Envisioning the future

by The Rev. Christopher D. Girata, Rector

So much has been written in the popular media about the decline of the church and the lack of younger generations engaging in the church. However, this past year at Calvary has proven that what might be happening culture-wide can be shifted when churches take seriously their role in connecting people to a purpose that is bigger than they are. Our purpose at Calvary is one of making God’s love known to everyone and being the vessels through which God’s love transforms us all into the kind of individuals and communities God dreams us to be.

Perhaps the most exciting shift at Calvary in 2015 has been the increase of our Sunday morning attendance numbers. This is extremely significant. Not only has our attendance grown for another straight year, but that has happened in a world where...
Songwriter and playwright Marcus Hummon’s newest musical is coming to Calvary Episcopal Church on Saturday, February 6 at 7 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m. and there will be coffee, tea, and water available in the Great Hall before the program.

“Frederick Douglass: The Making of an American Prophet” will be based on the inspirational life of the slave-turned-statesman.

Marcus Hummon, who penned numerous country hits including the Grammy-winning, “Bless the Broken Road,” and playwright of six award-winning musicals, has announced his newest creation, a concert theatrical adaptation of the great American abolitionist and social reformer, Frederick Douglass. Commissioned by Christ Church Cathedral in Nashville, “Frederick Douglass: The Making of an American Prophet,” will detail his early years as a slave and its relationship to his later vision.

Hummon found inspiration in Douglass’s autobiography: “Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave.” Says Hummon, “People sometimes describe the quintessential American story as rags to riches — the story of a self-made man. With Frederick Douglass we have a deeper American success story; from slave to a president’s confidante, a successful author, a celebrated orator, a statesman and social reformer. In the tradition of prophets who speak truth that transcends the time they live in, Frederick has a lot to say to us today.”

“Frederick Douglass: The Making of an American Prophet,” will star actor-singer Bakari King as Frederick and will include the choir Inversion, under the direction of Dave Ragland. The work also will feature Heather Aikin, Patrick James, Jeff Lewis, Kelsey Onwuzuruigbo, and Jonathan Yudkin.
From Breath to Breath: The Spiritual Journey of Aging

A workshop presented by Calvary’s Pastoral Care and Adult Christian Formation teams on Saturday, February 27, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

_We are living at a historical moment: aging populations globally, remarkable advances in life expectancy, and challenges for family care giving make aging and elder care pressing spiritual and ethical challenges of our time. Whether you are providing care for aging parents or thinking about your own aging, this thoughtful workshop will help you respond in informed and theologically grounded ways._

The day will include plenary sessions exploring:
- faith perspectives on aging, the purpose of old age, and elder care;
- the challenges of long-term care, including family care giving and community resources;
- spiritual nurture for caring (and exhausted) hearts.

There also will be ample time for table conversation about the joys and struggles of old age and care giving.

The workshop will be facilitated by the Rev. Dr. Sarah Moses, assistant professor of religion at the University of Mississippi and author of _Ethics and the Elderly: The Challenge of Long-Term Care_ (Orbis Books, 2015).

There is no cost for the workshop; a box lunch will be available for $10. RSVP to Eyleen Farmer efarmer@calvarymemphis.org.

OneVoice to perform at Calvary

A concert presented by Friends of Music at Calvary on Friday, January 22 at 7 p.m.

_OneVoice A Cappella concert SONY Recording Artist OneVoice, comprised of high school students at Briarcrest Christian School, has quickly become a high-profile musical entity throughout the Mid-South and around the United States. Performing popular music of many styles and periods, OneVoice incorporates blues, jazz, rock, R&B, pop, and more into their repertoire. They have performed with GRAMMY Award winning vocal group New York Voices and professional a cappella group Overboard. This is their first appearance in downtown Memphis, and they will offer a family friendly, one-hour concert beginning at 7 p.m. on Friday, January 22._
Every week for the past fifteen years, anywhere from 150-200 homeless and poor men and women have come to Calvary to enjoy a delicious breakfast, prayers, music, and an uplifting word on Sunday mornings. Many arrive carrying bags—all their possessions in a bag or two. Some come in wheelchairs, or on crutches, some come supporting their neighbors. Some come with the fair-weather friends of alcohol and drugs who plague them, some come with the invisible demons they speak to because of the difficulty in getting medicine for the voices they hear. There’s a man who is blind, Elgin, who comes holding a shoulder of his friend. Calvary’s breakfast provides fellowship inside where it’s peaceful, safe, and cozy.

Long-time parishioners like Mary Nease, David Balling, and Wayne Knerr with new parishioners like Abay Evanoff and Lindsey McLennan, all work together with friends from other churches and groups to prepare, serve, and clean the Mural Room from 6:30 - 9 a.m., each Sunday morning. Also, volunteers like Mary, Teresa, Mark, Kevin, Caroline, Sam, and John come weekly to help. Some are Catholic, some Baptist, some Jewish; it takes many hands to serve our guests. Calvary’s Community Breakfast is one of the most diverse, ecumenical, and thankful places in town on Sunday mornings. We come together because our neighbors are hungry. We invite our guests to come to services. We ask them to sing and pray with us and with each other. On the first Sunday of the month, Brighton Baptist Church provides a team to help cook and serve. Southern College of Optometry brings a group on the third Sunday each month. Some young men from Christian Brothers High School volunteer to satisfy service hours. Do you work with or know a group of people who might like to come the second, fourth, or fifth Sundays each month? Would you like to come once a month or once in a while? You are welcome. We need you.

Each Saturday morning parishioners crack 300 eggs, place 500 strips of bacon in pans, and put the napkins and jam in to-go containers for those who cannot stay to be served on china. Greg Smith leads this breakfast prep ministry and has volunteers like Elliott, Winnie, Hugh, Gary, and Noell Wilson, who come monthly to prepare for Sundays.

How can you get involved? Come any Sunday to scramble eggs. Donate $500 to help defray the cost of about 800 breakfasts for one month. Ask a social group or group of friends to help you sponsor a month of meals—we would love to put your name as an “Angel” on the Community Breakfast Board. Come and play the piano when our Organist-Choirmaster Kristin Lensch is unavailable. Work in the Calvary Clothes Closet. Donate men’s clothes.

If volunteering early Sunday mornings is not on your radar, purchase breakfast for you and your family between 8:45-9:45 a.m. during the Parish Breakfast. Breakfast items are offered for fifty cents each and include bacon, cheese grits, scrambled eggs, scratch-made biscuits, yogurt, muffins, donuts, whole fruit (including bananas, apples, and oranges), and cartons of juice and milk. All proceeds support our Community Breakfast.

