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## A Message From Our Rector

Dear Friends:

Just over a year ago, we began working on the grant process with the Log College Grant for the Renewal of Youth Ministry. To recap, this grant came to us from the Institute of Youth Ministry at Princeton Seminary. We are one of 12 churches (out of 200 applicants) that received the grant, which is \$15,000. The process is a 2-year process – all this year our Log College Team has been working together to learn about the history of youth ministry at Calvary and to plan and dream about what can happen in the future through a thorough renewal of our youth program. Since we started this work, at least 30 Calvary members, teens and adults, have participated on our team, and currently we have 14 members, 3 of whom are teenagers. The 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the process will be all about implementing the plans and spending the grant money.

This week, 6 members of the team will travel to Princeton for a 5-day Design Lab. We have worked, with the help of many of you, to come up with two ideas for youth ministry and during the Design Lab, joined by people from the other 11 churches and a large Log College and Institute of Youth Ministry staff, we will refine our two ideas and come home with one idea to present to Calvary. This Big Idea will be something that we will begin working on immediately and we will be enlisting your help, support and additional creative thoughts as we move forward. I am not describing the two ideas here. Many of you filled out surveys with your thoughts about the two ideas we presented @6 weeks ago and we will take your thoughts and add them to our own. So, we don't know exactly what the BIG IDEA will look like as we emerge from our Design Lab, although we have lots of information gathered over the past year to help us do our work. With the expert and creative help of everyone who will gather in Princeton next week, I am confident that the plan we bring back to you will be incredibly compelling, very different, and designed to fulfill our goals of renewal. We

will also come back with a check for \$15,000 to help implement our plans. The group traveling is: me, Jennifer O'Neill, Johnna O'Neill, Audrey Ehling, Maia Merkel and Amelia Vrieze. We will fly out to Newark on Wednesday the 26<sup>th</sup> of June and return on July 1. Please keep this group in your prayers and continue to root for the whole team as we lead towards a renewal of youth ministry at Calvary. In our Baptismal Covenant we promise to support and uphold our young people in their life in Christ. This is the work God gives us to do, and we are glad to do it!  
In peace and with gratitude,  
Beth

## **YOU, YES YOU, CAN BE A Sunday school TEACHER!**

Maybe you have felt a tug at your heart, a wondering, "could I teach Sunday school to children?" Yes, you can! We have a wonderful brand new Sunday school Coordinator coming on board, Jennifer O'Neill and she needs YOU, as does Calvary, as do our children. If you are interested in joining a great and growing team of adults who will be working with our children, ages 4 - 12th grades, starting this fall, call Rev. Beth at the office, or email her

at [rector@calvary-rochester.org](mailto:rector@calvary-rochester.org). We are planning on putting together a BIG team so that teachers aren't committed to being in the classroom every Sunday. We will also train you well and supply you with everything you need. There are lots of new ideas being gathered for our Children's and Youth Formation Programs at Calvary - this is your chance to become a part of an exciting and holy ministry, as we support our children in their, and our, Baptismal vows. What is God calling you to do?



## **Oasis Gardening Crew**

To keep our Oasis Garden looking good, the gardening crew meets in the garden each Thursday morning from 9 am to 11 am through August. All are welcome to join in - no reservation or gardening skill required.

Questions?

Contact Joan Rabe at 269-3162 or [joan.rabe@icloud.com](mailto:joan.rabe@icloud.com).

## **This Week at Calvary**



Calvary Sacred Circle offers our seasonal  
**Dance of Universal Peace Sunday, June 23rd**  
**4:00-5:30 pm**  
**Crawford Hall**  
led by local musician  
**Francis Gurtz.**

There are many exciting events happening within the Sacred Circle Ministry.

The Dances of Universal Peace is one of the those events.....and it is happening this Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 4:00 pm in Crawford Hall. No experience necessary. Come and enjoy simple movements to simple songs with simple words.

You will be blessed. You will receive peace. You will be renewed spiritually. June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4:00 pm in Crawford Hall. Bring a friend, bring your family-

All Are Welcome.



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**Open Labyrinth Walk**  
**Thursday, June 27th**  
**from 5:30-7:30 pm in**  
**Crawford Hall**

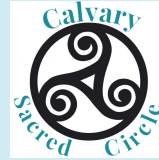
Calvary Sacred Circle offers our monthly open labyrinth walk on Thursday, June 27th from 5:30-7:30 pm in Crawford Hall.

The labyrinth is an ancient symbol and purposeful path representing a journey to our own center and back into the world. The labyrinth walk will be facilitated by parishioner Elise Lewis who will be available for guidance and questions. There will be time for journaling, contemplative prayer or meditation. This event is appropriate for teens and adults and a free-will donation will be accepted. Please plan to





arrive by 7:00 pm to ensure time for your walk. This event is open to the community, no registration is necessary and all are welcome.



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