

Marking Holy Time: Holy Week and Easter 2015

In our Episcopal and Anglican way of being Christians, we believe that all of Creation is valued by God. Each person, place, thing, or event be they good, bad, or indifferent can reveal God's presence and love.

We also believe that some things point us to or help us to focus on God at a deeper level than others to remind us that all of what we see and don't see is within the love of God. The seven sacraments, beautiful buildings, some people called saints, inspiring music, or certain prayers reveal the universal through the particular. This approach to faith is sometimes called a sacramental view of the world. It is shared, to a large degree, by Episcopalians, Roman Catholics, Eastern Orthodox, and many other Christians throughout the world.

In addition to marking some people and things as holy, we also mark time in that way so the particular and specific remind us of or point us to the universal. We follow a liturgical (church service) calendar that proclaims, on a yearly basis, the story of God's redemptive history of Creation and our part in the that good news.

The seasons of Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, and Pentecost mark time and tell the story of the life, death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus Christ like chapters in a book that is not yet complete. We, as the people of God, are still writing the next chapter about the ministry of Christ in the world through us.

We are approaching the holiest time in the Christian year called, appropriately enough, Holy Week. All of time is holy but this week is set aside to mark the most important part of the story of Jesus's life and ministry. From Palm Sunday (March 29) through Easter (April 5), we walk together through Jesus's last earthly days through his death and resurrection.

Calvary observes Holy Week as well and thoroughly as any Episcopal Church. I invite you to observe each chapter of the story to understand and experience better the whole message. The calendar is printed elsewhere in this edition of the *Agape*.

Palm Sunday reenacts Jesus triumphal entry into Jerusalem by reading the Passion from Mark. The story is acted out by parishioners with all of us playing the part of the crowds. A "passion" gospel is the part of the story that tells of Jesus's last days and death.

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Holy Week each offer a celebration of the Eucharist and a dramatic, public reading of part of Dante's classic Purgatory that continues throughout the week.

Maundy Thursday is a celebration of the Eucharist with a stripping of the Altar in preparation for Good Friday. This day is also the traditional observance of the first Eucharist service established by Jesus while in the upper room with his disciples.

Good Friday is the day we observe that Jesus died. John's Passion Gospel is chanted by three singers. It is one of my favorite three pieces of music. In the evening of Good Friday the choir will offer a concert of passion themed music.

The Great Vigil of Easter on Saturday night is the first Easter celebration with a kindling of the new Easter light that is shared among the congregation, readings from Scripture that tell the whole story in outline, and baptisms. We will be joined again by Dorsey McConnell, our bishop, to preach and preside at this service.

Easter Day is the feast of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. This is Calvary at our finest. Please join us and invite your friends.





HOLY WEEK AND EASTER AT CALVARY – 2015

March 29, Palm Sunday (*The Sunday of the Passion*)

8 A.M. Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist
9 & 11 A.M. Procession, Liturgy of the Palms, Holy Eucharist and Sermon

March 30, Monday in Holy Week

The Holy Eucharist, in the Chapel, 6 P.M.
Dante's *Purgatory* reading, *session I*, 7 P.M.

March 31, Tuesday in Holy Week

The Holy Eucharist, in the Chapel, 6 P.M.
Dante's *Purgatory* reading, *session II*, 7 P.M.

April 1, Wednesday in Holy Week

The Holy Eucharist, in the Chapel, 7 A.M., 10:30 A.M., and 6 P.M.
Dante's *Purgatory* reading, *session III*, 7 P.M.

April 2, Maundy Thursday

The Holy Eucharist, in the Chapel, at 12 NOON;
Dante's *Purgatory* reading, *session IV*, 2 P.M.
The Holy Eucharist and Stripping of the Altar, 7:30 P.M.

April 3, Good Friday

Good Friday Liturgy and Musical Meditation, 12 P.M.
Dante's *Purgatory* reading, *conclusion*, 2 P.M.
Tolling of the Tower Bell, 3 P.M.

Good Friday Concert, 8 P.M.: Chatham Baroque and other musicians join the Calvary Choir in a concert of Passion-themed music by Schütz, Rosenmüller, and Bach, including Bach's Cantata 131, *Aus der Tiefen*. *Freewill offering.*

April 4, The Great Vigil of Easter

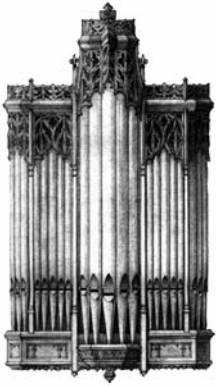
The Rt. Rev. Dorsey McConnell, Bishop of Pittsburgh, preaching, 8 P.M.
Lighting of the Paschal Candle, Scriptural Prophecies, Baptisms, and the First Eucharist of Easter

April 5, Easter Day (*The Sunday of the Resurrection*)

8 A.M. Holy Eucharist and Homily
9 & 11 A.M. Festal Holy Eucharist and Sermon



Easter Egg Hunt, 10:15 a.m. Children of all ages are invited to find eggs hidden in the Swan Garden and adjoining McCormick Courtyard. Please come and bring friends.



*Now the queen of seasons,
bright with the day of splendor,
With the royal feast of feast,
comes it joy to render.*

—St. John of Damascus, tr. John Mason Neale

The culmination of Lent in Holy Week and the Paschal Feast lies just before us. These days do not merely represent the high point of the Christian year, but are the liturgical commemoration of the very reasons there is a Christian year, or that we are Christians to begin

with. Preparations are underway to observe and celebrate them in suitable ways both liturgically and otherwise.