To be the church, service is important. Frederick Douglass said, “I prayed for twenty years, but received no answer until I prayed with my legs.” Please take a few minutes to learn how Community Breakfast works. Join Elgin and us any week you are able; we would love to see you. Contact me with any questions, 901-312-5214 or ctodd@calvarymemphis.org.
Donations needed throughout the year

There are many ways you can give to Calvary Episcopal Church throughout the year, both through gifts-in-kind, as well as monetary gifts.

**Gifts-in-Kind**
These items may be dropped off at Calvary any time in the blue bin by the stairs on the first floor. Tax letters for gifts-in-kind are available and can be sent to you by contacting Christine Todd, ctodd@calvarymemphis.org.

- **Hygiene Items**: Several of our ministries are always in need of new hygiene items. These include travel-size items from your trips or items such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, combs, brushes, baby wipes, hand sanitizer, face towels, soap, shampoo, conditioner, sanitary products, and lotion.
- **Books**: Both for middle-school or adults, including good airport reads, fiction and nonfiction. These will go to Grizzlies Prep, the Hospitality HUB, or our Community Clothes Closet.
- **Men’s Clothing**: socks, jeans, jackets, suits, shirts, t-shirts, sweaters, underwear, shirts, etc. for Calvary’s Community Clothes Closet.
- **Miscellaneous items**: umbrellas, reading glasses, sleeping bags, and blankets for Calvary’s Community Clothes Closet.
- **Kitchen/Dining Equipment**: Large commercial appliances such as microwave, freezer, refrigerator, etc. in like-new condition or silver serving pieces, and some furnishings make a lovely gift to Calvary.

**Contributions**
All Calvary ministries need funds to exist. Please consider a contribution to Calvary Episcopal Church with the ministry you care about listed on the memo line. Thank you.

- **One month of breakfasts for our homeless and poor neighbors for Community Breakfast**: $500
- **One week of Community Breakfast**: $125
- **Friends of Music donation for a new choir anthem**: $100
- **Altar flowers in honor or memory of your loved ones**: $100+
- **Aumbry Candle signifying Christ’s presence in honor or memory of your loved ones**: $35
- **Honorary Waffle Shop server** (If you aren’t able to serve, you can contribute so when we pay servers from other schools, groups, or churches, funds are available.): $50+
- **Youth scholarship for transportation for mission trip**: $50-200
- **Thistle and Bee**: gift of your choice: $50-100
- **Room in the Inn**: money to purchase bedding and supplies: $100
- **A gift in honor or memory of your friends** – varies depending on gift. Call Cindy Yeager at 901-312-5204 for information.
Calvary Works: Salvation Army Bell Ringers raise $2,061.48

BY MADGE & WHIT DEACON, CALVARY RED KETTLE COORDINATOR

We were humbled and honored when Jack Gibson asked us to assume his role as volunteer coordinators for Calvary’s Salvation Army Bell-Ringers. We eagerly accepted his request, on one condition – that he be our mentor and promise to help us stay on track! With his guidance and the generous donation of time from approximately 30 volunteers, Calvary’s ringers raised $2,061.48 on four Fridays between Thanksgiving and Christmas, greeting customers at Kroger Poplar Plaza.

These funds will pay for 89 nights of lodging and 178 meals for a homeless man, woman, and/or child. As Stacie Glover, the Salvation Army’s local volunteer project manager reports, “That’s a priceless gift for someone who might otherwise live on the streets.”

Suzanne Henley shares her experience:

For many years I was one of those with a bad attitude about Salvation Army bell ringers planted outside store entrances. I thought their methods intrusive; their name and uniforms, tacky and militaristic. Likewise, I assumed their preaching was probably offensively fundamental and, like many other national soliciting charities, that high salaries ate up the bulk of their profit. I made a point of not making eye contact, and certainly not donating, as I’d swish into Seessel’s, inwardly rolling my eyes, lips slightly pursed. And then I found out I was wrong.

Several years ago Jack Gibson asked me to sign up for a Salvation Army shift. I tried not to look horrified and, because I like and respect him, I said I’d think about it. I researched their controversial stance on sexual discrimination and their national ranking among charitable organizations. I discovered that (although they do not perform same-sex marriages—they are Methodist) their policy in hiring and offering aid and support is non-discriminatory and that 84% of their donations go directly to their programs. The national executive director’s salary is $13,000.

That first year my husband, Jim Cole, and I arrived in a freezing wind to begin our first shift at the Poplar Plaza Kroger. We tied on our aprons, plopped on Santa hats, grabbed bells with mittened fingers and, feeling nervous, scanned the parking lot. It only took maybe five minutes before we recognized
that, yes, although several women in expensive SUV’s hurried by our kettle without making eye contact, person after person from obviously meager circumstances stopped, hunted through a pocket or purse, and dropped an offering in the kettle. Over and over. It was a joy to watch and be part of.

And now, each year, I enthusiastically step toward people, ring my bell, and shout out, “Good morning. It’s good to see you.” And it is good.

Of course, Poplar Plaza Kroger was recently the venue of an infamous “riot,” but I seem to get a special pleasure in turning toward some guy shuffling with attitude in a hoodie with jeans halfway down his boxers—and his Baby Mama with too much cleavage and too many tattoos—looking them in the eye and singing out, “Hi there! How are you? Merry Christmas!” and watching the distrust in their eyes shift in a second of surprise to “Yeah, Merry Christmas” as they pass. And, more often than not, I can count to about 15 before one of them is back, sheepishly sticking a donation into the kettle with a grin.

An important repercussion of this annual hour-and-a-half shift lasts the rest of the year. Now, walking down a sidewalk or hallway or grocery aisle or across a parking lot, when approaching anyone—no matter who—I look straight at them, smile, and say, “Good morning!” or “Hi there! How are you!” and deeply enjoy their look of surprise and the smiling responses in return. That momentary eye contact, I think, can bridge chasms and shift mountains. It’s my way of practicing Gandhi’s legendary comment, “If you do not see God in the face of the next person you meet, there’s no point in looking any further.” As Christians, and as members of our global village, this is increasingly what we are called to do. And it only takes a moment.

Many of us at different times in our lives have relied on a “salvation army”—of friends, church members, doctors, strangers: angels in disguise. Often it’s for salvation from ourselves. And I’ll ring a bell for that anytime. All year.

Many, many thanks to the incredible 2015 Calvary Salvation Army Bell Ringers: B. Lee Mallory; Malinda Lewis; Kim and Lily Coggin; Elizabeth & Giles Coors; Ebet, Clayton, Ella, and Jack Peeples; Bruce Watson; Jack Gibson; Karen, Zoe, and Kyle Bondi; the Rev. Paul McLain; Len Grice; Suzanne Henley & Jim Cole; Pat Morgan; Terri and Will Dulaney; and Noell, Gary, Elliott, Winnie, and Hugh Wilson, and Angelee Akin.

