CALVARY ASSEMBLY OF GOD SUNDAY, JULY 5, 2020 HAPPY INDEPENCE DAY



CURRENT WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday Morning Service – 10:00 a.m. Wednesday Evening Prayer & Share – 6:30 p.m.

A Word from the Pastor:

I read this article this week and felt it was so well-written that I wanted to share it with you, so please read it and then pray for our country!

Will the America survive?

How will this nation survive? It will survive by resetting its course to the founding wisdom and values that made it remarkable.

This week the USA celebrates its birth. The Fourth of July is a tremendous holiday to thank God for His sovereign blessing on the nation. This nation was founded on mutual respect, honor, the dignity of mankind, hard work, brotherhood, and the Word of God.

One of America's founding heroes was the statesman Patrick Henry, he famously said, "I know not what course others may take, but as for me, give me liberty, or give me death!" But Henry also declared this, "It cannot be emphasized too often or too strongly that this great nation was founded, not by religionists, but by Christians, not on religions, but on the Gospel of Jesus Christ. For this very reason peoples of other faiths have been afforded asylum, prosperity, and freedom of worship here."

It was a Christian core value that made its way into the Declaration of Independence when Jefferson wrote, "that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights..." This was truly a revolutionary ideal. While

many had said it before, going back to the Romans in 300AD, it had never actually been lived out in law and in culture.

That phrase, that "all men are created equal" was put into the Declaration of Independence by Godly men who had a strategy to set all men free. It eventually led to the Civil War and freedom for enslaved men and women. That phrase was a battle cry hidden in language that seemed benign to those who desired to keep slaves and indentured people. But, it was a God-given strategy and by 1780 was used in a court of law in Boston to set a slave free. "All men are created equal."

I love the nation in which I live and was born. I love America. From the rugged oceans of Northern California to the majestic mountains of Montana, from the Freedom Trail in Boston to the battlegrounds of the Civil War. From the Florida Keys to the plains of Iowa to the hill country of Texas. Small town football, inner city soccer camps, baseball little leagues ... the blues festivals in Chicago and the food of New Orleans ... I love it all.

The strength of America is not based on economic prowess or military might – the true strength of America is based on its generosity and established in virtue. Generosity is always the product of love, and love comes from men and women who are willing to follow truth. Truth isn't a philosophy – truth is a person – Jesus Christ. That is the foundational rock that will keep America strong – and the rejection of that foundation – will hasten its decline.

We believe the best days of the Church are in front of us. We believe the world can be a better place. We believe that when men are reconciled to the Christ of the cross they will be reconciled to their brothers. We believe this because we are men of hope. Hope is alive, Hope has a name - Hope's name is Jesus.

May God bless our brothers in every nation of the world, and may God bless America.

Grace and Peace, Your friend, brother, and all,

Paul Louis Cole Christian Men's Network

May God continue to "Let Freedom Ring" throughout our land!
-Pastor Newsome

YOUTH SANDWICH SALE

Because of the Covid-19 Pandemic, we had to postpone the sandwich sale for STL. We extend a huge thank you for your understanding in this delay.

Now that we are re-opening, we have a make-up date for Sandwich Sale Pick-up.

Those of you who have already placed your orders we will plan to fill those orders. However, if you no longer wish to receive your sandwich order please let Pastor Jess or the church office know by Sunday, July 12th, otherwise we will proceed in filling orders that have been placed.

For those who have not yet paid, please remit payment to the church office prior to pick-up. If you are unsure whether you have paid, please see Pastor Jess.

Thank you so much for your support towards the Water Well Project.

PICK UP DATE: Monday, July 20th from: 10.00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

CONGRATULATIONS

Today we are honoring **Chris Bonner** as he receives his Cheetah Award in his journey through RANGER KIDS. He has completed the ELK Trail Badge and the WOLVERINE Trail Badge. Chris is now on his journey to achieve his COUGAR Trail Badge. This accomplishment of achieving his Cheetah is the second badge on his path to the COUGAR Trail badge. Way to go Chris!!

WEEKLY PRAYER NEEDS

RETIREMENT HOME RESIDENTS:

Dorothy Kuhn, George West, Albert Keyser, Theresa Keyser, Louise Rotz, Ben Newcomer, Arlene Pentz

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS:

Jean Smith, Vonnie Ashway, Beulah Myers, Dot Yeakle

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Our Nation

Unsaved Loved Ones

Revival in our Church

Peace in Jerusalem

Arlene Pentz

Becky Bricker

Dennis Newsome (Pastor's Brother)

Rochelle Gorby's Sister- in-law (Linda) Lymphoma – New Biopsy shows no new

Cancer - Praise God

Catherine Pentz

Sue Spessard (Recovering from surgery)

Wanda Hess

Bob Bowders

Corona Virus Victims

William & Sonia Shaw (DRC-Congo)

Philip Drummond (recovering from brain

surgery)

Ron Beeler

Alvce Ann Pentz

Dennis Helfrick