

Tree of Life * Or L'Simcha at Calvary

I received a letter this week from a couple in Florida. They thanked us for partnering with the Tree of Life congregation for their high holiday services. They wrote, "At this time of divisiveness, Calvary demonstrated a model we hope more will follow. Thank you." We continue to receive letters and emails of thanks like this from around the country. They come from Jews, Episcopalians, and other people of faith or no faith.

In the two weeks leading up to the services, we hosted three open house gatherings for Tree of Life members to learn about our congregation and explore the space. At each gathering, I talked about who Calvary is as a congregation, our commitment to serve our city, gave a brief tour of the building, and addressed the two most asked questions: "Where are the restrooms?" and "Why did Calvary offer to host us for the high holidays?"

I also said while I cannot understand what they are experiencing, I do understand they have been displaced from their house of worship since last October (currently worshipping at Rodef Shalom) and are now in an even more foreign place for their high holidays. Our expressed wish was their congregation would come to regard Calvary Church as their "home away from home."

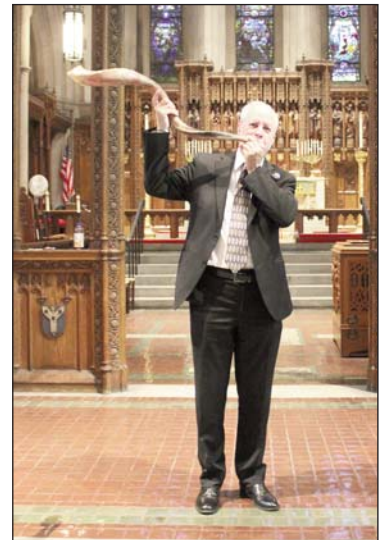
On October 4, we received a handsome bouquet of flowers from Tree of Life. The card reads, "To the members, staff and clergy of Calvary Episcopal Church with gratitude for being our home away from home. We wish you love, laughter, health, and happiness for the New Year." A deep sense of trust has already developed.

The leadership of Tree of Life and I have agreed we shall plan a social and/or good work event together. Details will follow later. You are also invited to participate in the city-wide event called "Remember. Repair. Together." on October 27. There are community service opportunities, a healing partnership, Torah study, and a community commemoration on that day.

Thank you for making the Tree of Life's observance of the high holidays at Calvary a memorable and meaningful event. Calvary had 30 people volunteer to serve as ushers and another fifty people who requested tickets to attend services. I greatly appreciate all the excellent work by so many parishioners and the staff. Thank you to Kim Pieratt, Ken Smith, Weezie Wells, Tammy Lewis, William Stevens, and the sexton staff of Jim Gubash, James Knight, Ron Johnston, and Andy Dilts. They were exceptional.

Opening our doors to the Tree of Life congregation is one expression of what our loving and serving our neighbors looks like. Calvary, as a community and as individuals, does this all the time in less noticeable but also important ways with visiting the sick, teaching children about art, feeding people, and opening our doors to share space. It's what we do and who we are. How are you called to love and serve your neighbor?

—Jonathon ■



Rabbi Jeffrey Myers blowing the shofar at Calvary. The shofar is one of Judaism's most famous symbols.

Anonymity: Friend or Faux

I never met my maternal grandfather. He died before my mom and dad got married. He had a stroke which had changed him dramatically when my mom was in her twenties. One of the things that endeared my father to her family, especially her mother, was that he would regularly take my grandfather out for a drive. It wasn't that so much that endeared him to them. It was that he always asked my grandfather where he would like to go. Sometimes as this question became more difficult for my grandfather, he would suggest several places and invite my grandfather to choose one of them. Consistently he took into consideration what mattered to this man who was once an executive at the State Street Bank, a graduate of Harvard but who had lost much of what he used to think and dream about.



Part of my formation over the last two years has been to read several texts most of them recommended and actually loaned to me by my sponsoring priest, our rector, Jonathon. In the course of this plan of study other sorts of reading and mutual interests in literature have come to light. I have read a few works that he has recommended that weren't directly theological in nature. It caught Jonathon's interest because the story takes place in Pittsburgh in the future, titled Tomorrow and Tomorrow. In this narrative universe it has become necessary for human beings to be able to interface with the digital universe through apparatus that are essentially "welded" to the nervous system through the brain. The outcome is that we can move and operate in a kind of limbo between our real world and the digital world. The main protagonist in the book uses this capability to revisit all the places in which his deceased wife had been captured in one way or another in digital recordings. This being his last means of continuing to be with her. Along the way he encounters an aggressive presence in this digital universe that is capable of hiding sections of the digital recorded universe for corrupt purposes. In the struggle to catch this villain he is threatened with the loss of access to his treasured digital memories.

In a recently released Netflix production we find a strikingly similar narrative universe in which a hacker has come up with an algorithm that allows her to remove herself from the sweeping digital collection of data that the surveillance state maintains on all citizens. Everyone has the same sort of digital interface built into their senses and minds and so it is possible for them to see through each other's eyes and know each other's activities. Again, some human corruption of this dystopian state takes the narrative down some frightening corridors.

This sort of complete psychic/experiential transference has been a theme in science fiction for a long time. I guess humans have thought this is quite like something that we all know but can only live into metaphorically. To walk in

someone else's shoes, to feel someone else's pain, to know someone else's fears. We seem to know the possibility of living this out well enough to imagine whole fictional, futuristic scenarios where it actually happens. Maybe the sci-fi approach is a useful way to begin to move beyond the maze of deception we encounter in all the partial and fragmented truths we find online or in our various media. It might be that anonymity is the enemy. Maybe we could try to see or imagine the smallest bits of other's experiences, stepping beyond our identity. Just to hold them in their fleeting frailty and begin to see how much we are the same and that our differences could be more about how close we are rather than a way to enforce an artificial distance between us.