Thank you, Jack Gibson, for so many years of dedicated service to the Salvation Army, and for entrusting the coordination of Calvary volunteers to us! We’re already excited about the 2016 campaign and the generosity of so many in the Calvary community!
Get Involved: Lenten Preaching Series and Waffle Shop

When the Lenten Noonday Preaching Series and Waffle Shop begin on Thursday, February 11, hundreds of visitors will start pouring into Calvary’s buildings. The success of these annual “Gifts to the City” depends on the efforts of our parish. Please get involved in the ministry of Lent and sign up to help with these volunteer opportunities:

Spread the Word:
Everyone can do this! Most people first come to the Lenten Series or Waffle Shop because someone invited them to come with them. Invite a friend to come to the Lenten Preaching Series and Waffle Shop with you. If your friends’ time is limited, remind them that “Lunches to Go” Waffle Shop orders may be placed near the Information Desk on the first floor so that they can enjoy both the Lenten speakers and Waffle Shop.

Dessert Room:
Before Waffle Shop or (T-F) 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
or Wednesday evenings 5-6:30 p.m.
We welcome any volunteers for the best jobs to have during Waffle Shop—either cooking for the Dessert Room or working in the Dessert Room. For those who love to cook, we need 80—100 of each kind of pie during Waffle Shop so help with cooking is always appreciated. The Dessert Room provides all of the ingredients for you—just have to cook! Your commitment is to have your pies ready and taken to the church before Waffle Shop begins. For those who love to be part of the action, we need 2-3 helpers each day during Waffle Shop (Tuesdays-Fridays) as well as help during Waffle Shop After Dark on Wednesday nights. Volunteers pick a day to work with their group each week. The work is not hard but it can get hectic. The atmosphere is always fun however. If you cannot commit to once a week, we would love for you to volunteer to sub as needed. To help in the Dessert Room, contact Laurie Monypeny at 901-452-0960 as soon as possible.

Honorary Waffle Shop Wait Staff
For some, it is impossible to be physically present weekdays during Lent. Thankfully, there is another way to help. Anyone can be Honorary Wait Staff by contributing to the Honorary Wait Staff Fund for Waffle Shop. Calvary donates a minimum of $7 per volunteer per day to our supporting churches for the wait staff they send our way during Lent and that adds up over 22 days. Send your contribution (any amount welcome!), made payable to Calvary Episcopal Church, 102 North 2nd Street, Memphis, TN 38103, and note for Waffle Shop Honorary Wait Staff.

Greeters: (T-F) 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Calvary’s buildings can feel like a maze to first-time visitors. Volunteer to be a greeter and assist in the important work of welcoming visitors and guiding them through the buildings of Calvary. We need two greeters for each day of the Series. Your duties will be to direct visitors to the church and then to the Waffle Shop after the service. Arrive at 11 a.m. and plan to stay through the service and direct visitors after the service. Sign up online or contact Margaret McLean, 901-230-8982.

The Salad Room & Chicken Ranch: (T-F) 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Home of some of the Waffle Shop’s most storied and sought-after dishes! Chicken salad, shrimp mousse and tomato aspic. And you don’t have to make ANY of it. Just plate and serve it up with a dash of paprika and a sprig of parsley! Join this unique ministry in the kitchen, and pick the day of the week that works best for you. Each daily team of volunteers works just one shift a week. Contact Doug Franklin, 901-378-7291.

Speaker Shepherds:
If you are looking for a unique opportunity to spend some one-on-one-time with our speakers, then volunteer to be a
“shepherd.” Shepherds pick up the speaker at the hotel and escort him/her to Calvary; GET A FREE & RESERVED PARKING SPOT; and return the speaker to the hotel or escort him/her to wherever he/she wants to visit in the afternoon. Contact David Stearns, 901-338-7486.

**Speaker Transportation:**
Spend one-on-one time with a speaker by offering to pick him or her up at the airport and escort him/her to the hotel. Contact Ray Hatton, First Baptist Church, 901-454-1131.

**Ushers: (T-F) 11:40 a.m. to 12:40 p.m.**
Ushers stand at the doors prior to the service and hand out bulletins. They also help count how many people have attended the service and help with the collection afterwards. If you are planning to come hear a certain speaker, this is an easy way to participate in the ministry of the Series. Contact Laurence Ritter, 901-827-4838.

**Waffle Cooks: (T-F) 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.**
Waffle cooks have the coveted job of making the best waffles in town! Join the camaraderie of the waffle line & help cook waffles or serve sausage & hash. Contact Connie Marshall to volunteer, 901-278-8781.

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**Waffle Shop Waiters & Waitresses: (T-F) 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and Wednesday evenings from 5-6:30 p.m.**
This job is all about hospitality and serving! Duties include greeting guests, carrying food trays, and setting tables. Wait staff get a complimentary Waffle Shop meal after close each day. You can volunteer for whatever fits your schedule. Contact Sue Johnson, 901-272-9803.

**Waffle Shop Cashiers: (T-F) 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**
Seated cashier jobs are another important part of Waffle Shop. If you enjoy greeting our patrons and can work with a simple cash register, volunteer by contacting Desi Franklin, 901-336-6416. Your lunch will be provided!

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The Episcopal Bookshop sets up every day during the Series in the Great Hall. Be sure to stop and check out all of the wonderful products they offer.
You are invited to the observance of a holy Lent

During Lent, all Christians are invited “to the observance of a holy Lent, by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God’s holy Word” (BCP, p. 265). Here are some ways and resources you can use during the season of Lent.

Ash Wednesday at Calvary
Calvary will observe Ash Wednesday with the Imposition of Ashes at 7:30 a.m. and 12:05 p.m., Ashes to Go at 12:30 p.m., and the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Eucharist at 7:00 p.m. with the Rev. John Pitzer preaching.

Calvary’s Lenten Preaching Series and Waffle Shop
See more information on pages 11-14. If you can’t make it to Calvary during the day, be sure to listen or watch the sermons online at calvarymemphis.org/lps.

Day1.org
Each week the Day1 program, hosted by Peter Wallace, broadcasts an inspiring message from an outstanding preacher on the radio and online. Rector Chris Girata is among the preachers you will hear from in February. Visit Day1.org for more information and to listen online.

