



# Calvary Baptist Church Weekly Newsletter

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## A Word from the Pastor

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I write this article on the plane heading back to Delaware from the American Baptist Churches USA Biennial Mission Summit in Portland, Oregon. I first want to say that I am extremely grateful to the congregation for allowing me the opportunity to go, as well as your financial generosity in setting aside professional expense resources to offset some of the costs of such ventures. These events are very uplifting and inspiring, and I feel it is important for me to stay involved in our wider ABC family. I am hopeful that the next event in 2019 will be much closer to us so that some of you can have the opportunity to attend.

It was an inspiring and educational conference. I learned about new initiatives being done by American Baptist Home Mission Societies and the New Baptist Covenant. I met with a group of young adult pastors who are growing and gaining more influence in the denomination. I attended breakout sessions on discipleship and racial reconciliation. I attended inspiring worship services in which new ABC staff members preached messages of a hopeful future guided by our commitment to God and in respect of our diversity.

All of it comes at a time when we are acutely aware of how fragile our unity is. Our denomination, other Christian groups, and our country are all experiencing similar fragmentation and the formation of splinter groups because we are increasingly unable to share space (much less love) people with whom we disagree. There were fewer people at this meeting than any of the biennials I have attended.

But quantity is not the end of the story. I also felt at this meeting a great sense of hope and a renewed commitment to being the family of God and joining together for mission and mutual support (the reason the denomination formed in the first place). As one of the preachers memorably said, "Our world desperately needs to see somebody getting along."

You will be hearing more about our opportunities and challenges this Sunday. See you then!

### Missed last Sunday?

You can also always watch the full service on our streaming site:  
<http://www.sundaystreams.com/go/calvarynewark>

## Members and Friends at Home

*Each week a member or friend of the church at home will be highlighted. Greeting cards are always appreciated*



**Lillian Jarry  
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Lillian Jarry became a member of the Calvary family many years ago and was very faithful in numerous ways. She served on the Diaconate, Fellowship Committee (as co-chair), Women's group and much more. She is the mother of Sandie Houtz, grandmother to Erica, Heather, Gregory, and great-grandmother to their children. In these later years, Lillian is unable to attend services because her health has declined. She still enjoys her garden, with the help of Erica and readily welcomes you into her lovely home for visits. Each time we females enter our Ladies Room at Calvary, we are reminded of her many talents since she was instrumental in the 1990's in the decor which still exists today. Cards, calls and visits are very much appreciated.

### **July Birthdays!!**

- 2 James B. Dunson, Jr
- 2 Melissa Hunter
- 5 Brian West
- 5 Ny'asiah Coleman
- 6 Rev. William R. Thomas
- 7 Jade McMurray
- 8 Mikayla King
- 8 Charlotte Widdoes
- 9 Jessy Tibbels
- 10 Jay McMurray
- 10 Cecil Dowell
- 12 Sandie Houtz
- 12 Karen Smith
- 12 Parker Corley Dunson
- 13 Kevin Hickman
- 14 Matthew Lewis
- 15 Rev. Bruce Martin
- 15 Alyssa Lewis
- 16 Jonathan Superczyski
- 17 Ramona Miller
- 18 Christian McLeod
- 18 Anne Marie (Martin)  
Solomon
- 19 Henry Alfano Hamilton
- 21 Tevin Williamson
- 26 Daniel McLeod
- 28 Ruth Morgan
- 28 Scott Parkins
- 29 Shelby Lyn Carter
- 31 Tyler Ewing

**Happy Birthday!**





Help us welcome our congregation's newest member! Karen Smith joins the church by reinstatement of membership.



## VBS needs volunteers!

VBS needs adult & teen volunteers! The program will run from **July 30 to Aug 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Hours are **5:30pm-8:15pm**.

Volunteers will help with the following areas: Bible Discovery, Game Makers, Snack Factory, Imagination Stations (crafts), and Group Leaders. If you are [amberhickman33@hotmail.com](mailto:amberhickman33@hotmail.com)



## High School Summer Sunday School Program

After taking a break in June the High School students will be meeting each week from July 9th through August 27th from 9:15am to 10:15am. We will meet at a local coffee shop (exact location to be determined) for a light breakfast, fellowship, and sharing of praises and prayer requests. Your breakfast will be paid for so all you need to do is show up! Let Kyle know if you have any questions or would like to join us.



## HELP ABWM FILL THE SHOPPING CART!!!

The American Baptist Women's conference project this year is helping to stock our regional camp pantries. Please help us fill the shopping cart in the narthex so it overflows! These items will be delivered to Shippensburg on July 14th so we need your donations by Sunday, July 9th. Some of our youth will be attending camp this summer and will be using these contributions so we thank you ahead of time for your help.

- Needed items are creamy peanut butter, grape jelly, Kool Aid canisters, paper towels, paper napkins and toilet paper. \*No glass jars please\* Let Mary-Beth know if you have any questions.



# Calendar

## July

**-----No Sunday School during the month of June for K through 12th-----**

6	7:00pm	Band Practice
9	12:00pm	Christian Ed. Board Diaconate
11	6:30pm	Finance Committee
<b>14-16</b>		<b>ABWM conference in Shippensburg, PA</b>
16	12:00pm	Mission Board Trustee Board
<b>17-21</b>		<b>High Point Camp (Jr. week)</b>
20	9:00am	Hope Dining
23	11:30am	Reception for Jennifer Newman in Fellowship Hall
<b>24-29</b>		<b>High Point Camp (Teen week)</b>
25	7:00pm	Vision Team
27	7:00pm	Band practice
<b>30</b>	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL BEGINS! Day 1 (daily until Aug 3)</b>
31	5:30pm	<b>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Day 2</b>

## August

1	5:30pm	<b>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Day 3</b>
2	5:30pm	<b>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Day 4</b>
3	5:30pm	<b>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Day 5</b>
<b>4</b>		<b>Calvary to a Blue Rocks game</b>
13	12:00pm	Christian Ed. Board Diaconate
17	9:00am	Hope Dining
20	12:00pm	Trustee Board Mission Board
21	7:00pm	Worship Team
<b>25-28</b>		<b>HOME BASE MISSION TRIP</b>
<b>26-27</b>		<b>UNIVERSITY OF DE MOVE IN DAYS</b>