

God Loves a Cheerful Giver

*God loves a cheerful giver,
Give it all you've got,
He loves to hear you laughing
when you're in an awkward spot.
When the odds add up against
you,
It's time to stop and sing,
Praise God, to praise Him is a joy-
ous thing.*

These song lyrics from an old camp song always come to my mind when I hear 2 Corinthians 9:7. When working with Calvary's energetic Stewardship Committee I feel joy. The committee has chosen 2 Corinthians 9:7 as its theme for this year's every member canvass. Please thank them for truly embodying the theme of "giving it all you've got."

Your Stewardship Committee Chair is Beverly Haverstock

Every Member Canvass Chair is John Hale

Planned Giving is Jamie Hendon and John Hill

Research and Development is Mike and Elyse Hensley

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H. Elizabeth Back, Priest-in-Charge

Welcome Into the Household of God Mark Andrew Kling

September 17, 2017

Mark is the son of Karl and Jennifer Kling. Dean and Linda French are his Godparents.

"Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And who ever welcomes a little child like this in my name welcomes me." - Matthew 18:4-5



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Rector Search

From the Priest-In-Charge

On August 6, 2017 at both services I made the following announcement to Calvary Episcopal Church:

[After introducing each vestry member by name at the front of the nave I thanked them for their rationality and compassion during the past week and stated my utmost trust in them. Then they were seated.]

I have an announcement to make which is designed to disappoint as few people as possible. However, it will disappoint at least one person. After this announcement, I want to invite any and every person to speak with a vestry member in person this morning should you desire clarification about Episcopal polity and procedure. Trust them. If they don't know the answer, they will find it.

Thirteen days ago, Mary Sanders wrote a letter via email to the vestry. The sum is:

I petition the Vestry of Calvary Episcopal Church to revise the wording of the agreement between the Vestry and The Rev. Elizabeth Back to enable her to accept a call to serve as Calvary's Rector. I furthermore encourage the Vestry to extend said call to The Rev. Elizabeth Back.

Mary then sent a letter to many members of the congregation stating:

Dear Fellow Calvary Member,

I am writing to you in the hopes that you will be supportive of the effort to have the Calvary Vestry call the Rev. Elizabeth Back to be our next Rector.

If so, I and other Calvary members are asking that you write the Vestry a letter supporting this endeavor, expressing your reasons why she should be called. Time is of the essence, as the search committee is being formed now.

The Vestry members are included in the attachment below.

Thanks so much for your help.

Sincerely yours,

Mary Sanders

I am so grateful to Mary for her vote of confidence in me. I accept her letter as an act of kindness and have had a private conversation with her.

Since that conversation it is my understanding that many emails have been sent between various parties, vestry and otherwise. Furthermore, it is my understanding that some of those emails have become a medium for quarreling.

Stop that. Set quarreling aside. Especially in an email format which is a cheap way to treat people I really care about.

Due to the nature of the emails and the tension which they have created Meg Scharre, Sr. Warden, convened a meeting with me and Don Snow, Jr. Warden. Subsequently the vestry has met to discuss at length the following: the emails, my letter of agreement, my interests in the possibility of being considered as a candidate for rector, the polity which governs the procedures of the Episcopal Church, the steps of a search process, the Search Manual written by Charles R. Wilson. You can find a copy of this 70-page manual on the table by the 4th street entrance. Also discussed was the fact that a process IS required, and in my opinion both deserved and needed. We also discussed the consequences of abiding by my letter of agreement, the consequences of asking the bishop to reconsider the terms of my letter of agreement, and frankly, just how much we all love each other and the bond we share. The bond between me and Calvary has been forged through unforeseen circumstances and is one which I hold dearly. Come what may, that bond remains. What also remains is my letter of agreement. Which

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states that I am a priest in charge and in whose charge, has been given the duties of an interim with limited tenure. Am I interested in the possibility of being considered as a candidate for rector of Calvary? You betcha! But not because of Mary's or anyone else's emails, affirming as they may be. Thank you for those. I am interested because this week the leadership decided first to convene a meeting with me and the wardens and then secondly to dedicate an entire conversation about this matter. Carefully. Thoughtfully. In person. No motions moved. No votes taken. No decisions made. That kind of resiliency makes Calvary the kind of place to which any priest would want to apply.