—Geoffrey Royce ■



Super Senior Lunches

All senior parishioners are invited to join us on Sunday, November 10, 2019, for the third Super Senior Lunch immediately following the 11 o'clock worship service. This lunch will be held in the Refectory.

Please make your reservations by contacting Kim Pieratt, Parish Administrator, at 412.661.0120 ext. 111 or by emailing her at kpieratt@calvaryphg.org. There will also be a sign-up on the Kiosk in the Parish Hall October 13 through October 27.

Deadline for reservations is Sunday, November 3. When making your reservation for lunch, please indicate any individual dietary restrictions that must be observed.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Judy Wootten at 724.733.1660 or by email at jcwootten@comcast.net. ■

Holy Baptism



The sacrament of Holy Baptism will be offered at the 11 o'clock services on All Saints' Sunday, November 3, 2019, and on the Sunday after the Epiphany, January 12, 2020.

If you, or someone you know, desires to partake in this sacrament, please contact the Reverend Neil Raman (nraman@calvaryphg.org or 412.661.0120, ext. 112) as soon as possible, so that the appropriate preparation and arrangements can be made. ■



We are already into our second month – time flies when you’re having so much fun! You can feel the team spirit as you’re walking through the halls and classrooms. It’s exciting to be part of such a great preschool program.

Thank you, Board Members and Teachers for your commitment to Beginnings this school year.

Beginnings’ Board Members:

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| Charles R. Altman | Gordon Fisher |
| Maria Burgwin | Dora Magovern |
| Karen Chambers | Laura Marchl |
| Nina Dore | Lauren O’Donoughue |
| Adele Eley | The Rev. Jonathon Jensen |

Beginnings’ Teachers:

- Blue Team:* Mary Ann Packer, Sharon Peters, and Anita Solman
Purple Team: Lubing “Ruby” Cai, Brittany Dukes, and Liz Rubash
Orange Team: Daria Loshak, Meagan McGill, and Susan Roth
Yellow Team: Corinne Branquet and Elizabeth Gassler
Red Team: Kranti Gawade and Cathy Rutter
Floating Assistant Teacher: Erin O’Toole

Our main focus last month was making sure our students became comfortable in their classrooms with new teachers, team members, schedules, and routines. During our “We Are a Team” unit, our Purple Team (3-year-olds) learned about feelings and how to be a good friend and team member. A parent/art teacher in the Pittsburgh Public Schools volunteered to help the Purple Team express their feelings through color. Thank you Brian!

In early October, we welcomed the young children from Tree of Life * Or L’Simcha congregations to join us in Beginnings during their high holiday services. Our parents seemed extremely pleased to be a part of something so meaningful within our local community. At the end of their Rosh Hashana service, the congregations shared with our students bottles of honey labeled “Shanah Tovah! Have a Sweet New Year!”

Our first parent event of the year is “Bring Your Parent to School Night” on October 17. Families will have activities in their child’s classroom and then gather in the gym for spooky themed snacks, crafts, and music.

Beginnings will have a “Dress-Up Parade” on Thursday, October 31. In costume, our teachers and students will parade through our “trail of treats” in the nave and office areas of our church. Calvary staff, parishioners, and parents will be positioned along the trail to hand out candy and healthy treats. If you’d like to participate in our event, please email us at beginnings@calvarypg.org. Our parade begins at 9:45 a.m.

On Saturday, November 2, Beginnings will be participating in the Women of Calvary’s Annual Fall Bazaar by selling “Children’s Toys and Gifts” in the Purple Classroom, Level A. All proceeds will go to local agencies in the East End that support women and children. Please look through your attic, basement, garage, and children’s rooms for toys, books, décor and items such as carriers, car seats, strollers, blankets, and swings that you are no longer using. Ask your neighbors too! We are accepting donations until Wednesday, October 30. We need volunteers to organize and price these items and volunteers to help sell during the Bazaar from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Please email us if you’d like to be involved in any way. Thank you in advance!

We have begun our Early Intervention Screenings provided by the Pittsburgh Public Schools’ Early Intervention Team. They screen children age 3 – 5 and focus on physical, cognitive, communication, social/emotional, and self-help/adaptive skills. We also have hearing screenings provided by University of Pittsburgh’s Department of Communication Science and Disorders, and vision screenings provided by Blind and Vision Rehabilitation Services of Pittsburgh. We are grateful to these organizations for offering these screenings at no cost to families and for caring about the future success of our young children.

Many great things are happening at Beginnings. Our children are learning and growing each day in a very warm, welcoming, and nurturing environment. If you have an interest in touring our preschool, please email or call our office at 412.661.3025. –Tammy Lewis, Director ■

Full Text Worship Bulletins

To accommodate the worship materials used by members of the Tree of Life congregation we removed our Books of Common Prayer and Hymnals from the pew racks. Many thanks to those who accomplished this task. This also gave us the opportunity to clean the pew racks which collect various errant objects over time. Again, many thanks to those who cleaned the pew racks.

For our purposes, special full-text worship bulletins were produced that made it possible for us to do without our usual worship aids. The staff are interested in how this affects your worship experience. Many churches have, for some time, used bulletins that made the use of their prayer books unnecessary. As newer liturgies designed to address issues of inclusivity and generally “enrich” our worship vocabulary are being created, we might consider how or if these could be more easily included. Please let us know: Do you prefer using full-text bulletins or the traditional style bulletin? ■



The hymnals and Prayer Books are resting in McClintic Hall during Tree of Life’s services in the Nave.



