

Calvary Baptist Church

With eyes fixed on Christ, we equip believers to carry the Gospel through service



May 2017

Dates to Remember

Thursday May 4
National Day of Prayer

Friday, 5/12 - Saturday 5/13
CrossRoads Clean-Up

Sunday, May 14
Mother's Day

Saturday, May 20
Men's Breakfast
Church Work Day

Sunday, May 21
Puppet Show

Sunday, May 28
HS Graduate Reception
Fishing Trip Departs

Monday, May 29
Memorial Day CBC Closed

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NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

CALVARY'S DOORS OPEN TO OUR COMMUNITY

This year the National Day of Prayer will be held on Thursday, May 5. Calvary will have its doors open for the community to spend time in prayer from 7:00am until 7:00pm. If you are able to volunteer your time as a greeter, contact Joan Funkhouser or the church office.

APPLE BLOSSOM PROJECT

We are asking for donations of water bottles until Thursday, May 5, to support Calvary's Apple Blossom project. As a service to our community during the Apple Blossom parades, we hand out water and offer free parking Friday, May 5 (arrive at 4pm), and Saturday, May 6 (arrive at 12pm). Drop off donations at the church office during regular hours or bring them with you on Wednesday. If you are available to volunteer, contact Mike Graham or the church office.



VOLUNTEER AT CAMP CROSSROADS

Friday, May 12 - Saturday, May 13 will be Volunteer Weekend at CrossRoads Camp and Conference Center. We would love to send a big group to help get the camp in shape for their upcoming summer session. It's free to go.

All volunteers will be well fed and treated to special fellowship time in the evenings. Anyone interested in coming should bring shovels, digging bars, post hole diggers, screw guns or drills. All ages are welcome. Anyone under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Contact CJ or Joan Taucci or the CBC Office for details.

CBC MEN'S GROUP MEMORIAL DAY CHESAPEAKE BAY FISHING TRIP

The men's group is sponsoring a day fishing on the bay on Monday, May 29 (Memorial Day). We'll stay in Warsaw, VA Sunday evening and be on the charter boat by 6:30 AM. We will be back in Winchester early Monday evening. The tackle, bait, and licenses are provided by the charter boat. When we have gone out at this time of year in the past we have come home with some really nice Rockfish (Striped Bass). See or contact Bob Heffern or Bobby Tucker for more information and to reserve a spot on the boat.



The June newsletter will be distributed May 28. Submission deadline is May 18. Any attendee may offer submissions. Send info to: secretary@calvarywinchester.org. Thank you!



PUPPET SHOW

The Children's Department is sponsoring a special event this May. We will be having a puppet show put on by a local puppeteering group. Please join us on Sunday, May 21 at 4:30pm in Parker Hall.

VBS REGISTRATION

The Children's Ministry Council has planned an exciting VBS week. Our theme is "Galactic Starveyors, Discovering the God of the Universe." We will be posting an online registration page on our website in early May. This is a great way to invite other families with kids in elementary school. While many people have volunteered, the more adults we have, the more children we can serve, so please prayerfully consider what you can do to contribute. Contact Kathy Marks for details.



CHILDREN'S VOLUNTEERS

Our children's department is in need of volunteers. If you feel led to help, we will find you a place to serve that fits your skills and interests. Please contact Kathy Marks (childrensministry@calvarywinchester.org) for details.

CHILD CARE

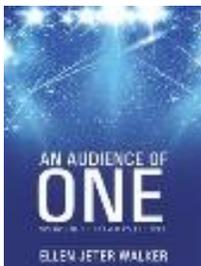
- 5/7 Deb & Julia Belcher & Raquel
- 5/14 Ross M., Kailey R. & Matthew R.
- 5/21 Petra C., Abbie W & Paige W.
- 5/28 **Family Sunday:** Melva S., Tyler R. & Dakota K.



SPECIAL NIGHTS IN MAY:

- 5/10 Celebrating Moms (Caretakers invited)
- 5/17 Final Store this year
- 5/24 Ending Ceremonies

ALL OF THE ABOVE *by Jackie Boyer*



AN AUDIENCE OF ONE

Worship for God's People
By Ellen Jeter Walker

On Saturday April 1, CBC hosted the annual WMU meeting for our association at Calvary Baptist Church. The topic of focus was worship and our speaker has written a book which I've been in the process of reading. As a Worship Leader, it can be tempting to go through the motions of the worship service because it's just what we're supposed to do. In her book, Ellen Walker puts it this way,

