



From the Pastor...

Thanksgiving and weddings have some things in common. Both can take quite a bit of preparation. For a wedding, the list is almost endless: from securing the venue to finding the caterer to renting the tuxedos to sending out the invitations. It can take months. For thanksgiving, there is making the list of what will be served, then a grocery list, then the grocery shopping, then cleaning the house, then doing all that cooking. It can take days. Both of these, Thanksgiving and weddings, are an opportunity for time with loved ones, celebration, and sharing around the table. And both take lots of time to prepare for. And in both cases, all that work culminates in a brief experience of a few minutes or a few hours at best. The meal that took days to prepare is consumed almost instantly, and it's all over. The wedding plans that took months come to life and are over before you can scarf down that last piece of wedding cake. Lots of work, lots of planning, lots of energy... and "poof", it's over.

All the "work" of the Christian life is in preparation for the coming of our Lord or our going to be with the Lord. But the Christian life is unlike thanksgiving and a wedding in one important sense: the end goal isn't a "poof" on the calendar of life. The end goal is eternal. It endures into all of time. Being with the Lord into all of eternity (we call it "Heaven") doesn't come and go like the temporal and transient experiences of this life. We aren't working, laboring, investing in something that will be so quickly consumed, over in an instant. And if that is so, then that should make all of our preparations even more worth while, and it should encourage us to "keep on keepin' on."

So, this thanksgiving, give thanks for that wedding we are all anticipating, when the Lord comes to take His bride, the Church. And give thanks that when He does, the wedding celebration will never, ever end.

— Rendell



Church Conference - November 26, 2023

Upcoming Dates

11/02/23 — Men's Prayer Breakfast

11/26/23 — 2024 Budget Discussion - Year-to-Date Budget Report and Church Conference

11/26/23 — Luncheon in the Hub (Advanced Sign-up Required)

11/26/23 — Decorating for Advent/Christmas

12/03/23 — 2024 Budget and Missions Giving Plan Vote

12/03/23 — 2024 Deacons & Leadership Team Elections

12/10/23 — Christmas Bags to be Delivered

Church Conference

We will be holding our 2024 Budget Discussion, Year-to-date Budget Report and Church Conference on **Sunday, November 26**, in the Sanctuary following worship. A luncheon will be served in the Hub (advanced sign-up is required). There will be a sign-up sheet for the luncheon on the Connection Table.

Church Decorating Event

On **Sunday, November 26**, after our business meeting, we will have a Church Decorating Event. Lunch will be provided. There will be a sign-up list for lunch in the Sanctuary on the table next to the Connection box.

Christmas Bags

(for At-Home Members)

On **Sunday, November 12**, our Deacons will have Christmas Gift Bags in the Hub for us to start filling. You can help by preparing Christmas cards, small gifts, candies and treats for our 20 recipients. You will find a list of names on the counter in the Hub. Bags will be delivered starting **Sunday, December 10**.

2024 Deacons & Leadership Team Elections

Our annual elections for 2024 Deacons and Leadership Team will take place on **Sunday, December 3**, following worship. Please be in prayer for persons to serve. Please ask the persons you prayerfully have chosen to be sure they are willing and able to serve. Thank you!



Christmas Angel Tree

Coming Soon! We will be selecting families for our annual Angel Tree and place children's names on a Christmas tree in the Hub. You will find their ages and gift ideas included. Please select an angel, purchase a gift, but do not wrap it, and place it under the tree in the Hub. All gifts will be taken to ABCCM in December to be delivered to the families participating in the Christmas Angel Program.



End of Year Giving

The season of thankfulness and giving is upon us, and one way to express our thankfulness is to give to the ministries of Calvary. Any tithes, offerings, or financial gifts to Calvary that are received in the office before Thursday, December 28, will be counted toward the 2023 budget year. Any gifts received in the church office or given on-line after that date will be counted toward the 2024 budget year. If you are planning to make a gift that you wish to be counted toward the 2023 budget, please be sure those gifts are in the church office or are given on-line prior to **Thursday, December 28**.

Awesome Job!

Thanks to all who assisted with our Campus Workday in October and also our Shred Event in October. Your help made both days a huge success!



Thank You!

From my heart, thank you for your cards, texts, and, most of all, your prayers during my sister's health issues and at her passing. Gaye, a.k.a. "Fudd" (to all her family and friends) was so fun, witty, kind, generous, and the oh-so-loved Matriarch of our large family. We were so blessed to have had her in our lives. Also, thank you for your love and continued prayers for Cami. Thank you for filling the tremendous hole in my heart with your kind words of comfort. You are loved and appreciated so much!