When Tree of Life Congregation was here celebrating Rosh Hashana, we got to meet **Moe Lebow**. He will turn 100 years old on Saturday, November 16, 2019. It would be wonderful for him to receive cards from his friends here at Calvary Church. Please mail a birthday card to him at 6315 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15217. ■



Traditional Christian liturgical worship of the sort we experience week by week has always been understood by theological commentators to transcend the temporal plane on which we experience life. Through our common prayer we dare to approach the eternity in which God dwells, as we raise our voices to join “with angels, and archangels, and with all the company of heaven.” When we step into the church, or enter into the act of prayer in any place, we enter a moment in which our “now” dissolves into the eternal “now” of God.

That becomes true in a particular way each All Saints’ -tide, as we undertake to commemorate all the faithful departed and to commend them to the tender and eternal mercies of God. Our Requiem liturgy – an adaptation of the traditional Latin Requiem into the Prayer Book’s Eucharistic rite – is intended to offer us an opportunity to remember and pray in a particular way for all those whom we love but see no longer, and particularly for those who have entered into eternal life in the past year. It affords us an opportunity to use music conceived for such commemorations, to elevate and deepen our experience of the words and gestures that comprise the rite.

This year’s Requiem liturgy will be offered on Sunday afternoon, November 3, using the music of Gabriel Fauré. Fauré (1945-1924) was a central figure in the musical life of Paris in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, and served for many years as the director of the famed *Conservatoire*; he was the most famous composer in the land, and also the music-director of one of the most fashionable Parisian churches, the Madeleine. It was there that the Requiem had its genesis, arising for use within the parish’s life, and only later being compiled into a work for large orchestral and choral forces. It is this earlier guise of the piece, with more realistic instrumental forces, that we will use, a version that manages to retain all the transcendent beauty that has made the piece one of the most beloved of Requiem settings.

Please join us for this opportunity to engage with eternity in an intentional way, and to remember our beloved dead in prayer, liturgy, and song. ■



Happy Anniversary to Calvary Sexton **Ron Johnston** and his wife, **Carole**, on 60 years of marriage on October 17. ■

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Altar Flowers

Help us keep the church in full bloom by donating flowers in memory of, or in honor of, someone special. If you would like to place a memorial listing, please contact Kim Pieratt in the church office at 412.661.0120, ext. 111. ■

OCTOBER 27, 2019

Honoring the lives lost and the people affected by the attack of October 27, 2018



A commemorative day of service, study and community

REMEMBER. REPAIR. TOGETHER.

Join the Pittsburgh Jewish community as we commemorate one year since the anti-Semitic attack on October 27, 2018. Volunteer activities, Torah study, and a community gathering will be available to the public.

Community Service

11AM - 1PM

Various Sites

pittsburghoct27.org/event/community-service

Resiliency Center Drop-In

11AM - 4PM

10.27 Healing Partnership

5738 Forbes Ave.
Pittsburgh PA 15217

Torah Study

2PM - 4PM

Rodef Shalom Congregation

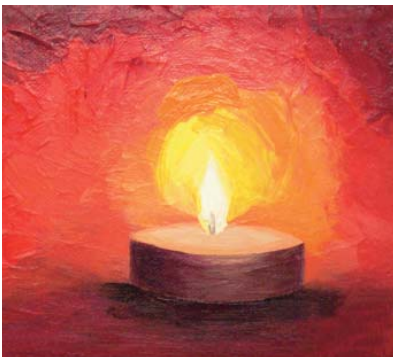
pittsburghoct27.org/event/torah-study

Community Commemoration

5PM - 6PM

Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hall

4141 Fifth Ave.
Pittsburgh PA 15213



PLANNING COMMITTEE

Congregation Dor Hadash
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Tree of Life * Or L'Simcha Congregation
10.27 Healing Partnership
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City of Pittsburgh -
Department of Public Safety

Jewish Community Center of Greater Pittsburgh
Jewish Family and Community Services
Jewish Federation of Greater Pittsburgh
Victims' Families
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Saint Michael's Society
"The Heart of Calvary's Future"

The **St. Michael's Society**, founded in 2009, is **Calvary's legacy group**. On Sunday, September 29, we celebrated our patronal Feast of St. Michael and All Angels. During that Sunday's special hospitality hour, we recognized and expressed gratitude for the 60+ St. Michael's Society members who have included Calvary Church in their estate plans.

You may join the St. Michael's Society in a variety of ways, beyond naming Calvary as a beneficiary in your will. You can also consider IRS-approved methods for taking tax deductions in your lifetime while still receiving income. A **Charitable Gift Annuity (CGA)** is one easy and effective vehicle for this. You contribute cash, appreciated securities or other property, and in turn you receive income from that asset during your lifetime. Upon your death, the principal goes to Calvary. You may also arrange to have a survivor continue to receive the same benefit during his or her life.

Calvary has partnered with The Pittsburgh Foundation to handle the investing and administrative chores, and guarantee the income on the CGA. As always, your financial advisor should always be consulted to assure that the route selected is right for you.

Lee Hicks was the first member to create a **CGA** at The Pittsburgh Foundation, and established a path for others to follow. Lee worked for Ketchum, Inc, as a Fund Raising Counsel and knew the importance of legacy gifts. He served for many years on Calvary's Stewardship Committee and we still miss his sage advice and wonderful sense of humor. Barbara, Lee's wife of 25 years, continues to be part of Calvary Church serving in several leadership roles. It is this type of dedication from many families that makes our Calvary community so special!

If you are interested in exploring a possible estate gift to Calvary Church, please contact Deborah Kelly, Planned Giving Chair, at dc1kelly@gmail.com or 412.688.9299. We would love to welcome you into the St. Michael's Society.

