

Agape

The Newsletter of
Calvary Episcopal Church
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

OCTOBER 16, 2022

My Welcome to Calvary

Vicki Rispoli, our Director of Christian Formation, took this beautiful picture of Calvary's spire at sunset the other evening. When I saw the photo, I was reminded of how often I look for Calvary's spire as I'm moving around the East End. It orients me whenever I see it in my walks around Shadyside and the other neighborhoods near Calvary, helping me to build my mental map of my new city. As well, I find that seeing Calvary's spire always brings me a measure of joy. I am glad to see a familiar landmark, especially when it is connected to a place I am growing to love.

It is indeed wonderful to be at Calvary. It has now been just over one month since I began working here and I'm enjoying my ministry very much. Everyone in the parish has been welcoming and friendly to me and to my husband, Michael. We have enjoyed meeting and getting to know so many of you. (My invitation to coffee remains, if you haven't had a chance to meet with me yet. I want to hear your stories and get to know you.)

Part of the parish's welcome to Michael and me was the wonderful basket of gifts given to us at the Rally Day cookout. Thank you so much. What a lovely welcome to Calvary and Pittsburgh it was! The basket was filled with Pittsburgh-themed items – memberships and tickets to Pittsburgh's cultural treasures; books about Pittsburgh; and housewarming gifts with Pittsburgh or Pennsylvania images. These thoughtfully selected gifts will help us learn about and experience our new city. We are so grateful and we will enjoy using them all. Thank you!

One of the joys of being new at Calvary is participating in the traditions and events that are part of the life of this parish. There is so much going on in and around our building. Recently, I've enjoyed the first few Eventide services, the Blessing of the Animals, and the Sunday class being taught by Fr. Jensen and Rabbi Bisno. I have learned about and experienced the work of some of our outreach and pastoral care groups. I have met our friends from the Tree of Life synagogue when they were at Calvary during the Jewish High Holy Days.



—photo courtesy of Vicki Rispoli

In the coming weeks I'm looking forward to the annual Calvary Bazaar on October 29 and the Requiem Mass on All Saints Sunday, November 6 (more about these in other parts of this Agape issue). As Jonathon wrote in last month's Agape, we at Calvary are indeed returning to a refreshed version of the community God has called us to be.

Finally, as part of that returning to our community, it is good to note that at their last meeting the Vestry unanimously supported the clergy decision to bring back the chalice at communion. There is no evidence that COVID-19 is transmitted through eating or drinking, and Episcopal churches around the country are offering the chalice again, after suspending it during the pandemic. The chalice will be available at all Eucharist services at Calvary for those who wish to receive it, beginning October 16. Remember, receiving the chalice is always optional; Communion is fully valid in one kind.

I look forward to continuing to get to know you and deepening my bonds within the Calvary community over the coming months.

—Cameron ■



A Priest and a Rabbi Walk into a Classroom



Rabbi Aaron Bisno and the Rev. Jonathon Jensen will teach a class together on the parables of Jesus. We will learn together from Jewish and Christian perspectives and how we all might benefit from this wisdom.

The classes will be in person in McClintic Hall, also known as the choir room, on Sundays from 10 a.m. to about 10:45 a.m. Classes will be held each Sunday through December 18 (No class on October 30 due to the Bazaar). Sessions will also be recorded and available on Calvary's YouTube page with a link in the Friday email. All are welcome to attend.

October 16

Parables of Being Found; Lost Sheep, Lost Coin, and Lost (Prodigal) Son [Luke 15:4-32]

October 23

What is the Kingdom of God; Weeds, Mustard Seed, Yeast, Treasure, the Pearl, and the Dragnet [Matthew 13:24-50]

October 30: *Calvary Bazaar weekend; no class*

November 6

Life in the Kingdom; Persistent Widow, Pharisee and Tax Collector, & Rich Ruler [Luke 18:1-14, 18-29]

November 13

Who Gets In?; Great Physician and Marriage Feast [Matthew 9:9-16 and Matthew 22:1-14]

November 20

Jesus on Money; The Rich Fool and The Unjust Steward [Luke 12:16-21, 16:1-13]

November 27

More Money; Rich Man and Lazarus [Luke 16:19-31]

