

CHANCEL CHOIR HAS RESUMED ITS REGULAR SCHEDULE FOR CHOIR YEAR 2015-16. Scheduled rehearsals begin at 7:30 PM on Thursdays, with participation in worship on Sundays—warm-up rehearsal at 8:30 AM, worship at 10:00 AM.

THE FIX-IT CREW IS READY TO GO! In case you haven't heard, the Deacons are initiating a new program, one which will help the older ones among us get some help with tasks we can no longer safely do. If you need to change a light bulb and can't reach it or if you need something on a high shelf, but can't reach it—help is on the way. Just call one of the Deacons, give your name, phone number and a task to be done and one of our stalwart crew will come to your rescue!

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CALVARY COURIER

November 29- December 6, 2015

TO OUR MEMBERS, FRIENDS, AND VISITORS we extend a warm welcome. Please let us know of your attendance this morning by completing the “Welcome to Calvary Presbyterian Church” card located in the pew. If you have a prayer request or hymn request, please let us know by completing the “Prayer Request” section. If you want your prayer request lifted up during our Prayers of Petition and Intercession this morning, please give the card to Pastor Rex during the Passing of the Peace. If not, please place the completed card in the offering plate as it is circulated.

HEARING ASSISTANCE RECEIVERS are available from our ushers. Please be sure to return it to the ushers following worship.

THANK YOU to our Ushers, Greeters, Acolytes, and worship service leaders who assisted with today's service. Our greeters today are Richard and Cora Freeman. Our Ushers are Orville Houg, Ken Whitehead, and Conrad von Bibra. Our Acolytes are Mez & Mal Zabel, and Lucy Callahan. Our worship service leader is the Rev. Dr. Rex McDaniel.

WE REMEMBER THIS MORNING Luther Whatley, 1320 Oakhill Place, South Pasadena, CA 91030.

COFFEE HOUR we invite you to join us for coffee hour following the 10 A.M. service in the courtyard. A second coffee hour will take place after the 11 A.M. service.

THE CHIMES were given in memory of Jan Wetzel by his family and friends.

THE SZABO FAMILY, DANIEL, BETTINA, ARON AND JULIA, mark the beginning of Advent with the lighting of the first Advent candle.

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2016 are available today.

JUNIA NOETTE DAILEY ARRIVED NOVEMBER 15TH! She processed toward her appearance at a stately pace making Millason and Erik work and wait forty four hours from beginning to end of labor. She weighed 7 lbs 9 ounces and measured 19.5 inches. The whole family is doing well. The Calvary family rejoices with the newly enlarged Dailey family.

SAVE THE DATE: DECEMBER 12TH, CALVARY'S ANNUAL PROGRESSIVE DINNER. If you would like to offer your home, Please contact Linda Kopperud at 626.403.1579 or linda.kopperud@yahoo.com. There will not be a monthly potluck in December due to the Progressive Dinner.

CALVARY'S MISSION MARKET WILL BE HELD ON DECEMBER 13TH, 2015 AT 11:30 A.M., IN FELLOWSHIP HALL. You will have a chance to make donations to wonderful organizations like: Habitat for Humanity, Presbyterian Relief Fund, Heifer Project International, Church World Service, Living Waters for the World, Angel Interfaith Network, Calvary Angel Families, Mary Magdalene Project, Sip n' Stitch, World Vision, Fallen Fruit for Rising Women (Crossroads), Pasadena Humane Society and SPCA (Strikers) and hopefully our very own Calvary artisans. In return for your donation, you can have a beautiful card made in honor/memory of someone. We will have lunch for you as well. Many hands make the work lighter - we will need volunteers to help set up on Saturday, December 12th at 8:00 a.m., and clean-up after the Mission Market on Sunday afternoon. In addition, volunteers are needed to sit at the tables to "tally" up the numbers as our "shoppers" come by the tables. Please see Lisa Reynolds or call her at [818.653.3495](tel:818.653.3495) to talk about how you can make this event a great opportunity for Calvary to once again hit the mark with our mission giving. We have exceeded our hopes and dreams for the last few years, let's keep it on a roll!

THERE WILL BE A COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13TH AT 10 AM IN THE SANCTUARY. After the service we will have the Mission Market and Luncheon in Fellowship Hall downstairs.

THERE WILL BE A COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27TH, AT 10 AM so all of Calvary's members and friends can be together at Christmas time. Coffee Hour will follow the worship service.

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP YET TO HELP WITH OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD BOX SORTING? On Friday, December 4th, we will meet at 12:30 p.m. at the Church to travel downtown to the Orange County Shoebox Processing Center. We have seven spots left open, and they must be filled with an RSVP! To join, contact Liz Daley at Liz@daley.name

IT'S THE MESSIAH TIME OF YEAR! THIS YEAR MARKS THE 15TH time that members and friends of the Calvary community have given this cherished story from scripture in the form of a musical masterpiece from the genius hand of George F. Handel.

We're reminded again this year that the first year's concert was an effort to bring together the community in the troubled and rudderless days following the 9/11 tragedy. It is especially at our most troubled times we turn to scripture.