Holy Week is a study in contrasts, and to enter into it fully is to open one's heart and mind to the deepest mysteries of our faith. Those contrasts can be jarring: we lurch from "Hosanna in the highest" to "Crucify him" with alarming swiftness, and celebrate the Institution of the Eucharist, the very essence of thanksgiving, against the backdrop of betrayal and condemnation. But engaging in these contrasts, and allowing them to shape our experience, not only of events two millennia ago, but of contemporary spiritual and temporal realities, can be transformative indeed. And

only out of the darkest depths of the agonies of these days can the most exultant experience of Easter burst into bloom. No cross, the popular formulation goes, no crown.

The Holy Week service schedule appears elsewhere in this issue of Agape, and I'll not reiterate it here, except to encourage you to consider attending the concert on Good Friday evening, at 8 p.m. Chatham Baroque will once again be with us, anchoring the instrumental ensemble that will join the choir in presenting a program of choral and instrumental music by Bach and some of his German forebears, Heinrich Schütz, Dieterich Buxtehude, and Johann Rosenmüller (d. 1684). The theme for the program might be summarized as, "God so loved the world," as it will include several settings of that text, so central to our understanding of the threefold mystery of the Incarnation, Crucifixion, and Resurrection. I'm most grateful that the Friends of Music are once again able to make this occasion possible, as an offering both to the congregation and to the community. We hope that this music will complement the other, more liturgical offerings of the week, and deepen our collective experience of these solemn and powerful days.

May Easter, the queen of seasons, brighten all our lives, and the royal feast of feast render its joy to each of us and all those we encounter in this holy time.

Soup Group Cooking



On **Friday, March 20 at 10 a.m.** the Soup Group will meet in Calvary's kitchen to make a delicious recipe that Barbara Hicks bought back from her

trip to Seattle. Barbara's daughter started a soup ministry there and has shared a delicious recipe for mushroom soup. We always welcome new cooks and recipes. Won't you join us? We encourage deliveries of soups to friends, neighbors, and family. Please contact me if you need more information.

—Adele Eley, 412.371.6921, adele.eley@gmail.com



March 24 is American Diabetes Association Alert Day, a wake-up call to take the Diabetes Risk Test.

The campaign continues through April 21 (and beyond – the risk test is available year round).

Please share this link with the people in your life:

diabetes.org/risktest2015

Sheldon Calvary Camp Worship in Pittsburgh

The Camp service at Calvary Church is held on the fourth Sunday of each month at 3 p.m. **The next service will be on March 22 in the refectory.** The Rev. Leslie Reimer will celebrate the Eucharist and preach. We will be singing songs from the camp songbook. All are welcome.

Poetry Out Loud at Calvary presents
A Public Reading of

DANTE ALIGHIERI'S

PURGATORY

Monday, March 30, 2015 – 7 p.m. in the Nave
Tuesday, March 31 – 7 p.m. in the Nave
Wednesday, April 1 – 7 p.m. in McClintic Hall
Maundy Thursday, April 2 – 2 p.m. in the Nave
Good Friday, April 3 – 2 p.m. in the Nave
(Approximately one-hour sessions)

Children's Corner Book Reviews

by Adele Eley, Coordinator for Christian Formation

Are you looking for a book to give your children or grandchildren for Easter? Here are some excellent choices. I have reviewed these books before, but recommend them to you once again.



The Tales of Peter Rabbit by Beatrix Potter, with Toy, \$15.99. Learn of Peter's adventures in Mr. McGregor's garden. This book was first published in 1902, so if you don't have a copy why have you waited so long? Children and adults will love the beautiful watercolor illustrations. Included is a delightful soft toy.

Pat the Bunny by Dorothy Kunhardt, \$9.99. This book, first published 1940, is an all-time favorite. Paul and Judy play peek-a-boo, feel daddy's scratchy face, smell the flowers, and, of course, pat the bunny. Also available in two sizes is the "bunny." The small one is \$9.98 and the large one is \$25.00.

The Easter Story by Brian Wildsmith; \$20.00 The gilded illustrations are beautifully expressive, and the story is an excellent adaptation of the Biblical story of Easter – beginning with the triumphal entry into Jerusalem and going on to Jesus' ascension. Children will delight in finding the angels and donkey on every page.

My First Easter by Tomie dePaola, \$5.99. This book for babies and toddlers emphasizes the importance of family and sharing. Although it is secular in content, the pictures are beautiful and the text is easy for young ones to understand.

Peanut Butter & Jam Sessions

These informal concerts, presented by Chatham Baroque, are specifically designed for pre-schoolers and their adults and are fun, interactive, and educational ways to experience Baroque music. Next on the schedule is **Delicious Double Stops on Saturday, March 14,** and **Music Fit for a King! on April 11, 2015.** Two shows: 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. \$5 for children, \$8 for adults; in McClintic Hall here at Calvary. For more information: 412.687.1788 or www.chathambaroque.org.

Agape Deadline

The deadline for submission of news and notices for the next issue of *Agape* is **Friday, April 10, 2015.** Please e-mail your text to calvary@calvaryppgh.org or deliver it to directly to the church office.



The Women of Calvary will sponsor the Lenten retreat, *The Practice of the Prayer of Presence*, on **Saturday, March 21, 2015,** at the Kearns Spirituality Center.