December 4

Judgement; Laborers in Vineyard, Two Sons, and Wedding Banquet [Matthew 20:1-16, 21:28-32, and 22:1-14]

December 11

Talents, Sheep, and Goats [Matthew 25:14-46]

December 18

The Good Samaritan [Luke 10:25-37]
Everyone is invited to the Christmas Pageant at 11 a.m. and Hanukkah Party at noon ■

Amen to Action

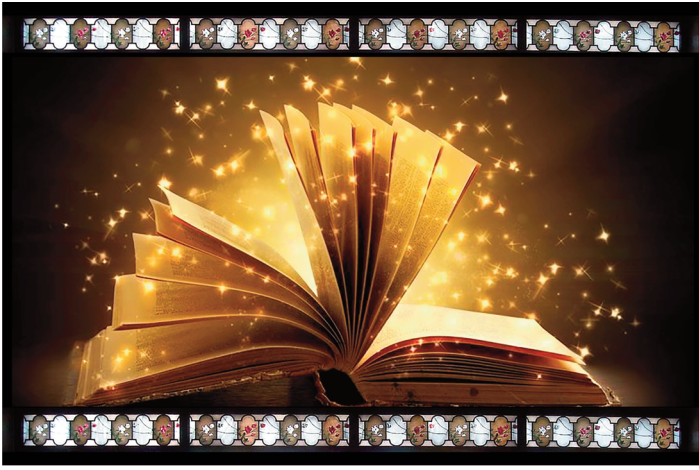
This year, you can make a difference. You are invited to participate and help us make 100,000 meals at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary (PTS) on **November 12, 2022** from 8:30 a.m.–12 p.m. No experience necessary. Training is provided. Nine other locations will each make 100,000 meals. All 1,000,000 meals will be donated to the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank to share with those in need. Calvary, the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh, and several other local congregations are financial supporters of Amen to Action.

Register to volunteer at www.amentoaaction.org. Amen to Action is a way to put our love of God and neighbors in action. ■



The Pittsburgh Penguins invite you to a FAITH NIGHT at the Hunt Armory Wednesday, November 9

Calvary Episcopal Church, Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church, Tree of Life Synagogue, and the Islamic Center of Pittsburgh are invited to come to the new rink at the Hunt Armory, see old friends and make new ones, and learn about the Pittsburgh Penguins and their outreach to the community to serve youth in our city through the Willie O'Ree Academy based at the Armory. There is no charge for the event. There will be skates available or bring your own. You are welcome to skate or simply be present. Signups to be announced. ■



Brown Bag Monastery

Beginning October 18, 2022

In most monastic orders at mealtime Nuns and Monks eat in silence. All keep silent but one, who is chosen for their ability, reads aloud to the rest.

- Join us in the nave/church at Calvary at noon on Tuesdays for public readings from great literature
- Sit in silence and enjoy your meal while your imagination is engaged and fed as it deserves to be
- Rest within the enclosure of a truly beautiful architectural gem

Contact The Rev. Geoffrey Royce at groyce@calvarypgh.org for more information

Coffee with Cameron+



I am delighted to be now living in Pittsburgh and to have joined the staff at Calvary. I am looking forward to exploring this great city and learning about this parish over the coming year. My responsibilities as the Associate Rector include overseeing pastoral care and the young adult ministry.

Please contact me for either of these areas. Additionally, being new, I very much want to get to know the people of Calvary! I invite you to email or call me to find a time for us to meet over coffee or tea. I want to get to know you and hear your stories. I can be reached at csoulis@calvarypgh.org or 412.661.0120 ext. 123.

–Cameron ■

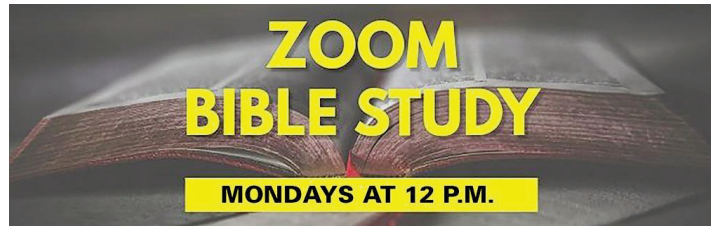
Beware of Email and Text Scams!