Love, Janie Green

LIVE Streaming of Calvary Worship

Each Sunday, our worship service is LIVE on Facebook @ 10:30. If you cannot attend in person, join us online!

www.Calvarync.org



Invitations are Yours to Give

Pick up a handful of our small "invitation cards" to invite someone to church. They are located on the Connection Table in the Sanctuary. You may choose to leave one with someone you meet throughout the week, and ask God to be at work in that little card to bring someone to church in order to hear the Good News of Jesus and be part of the worshipping and serving community of faith called Calvary.

New Member!

Please welcome our newest member:

Jori Gelbaugh



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Share Calvary

Be sure to "share" our Church's weekly worship services with your friends on Facebook. This is a great way to reach out to friends and family near and far.



Operation Christmas Child

Thank you to all who came out and helped with our Shoebox Packing Party! For those of you who are available, we also need volunteers to help drop off the boxes at the Collection Center in Boone and to help sort and pack shoeboxes for shipment around the world. We have **25** volunteer slots reserved on **Thursday, December 7th** from **2-6pm**. We plan to carpool. There is a sign-up sheet on the Connection Table in the Sanctuary.



Give Online

www.calvarync.org/give

Is Your Photo Missing?

Our on-line directory is up and running well, but we have noticed that, for some of you, your photo is missing. If you do not yet have the phone APP, search for "Instant Church Directory" and download to your iPhone or Android. Then, to edit your info or include a photo, from the "MENU," select "Edit My Family." After receiving a code to your e-mail address and entering that code, you will be able to edit your information as well as upload a photo. Don't delay! We all want to see your smiling faces!



Men's Monthly Prayer Breakfast

All men are invited! Meet with us on **Thurs, Nov 2** @ 7:30a @ Chick-fil-A Smokey Park Hwy.



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2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Deacon for November: Dan Bradshaw 828-713-8096 Ushers for November: Kim Poteat and Katha Tasios			1 6:15-8:30 Worship Team Rehearsal	2 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:30am Chick-Fil-A Smokey Park Hwy	3 	4 
9:20 Prayer 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Worship 5	6 Embrace Grace Fall Semester Ends 6:30-8:30pm The Hub	7 	8 6:15-8:30 Worship Team Rehearsal	9 	10 	11
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9:20 Prayer 9:30 Bible Study 10:30 Worship Church Conference & Lunch Decorating for Advent	27 	28 	29 6:15-8:30 Worship Team Rehearsal	30 	1 	2 

Calvary Prayer List

Alverta Bolick Home
Deacons & Leadership Team
Embrace Grace
Evelyn Boone
Dan & Margaret Bradshaw
Betty Carter
Mary Ruth Duyck
Cami Green
Rick & Janie Green
Floyd & Donna Hilemon
Hipps Family
Neva Hancock
Sam Hocking
Les Little

McGinnis Family
Edith Middleton
Mustafa Family
Peggy Nichols
Debbie Nix
Jean Rice
Pam Rice
Barbara Roberts
Geana Rollins
Smith Family
Gary Smallan
Pat Stillwell
Don & Kayla Welborn
Wyatt Family

Other Concerns

Canterbury Classical School
Robert Atwater
Pat & Barbara Bailey
Kim Brantley
Alan Candler
Evelyn Carter
Joan Cook
Maria Fire
Colson Gropp
Kimberly Hanna
Keith & Betty Sue Haywood
Gayle Jenkins
Travis Messer
Pat Millard

Janet Mitchell
Chris Pafford
Lynn Queen
David Ray
William Richardson
Joella Rigsby
Bill Rice
Sean Robinson
Donald & Kevin Robinson
Tristan Sprinkle
Phillip Taylor
Suzanne Yount
Israel

Sunday Morning Prayer Team in the Prayer Room in the Learning Center (Praying During Worship)

Nov 05 Bruce Farlow
Nov 12 Glenn Jervis
Nov 19 Gary Smallan
Nov 26 Margaret Morgan

*G*ive thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his love endures forever. Let Israel say: "His
love endures forever." — Psalm 118:1-2

Prayer Time on Sunday Morning before Worship

Please join us for prayer
time each Sunday morning
in the Narthex in the rear of
the sanctuary at 10:20.

November Birthdays

01 Margaret Bradshaw
06 Rendell Hipps
06 Kayla Welborn
08 Terry Smith
09 Jim Burnett
09 Bruce Morgan
14 Bruce Farlow
13 Leowyn Hilemon
13 Rick Kagley
16 Roberta Petree
18 Peggy Nichols
21 Dan Bradshaw
21 Logan Rampey
23 Linda Ingle
24 Kelly Allen
25 Jack Brown

*Hello
November*

November Anniversaries

17 Butch & Pat Stillwell
24 Lowell & Gail Hallman

Happy Thanksgiving