If you look at the long list of successes produced from the Mutual Ministry Review conducted Tuesday night, the written notes will be disseminated shortly, -- the review between myself, the Diocese and the vestry you'd see in black and white the amazing things that have transpired in the past six months and the many exciting things planned on the horizon for Calvary's future. That list alone is enough to make *you* want to put *your* name in as a candidate for rector. But you aren't, and neither am I. And I am asking that you not submit my name either. The bishop is on sabbatical until Sept. 6. Upon his return, I will seek his counsel on this matter. I am not expecting him to decree, decide or defend anything. I simply am obliged to tell him what I am telling you. Meanwhile, I am abiding by the terms of the Letter of Agreement. And I am asking you to do the same.

Calvary is a community I originally did not want to join, let alone decide to love. But I did decide to love you. And I can feel your love too. That is why decisions about my future career, the next rector of Calvary, and the search process I am confidently entrusting to your prayers. I pray you trust my prayers too. Mary is correct, a search committee is being formed. Time is of the essence: the time it takes put aside quarreling, and carefully and thoughtfully listen to one another and to the voice of God.

Update September 19, 2017:

My recent meeting with Bishop White confirms my discernment not to ask that my Letter of Agreement be reconsidered. This means I will not be considered as a candidate for Rector of Calvary.

Elizabeth Back – Priest-In-Charge

From the Rector Search Committee

September 19, 2017

Dear Members of Calvary,

The Vestry has convened a Search Committee to help in the selection of our next rector. This Search Committee, which is chaired by Deborah Stewart, includes the following members of Calvary: Susan Baker, Bart Brown, Cindy Curry, Art Dietz, Dean French, Ted Mussler, Ruth Robins and Corky Sachs.

The Search Committee has met with Canon Reverend Amy Coultas from the Bishop's Office. She has outlined the process and recommended a consulting group to assist us in this process. The name of the Consulting Group is HolyCow!

The first step in planning for Calvary's future is to conduct a congregational assessment. You will each be notified of your opportunity to participate in this assessment.

These are exciting days for Calvary and we look forward to working together, with God's help, to step forward into our next chapter in the history of this remarkable Church.

Please pray for us.

Sincerely,

Deborah Stewart

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Save the Dates

The DIOCESAN CONVENTION will be held Friday and Saturday, November 10-11, at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Louisville. The Vestry will select 3 delegates to represent Calvary at the August Vestry meeting, on August 15. If you would like to be considered as a delegate, please contact Meg Scharre, Senior Warden, by Sunday, August 13. Meg's contact information is mescharre@twc.com or (502)777-6416.

BIBLE STUDY: Women's Bible Study will continue Wednesday, September 13, at 10:00 a.m., at Panera Bread, 1801 Rudy Lane, where we are studying women in the Bible. While there is no childcare, children are welcome; bring your own crayons.

NEWCOMERS' CLASSES PLANNED FOR THE FALL: New to Calvary Episcopal Church? Want to learn more about the Anglican Communion? Then "Episcopal Church 101" is a great place to begin. Classes to answer these questions and your own inquiries will be offered during the Adult Forum hour beginning September 24. These eight-week sessions will be jointly led by Priest-in-Charge Elizabeth Back as well as various members of Calvary's vestry and congregation.

Classes will be held in Parker Hall according to the schedule below:

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| • September 24 | What we believe | Mother Elizabeth |
| • October 1 | Calvary's history | Will Cary and Whitney Hardy |
| • October 8 | Stewardship | The Stewardship Committee |
| • October 15 | The Book of Common Prayer | Mother Elizabeth |
| • October 22 | Holy Scripture | Mother Elizabeth |
| • October 29 | Sacraments | Mother Elizabeth |
| • November 5 | Faith Application | Mother Elizabeth |
| • November 12 | Celebration | Mother Elizabeth |

Refreshment and fellowship, group presentations, and small group discussions will comprise the hour prior to our gathering for worship. No registration is necessary. The Newcomers' Committee, Church Staff, and Vestry hope that you will join us as we get to know one another and the Body of Christ as witnessed by the Episcopal Church at 821 S. 4th Street.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS (on a leash or in a carrier) will be October 1, at the 11 am service.

A RACIAL HEALING PRAYER WALK will be held Tuesday, October 3, at 12:00 noon at Christ Church Cathedral.