—Phil Roberts, Deborah Kelly, and Catherine Davidson ■

**Please remember Calvary Church
in your will.**

**CALVARY
YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**

If you are in your 20s or 30s and new to Pittsburgh, Calvary, or CYAM, welcome! For more information or to be added to our email list, please contact The Rev. Neil Raman (nraman@calvarypgh.org / 412.661.0120 ext. 112).

Tuesday, October 15 at 7 p.m. – Tuesday Theology in the Evans Room

Wednesday, October 30 at 5:45 p.m. – Holy Happy Hour at Church Brew Works (3525 Liberty Ave., 15201)

Sunday, November 10 at 12:45 p.m. – Brunch at Industry Public House (4305 Butler St., 15201)

Saturday, November 23 from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.:
Advent Quiet Day at Calvary Church ■

Calvary Movie Night
Thursday, November 21, 2019



From his very birth, young Philippino boy Magnifico supports his neighbors and family as he "grows up." This film has been lauded with honors. It won the Internationale Filmfest spiele of Berlin's Kinderfilmfest, the Grand Prix Award for Best Picture and Rome's International Children's Film Festival. "MAGNIFICO" won a record breaking 7 Awards for Phillipine's BEST PICTURE (2004).

Come for a salad supper (prepare for 2) in the Refectory (at 6 p.m.) Film starts promptly at 7 p.m. followed by a brief discussion led by Clint Van Dusen, in the Parish Hall. **Please RSVP to Clint by Sunday, November 17** at apax4cmvd@msn.com or 412.660.2297. ■

Worship at Calvary

The Holy Eucharist is celebrated on Sundays at 8, 9, and 11 a.m.

Join us for Evensong on First Sundays at 5 p.m.
CandleMass on Second Sundays at 5 p.m.

Weekday celebrations of the Holy Eucharist take place on Mondays at 6 p.m., and Wednesdays at 7 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

The Parish offices are open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. ■



The Calvary Bazaar is less than a month away, and everyone's help is needed to make this event a success. If you are interested in volunteering on Bazaar day, or if you have a box or two of donations to give, please read below about how you can contribute.

To volunteer, you can either contact a table chairperson (listed below) or sign up at the site tinyurl.com/calvaryvolunteers. If you have any questions, contact Susan Jones at susan.hellegers.jones@gmail.com

Once again this year, there will be a POD in the church parking lot to store donations. **Please do not bring any donations to Church until Monday, October 14.** Because Calvary is hosting Yom Kippur services this year for Tree of Life, we ask that no donations be brought to the church until then.

All **donations** should be placed in a clean, sturdy box and labeled to indicate where they are intended to go. (i.e. Attic Treasures or Jewelry.)

The Silent Auction is still looking for donations such as concert or sports tickets, gift baskets or art work. Contact Sandy Ekstrom at sandyeks@verizon.net or 412.721.9764.

Attic Treasures is looking for volunteers to help organize and set up during the week of October 28. It is also looking for clean, usable donations such as like glassware, china, vases, kitchen items, small furniture, Christmas decorations and gently used electronics. Transportation assistance is available for large donations. Contact Joan Dytman at 412.441.2263 /joandytman@gmail.com or Mary Jane Bent at MaryJaneBent@gmail.com.

Other tables that may need help are :

Baked Goods:

Catherine Davidson, md15@andrew.cmu.edu

Children's Toys:

Tammy Lewis, beginnings@calvarypgh.com

Café: Wendy Lomicka, wenlom@gmail.com

Gourmet:

Leigh Gallagher, leighfrankgallagher@gmail.com

Handmade:

Nancy Carpenter, ngcarpenter@hotmail.com

Jewelry:

Kim Falk, kfalk22@comcast.net
 Liz Exler, elizabethexl@msn.com

Linens:

Margie Muldoon, MargieMuldoon@msn.com

Nature's Gifts:

Diane Styles, dianestyles137@gmail.com

New-to-You:

Barbara Hicks, barbleeh@verizon.net ■



GOURMET LUNCHEON RETURNS

The Calvary Bazaar invitation and Luncheon order forms have been mailed out. Please make your luncheon reservations no later than **Monday, October 28** by returning the RSVP form with your check, or contact Kim Pieratt, Calvary's Parish Administrator at 412.661.0120 ext. 111. The Bazaar Luncheon will be prepared and served by the Calvary Choir, with proceeds supporting their singing pilgrimage to Worcester Cathedral in England, planned for July 2021. The Choir will sing daily services in the Cathedral, a site where Christians have worshipped for fourteen centuries (though the present building was begun only in the eleventh century). Non-singing companion-pilgrims are welcome to join the Choir's travels. ■



Proceeds from the Bazaar go to local agencies that support the needs of women and children. Last year, the bazaar netted \$21,000 for local groups, and the WOC is hoping this year's event will be just as successful. Below is a list of the grantees from last year's bazaar:

- Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)
- Calvary Lincoln After School Program (CLASP)
- Coal Country Hangout
- Diocesan Garden Grant Program
- Holy Cross Church
- Homeless Children's Education Fund
- Jeremiah's Place
- Jubilee Association
- Literacy Pittsburgh
- Off the Floor Pittsburgh
- Pittsburgh Pastoral Institute (PPI)
- Pittsburgh Weil School
- St. Stephen's Neighborhood Youth Outreach Program
- Shepherd Wellness Community
- Trinity Walk-in Center
- Calvary Clergy Discretionary Funds ■





Awesome Place

Religious roots and traditions entwined as neighbors-in-need utilize Calvary space for High Holy Days: Following Sunday morning celebration of patron saint, Michael, church transformed to accommodate Tree of Life*Or L'Simcha evening

observation of Rosh Hashanah. Organ and choir give way to Kudu Shofar and Calvary choir section-leader / TOL*OLS cantor, Sarah Nadler, in amazing show of diversity and style. Tuesday and Wednesday, and the solemn Yom Kippur services the next week, complete the season.