Lent Madness
Lent Madness began in 2010 as the brainchild of the Rev. Tim Schenck. In seeking a fun, engaging way for people to learn about the men and women comprising the Church’s Calendar of Saints, Tim came up with this unique Lenten devotion. Combining his love of sports with his passion for the lives of the saints, Lent Madness was born. Now an offering of ForwardMovement.org, the format is straightforward: 32 saints are placed into a tournament-like single elimination bracket. Each pairing remains open for a set period of time and people vote for their favorite saint. 16 saints make it to the Round of the Saintly Sixteen; eight advance to the Round of the Elate Eight; four make it to the Faithful Four; two to the Championship; and the winner is awarded the coveted Golden Halo. The first round consists of basic biographical information about each of the 32 saints. Things get a bit more interesting in the subsequent rounds as you read more quotes and quirks, explore legends, and even move into the area of saintly kitsch. Learn more and play at lentmadness.org.
If there’s one thing I know for sure, Memphis likes a good party, and the best party of the season is at Calvary’s Lenten Preaching Series and Waffle Shop. The joy that fills Calvary Church during Lent is infectious and spreads well beyond the members of this community to friends and neighbors from around the Memphis region. Each year, thousands gather in our church to be inspired by the words of great preachers from around the country. And after our spirits are filled with God’s word, we fill our stomachs with scratch-made food that celebrates our Southern roots. No matter where you come from, Lent at Calvary feels like home. I invite you to join me for the wonder-filled experience that is Lent at Calvary, to listen up and eat up the joy of the season as we dream for the future. This Lent, take a ride that will inspire and transform you from the inside out. I hope to see you at Calvary!

The Rev. Christopher D. Girata, Rector

FEBRUARY 11-12 ~ THURSDAY & FRIDAY
The Rev. John Pitzer
Saint James Episcopal Church in Baton Rouge, LA
A former Roman Catholic priest in Memphis, John Pitzer was received into the Episcopal Church in June 2014. He served as director of the Center for Spiritual Formation at St. James in Baton Rouge, and is now attending Seminary of the Southwest in Austin, Texas in order to receive his diploma in Anglican Studies. In May, John will have his Orders received in the Episcopal Church, and will return to St. James as an associate rector.

FEBRUARY 16-17 ~ TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 17 AT 6:30 P.M.: WAFFLE SHOP AFTER DARK
The Rt. Rev. Robert C. Wright
Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta
“Faith is the gift that helps us see the ocean of grace we’re swimming in,” says Bishop Wright who was recently named among the 100 Most Influential Georgians by GeorgiaTrend magazine. Bishop Wright was born in a Catholic orphanage in Pittsburgh, PA. Before his ordination, he served in the U.S. Navy as a helicopter crew-chief and search and rescue diver, and has worked as a child advocate, first for the Children’s Defense Fund and later for two mayors of Washington D.C.

FEBRUARY 18-19 ~ THURSDAY & FRIDAY
Dr. Maxie Dunnam
Christ United Methodist Church in Memphis, TN
Widely known as an evangelist, leader, and pioneer in small-group ministries, Dr. Dunnam has authored more than 30 books, including The Workbook of Living Prayer, which sold over one million copies. His latest book is The Intercessory Life.

Tear this section out and keep it until March 18!
February 23-24 ~ Tuesday & Wednesday
February 24 At 6:30 P.M.: Waffle Shop After Dark
Dr. Tony Campolo
Eastern University in St. Davids, PA
Over his many years of Christian service, Dr. Tony Campolo has boldly challenged millions of people all over the world to respond to God's boundless love by combining personal discipleship, evangelism and social justice. More recently, Dr. Campolo has provided leadership for the Red Letter Christians movement.

February 25-26 ~ Thursday & Friday
Rabbi Micah Greenstein
Temple Israel in Memphis, TN
No matter what our path to God, Greenstein urges, “we should be building a better tomorrow for Memphis and the world. Remember in the Bible where God tells Abraham, ‘Go to a land that I will show you’? A lot of us think that land is Israel. But it doesn’t say that. Maybe what God is saying is, ‘You and I will create a land together, one that I will show you based on our mutual work.’ Maybe that land is Memphis.”

March 1-2 ~ Tuesday & Wednesday
March 2 At 6:30 P.M.: Waffle Shop After Dark
The Rev. Daniel Matthews, Sr.
The Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine in New York, NY
Dan Matthews is one of the Series’ perennial favorites. His feisty and inspirational stories give great insight into the role of a Christian and leave listeners on the edge of their seats. Since 1972, Matthews’ work has been concentrated in larger, inner city parishes, but he also has been influential in bringing together faith groups and clergy through the Hallmark Television Channel, the Clergy Leadership Project, and the publication of Spirituality and Health.

March 3-4 ~ Thursday & Friday
March 3 At 7 P.M.: Church of the Holy Communion
Dr. Walter Brueggemann
Author and Speaker from Cincinnati, OH
Walter Brueggemann is surely one of the most influential Bible interpreters of our time. He is the author of over one hundred books and numerous scholarly articles. Words matter to Brueggemann, and one can tell that by listening to him speak as he hangs on to particularly theologically significant words.

March 8 ~ Tuesday
The Rev. Dr. John Kilzer
St. John’s United Methodist Church and Memphis Theological Seminary in Memphis, TN
A songwriter, composer, and singer, John Kilzer knows, personally and professionally, how music can move, can shake, can heal us. In 2010, he began The Way at St. John’s, a music-driven Friday-night recovery ministry service.

March 9 ~ Wednesday
The Rev. Cheryl Cornish
First Congregational Church in Memphis, TN
A gifted preacher, Cornish’s sermons have appeared in a number of publications and she is in demand as a worship leader and preacher. In 2005, Cornish received Women of Achievement’s “Courage” award for her advocacy for peace and justice.
MARCH 9 AT 6:30 P.M.: WAFFLE SHOP AFTER DARK
MARCH 10-11 ~ THURSDAY & FRIDAY

The Rev. Marianne Borg
*Preacher, Teacher, and Retreat Leader in Portland, OR*
The wife of the late Marcus Borg, Marianne has established The Marcus J. Borg Foundation, marcusborgfoundation.org, a non-profit organization, for healing and renewal and what Marcus called “re-education.” The Foundation engages the heart of Christianity as we continue conversations and concerns Marcus so deeply engaged; Jesus, the Bible, non-violence, justice, empathy, gratitude…and what it means to be Christian in an ever-evolving world. Marianne makes it clear that she comes to us this year not as a substitute for Marcus: “that is mission impossible,” but she joins us in his honor and in tribute to his great respect and affection for the community of Calvary Episcopal Church.

MARCH 15 ~ TUESDAY

The Rev. Virzola Law
*Lindenwood Christian Church in Memphis, TN*
Virzola Law is the first elected female and African American to serve as senior pastor of the historic Lindenwood Christian Church. Law’s passion for justice and community is why she identifies with the biblical narratives of Esther and Ruth. Additionally she has a strong commitment to build bridges between the wide gaps that exist among race/ethnicity, generations, and gender. She serves as a mentor to millenials in ministry and is a consultant for the National Benevolent Association Xplor program, which provides programming for millennials discerning vocation.