There is a new scam that has surfaced similar to the one of someone posing as the Rector or other clergy and sending an email asking for help. The usual way to “help” is to send Apple, Amazon, or other gift cards. This scam is truly interfaith as every Christian group, Jews, and Muslims are facing the same issue. Also, rather than an email, scammers are sending texts asking for help posing as clergy. Simply delete it. ■



This plaque is on the semi-circular bench on the parklet next to the post office on Murray Avenue in Squirrel Hill. Jean kept this area clean through her volunteer work. How good to remember what a wonderful person Jean was. ■



Led by The Rev. Geoffrey Royce, Deacon

Sign-up for receiving the Zoom link by writing to groyce@calvarypgh.org

This will be a discussion study lasting about one hour.

We are reading The Book of Job. ■

Holy Baptism

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

The Bookstore at Calvary

Show your support of the independent Bookstore via Bookshop.org

Here is now another way you can support the Bookstore, which is a member of the Episcopal Booksellers Association as well as an independent bookstore, when shopping for books. As an alternative to Amazon, go to bookshop.org, which gives independent bookstores tools to compete online and financial support to help them maintain their presence in local communities. On the home page in the upper right corner, click Choose a Bookstore, then type in zip code 15206 and pick Calvary Bookstore. Bookshop.org will ship your books from their wholesaler's warehouse (usually within 2-3 days) directly to you, handle the customer service, returns and overhead, and the Bookstore at Calvary will receive a small stipend! Help the Bookstore maintain its presence not only as an Episcopal bookstore, but also an independent bookstore with a share of direct-to-home online book sales.

Indie Next: Find Your Next Great Read

Stop by the Bookstore to pickup a free copy of the following fliers from the American Booksellers Association:

- October 2022 Indie Next List: this trifold provides inspired book recommendations from Indie Booksellers including the #1 pick for the month. Hardcover and paperback titles are listed.
- Indie Gift Guide 2022 for Genre Lovers Preview: this guide including the following categories: romance, science fiction/fantasy, mystery/thriller, graphic works, and poetry. All titles are trade paperback unless otherwise noted.
- Fall 2022 Reading Group Indie Next List: includes books that are dazzling debuts, family and coming of age, historical fiction, and nonfiction and memoir.

Each flier includes a short synopsis of the books highlighted along with the release date. Want a specific book but can't find it? The Bookstore can special order a requested title for you at no charge or order via www.bookshop.org (see above on how to order via Bookshop.org).

The Annual Calvary Bazaar

The Bookstore will be open during the Bazaar on Saturday October 29 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Stop by to browse a specially priced selection of new and gently used books representing a variety of titles in addition to the wide selection of books, candy, cards, gifts, and jewelry.

Arrival of New Cards

- A large selection of the popular *It Takes Two* cards have arrived and are available including anniversary, birthday, congratulations, loss of a pet, support, sympathy, and thinking of you cards to name just a few.
- The Allegheny Historic Preservation Society has produced two different sets of notecards with the proceeds supporting the restoration of the Calvary United Methodist Church in the Allegheny West neighborhood of Pittsburgh. The church

was built from 1892 to 1895. Each set includes eight cards with envelopes for \$10. Each set of notecards depicts a stain glass window from the church. "The Ascension Window" card displays the window made by the Tiffany Studios, NY that was installed in 1893. The "Angel with Lillies" card is attributed to the Rudy Brother Studios. Well-known in Western and Central Pennsylvania in the early 20th century for their stained glass, the Rudy Brothers originally came to Pittsburgh in 1893. The Rudy Brothers experienced substantial success designing windows for Peabody High School, the Sarah Heinz House, Allegheny General Hospital and various churches and mausoleums.

Spotlight on Gently Used Recent Bestselling Hardback and Softcover Books

A selection of gently used recent bestselling hardback and softcover books are available at 50% off or more:

Simon the Fiddler by Paulette Jiles is set at the end of the Civil War in Texas about twenty-three-year-old itinerant fiddle player Simon Boudin, a ragtag band of musicians with whom he travels trying to make a living, and the charming young Irish lass who steals his heart.

