

# THE CALVARY EXAMINER

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## MEMORY VERSE

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him? ~ Psalm 8:3-4



Did you know that we have recording artists and songwriters in our midst? We do. Please Check out <http://www.morningprayermusic.com>! This is from the Website! ( can change at any time, so go to the website OFTEN! It's wonderful!)

We are currently in the planning stages for a Spring Concert at Calvary Baptist Church in Warwick. This concert will be a fund-raiser for Calvary Christian Academy to raise money for much needed "extra" funds. The money raised has the potential to benefit the children in so many ways. It can allow them school trips, and the means for transportation, as well as to enhance education my means of implementing "fun" things into the curriculum...and every curriculum could use a little fun!

The concert will feature the music of our new CD, "Morning Prayer" and will feature performances from the album by Donna Marie and I. We're hoping the concert will include a "Scriptural Connection" chock full of surprises! Ed Rapp will be directing the concert, as well as composing a "Scriptural" story line around the music. Gladys Calzada will be producing the concert.

Once again, all it takes is the dedication to serve the Lord, and the desire to use your gifts for His Glory! We hope you will show your support for the kids and attend the concert. Thank you in advance to Ed and Gladys for your help!

I'll include more information on this concert when we have more concrete details. Check back often! See you there!

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## CCA SCIENCE FAIR JUDGING

Would you like to be one of the judges at the CCA Science Fair on May 29th? Experience is not necessary, instructions will be given. Please stop by the office or call the school at 986-5437. Hope to hear from you!

### **SPRING IS HERE!**

I love all seasons ( that's why I still live in New York), but I especially like spring because on day it can be 36 and rainy and right before your eyes everything pops with life. I love realizing this in April and May. I love flowering trees and the shade of green that grass gets during a thunder storm. With this in mind, I have selected a poem by a nineteenth-century Jesuit poet.

### Spring

NOTHING is so beautiful as spring --  
When weeds, in wheels, shoot long and lovely and lush;  
Thrush's eggs look little low heavens, and thrush  
Through the echoing timber does so rinse and wring  
The ear, it strikes like lightnings to hear him sing;  
The glassy peartree leaves and blooms, they brush  
The descending blue; that blue is all in a rush  
With richness; the racing lambs too have fair their fling.  
What is all this juice and all this joy?  
A strain of the earth's sweet being in the beginning  
In Eden garden. -- Have, get, before it cloy,  
Before it cloud, Christ, lord, and sour with sinning,  
Innocent mind and Mayday in girl and boy,  
Most, O maid's child, thy choice and worthy the winning.

**Gerard Manley Hopkins**

### CHICKEN JERUSALEM

2 tbs. olive oil	4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
1/2 lb. fresh mushrooms, cut in pieces	1 6oz. jar marinated artichoke hearts, drained
2 cloves garlic, minced	1/2 teaspoon oregano
freshly ground black pepper	2 cups canned (plum) or fresh tomatoes (cut in pieces)
1/2 cup cooking sherry	

Heat oil in frying pan. Dredge chicken pieces in flour (I use plastic bag) and brown in oil. Place in casserole with mushrooms and artichoke hearts. Stir garlic and spices with tomatoes; pour over chicken. Bake @ 350 degrees for about 1 hour or so until chicken is tender, adding sherry during last few minutes of cooking time. Yield - 4 servings. approx. cal. 320. (From American Heart Cookbook) submitted by Ruth Crudello

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## Kid's Korner

“In the midst of a great crowd of people Jesus was teaching. Suddenly there was a rustle in the crowd; a group of people coming toward Him. They were young mothers and fathers bringing children to meet Him, to be touched and blessed by Him. The disciples reacted immediately to still the disturbance. Jesus was teaching. What He was saying was important. He had no time for interruptions, especially for children. The disciples were in for a surprise!

