



The Epiphany 2018

Newsletter of Calvary Episcopal Church

All receive the newsletter by e-mail. To request a paper copy, please e-mail the church office at parish.office@calvary-episcopal.net or call 908-782-7227.

Happy New Year! This is a very important month for Calvary. The vestry is working with the Diocese of New Jersey on planning for Calvary's financial future and our entire congregation will be gathering on **January 28th** for a parish day of discernment: How is God leading us forward as Calvary Church? This day will be structured so that every person will be able to share their own thoughts, experience and aspirations for Calvary. The distinctive and important thing about this process is that it will synthesize where we are being led together and what core values we share.

The day will begin with one service of the Holy Eucharist at **9:00am**, followed by our working sessions. Lunch will be provided, and an abbreviated Annual Parish Meeting will end the day at 3:00pm. Please plan on joining in this day of sharing hope for Calvary Church.

Blessings,
Fr. Drew+

(P.S. The date was carefully chosen to avoid conflicts with football playoffs and the Superbowl.)

A Note from Mo. Ann

From January 14th through Ash Wednesday services, I'll be off in the wilds of Alexandria Township, tending my former parish, St. Thomas' while their rector recuperates from knee surgery. It will be delightful to return to a place where I spent 18 happy years, but I'll miss spending the Epiphany season with all of you.

Some things won't change. Tuesdays at Ten (TAT) will continue as usual. Calvary's Good Shepherds have their caring to do, and I hope you'll be busy knitting those Prayer Shawls, which we'll bless sometime in March.

See you in Lent!

Ann +

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Sunday Mornings: Holy Eucharist at 8:00am & 10:00am
9:00am & 11:00am Fellowship

Weekly Schedule

January 14, 2018 The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Special Offering for Seminary

Global Goal: Zero Hunger

Monday, January 15th 10:00am - MLK Jr. Day of Service, Trinity
Cathedral, Trenton (Youth Group)

January 21, 2018 The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Global Goal: Good Health and Well-Being

January 28, 2018 The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

9:00am Service - Day of Discernment & Annual Parish Meeting

Global Goal: Quality Education

February 4, 2018 The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Global Goal: Gender Equality

February 11, 2018 The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

Global Goal: Clean Water and Sanitation

Tuesday, February 13th 6:30pm – Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Calvary Ministries

CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP for Children, Teens, and Adults

The "formation and education" of people of all ages in the faith of Jesus Christ.

Jean Good, Vestry Rep (310-9556) Adrienne Hahn, Team Leader (892-0848)

Tuesdays at Ten

Tucked in the All Saints' Room every Tuesday morning, we are working our way through the ever complex and fascinating biblical story. It seems very important to get the Hebrew people into their Promised Land---but then what?? What will be the next chapter? Come and see. New members always welcomed. Our meetings begin at 10 with Morning Prayer and end at 11:30. On January 30th, Rabbi Joseph Forman will be back for another interesting presentation. Don't miss it!!

Weather is always a concern in the winter. If things look "iffy," check your e-mail by 9 on Tuesday, or call me at 256-2593 (Don't call the church office). Mo. Ann

Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John

You are invited to join a Lenten Small Group to study the books of St. John beginning Ash Wednesday, (Feb. 14th) and continuing for seven weeks through Wednesday in Holy Week (Mar. 28th). The study includes a Prayer Journal, *Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John* (\$3.50).

Following the format from last year's study, the book has been created by the Brothers of the Society of St. John the Evangelist and the Center for the Ministry of Teaching at Virginia Theological Seminary. If you would like to join this Study, please add your name and information to the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall. For additional information, please see or contact Emilie Nawrock, 908-806-3169 or emilienawrock@embarqmail.com. Additional information can be accessed at <http://meetingjesusinjohn.org/>

Youth Group News

Kim Webb, Youth Advisor (732-735-2845)



This year's Annual Cookie Sale proceeds were \$768. Thanks to everyone that bought, baked and volunteered to help out at the sale. The youth are donating 25% of the proceeds back to the church, that's \$192!

