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Title: "Dare to Prepare"

Speaker: Rev. Rex McDaniel

Date: December 15, 2013

Scripture: Isaiah 40:3-5, OT, NRSV

A voice cries out: 'In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.'

What are you doing to prepare for the realization of your hopes this advent season?

TO ALL CALVARY'S WOMEN AND THEIR FRIENDS: You are warmly invited to be part of our Inspired Living Fellowship! There are two sections, and everyone is welcome to come to either or both.

One meets in the church library on Friday mornings at 10:00 a.m. and is currently studying the Gospel of Luke. For the holiday season, this group will only meet December 13th, and will meet again on January 10th. Please contact Margot Cameron at (626) 793-2929 for further information.

The Tuesday evening Inspired Living Women's group has taken a holiday break & will resume January 7th at 7 P.M. at the home of Elizabeth von Bibra.

Both groups are informal and filled with friendship and truly welcome those who have little or no knowledge of the Bible, as well as those who have more.

THANK YOU FOR ADDING CANNED GOODS TO THE BOXES PROVIDED BY THE DEACONS FOR THE ST. JAMES FOOD LOCKER. The St. James Food Locker has received food items to tide them over for the holidays. However, they continue to appreciate any individual items collected by our congregation. Additionally, please consider adding money to the green Food Bank envelopes during this season (and before the end of the year). We will continue quantity shopping for the Food Bank beginning in January. Finally, the monetary contributions will be available for any community emergency needs that come to the attention of the Calvary Staff and the Board of Deacons and needs that come to the attention of MEC Caring Friends for Egyptian Christian refugees. If you have any questions, contact any Deacon or Nathana Schooler @ nathana.schooler@gmail.com.

CALVARY PRESCHOOL RE-REGISTRATION for returning students and registration for siblings begins January 6. Calvary members and their families are also eligible for priority early enrollment. Forms are available in the preschool office during business hours from 8 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Contact Kristen Dubé at the preschool office for more information at (626) 799-0385.

CALVARY COURIER

December 15- December 22, 2013

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. If you use a receiver, please be sure to return it to the ushers following worship.

A VERY SPECIAL THANKS to our Ushers, Greeters, Acolytes, and worship service leaders who assisted with today's service. Our Ushers are Orville Houg, Ken Whitehead, and Conrad von Bibra. Our Acolytes are Mez & Mal Zabel and Lucy Callahan. Our worship service leaders are liturgist Linda Yamauchi, the Rev. Millason Dailey and the Rev. Dr. Rex McDaniel.

WE REMEMBER THIS MORNING Patricia Hohnsbeen at 1210 Pine Street, South Pasadena, CA 91030.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR immediately following each service. The first coffee hour will follow the traditional worship service at 11 a.m. in the courtyard. Coffee is served before and throughout our contemporary worship service in the Fellowship Hall from 10:45 am until noon. If you would like to add other beverages and/or snacks to either worship experience (no need to bring half & half or crackers), please schedule this hosting with Alyssa at the office at cpc.southpas@gmail.com or 626-799-7148, or sign up on the bulletin board outside the office.

THE STRIKERS NEED YOUR HELP TODAY! We will be making shoes through an organization called Sole Hope. All of the shoes will then be sent to Africa to help prevent foot diseases. Each shoe is made out of heavy fabric and denim. Please donate what fabric you have along with old blue jeans before 3pm!

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING the See's Candy Fundraiser. We were able to raise almost \$550.00 for our Calvary Angel Family Fund!

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.

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THE SOUTH PASADENA HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC FOR CHARITY CLUB is proud to present their third annual Holiday Music for Charity Event hosted this year at Calvary Presbyterian Church at 7pm on Saturday, December 21st. The donation ticket price is \$10. 100% of the funds raised from ticket sales go to the *Mr. Holland's Opus Charity*, bringing the gift of music to disadvantaged students. Fabulous desserts will be served in Fellowship Hall after the performance and you can meet the talented performers.

This group of artists will be presenting Christmas and holiday favorites and showcasing the musical talent of South Pasadena High School. This program is completely student directed and performed.

Tickets can be purchased through Zach Freeman or at the door. Purchasing in advance is appreciated as well as additional donations to make this event a success! If you have any questions please email Music for Charity at SPHSmusicforcharityconcert@gmail.com.

