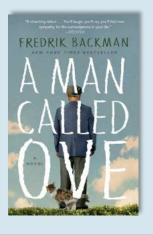
#### Lunch Bunch

Thursday, November 17th 11:30 A.M.

Contact: Mary Helen Amberson

### **Book Clubs**





#### **Book Club**

The Book Club is open to men and women interested in exploring literature together. Visitors interested in discussing a particular book or wanting to join are always welcome!

Monday, November 28th at 7:00 P.M. in the Library. October's featured book is <u>Hello From the Gillespies</u> by Monica McInerney. Led by Waverly Hagen.

Next meeting will be held on January 23rd, 2017.

Contact: Gail Pierson

#### Men's Book Club

Men's Book Club meets the second Thursday of each month at 1:30 P.M. IN LC #2.

They meet next on Thursday, November 10th to discuss <u>A Man</u> <u>Called Ove'</u> by Fredrik Backman.

The December gathering will be held on Thursday, December 8th to discuss <u>To the Last Man: A Novel of the First World War</u> by Jeff Shaara.

A year end banquet will be held at the Twin Lakes Country Club on Friday, December 2nd at 6:00 P.M.

## **Bible Studies**

### **Sunday Forum**

Sundays at 10:00 A.M. in the Social Hall See page 8 for Sunday Forum topics in November.

### Tuesday Bible Study

Tuesdays at 10:00 A.M. in LC #1 Current Study: The Gospel of Luke November Dates: 11/1, 11/8, 11/29

Led by Pastor Lori Cornell or Intern Pastor Jake Schumacher.

#### Midweek Bible Study

Wednesdays at 10:00 A.M. in Pastor Lori's Office. Each week, we discuss the Scriptures for the upcoming Sunday and explore how they apply to our lives today.

November Dates: 11/2, 11/9

Led by Pastor Lori Cornell or Intern Pastor Jake Schumacher.

#### Wednesday Evening Bible Study

Wednesdays at 7:00 P.M. in LC #1 Current Series: Faith Practices November Dates: 11/2, 11/9 Led by Pastor Lori Cornell.

#### **Advent Studies**

See page 11 for more information.

Dates: 11/30, 12/7, 12/14, 12/21

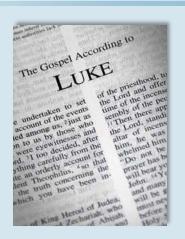
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#### Men's Bible Study

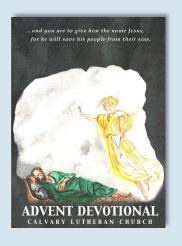
Thursdays at 8:00 A.M.

The first Thursday of the month (11/3), they will meet at Poverty Bay Café, 1108 S. 322nd Place, Federal Way 98003. On 11/10 and 11/17, they will meet in LC #2. (There will be no study on November 24th for Thanksgiving.) The men recently began a new from The Great Courses, *Apocalypse: Controversies and Meaning Western History*.

Led by Bill Johnson.









## **Sundays in November**

#### Sunday, November 6th

Daylight Savings Ends!

- All Saints Sunday
- Stewardship Sunday
- Sunday Forum: Being Lutheran and Gay with Kyle Franklin
   9:00 A.M. in the Social Hall
   (Note: No Lattes & Conversations or Learning in Motion)
- Coming Together Service including observation of All Saints' Sunday and the Confirmation of Nevada Paris
   10:00 A.M. in the Sanctuary
- ◆ **Stewardship Luncheon & Celebration** with Autumn Pies Contest (see p. 9) 11:30 A.M. in the Social Hall



#### Sunday, November 13th

- Red Wagon Sunday: Operation Christmas Child collection
- Sunday Forum: Physical Ability and the Church with a local veteran

9:00 A.M. in the Social Hall

#### Sunday, November 20th

 Sunday Forum: God Loves Immigrants with Mary and Patrick September
 9:00 A.M. in the Social Hall

#### Sunday, November 27th

◆ Sunday Forum: *Intro to Advent* - all ages 9:00 A.M. in the Social Hall

## Sunday, November 6th



## STEWARDSHIP 2016-7



Check out this pie and other amazing
works of food art at
<a href="http://www.boredpanda.com/">http://www.boredpanda.com/</a>
beautiful-pie-art/

On Sunday, November 6th, the day begins an hour later with the end of **Daylight Savings**.