Lori McMahon will facilitate the retreat, which will focus on the writings of the French friar Brother Lawrence of the Resurrection, who developed intimacy with God through loving acceptance of his daily life. The retreat's goal is to help us have a deeper relationship with God in the busyness of our lives.

The retreat will run from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., when Associate Rector Leslie Reimer will celebrate the Eucharist. Lunch will be provided. Cost for the day is \$25.

Attendance at the retreat is limited to 25. To register, please complete the form below and send it along with payment to Calvary. Please make the check payable to Calvary but add on the memo line "Retreat." You can also place your form and payment in the WoC box in the mailroom.

All registrants will receive a map and directions to Kearns, which is located in Allison Park. For more information, contact Anne Robb at annerobb@comcast.net or 412.521.7545.

***I will be attending the
Women of Calvary Lenten Retreat
on Saturday, March 21, 2015.***

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Enclosed is my payment of \$25.

Please note "Retreat" on the memo line of your check.

Mail to:

Calvary Episcopal Church, Women of Calvary Retreat,
315 Shady Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15206



On behalf of all of the students and their families at *Beginnings*, I want to thank all of our friends, listed below, who responded so generously to our Annual Appeal letter. Your gifts enabled us to raise more than **\$4300** for our scholarship fund.

- | | |
|------------------------------|------------------------|
| Gary & Grace Abbs | Sandra A.B. Levis |
| Mary Murtland Berger | Donald T. Macleod |
| Walter Bowman | Donald T. Macleod, Jr. |
| Anna Brophy | Dr. Moni McIntyre |
| Patricia M. Carnahan | Rick & Peggy Morycz |
| Joan Clark | Margaret Muldoon |
| Robert & Janet Dilts | Dana Michael O'Connor |
| Robert & Adele Eley | Beth H. Piraino |
| Amy Farnsworth | Leslie G. Reimer |
| Kathleen Farrington | Anne Robb |
| T.J. & Anne Freeman | Philip R. Roberts |
| Normandie Fulson | Jean Robinson |
| Betty Jane Gentilcore | Sandra B. Rogers |
| Lorraine Haas | Barbara Scruggs |
| Junichi & Mami Hachisuka | Mie & Hideki Shima |
| Terese & Cecil F. Higgs, III | Kathleen B. Short |
| Jonathon & Natalie Jensen | Kenneth Smith |
| Patricia & Ed Jones, Jr. | Jason & Megan Spak |
| Robert & Gretchen Kelly | Janet W. Thomas |
| Lynda & Mark Kennedy | Tracey G. Vinson |
| Yongjune Kim & Yuri Kim | Thomas & Jane Weiss |
| Mary Knowles | Judith Wootten |
| Sondra S. Krimmel | Mio & Tetsuya Yamamoto |
| Mary Ellen Leigh | Haakan Younes & |
| Linda Lentz | Genevieve Hower |

Spring is coming and so is the Beginnings Bake Sale on Palm Sunday, March 29 after all services. We plan to have an array of sweet and savory items, some new and some old favorites, but we can always use more items. If any of the great cooks and bakers at Calvary would be willing to donate items for our sale, we would appreciate it. Items can be dropped off at the Parish Hall on the day of the sale or call Peggy (412.661.3025) to arrange pick-up.

Save the Date: Thursday, May 7, 2015
from 6 – 8 p.m. is Spring Fling!

At Beginnings, we continue to celebrate our diverse community of students. Our committee, led by Lourdes Barajas Martinez, has selected the theme ***Fiesta!*** for this year's event which will celebrate the culture and cuisine of Mexico.

Join us as we transform the Parish Hall into a plaza for a festive evening of Latin music, delicious Mexican food and

décor. Our awesome silent auction will include gift cards, event tickets, children's items, fine and vintage jewelry, Mexican items and much more! Come see an art show of our students' creations! Watch the mail for your invitation. If you don't receive one and would like a copy, please call me at 412.661.3025.

We would like to thank the following for their donations to the auction to date:

- Children's Museum of Pittsburgh
- Phipps Conservatory & Botanical Gardens
- Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra
- Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium
- Chatty Lime Marketing
- Carnegie Museums of Art & Natural History

We are still accepting auction items. If you would like to donate goods or services or tickets for an event that you can't use as a prize, please call me at the number above. Participating in the auction is a great way to introduce your business to our young families and our friends in the community. All proceeds will benefit our scholarship fund.

Happy Spring!

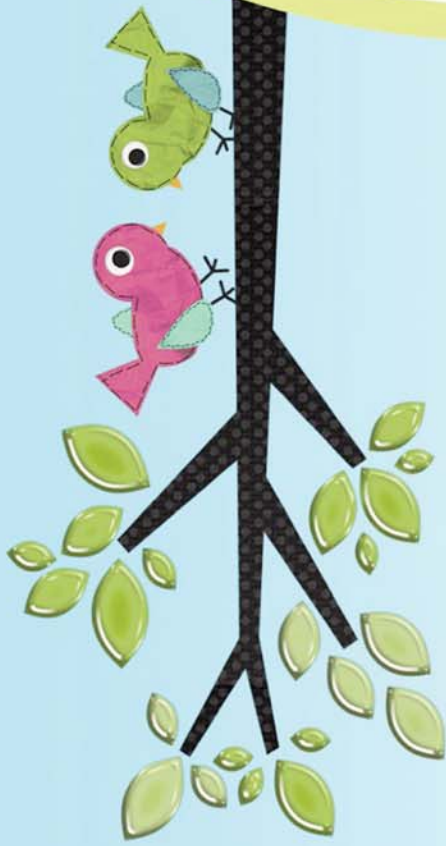
–Peggy Morycz, Beginnings Director

CALVARY'S
EASTER EGG HUNT
EGGSTRAVAGANZA!