Trevor Noah's *Born a Crime: Stories from a South African Childhood* is an autobiographical comedy book written by the South African comedian and host of The Daily Show with Trevor Noah.

A Promised Land is extraordinarily intimate and introspective – the story of Barack Obama's bet with history, the faith of a community organizer tested on the world stage. Obama is candid about the balancing act of running for office as a Black American, bearing the expectations of a generation buoyed by messages of "hope and change," and meeting the moral challenges of high-stakes decision-making. *The Madness of Crowds* is the seventeenth installment in Louise Penny's Chief Inspector Armand Gamache, Head of Homicide at the Surete, series set in the Canadian location of the Three Pines village in Quebec. This addition has contagion as the central theme running through it, here the people have emerged from the horrors of Covid, but its impact continues as rising numbers begin to support the unpalatable lunatic theories and ideas being put forward by the seemingly normal and innocuous statistics professor.

Set in the 1950s, *The Lincoln Highway* by Amor Towles is filled with nostalgia as well as the gentle naïveté and hijinks of those who are young, optimistic, and on a mission. The story follows four boys who set out to travel the country in search of a fresh start: Emmett and Billy want to find their mother who left them when they were young, and Duchess and Woolly are on the hunt for a stashed wad of cash.

Alibris

Alibris is an online store that sells new books, used books, out-of-print books, rare books, and other media through an online network of independent booksellers since 1997. Calvary has over 300 mostly out of print, donated books

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available online at <http://hymnal82.alibrisstore.com>. Each title listing includes the edition, binding, publisher, date published, description, and condition. Checkout the unique offerings that are reasonably priced.

How to access The Bookstore at Calvary

The Bookstore is open on Sunday from 8:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. During the week, contact the Bookstore at 412.661.0120 ext. 133 (please leave a message) or by email – bookstore@calvarypg.org and we will contact you. In addition, we can arrange for contactless pick-up of your items. Cash, check, Discover, MasterCard, and Visa along with touch-free payments are accepted. ■

MUSICAL NOTES by Alan Lewis



In addition to a Eucharist on November 1, All Saints' Day, Calvary will observe both All Saints' Day, honoring the "heroes and heroines" of the faith through history, and All Souls' Day, the commemoration of all the faithful departed, known and unknown, on the following Sunday, November 6.

All Saints' Sunday is an occasion of joyful celebration, with hymns and other music to match in the 9 and 11 a.m. services, and we will baptize new Christians into the communion of those saints at 11. That afternoon, when we shift to All Souls' Day, the mood changes somewhat: the lives we commemorate are those nearer and dearer to us personally than the saints of the wider Church, and we hold them before God in a less triumphant sort of prayer, structured around the liturgy of the Requiem Mass.

The annual All Souls' Requiem has become an "ancient and venerable tradition" at Calvary, offering a regular opportunity to engage as a community with the deep spiritual issues of mortality and eternity. This year, the service includes the sublime Requiem Mass by Maurice Duruflé, a masterpiece of the mid-twentieth century, in which the ancient melodies of Gregorian chant are suffused with harmonies of a later time. Duruflé was a famed organist, and draws on the instrument to great effect in accompanying the choir. His music somehow seems to bring into tune both the pathos of personal loss and the traumatic aftermath of the Second World War. Perhaps I'm not alone in sensing some echoes between that period of catastrophic loss, and the general bereavement of our own day, in the era of an ongoing pandemic.

This service includes the reading of the Necrology, the listing of the names of those who have died. To include names of such beloved departed, please contact Kim Pieratt in the Parish Office as soon as possible, and in any case by October 28. (A briefer Necrology, comprised of the names of those in the parish who have died in the past year, will be included in the morning service.) ■

