



Calvary Christian Fellowship Mennonite Church

Welcome to our Worship Service!

December 23, 2018

Devotional:----- Jonathan Miller

Message:----- Henry Nissley

Offering:----- School

SS Lesson:----- 1 Tim. 2& 3

Adult and Youth Verse: For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; 1 Tim. 2:5

Intermediate Verse: His soul shall dwell at ease; and his seed shall inherit the earth. Psalm 25:13

Junior Verse: Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Isaiah 55:1

Primary Verse: He is not here: for He is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. Matthew 28:6

Preschool Verse: The Lord is risen indeed. Luke 24:34

SS Lesson for next week: 1 Timothy 4

Adult and Youth Verse for next week: Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity. 1 Timothy 4:12

☐ CHILDREN'S CORNER ○ ☐ ○ ☐

Whales

There are about 80 different species of whales with different shapes and sizes.

- Creatures like sea lice and barnacles stick to the whale's skin and live there all their lives.
- Whales use a sing-song voice to call others and can sing a different tune too.
- Scientists use a wax plug in the whale's ear that has a pattern on it, to determine its age.
- Most whales do not have teeth and use a comb-like fibre to filter tiny creatures from the water.
- Whale groups either consist of only male or only female whales and both almost never mix.
- Though experienced, whales can lose their way during migration.
- A baby whale is known as a calf and is cared for by the entire group.
- The "smiling" face of a whale is due to the lower arched lip it possesses.

<https://parenting.firstcry.com/articles/exciting-and-fun-facts-about-animals-for-kids/>

Announcements:

- ✓ This Evening: Free Evening
- ✓ Wednesday Evening: Prayer Meeting 7:00 PM
- ✓ Out Of State Correspondence this week by: LaWayne & Dorcas

~BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES ~

Happy Birthday! Dec. 29, Jonathan Miller 1967

Why Did Jesus Come?

The first few verses in the Gospel of John tell us that Jesus existed in the very beginning – before anything else existed. We are told that not only was Jesus with God – he IS God. He took part in the creation of all things.

In verse 14, we are told that Jesus became a human being and lived here on earth for while among us. This happened approximately 2000 years ago. It was an event unlike any other event in history. God became human and came to dwell with us on earth. Time, itself, is divided by this event. We refer to the years before Christ as BC, and the years after the birth of Christ as AD. AD is an abbreviation for "Anno Domini" which means in the year of the Lord.

Why did Jesus leave the splendors of heaven to come live as a common man here on earth? That is something that is very difficult for me to fully understand.

In John 3:16, we read, "For God so loved the world he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." Simply put, Jesus came down from heaven to provide us with a way to get to heaven.

In John 14:6. Jesus said, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

Jesus left the splendors of heaven with only one purpose and goal in mind – to die a horrible death on an old wooden cross. His death provided the ultimate sacrifice for our sins. He paid a debt that we would never have been able to repay.

1 Peter 2:24 says, "Jesus bore our sins in his body on the tree (cross), so that we might die to sins and live to righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed."

1 John 2:2 says, "Jesus is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the world."

As we enter the commercialized Christmas season... I ask you to pause for a moment to remember why Jesus came to earth and to consider the price he paid for our sins. Jesus came down from heaven to suffer and die in order to provide a way for you and I to get to heaven. That is the greatest gift we will ever receive.

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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.