THE URBAN PARTNERSHIP will have a picnic with Holy Eucharist at the Garden of Goodness, 7th & Oak, on Saturday, October 14, at 6:00 p.m. Invite a friend and bring a lawn chair.

CALVARY EFM IS OFF AND RUNNING: EfM (Education for Ministry) is a four-year program that offers students an opportunity to dig deeper into the Christian faith while studying the Bible, church history, theological ideas, and reflecting on connecting faith with life experiences. Calvary partners with Advent and St. Andrews to support a group that meets on Thursday nights at St. Andrews in the Highlands. Please contact Bart Brown (502-338-8664 or bartbrown40203@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining this group or would like to know more.

HURRICANE RELIEF: If you would like to help, you may send monetary donations to Episcopal Relief & Development, P. O. Box 7058, Merrifield, VA 22116-7058, marked Hurricane Response Fund, to provide critical support after the storm.

CALVARY'S OUTREACH MINISTRIES: Baskets have been placed at the Narthex doors donations of canned goods and other such items for the Food Closet. Monetary donations are also accepted – please place in an envelope marked Calvary Outreach Ministries.

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The Vestry Voice

Whew! Fall is here and summer has ended. Calvary basks in the eternal light of Christ. On September 19th the Calvary's Vestry met and had a packed meeting. Here are some highlights – there is so much going on, don't get whiplash!

- Co-chairs of the Music Committee, Sandra Cherry and Anne Marie DeZeeuw were invited to address the Vestry and discuss the merits of re-establishing the Director of Music as a full-time position. Music has been a cornerstone of Calvary's identity. The Vestry thanked them for their contribution and went into Executive Session to discuss further. Sandra will step down as Chair in November, and Anne Marie will assume the position as Chair.
- Calvary's financial health is good going into the end of the Fiscal Year, being \$15,000 under budget. The Ferguson Fund (established in 1971) has been closed, and the remaining monies allocated to fixing the water fountain in the hallway outside the kitchen. The 2015 and 2016 audits are nearly complete. The Vestry approved a 13% Diocesan contribution of \$73,486 for FY18.
- Calvary will welcome Canon Jason Lewis, the Diocese of Kentucky's Canon for Congregational Vitality on September 24th. Canon Jason will be the guest homilist while also updating Calvary on the activities of the Urban Partnership.
- Sadly, Calvary will not be moving forward with the formation of a Boy Scout STEM Troop this year. No one has come forward willing to act as a leader of the troop. We remain hopeful that a troop can be formed at a future date.
- Clyde Warner and Ruth Robins presented a recommendation from the Property Committee to move forward with re-paving the parking lot. Since 1st Unitarian Church owns 1/3rd of the lot, the Vestry asked the Property Committee to seek their approval and participation in the cost of the project.
- A final draft of a Strategic Plan was presented after many rounds of Vestry discussion. Ruth Robins and Mother Elizabeth consulted with the Episcopal Church Foundation, which advised that the Vestry present it to the Congregation for input and support as we move forward with this document as a foundation for Calvary's mission and growth, as well our Rector Search process. Keep on the look out for opportunities to share your thoughts. Copies of the draft will be made available at services and via email.
- Calvary will be the host parish for the 2020 Consortium of Endowed Episcopal Parishes (CEEP) which will be held at the Omni. Bart Brown was appointed a few months back to liaise with the Canon of CEEP as to what the responsibilities for the host parish are. Calvary should expect to host the opening Eucharist as well as highlight local ministries. CEEP also advised that a member of Calvary be elected to their 2020 Conference Planning Committee.

Don't miss the following events:

- Jazz in the Courtyard on September 23rd at 5:30pm featuring the Utility Brothers Trio. Many people are working hard to make this a successful social event. Butterfly release will be timed at 6:30pm. Wine and Cheese will be served as well as other accompanying hors d'oeuvres.
- Starting on September 24th, the Adult Forum will feature a series called "The Episcopal Church 101" led by Mother Elizabeth with assistance from the Stewardship Committee and Calvary Historians Will Cary and Whitney Hardy.
- Also on September 24th at 3:30pm, there will be a concert by the Youth Performing Arts School (YPAS) Choir, directed by Jacob Cook. The Concert will be followed by the first Choral Evensong of the season, sung by the Calvary Choir directed by Shawn Dawson.

