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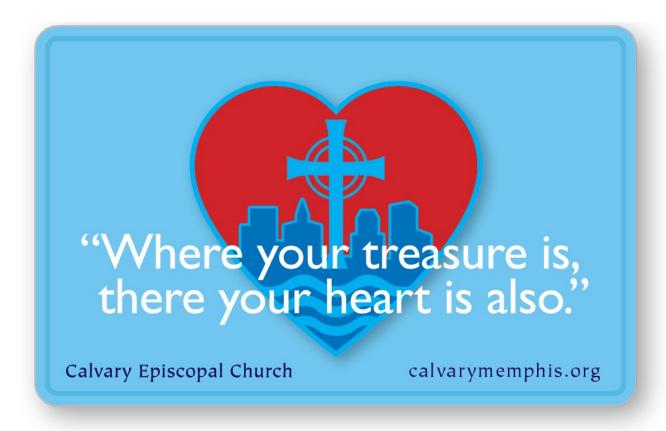
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Happenings at Calvary



Mary Jane Viar, Ashton Anderson, and Kathy Williams enjoyed volunteering during Bratfest.



Katherine Cobb enjoyed her corn-on-the-cob at this year's Bratfest.



We celebrated Calvary's 185th birthday with Baked Alaska and a birthday party in the Great Hall following the 10 a.m. worship service Sunday, Aug. 6.



Calvary parishioners welcomed students back to school at Berclair Elementary with signs to help everyone feel safe and loved.

What is your heart's story?

BY RECTOR SCOTT WALTERS

In a discreet (I'd like to think) spot beside the steps to the backyard, sits a big black toolbox made of an indestructible plastic resin. It slid around in the back of my truck, carrying extension cords and pneumatic hoses, for years. Among the things presently inside it are: an aluminum clamp light, a concrete trowel, a quarter bag of charcoal, Azalea/rhododendron food, and a strange bicycle seat that consists of two independent oval buttock pads (patent pending, I'm sure).

Where your treasure is, I've been told, there your heart is also. Looking into that old black box, I wonder, "Is my heart, or some small assortment of its contents, in there?"

This is an odd question to ask. But even if this particular container is just where the last things from our garage in Little Rock ended up, they still ended up here rather than in the dumpster. I chose them, even if I'd like to blame an unfortunate genetic predisposition for saying, "You know, I might be able to use that thing sometime..."

Christianity has always been incarnational. Which means Christians have always struggled to keep our spiritual lives grounded in the physical world. Jesus touched people, wiped mud on blind eyes, received an anointing with a pungent perfume. He invited Thomas to put his hand in his wounded side. The life of the spirit was not a life free of the body, for Jesus or for his Church.

So, when he told us not to store up treasures on earth but to store up treasures in heaven, I don't think he was dismissing or diminishing life among things and bodies and money and the rest of the stuff of the material world. He was teaching us to be in right relationship with it all. And if our treasure, if our deepest value, rests too heavily or too desperately in things that are perishing and passing away, we won't live with them or with one another in abundant ways.

Houses and cars and clothing will never bring us joy if we need them to announce to ourselves and to the world who we wish we were. And there will never be enough money to bind up our insecurities or calm our fears.

On one hand, annual giving time at Calvary is simply planning as a community for the year to come. What is God calling Calvary to do and be? And, therefore, what can each of us contribute to support our living into that call?



But this season is also an opportunity to look in on our lives and wonder, "What do the ways I spend my money and my time say about what my heart really treasures? What do the things that I own and buy and take care of and give away tell me about what I truly love?"

I think Jesus tells us that we have a tendency to kid ourselves about what we treasure. Where your treasure is, there your heart is also. Which means that if I pretend to treasure one thing when I truly treasure another, I've lost touch with my own heart. There's a division in me between who I wish I was and who I am. Jesus wants to close that gap.

So, I'm thinking about annual giving a little differently this year, and I invite you to do the same. I want this to be a season in which the Calvary community joins me in looking at our lives, our priorities, and our treasures and asking honestly what we see. What story emerges about what matters most to each of us? Is it a story of finding security only in what we store up? Or is it a story of people living generously and free, passing on the gifts and goodness we receive?

I've lifted the lid on the old black box by the stairs, and I know there really is a bit of my heart's story in there. But maybe in this annual giving season, grounded in the encompassing story of redeeming grace, you and I will learn to grasp things that are passing away a little less tightly. Because as we do, Jesus promises, we get back the lives we were made for. As we do, Jesus says, we live a little more fully in the goodness that is eternal.