Sunday **Forum** will be held at 9:00 A.M. You are encouraged to attend a presentation on *Being Lutheran and Gay* with Calvary Council Member Kyle Franklin.

There will be no Lattes & Conversations or Learning in Motion.

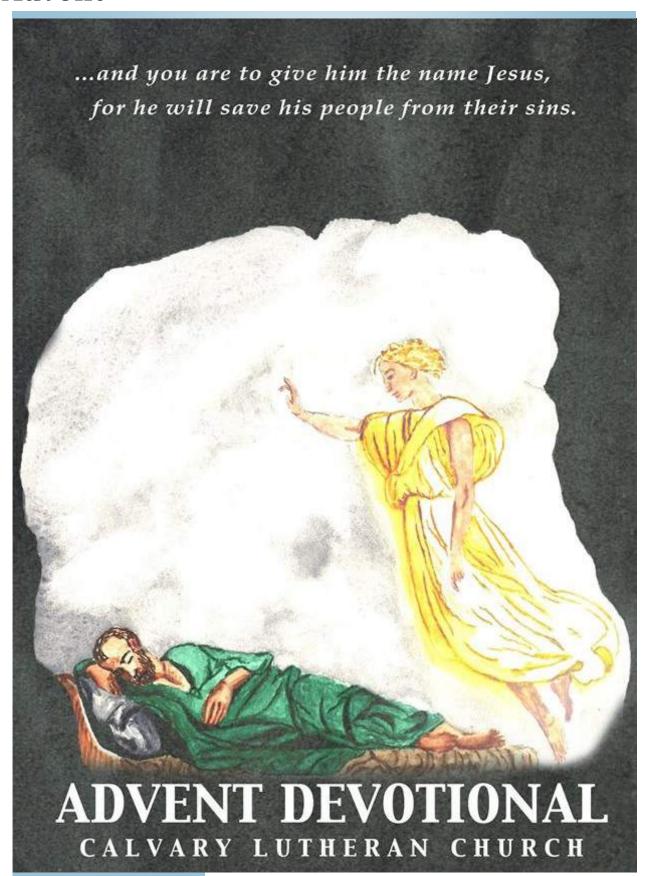
At 10:00 A.M., we'll gather in the Sanctuary for a **Coming Together Service**. During the Service, we will observe **All Saints Day**, as well as **Confirm Nevada Paris**.

It is **Stewardship Sunday**. Please bring your **Annual Giving Pledge Card** with you to the service.

Following the Coming Together Service, we will move to the Social Hall for a **Stewardship Potluck** & **Celebration**.

In addition to the potluck, we will have an **autumn pies contest**. Our teens will be judging who will choose the recipients of our amazing prizes!

## **Advent**



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#### Advent Introduction

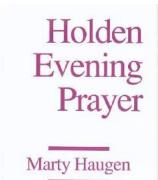
The Advent Season will 'kick off' on **Sunday, November 27th at 10:00 A.M.** in the Social Hall. Everyone is encouraged to attend!

Pastor Lori Cornell and Intern Pastor Jake Schumacher will introduce this year's Advent Theme, *Dreams*, and you'll receive your copy of the Advent Daily Devotional.



#### Advent Soup & Study begins on Wednesday, November 30th.

We're mixing things up a bit! Advent Soup & Study will be held on Wednesdays at 12:00 P.M. (Noon) during Advent. This will be in lieu of Midweek Bible Study. Come enjoy a meal and a conversation regarding the Advent Scriptures. Sign-up sheets to bring soup and bread will be available mid-November. Dates: 11/30, 12/7, 12/14, and 12/21.



#### Advent Evening Worship begins on Wednesday, November

**30th.** A Holden Evening Prayer service will be held Wednesdays at 7:00 P.M. during Advent. Dates: 11/30, 12/7, 12/14, and 12/21



#### Christmas Cantata

Calvary's Choir will perform *A New Birth, A New Beginning*, composed by John Purifoy, on Sunday, December 18th at a special 10:00 A.M. worship service in the Sanctuary.

Cantata Dress Rehearsal will be held on Saturday, December 17th at 10:00 A.M.