Penny Brisson, Secretary To the Vestry

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What's Up With the UP (Urban Partnership, that is)?

I am delighted to report that YOUR Urban Partnership keeps humming along. Our most recent meeting was held on August 15, 2017.

We began with humble thanksgiving for a very successful "Dismantling Racism Workshop". (See Dean French's article in the last Calvary Connection.) We vowed, however, that we are not done with just the workshop.

So what next? On October 3rd, ALL are invited to a Racial Healing Liturgy at noon at Christ Church Cathedral, followed by a walk to a nearby marker that recalls our past racial division and looks to a better future. So, mark your calendars and plan to attend.

For more fun and fellowship there's another event on tap. Join us for an Urban Partnership Shared Eucharist and Picnic. It will be held on October 14th at 6:00 p.m. at the "Garden of Goodness" at 6th and Oak.

Planning for the remainder of the year for Laundry Love hosting at both the current location at Aunt Bee's (2nd and Ormsby) and the new location at Parkland (26th and Dumesnil):

Aunt Bee's

September 14th – Advent
October 12th – St. Thomas
November 9th – Our Merciful Savior
December 14th – St. George's

Parkland

October 19th – Calvary
November 16th – St. George's
December 21st – Christ Church Cathedral

So once again, mark your calendars and try to attend. Your help will be welcomed and your heart will be warmed.

Much more to come so stay tuned!

Don Snow - Junior Warden



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Calvary is Reading

Calvary people are currently reading several types of books and just like our members; our reading tastes are quite diverse and interesting.

Penny Brisson is reading **“How to Raise an Adult Child”** by Julie Lythcott-Haims, who is a former dean of freshmen at Stanford and **“Grit”** by Angela Duckworth which is NYT best seller. **One review says “Grit** is a must-read book for anyone striving to succeed, pioneering psychologist Angela Duckworth shows parents, educators, athletes, students, and business people-both seasoned and new-that the secret to outstanding achievement is not talent but a focused persistence called grit.”

Winfrey Blackburn is returning to a previous hobby of bridge and is reading a primer on how to play the game. Perhaps there is a Calvary Bridge Club in our future.

Ben Sanders recommends **“Plato at the Googleplex: Why Philosophy Won’t Go Away”** by Rebecca Goodstein. The book asks: Is philosophy obsolete? Are the ancient questions still relevant in the age of cosmology and neuroscience, not to mention crowdsourcing and cable news?

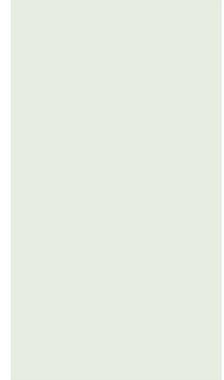
James Moody is enjoying **“Time Travel Adventures of the 1800 Club”** by Robert McAuley. The book is about a 21st Century haven for people seeking to escape New York City’s frantic pace. Dressed in clothes their ancestors might have worn during the 1800s, members enjoy foods of the period and read

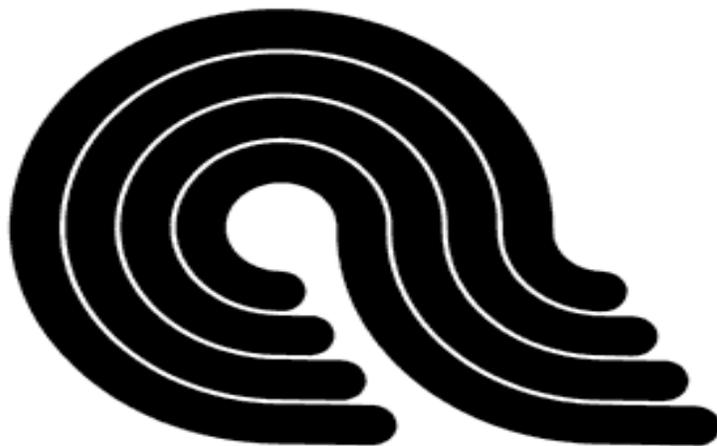
periodicals featuring news of a particular date in 1865.

Corky Sachs is busy reading several things including “Travels with Charlie” by John Steinbeck and **“Heaven Help Us”** by Clare de Plante both with her book club. She is also reading Josephine Tey’s **“Daughter of Time”** described as a good old-fashioned detective story with a twist and **“Secret History: The Truth About Richard III”** by John C. Dening.