A Treasure Hunt

BY JILL PIPER, ANNUAL GIVING CO-CHAIR



"Where your treasure is, there your heart is also." ~ Matthew 6:21

very 10-year-old understands that X marks the spot where the treasure is buried.

From Long John Silver to Jack Sparrow, every pirate worth his salt knows that to collect the treasure, he has to follow the map

(usually stolen) and get to it before the rightful heir.

In finding the right metaphor for annual giving, it strikes me that it's a pirate yarn.

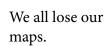
We are all rightful heirs to our own treasure: we work hard for it or a loving parent or grandparent leaves it for us. It's ours, and it makes sense to bury it in the darkness of a cave. Our impulse is to guard it and put it somewhere safe and secret. We make a crude map in case we forget how to find it again.

But then, our map falls into the wrong hands, and pirates seek our treasure. Piracy wears many guises: loss and illness board our fragile ships; we lose our trusted first mate before journey's end; our company sends us into uncharted waters with a transfer; sometimes our own government plunders our trove to more than its share.

Every pirate yarn—besides the rightful heir to treasure and the pirates who would make it their own—has another stock character. It's the native guide, the one who knows the terrain and helps the rightful heir find his way to the X.

That ishow I see my job as annual giving co-chair: the native guide who helps you find your treasure and bring it out into the light.

Calvary's light leads me out of the darkness again and again. And after 30 years, it's my turn to help others bring their treasure into the light.





The landmark that was there last year has crumbled.

Water stains have blurred the dotted line.

The hill that was manageable last year is just too steep.

But we are not alone in the darkness of the cave. In the very next chapter of Matthew, Jesus tells us to seek the light.

"If you open your eyes wide in wonder and belief, your body fills up with light. If you live squinty-eyed in greed and distrust, your body is a dank cellar. If you pull the blinds on the windows, what a dark life you will have!" (Matthew 6:22-23)

What good does treasure do any of us buried at the bottom of the cave? Together, let us bring it out into the light and see what good it may do.

You have or soon will receive an invitation to a party to spend some time with the Rev. Scott Walters and your neighbors. In the meantime, I invite you to reflect on this question: what do you treasure about Calvary?

Finding a place

BY NANCY & AL HARVEY

question we asked ourselves when we moved to Memphis in 1967 was, "Where do we find a church home for our little family?" Growing up, both of us had tried several Protestant churches—Methodist, Baptist, Disciples of Christ—but we wanted less doctrine and more room to ask questions, learn, and participate. We were interested in the Episcopal Church and from what we read, it looked like a good fit. Our friends, Lillian & Kemper Durand, invited us to visit Calvary and introduced us to the wonderful Rev. Robert Atkinson, Calvary's then-rector. And we were hooked. Soon we were confirmed, and we had found a place for all of us.

Calvary also gave us the opportunity to participate, and through the years we have worked hard to justify our existence. The Rev. Douglass Bailey opened altar service to female parishioners in the 1970s, and

Nancy became a lector, a Eucharistic minister, and a lay reader. She was the acolyte master for several years and continues as the head verger. Al became an usher and directed the Every Member Canvas. He was then elected to the vestry and became senior warden. He continues to serve as legal adviser to the rector and staff. Anne and Elizabeth, our daughters, were in the children's choir and served as acolytes.

The people of Calvary have been caring, supportive, interesting, and fun to be with. All in all, it has been a wonderful journey. These experiences have also influenced the sharing of our income with Calvary. We made it our goal to make the gift in advance of the pledge. It took several years, but we achieved our goal and continue to follow that pattern. We believe in Calvary and pledge to continue our financial support as long as we are able.



An open door

BY TOM FELDER



y Calvary story starts in mid-July 2016, shortly after relocating here from Blythewood, South Carolina, to consider accepting the CEO's position with a local minority-owned community bank. While residing at a downtown Residence Inn, my sweet spot was first to get settled in a church in downtown Memphis—one within walking distance and one where I could

enter and exit through the front door. I also was looking for a congregation rich in opportunities—for worship, for prayer, and for service, and for growing in my spiritual life.

Calvary's ad in *KEY* magazine caught my attention and the following Sunday morning, I walked through the front door. It was all there—an environment of hospitality; multiple worship services from traditional to a little more casual, with various styles of music; plus an array of ministries and more.