– Easter Morning –
Sunday, April 5, 2015
at 10:15 a.m.

Everyone is invited
to join the search
for candy-filled eggs
in the Garden
and Courtyard.

Bring your friends!



The Calvary Calendar: March 15 – April 19, 2015

Sunday March 15, 2015

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

- 7:30 A.M. Coffee
- 8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 A.M. Choristers' Warm-Up
- 9:00 A.M. Bible Study
- 10:00 A.M. Christian Formation Classes
- 10:00 A.M. Adult Forum
- 10:00 A.M. Adult Choir Warm-Up
- 11:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 12:15 P.M. Hospitality Hour
- 8:00 P.M. Compline Choir

Monday March 16, 2015

- 5:30 P.M. Bookstore Committee Meeting
- 6:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist
- 7:00 P.M. Centering Prayer
- 7:00 P.M. St. Augustine's Fellowship

Tuesday March 17, 2015

Patrick, Bishop and Missionary of Ireland, 461

- 8:30 A.M. Beginnings
- 5:30 P.M. Calvary's PIIN Team Meeting
- 6:00 P.M. Lenten Preaching Series (at St. James, Penn Hills)
- 7:00 P.M. AA
- 7:30 P.M. The Next Step

Wednesday March 18, 2015

Cyril, Bishop of Jerusalem, 386

- 7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 8:30 A.M. Beginnings
- 9:45 A.M. ESL
- 10:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 3:00 P.M. CLASP (off-site)
- 4:30 P.M. Choristers' Rehearsal
- 5:30 P.M. Calvary Young Adult Ministry Bible Study
- 6:30 P.M. EfM
- 7:00 P.M. Welcome Committee
- 7:15 P.M. Lenten Reading Group

Thursday March 19, 2015

Saint Joseph

- 8:30 A.M. Beginnings
- 9:30 A.M. EfM
- 9:45 A.M. ESL
- 6:00 P.M. WoC Lenten Home Eucharist (at Village of Shadyside)
- 7:00 P.M. Welcome Committee
- 7:00 P.M. Diocesan Committee on Social Justice and Outreach
- 7:30 P.M. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday March 20, 2015

Thomas Ken, Bishop of Bath and Wells, 1711

- 9:00 A.M. Soup Group
- 10:00 A.M. AGO
- 10:00 A.M. Composers' Guild

Saturday March 21, 2015

Thomas Cranmer, Archbishop of Canterbury and Martyr, 1556

- 9:00 A.M. Centering Prayer for Peace
- 9:00 A.M. WoC Lenten Retreat (off site)

Sunday March 22, 2015

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

- 7:30 A.M. Coffee
- 8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 A.M. Choristers' Warm-Up
- 9:00 A.M. Bible Study
- 10:00 A.M. Adult Choir Warm-Up
- 10:00 A.M. Christian Formation Classes
- 10:00 A.M. Adult Forum
- 11:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 12:15 P.M. Hospitality Hour
- 3:00 P.M. Calvary Camp Holy Eucharist
- 4:00 P.M. Hospitality Hour
- 8:00 P.M. Compline Choir

Monday March 23, 2015

Gregory the Illuminator, Bishop and Missionary of Armenia, c. 332

- 6:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist
- 6:00 P.M. Ambassadors' Meeting
- 6:30 P.M. Vestry Meeting
- 7:00 P.M. Centering Prayer
- 7:00 P.M. St. Augustine's Fellowship

Tuesday March 24, 2015

Oscar Romero, Archbishop of San Salvador, 1980, and the Martyrs of El Salvador

- 8:30 A.M. Beginnings
- 5:00 P.M. Diocesan Commission on Ministry
- 5:30 P.M. Calvary Young Adult Ministry Bible Study
- 6:00 P.M. Lenten Preaching Series (at St. Andrew's, Highland Park)
- 7:00 P.M. AA

Wednesday March 25, 2015

The Annunciation of Our Lord Jesus Christ to the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 8:30 A.M. Beginnings
- 9:45 A.M. ESL
- 10:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 3:00 P.M. CLASP (off-site)
- 4:30 P.M. Choristers' Rehearsal
- 6:30 P.M. EfM
- 7:00 P.M. Lenten Reading Group

Thursday March 26, 2015

Richard Allen, First Bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, 1831

- 8:30 A.M. Beginnings
- 9:30 A.M. EfM
- 9:45 A.M. ESL
- 7:30 P.M. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday March 27, 2015

Charles Henry Brent, Bishop of the Philippines, and of Western New York, 1929

Saturday March 28, 2015

- 10:30 A.M. The Next Step

The calendar continues on the back

* To make reservations for starred events,
for which a meal is being prepared,
please telephone the church office, 412.661.0120, extension 140.

To check for late breaking changes or additions to the
calendar, visit our website at www.calvarypgh.org.