MARCH 16-17 ~ WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY
MARCH 16 AT 6:30 P.M.: WAFFLE SHOP AFTER DARK

The Rev. Becca Stevens
*Thistle Farms & Community of Magdalene in Nashville, TN*
Becca Stevens proclaims love as the most powerful force for social change. She is an Episcopal priest and founder of Magdalene, residential communities of women who have survived prostitution, trafficking, and addiction. She founded Thistle Farms in 2001, which employs residents and graduates and houses a natural body care line, a paper and sewing studio and the Thistle Stop Café. She raises millions of dollars annually for the organizations she runs.

MARCH 18 ~ FRIDAY

The Rev. Richmond Webster
*St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in Birmingham, AL*
Rich Webster, AKA “Preacher Man,” as he’s affectionately called by many families in the inner city of Birmingham, exemplifies a deep love and concern for those left behind. He serves as rector at one of the largest Episcopal churches in the United States where he encourages opportunities for personal relationships with each other and the greater Birmingham community. Rich is known for his interactive teachings styles and his love of jazz. His message is, “Love God and love your neighbor. Everything else is improv. That’s Jazz. That’s life.” His current formation series, *Jericho Road*, uses pictures, music, and video to cover the lives and message of the Hebrew prophets as he explores how those stories point us to Jesus.

**DO NOT GIVE UP DESSERTS FOR LENT.** just a heads up.
**EAT UP.**

**THE WAFFLE SHOP | WEEKDAYS 11 AM-1:30 PM**

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### Highlights

- Spaghetti & rye bread $7
- Waffle & sausage $5
- Waffle & chicken hash $5
- Calvary salad plate $10
- Chicken Salad $7
- Tomato Aspic & Chicken Salad $7
- Boston Cream Pie $5
- Peppermint Ice Cream $4

### Can’t Come During the Day? Boo.

**Come Wednesday Nights. Bring Your Friends, Family, A Date?**

**5:15-6:15** Eat dinner from the Waffle Shop menu. Same good food; same lunch prices.

**6:30** Hear the speaker in the Great Hall.

#### February

**17:** THE RT. REV. ROBERT WRIGHT

**MENU:** Fish Pudding w/ Potatoes, Slaw & Cornbread • Spaghetti & Rye Bread • Chicken Noodle Soup & Cornbread • Waffle & Syrup • Waffle & Sausages • Chicken Salad • Side Salad w/ Ranch Dressing • Lemon Chess Pie • Vanilla Ice Cream

**24:** DR. TONY CAMPOLO

**MENU:** Seafood Gumbo • Spaghetti & Rye Bread • Chicken Noodle Soup & Cornbread • Waffle & Syrup • Waffle & Sausage • Tomato Aspic w/ Chicken Salad • Side Salad w/ Ranch Dressing • Fudge Pie • Vanilla Ice Cream

**March**

**2:** THE REV. DAN MATTHEWS, SR.

**MENU:** Fish Pudding w/ Potatoes, Slaw & Cornbread • Spaghetti & Rye Bread • Chicken Noodle Soup & Cornbread • Waffle & Syrup • Waffle & Sausages • Tomato Aspic w/ Cottage Cheese • Side Salad w/ Ranch Dressing • Lemon Chess Pie • Vanilla Ice Cream

**9:** THE REV. MARIANNE BORG

**MENU:** Seafood Gumbo • Spaghetti & Rye Bread • Chicken Noodle Soup & Cornbread • Waffle & Syrup • Waffle & Sausages • Shrimp Mousse • Side Salad w/ Ranch Dressing • Boston Cream Pie • Vanilla Ice Cream

**16:** THE REV. BECCA STEVENS

**MENU:** Fish Pudding w/ Potatoes, Slaw & Cornbread • Spaghetti & Rye Bread • Chicken Noodle Soup & Cornbread • Waffle & Syrup • Waffle & Sausages • Shrimp Mousse • Side Salad w/ Ranch Dressing • Boston Cream Pie • Vanilla Ice Cream
The Journeys of Paul 2016 Cruise

by Liz Browne, Adult Ministries Coordinator

The Journeys of Paul 2016 Cruise
aboard Royal Caribbean’s Jewel of the Seas
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11 Days June 9-19, 2016
eo.travelwithus.com/800-247-0017
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for a full brochure or any questions.

As you follow the Journeys of Paul, your experience will be enriched by a lecture series. Develop a deeper insight into the challenges Paul faced in his ministry. As you learn, you will understand more about the world he encountered, the people who lived there and the ancient culture from which they came.

Guest Lecturer, the Rev. Austin Rios is the 15th Rector of St. Paul’s Within the Walls Episcopal Church in Rome. Austin has learned to adapt to and appreciate cultures throughout his life. He was raised in Texas, Louisiana and Wisconsin. He served seven years in the diocese of Western North Carolina. In Rome he serves an international congregation of all ages with outreach and faith formation programs in a unique historic environment.

| June 9 and 10: Depart US and arrive Rome | June 18: Pompeii, Italy |
| June 11: Sicily, Italy | June 19: Rome, Italy to USA or continue on the exciting Rome Post-Tour |
| June 12: At Sea | Rome Pre or Post Tour-$698 |
| June 13: Mykonos - Greece (on own) | Day 1: Christian Rome |
| June 14: Ephesus, Turkey | Day 2: Ancient Rome |
| June 15: Santorini-Greece (on own) | Day 3: Board Your Ship or Return Home |
| June 16: Athens & Corinth, Greece | |
| June 17: At Sea | |

Meet Up!

by Liz Browne, Adult Ministries Coordinator

Calvary has amazing parishioners. Do you have an interest you would like to share with others here at church? An affinity group is a group of people who share interests, issues, and a common bond or background. Do you have several friends or people you would like to get to know better here at Calvary or with whom you would like to get together and pursue those interests?

Currently, we have some of these affinity groups in place like Foyers, ROMEOS and JULIETS (people who like to eat together), Bible study groups, and yet there is room for so many more groups. In the works is a group who would like to learn to knit, as well as a group of midtown moms with toddlers who are interested in forming a regular playgroup. What about a walking group, a wine group, a travel group, gardening, a cooking group, or art classes? The possibilities are endless. We are a large group of people with a great pool of resources—each other!

