



Calvary Christian Fellowship Mennonite Church

Welcome to our Worship Service!

April 28, 2019

Devotional:----- Nathan Yoder

Message:----- Ralph Yoder

Offering:----- School

SS Lesson:----- Psalm 51 & 52

Adult and Youth Verse: The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise. Psalm 51:17

Intermediate Verse: For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell; and, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven. Colossians 1:19 & 20

Junior Verse: Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud: and

he shall hear my voice. Psalm 55:17

Primary Verse: Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord. Psalm 127:3

Preschool Verse: Let us love one another. 1 John 4:7

SS Lesson for next week: Psalm 91

Adult and Youth Verse for next week: Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name. Psalm 91:14

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Fun Hedgehog Facts for Kids

- There are 17 species of hedgehog.
- They are found in parts of Europe, Asia, Africa and were introduced in New Zealand by settlers.
- Hedgehogs are nocturnal animals, often sleep during the day in a nest or under bushes and shrubs before coming out to feed at night.
- Hedgehogs are not related to other spine covered creatures such as the porcupine or echidna.
- The spines of a hedgehog, are stiff hollow hairs, they are not poisonous or barbed and cannot be easily removed, they fall out naturally when a hedgehog sheds its baby spines and grows adult spines a process called "quilling".
- Hedgehogs have about 5,000 to 6,500 spines at any one time.
- Most hedgehog species will roll into a tight ball if threatened, making it hard for its attacker to get past the spiky defences.
- A baby hedgehog is called a hoglet.
- Hedgehogs communicate through a combination of snuffles, grunts and

squeals.

- Hedgehogs have weak eyesight but a strong sense of hearing and smell. They can swim, climb and run surprising quickly over short distances.
- For their size hedgehogs have a relatively long lifespan. They live on average for 4-7 years in the wild and longer in captivity.
- Hedgehogs in colder climates such as the UK will hibernate through winter.
- If hedgehogs come in contact with humans they can sometimes pass on infections and diseases.
- The hedgehog is a pest in countries such as New Zealand where it has been introduced, as it does not have many natural predators and eats native species of insects, snails, lizards and baby ground-nesting birds.

<http://www.sciencekids.co.nz/sciencefacts/animals/hedgehog.html>

Announcements:

- ✓ This Evening: Free Evening
- ✓ School Picnic on Tues. Afternoon 3:00 PM. More details forthcoming via text blast.
- ✓ Wednesday Evening: Prison Service (NW) 5:00 PM
- ✓ Out of State Correspondence this week by: James & Elsie

~BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES~

Happy Birthday! Today! Apr. 28, Fannie Nissley 1971

Happy Birthday! Today! Apr. 28, Doreen Nissley 1999

Happy Birthday! May 1, Pauline Yoder 1960

Happy Birthday! May 1, Mary Kathryn Miller 1970

Happy Anniversary! May 4, James & Elsie Yoder 2007

The Struggle of The Butterfly

A man found a cocoon of a butterfly. One day, a small opening appeared. He sat and watched the butterfly for several hours as it struggled to force its body through that little hole.

Then, it seemed to stop making any progress. It appeared as if it had gotten as far as it could and it could go no further. So the man decided to help the butterfly. He took a pair of scissors and snipped off the remaining bit of the cocoon.

The butterfly then emerged easily, but it had a swollen body and small, shriveled wings.

The man continued to watch the butterfly because he expected that, at any moment, the wings would enlarge and expand to be able to support the body, which would contract in time.

Neither happened! In fact, the butterfly spent the rest of its life crawling around with a swollen body and shriveled wings. It never was able to fly.

What the man, in his kindness and haste, did not understand was that the restricting cocoon and the struggle required for the butterfly to get through the tiny opening were God's way of forcing fluid from the body of the butterfly into its wings so that it would be ready for flight once it achieved its freedom from the cocoon.

Sometimes struggles are exactly what we need in our lives too. If God allowed us to go through our lives without any obstacles, we would not be as strong as what we could have been.

"I asked for strength, and God gave me difficulties to make me strong.

I asked for wisdom, and God gave me problems to solve.

I asked for prosperity, and God gave me a brain and brawn to work.

I asked for courage, and God gave me danger to overcome.

I asked for love, and God gave me troubled people to help.

I asked for favors, and God gave me opportunities.

I received nothing I asked for but everything I needed!"

<http://varietyreading.carlsguides.com/christian-stories/butterfly.php>

Mission & Vision Statement Of: Calvary Christian Fellowship

Mission: To realize our need of Christ.

To help one another on life's journey.

Vision: To surrender to Christ our Head, to walk in the Spirit, to love as Jesus loves.

To be a place where it's safe to share failures, struggles, hopes, and dreams.

To encourage, and empower one another to find God's purpose as we walk with Christ on our journey to Heaven.

To help the hurting find healing, and the lost experience salvation, in Christ.

To assist in physical needs among, and around us.