On Monday, January 15th, the Youth Group will participate in MLK Jr. Day of Service from 10am – 3pm at Trinity Cathedral, Trenton.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. once said, "Life's most persistent and urgent question is: 'What are you doing for others?'" We will begin our day together with the Eucharist. Following the Eucharist, we will gather in Synod Hall to prepare service projects for several organizations in New Jersey and throughout the country. We will be doing projects for: Knot Blankets for Project Linus, Cards for Hospitalized Kids, Ditty Bags for Seamen's Church Institute, Quick Deploy Paracord Bracelets for Operation Gratitude, Place Mats for Meals on Wheels, Wrapping Utensils for local Soup Kitchens - Grace's Kitchen, Plainfield, St. Mark's, Keansburg, Trinity Cathedral, Trenton. Bring a can good to help stock the Trinity Cathedral Food Pantry.

February 13th (Tuesday) 6-8pm - Pancake Supper

February ? - Skiing/Snowboarding

If anyone is interested in getting involved with the Calvary Youth Group, please contact Kim Webb at 732-735-2845.

COMMUNICATION

Proclaiming our ministry to parish members and beyond.

Mirelle White, Team Leader (788-9204)



Last month was a busy time of year in the Parish Office! Thank you to the Office Angels:
Alice Berry, Liza Kistler, Judy Schoenherr, and Natalie Whiting.



To check if events or services at Calvary have been cancelled due to inclement weather, please call the Church Office at 782-7227. A message of cancellation will be updated an hour before the scheduled event.

WELCOME & FELLOWSHIP

*Bringing and welcoming people to the "Calvary branch" of the Church.
Gatherings of adults, youth, and children to enjoy God's creation of each other.
Assisting people in need within the parish, including pastoral care by clergy.*

Denise Holzli, Vestry Rep (782-1304)



Come and feast before we fast at
The Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
taking place on Tuesday, February 13th
from 6:30pm to 8:00pm.
Suggested Donation of \$7.00/per person.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Managing the money given for the ministry of the parish.

Karen Sammer, Vestry Rep (782-3928) **Gretchen Pozarycki, Treasurer (806-4964)**
Kevin Bruzzio, Treasurer (806-2452)



Your 2018 Offering Envelopes
are available for pick-up in the
Parish Hall.

**Shop Rite Gift Cards for \$50 or \$100 are available for purchase on
Sundays after the 8:00am service!** Contact Dan or Denise Holzli (908)
782-1304 for details. SHOP RITE donates 5% of card value to Calvary.

OUTREACH

*Assisting people in need beyond our parish, serving Christ in others,
including pastoral care by clergy.*

Donna Reagan, Vestry Rep (752-2854) **Lynn Cote, Team Leader (537-4497)**

Support for Seminary Special Collection Sunday, January 14th

In the Episcopal Church, most candidates for ordination attend a 3 year seminary in order to receive their Masters of Divinity degree. Candidates in our diocese often enroll in The General Theological Seminary in NYC. Costs are currently in excess of \$42,000. Seminarians are dependent on the support of parishioners & congregations to defer some of the costs. Although some scholarship monies are available, it does not nearly meet the need. Checks may be made out to Calvary Episcopal Church with "Support for Seminary" on the memo line.

Episcopal Relief & Development Special Collection

1st Sunday in Lent, February 18th

Episcopal Relief & Development is the compassionate response of the Episcopal Church to human suffering in the United States & the World. Hearing God's call to seek & serve Christ in all persons & to respect the dignity of every human being, ERD serves to bring together the generosity of Episcopalians & others to serve the needs of the world.

It provides relief in times of disaster and promotes sustainable development by addressing the 17 Sustainable Development Goals - SDG's. We have given to hurricane & tsunami relief, donated to purchase farm animals, clean water, medical needs & education. There are special offering envelopes in your packets, or note ERD on the memo line of your check.