“When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, ‘Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.’ And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them and blessed them.” (Mark 10:14-16)

God has enriched our lives and congregation with children. Some are our own children and grandchildren. Some we know through church friends. Some are visitors, children of those young parents seeking answers. All are coming for God's blessing on the lives of their children and themselves.” (From The Nurturing Nursery edited by Debbie Paschang and Nancy Raney)

Praise God, He is at work in the children and parents of Calvary Church! A lot has happened this month in the Kid's Korner of the church. There is sound in the quiet room now. (Thanks to all who worked hard on this.) The music and sermon can be heard during the services. Our nursery shower on March 12<sup>th</sup> was a wonderful time of blessing the nursery with some new toys and equipment. We were also able to sort through the current toys. The children have had a great time trying out all the toys. Thank you all for your blessings.

We have also had a great turn out in the nurseries each Sunday this past month. How fantastic to see those little ones playing and being loved by the nursery volunteers. Parents are being fed God's word and children are enjoying the nurseries. Can't you see Jesus there playing with and ministering to the children? I see this every week as the volunteers share Jesus' love with our children. There are many of them too. On average, we have had 7 children in the 0-2 nursery during 8:30 service and 3 in the 11:00 service. There are about 6-9 children in the 2-5 class during each service too. Can you see the growth? Our goal is to increase staffing for each infant nursery with more than 3 children in it and each 2-5 class with more than 6 children. This will require an additional 9 volunteers. Many of the teens have already volunteered and some adults have come forward too. Thank you!!! Would you consider joining God's work and reach out to the children? The commitment is well worth the effort. Contact Jennifer Rosario at 845-258-1142 with any questions or if you desire to volunteer.

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## CALVARY LIBRARY BOOK REVIEW

BY KERI FIELD

*My Heart's Cry*

Anne Graham Lotz

Are you longing for more of Jesus? In your life? In your marriage? In your fears? In your grief? In your service to others? Anne Graham Lotz, acclaimed Christian author and lecturer, has spent most of her life actively pursuing a more intensely personal relationship with Jesus Christ. This book is her journey and begins with her recalling a visit with her father when he was very ill. Seeing him so frail and helpless, she desperately wanted –more than anything else- to have more time with him, “...because when you love someone with all of your heart you just can't ever get enough.” This sets the tone for the rest of the pages. Do we love Jesus so much that we long to be saturated with Him in every aspect of our lives? Every thought, every word, every action? Or are we content just to know we are saved?

Anne speaks from her own heart and shares many personal, painful experiences. The majority of the book is based on the passages in the Gospel of John that contain what Jesus taught His disciples at the very end of His time with them. A time when they were desperately trying to cling to Him. She describes in colorful detail how the disciples may have felt, what they may have thought, what they might have seen and even smelt around them. She truly conveys the flavor of what life may have been like for them in ancient Israel, yet manages to keep it relevant to our very modern lives and our walk with the Lord. Each chapter is focused on different aspects of our relationship with Jesus and how we desire more (“...of His voice in my ears, His tears on my face, His death in my life, His hope in my grief, His fruit in my service, His glory on my knees,...” etc.)

Anne, like many of us perhaps, has yearned for more of Jesus than just salvation. She has actively sought to know **everything** God wants for her life-every hope, every dream, every blessing. Seeking to be completely saturated with Jesus in every aspect of our lives is the key. This life-changing book provides the guidance.

The Calvary Examiner is looking for other people to write a book review so if you have read a book in the library – please consider writing a review.

## LIFT

On Monday, April 4th, LIFT will have their monthly meeting at Lynn Tonnesen's home (directions on tea cart) at 7:30 PM. All ladies are invited for an evening of fellowship and fun...

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Sunday, April 10th, 1 pm in Fellowship Hall, the ladies of LIFT are giving Michele Kayser, a new mommy and new attendee at CBC, a baby shower. Come meet the new baby girl and meet the new mommy as well. She is registered at Babies R Us. Sign up sheet on bulletin board.

Saturday, April 30th, 6 PM in Fellowship Hall, LIFT will hold their Spring Banquet. Speaker will be Martha Barnett from Moms in Touch, and Special Music by our own Stacey Waring. Sign up sheet on bulletin board. See Lori Brady, JoAnn Wilson, Colleen Maisto or Cathy Rieschl for tickets. Invite your daughters (young and older), mothers, friends, relatives, to this special event.

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