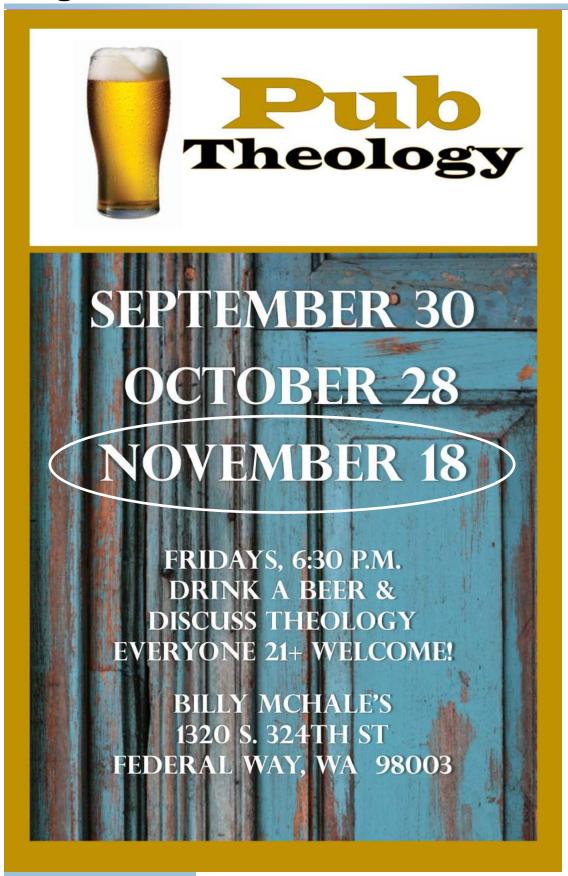


#### Children's Christmas Program

Calvary's kids will perform *Joseph the Dreamer* on Sunday, December 11th at a special 10:00 A.M. worship service in the Sanctuary. Cookies, Cider & Carols will follow at 11:15 A.M.

Christmas Program Rehearsal dates: Sundays at 10:15 A.M., 11/13, 11/20, 12/4; dress rehearsal: Saturday, 12/10 at 10:00 A.M.; AND final run-through: Sunday, 12/11 at 9:00 A.M. Middle and High School students are encouraged to participate. There are many ways to volunteer!

## **Intergenerational Ministries**



## **Senior Lutheran Outings (SLO)**



## **Calvary Community**

#### Finance Team Report

2016	January - August	September	Year to Date	Total Planned	YTD % of Plan**
Income	\$256,585	\$28,263	\$284,848	\$419,622	67.9%
Expenses	\$257,206	\$32,453	\$289,659	\$419,622	69.1%
Net Ordinary Income	(\$621)	(\$4,190)	(\$4,811)		

<sup>\*\*</sup> End of September = 75.0% of the year

#### 2015 Data for Comparison

#### **2015 Actual Results**

2015	January - August	September Year to Date		2015 Total (Actual)	YTD % of Ac- tual Total	
Income	\$275,598	\$32,339	\$307,937	\$414,036	74.4%	
Expenses	\$271,081	\$32,126	\$303,207	\$411,906	73.6%	
Net Ordinary Income	\$4,517	\$213	\$4,730			

#### What's noteworthy?

Through August, we were operating at essentially break-even, with a slight year-to-date deficit of \$621. In September, however, expenses exceeded income by \$4190, increasing the year-to-date deficit to \$4,811. (Figures through the end of October were not available at the time *The Caller* went to press.)

Such a large deficit is concerning because, beginning in October, the mortgage payment increases by about \$300 per month and in December we have a large annual insurance premium due (about \$7,300), which we need a surplus to meet. Note that at this time in 2015, we had a surplus of \$4,730.

Please continue your generous support to Calvary!

#### **Online Giving**

Did you know that you can give to Calvary online through Vanco? (Vanco also operates our Simply Giving program.) To give online, either go to <a href="https://www.calvaryfw.org/online-giving">www.calvaryfw.org/online-giving</a>.