Alan Lewis' 25th Anniversary

Keeping a commissioned anniversary anthem secret from Alan, especially when it isn't his first rodeo is always the challenge (this is the third celebratory anthem during his tenure here at Calvary). Fortunately, during the month prior to starting back to regular rehearsal, Alan was on vacation, so finding rehearsal time was easy. However, with the organ still in re-building mode and three weeks from our last rehearsal arranging a way to run one last rehearsal the week before the anthem's debut on St. Michael and All Saint's Sunday, with a fully functional organ, was not easy. Luckily, the choir had a recent transplant to Pittsburgh, Alan's sister Linda, as co-conspirator. She arranged for Alan to have dinner with her on Thursday prior to choir rehearsal. Funny that dinner somehow ran just a little too long, giving the choir the needed practice time. The next critical step was making sure Alan couldn't read about the surprise in the Sunday 11 o'clock bulletin. With the help of Ken Smith, two bulletins were created, one with the anthem Alan scheduled us to sing and the other listing the newly commissioned anthem by Roland Martin, a setting of the George Herbert poem, *Let All the World in Ev'ry Corner Sing*. This new anthem dedicated to Alan on his 25th anniversary was announced by the Rector to Alan Lewis, who was surprised even after two prior commissions!



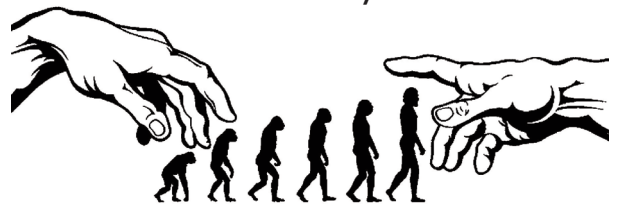
—Chris Dixon-Ernst ■

Calvary Movie Nights

Third Thursdays in the Parish Hall at 7 p.m.

November 17, 2022:

Spencer Tracy, Fredric March, and Gene Kelly in



**INHERIT THE
WIND**



At the 9 a.m. Sunday Service

Children’s Liturgy of the Word is a time for children to gather to pray, ask questions, and hear the good news of God’s love. The Sunday scripture readings are proclaimed and explained during the 9 a.m. Sunday Service on a level appropriate to children ages 5–9. Any child in this age group may participate – no registration is necessary.

Children are invited to gather with adult leaders after the Opening Prayer and process to the Refectory. They return to their families at the time of the Peace.

Youth Garden Update: The Harvest Has Come!

Our middle school Faith Formation class was delighted to see the amazing growth of the garden that transpired over the summer months.



He also said, “This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man scatters seed on the ground. Night and day, whether he sleeps or gets up, the seed sprouts and grows, though he does not know how. All by itself, the soil produces grain—first the stalk, then the head, then the full kernel in the head. As soon as the grain is ripe, he puts the sickle to it because the harvest has come.”
Mark 4: 26-29

Parents of Little Ones (P.O.L.O.)

Parents of Little Ones is a ministry that forges spiritual, supportive, and social connections for families with children aged newborn through kindergarten. Life changes a lot with that first newborn. It changes again sending that last Kindergartener to school. For those days and everything between, friendships within the P.O.L.O community support the journey.

Please join us for fall fun on the playground on Sunday, October 30, 10–10:50 a.m. In the case of inclement weather, we’ll meet in the Beginnings Gym downstairs, Level A. Hope to see you there! To receive group updates, please email vrispoli@calvarypg.org.



Calvary is offering in-person Confirmation Preparation classes for students entering 8th and 9th grade (ages 13+).

Sessions meet on Sundays 10–10:50 a.m. in the Calvary Conference room. Register online at www.calvarypg.org.

Raising Tweens, Teens, and Young Adults

Are you a parent or caregiver of a tween, teen, or young adult looking for a safe place to share your thoughts and feelings? If so, you are not alone! This group provides a space where we can support each other, share ideas, collaborate, and commiserate while discussing the challenges of raising older children in today’s rapidly changing and complex world. We are in this together!

Our group meets at the Galley Bakery Square Atrium at 7 p.m. on the last Tuesday of every month. Please join us for our next meeting on Tuesday, October 25, 7-8 p.m. for casual discussions about our parenting journey. Hope to see you there! For questions and/or to receive group updates, please email vrispoli@calvarypg.org.

Raising Tweens, Teens, and Young Adults
MONTHLY MEET UP
 Tuesday, Oct 25th
 7:00-8:00 PM
 Galley @ Bakery Square Atrium

145 Bakery Square Blvd,
 Pittsburgh, PA 15206

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Children's Faith Formation



If you missed registration, it's not too late!
Sign up at calvarypgh.org.