Summary & Update from Denise Holzli

Readington Township Social Services reached out to Calvary Church to ask if we would participate once again in the Holiday Wish Program. A list of 20 individuals was given, with a "wish" column and a "need" column. Some of the items included a blanket, pillows, grooming products, clothing and toys for the children. I am always overwhelmed by the outpouring of support for this program from our Calvary Family. The gifts came in without hesitation and in abundance. Through the generosity of our membership, not one Angel was left on the tree and a total of 75 gifts and gift cards were provided to the Wish Program. Your gifts always have that extra touch like a Christmas card with wishes from "Santa" and candies and stickers for the children. These personal touches by all of you will mean so much to these families when they open their gifts on Christmas Day. Thank you all for your generosity and kindness for those families in need at this time of year and always.

PROPERTY

Using, maintaining, and creating physical space as God intends.

Jeff White, Vestry Rep (537-9695)

Our collection of scrap metal (copper, brass, aluminum) continues...

Please leave your donations in front of the garage. If you have any questions, please contact Ray Malley at 782-3928 or George Scott at 369-4566.

WORSHIP

Giving sacramental expression to our spiritual lives.

Trey Martin, Vestry Rep (730-9398)

Bob Violette, Music (609-638-6080)

Deacon Jack Hain, Service Assistants (609-634-4182)

Joanne Martin, Altar Guild (782-1225) Natalie Whiting, Flowers (391-2125)

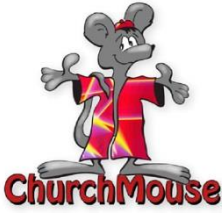
Message from Natalie Whiting

I just want to thank all those who worked so hard decorating the church. You are angels.

Thank you Service Assistants – new and continuing!

If you are interested in becoming an Acolyte, please contact Trey Martin, Deacon Jack, or Mother Ann. Interested in joining the Altar Guild? Please see Joanne Martin. New members are needed and always welcome.

- **Preparing for Baptism?** Please call the Parish Office to enroll (782-7227).
- **Prayers for the Countries of the World** - Since 9/11 we have been praying for the countries of the world: 1/14 – Azerbaijan, 1/21 – Bahamas, 1/28 – Bahrain, 2/4 – Bangladesh, 2/11 - Barbados



The Real Message

I just read ran across this chilling (in a cartoon!), but true, quote: “For two months everything was defined by the holidays...” The character went on to cite shopping, decorations, parties, etc.

Now that we are in the midst—or finished with—putting those things away, what next? Perhaps under all those wrappings and storage boxes, the real message can be discovered.

Echoes of Scripture are still strong, and the Epiphany song “We Three Kings” seems to jump out at me with reminders of what the message really is:

Gold I bring to crown Him again, King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign.

Jesus came to us to be our savior, for us to accept him as King to reign over us.

Frankincense to offer have I; Incense owns a Deity nigh; prayer and praising, gladly raising, worship him God Most High.

Frankincense was a high-quality incense mentioned often in Scripture. As a gift to the Christ Child it symbolized the sacrifice he was willing to give for our sins.

Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom; sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, sealed in the stone cold tomb.

Myrrh is a strongly scented resin and was mixed with oils or spices. It was mixed with wine and offered to Christ on the cross.

A familiar Epiphany hymn, but also one to ponder after the commercial excitement dies away!

By the way, the words and music were by The Rev. John Henry Hopkins, Jr., an Episcopal Priest, in 1857.

IN THE DIOCESE & COMMUNITY

Church of the Holy Spirit Women's Retreat St. Marguerite's Retreat House 82 West Main Street, Mendham, NJ 07945

The program, facilitated by Rev. Maria Sanzo of Saint Raphael in Brick, begins on Friday, February 23rd at 6:00pm with dinner and concludes at 9:00pm with Compline. Please bring snacks / drinks to share on Friday evening. The program continues on Saturday, February 24th, at 9:00am and concludes at 3:00pm. Cost is \$85.

For more information or to register, e-mail Michelleslie at Admin@churchholyspirit.org. Registration deadline is February 3rd.

AA Meetings at Calvary: Monday – Saturday 7:00am to 8:30am
Monday – 7:00pm to 8:00pm

AA Women's Meeting at Calvary: Thursday – 7:00pm to 8:30pm

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