I am looking forward to Sue Grafton’s **“Y is for Yesterday”** her latest novel is the second to last in a series spanning A to Z and 35 years’ worth of best-selling murder mysteries featuring fictional female Kinsey Millhone. Her father “Skip” Grafton, a Louisville attorney, was also a mystery writer. He was not as successful in his writing career as his daughter is in hers.

Carolyn Snow





The YPAS Chamber Choir

**Under the direction of Jacob Cook
in performance at**

Calvary Episcopal Church

821 South Fourth Street, 40203

**Sunday, September 24, 3:30 p.m.
followed by Evensong 4:00 p.m.**

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About the YPAS Chamber Choir

Jacob Cook serves as the Director of Vocal Music Studies at the Youth Performing Arts School in Louisville, KY where he conducts four choral ensembles, teaches vocal development, and teaches electives in pedagogy and opera. Additionally, he coordinates mentor students for the YPAS/Western Middle School for the Arts Vocal Academy which partners high school singers from YPAS with 6th and 7th grade students at Western to enrich the learning and performance of all involved.

Mr. Cook has conducted the YPAS Choirs in performance at the American Choral Director's Association Southern Division Conference, the Kentucky Music Educators Association Conference, the Intercollegiate Men's Choruses National Conference, and in international performance venues in Italy and Costa Rica.

In addition to working with YPAS Choirs, Jacob conducts the Louisville Youth Choir Chamber Choir. Prior to moving to Louisville, Mr. Cook taught music and choir to students in grades K-12 in the greater Cincinnati area including positions with the Diocese of Covington, Archdiocese of Cincinnati, and Mason City Schools. Mr. Cook also served as music director in church programs and as a conductor with the Fort Thomas Youth Choir on its tour of Spain and in the World Choir Games in Cincinnati.

Mr. Cook studied at East Tennessee State University with Dr. Thomas Jenrette and Dr. Oliver Lo and earned a Bachelor's of Music. While earning a Master's of Music at the University of Kentucky, Mr. Cook studied voice with Gail Robinson, performed several opera roles, and sang with the UK Choirs under Dr. Jefferson Johnson.

The YPAS Chamber Choir is one of four curricular ensembles at the Youth Performing Arts School in Louisville, Kentucky. YPAS is part of DuPont Manual High School and serves as Jefferson County Public Schools' Magnet High School for the Performing Arts. The Chamber Choir

Tracing Choral Evensong

With a long history that traces back to the English Reformation in the 16th Century, Choral Evensong is sung Evening Prayer, one of the daily offices in the Book of Common Prayer. The idea of a prayer service predates the Reformation, and to fully understand its origin we must go back to the daily prayer services of the Catholic Church known as the Daily or Divine Offices.

By the end of the fourth century, the seven offices had been established in the Church of Jerusalem: Matins (Lauds), Prime, Terce, Sext, None, Vespers, and Compline. These were daily prayer services sometimes intended for only the monastic community and sometimes included clergy and laity. In addition to prayer, it was often the goal to read through the entire Psalter within a given timeframe (e.g. a week or a month). Matins and Vespers were intended as prayer in the early morning and evening respectively. The three so-called "lesser hours" during the day (Terce, Sext, and None), correspond to the division of the Roman day (modern day 9:00, 12:00, and 3:00). Finally, Compline was observed right before bed and Prime around 6:00 am. These last two offices were likely more of a monastic observance than one of the entire community.

The practice of observing the Daily Office spread and developed across Europe, and it continued throughout the Medieval Period. In the 16th Century, with the events of the Reformation, the observance of the Daily Office took a dramatic change. The Act of Uniformity in 1549 produced the first Book of Common Prayer in English. This reduced the historic Daily Offices of the Catholic Church down to two: Matins and Evensong. Three years later this was revised to Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer, and after a brief return to Catholicism during the reign of Queen Mary, the Act of Uniformity under the reign of Elizabeth I in 1559 solidified the new liturgy in the Book of Common Prayer.

Evening Prayer, which is known as Choral Evensong when sung by choir, was created by combining the evening and night offices, Vespers and Compline. Each liturgy featured its own canticle (Latin for "little song") as part of the readings: Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis respectively. When these offices were combined to create Evensong, the canticles were retained. Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis are Latin terms for two well-known passages in the Gospel of Luke. The Magnificat is known as the Song of Mary (Luke 1:46-55) which she sings after hearing from the angel Gabriel that she

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What Kind of Church is Jesus Building Here?