Sunday March 29, 2015*The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday*

- 7:30 A.M. Coffee
- 8:00 A.M. Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 A.M. Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 A.M. Bible Study
- 9:00 A.M. Choristers' Warm-Up
- 10:00 A.M. Christian Formation Classes
- 10:00 A.M. Adult Choir Warm-up
- 11:00 A.M. Liturgy of the Palms and Holy Eucharist
- 12:15 P.M. Hospitality Hour
- 8:00 P.M. Compline Choir

Monday March 30, 2015*Monday in Holy Week*

- 6:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist
- 7:00 P.M. St. Augustine's Fellowship
- 7:00 P.M. Centering Prayer
- 7:00 P.M. Dante's *Purgatory* Reading, Session I

Tuesday March 31, 2015*Tuesday in Holy Week*

- 6:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist
- 7:00 P.M. Dante's *Purgatory* Reading, Session II
- 7:00 P.M. AA

Wednesday April 1, 2015*Wednesday in Holy Week*

- 7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 10:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 3:00 P.M. CLASP
- 3:30 P.M. Choristers' Study Hall
- 4:30 P.M. Choristers' Rehearsal
- 6:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist
- 7:00 P.M. Dante's *Purgatory* Reading Session III

Thursday April 2, 2015*Mundy Thursday*

- 12:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist
- 2:00 P.M. Dante's *Purgatory* Reading Session IV
- 7:30 P.M. Holy Eucharist and Stripping of the Altar

Friday April 3, 2015*Good Friday***The Church offices will close at Noon.**

- 11:00 A.M. Choir Call
- 12:00 P.M. Good Friday Liturgy and Musical Meditation
- 2:00 P.M. Dante's *Purgatory* Reading, Conclusion
- 7:00 P.M. Choir Call
- 8:00 P.M. Good Friday Concert

Saturday April 4, 2015*Holy Saturday*

- 7:00 P.M. Choir Call
- 8:00 P.M. The Great Vigil of Easter

Sunday April 5, 2015*The Sunday of the Resurrection: EASTER DAY*

- 7:30 A.M. Coffee
- 8:00 A.M. Choir Call
- 8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 10:15 A.M. Easter Egg Hunt
- 11:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 12:15 P.M. Hospitality Hour
- 8:00 P.M. Compline Choir

Monday April 6, 2015*Monday in Easter Week***The Church offices will be closed this day.**

- 9:00 A.M. Easter Flower Delivery

Tuesday April 7, 2015*Tuesday in Easter Week*

- 8:30 A.M. Beginnings
- 7:00 P.M. AA
- 7:30 P.M. The Next Step

Wednesday April 8, 2015*Wednesday in Easter Week*

- 7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 8:30 A.M. Beginnings
- 9:45 A.M. ESL
- 10:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 3:00 P.M. CLASP
- 4:30 P.M. Choristers Rehearsal
- 5:30 P.M. Calvary Young Adult Ministry Holy Happy Hour (at Mad Mex, Highland Ave.)
- 5:30 P.M. PIIN Meeting
- 6:00 P.M. EfM

Thursday April 9, 2015*Thursday in Easter Week*

- 8:30 A.M. Beginnings
- 9:30 A.M. EfM
- 9:45 A.M. ESL
- 7:30 P.M. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday April 10, 2015*Friday in Easter Week***Saturday** April 11, 2015*Saturday in Easter Week*

- 9:00 A.M. FLMH
- 10:00 A.M. Peanut Butter & Jam Concert
- 10:30 A.M. The Next Step
- 11:30 A.M. Peanut Butter & Jam Concert
- 5:30 P.M. Men's Shelter Dinner Preparation (at Community House)

Sunday April 12, 2015*The Second Sunday of Easter*

- 7:30 A.M. Coffee
- 8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 A.M. Bible Study
- 9:00 A.M. Choristers' Warm-Up
- 10:00 A.M. Adult Choir Warm-Up
- 10:00 A.M. Adult Forum
- 10:00 A.M. Christian Education Classes
- 11:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 12:15 P.M. Hospitality Hour
- 8:00 P.M. Compline Choir

Monday April 13, 2015

- 5:30 P.M. Diocesan Committee on Budget and Assessment
- 6:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist
- 7:00 P.M. Diocesan Council
- 7:00 P.M. Centering Prayer
- 7:00 P.M. St. Augustine's Fellowship

Tuesday April 14, 2015*Edward Thomas Demby, 1957, and Henry Beard Delany, 1928, Bishops*

- 8:30 A.M. Beginnings
- 12:30 P.M. Tuesday Musical Club Concert
- 7:00 P.M. Coventry Circle

Wednesday April 15, 2015*Damien, Priest and Leper, 1889, and Marianne, Religious, 1918, of Molokai*

- 7:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 8:30 A.M. Beginnings
- 9:45 A.M. ESL
- 10:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 3:00 P.M. CLASP
- 4:00 P.M. Choristers' Study Hall
- 4:30 P.M. Choristers' Rehearsal
- 6:30 P.M. EfM

Thursday April 16, 2015*Mary (Molly) Brant (Konwatsijayenni), Witness to the Faith among the Mohawks, 1796*

- 8:30 A.M. Beginnings
- 9:30 A.M. EfM
- 9:45 A.M. ESL
- 7:30 P.M. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday April 17, 2015

- 6:00 P.M. Pittsburgh Youth Initiative Lock-In Begins

Saturday April 18, 2015

- 9:00 A.M. Centering Prayer for Peace
- 9:00 A.M. Pittsburgh Youth Initiative Lock-In Ends