In Related News

Books, Books, Books: All hymnals and prayer books removed from pews to accommodate guests' needs since they brought their own volumes. Much dust and stuff found in racks. Needed a cleaning anyway! Yay, Sextons!

Bulletins, Bulletins, Bulletins: Two weeks' service pamphlets expanded to include all prayers and hymns. No books, you see.

Sextons, Sextons, Sextons: Tree Of Life staff and Calvary's own blend skills seamlessly to go the extra mile. A lot of lift, carry, and climb, you guys!

Volunteers, Volunteers, Volunteers: Myriad helpers organize, set up, welcome, guide in truly interfaith spirit.

In Yet Other News

Trinity Choir Triumphant: Visiting Brits bring brilliant performance and grace our acoustically appropriate Gothic edifice. Good crowd, too.

Things Left Undone (but no longer): Recommended safety inspection results in updated AED, crash bar installation on South Transept exit door, and purchase of portable ramp to access crossing platform.

Oh, and...

Events, Events, Events: In addition to all the above: Genesis classes; forums on aging; pet blessings; newly returned Evensong/CandleMass; Sign-up Sunday; neighborhood events; diocesan meetings; etc., etc., etc....

Plastic Bag Recycling Part Deux: Contributions toward 500 pound collection weight goal pass halfway mark in effort to be green and provide another bench – for Calvary Camp. Don't stop now!

Also

The Bazaar is coming.

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Would you or your group be a host for Hospitality Hour?

Consider hosting a Sunday to mark a special occasion, honoring a particular event or person or asking your group or organization. Please sign up on the display in the Parish Hall or contact Judy Wooten at 724.733.1660 or by email – jcwooten@comcast.net – to schedule a Sunday. Thank you! ■

New Albs for Acolytes

This year we would like to refresh the albs (robes) worn by our acolytes in order to provide them with albs that fit well and are comfortable so that we can better “worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.” (Psalm 96:9)



We have identified albs that match much of what we currently have, are comfortable, and will wear well over time. Each alb will cost \$140; we are looking to purchase 15. The total cost will be \$2,100. If you would like to contribute, please make a check to Calvary Church with a line in the memo that reads, “Acolyte Robes.”



If you have any questions, please contact The Rev. Neil Raman at nraman@calvarypgh.org ■

PIIN Public Action Meeting

Moving People of Faith to Action:

Tuesday, October 29, 2019, 7–8:30 p.m.

Ebenezer Baptist Church, 2001 Wylie Ave., 15219

We invite you to join over 500 PIIN members and supporters who are committed to work for justice and equity in our region, state, and nation. We are also expecting the presence of local, state, and national public officials who are partnering with us on the major issues of the day.

The Pennsylvania Interfaith Impact Network (PIIN) is currently focused on a number of both national and local issues which profoundly affect the lives of many people in our communities. We hope that public officials, will announce their support for these issues at the Public Action on October 29. The issues include:

Criminal Justice Reform

Establishing a Countywide Citizens Police Review Board

Protection of our Immigrant Families

We hope to see you there! We expect to set up carpools from Calvary to get to the event.

For more information about Calvary's involvement in PIIN, please contact Bob King at 412.759.3776 / rking52717@aol.com or Steve Shandor at 412.951.6923 / steve.shandor@gmail.com. ■



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Spiritual Reflection

We use as a guide the writings of different saints, authors or mystics. A short reading or poem will serve each meeting as a catalyst for reflection upon, and discussion of, God in our daily lives.

For the month of October we will use the book, *Second Mountain: The Quest for a Moral Life*. Written by David Brooks, a contemporary author and political/cultural commentator, the *Second Mountain* explores the four commitments that define a life of meaning and purpose: to a spouse and family, to a vocation, to a philosophy or faith, and to a community. Once adults achieve some degree of success and security, they often awaken to a dissatisfaction with their lives. Brooks writes that on the second mountain, life moves from self-centered to other-centered, and toward the things that are truly worth wanting, not the things other people tell them to want. People embrace a life of interdependence, not independence. Short excerpts will be used for reflection and personal sharing.



Meetings are held 7-8 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday evening of each month. For more information or to be added to the email list email Matt Muldoon (mattmuldoon@msn.com) or Sondra Krimmel (sskrimmel@gmail.com). ■

Plastic Recycling Continues

Thank you to the many people that recycled plastic film in the Parish Hall. We successfully met the 500 pound challenge and the bench is on display in the Garden (until it finds a permanent location soon). Check it out. We will continue our practice of collection, now on behalf of **Sheldon Calvary Camp** for the next 6 months. ■



October Soup Group Cooking

The Soup Group will meet on **Friday, October 25** to prepare soup to be frozen and sold at the Fall Bazaar and also make our dry mixes on these days. We will meet in Calvary's kitchen at 10 a.m.

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

“As We Age” 101



The Pastoral Care Committee will present a series on aging. Aging is a journey! Please join us as we start the conversation to take steps that will make the path easier for you and those in your life as we age. We will meet at 10 a.m., in the Refectory.

Part 2: Sunday, October 13: Wills and Power of Attorney, POLST/Advanced Directives and Calvary's St. Michaels Society. Presented by Gordon Fisher, Attorney, and Deborah Kelly. Deborah Kelly, Planned Giving Chair, will talk about the St. Michael's Society and the importance of including Calvary Church in one's legacy. These generous gifts will sustain Calvary's ministry, music, outreach, and building long into the future.