The Faith Formation year is off to a great start! Levels I and II have been introduced to the prayer corner, reviewed the Sign of the Cross and heard the beautiful message of the Good Shepherd and Found Sheep.



The Level III class is examining ways to grow closer to God through various forms of prayer. The group also enjoyed making dog biscuits for the Calvary Bazaar. Thank you, Miss Adele, for leading this project!



Calvary's Annual Christmas Pageant will be held during the 11 o'clock service on Sunday, December 18.

Live nativity animals will join us again this year! Please contact Vicki at vrispoli@calvarypgh.org if you'd like to participate. ■

weekday worship
**WEDNESDAY
NOON**

Wednesday Holy Eucharist Resumes

The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated on Wednesdays in the Lady Chapel at **12 Noon**. ■

P.O.L.O.
Parents of Little Ones

Playground Meet-Up
Sunday, Oct 30th
10:00 - 10:50 AM

At the Beginnings
Nursery Playground
next to the Swan Garden!

Members Needed for Women of Calvary Grants Committee

The committee is small (5-6 members) and only meets twice a year in the fall. One meeting is to decide which organizations will receive an application. The second, and most important and rewarding meeting is to review the applications, and award the funds from the previous year's Bazaar. If you feel called to this lovely ministry, please contact Peggy O'Rourke at jeommo1211@verizon.net or 412.661.5818, or talk with her after the 8 a.m. Sunday service. ■

Agape Deadline

The deadline for submission of news and notices for the next issue is **Friday, November 4, 2022**. Please e-mail your text to calvary@calvarypgh.org or deliver it directly to the church office.

Agape, the newsletter of Calvary Episcopal Church, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is published monthly (except July), and is mailed to active members and friends of the Parish. You may opt out of receiving a printed copy and read each issue online at www.calvarypgh.org. Contact the Parish office at 412.661.0120 for details. ■

www.calvarypgh.org

The Annual Calvary Bazaar

Saturday, October 29, 2022

10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Calvary Bazaar is just two weeks away. You can drop off all donations at the church, and place them on the cart across from the Reception desk. All donations, whether brand new or used, should be clean and packed in boxes labeled with the name of the place for which they are intended (i.e. Attic Treasures, Linen Table) If you need help with larger donations, contact Kathy Farrington (farringtonk@me.com) who is coordinating a pickup for Wednesday, October 26.

Proceeds from the Bazaar regularly exceed over \$20,000 and benefit local organizations that support women and children. That is why we are so grateful to all who support the Bazaar through their donations and volunteerism!!

Recently, \$22,000 raised from last year's Bazaar was awarded to 12 organizations. Please check out the list below and know that your help goes to many worthy local agencies.

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)

Casa San Jose

Homeless Children's Education Fund

Jubilee Association

Off the Floor Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh Pastoral Institute (PPI)

Shepherd's Heart Fellowship

Shepherd Wellness Community

Sojourner House

Western PA Diaper Bank

YMCA (Homewood)

Calvary Clergy Discretionary Fund ■



The Rev. Cameron Soulis and the Rector shared Eucharist with Calvary members at the Longwood retirement community in Oakmont in early October. For the past 8 years, the Rector and the Rev. Leslie Reimer have visited members at Longwood (hosted by Bob and Alden Read) and Sherwood Oaks in Cranberry (hosted by Barbara Scruggs), usually before Christmas and after Easter, to share a service and time together celebrating Calvary Church. Thank you to Jay and Carroll Labarthe for hosting us this time. Photo by Dave Smith. ■

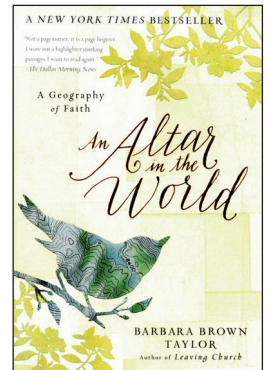


The Former Wardens' Society

The Former Wardens Society of Calvary gathered on Sunday, September 25, to induct 2 new members. Due to the pandemic, we had been unable to meet since 2017. Jamie McMahon, the Senior Warden from 2017 to 2021 and Bob Eley, Treasure Emeritus, were the guests of honor. Seventeen of twenty-two former and current Calvary wardens were in attendance. ■

