



A Message From Our Rector

Dear Friends,

This coming Tuesday, May 7, the 9th Bishop of the Episcopal Church in Minnesota, the Right Rev. Brian N. Prior, will be making his visitation to Calvary at 6:00pm. We will present 15 people for confirmation and 5 people for reception into the Episcopal Church. One person has let me know that she would like the Bishop to reaffirm her baptismal vows - if you would like to be reaffirmed, just let me know and I will present you to the Bishop. Bishop Prior has only 13 months left as our Bishop. I hope that you will come and be a part of this festive, joyful, traditional service. I am proud of all of the young people and adults who have made this choice of confirmation and am honored to be able to present them on Tuesday. There will be a reception following the service and all are welcome to that as well.

As Bishop Prior begins saying "goodbye" after 10 years of ministry and service among us, the Search Committee for the 10th Bishop of the ECMn has started their work. A survey was available for anyone to fill out over the past weeks, there have been listening sessions to which everyone is invited, and if you have thoughts, hopes, yearnings for our next Bishop you can drop a note in the mail or email to the committee. The website, www.mnbishopsearch.org is up and running and you can find search updates there. God willing we will elect our next Bishop at a special convention on January 25, 2020 at St. Mark's Cathedral.

As a part of this visitation and search process, we will hold a very special Adult Forum this Sunday in Crawford Hall at 10:00am. Ben Scott will lead a discussion about the role of the Bishop in our Episcopal history and tradition, and we will spend some time taking part in our own listening session. A note taker will gather our hopes and thoughts and we will send those notes to the Search Committee. I hope that you will attend, as you will be sending five members of Calvary and your clergy to the electing convention to vote on your behalf. We would very much like to hear what is

on your mind. "Episcopal" means, basically, "Bishop." The Episcopal Church continues in the two thousand year tradition of being a part of the Body of Christ deeply connected to four roles of ministry: Lay, Deacon, Priest and Bishop. Our tradition says that Bishops are ordained by the same hands that ordained Peter as the first Bishop of Rome, and thus to Christ, who chose the first apostles. Let's all take our place in this historical process that is so important to our church in the years to come.

In peace,

Beth+



A NOTE FROM OUR SEXTON:

We will be waxing the Main hallway and landing outside of Crawford on May 3rd. **So the church will be closed after 1:00 pm on May 3rd till 12:00 pm on May 4th.** If you should need in the building for any reason, please contact Stuart first.

Thanks
Stuart

This Week at Calvary



THE BISHOP IS COMING! THE BISHOP IS COMING!

Bishop Brian N. Prior will make his visitation to Calvary on Tuesday, May 7 for a 6:00 pm service of Holy Eucharist, Confirmation, Reception and Reaffirmation. The service will be followed by a reception to honor those being presented. All parishioners are encouraged to attend this joyful service, to support and uphold those making their public affirmations of faith and to greet our Bishop. We will present these people to Bishop Prior for confirmation: Amelia Vrieze, Audrey Ehling, Christopher Wingert, Dana Scott-Hovland, Julien Allison, Jack Dunn, Sam Dunn, Christian Wolter, Jared Nathan, Holly Janosik, Cate Ackerman, Allan Schiller, Cate Crockett, Nick

Crockett, and Brian Hornberg. We will present Reeghan Raffals, Laura Raffals, Paul Ehling, Mark Nathan and Cathy Nathan to be received. We will present Barbara Schwenk to be reaffirmed. Please keep these people in your prayers.

Up Coming Events

Oasis Garden Planting

Yes! It's that time again! Summer will be here before

will begin each class with instruction on a *yama* that will inform our gentle yoga practice and end with a short meditation helping us to apply that principle to our daily life. In this way, we move from the physical practice to a living yoga that guides our actions and helps us to grow spiritually. The class is suitable for beginners as well as those experienced in yoga who wish to deepen their practice. All aspects of the practice are adaptable to a chair or can be done with assistive devices. Yoga equipment is provided or bring your own mat.



The six-week series will occur on the following dates: **Tuesday May 21st, 28th, June 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th from 5:30- 6:30 pm in Crawford Hall.** The cost of the entire series is **\$90** payable upon registration. Scholarships are available for Calvary parishioners. Please register by calling Linda in the church office at (507)282-9429. Payment accepted by cash/check, credit card or PayPal. For more information please contact Stephanie Barsness at swbarsness@gmail.com or (507) 282-1229.



Save the Date...



GRADUATION SUNDAY - JUNE 2

Calvary would love to recognize our graduating seniors by acknowledging them at our 10 am service on Sunday, June 2nd. If you or someone you love from Calvary is graduating please let us know their name, where they are graduating from and what their future plans are.

Rescheduled! Adult Forum

We have rescheduled the adult forum on the *Hmong American Farmers Association (HAFA)* with artist/photographer Mike Hazard for **Sunday, June 2nd, 2019 at the special time of 11:00 am** so we can open it up to the Rochester community.



“We Come from the Flower”, a multi-media show currently on display at The Gordon Parks Gallery at Metropolitan State University in St Paul, portrays a year in the life of Hmong American farmers at their 155-acre farm in Dakota County, MN. Mike Hazard is artist in residence at The Center for International Education (thecie.org). We look forward to welcoming Mike as he teaches us with photos and video about this unique place in the history of Minnesota’s local



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



Calvary Sacred Circle offers our monthly open labyrinth walk on Thursday, May 30th and 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. Instrumental accompaniment will be provided by local musician Francis Gurtz. 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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