The good news of God's offer of forgiveness and life in Christ, especially at 8 a.m., and the experience of being encouraged to follow Christ more faithfully in everyday life are what keep me at Calvary.

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Matthew 6:19-21)

When reflecting on the theme for this year's annual giving campaign, I realized this passage concludes with Jesus calling on his followers to store up treasures in heaven instead of treasures on earth. One can certainly hear in these words a warning about the dangers of amassing material possessions. Yet in its present context, Jesus' warning details more than just material wealth; it also includes one's efforts to amass personal glory and honor. For Jesus, to practice our piety so as to be seen and praised by others is, in effect, to store

up for ourselves earthly treasures of human honor and prestige. These treasures are transitory; they can be eaten up and stolen by others just as any material possession can. If we practice our piety before God alone and solely for God's glory, our heavenly Father will reward us, and we shall indeed be storing up for ourselves treasures in heaven.

Gratitude permeates our Episcopal liturgy and infuses our worship. We begin by blessing God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and we end with a resounding "Thanks be to God." In between there are songs of praise and prayers of thanksgiving. "The General Thanksgiving" in *The Book of Common Prayer* lists the reasons we are grateful: God's goodness and loving kindness, God's creation, our preservation, and all of life's blessings. Most of all, we are grateful for our redemption through His Son, Jesus. Through Jesus, we are no longer separated from the loving Father who created us in his image to be his children. We conclude "The General Thanksgiving" by pledging, with truly thankful hearts, to praise God not only with our lips but in our lives.

In giving of our gifts (time, talent, and treasure) we acknowledge the goodness God freely bestows upon us and acknowledge who God is in our very hearts and souls. This is why we are to give the first 10 percent of who we are to God—not out of duty but out of blessing.

I encourage all of us—as we plan out budgets and include what we will pledge to Calvary Episcopal Church—that we start from the place of blessings rather than that of duty. Calvary's ministries are growing, and we need your participation for the spread of the Kingdom of God.

Generous Hearts

By Dave Rupke

C Tdon't want to sell my life for money." This is one of my favorite phrases from the poem "Black Oaks" by Mary Oliver. Heidi typed this poem for me (on a real typewriter), and the poem hangs in my office at work. It's an appropriate poem for untangling one's priorities when the strings of ambition become too taut. Out of the mouth of Jesus, a similar urging pokes at me like a sharp stick: "Why worry about what you will wear?"

In the end, I'm like most people—I cling too tightly to the things, like money, that give me what I think is security. I give, and I try to give more, but it almost always falls short of what my best could be.

But I get better, maybe. Early in our marriage, Heidi and I ate dinner with friends at the Hon Cafe in Baltimore. She reached over to my plate (without asking!) and took a few of my precious french fries. I communicated my annoyance passive-aggressively by turning my plate so the french fries were on the side away from her.

Years later, I am a little better at sharing food—thanks

to the loving fingers of not only my wife but also the six little hands that pick at the food on my plate. Now I might even offer to share before I'm asked. I didn't start sharing more readily by myself. It happened in spite of myself, in the loving community of a close family. One reason—perhaps among the most important—my family and I love the people of Calvary is how they teach us generosity.

How does this lesson get taught? One facet of a committed Christian

community is that its beauty and quality emerge quietly, over time. It's a little like Mary Oliver's oak tree —we only see it by sitting down under its branches and perceiving it with all of our senses. The generosity of Calvary parishioners is in the Soup Sunday ladle; in the lovingly arranged flowers on the altar; in the Godly Play lesson taught to a circle of preschoolers; in Miss Robbie's hugs in the nursery; in the pat on the back in the communion line; in the Cycle of Prayer; in the labyrinth laid out during Holy Week; in the proteinrich breakfast for the Room In The Inn guests that stayed overnight and are facing a day without shelter.

And sometimes the generous hearts of God's people break out in blossom like a pink crepe myrtle in all its summer glory. When our family faced an unexpected crisis, we discovered a bottomless well of hugs, prayers, well-wishes, and meals on our doorstep.

All of this to remind me, and us, that giving is at the center of our community. I look forward, in the year to come, to continuing to learn to give, and receive, and give some more.