"I believe God has created us with a capacity and a yearning for worship. However, as creatures of habit, it is easy to turn worship into a mindless ritual where the worshiper is just an observer going through the motions." I have a passion for worshipping our Creator, not only through song, but with my life. And I admit that I so often get distracted. In her book, Ellen describes some of the things in life that threaten to pull us away from our focus on God. She says that **"Ofentimes the greatest obstacle to worship is not the musical selections ... The biggest obstacle to worship is ourselves. • Our minds are focused on other things. • Our hearts are burdened with a variety of situations or problems. • Our souls may be dry because we've not spent time in God's Word or in private devotion. • Our bodies may be tired due to illness or the fast paced lifestyle that people live today."** I've been guilty of allowing myself to be distracted by many of these things, and I fall short often. I am so grateful for a God who reaches out and communicates with us even when we've let our eyes and hearts wander to other things. When I'm beginning to get distracted, He will cause an event, a song, a scripture verse, words from a trusted friend, anything to remind me that this life isn't about me, and that without Him I am nothing. Returning to humble adoration of the God of the universe is the only act that helps me to refocus on the purpose for my time here on earth. In Ellen's words, **"Worship happens in the context of real life for those who truly seek to know and serve God every day."** If you haven't already, I encourage you to read this book and start each day by making the effort to open your eyes to the ways God is trying to communicate with you. Last week in Youth Sunday School, we took time to walk around the community near the church and look for beauty God has provided around us. In a world that is often so dark and busy, it's important to make a conscious effort to look for the good and thank God in the process. We concluded our walk by praying silently and then praying over the Calvary Church building. Then, after church, John Womack came and talked with the Romania team about how important it is to pray over our trip before we leave and to have others praying for us while we're away and even as we return. So I'll ask that as you think about it, pray for our Romania team, our NC team, for the Uganda team, and for ministries and missions efforts taking place right here in Winchester. Thank you for your continued prayers for our students and other ministries taking place at Calvary.



2017 GRADUATES' RECEPTION

Please plan to stay after service on Sunday, May 28 for a brief reception celebrating our 2017 High School graduates.



JEAN BAKER SCHOLARSHIPS

If you have been an active member of CBC for two years, who graduates this year and plan on attending college this fall please apply for a Jean Baker Scholarship. If you are already attending college and plan to return in the fall you may also apply. Please know that if you don't maintain at least a "C," or if you withdraw from class, you will be required to reimburse the church. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Norma Hockman, Scholarship Chair.

LADIES' BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The Ladies' Bible Study group invites all ladies to join them each Sunday evening at 6:15pm in Parker Hall as they continue studying Max Lucado's 3:16 series. Please contact Sandy Fletcher or Teresa Haskiell for details.



BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP

Bible Study Fellowship will begin studying Romans in September. The evening women's class meets Tuesdays, 6:55-8:45pm, right here at Calvary. You can reserve your place now on Tuesday, May 2nd at 6:55pm. Experience what a BSF class is all about and be ready to go come September. For details on evening men's or daytime women's groups meeting in Winchester, contact Jill Lorey, jrlorey5@gmail.com or visit www.bsfindernational.org

VIGILANT HOPE INTERGENERATIONAL MISSION TRIP

CBC is Going Back to Wilmington! All ages are invited July 23-29, for a week of ministry – feeding the hungry, serving the homeless, helping with at-risk kids, and participating in repair and beautification projects, through Vigilant Hope's well-organized and established model with excellent leadership. Meals, lodging (in a local church) and project planning/supervision are provided; along with regular worship, devotions, and spiritual growth opportunities. We need a count of those interested as soon as possible.

To register or for further details, please feel free to contact Charles (charles_rock@pfm.org/540-303-4531) or Kristi Rock (secretary@calvarywinchester.org)

If you would like to help with costs by contributing financially to this year's ministry effort in Wilmington, please write "Vigilant Hope Trip" on your offering envelope or the memo line of your check.



CALVARY CHOIR

Join For Better Health

Our Choir Director would like to point out some helpful words from an article in the May Reader's Digest entitled "Words to Live (Better & Longer) By." It states that a U.S. study revealed that those who join a choir were in better health, used less meds, were less lonely and had fewer falls after a year than a similar non-singing group. It suggests that it could be from being in a group, or even several physiological effects including calmed and synchronized heartbeats which can occur when members sing in unison. So if you're interested in singing, and would like improved heart and mental health, consider joining our choir! This month rehearsals will be held at 5:00pm on May 7 and May 21 in the choir room. For more information, please contact Diane Heffern (540-409-1858.)

PRAYERS NEEDED FOR EVENTS THIS SUMMER

As we move into the summer months, it's time to look at how we can each coat prayers over the events and endeavors in which Calvary and many individual members have been called to participate. We will be a part of several efforts to spread God's in our community, into other states, and literally across the globe. Please keep the following in your prayers:



June 10: Kick-Off Celebration for VBS Week

June 12-16: Vacation Bible School

June 15-30: In the Garden Missions' Trip to Uganda

June 22-July 1: Missions Trip to Romania

July 10-15: CrossRoads Camp Week

July 23-29: Missions Trip to Vigilant Hope in NC

Happy Birthday

5/4	Debora Belcher	5/15	Dan Nelson
5/5	Joan Cundiff	5/18	Caleigh Haskiell
5/11	Kailey Rock	5/21	Dick Brown
5/12	David Ellinger	5/24	Carol Hotchkiss
5/13	Margaret Viehman	5/25	Mike Cundiff
5/14	Ozzy Olivares	5/28	Norman Brigance

Happy Anniversary

5/5 Pete & Bonnie Morton
5/7 Nick & Petra Case
5/23 Chris & Kayleen Haskiell
5/30 Michael & Mim Moore

Moore Musings

As I am writing this article for our May newsletter, we are experiencing April showers which will hopefully bring some May flowers. Most of all, I hope that God's showers of blessing today will draw you into a closer relationship with him.