Part 3: Sunday, October 20: Funeral Planning. Presented by Calvary Clergy and Alan Lewis, Director of Music at Calvary. We will talk about planning one's funeral at Calvary, including the service, music and reception. ■

East Liberty Valley Historical Society November Lecture

“A Home and a Hub in Wilkinsburg: The Singer Mansion and the Pennsylvania Railroad Station.” Anne Elise Morris, president of the Wilkinsburg Historical Society, will present an illustrated talk on two borough landmarks – the Gothic Revival sandstone house which features a circular staircase, carved woodwork and Italian marble fireplaces built in the 1860s for iron and steel magnate John F. Singer and the ongoing restoration of the long-vacant Beaux Arts train station of 1916 which is expected to be completed in the fall of 2019 and returned to community use.

Please join us on **Friday, November 1, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.** at East Liberty Presbyterian Church. ■



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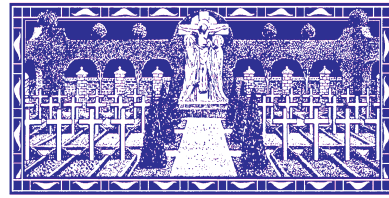
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An expanded version of this issue of *Agape*,
with additional content may be viewed
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Agape Deadline

The deadline for submission of news and notices for the next issue is **Friday, November 10, 2019**. Please e-mail your text to calvary@calvarypg.org or deliver it directly to the church office.

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Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

The annual choral Requiem service, commemorating all the faithful departed, is on **Sunday, November 3 at 5 p.m.** Anyone wishing to have names included in the Necrology is asked to contact Kim Pieratt at kpieratt@calvarypg.org no later than Monday, October 28. The names will be printed and read during Communion on the morning of All Saints Sunday, and as part of the Intercessions at the Requiem that afternoon. ■

A Class on The Book of Genesis

Foundation Book of the Bible

Led by Bob Owens, the class meets in
McClintic Hall (on Level G) **Sundays at 10 a.m.**

Please join us when you can.

You may listen to past classes on the Calvary website at
www.calvarypg.org/Sermons ■



SHELDON CALVARY CAMP HOLY EUCHARIST at CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Sheldon Calvary Camp service, an informal celebration of the Holy Eucharist, will meet at Calvary on **Sunday, October 27, November 24, and December 29**. The Rev. Leslie Reimer is the celebrant, and we use music from the Camp songbook. Mark your calendars and join us when you can. ■

Please recycle this newsletter
when you have finished reading it.



News of the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh

Anti-Racism Training

The next anti-racism training, Seeing the Face of God in Each Other, will be held on Friday and Saturday, October 25-26, 2019 at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Brentwood, 4048 Brownsville Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15227

In a time when the current climate of our political and social life is marked by polarity and fear, our society has great need for the alternative offered by our faith. St. Paul boldly announces that, "in Christ God was reconciling the world to Himself" (2 Corinthians 5:19). The work of the Church, therefore, is the ministry of reconciliation, and nowhere is this more urgent than in the call to heal the wounds of racial injustice that have so marked our history. This workshop gives us some critical tools to begin the work.

This training is required of all elected leadership, lay and ordained, in the Diocese of Pittsburgh, including all candidates for Holy Orders. There is no fee for the training, but a free-will offering will help offset the cost of the food and refreshments.

Schedule

Friday: 2 p.m. Registration / 3 p.m. Opening Program / 5:30 p.m. Dinner / 9 p.m. depart

Saturday: 8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast / Lunch / departing at 4 p.m.

To meet Canon requirements, attendance is required both days. Visit the diocesan website to register at www.episcopalpgh.org ■

ECW Fall 2019 Grant Applications Available

The Diocese of Pittsburgh's Episcopal Church Women (ECW) will be making outreach grants in the Fall.

The ECW particularly seeks to support hands-on ministries that help children, adults and families in need of assistance with food, nutrition, health care, housing, education and counseling.

The grants are primarily designed for ministries within the diocese and with the goal of even distribution across all dis-

tricts. It is hoped that these small grants will enable the continuation of existing ministries on the local level. However, the ECW will continue its policy of also awarding grants to some national and international ministries such as Episcopal Relief & Development.

Visit www.episcopalpgh.org for the grant application and submission instructions. Applications for the Fall 2019 Grants must be submitted before October 19, 2019. ■

The Very Rev. Richard Pocalyko, 1946-2019, Dean of Trinity Cathedral, 2000-2004

The Very Reverend Richard (Rich) Peter Pocalyko, 72, of Atlanta, passed away at home on August 21, 2019. Rich was born on November 15, 1946 in Palmerton, PA, to Peter and Ruth Norwood Pocalyko. Rich is a graduate of Lehigh University (1968) and Virginia Theological Seminary (1971). He attended Princeton Theological Seminary and Fuller Theological Seminary for doctoral studies. Condolences may be sent to Cynthia Pocalyko, 415 Stone Mill Trail, NE, Sandy Springs, GA 30328 ■

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

October 13 – Retired clergy, including the Rev. Walter Szymanski, the Rev. Mary Weatherwax, the Very Rev. George Werner, the Rev. Randy Younkin and the Rev. Agustin Zubieta.

October 20 – St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Kittanning.

October 27 – St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, McKeesport, and the Rev. Brandon Mozingo.

November 3 – Church of the Redeemer, Squirrel Hill, the Rev. Michael Foley, and the Rev. Diane Shepard; and the Commission on Race and Reconciliation.

November 10 – St. John's Episcopal Church, Donora, and Michael Singer, Lay Pastoral Associate.

November 17 – Church of the Good Shepherd, Hazelwood, and the Rev. John Mark Feuerstein. ■

Bishop's Visitation Schedule

Bishop Ken Price:

October 13: *No Visitation*

October 20: St. Paul's, Kittanning

October 27: St. Stephen's, McKeesport

Bishop Dorsey McConnell:

November 3: Redeemer, Squirrel Hill

November 10: St. John's, Donora

November 17: Good Shepherd, Hazelwood ■

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Re-imagining Our Diocese

Save the Date!