Although the concert event has flourished over the years, and our audience tests the capacity of our beautiful Sanctuary, we are again reminded of the social unrest and upheaval in the world that remains today. Particularly, we think of our Parisian brothers and sisters as we all struggle to find a true path to peace, love and joy. So, with the same resolve as fifteen years ago, let us mark our calendars, bring our family and friends, at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 6th. Plan to arrive by 3:30 p.m. to allow for parking issues.

And, finally, let's remember this concert, now a well-seated tradition in South Pasadena, is the result of the generous gifts of many community members in South Pasadena and beyond, and is funded only by donations. Your continued generosity is vital to this program. If you wish to donate, contributions can be made via credit card, cash, or by check payable to Calvary Presbyterian Church: *Music Outreach Fund*. **THANK YOU** for your help! –Mike Wilson



CALVARY CALENDAR
November 29- December 6, 2015

TODAY, SUNDAY 11/29/15

First Sunday in Advent

- 8:30 a.m. CHOIR - Chancel Choir Loft
- 10:00 a.m. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP- Sanctuary
- 11:00 a.m. INFORMAL WORSHIP- Fellowship Hall
- 12:00 p.m. MEC WORSHIP- Fellowship Hall , B3, B10, Classrooms
- 12:30 p.m. MEC YOUTH- B3

MONDAY 11/30/15

- 7:00 p.m. BOY SCOUTS- Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY 12/1/15

- 12:00 p.m. MOVERS AT SHAKERS- Offsite
- 7:00 p.m. INSPIRED LIVING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY- Offsite

WEDNESDAY 12/2/15

- 7:00 a.m. PRESCHOOL STAFF MEETING- South Parlor
- 9:30 a.m. PRESCHOOL BOARD MEETING- South Parlor
- 10:30 a.m. PAPER TIGERS- South Parlor
- 12:00 p.m. KIWANIS- Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m. CHRISTMAS PAPER CRAFT NIGHT- B3

THURSDAY 12/3/15

- 9:00 a.m. MOMS PRAYER MEETING- B3, B10
- 6:30 p.m. CHOIR REHEARSAL- Sanctuary, South Parlor
- 7:45 p.m. AL ANON- Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY 12/4/15

- 8:30 a.m. MOMS IN PRAYER- Upstairs Classrooms
- 9:30 a.m. PRESCHOOL PARENT COMMITTEE MEETING- Fellowship Hall
- 3:30 p.m. SOUTH PASADENA STRINGS- Fellowship Hall

SATURDAY 12/5/15

- 9:00 a.m. MESSIAH DRESS REHEARSAL- Sanctuary, South Parlor
- 9:00 a.m. SIP N' STITCH - B6

SUNDAY 12/6/15

Second Sunday in Advent

- 8:30 a.m. CHOIR - Chancel Choir Loft
- 10:00 a.m. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP- Sanctuary
- 11:00 a.m. INFORMAL WORSHIP- Fellowship Hall
- 12:00 p.m. MEC WORSHIP- Fellowship Hall , B3, B10, Classrooms
- 12:30 p.m. MEC YOUTH- B3
- 3:30 p.m. STRIKERS- Courtyard
- 4:00 p.m. MESSIAH CONCERT- Sanctuary
- 5:00 p.m. MSF- Youth Lounge
- 6:30 p.m. HS BOOK DISCUSSION- Youth Lounge

**THIS WEEK AT CALVARY:
BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES!**

BIRTHDAYS

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| Eric Smith | 11/29 |
| Iris Chau | 12/1 |
| Rod Ingraham | 12/2 |
| Andrew Smith | 12/4 |
| Holly Vecchio | 12/5 |
| John Bruce | 12/6 |

WE WILL BE TAKING ORDERS FOR OUR SEE'S CANDIES FUND RAISER TO BENEFIT OUR ANGEL FAMILY FUND. Even though there is a See's Candies in town this is still a great way to buy it. See's sells it to us at a discount so we are able to sell at the same price that you would pay in the store, with our proceeds going to a good cause.

Orders will be taken until December 6th with a delivery date of December 13th at Mission Market. If you need it earlier than that please indicate that on the order form and it will be available on Dec. 10th.

You can pick up an order form from the Welcome Table or look for the See's Table during coffee hour.

THERE WILL BE A CALLED MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION ON DECEMBER 13TH, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary to act on the report of the Nominating Committee.



The Rev. Dr. Rex McDaniel

Title: "Never Too Late"

Date: November 29, 2015

Scripture:

Genesis 18:9-15, OT, NRSV

They said to him, 'Where is your wife Sarah?' And he said, 'There, in the tent.'¹⁰ Then one said, 'I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.' And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him.¹¹ Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women.¹² So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, 'After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?'¹³ The LORD said to Abraham, 'Why did Sarah laugh, and say, "Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?"'¹⁴ Is anything too wonderful for the LORD? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son.'¹⁵ But Sarah denied, saying, 'I did not laugh'; for she was afraid. He said, 'Oh yes, you did laugh.'

NOTE: CALVARY'S EMAIL is cpc.southpas@gmail.com.

Please use this email address to contact the church office for any questions, concerns, or needs.