

FROM OUR HILL

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July 11, 2010

8:30 a.m.

CalvaryConnection in the Chapel

9:15 a.m.

Sunday School

10:30 a.m.

Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

6:30 p.m.

Service of Prayer & Holy Communion

in the Chapel

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Amos 8:1-12

Psalms 52 or 82

Colossians 1:15-28

Luke 10:38-42



It is quite obvious that I am the new kid on the “Hill.” I can honestly say that I am humbled and extremely honored to be here. Let me quickly add, that from what I have seen and experienced so far, the view from this “hill” is extremely good. I cannot help but think that what I am feeling is similar to what Moses must have felt when he stood on the mountain top and looked into the Promised Land. What he saw was a land that was vast, fertile and full of possibility. I cannot help but echo the words of that great United Methodist layperson and theologian, Sara Cannon, i.e. Minnie Pearl, “I’m just so glad to be here.”

I want to thank you for the warm welcome you have extended to me and my family. Before we arrived, Bob Currie our church Lay Leader and John Brown the chair of the Staff Parrish Committee went out of their way to provide for a smooth transition. I cannot say enough about the graciousness and warmth that we received from Peter van Eys. It is evident that the love that he and Patti have for the Calvary family runs deep. They have vested so much of themselves in you and desire to see things grow. This is the mark of a “Good Pastor!” It also demonstrates that the pride and affection that you have for Peter and Patti has not been misplaced. I have found that churches that love their pastor generally have a reputation for loving each of their pastors.

Thank you for the food, the smiles, and the encouraging words. Thank you for demonstrating your willingness to trust me by sharing with me some of your sorrows, your apprehensions and your visions for Calvary United Methodist Church.

Three or four months ago Calvary was the farthest thing from my thoughts. I was happy and content serving First United Methodist Church in McMinnville, Tennessee. It has been and continues to be one of our strong churches in the Tennessee Conference. Both the Staff Parrish Committee and I had recommended to the Bishop and the Cabinet that we return to First Church for another year. The church and I were moving in that direction, when “the call” came. As you might imagine Gretchen and I were both surprised. At the time, I doubt you were thinking about Steve and Gretchen Angus but neither had we been thinking about you. However, a peace came over us that this was God’s doing. We both believe strongly in our United Methodist way of doing things and we can hardly wait to see what God has in store for all of us.

I do not use the term “all of us” lightly but intentionally. As I tried to relate to our staff during first staff meeting: We are all ministers whether we are ordained or laity; salaried or volunteer. God has a call on each of our lives for serving God through this church.

I look forward to getting to know each of you. The SPRC, the staff and I are presently working on hosting a number of meetings simply called “Gatherings with the Pastor.” In these gatherings I will share my story and listen for the dreams and visions God has laid on your heart for Calvary. It will be a busy summer for all of us but one that I trust will strengthen our witness for Jesus.

Again, I am honored and thankful to be with you. My prayer and desire is that together we will “boast only in the cross of Jesus” and that I may gain the privilege of being called your “pastor.”

Steve Angus, Senior Pastor



## CHURCH NEWS

### Children's Choir Keyboard

#### Accompanist needed.

We are in need of a piano accompanist for the K-6 Children's Choirs. If you might be lead to volunteer for this much needed ministry, please contact Deborah asap.

deborah@calvaryumc.com

#### There is no regular UMYF next week due to ASP.

We will be loading the vans for ASP next Saturday, July 17, from 3:00 – 4:00.

## CHURCH FAMILY

We extend our love and sympathy to the family and friends of **Lu Bailey** in her death on June 26, 2010.

We also extend our love and sympathy to **Bob McConnell** and his family in the death of his mother, Frankie McConnell

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Sunday, July 11, 2010

8:30 a.m. CalvaryConnection  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship  
3:30 p.m. ASP Session III  
6:30 p.m. Prayer & Holy Communion

### Monday, July 12

9:00 a.m. VBS  
1:30 p.m. Adult Fitness  
2:30 p.m. Prayer Time  
5:30 p.m. Staff Parish

### Tuesday, July 13

8:00 a.m. Covenant Group  
9:00 a.m. VBS  
6:00 p.m. Trustees  
7:00 p.m. Children's Council

### Wednesday, July 14

9:00 a.m. VBS  
10:30 a.m. Women's Support Group  
1:30 p.m. Adult Fitness  
5:30 p.m. Praise Team  
6:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

### Thursday, July 15

9:00 a.m. VBS  
11:00 a.m. Adult Fellowship

### Friday, July 16

9:00 a.m. VBS  
1:30 p.m. Adult Fitness

## Growing Through Grief

"Growing Through Grief" is a small group experience that will take place weekly from Monday, August 2 – Monday, September 27, 10:30 a.m. – noon, at Glendale United Methodist Church, 900 Glendale Lane, Nashville, TN. "Growing Through Grief" groups meet weekly to help you face the challenges of losing a loved one and move toward rebuilding your life. How individuals and families cope with dying, death, grief, loss and bereavement is as unique as a fingerprint. How you cope with other life events and adapt to your present and future is also part of the grieving process. "Growing Through Grief" offers you the opportunity to tell your story, the story of your loved one, in a safe and welcoming place.

Group leadership is provided by the Reverend Dr. Joy Samuels, an ordained minister (Disciples of Christ) and a Licensed Professional Counselor specializing in consulting with faith-based communities. Dr. Samuels also maintains a private practice in Franklin. The group size is limited, so call Reverend Sandra Griggs at 297-6233, or e-mail her at [contact@glen-dale-umc.com](mailto:contact@glen-dale-umc.com) to reserve your space.