The answer to the title of this piece is: A church with an obvious and increasing commitment to Stewardship as measured by each and every member of the Calvary family generously giving TIME, TALENT, and TREASURE year-round toward accomplishing the Calvary Mission.

Through the worship and love of God, our mission is to make the Gospel of Jesus Christ the center of our life and work; to welcome all people into our church family; to love and support one another; and to actively seek out the human needs in our community, responding vigorously with respect and understanding.

STEWARDSHIP opportunities at Calvary abound! The Every Member Canvass is being led by John Hale this year. John and other members of our family will be sharing personal thoughts about Stewardship at church services starting in October. In November, Time and Talent opportunities will be presented.

Mother Elizabeth posed the question in a recent sermon; "What kind of church is Jesus building at Calvary?" Many members of our church family have commented that we are experiencing a renewed joy in cooperating with Jesus in what He is building at Calvary today. There is so much to be done to meet the growing needs of our neighbors and to support one another! We must not lose the funds set aside for community charities, and we must continue to provide financial support for our many ministries, including new ones such as: Laundry Love, the Calvary Well, and the neighborhood garden. We must continue to be able to nour-

ish our souls as we come together as a church family in our beautiful house of worship, on our lovely grounds, and through our inspiring music. We must continue and broaden the paths we are on in providing hospitality, care, fellowship and education for all.

Jesus is working hard to build Calvary with increasing ministries. Will you join His building project by increasing your financial commitment to the extent you are able in 2018? Perhaps a 10% increase, or even more, is within your means, or perhaps you can set a personal goal to work toward a 10% increase or more over time.

We are reminded of the words of Jesus, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." (Acts 20:35)

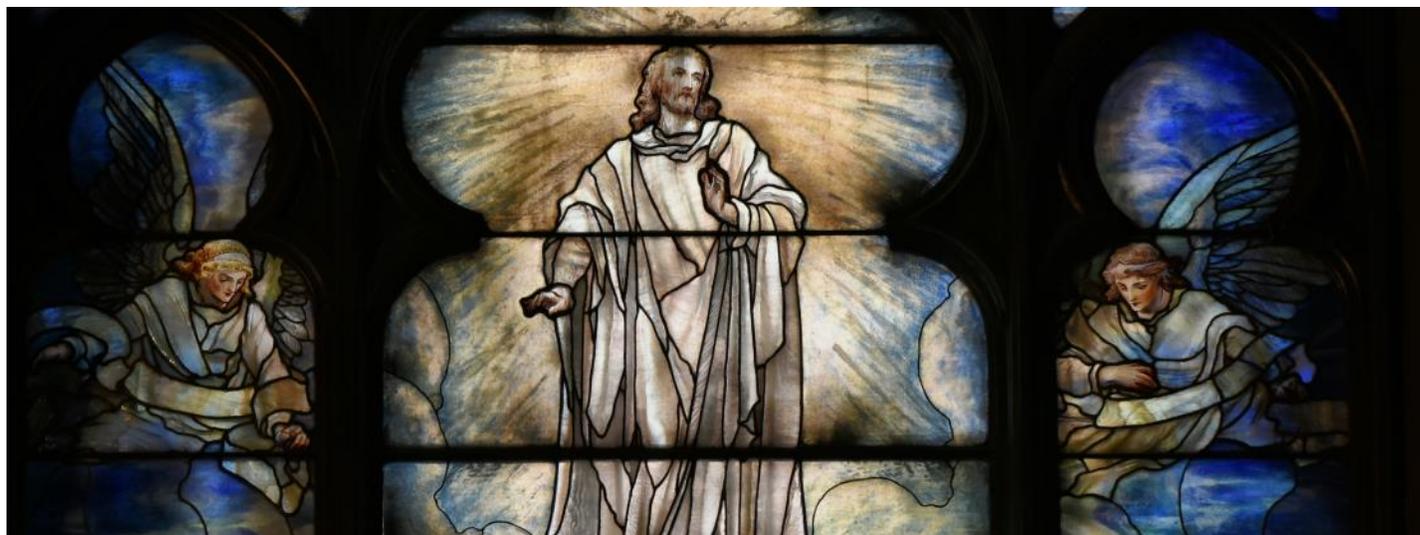
Peace and blessings with thanks from your Stewardship Committee,

