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Newsletter of Calvary Episcopal Church

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Dear Friends of Calvary Church,

Deacon Jack Hain and Mother Ann Holt have been serving our parish for a number of years. Their loving and kind pastoral presence has been a blessing to us all. When Calvary entered its current time of transition, they responded with great love and support, holding the congregation together, planning and leading the services, giving pastoral care to the entire parish. Their leadership was very important at a critical time for this congregation.

Last summer, as I was preparing to come to Calvary as your Interim Rector, I asked them to stay and assist Calvary and me as I began to get to know the parish and as the Vestry and Discernment Committee began all the preparatory work to calling Calvary's next priest. They graciously agreed, and it has been a wonderful clergy partnership during a time of change and growth.

Over the past nine months, I have seen the congregation begin a voyage of self-discovery and ask one another the critical question: "Where is God calling Calvary?" When we gathered for our Day of Discovery on January 28, what emerged was that Calvary is a community where people extend and find welcome, where we live and communicate the love of Christ with others. People affirmed their feelings of responsibility for doing the "Christianing," as a foundation for stability, growth and abundant life together. I credit the calm compassion and generosity of Mother Ann and Deacon Jack with guiding Calvary on that path.

Having seen Calvary along its path this year, both Mother Ann and Deacon Jack have told me that they are ready to retire, though we know that both of them will still be engaged with community and with the broader church because that's who they are.

Deacon Jack has recently informed me of his intention to retire from his role here as Deacon. He has been with us well past his retirement from business and his move to Ewing Township. Now is a good time for him to spend time with his family, including eight grandchildren and attend to his own health and well-being. I certainly would have enjoyed having him continue here. We will miss him, but mostly we carry with us our shared experience of Jack, his good humor, pastoral dedication and humility. Jack will preach on his final Sunday with us, which will be May 27, Trinity Sunday.

Some time ago, Mother Ann also told me she intends to retire (for the fourth or fifth time, I think) as Priest Associate at Calvary. She will continue to be with the Tuesdays at Ten group, but not have other regular duties here or to be in church at Calvary on a regular basis. Ann is a tremendous pastoral leader who has helped Calvary in innumerable ways. She and her husband Jack Holt deserve time for rest and freedom to enjoy God's world. Ann will be the priest for our services while I am away on vacation to attend my daughter's wedding from May 28 to June 10. She will finish her service with Calvary at the end of June. I will miss her sage advice and pastoral care.

Both Jack and Ann extended their stay here for the sake of building Calvary Church. The building that they stayed for has been done, and this is a good and joyful time for them to take their retirement and enjoy their summers off. The congregation has shown itself capable of taking care of itself, and the Discernment Team is making significant progress in bringing a new pastor to Calvary.

My goal, as an experienced Interim Minister, is to help a congregation realize its strengths and establish a firm and simple foundation for the congregation and the new pastor to build upon. With your hard work and the aid of Ann and Jack, we have reached that point. I will be with Calvary until the parish calls their new priest. The new priest will be very different from me, or at least I hope so. Calvary is well set for growth. Though we will miss the regular ministry of dear friends, we will soon welcome new friends to help us rejoice in the Goodness of God.

Blessings,
Fr. Drew+

Dear Calvary Friends,

For almost 10 years, I've enjoyed Calvary's hospitality. You took me under your wings, an aging retiree who needed a place to hang her alb and enter into the life of the community.

You provided me with warm friendships, all kinds of fresh opportunities for ministry, congenial colleagues and, of course, bountiful coffee hours. I baptized our babies and buried our loved ones, sent our formerly small boys and girls off to college, laughed with you, cried with you, and, most of all, learned from you. Ministry is an ongoing educational experience.

Now, it's time to give up the delightfully flexible role of "Priest Associate" and discover what the next step will be in my always interesting journey. After a short June vacation, I'll be tending St. Thomas' again while Rector Carol recuperates from another surgery. After that, Jack and I will enjoy what we haven't done in many years—sitting in a pew together. Maybe a few supply assignments will keep me on my preaching toes, and, happily, I'll still have a spot in the Tuesdays at Ten gathering.

I've just loved being a part of Calvary.

Thank you for everything you've shared with me. It's very hard to say good bye to a place that has been such a comfortable home for many years, but you know my heart is with you as you move along in your always interesting journey. I know that good things are just around the corner.

With all kinds of good wishes and many, many blessings,

Mo. Ann

Dear Friends in Christ:

After many months of prayerful thought and consideration, and after consultation with the Archdeacon of the Diocese, I have decided to retire as your deacon effective on Trinity Sunday, May 28, 2018.