CALVARY YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

If you are in your 20's or 30's, please join the Young Adult Ministry book study for the fall. We will read and discuss selections from *An Altar in the World: A Geography of Faith* by Barbara Brown Taylor. In this gem of a book, Taylor offers and examines simple practices to help us find God in our everyday life. Taylor's writing is accessible, lyrical, and insightful. This book is available for purchase in the Calvary Bookstore. The Rev. Cameron Soulis will lead the book study beginning on October 19, running each Wednesday through (and including) November 16. We will meet at 7 p.m. in the Conference Room. Light refreshments will be provided.



Please contact Cameron if you have any questions or want to be added to the Young Adult Ministry email list. She can be reached at csoulis@calvarypgh.org or 412.661.0120 ext. 123.

Tuesday, October 18 at 5:45 p.m.

Holy Happy Hour at Trace Brewing
(4312 Main St., 15224)

Sunday, October 30 at 12:45 p.m.

Brunch at Galley Bakery Square
(145 Bakery Square Blvd., 15206)

Tuesday, November 15 at 5:45 p.m.

Holy Happy Hour at Urban Tap
(216 S. Highland Ave., 15206) ■

On-Going at Calvary

EECM Food Pantry

East End Cooperative Ministry Food Pantry is still operating during the pandemic, with appropriate plans to protect those receiving food. Donations can be dropped off at Calvary during office hours: Monday thru Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Sunday mornings. Below is a list of items particularly requested at this time. **Thank you to all who have continued to donate to the EECM food cart.** Your support is greatly appreciated.

- Bottled Water
- Instant mashed potatoes
- Canned tomato sauce, vegetables, beans
- Spaghetti and macaroni pasta
- Canned soups
- Mac & Cheese boxes
- Oatmeal and whole grain cereals
- White and brown rice
- Disposable utensils (fork, spoon, knife)
- Disposable plates
- Disposable bowls
- Ziploc bags, any size
- Napkins
- Paper Towels
- Sugar
- Salt ■

Plastic Recycling

Thank you to the many people who are recycling plastic film and bags to the box located in the Parish House lobby across from the reception desk. We will continue our practice of recycling here at Calvary. You are helping to keep thousands of pounds of waste out of landfills. (And, Yes, bubble wrap is recyclable!) ■

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. ■

Stay in Touch with the Diocese

Visit the diocesan website at
www.episcopalpgh.org

Submissions for publication on the diocesan web site, calendar, and the *Grace Happens* weekly e-newsletter should be sent electronically to
info@episcopalpgh.org.

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

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Back to the Sources

Wednesdays @ 12:30 – 2 p.m., Brown Bag Lunch
November 9, 16, 30 and December 7, 14, 21

In 6 sessions, Rabbi-in-Residence Aaron Bisno will take us on a tour of Jewish Sacred Literature. Together we will explore the Jewish Bible/Old Testament including the Hebrew Prophets and Psalms; the Talmud and Wisdom Literature, Ancient and Contemporary Midrash and Poetry, as well as the Jewish Prayerbook. No prior experience or knowledge of Judaism is necessary, but please bring a bible if you have one and invite a friend or two, as well. ■

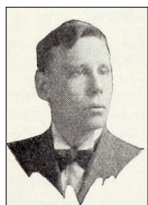


The Beloved Community Initiative is hosting concurrent sessions at Calvary and St. Thomas, Oakmont, beginning in November and January. If you are interested in participating at St. Thomas, please contact Shahnaz Alam Denlinger at s.alamdenlinger@episcopalpgh.org or call her 412.828.9680. If you are interested in participating at Calvary from November to January, please email Adam Bailey at atfbailey@gmail.com. Sessions at Calvary will meet on Monday evenings, November 14 to January 23, from 7 to 8:30, with a break for the holidays. ■

Holy Baptism

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

Notes from the Archives



Dr. Harvey B. Gaul was the organist/choir-master at Calvary Church from 1910 to until his death in 1945. Dr. Gaul was well known not only for his work at Calvary but also as a church music composer, a college instructor and a music critic. He also served as the first music director of radio station KDKA in Pittsburgh.