There are many activities for you to participate in as well as places for you to serve God during this month of May.

I encourage you to participate in our National Day of Prayer on May 4,

or our Apple Blossom Project on May 6,

or the Spring Clean-Up at Crossroads Camp on May 12-13,

or our Church Work Day on May 20,

or the Calvary Men's Fishing Trip on May 29.

Whatever you can participate in or however you can serve will always be blessing to others in our congregation and community.

On May 7, I will finish up our sermon series on "Salvation Past, Present, and Future". Then on Mother's Day, we will be honoring all the ladies in our congregation during the worship service. After Mother's Day, I will be taking a week off from May 15 to May 21 to spend time with my family. Dennis Griffin will be preaching on May 21 in my place. I appreciate Dennis' willingness to step in and help when needed, and I am thankful for all of our deacons who help out when needed. On May 28, I will start a new sermon series entitled, "How To Exercise Spiritually". This series will look at some basic discipleship habits that help us to grow in our faith. May 28 will also be a day for us to honor our graduating seniors.

If you haven't heard, we are studying the book of Revelation on Wednesday nights during the Adult Bible study at 6:30. I hope you will join us.



CBC WORKDAY

All hands on deck! It's time to put on your work gloves and get to work caring for our church home. We are blessed with beautiful facilities here and we all need to help in keeping them that way. Whatever your

abilities or availability, we can find a job for you. Please join us May 20 at 10:00am (following the Men's Breakfast) or contact the church office if you can help but need to arrange a different time.

JOHN WOMACK Deacon Of The Month



John Womack has been married to Susan for 43 years. They have 3 grown children and 2 grandchildren with a 3rd on the way. John is Corporate Treasurer for a local construction company. He considers his greatest blessing having been called as a missionary at age 64. He feels blessed to serve on the board of "In the Garden Missions", a local ministry that serves the hungry, homeless, and lost in Winchester and travels to Africa every summer to minister to children and adults in Uganda. He and Susan are very blessed to have joined Calvary Baptist Church on Valentine's Day in 2016 and look forward to serving for many years to come.

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WHO IS SERVING IN MAY

Ushers

5/7 Terry Schrader & Bill Holbrook
5/14 Dennis Griffin & Steve Pettit
5/21 Paul Musick & Terry Schrader
5/28 Harry Lutz

Greeters

Ada Tucker
Bonnie Willison
Joan Funkhouser
Ginger McPherson

MONTHLY MEN'S BREAKFAST

The Men of Calvary will be meeting for their monthly Men's Breakfast in Parker Hall on Saturday, April 20 at 8:30am. this is a week earlier than usual, due to Memorial Day weekend, and to help support the CBC Workday that will follow at 10:00am. We encourage you to use this opportunity to invite other men to our fellowship and devotional time. If you'd like to present the devotional, help cook, or have questions, contact Charles Rock (charles_rock@pfm.org/540-303-4531.)



CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

MAY 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
APR 30	1	2	3	4	5	6
	10a Seekers 6:30p P&S Meet	6:40p BSF	5:15p Dinner 6p AWANA 6p Youth Group 6:30p Prayer/Bible Study	Nat. Day of Prayer 8a CCS 5:30p Pastor Search	Apple Blossom Weekend 8a CCS 10a Praise Team	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Communion 9:30a Sunday School 10:45a Morning Service 5:00p Choir Rehearsal 6:15p Ladies' Bible Study	10a Seekers 6p Relay For Life*	6:30p BSF-Potluck:PH	5:15p Dinner 6p AWANA* 6p Youth Group 6:30p Prayer/Bible Study	8a CCS 5:30p Pastor Search 6:30p Stewardship	Crossroads Cleanup Volunteer Weekend 8a CCS 8:40a BSF LDR F'ship 10a Praise Team	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Mother's Day 9:30a Sunday School 10:45a Morning Service 6:15p Ladies' Bible Study	10a Seekers 6:30p Child. Min. Co.		5:15p Dinner 6p AWANA 6p Youth Group 6:30p Prayer/Bible Study	8a CCS 5:30p Pastor Search	8a CCS 5:30p M & M	CBC Work Day 8:30a Men's Breakfast 10a Praise Team
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
9:30a Sunday School 10:45a Morning Service 12:30p Deacons' Meeting 4:30p Kids Puppet show 5:00p Choir Rehearsal 6:15p Ladies' Bible Study	10a Seekers		5:15p Dinner 6p AWANA 6p Youth Group 6:30p Prayer/Bible Study	8a CCS 3:30p CCS Grad Reh. 5:30p Pastor Search	8a CCS	10a Praise Team
28	29	30	31	BSF= Bible Study Fellowship CCS= Clasical Cottage School PH= Parker Hall M&M= Missions & Ministry WWW.CALVARYWINCHESTER.ORG (540) 667-2323 OFFICE HOURS M-TH 9-2		
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