## **Milestones & Community**

## Prayers for Members with Ongoing Health Issues

Vivian Anderson Janet Freeman-Daily
Marion Beck Paula Heidelman
Virginia Benson Jeanne Hotchkiss
Marsha Case Harold & Ardy Jobse
John & Pat Corliss Joann Jones
Yvonne Eagan Marlise Ross
Carrie Ferguson Grace Schwartz

#### **Birthdays**

- 3 Linda DeBoer
- 3 Mary Stobie
- 8 Anna Chamberlain
- 8 Sherry Fleury
- 8 Duane Sawyer
- 9 Carolyn Hillis
- 15 Morgan Fant
- 16 Emily Thoreson
- 20 John Tomko





Federal Way Community Caregiving Network will be hosting their **Annual Thanksgiving Community Supper** on Thanksgiving. They need donations of 20 pies, as well as whipped topping. Sign ups will be available November 13th.

**Poinsettias** will be available for order on Sunday, November 27th

#### Baptismal Anniversaries

Sabrina Engberg Trent Fernandez Paula Fowler Tina Hoppler John Moller Grace Schwartz

## **Serving in Worship Schedule**

	Nov 6	Nov 13		
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	Coming Together 10:00 AM	Sanctuary @ 9:00		
Acolyte				
Assisting Minister	Madeline Yamada	Craig Hoppler		
Pew Communion	Pat Roragen	Bobbi McClain		
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Communion Assist	Sherry Fleury	Chris Harris		
	Becky Riddle	Chuck Harris		
serve juice or tray	Karin Johnson	Dottie Corliss		
alternate-serve juice or tray	Diana Paris	Jake Schumacher		
Greeter	Lynn Fisher	Dixie Baeth		
	Vonne Fowler	Randy Baeth		
Reader	Renate Cooper	Carolyn Davis		
Usher	Bobbi McClain	Betty Huff		
	Kelly Thoreson	Bill Huff		
Sound Board	Al Parke	Glenn Sawyer		
Building Supervisor	Phil Sell	Bill Johnson		
Deeper Life @ 11:15				
Communion Assistant		Paula Fowler		
		Jake Schumacher		
Greeter		Waverly Hagen		
Altar	H&L Fisher	Kathy Nathan		
Guild	Kathy Nathan	Cindy Wagner		
Hospitality		Marlise Ross		
		(both services)		

If you are unable to serve as scheduled, please locate your own replacement, then notify Marj Hause and Sarah Nelson. For future scheduling marj.calvaryelca@comcast.net

## **November 2016 Calendar**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednes- day	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 Reformation Sunday 9:00 AM Traditional Worship/Communion/ Confirmation/Sanctuary 10:15 AM Faith Education 11:15 AM Deeper Life/ Communion/Great Room 12:30 PM Confirmand Dinner/Vince's Italian	31 9:00 AM Staff Mtg/Pastor Lori Birthday Celebra- tion/Work Room 6:30 PM Deeper Life Band Rehearsal/GreatRm	1 10:00 AM Tuesday Bible Study/LC#1 7:00 PM Manage ment Team/WkRm	2 10:00 AM Midweek Bible Study/Pastor's Office 7:00 PM Wednesday Evening Bible Study/LC #2	3 8:00 AM Men's Bible St/Poverty Bay Café 10:00 AM Coffee with Intern/Poverty Bay Café 6:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal/Loft 6:30 PM Confirmation/ Library 7:15 PM Calvary Choir Rehearsal/Sanctuary/ Loft	4	5 9:00 AM Grounds Work Party 10:00 AM Naomi Circle/Marj Hause Home 6:00 PM Confirmand Dinner/Vince's Italian Restaurant
6 All Saints Sunday Confirmation Sunday Stewardship Sunday 9:00 AM Forum/Social Hall 10:00 AM Coming Together Worship/Confirmation/ Sanctuary 11:30 AM Stewardship Celebration & Potluck/Social Hall	7 9:00 AM Staff Mtg/Work Room 10:00 AM Prayer Shawl/LC #1 6:30 PM Deeper Life Band Rehearsal/Great Room 7:00 PM Peer-to-Peer Mental Health Support Group/ Fireside Room	8 10:00 AM Tuesday Bible Study/LC#1 7:00 PM Church Council/LC#1	9 10:00 AM Midweek Bible Study/Pastor's Office 7:00 PM Wednesday Evening Bible Study/LC #2	10 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study/LC #2 10:00 AM Coffee with Intern/Poverty Bay Café 1:30 PM Men's Book Club/LC #1 6:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal/Loft 6:30 PM Confirmation/ Library 7:15 PM Calvary Choir Rehearsal/Sanctuary	11	12
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