Finding something holy

By Terri Purvis Dulaney

alvary will always be home for our family as it is where we met, became a family, and continue to worship together. Before joining Calvary in 2006, I was asked to serve as the nursery coordinator. I began to get to know several Calvary families as they brought their children to the Orgill Room during various worship services. I looked forward to greeting these families and respected the kind of children they were raising. It was through getting to know these families that I knew I wanted to join Calvary. I wanted to worship alongside these new friends and continue to watch their children grow in their faith while I grew in mine.

When Betty Jo moved back to the area in 2005 to be closer to her family, she visited several other Episcopal churches in East Memphis and Germantown, but on the first visit to Calvary, she knew that she had found the right place. She and Will (then two years old) began attending regularly, and through Will going to the Calvary nursery, we met.

We knew we wanted to get married in the sanctuary at Calvary. When the Diocese of West Tennessee approved the Covenant Blessing Service, we eagerly started making plans. We stood in front of family, friends, and clergy on December 8, 2012 to celebrate the commitment we made to one another and the recognition within the Episcopal Church that we were indeed a true family just like the families that originally attracted me to Calvary.

Our family has participated in various community service programs during our time at Calvary. We have seen some grow and flourish and some dissolve. What we enjoy most is that we have been able to participate as a family. Programs like the Emmanuel Center Carnival and Room In The Inn (RITI) have helped us recognize the impact that we as individuals, as families, and as a congregation can make in our city. We encourage everyone to find a ministry that speaks to you and that connects you more closely to other parishioners and to others in the city.

Through her participation in Education for Ministry (EfM) on Wednesday nights, Betty Jo has developed a deeper faith through study and theological reflection. One part that she treasures most is sharing and listening to spiritual autobiographies. A recurring theme is always how many of us have been searching in a variety of ways and have been found by Calvary.

We give as generously as we can to Calvary so that others may find something Holy—like we have—when they enter into Calvary, whether it be to worship, study, or find new ways of making God's love visible in downtown Memphis.



Calvary is home

BY SARAH SQUIRE

y first experience at Calvary Episcopal Church was coming to hear the group Chanticleer sing. I was going to school at Rhodes College, and I thought to myself, "If I ever actually start going to church in Memphis, I should definitely go here." I didn't really know why I thought that except that it was a beautiful church and that beautiful church brought in an awesome choral group. As a cradle Episcopalian that seemed good enough at the time.

It took me until I came back to Memphis years later to finally reappear and this time to go to a church service. It didn't take long after that to not only start attending Calvary but also to become involved in the church. It might have helped that both my sister and one of my best friends were working at the church; I had already met some of the young adults; and the choir was excellent! I immediately joined the Calvary Choir, got involved in the Young Adult Ministries group, and began to assist with the youth group. I didn't know that many people in Memphis, and suddenly, I had a great group of friends through Calvary.

Eleven years later, Calvary is home to me. Nowadays you can find me in the Calvary Choir, teaching Godly Play to the pre-K and K class, and reading at the lectern on occasion. I'm a second year vestry member, and I've been working on starting a 30s and 40s group. I love to be involved in the life of Calvary and to help make God's love visible in downtown Memphis. I never feel like I'm doing enough...even though many people say that I don't always have to say yes! But I love the work that Calvary does, and I want to be part of it. Calvary is family. I'd say one generally puts in a little effort for family, so that's what I want to do for Calvary.

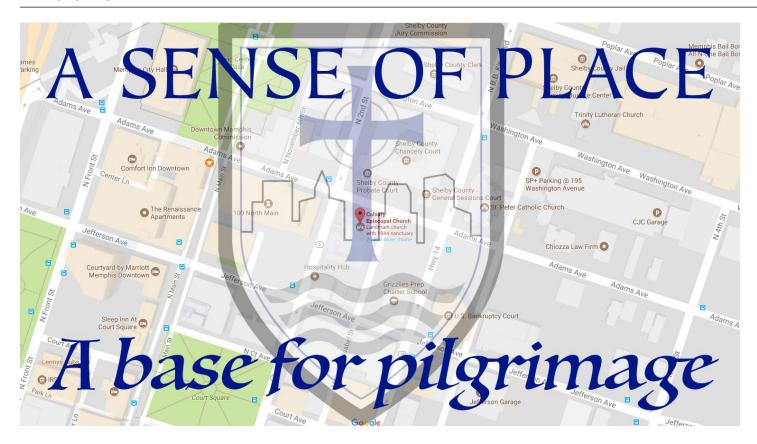
One of the ways that I can put a little effort into the work of Calvary is through giving. The church can do such wonderful things because of the time, talent, and treasure of its parishioners. We are the Church and we keep the Church alive through our contributions. I can't help with everything, but I can make a monetary gift to make sure that this family can continue its great and important work.

