



# Calvary Christian Fellowship Mennonite Church

Welcome to our Worship Service!

March 5, 2017

**Devotional:**----- Steve Nissley

**Message:**----- Luke Troyer

**Offering:**----- Missions

**SS Lesson:**----- John 16:17-33

**Adult and Youth Verse:** These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world. John 16:33

**Intermediate Verse:** The hoary head is a crown of glory, if it be found in the way of righteousness. Proverbs 16:31

**Junior Verse:** Wherefore (as the Holy Ghost saith, To day if ye will hear his voice, Harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, in the day of temptation in the wilderness: Hebrews 3:7-8) Wherefore (as the Holy Ghost saith, To

day if ye will hear his voice,

**Primary Verse:** Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. John 15:14

**Preschool Verse:** "Love one another. John 15:12"

**SS Lesson for next week:** John 17:1-12

**Adult and Youth Verse for next week:** And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent. John 17:3

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

The Shoes of Peace, Excerpt from The Battle for Truth

-by Stacia McKeever March 22, 2013

“And having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace. . .”

Ephesians 6:15 (ESV)

Soldiers in ancient times wore shoes with nails that stuck out on the bottom. Although that may not sound comfortable, the nails helped the soldiers to walk quickly on rough terrain (like spikes on the bottom of our shoes today).

Once we know the truth, we need to share it with others! When we put on the shoes of the gospel of peace, we are preparing to tell others the good news that we can have peace with God—become citizens of His kingdom—through believing in Jesus. Who can you tell about Jesus?

“How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: ‘How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, who bring glad tidings of good things!’” (Romans 10:14–15)

<http://www.answersingenesis.org/articles/kw/shoes-of-peace>

## Announcements:

- This Evening: Services have been canceled.
- School resumes tomorrow (March 6)
- Sisters Sewing Tuesday Hot dish: Pauline & Elsie; Salad: Mary K. & Heidi; Dessert: Rachel & Jan
- Brotherhood Meeting Tuesday evening at 7:00.
- Wednesday Evening: Prayer Meeting at 7:00.
- School devotions this week by: Robert Martin
- Out of state correspondence this week by Violet Martin
- Bethel invited us to their dedication service at their new church house, Wednesday evening at 7:00.
- Reminder: School Craft Sale is planned for March 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Paul and John plan to be here March 26<sup>th</sup> for baptism and communion.

## ~BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES~

March 7, Happy Birthday! Jacob Byler, 2003

March 11, Happy Birthday! Edith Nissley, 1974

A few months ago I was taking a walk with a friend when we passed a huge tree that had fallen in a neighbor’s front yard during a storm. Wondering why this once tall, beautiful tree hadn’t been able to remain standing, I stopped to ask the man hauling the tree off what had happened.

I soon discovered that while the tree looked big and strong on the outside, it’s inside was hollowed out. The man explained that at some point an ant had found a weak spot in the tree and started chewing a tiny little tunnel into the tree’s center. Soon other ants found their way in as well. Then water got in the opening and softened the wood. Over time the tree rotted away internally.

The scenario with the tree felt like such a profound warning to me.

We so often make feelings our false Holy Spirit - believing what feels right must be right. This is so much like the big tree taken down by some small ants. Who would have ever thought this was possible? And yet, **when we care more about what feels right than what is right, we open ourselves up to the destruction of sin.**

Feelings are wonderful indicators that remind us to turn to God and let Him direct our desires with His best provisions. But feelings should never be dictators to get our unmet longings and desires met however we see fit.

Let’s be so careful, friends. Let’s know God’s Truth and live God’s truth.

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