Beverly Haverstock, Chair Stewardship Committee

Our Lectors

Recently, Mother Elizabeth issued a blessing for our Lectors. Here they are:

Susan Baker	Kristel Fitzgerald	Larry Reining
Jim Barnes	Tommy Fitzgerald	Jack Reisz
Penny Brisson	Larry Frederiksen	Ruth Robins
Bart Brown	Dean French	Jon Smith
Sandra Cherry	Linda French	Don Snow
Dorn Crawford	Elyse Hensley	David Stewart
Cindy Curry	Jim Hill	Clyde Warner
Anne-Marie deZeeuw	Michael Patterson	Mike Wilson
Preston Dillard	Mary Redden	Wilma Wilson
Sue Fenske		
Jon Smith		



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Lay Licensed Ministries At Calvary

Licensed Lay Eucharistic Ministers (Lay persons authorized by the Bishop to administer the Consecrated Elements at a Celebration of Holy Eucharist under the direction of a Member of the Clergy).

James Barnes
Joseph Bartram
Bart Brown
Cindy Curry
Margaret Dickinson
Arthur Dietz
Preston Dillard
Tim Duncan
Sue Fenske
Glenna Harris

Jamie Hendon
James Moody
Sara N. Reisz
Margaret Scharre
Donald Snow
David Stewart
Clyde Warner
David Webb
Judy Wilson
Barbara Zeigler

Licensed Lay Eucharistic Visitors (Lay persons who, under the direction of a Member of the Clergy, are authorized by the Bishop to take the Consecrated Elements in a timely manner following a Celebration of Holy Eucharist to members of the congregation who, by reason of illness or infirmity, were unable to be present at the Celebration).

James Barnes
Bart Brown
Cindy Curry
Margaret Dickinson

Tim Duncan
Jamie Hendon
David Webb
Judy Wilson

Licensed Lay Worship Leaders (Lay persons who are authorized by the Bishop to regularly lead public worship under the direction of the Member of the Clergy).

James Barnes
Cindy Curry
Margaret Dickinson
Tim Duncan

Linda French
Dean French
David Stewart
Barbara Zeigler



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Our Calvary Outreach



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THE UTILITY BROTHERS

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5:30-8:30 PM

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WINE, SODAS AND HORS D'OEUVRES WILL BE SERVED

EVENT IS FREE OF CHARGE, ALL ARE WELCOME



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is carrying the Son of God. The Nunc Dimittis is known as the Song of Simeon (Luke 2:29-32). It was prophesied to Simeon that he would see the Messiah before he died. The Nunc Dimittis is his reaction to seeing baby Jesus enter the Temple in Jerusalem.

Since the 16th Century, countless settings have been made of these two texts, especially for Evensong. In addition to these two canticles, the choir also sings the prayers stipulated by the Book of Common Prayer, the Psalm or Psalms appointed for the day, and an anthem toward the end of the service.

Choral Evensong is a valuable part of the English Tradition which has been passed down to the American Episcopal Church and is still observed today throughout the country. When we attend Choral Evensong, we experience scriptures and prayers that make up this beautiful and timeless liturgy which is the setting for a rich and varied choral repertoire written over a span of nearly 500 years. Evensong is one avenue through which we are connected with the Christian Church across centuries and even millennia.

Shawn Dawson – Interim Director of Music





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Calvary Episcopal Church is a parish of the Episcopal Diocese of Kentucky. Calvary is a vibrant community of faith in downtown Louisville. We strive to make the Gospel known in worship, word, and action. Calvary draws its members from all walks of life, and many different neighborhoods in and around Louisville. We take great joy in the way our members join together in worship of God and in service, drawing on our many backgrounds.

For more information about Calvary Episcopal Church, please contact Rev. H. Elizabeth Back., our Priest-in-Charge. For questions about this newsletter or to help with its production, please contact the editor, David Stewart. Contact information: (502)235-1628 or dstewart@adcatmedia.com.

Would you like to get emails from Calvary? We send them out regularly to list the schedule for the week or happenings within the parish such as marriages, births and the passing of our members.

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"And this is love: that we walk in obedience to his commands. As you have heard from the beginning, his command is that you walk in love..."