Contact me to discuss any ideas you have. I am here to help you coordinate and plan your groups in any way you like. Phone: 901-312-5210 or email: lbrowne@calvarymemphis.org
SUNDAYS

Believe Memphis Adult Forum Series –
Great Hall
The Built Environment

In this series, we will hear from Laura Morris and Allison Hennie on their projects dealing with the built environment in Memphis. Laura will speak to the Shelby Farms Green Line project and Allison will speak to her work on improving the architectural and spacing issues of the Memphis area. We hope to learn how the Calvary congregation can support important initiatives to improve environmental sustainability in Memphis.

- January 17 – **Laura Morris**: Shelby Farms Green Line
- February 7 – **Allison Hennie**

Health and Food

In this series, we will hear from Scott Morris and Kat Gordon on health and food in Memphis. Scott will speak to us on the needs of the Memphis health care industry through his work with the Church Health Center and Kat will speak to us about her initiatives to support the Memphis community through her bake shops. We hope to learn how the Calvary congregation can support and raise awareness of healthy living in Memphis.

- February 14 – **Scott Morris**: Church Health Center
- February 21 – **Kat Gordon**: Muddy’s Bake Shop

Poverty

In this series, we will hear from three speakers on the issue of poverty in Memphis. Beatrice Kimmons will discuss her work with the Hospitality HUB; Sally Heinz will discuss her work with MIFA, and Lisa Anderson will discuss her work with Room in the Inn. We hope to learn how the Calvary congregation can support these important initiatives to help the impoverished and erase poverty in the Memphis area.

- February 28 – Beatrice Kimmons: Hospitality HUB
- March 6 – Sally Heinz: MIFA
- March 13 – Lisa Anderson: Room in the Inn

Fulfilling Your Wishes: Planning for the End of Life: January 24

No one’s plans for the end of life will be exactly the same, but one thing is for certain, if you don’t plan, someone else will decide for you. From reviewing what medical care you wish if you are incapacitated, to how you wish be remembered by your loved ones, and planning your estate, taking the time now to decide what your wishes will be is an important exercise for everyone, so that your specific wishes will be fulfilled. Please join Jim Murphy, Managing Program Director for the Episcopal Church Foundation, for this useful and informative workshop at Calvary’s adult forum on January 24.

Rector’s Forum: Capital Discernment: January 31

Join rector Chris Girata for his annual report. Chris will report on the growth Calvary has seen in the past year, as well as plans for this coming year. He will explain some of the newest ministry initiatives and identify exciting opportunities for everyone in our community. Don’t miss it!
**Opportunities**

**Bible Study on Luke – Montgomery Foyer**
Join this small group Bible study on the Gospel of Luke. A discussion-based class, this is a great way to delve into scripture study and interact with other great Calvary folk. The class is structured so that new participants can join the study at any time.

**Welcome Classes – Library**
Led by one of our Calvary clergy, this is the best place to start your journey at Calvary. These classes are a great way to get to know Calvary’s history, ministries, and community better. Look for specific dates announced in the bulletins and newsletter, the *E-pistle*.

**WEDNESDAY EVENINGS: KOINONIA**

**Mixed Media Art Class: January 6 - February 3, 6:30-7:30 p.m.**
No experience is necessary for this class offered by Liz Browne. Come experience a fun way for you to get in touch with your creative side. You can drop in or do the whole series—there will be a new project for each class and you will have techniques to practice at home and a foundation to build on in the future! Art supplies are provided.

**Book Study: January 6 - February 3, 6:30-7:30 p.m.**
Calvary will begin a new book study in January on faith and politics. We will read and discuss Former U.S. Senator and Episcopal priest John Danforth’s new book, *The Relevance of Religion: How Faithful People Can Change Politics*. Senator Danforth looks for the positive, constructive impact faithful religious believers have and can have on our public life. He argues that our shared religious values can lead us out of the embittered, entrenched state of politics today. The Rev. Paul McLain will lead this discussion in the Montgomery Foyer. The book is available from bookstores and [Amazon.com](http://amazon.com). Contact Paul if you need assistance in locating the book. Please join us for this timely study as the 2016 Presidential primary season begins!

**Discovery II: January 13 - February 3, 6:00-7:30 p.m.**
Discovery II is a follow-up course to the Discovery classes of 2015. It is designed to build on the knowledge participants received about Christianity and the Episcopal Church by applying what they have learned through making meaningful connections within Calvary. The class will be led by the Rev. Chris Girata. Over four weeks, participants will listen to Calvary members share how their Christian faith and Calvary involvement intersects with their lives and discuss ways these stories and principles can make a difference in each of our faith journeys and draw us closer to God and one another. The class meets in the Emison Room and concludes by 7:30.

**Saturday, January 30**

**Mental Health First Aid:**
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
One in five persons in the U.S. will have a mental disorder in any year. When we take part in community outreach activities at Calvary, we often interact with some of them. Two-thirds of the guests at the Hospitality HUB have a mental problem or disorder. In our everyday lives, we are often with co-workers, friends, or family members who are experiencing a mental health crisis or concern. This January Calvary will sponsor a Mental Health First Aid course to help us respond to this need. The eight-hour training course will be offered by the Church Health Center and will teach you how to provide initial help to someone who is developing a mental health problem or experiencing a mental health crisis. The cost of the course is $25, and includes a light breakfast and lunch. The course will be led by certified trainers, Denise Henley, LMSW, coordinator of behavioral health, and Michayela Rosario, behavioral health specialist, Church Health Center. Completion of the eight-hour training results in certification. Sign up online at [cavlarymemphis.org/ adults](http://cavlarymemphis.org/adults).
Advent and Christmas at Calvary

This year’s Emmanuel Meal on Monday, December 21, was spear-headed by Jenny Madden and Jerry Bradfield (pictured left) and made possible by numerous volunteers from Calvary.

On Sunday, November 29, the first Sunday of Advent, St. Nicholas visited Children’s Chapel and everyone enjoyed making Advent wreaths in the Great Hall after the 10 a.m. worship service.
On Saturday, December 12, children, youth, and their families gathered to wrap over 300 Christmas presents for guests of our Emmanuel Meal.

On Sunday, December 20, the children of Calvary presented the Christmas story to the congregation during the 10 a.m. worship service.
denomination of Christianity, from traditional to evangelical, is seeing declining attendance. Many in the church have begun using a new catchphrase regarding attendance: “flat is the new up.” I’m so heartened that at Calvary, our attendance is actually up!

In addition to general attendance, Calvary has shown that even in our shifting culture, Christianity has a truly valuable place in the future. In 2015, we had a significant amount of visitors, many of whom became members. As we consider who visited Calvary in the past year, two details jump out at me. The most common age of a visitor to Calvary in the past year was 25. In other words, more 25-year-olds visited Calvary than any other age. Of those visitors, 35 percent live in the downtown area. This kind of interest from young people who live in the neighborhood is so inspiring to me and for the future of our church.