2019 Diocesan Convention
Love. Teach. Heal. Re-imagining Our Diocese
November 15 & 16
Pittsburgh Theological Seminary
616 N Highland Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15206

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EPISCOPAL NEWS SERVICE

Episcopal Church statement on the White House decision to Reduce the U.S. Refugee Admissions Program

In response to the president's decision to drastically reduce refugee resettlement in Fiscal Year 2020 and permit states and localities to veto refugee resettlement, The Episcopal Church issued the following statement:

The Episcopal Church condemns the administration's decision to reduce the number of refugees and further dismantle the refugee resettlement program. We also strongly condemn the decision to allow states and localities to reject refugees. The historic average for annual refugee admissions has been 95,000. The FY2020 determination of 18,000 refugees is the lowest in the forty year history of the U.S. Refugee Admissions Program.

The Gospel of Jesus Christ calls us to welcome the stranger and respect the dignity of every human being. Those fleeing persecution have a particular claim on our attention and concern as they seek a life of dignity and peace in the face of oppression.

"This decision will substantially hamper the vital work of Episcopal Migration Ministries to show the love of Christ to some of the most vulnerable people in the world" said The Rev. Dr. C.K. Robertson, canon to the presiding bishop for ministry beyond The Episcopal Church. "There are millions of displaced persons around the world. The United States has a solemn obligation to do its part to aid this problem by showing generosity to refugees. Security and compassion are not mutually exclusive."

Communities wholeheartedly value the opportunity to welcome refugees. Allowing states and localities to ban resettlement robs them of the myriad of benefits refugees bring wherever they go. It sends the wrong message to turn our backs on refugees who could enrich, strengthen, and revitalize our cities and towns.

Episcopal Migration Ministries, this church's ministry of welcome to our refugee friends, has walked hand-in-hand with our refugee brothers and sisters for many years, helping smooth the transition to a new life here on our shores for more than 95,000 men, women, and children.

We urge Congress, and all people of goodwill, to make their voices heard in opposition to this decision. Since its founding as a nation the United States has stood as a beacon of hope for countless endangered members of God's family. There is still room at the table for more of these precious children of God. ■

Houston church's mental health ministry now serves 800 people a week for free

Since it was established by St. Martin's in 2012, the Hope and Healing Center and Institute has grown rapidly to fill a significant portion of the unmet need for psychiatric and addiction treatment in Harris County, where the county prison is the largest mental health facility in Texas. Today, the center on St. Martin's campus serves over 800 people a week at no cost, in addition to the patients it refers for treatment to its network of external providers. St. Martin's isn't your typical church. With over 9,500 members – including Barbara and George H.W. Bush, whose funerals were held there – it's the largest parish in The Episcopal Church and has abundant financial resources. *Read more of this story at www.episcopalnewsservice.org* ■

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info@episcopalpgh.org.

Please be sure to include your complete contact information with any submission. ■

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sign up sunday

October 13, 2019

Want to volunteer for some community service?
Learn more about Calvary's awe-inspiring architecture?
Learn Christian meditative prayer
or take part in shared spiritual reflection?

**On Sunday, October 13, after all services,
Calvary group representatives will be on hand
to tell you more about how you can get involved
in the groups that interest you.**

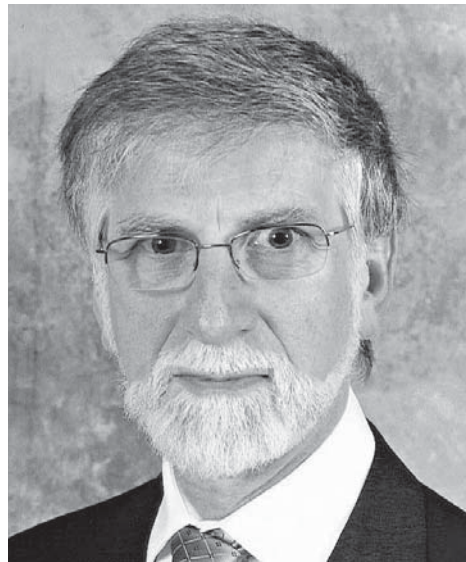
If you have any questions,
please contact Catherine Davidson at 412.874.7345.
Thank you.



The Duquesne University Fifth Annual **Kristallnacht Commemoration**

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2019 | 4 TO 6 P.M.

Charles J. Dougherty Ballroom
Power Center, 5th Floor
600 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA



FEATURED KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Dr. Colin Shindler

**Emeritus Professor at the School of Oriental and African Studies
University of London**

“The Road from Kristallnacht: Unlearning the Past”

The lecture is free and open to the public.

Sponsored by Duquesne University's McNulty College and Graduate School of Liberal Arts and the Jewish Studies Forum, in partnership with the Nathan and Helen Goldrich Foundation.