Last year, the Calvary Choir sang a stunning anthem by René Clausen simply titled "Prayer." The text was taken from the daily prayer of Mother Teresa. I'm not sure I have ever sung the piece when I haven't had tears in my eyes. I can't give you the full effect of what this anthem did for me through music, but I can share the words.

"Help me spread Your fragrance wherever I go. Flood my soul with Your spirit and life. Penetrate and possess my whole being so utterly that my life may be only a radiance of Yours. Shine through me and be so in me that every soul I know will feel Your presence in my soul. Let them look up and see no longer me but only You."

I pray that God's light can shine through Calvary and through all of us. I pray that Calvary can be a "thin place" where we can see God's presence. I pray that we ask ourselves how we can be participants and helpers. "Let them look up and see no longer me but only You."





Adult Christian Formation 2017-2018: A Sense of Place, A Base for Pilgrimage

The theme for Calvary's 2017-2018 adult formation is "A Sense of Place, A Base for Pilgrimage." As Calvary enters an exciting new era with the Rev. Scott Walters as our rector, this fall is a good time for us to examine our sense of place as an urban downtown church in the city of Memphis. We will look back at the interesting and surprising history of our block and will get to know our neighborhood and city better. We will explore opportunities to engage with the built environment around us through shared relationships and ministries. In the winter and spring, we will look at Calvary as a base for pilgrimage as we join our city in commemorating the 50th anniversary of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. We will examine the concept of pilgrimage locally and globally as we seek Christ's direction on where, when, and how we are called to walk with him.

SUNDAYS in the GREAT HALL

Oct. 1 and 8: Calvary's Place in our Journeys

Panels of parishioners will share their personal stories of how Calvary has provided a sense of place and touchstone in their spiritual journeys.

Oct. 15: Finding Your Place at Calvary

A panel of leaders of Calvary ministries will talk about how the work of our parish is impacting lives and the built environment around us. They will help us discover ways we can each find our sense of place through loving service to others.

Oct. 22: Lessons from the Rappel and Persons Tragedy

One hundred years ago in Memphis, a young girl was brutally murdered and a black man was burned to death on suspicion of having been the murderer. **Judge Jennie D. Latta** will tell the story of Antoinette Rappel and Ell Persons, and the persons and events surrounding their deaths.



These stories raise questions of violence, justice, mercy, and forgiveness. Jennie D. Latta, J.D., Ph.D., is a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Western District of Tennessee who holds degrees in law, theology, and philosophy.

Oct. 29: Addiction: The Church's Role in Recovery

Sometimes we find ourselves, our family members, or our neighbors in a dark place yearning for a glimmer of light and hope. **The Rev. Stuart Hoke** will speak with us on the spirituality of addiction, using his own experience as a springboard



for considering this cunning, baffling, and powerful illness along with the spiritual and emotional gifts that come in recovery. Dr. Hoke serves as an adjunct professor at General Theological Seminary, where he teaches two courses of study on the spirituality of addiction and recovery. The Rev. Stuart Hoke also will preach at the 8 and 10 a.m. worship services at Calvary that day.

Nov. 5: The Rev. Spencer Reece
The Rev. Spencer Reece, acclaimed poet and Secretary to the Episcopal Bishop of Madrid, will be at Calvary for the release of *Counting Time Like People Count Stars*, a book of poems by the Girls of Our Little Roses orphanage in San Pedro Sula, Honduras. Come hear Spencer tell his story and read poems by the girls who changed his life forever.



Nov. 12: A Sense of Place from Literature and Beyond

Parishioner and author **Suzanne Henley** will draw on sources from literature and other media to explore our spiritual rootedness in a sense of place as Southerners. Suzanne is a teacher, author, volunteer, and designer who once spent two years in Europe learning, hitchhiking,



and working in a German car radiator factory. Her story, "Beyond This Point There Be Dragons," is included in the recently published anthology of women writers, *Second Blooming*, and her book, *Bead by Bead*, is to be released by Paraclete Press in January.

Nov. 19: Preparing for Advent The Rev. Katherine Bush will help us pack for our pilgrimage through Advent by sharing poetry and wisdom to prepare our hearts for this coming season of waiting and expectation. Katherine is the chaplain at St. Mary's Episcopal School. She is a graduate of Rhodes



College and Virginia Theological Seminary, and she has served as a priest in West Tennessee for 14 years. Katherine and her husband Stephen were married at Calvary and are the parents of Henry and John.