## MEET OUR NEW PASTOR JULY 11

You are invited to a pot-luck dinner following the 10:30 worship service on July 11 to celebrate the arrival of our new senior pastor, Rev. Steve Angus, and to meet him and his family. While his first Sunday at Calvary will be July 4, this event the week after the holiday will allow more of us to give them a warm Calvary welcome. Please bring your pot-luck dish to the CLC during the Sunday School hour and then join in greeting them following the worship service.

## ASP Session III Sunday –

Please meet at church at 3:30 for the asp construction session. Dinner will be provided. Please wear closed toe shoes and come ready to learn and build picnic tables for Calvary.

## Adult Fellowship Meets July 15

Join us on Thursday, July 15, at 11:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall with guest speaker, Jim Havron, of the Nashville Room of the Nashville Public Library. Jim will lead us in an interactive exploration of Nashville trivia covering the years of 1900-1950. With a Master's degree in history, Jim's primary area of interest is religious history and the creation, preservation, perpetuation, dissemination and use of information and technology. He serves as the 2009-10 President of the Society of Tennessee Archivists and also as archivist of the Tennessee Conference of the United Methodist Church.

A box lunch will be served immediately following the program. To make your reservation for lunch, call the church at 297-7562 by Tuesday, July 13 at noon. If you have questions, contact Libby at [libby@calvaryumc.com](mailto:libby@calvaryumc.com).

# A WONDERFUL INVESTMENT

This past Sunday, I was moved by the music that was a part of our worship experience. The enthusiasm with which the choir sang its anthem; the stirring solo by Jasmine Miller and the manner in which the congregation sang the hymns were a tribute to this church's love for Jesus. Standing behind each of these acts of worship were two constants: Tom Metcalfe and the magnificent Calvary organ. What a tremendous gift both of these "instruments" are to our faith community!

How exciting it is to be launching my ministry at Calvary at this time! Few pastors have an opportunity to begin their work at a congregation during a landmark occasion. That is exactly where we are! We have an instrument that would cost several million dollars to replace (I'm referring to the organ not the organist, Tommy is priceless!) but is in desperate need of some refurbishing and retooling. This is indeed one of those occasions to make a difference in the quality of worship at Calvary that will carry forth for another generation. I am indeed blessed to be a part of this and so are you!

Many of you have not met me and this may seem rather bold but I want to ask you to address this need, this opportunity with your financial support. The cost of the work is estimated at \$275,000. This estimate is good until the first of August when the expected cost will rise by 3%.

We must have \$ 275,000 in pledges by July 25th in order for the Church Council to give final approval at their meeting on the 27th and sign the contract before the price increase Aug. 1.

We will need you to fulfill your pledge as soon as possible. Half the cost will be due in November when the parts go into production at the factory.

This way we are not without the Organ for the Advent and Christmas season. This timeline is also taking into consideration having the Organ back in place before Easter and an April wedding.

The contract calls for payment to be made according to the following schedule:

First Payment--10% upon signing of Contract.

Second Payment--40% upon beginning construction of major parts at factory.

Third Payment--30% when organ is erected and tested at factory.

Fourth Payment--15% upon completion of physical installation.

Balance--5% upon completion of tonal finishing.

As you can see, time is of the essence and we have some work to do.

This Sunday a pledge card will be in the church bulletin titled: Calvary UMC Organ Repair and Upgrade Capital Campaign. During the worship service you will be asked to prayerfully consider this matter, fill out the card and drop it into the offering plate. A copy of the card is below if you would like to prepare it prior to Sunday.

If you have questions about this Campaign or about the organ please feel free to contact Royce Monk, Shirley Drescher, or Marty Welch.

Blessings as we continue to make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

Steve

## ASP Trip Profile

### **We are serving in Martin County, KY**

•It is the poorest county ASP works for. The poverty rate is 35.8% with a national ranking of 29 out of 3,141.

•President Lyndon Johnson declared his War on Poverty in Martin County in 1964.

•Martin County Sludge Spill – An accident that occurred in 2000. 306 million gallons of sludge spilled into the Tug Fork River. It was 30 times bigger than the Exxon Valdez oil spill.

### **Our trip consist of:**

- 33 youth
- 15 Adult Leaders
- 20 Males, 28 Females - There are 13 first timers on the trip.



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## Galactic Blast VBS at Calvary UMC

Vacation Bible School 2010 will be Out of This World!

At Galactic Blast VBS, cadets will voyage into outer space praising God. Through daily Bible missions, kids will see space like never before, gain a new perspective on our planet Earth, and learn easy "green" earth tips they can practice at home. Join us on this cosmic combination of faith and fun as cadets develop a personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ!

\*Galactic Blast cadets are ages 4 by July 12, 2010 through completed 5th graders.

\*\*There is a registration fee of \$15. This can be paid by check to Calvary UMC, 3701 Hillsboro Road, Nashville, TN, 37215 or can be paid on the first day of VBS at check in. Please email [stephanie@calvaryumc.com](mailto:stephanie@calvaryumc.com) for information on scholarships.

### Date/Time

Date: July 12th - 16, 2010  
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Volunteer Registration End Date: July 10th, 2010 at 12:00 PM

Participant Registration End Date: July 10th, 2010 at 12:00 PM

### More Information

For more information visit [www.calvaryumc.com](http://www.calvaryumc.com)

Learn more about Galactic Blast VBS 2010 at [www.cokesburyvbs.com](http://www.cokesburyvbs.com)

Visit here to register (Participants & Volunteers):

<http://www.cokesburyvbs.com/galactic-blast/calvaryumc.com>

