



# Calvary Christian Fellowship Mennonite Church

## Welcome to our Worship Service!

August 6, 2017

- Devotional:**----- Elmer Yoder
- Message:**----- Michael Yoder
- Offering:**----- Missions
- SS Lesson:**----- Daniel 11:1-28

**Intermediate Verse:** Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud: and he shall hear my voice. Psalm 55:17

**Junior Verse:** Blessed is every one that feareth the Lord; that walketh in his ways. Psalm 128:1

**Primary Verse:** The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy. Psalm 103:8

**Preschool Verse:** "Our God is merciful" Psalm 116:5

**SS Lesson for next week:** Daniel 11:29- Daniel 12:13

**Adult and Youth Verse for next week:** And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Daniel 12:2

### CHILDREN'S CORNER

#### -Sun eclipses

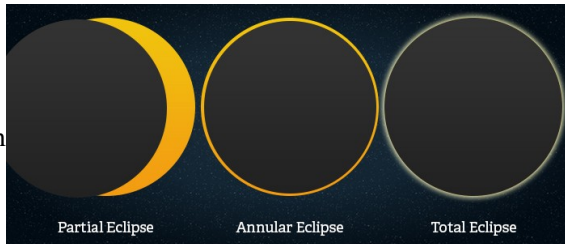
People travel long distances to see eclipses of the Sun. They only take place at times of new Moon, when the Moon passes in front of the Sun and covers its brilliant face.

All that we can see is a black circle with a ring of light around it – the corona. The sky goes black and the stars appear. Birds and animals go quiet, thinking night has arrived. Solar eclipses are possible because the Moon is 400 times smaller than the Sun, but the Sun is 400 times further away. So the tiny Moon is in just the right place to exactly cover the giant Sun! This does not happen anywhere else in the Solar System.

There are at least two eclipses of the Sun every year, but most of them are partial – the Moon only covers part of the Sun's disk.

Total solar eclipses can only be seen from a small part of the Earth, where the Moon's shadow falls onto the surface. Never try to look at an eclipse or the Sun without proper eye protection.

[https://www.esa.int/esaKIDSen/SEMGO5WJD1E\\_OurUniverse\\_0.html](https://www.esa.int/esaKIDSen/SEMGO5WJD1E_OurUniverse_0.html)  
<http://space-kids.org/solar-eclipses/>



## Announcements:

- This Evening: Marlin Wagler family will be sharing a presentation about their work in Ukraine at 7:00.
- Wednesday Evening: Prayer Meeting at 7:00
- Out of state correspondence this week by LaWayne & Dorcas

### ~BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES~

August 7, Happy Birthday! Loren Yoder, 1990

August 8, Happy Birthday! Ralph Yoder, 1974

August 12, Happy Birthday! Louise Yoder, 1942

#### Faith (part 3) –

Our last two Sabbath Day Devotions have addressed the subject of faith – faith in an unseen God, who created the universe and everything we can see. Both of these devotions caused an inordinate number of subscribers to unsubscribe. That does not bother me. It just indicates that more than a few people may have been pushed out of their comfort zone.

I have several friends who consider themselves to be an atheist. For one reason or another, they do not believe in God. To maintain our friendship, we have to agree to disagree with one another. They do not belittle me for my beliefs – and I try not to belittle them for their beliefs. That, however, does not stop me from publicly sharing my faith and my beliefs. That's just the way I am.

#### Intelligent Design –

In the simplest terms, intelligent design is the theory that the universe and living things were designed and created by the purposeful action of an intelligent being. Most of us refer to this intelligent being as God. The theory of intelligent design rejects the idea that the universe and everything in the universe came about by mere happenchance.

I would like to share a story about Mount Rushmore. Mount Rushmore is a massive sculpture carved into granite rock in the Black Hills region of South Dakota. Its 60-foot-high granite face depicts four U.S. presidents – George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt and Abraham Lincoln.

If you had never heard about Mount Rushmore and if you were seeing it for the first time, I'm sure you would be amazed. You would have to wonder, "How did it get here?" The answer

begins with one man . . . an excitable, erratic, temperamental and gifted sculptor named Gutzon Borglum. Borglum may not have been easy to get along with, but there's no doubt he was brilliant. He created the sculpture's design and oversaw the project's execution from 1927 to 1941 – with the help of his son, Lincoln Borglum.

Only a fool would believe Mount Rushmore was an accident of nature – the result of mere happenchance. Why, then, do so many intelligent people believe the human body is an accident of nature? The human body is vastly more complex and complicated than the rock faces on Mount Rushmore.

Where is the wise person? . . . Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? (1 Corinthians 1:20)

As I look at the world around me . . . I notice everything must work together in an extremely precise way for anything to survive. Consider how the earth revolves around the sun. Consider how the earth rotates on its axis. Consider gravity. Consider how plants give off oxygen that is needed by animals – and how animals give off carbon dioxide that is needed by plants. Consider how intricate and complicated all living organisms are. Consider the human body.

Many different systems must function together in a very precise way to maintain life. Is it possible for all of this to have come together without a plan and without a divine creator? Don't just GO to church; BE the church

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