Nov. 26: Advent Wreath-Making Festival

Dec. 3: Reception for the Rev. Eyleen Farmer

The Rev. Eyleen Farmer is retiring from her work as associate rector of Calvary. Come celebrate her time with us and send her forth with love and prayers at a festive farewell reception.



Dec. 10: The Search for the Healthy City

Physician, author, and Calvary parishioner **Jim Bailey** will share how our connections with our built environment contribute to healing us in body, mind, and soul. Jim is the author of the novel *The End of Healing*, a look at America's health



care system through the lens of Dante's *Inferno*. He and his wife Sharon led a pilgrimage to Italy last year to explore the life-giving impact of art and architecture in healthy cities.

Dec. 17: Docent-led Tour of Calvary

We will end 2017 by claiming our sense of place at Calvary with a tour and presentation from our docents on the history of our beautiful worship space and learn about the symbols and layers of meaning in our architecture, stained glass windows, and artwork.



SUNDAYS in MONTGOMERY FOYER

Oct. 1 - Dec. 10: Bible Study

Each week join **the Rev. Paul McLain** and Rhodes history professor and Calvary parishioner **Tim Huebner** as they lead a series of discussions centered on the biblical basis for finding our sense of place and preparing for pilgrimage. We will look at Bible passages related to place and pilgrimage in the Holy Lands using N. T. Wright's *The Way of the Lord: Christian Pilgrimage Today* as our guide.

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Sept. 6 - Oct. 18: Sidewalks in the Kingdom

The Rev. Scott Walters, our new rector, leads us in finding our sense of place by exploring our tangible and spiritual relationships with the built environment around us. Participants are invited to read Eric Jacobsen's *Sidewalks in the Kingdom: New Urbanism and the Christian Faith* as we join Scott on this mutual journey. You may join this class in the Great Hall at any time.



Nov. 8-Dec. 13: Discovery

Join Scott Walters in the Great Hall for five weeks of conversation about how Episcopalians view prayer, the Bible, Church history, ethics, worship, and more. Discovery serves as preparation for Confirmation but anyone curious about what Presiding Bishop Michael Curry calls "the Episcopal branch of the Jesus movement" is welcome.



Formation for Children and Youth

SUNDAY MORNINGS at CALVARY

Sunday Morning Nursery Care: Calvary maintains an excellent nursery facility staffed by trained, professional caregivers. Open from 8:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m., the nursery is for children ages five and under and is located on the first floor in Calvary Place Child Care Center. A loving atmosphere, personal attention, and age-appropriate toys, Bible stories, and Bible-based activities are all

designed to make the nursery a safe, nurturing place for your child.

Children's Chapel: Children's Chapel is an opportunity for children to experience the "Liturgy of the Word" in an easy-to-understand, story format. Children participate in a number of ways, such as setting the altar table, listening, responding to the story, singing, praying, taking an offertory collection, and sharing the sign of peace. At the beginning of the 10 a.m. worship service, children follow the children's cross out of the church to Children's Chapel, which is held in room 203 on the second floor education wing. Children are escorted into church at the time of the Peace to join their families for Communion. Children ages three and up are welcome to attend Children's Chapel. The liturgy is geared for children ages three to seven. Parent participation is encouraged, especially during a child's first time to attend Children's Chapel.

Youth as Worship Leaders: There are many ways for Calvary's youth to serve in Sunday morning worship. Youth are encouraged to acolyte, lector, sing in the choir, usher, and/or help in Children's Chapel. Below is the list of ministry leadership contacts and volunteer age requirements. Please contact the ministry leader for further information, including training information.

Acolyte: 7th-12th grade – Catie Thacker, *catherine*. *thacker@ftnfinancial.com*

Lector: 5th-12th grade – Kendra Martin, *markaer@ aol.com*

Usher: 6th-12th grade – Laurence Ritter, *lbritter@bellsouth.net*

Music: 1st-12th grade – Kristin Lensch, *klensch@ calvarymemphis.org*

Children's Chapel Helper: 5th-12th grade – Hilary Chipley, *hchipley@calvarymemphis.org*

Sunday Morning Formation Aug. 13, 2017 – May 6, 2018

Pre-K and Kindergarten - Godly Play - Room 201

The Godly Play curriculum invites children to enter into our sacred stories through careful telling of the scripture stories, engaging story figures, and participating in a variety of creative activities. Children are encouraged to wonder aloud about the Bible stories, themselves, God, and the world around them. Godly Play teachers encourage children to use their curiosity and imagination to experience the mystery and joy of God.