Sunday April 19, 2015*The Third Sunday of Easter*

- 7:30 A.M. Coffee
- 8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 9:00 A.M. Bible Study
- 9:00 A.M. Choristers' Warm-Up
- 10:00 A.M. Christian Formation Classes
- 10:00 A.M. Adult Forum
- 10:00 A.M. Adult Choir Warm-Up
- 11:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist
- 12:15 P.M. Hospitality Hour
- 12:45 P.M. Calvary Young Adult Ministry Brunch (at Panera, Bakery Sq.)
- 8:00 P.M. Compline Choir

AA: Alcoholics Anonymous
CLASP: Calvary-Lincoln After School Program
EfM: Education for Ministry
ESL: English as a Second Language
FLMH: Functional Literacy Ministry of Haiti
OAS: Organ Artist Series
PIIN: Pennsylvania Interfaith Impact Network
WoC: Women of Calvary

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Sale to benefit ERD

On Sunday, March 22, children of the Sunday School will sponsor a sale that will benefit Episcopal Relief and Development. Handmade Easter cards, Easter cookies, and mini egg casseroles will be sold after all services. Please support our children and youth's effort to buy a flock of chickens.

Easter Egg Hunt – April 5

On Easter Day at 10:15 a.m. children of all ages are invited to find eggs hidden in the Swan Garden and adjoining McCormick Courtyard. Please come and bring friends.

Easter Egg Candy Donations

Many eggs were generously donated for our egg hunt last year. We are recycling them and now need candy to fill them. Please consider donating small individually wrapped candy that can be used to fill the eggs. If you do not want to do the shopping, checks made out to Calvary can be placed in the alms basins, marked EGG HUNT on the memo line.

—Adele Eley, Coordinator for Christian Formation,
aeley@calvarypg.org, 412.661.0120 ext. 116

CALVARY YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

During the season of Lent please join the Calvary Young Adult Ministry in the Evans Room (5:30 p.m.) for conversation and study of the Gospel of Mark. Snacks will be provided, please bring your own beverage. I will bring a couple of bibles with me and I invite you to bring your favorite translation/study bible. Blessings... T.J.

March 10: Mark 6-8:21 (*Rejection, Miracles, and Conflict*)

March 18: 8:22-10:52 (*From Galilee to Jerusalem*)

March 24: 11-16 (*Jerusalem, Execution, and Resurrection*)

Also on our schedule:

April 8: Holy Happy Hour (Industry Public House, 4305 Butler St.) at 5:30 p.m.

April 19: Brunch (Panera, Bakery Square) at 12:45 p.m.

Weekly Email “Blast”

If you wish to sign-up to receive our weekly e-mail blast, please visit the Calvary website at www.calvarypg.org and click on “Sign up.”

For more news, go to the Diocese of Pittsburgh website at www.episcopalpg.org to sign up for their email notices.



Sundays at 10 a.m., in the Refectory.

Sunday, March 15 – Carved Symbols and Shields, Part 2.

Phil Maye, chair of the Architecture and History Committee, continues his discussion of the shields and symbols that adorn Calvary Episcopal Church.

Sunday, March 22 – Out of the deep: Music for Good

Friday. In preparation for the Choir's Good Friday concert, Alan Lewis provides an introduction to some of the music from that program, and its context.

Sunday, March 29 – Palm Sunday

No Adult Forum

Sunday, April 5 – Easter Day

No Christian Formation classes for youth or adults

Sunday, April 12 – Low Wage Workers: Campaign for a

Living Wage. Income inequality is growing, and it puts a significant strain on workers and our society. This adult forum will include a presentation about income inequality, its effects on low income workers, and what can be done about it. This presentation will be by Pennsylvania Interfaith Impact Network (PIIN) and will include stories of low wage workers.

Sunday, April 19 – Praying with Merton: Awakening to

Action. As part of the ten-day Merton Festival (April 16–26) in the centennial celebration of the influential, relevant author and Trappist monk, Thomas Merton, we'll explore in this Adult Forum some of the impacts on our lives as Merton continues to inspire and mentor each new generation. A member of the Merton Festival planning committee, Carol J. Gonzalez, will consider and facilitate conversation of the journey as disciples of meditation become apostles of love. An educator and contemplative activist, Carol has served on the board of the Thomas Merton Center, editorial collective, and has led numerous Merton and Dorothy Day study groups.

Forum Alternative

PURGATORY

The Poetry Out Loud Group will offer discussions of Dante Alighieri's *Purgatory* on these Sundays, at 10 a.m. in the Evans Room: **March 22, and April 12.** *Purgatory* is the second part of Dante's Divine Comedy, following the Inferno. The poem was written in the early 14th century. It is an allegory telling of the climb of Dante up the Mount of Purgatory, guided by the Roman poet Virgil. *Purgatory* will be read in its entirety during Holy Week here at Calvary.

Treasurer's Report: 2015 Budget

Summarized below is the Calvary Episcopal Church budget for 2015, as approved by the Vestry. If you have a question concerning any item within this budget, please contact Senior Warden Catherine Davidson, any other member of the Vestry, Director of Finance Lynda Kennedy, or me.