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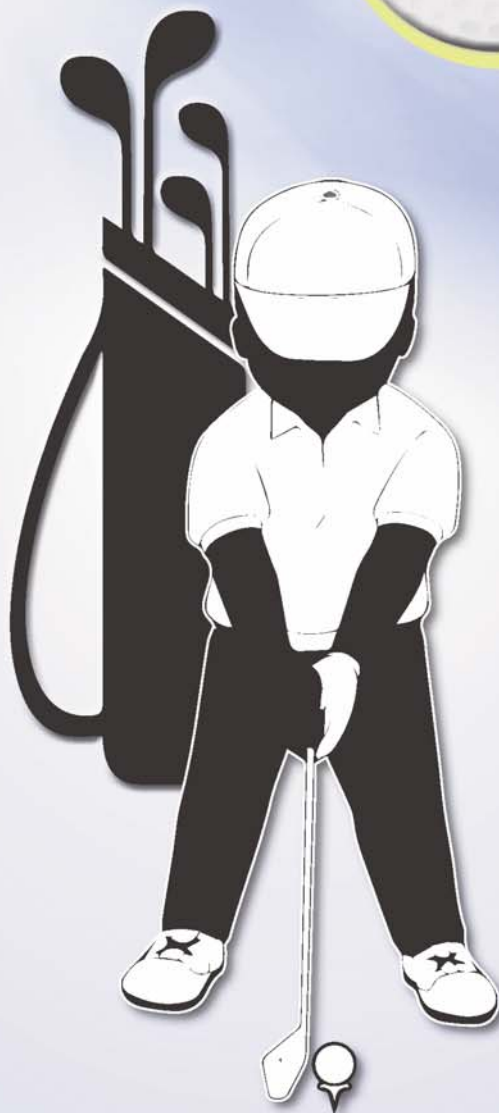
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Golf Entry

\$100 per person
\$400 foursome

Dinner Only

\$50 per person



Westwood Golf Club

825 Commonwealth Ave
West Mifflin, PA 15122

Schedule of Events

Registration

7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

Shotgun Start

9:00 a.m.

Dinner

2:30 p.m.

(at the conclusion of the
golf tournament)

Prizes
Raffles
Giveaways

Registration Deadline October 7, 2019

All sponsorships include tournament signage and hole signage

Make checks payable to: PIIN, 1620 Murray Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15212

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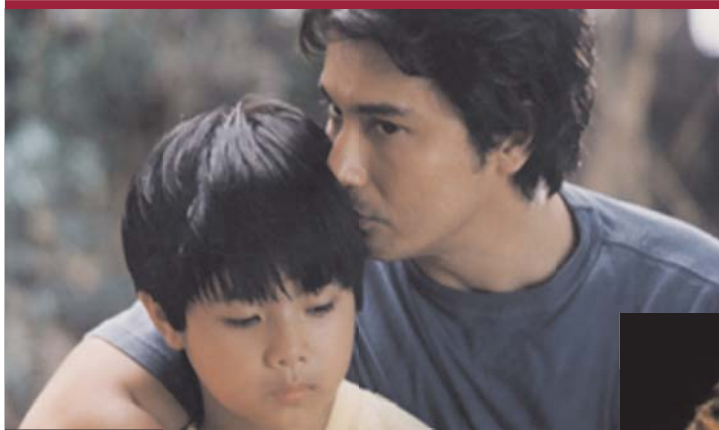
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Calvary Movie Night

Thursday, November 21, 2019



**Winner of a Record Breaking
7 Awards for Best Picture –
Philippines (2004)**

**Winner
Grand Prix Award for Best Picture
Rome International
Children's Film Festival**



**Crystal Bear Winner at
Kinderfilmfest, Berlin Film Festival,
Best Feature
chosen by a jury of children**



Magnifico

**Come for a salad supper (prepare for 2) in the Refectory (at 6 p.m.)
Film starts promptly at 7 p.m. followed by a brief discussion
led by Clint Van Dusen, in the Parish Hall**

**Please RSVP to Clint by Sunday, November 17
at apax4cmvd@msn.com or 412.660.2297**



Super Seniors Event

Sunday, November 10, 2019

at 12:30 p.m. in the Refectory

All senior parishioners are invited to join us for a soup and sandwich lunch after the 11 o'clock service. Come and have a hot lunch, chat with other Calvary seniors, exchange news, and make new friends in a leisurely fashion

Space is limited – Please make your reservations by Sunday, November 3

- Sign up in the Parish Hall;
- Call Kim Pieratt at 412-661-0120, ext. 111; or
- Send an email to reservations@calvarypgh.org

Questions? Contact Judy Wooten at 724-733-1660



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Plan ahead for these service dates this fall:

September 22 • October 27
November 24 • December 29

Join us at 3 p.m. in the Refectory

All are welcome! Campers, families, staff, alumni,
and friends – **Please join us and spread the good news**



❖ GABRIEL FAURÉ ❖

Requiem

Sunday, November 3, 2019
at 5 P.M.

A Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

The Calvary Choir
sings the beautiful and beloved
Requiem by Gabriel Fauré,
presented in its liturgical context
with Sermon, Necrology,
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It's time to schedule your photography session.

Lifetouch will be here soon to photograph and create a new directory for us. Our Calvary Episcopal community is stronger when we know one another, sign up today.

Photography starts November 7, 2019

What to expect

(plan on 60 minutes for your entire appointment)

A professional photography session, no session fees

View your images after your session

Select your directory image and order additional photos

You will receive

One FREE 8x10 standard print and a new printed directory

PLUS

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If you are a generational family e.g., grandparents, daughter, son-in-law, grandchildren, consider signing up together and having a generations picture taken along with your individual family pictures. You can also bring a meaningful item like a musical instrument, sports paraphernalia or your PET! And feel free to wear your Steelers, Penguin or Pirates clothing!

Sign up ASAP to lock in your preferred date.

Plan to be here about an hour for the portrait sitting. Please be prompt, but don't come early. Your appointment time is your check-in time, not your time in front of the photographer.

IT'S EASY TO SIGN UP:

Go to Calvary's website: **www.calvaryppgh.org**
and follow the event link on the front page

If you have any questions, please contact Kim Pieratt
at the Church office – 412.661.0120 ext. 111

Photography will take place in the Parish Hall:

November 7–8 (Thursday–Friday): 2 – 9 p.m.

November 9 (Saturday): 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

November 13–15 (Wednesday–Friday): 2 – 9 p.m.

November 16 (Saturday): 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

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