As you likely know, these last few years has seen a lot of work under the surface to clean up and rebuild much of our fundamental structures, and how worthwhile! We are moving into a new phase of life together, one where our big hopes and dreams now become real opportunities, and I want you to dream a little with me.

Let’s take a moment to consider everything that has been done in 2015. We rolled into the new year with lots of plans, including a kick-start in media to support our Lenten Preaching Series and Waffle Shop. Although the terrible winter weather caused us to close a couple days of the series, for the first time in a decade, our average attendance increased. This is a sign that what we are doing in Lent is not only still relevant, but still necessary. A friend of mine described Lent at Calvary as the single largest ecumenical event in Memphis, and he’s right! The Lenten Preaching Series and Waffle Shop, only a few years away from its 100th anniversary, is still an amazing gift of hope to the city we love.

Our midweek activities have continued to grow in many ways. Ministry to our neighbors in need expanded significantly, including new initiatives like Lives Worth Saving and Room in the Inn. We also expanded our relationship with Grizzlies Prep, hosting more than a dozen special events within the walls of the church. On Wednesday nights, all our offerings have grown, including our music ministry, our children’s programs, and our special classes for adults. The Discovery Class, our adults’ membership program, engaged more than 100 adults during the year, resulting in the highest number of adult confirmations in over a decade.

Our Sunday morning education programs have continued to grow, with higher attendance this year over last. Our children and youth programs again expanded their formation offerings. Sunday School was led by excellent volunteer teachers, but the formation did not stay in the classroom. Year-long programs of service opportunities engaged our young people. One example of that engagement is the hundreds of hours that went into preparing and selling Give-to-Hungry (G2H) bags each month. Our young people raised thousands of dollars through numerous initiatives that allowed them to supply wonderful Christmas gifts to our Community Breakfast and Emmanuel Meal guests, a truly formative experience.

Adults also engaged in excellent education. We finished the year-long bible program both in the nave through The Story lectures and in many small groups that met throughout the week. This fall, we began another year-long education program called Believe in Memphis. This program brought leaders from all over the city to address macro issues facing our community, and Believe in Memphis continues with new speakers this spring. In addition to our adult forum, small groups like our adult bible study engaged scripture in community very deeply.

The Calvary staff welcomed new faces to the team, including the Rev. Paul McLain as associate rector, Christine Todd as community ministries coordinator, and Liz Browne as adult ministries coordinator. They have already contributed in significant ways. Programs such as Lobsterpalooza and the upcoming Easter in Action are just a few examples of how they’ve impacted our community. We are all so blessed to have such
an excellent church staff supporting our ministry. I can’t thank them enough for all their hard work, compassion, and commitment to our mission.

In the coming year, we have an opportunity to take a long look into the future. Although we are still some years away, Calvary’s bicentennial will be here soon. As I consider the historic place Calvary has had in the city of Memphis, coupled with the growth and momentum that has built over these past few years, I believe that we have the opportunity to prepare our church for the next one hundred years.

Excellent stewardship of our resources has put us in a great position for the future. Our development leadership team has been hard at work, encouraging us to “choose Calvary” this year in new ways. We have formalized our development efforts, including the formation of the Friends of Music, all of which give us more opportunities to support the church we love. We are entering 2016 with dramatically less debt than we have been carrying and will retire much more of it in the coming months. That puts us in a very strong position to consider what we can do in the next few years that will set us up to be the beacon of hope in the city for many generations to come.

In the last half of 2015, I asked many of our executive committees and ministries to dream about our future. I asked them to imagine what could be, to imagine what they would want Calvary to do now that would make a huge impact over generations to come. Their efforts impact every area of the church and can be divided into four large areas: worship and music, property, community ministries, and fellowship.

During the first half of 2016, I invite you to consider just what I asked some of our leadership to consider — what do you hope for Calvary in the future? A group of faithful parishioners will begin to have conversations with everyone in the congregation and to create a thoughtful list of hopes and dreams for the future. I ask you to consider who Calvary has been, who we are now, and who we hope to be in the future. How can we continue to provide a sacred place for all people where we can worship God together, grounding ourselves in intimate relationships with one another, and where the love of Jesus Christ will be poured out to our neighbors?

This past year saw heroic effort by so many to make Calvary the church we hope it to be. There has been a lot of work, sweat, tears, and prayers poured into our community by so many, too many to name here, but know that each of you has lived into the calling to be transformed by God here. You have not given in to the temptation that others will do the hard work for you. You heard God’s call, saw what needed to be done, and jumped right in. Your efforts, together, have been remarkable, and I know it will inspire even more energy this year.

This next year holds fantastic promise for the future of our church community. The energy we have committed made us spiritually strong and ready to inspire transformation in our city in new ways. That spirit has once again begun to attract new members to our mission who will serve alongside us, and I can only begin to imagine how many more of our neighbors may join us increasing a more purposeful life. Calvary continues to shine light in the darkness and bring hope to the hopeless, and this year, with God’s help, we will be transformed even more.

God bless you, and God bless our Calvary community!

Planned Giving Dinner Forum

Planned or legacy giving is an important aspect of your stewardship and can take many different forms including a bequest in a will, life insurance, charitable gift annuity and others. On Sunday, January 24, at 6 p.m., join Jim Murphy, program director for the Episcopal Church Foundation, for dinner at Calvary to learn more about planned giving and how it can benefit both you and Calvary. Space is limited, so please RSVP to Katie Owen at kowen@calvarymemphis.org or 901-525-6602 to reserve your spot. There is no charge for this event. We look forward to seeing you there!
New Vestry Leadership

Calvary is pleased to introduce the five newest members of our vestry. These five, along with Julie Bethell, Jan Gwin, Claudia Haltom, Celeste Herburger, Nicky Hitching, David Leigh, Fred Piper, Donovan Smith, Raymond Spence, and Terre Sullivant, comprise your vestry for 2016. In addition, Hank Word will serve as clerk.

Chris Bird (53) was introduced to Calvary by his wife Helen, who had grown up in the parish. They are the parents of Lillian (15), Christopher (12), and Gloria (10). As a vestry member, Chris will focus his energies on “reviving the men’s group and getting the men of the church more involved.” He is interested in serving the parish’s stewardship/budget and buildings & grounds needs. He will “bring his management skills, business acumen, and a lighthearted sense of humor.”

Margaret Craddock (69) and her husband Bill joined Calvary in 1970. They are the parents of three grown daughters, including Calvary parishioner Margaret McLean. Many Sundays, Margaret can be found in the pews with four of her grandchildren. To the vestry, Margaret says she will bring her history at Calvary and knowledge of the community, along with her skills in administration and development.