Robert Eley, Treasurer

CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH 2015 Operations Fund Budget - Consolidated

<u>Income</u>	
Pledge Income	1,000,000
Endowment Fund Payout	263,500
Trust Income	22,200
Special Contributions	136,000
Earned Income	20,300
Outreach/Capital Projects	7,500
TOTAL INCOME	1,449,500

<u>Expenses</u>	
Clergy & Supply Priests	388,300
Diocesan Assessment - Pgh. & National Church	148,600
Outreach, Hospitality & Pastoral Support	124,400
Music	145,500
Christian Formation	47,200
Buildings & Grounds - Utilities	85,000
Buildings & Grounds - All Other	131,100
Sexton Staff - Compensation & Benefits	126,500
Administration & Finance	367,500
Capital Additions	20,000
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,584,100
Surplus/(Deficit)	(134,600)

Notes

1) As instructed by the Vestry several years ago, we have lowered the payout from the Endowment Fund again this year by .25%. The 5.25% payout amount is \$9,600 lower than the 2014 payout.

2) Our total Diocesan assessment for 2015 has increased by \$1,900 from the 2014 amount.

3) As was suggested by the Finance Committee in 2013, we have included program compensation and benefits within all other expenses of each program within Calvary.

4) The Vestry, Wardens, Treasurer and Rector will be working during the year to reduce the budgeted deficit.

Please be sure to keep us informed if you have a home address, phone or email change. Contact our Parish Secretary, Marsha Morris, at 412.661.0120, ext. 111 or send an email to: secretary@calvarypgh.org.

Respectfully submitted by
G. F. Roth, *Junior Warden*

About the House

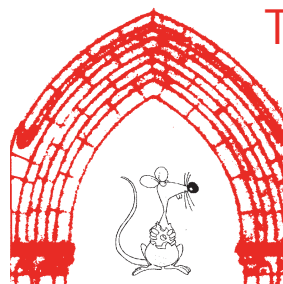


Being a regular presentation for your perusal of those seemingly mundane housekeeping chores, repairs, modifications, and improvements which affect our worship and parish life experiences at Calvary Episcopal Church.

From negative to positive in seven steps

- 1. The leak which manifested itself by soaking and felling a light fixture and part of the ceiling in the ♿ restroom several Sundays ago has been assessed and determined to have been caused by failing plumbing below a roof drain. Partial repair has been effected. Further work will be required below that and the other three roof drains along the east end of the Parish Hall.
- 2. Two pipes carrying chilled water through the boiler room to air conditioners in the priest's sacristy and robing room burst in recent weeks owing in part to their age and in part to the frosty outside air which circulates near them to provide ventilation and oxygen for the operation of the boilers. Repairs will occur once nature provides a temperate opportunity.
- 3. The parish house entry pavement pad heating system, previously maintained, required further repair in the form of a new sensor which could more accurately control the temperature of the fluid which flows through it. No more boiling.
- 4. Application has been made for grant assistance in the repair of the narthex history windows. Acceptance is hoped for some time after July. These things take time.
- 5. Bids are in for the creation of new cushions for the choir stalls, the present ones being thin and ill-sized. In addition to long-suffering choir members they will be appreciated by those attending the services of CandleMass which begin in the fall. Funding is to be provided by the Friends of Music.
- 6. One more audio choke has been installed for the microphone at the altar. We may finally be free of radio broadcasting during services.
- 7. Holy week preparations are on track: palms have been ordered, James has finished making most of the necessary candles, and the polishing of the brass has begun.

The Church Mouse



A friend of the rector, a retired professor, is considering moving to Pittsburgh. If anyone has a three-bedroom house in the area for rent beginning in May/June please let Jonathon know. This would be a long-term lease.

Stewardship Notes



Thank you again for the generous response to our stewardship campaign at Calvary in 2015.

Thank you especially to Mary Lou Southwood who has led our stewardship ministry for the last three years. If we were a secular organization, one might call Mary Lou a “super volunteer.” As a church with a mission, Mary Lou has faithfully and excellently exercised her baptismal ministry in the area of stewardship. Because she offered her gifts, we have all benefited. She is retiring from leading this ministry after three years. Please thank her for her ministry. Well done good and faithful servant.

Thank you also to the others who served in the ministry of stewardship in the past year: Ruth Becker, Catherine Davidson, Anne Keeler, Jamie McMahon, Susan Schafer, and Sarah Wilson. Staff members Ken Smith, the Director of Communications at Calvary, provided great support, and Marsha Morris, parish Secretary, assisted in many ways.

I am very pleased to announce that Michele and Mark Rust have agreed to serve as the next co-chairs of stewardship at Calvary. They bring significant experience and will build on the solid foundation deepened by Mary Lou.

If you would like to help with stewardship at Calvary, please contact me or Michele or Mark. –Jonathon

Author Andrea Davis Pinkney Interviewed by Grace Randall

Grace Randall is ten years old and in the 5th grade at the Environmental Charter School at Frick Park, which was started by two of our parishioners, Barbara Hicks and Phil Parr. Grace’s principal, Mr. Justin Aglio, learned that she would like to be an author when she grew up, so he contacted Ms. Eryn Morgan at Pittsburgh Arts & Lectures to help Grace connect directly with famous authors who visit our city. She happily agreed to let Grace interview two of this season’s Children and Teen series authors. (Grace’s first interview was with Mr. Gregory Maguire, published in the December, 2014 issue of Agape). Congratulations, Grace.

I met with author Andrea Davis Pinkney on February 21, 2015 in the Elsie H. Hillman Auditorium at the Hill House Kaufman Center. She is the author of many books for all ages, including *The Red Pencil*, her newest book, told in verse and sketches, which she was promoting at this event. The book is about a twelve year-old girl from Sudan named Amira. For her, twelve means new responsibilities and new possibilities. Even though her mother says that she must follow tradition and learn how to keep house and how to raise a family, Amira’s fondest wish is to learn how to read and write, just like her good friend Halima is going to do. Then, out of the blue, a tragedy tears down everything that she’s ever known and thankfully the simple gift of a red pencil changes the course of her destiny. Andrea Pinkney successfully puts all of these components into one masterfully told piece full of emotion and hope.