Dr. Gaul led the Calvary Boys Choir using his "Rules and Regulations for Calvary Choristers" from 1926. In the November 1992 *Agape*, Calvary's late rector The Rev. Arthur F. McNulty Jr. shared parts of Dr. Gaul's book on how the Choristers should behave. Thirty years later, it is time to share a few of these excerpts again.

Dr. Gaul on rehearsals and attendance:

• *Calvary Church is not interested in in-and-outers. You have to learn to take the grind and the discipline AND LIKE IT. We are only interested with boys WHO CAN TAKE IT.*

On manners and decorum:

• *From the moment the choir begins to line up to go into church, until it is dismissed at the end of service, there is not to be a word of conversation. Monkeys chatter, parrots prattle, it is not necessary to talk, only idiots mouth all the time.*

• *In processions, if you see your parents or your friends, you are to look beyond them and not see them. It is absolutely verboten to smile or smirk or give friendly recognition to anyone.*

On proper dress:

• *During the summer time white shoes will not be tolerated. This is not a summer resort. ■*

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Autumn is in the air and we're having a blast inside and outside of the classroom. Since our students have been busy with their families visiting local pumpkin patches, corn mazes, and apple orchards, our teams have begun their fall units with Farms. Our sensory bins are full of dirt, hay, corn cobs, gourds, pumpkins, colorful leaves, animals and tractors. We're taking nature walks and riding in our red wagons, observing the season's changes and collecting items for our art projects. Painting with pinecones has been a favorite for our littlest ones. Our Blue Team made Stone Soup to finish their first unit, *What Makes a Team*.



Our Blue, Purple, and Orange teams are learning a new way of gardening that doesn't require soil. Our Rector is teaching our students about hydroponic gardening and has set up a small-scale garden in each of these classrooms using mason jars and grow lights. The students

will continue learning how the process works as well as the advantages of having a controlled environment. Since the growing time is much faster than with soil, we look forward to harvesting and eating our own lettuce, basil, and chives early next month.

Our annual Dress-Up Parade and Trail of Treats is scheduled for Thursday, October 27 at 9:45 a.m. in the Nave. Beginnings families and Calvary staff members will hand out candy during the event. We'd love for you to join us!

—Tammy Lewis, Director ■

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The Reverend Canon Dr. Harold Lewis

Resolved, that the House of Bishops, meeting at this 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church, gathered in Baltimore, Maryland, gives thanks to Almighty God for the life, ministry, teaching, preaching, and witness of the Reverend Canon Dr. Harold Lewis, who died on 31 December 2021, and who, with a steady beat, full of faith and hope, never stumbled along the stony path in his vocation to teach us and to challenge us with the truth of the weary years and the silent tears of the experience of our Black and brown sisters and brothers in The Episcopal Church; and be it further

Resolved, the House of Bishops notes the enduring significance of his scholarship in the field of the history of the Black Church; and be it further

Resolved, the House of Bishops mourns the loss to the Church of his unique voice in both pulpit and podium as he expanded our sympathies and broadened our horizons, and yet kept our eyes on the prize, lest our feet should stray and our hearts forget; and be it further

Resolved, the House of Bishops extends to his widow, Claudette, and their family the assurance of our condolences and prayers.

The above document is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the General Convention at its meeting in Baltimore, Maryland from July 8 – 11, 2022, at which a quorum was present and voting.

The Rev. Canon Michael Barlowe
Secretary of the General Convention
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Coping with Grief at the Holidays

The holiday season can be a difficult time for people who have experienced a death. *Coping with Grief at the Holidays* will help guide you through the process of managing grief during this time. It will also provide you with an opportunity to connect with others who are grieving a death.

Coping with Grief at the Holidays will be offered on **Wednesday, Nov. 16** and **Wednesday, Dec. 7** from 1 to 3 p.m. at Calvary Episcopal Church in Shadyside. Participants can attend one or both sessions.

Registration is required. Please call 412-572-8829 to register. Parking is free.

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