1st & 2nd grade – Godly Play: People, Prophets, and Parables – Room 203

First and second-grade students continue with the Godly Play curriculum and build upon stories learned in pre-k and Kindergarten, with focus on specific people, prophets, and the parables of Jesus.

3rd & 4th grade - Bible 101 - Room 205

Third-grade students join fourth grade students in Bible 101. Based on a two-year cycle that covers both the Old and New Testament, this class is devoted to an in-depth and age-appropriate study of Scripture. This year's focus will be on the Old Testament. We strongly encourage students to be present every Sunday as each lesson builds on the previous one.

5th - 6th grade - The Story - Room 206

The Story is about the story of the Bible, God's great love affair with humanity. Each lesson begins with a review of where *The Story* has been and a hint at where it is going. *The Story* chronologically moves through events from Genesis to Revelation and hopefully helps the participant to listen for God's call and through His help, write his or her own story.

7th & 8th grade - Room 208

9th -12th grade - Third Floor Youth Room

Discipleship: What's Your Story?

This year's curriculum, "Discipleship: What's Your Story?," is all about the Christian journey of discipleship. Students will be encouraged take ownership of their Christian journey. The class begins with students hearing about the spiritual journeys of their parents and guardians and then moves toward workshop-style lessons that will provide the tools that help students share their own journeys. During the spring semester, students will have the opportunity to share their Christian journey with their peers and parents.

High School Confirmation: 9th -12th grade - Room 207

Confirmation is an important moment in a young person's faith life. In confirmation class students prayerfully consider the promises made by their parents and godparents on their behalf at their baptism and claim them as their own. This year we are using *I will, with God's Help* by Mary Lee Wile. The class themes include: belonging, community, prayer, repentance, Scripture, service, story, and worship. This curriculum emphasizes the importance of experience as the primary learning avenue for the Christian journey. Classes began Sunday, Aug. 13, and will conclude with the sacrament of Confirmation during the 10 a.m. worship service Sunday, Jan. 7, 2018. Contact Minister to Youth Kayla Bartosch, *kbartosch@calvarymemphis.org*, for more information.

Wednesday Evenings Sept. 6, 2017 – May 9, 2018

Ages 0-5 - Nursery - 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Child care for children ages 0-5 is available in the Orgill Room.

Sr.K-2nd grades – St. Cecilia Choir – 6:15-7 p.m. Room 203

Directed by Melissa Elsholz, children learn hymns, other sacred songs, how to use their voices, and how to sing in a choir. St. Cecilia Choir sings monthly at the 10 a.m. worship service throughout the year. At the conclusion of their rehearsal, students have the opportunity to join their friends in other youth offerings until 7:30 p.m.

3rd grade & up – Boys and Girls Choir – 6:15-7 p.m. Crook Auditorium

Directed by Kristin Lensch, organist-choirmaster, the Boys and Girls Choir uses the "Voices for Life" curriculum established by the Royal School of Church Music (RSCM). The Boys and Girls Choir sings every other week with the Calvary Choir, as well as major feast days such as Easter and Christmas. At the conclusion of their rehearsal, students have the opportunity to join their friends in other youth offerings until 7:30 p.m.

1st-5th Grades - EpiscoPals - 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Room 205

EpiscoPals is a fellowship group for 1st-5th-graders that meets to play games, work on arts and crafts, read and act out stories, and have fun together in a Christ-centered environment. Led by Hilary Chipley and Eric Milner.

6th-12th Grades – EYC HOME – 6:15-7:30 p.m. Room 208

Episcopal Youth Community HOME is designed to Help Overworked Minds Ease. This time in the middle of the week is made to help Calvary's EYC find a place to completely ease their minds from their everyday worries, concerns, stressors, and to-do lists. This time will be used to create an environment where the students can find their inner peace, let their fun-side shine, and learn how to create other 'ease' environments within their daily routines. This will be encouraged through team-building activities, music, games, crafts, Bible study, service projects, meditation, discussions, and prayer. It is important to keep God within your daily routine. This is the perfect opportunity to have fun with your peers while praising God. EYC HOME is led by Minister to Youth Kayla Bartosch and Tom Chipley.