For my first question, I asked Ms. Pinkney why she decided to tell Amira’s story through verse. She answered saying that there are a lot of sad and emotionally vivid parts in the story. It also has a lot in it about war. She thought that verse and poetry could help young people such as myself understand such things. I also believe that the component of verse in this particular story adds a lot of emotional depth and clarity to the piece, and conveys the happier emotions in a powerful way as well.



I asked her next about her characters, if they were based off of her children, people she knew, or people she met while visiting Sudan. She told me that Dando, the name Amira calls her father, is based off of her late father, a loving and kind man. Amira is like a girl she met in while in the country. She also said that the story that she wrote is not unlike hundreds of other true stories: Girls who want to learn how to read and write, who then get caught up in the tragedies that surround them. Amira represents many girls with similar tales.

For my final question I asked, “Why is the story you have written and other similar stories about the conflicts in Sudan so meaningful for young people to know about?” Ms. Pinkney answered that there are many tragedies in the world, in the U.S. as well. It’s important for kids to know that in hardship, there is always hope. Amira found happiness in dark times by expressing herself through her art and studies. It’s not always about the bad things in life, but about finding the hope in them.

My next interview and write-up will be with Nick Courage, author of *The Loudness*.

Easter Monday Flower Delivery – April 6, 2015

One of the many traditions at Calvary Episcopal Church is the delivery of Easter flowers to those for whom prayers were offered during the past year. On Easter Monday last year, 24 Calvary parishioners delivered Easter flowers to 75–80 recipients.

This is a very easy one-day volunteer job and only requires you have time on Monday morning, April 6th to deliver 3–4 Easter flowers to the recipients. Louise Wells prepares the maps to the recipient's home and a card containing a message from the Rector, which you will attach to the flowers you are delivering.

Volunteers are asked to arrive at the Parish Hall between 9 and 11 a.m. to choose your flowers for delivery. A representative of the Flower Delivery Committee will be there for assistance, if needed.

Please call Barbara Hicks at 412.242.1469 or e-mail her at barbleeh@verizon.net to sign up for Easter Monday Flower Delivery.



Volunteers Needed for EECM's 'Meals on Wheels' Program

East End Cooperative Ministry is in dire need of volunteers for the Home Delivered Meals Program (aka Meals on Wheels). This is a great opportunity to make a difference in the life of homebound senior citizens who need nutritious meals delivered to their home. There are two roles: visitors, and drivers; both of which are outlined below. Both volunteer roles are scheduled Monday through Friday, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

Volunteer Opportunities: Monday – 1 Visitor;
Tuesday – 1 Visitor; Wednesday – 1 Visitor;
Thursday – 1 Visitor; Friday – 1 Driver

Requirements for the Visitor:

- Must have or obtain Act 33/34 clearances
- Must be comfortable working other volunteers and riding along with the driver in their personal vehicle
- Comfortable interacting with the client and often includes going into their homes or apartment building.

Requirements for the Driver:

- Must use your own vehicle
- Must present a current Pennsylvania Driver's License
- Must present your current vehicle Insurance Card
- Must be comfortable working another volunteer driving along with you in your personal vehicle

Please contact Tracy Hudson, Volunteer Coordinator at 412.345.7124 or tracyh@eecm.org if you are interested in helping EECM and local seniors in this important role within the community.

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL EAST END PARISHES

LENTEN PREACHING SERIES



6 P.M. Dinner • 7 P.M. Holy Eucharist and sermon

Tuesday, March 17

Preacher: The Rev. Jeff Murph,
Rector, St. Thomas

at St. James – 11524 Frankstown Road, Penn Hills

Tuesday, March 24

Preacher: The Rev. Nano Chalfant-Walker,
Rector, St. Stephen's

at St. Andrew's – 5801 Hampton Street, Highland Park

As far as the east is from the west,
so far has he removed our sins from us.

Psalm 103:12

CALVARY

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

315 Shady Avenue ■ Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15206
telephone: 412.661.0120 ■ facsimile: 412.661.6077
email: calvary@calvarypgh.org ■ www.calvarypgh.org

The Reverend Jonathon W. Jensen, *Rector*
The Reverend Leslie G. Reimer, *Associate Rector*
The Reverend T.J. Freeman, *Curate*
The Reverend Carol Henley, *Assisting Priest*
The Reverend Ruth Bosch Becker, *Assisting Pastor*
The Reverend John J. Fetterman, *Theologian-in-Residence*
Shane Siciliano, *Seminarian*
Dr. Alan Lewis, *Director of Music*
Bill Gesin, *Assistant Organist*
Catherine Davidson, *Senior Warden*
G. Frederic Roth, *Junior Warden*
Robert Eley, *Treasurer*
Adele Eley, *Coordinator for Christian Formation*
Lynda Kennedy, *Director of Finance*
Peggy Morycz, *Director, Beginnings*
Louise Wells, *Events Coordinator*
Kenneth Smith, *Director of Communications*
Jeff Rutkowski, *Head Sexton*
Andrea Edwards, Dave Farren, Ron Johnston,
James Knight, Tim Martin, *Sextons*
Marsha Morris, *Parish Secretary*