This year marks the 20th anniversary of my ordination to the Sacred Order of Deacons in the Diocese of New Jersey. It is time for me to focus on my family.

God has blessed me in so many ways. I am the very proud husband of a beautiful, caring and extremely patient wife Victoria. I am the father of two wonderful daughters, Wendy and Valerie, and two sons, Jack, Jr. and Joseph. They have given me the gift of seven grandchildren with another on the way; 'Chloe' expected in June.

I leave confident that the Parish is moving forward! The diligent work of the Discernment Committee and the overwhelming support and participation and response of the Parish Family gives me great comfort in retiring at this time.

After serving at the Episcopal Church of St. John in the Wilderness in Gibbsboro, NJ for 6 years, I sought and was granted the opportunity in 2007 to serve as your deacon at Calvary.

During my ordained ministry, you supported me as I chaired the Ballot Committee at Diocesan Convention and as I currently serve as a member of The Diocesan Loan & Grant Committee. It is a rewarding experience.

It has been an honor to serve Church and community during my time at Calvary as on call Chaplain at Hunterdon Medical Center in Flemington.

My fondest memories of ministry among you have been watching your children grow through the years, grow from little toddlers to teenagers, college graduates and Moms and Dads. I have had the pleasure of attending many weddings, baptisms, and celebrations of life. Thank you all for these cherished memories and lifelong friendships.

In retirement, I plan to spend much more time with our family at the Jersey Shore enjoying boat rides and catching crabs off our backyard deck and continuing to do the Lord's will.

God Bless you and yours. May the peace of God be always with you.

GO IN PEACE TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD!

Deacon Jack

From the Senior Warden –

Farther up and Further In

This phrase is from the last of C. S. Lewis' Narnia Series: "The Last Battle". In this story, Lucy and her friends are being invited out of a stable into a beautiful green country. As they enter, they are encouraged to come "farther up and further in!" Onward.

As I reflect on the last eighteen months or so at Calvary, this phrase keeps coming to mind. We have undergone many changes and are facing many more. It's an exciting time as we move into the future that God has planned for us.

You will read in this newsletter about some additional changes that are about to take place: the departure of Mo. Ann and Deacon Jack as clergy to our congregation. It is, of course, with regret that we see them go. Their ministry has been profoundly important to so many of us and likewise to Calvary's ongoing presence in the community.

At the same time, I see their departure as their votes of confidence in the ability of Calvary to navigate towards the amazing future. Like a child who needs the steadying hand of an adult as he learns to walk, we have needed the continuity and steadying presence of Ann and Jack. Now, they see that they have completed their mission at Calvary.

The sadness that I feel at this change is tempered by their belief in all of us. Fr. Drew remains to help us in our transition. The Discernment Team is forging ahead with the search process. The Way of St. Paul continues its work to enhance our spiritual lives. The Property Team and the Vestry are overseeing significant improvements to the buildings and grounds. So much more is going on – both visibly and behind the scenes.

We wish Ann and Jack Godspeed and offer our deepest thanks for their ministry and for the blessing it has brought to all of us.

From the Discernment Team –

We are so blessed to have had Mother Ann and Deacon Jack to lovingly guide and usher us through some very trying times in our parish. But now is the time to wish them well and send them into a long and happy retirement. We can never adequately thank them for the support they have provided our parish, but they are leaving us stronger and healthier than we have been in a long time.

Thanks in large part to their leadership, our discernment process has moved forward into the candidate and interview phase of our search process. Calvary's Profile and Job Descriptions were posted on a number of National Rector search sites in April by the Diocese. We're finalizing our interview process as we speak, as we expect our first set of candidates by June. Please remember to refer any potential candidates you might know to Canon Jemmot from the Diocese.

Ann and Jack were key to our arriving in this place of discernment. They helped us to see who we are as a parish and the type of priest we would like to call as our Rector. They led us through some pretty rough waters and helped us arrive safely on the other side.

Please join the Discernment Team as we lovingly send them into the next chapters of their lives with our deep gratitude and blessings.