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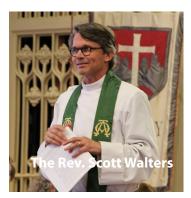
Calvary joyously celebrated Sunday, Aug. 27, as Scott Walters became Calvary's 22nd rector.



















CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 7 Saturday

Children and Youth Go Bowling

Calvary children and youth of all ages go bowling Saturday, Oct. 7, from 4 to 6 p.m. at Billy Hardwick All Star Lanes at 1576 S. White Station Road, Memphis, 38117. This event is FREE. RSVP today to Hilary Chipley, hchipley@calvarymemphis.org.

October 13 Friday

Calvary Place Fall Festival

Calvary Place invites all families to their annual Fall Festival on Friday, Oct. 13, from 4:15 to 5:30 p.m. There will be pony rides, train rides, a petting zoo, and a hot dog supper. A donation of \$7 per family is suggested to help offset costs.

October 20-22 Friday-Sunday

St. Clare Silent Retreat for Women

One weekend each year, women gather the weekend of Oct. 20-22 at St. Columba to more fully experience the blessings of silence. St. Clare Silent Retreat Weekend for Women and the Ven. Mimsy Jones are pleased to announce that this retreat will be led by Connie Cruthirds, a writer, master certified life coach, and compassionate observer of self and others. The cost for the full weekend, Friday 5 p.m. thru Sunday noon, including a private room with shared bath, and all meals, is \$260. A commuter option is available for \$150. If you have questions, contact stclareweekend@gmail.com. Registration is available online: saintcolumbamemphis.org/stclare/

October 24 Tuesday

Calvary Book Group

October finds the Calvary Book Group reading *Ministry* of *Utmost Happiness* by Arundhati Roy. They will meet on Tuesday, Oct. 24, at Libro (inside Novel bookstore in Laurelwood), at 6:30 p.m. If anyone has questions or book suggestions, please contact Molly Polatty, *mcpolatty@hotmail.com*.

October 25 Wednesday

Trunk-or-Treat and Monster Mash

See back cover.

October 27-28 Friday-Saturday

Recovery Retreat

Make plans now to join the Recovery Commission in the peaceful woods of St. Columba for an overnight retreat on spirituality led by the Rev. Dr. Stuart Hoke. Be with people from all walks of recovery to learn real practices to deepen your connection to each other and to the Spirit through prayer, meditation and conscious contact with the God you

are growing to understand. The retreat begins at 5 p.m. on Friday and ends at 5 p.m. on Saturday. Dinner Friday, and breakfast and lunch on Saturday are included. Registration fee: \$125/double occupancy or \$165/single occupancy. For more information contact Shannon Tucker at 901-281-0785 or shannon.tucker@gmail.com. Or register now at connectionmemphis.eventbrite.com.

WEDDING BELLS

August 26 • Addie Tomlin & Matt Pensa September 3 • Kelli Gross & Nathan Hay September 23 • Chandler Whitman & Ryan Irwin

NEW LIFE

June 5 • Colette Lucille Wilmot Pacello, daughter of Olivia Wilmot & Tommy Pacello

July 30 • *River Rowland Johnson*, grandson of Sue & Owen Johnson

September 11 • *John Wilson Driver Owen*, son of Katie & John Owen

SAINTS DEPARTED

Charles Wayne Billings
Michelle Kay Branch, daughter of Kay Joest
Hank Cowles, friend of Michele Crump
Mimi Semmes Dann, mother of Katie Dann
Patricia Shillings Davidson
Rena Franklin, friend of Bunny Oates
Dr. Posey Grant Hedges, Jr.
Mildred Henson, friend of Paul McLain
Robert Johnston, friend of Ruthie & Paul McLain
Lisa Barzizza McCormack, sister of Tom Barzizza
Demetria Crump McLaughlin, mother of Ted &
Steve McLaughlin
Richard McStay, friend of Nancy & Al Harvey

Richard McStay, friend of Nancy & Al Harvey William Millard, brother-in-law of Ginny Sisk Don Partridge, brother of Gayle Spence Shayel Patnaik Tommy Rahn,

husband of former Associate Rector Gay Rahn

William Dobbs Roberds, Sr.,
father of the Rev. Ellen Roberds

Anna Roberts, mother of Billy Shaw

Amelia Rose Tummalapalli,
friend of Rosemary Clark

Walker Whittle, uncle of Paige Whittle



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