Tony Graves (46) is married to Ginger and they are the parents of Mason (13) and Grace (7). Tony notes that his involvement on civic boards in the last few years has precluded his deeper involvement at Calvary, but that now he has the time and the personal and professional experience to add value to the Calvary vestry, especially in the areas of finance and strategic planning.

Palmer Jones (56) first experienced Calvary “as a visitor when I was living Downtown in my early twenties, and then again when my husband John and I returned from California and were looking for a church home for our family. I have seen our daughters Sarah (22) and Mia (13) grow up at Calvary.” As a vestry member, Palmer would like to strengthen our partnerships with Grizzlies Prep and Calvary Place, and help create an alternative service on Sunday evenings, since “there seems to be an opportunity here for both parishioners looking for more worship options and as a gateway ministry for Downtown residents.”

Sarah Squire (38) enjoys worshipping at Calvary with her sister Laura Trott and Laura’s family. Sarah would like to focus her energies on liturgy, formation, outreach ministries, and the music program for adults and children. She identifies a need to grow small groups, “especially ones for those who fall in the middle ground between young adults and older adults.” She would like to see more members “connect to our newer ministries like Friends of Thistle Farms,” and would work to “keep our children and youth engaged in Calvary through high school and beyond.”

Clerk

Hank Word (40) and his family, wife Anna Kathryn and son Harry (6), have been members for two years. He says, that “after visiting several other churches and not finding a place that felt like home, we instantly connected with the community at Calvary.

2016 Wardens

Terre Sullivant: Senior Warden
Fred Piper: Junior Warden
Julie Bethell: Warden-At-Large
Hall Gardner: Treasurer
Hank Word: Clerk
## Calendar of Events

### February 2
**Tuesday**
LPS Clergy Krewe Dinner
Join us for the 4th Annual Clergy Krewe Celebration Dinner at 6:30 in the Great Hall of Calvary Episcopal Church. Featuring Gumbo and all the fixin’s prepared and served by Calvary clergy. Wine and beer available for donation. Purchase tickets ($50) in advance. All proceeds support Calvary’s Lenten Preaching Series. RSVP by January 27th to Lynda Gayle Deacon at ldeacon@calvarymemphis.org or call 901-312-5208.

### February 6
**Saturday**
Frederick the Prophet
Learn more on p. 2

### February 9
**Tuesday**
Fat Tuesday Celebration
Come celebrate Mardi Gras/Fat Tuesday, Shrove Tuesday in style! The Third Annual EYC Fat Tuesday Supper will include Calvary’s famous waffles, a waffle topping bar, red beans and rice, and other tasty food that will be prepared and served by Calvary’s youth from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. $8 for adults and $5 for children under 12. All proceeds go to youth scholarship funds. This year there will be a photo booth, so please bring your best smiles and silly faces!

### February 10
**Wednesday**
Ash Wednesday
Learn more on p. 10

### February 11
**Thursday**
LPS and Waffle Shop Begin!

### February 13
**Saturday**
Parents’ Night Out
Stay tuned for details about this child care opportunity offered by high school students raising money for their Honduras mission trip.

### February 14
**Sunday**
Blood Drive
Valentine’s Day Blood Drive: Calvary will host LifeBlood for a blood drive from 8:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Emison Room. Give love, give blood - and get a free, delicious snack!

### February 17
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### February 20
**Friday**
Choir Cabaret
A light-hearted night of savories, sweets, and songs sung by members of the Calvary Choir, with a very special guest. This is a Friends of Music fundraiser. More details coming soon!

### February 27
**Saturday**
The Spiritual Journey of Aging
Learn more on p. 3

### February 28
**Sunday**
Evensong + Organ Recital
A 5 p.m. organ prelude played by Josh Bullock, organist and assistant director of music at First United Methodist Church in Montgomery, Alabama precedes a 5:30 p.m. Lenten Choral Evensong sung by the Calvary Choir. Anthems and service music featured include music by Ayleward, Wood, Sumsion, and Bairstow.

### March 1
**Monday**
Easter Dinner
Join us for Calvary’s annual Easter Supper at 6:30 in the Great Hall of Calvary Episcopal Church. Enjoy traditional Easter food and fellowship. Purchase tickets ($25) in advance. All proceeds support Calvary’s mission work.

### March 31
**Thursday**
Senior Organ Recital
Ted Turner, a senior at Rhodes College, will play his degree recital, in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree in Music.

### April 15
**Friday**
Choir Cabaret
A light-hearted night of savories, sweets, and songs sung by members of the Calvary Choir, with a very special guest. This is a Friends of Music fundraiser. More details coming soon!

## Saints Departed

*Dianna Lynn Adams*, niece of Bill Branch  
*Enola Becker*  
*Barbie Burgmeier*, friend of Chelsea Miller  
*Linda Morrison Butler*, friend of Linda Spiese  
*John G. Carriere, Jr.*, father of Ebet Peeples  
*Linda Colton Dana*  
*Allen Finkenaur*, grandfather of Tom Chipley  
*Virginia Finkenaur*, grandmother of Tom Chipley  
*Ryan Gilky*, nephew of Willie Williamson  
*Dot Gore*, aunt of Pam Coats  
*Nancy Loftiss*, mother of Neil Loftiss  
*Jack Mazurek*, father of Hilary Chipley  
*Frances Gregg Petersmeyer*  
*Lucille Powell*, sister of Neta Ford  
*Michael Gregg Pritchard*, friend of Charles Lewis  
*Terry Warren Sullivan*, wife of Joe Sullivan  
*Joseph Tinoco*, friend of Kendra Martin  

## Great Expectations

*Robyn & Bill Banks*

*Anna Kathryn & Hank Word*

## New Life

*Lucy Louise Cannon*, daughter of Blair & Nelson Cannon  
on January 3

*Eva Mae Cuellar-Councell*, daughter of Gabriela & Keith Councell  
on December 7

*Clayton David Roen*, son of Margo & Paul Roen  
on November 26
1. Four new members were installed into the JOY chapter of the Daughters of the King. Front row, l-r: Hilary Chipley, Jo Speak, Zilla Ferrari, and Torrey Hughes.  
2. Calvary Choir member and parishioner Sarah Squire (r) attended the ordination to the priesthood of former Calvary parishioner and Director of Children and Youth Ministries, the Rev. Andrew Moore, in Greenwich, CT on Saturday, December 19.  
3. Earl Jack Wohrman IV, son of Liza & Jack Wohrman III, was baptized on Sunday, January 10  
4. Elaine Marie Thacker, daughter of Catie & DJ Thacker, was baptized on Sunday, January 10.