The Calvary Discernment Team

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

Weekly Schedule

May 20, 2018 The Day of Pentecost
Blessing & Presentation of Prayer Scarves
9:00am – Good Shepherds Meeting (All Saints' Room)

Global Goal: Zero Hunger

May 27, 2018 The First Sunday after Pentecost: Trinity Sunday
Global Goal: Good Health and Well Being

June 3, 2018 The Second Sunday after Pentecost
10:30am – Confirmation (Trinity Cathedral)

Global Goal: Quality Education

June 10, 2018 The Third Sunday after Pentecost
“Ice Cream Sunday”

Global Goal: Gender Equality

June 17, 2018 The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Global Goal: Clean Water and Sanitation

June 24, 2018 The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Global Goal: Affordable and Clean Energy

**On Sunday, July 1st, we will begin our summer schedule
of one service of the Holy Eucharist at 9:00am.**

Calvary Ministries

CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP for Children, Teens, and Adults

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

Tuesdays at Ten

Another “school year” is ending! In our study of the Old Testament, we’ve come a long way from the sagas of Sarah and Abraham and the other matriarchs and patriarchs. Israel is now an established nation, with kings and capitol and all the related problems and puzzles. There is obviously more to come.....

Our Tuesday group, which usually meets from 10 to 11:30 in the All Saints’ Room will have its **June 19th** meeting at the home of Alice Ross – 16 Wayside Drive in Lebanon - followed by an almost-summer luncheon. Summer vacation will begin after that.

COMMUNICATION

Proclaiming our ministry to parish members and beyond.



Thank you Office Angels:
**Alice Berry, Liza Kistler,
Judy Schoenherr, and
Natalie Whiting.**

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.*

Calvary’s Good Shepherds

There will be a short catch-up meeting on Sunday, May 20th, 9:00am in the All Saints’ Room. Welcome to Lisa Bruzzio, our newest shepherd! Anyone interested in being a part of this important ministry of caring should speak to Mo. Ann.



Ice Cream Sunday:

Everyone loves ice cream especially on Sundays!
Our annual Ice Cream Sunday takes place Sunday, June 10th, during the Coffee Hour, following both services. Please join us for a scoop or two!

Save the Date – The August Road Rally takes place on Saturday, August 25th - more details to come!

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Managing the money given for the ministry of the parish.

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.

Attention Knitters & Crocheters!

Keep knitting & crocheting over the summer for the Seamen's Church Institute. The hat & scarf sets are easy to do while you sit at the beach!! We are scheduled to visit there November 9th, over Teacher's Convention. There are patterns on the Outreach bulletin board or see Lynn Cote or Mo. Ann.

PROPERTY

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



This summer, the Property Team will once again be counting on help from our parishioners to upkeep our lawns. Please see the sign-up sheet on the podium in the Parish Hall. Even if you can only commit to mow a few times over the summer, your help is very much appreciated! Once Jeff White has a list of names, he will be in touch to set up a schedule that works for everyone. Thank you!

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.

Thank you Service Assistants – new and continuing!

We are looking for new acolytes – young and old! If you are interested, please contact Trey Martin. Training is available.

Adults are always needed too – this is a great opportunity for a parent that has a child who is or was an acolyte.

If you are already a service assistant, it is important to sign up on the clipboard for the weeks you can serve. If you have to change your assignment, please try to find your replacement and then notify the Parish Office.

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.
- **Prayers for the Countries of the World** - Since 9/11 we have been praying for the countries of the world: 5/20 – Burundi, 5/27 – Cambodia, 6/3 – Cameroon, 6/10 – Canada, 6/17 – Cape Verde, 6/24 – Cayman Islands.



Pentecost Promise

Each year we read the Pentecost Epistle and comment on the miracle of all the languages being spoken and understood by the apostles. Being the inquisitive and thorough Church Mouse that I am, I read a bit further in Acts to remind myself what happened next.

The Apostles didn't only hear and understand the different languages, they told the crowd gathered what Jesus did during his time on Earth. In Peter's sermon, he told the crowd to repent and be baptized and forgiven of their sins—and they, too, would receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Read Acts 2:39 for yourselves. It says that the promise is for us, today, too.

Isn't that grand? We've got it easy. Sort of. After Pentecost, the new church gathered and studied Jesus' teachings, and the church grew. Maybe we should grab our Bibles and study some more and pray with each other. It's already written down for us. Sort of a current Christian way of making friends and influencing others, right?

IN THE COMMUNITY

Take Me to Church Historical Walking Tour: The Vestry will be working with the Hunterdon county Historical Society Executive Director Patricia Millen, to create a walking tour of the churches on Main Street and our Church. **We are looking for volunteers to help in the coordination as well as to be on site the day of the tour to speak with visitors about the history of our church.** The day and time are yet to be determined but it will most likely take place on a Sunday afternoon in the fall. **If you are interested or have questions, please contact Christine Little at 908-642-6096 or cnliddle@msn.com.**

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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