MISSION MARKET THANKS – “Thank you” seems like too few of words to express my gratitude for all of those who helped me set up Fellowship Hall, cook the food, sat behind tables, cared for the kids, served, and helped clean up. It takes a lot of work to pull off the Mission Market, and many hands made the work light. We are indeed an amazing congregation and we shine brightly to others outside our four walls as well. We had visitors come in, we gave generously, we ate wonderful food, and had a good time. Thank you to everyone who helped. Lisa

PRAYER MOMENT FELLOWSHIP will meet for the holiday season on December 16th, and will meet again on January 6th.

CARING TOGETHER WILL MEET for the holiday season on December 17th, and will meet again on January 7th.

THE WORST TYPHOON IN RECORDED HISTORY HIT THE PHILIPPINES RECENTLY. The human tragedy is immense. It's hard to watch the news. But, truly, we can help! Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, (to whom our church recently responded generously with "Gifts of the Heart,") has set up a separate account for the victims of this monstrous typhoon. If you are moved to give, you may do so by sending your check of any amount to: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15254-3700. Please clearly mark: "For Account #DR 000012. Or, if you wish to give \$10.00 online, the account # is 000012. We thank God that we have received word that all Presbyterian missionaries and other workers in the area are safe. And please keep the hundreds of thousands of desperate victims in your prayers. --Calvary's Church in the World Committee

MUSIC@NOON | FRIDAYS will be continuing this Friday, December 20th.

JUST IN TIME FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON, we have a big present for you... a new website! You can now find us at: www.cpcsouthpas.org Check frequently for updated news, events, and other resources. We are excited about this change, and hope you are too!



CALVARY CALENDAR December 15- December 22, 2013

TODAY, SUNDAY 12/15/13

8:45 a.m. CHOIR - Chancel Choir Loft
 10:00 a.m. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP- Sanctuary
 11:00 a.m. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP- Fellowship Hall
 12:30 p.m. SESSION MEETING- South Parlor
 1:15 p.m. MEC WORSHIP- Fellowship Hall
 3:00 p.m. STRIKERS- South Parlor
 4:00 p.m. MEC CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE- Sanctuary
 7:30 p.m. LUTHERAN BIBLE STUDY- South Parlor

MONDAY 12/16/13

9:30 a.m. WORSHIP PLANNING MEETING- South Parlor
 6:30 p.m. PRAYER MOMENT FELLOWSHIP- Library
 7:00 p.m. BOY SCOUTS- Fellowship Hall
 7:00 p.m. MEC WORSHIP PRACTICE- Sanctuary

TUESDAY 12/17/13

10:00 a.m. PRESCHOOL CHRISTMAS CHAPEL- Sanctuary
 10:30 a.m. CARING TOGETHER- North Parlor
 7:00 p.m. TOASTMASTERS- Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY 12/18/13

10:30 a.m. PRESCHOOL CHRISTMAS CHAPEL- Sanctuary
 10:30 a.m. PAPER TIGERS (A MEN'S GROUP) - South Parlor
 11:00 a.m. KIWANIS - Fellowship Hall
 6:00 p.m. MEC CHRISTMAS CHOIR PRACTICE- Fellowship Hall
 7:00 p.m. DEACON'S MEETING- South Parlor

THURSDAY 12/19/13

9:00 a.m. MISSION HOSPICE- Fellowship Hall
 9:00 a.m. MOMS PRAYER MEETING- B3, B10
 4:00 p.m. MISSION HOSPICE BEREAVEMENT- South Parlor
 7:30 p.m. CHOIR REHEARSAL- Sanctuary
 7:45 p.m. AL-ANON- South Parlor

FRIDAY 12/20/13

8:30 a.m. MOMS IN TOUCH INTERNATIONAL- B3, B10
 12:00 p.m. MUSIC AT NOON- Sanctuary
 5:00 p.m. GARCIA FAMILY CELEBRATION- Fellowship Hall
 7:30 p.m. MEC TEAM AWESOME- South Parlor

SATURDAY 12/21/13

9:00 a.m. SIP N' STITCH - B6
 10:00 a.m. MEC SENIORS MEETING- South & North Parlor
 7:00 p.m. MUSIC FOR CHARITY- Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY 12/22/13

8:45 a.m. CHOIR - Chancel Choir Loft
 10:00 a.m. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP- Sanctuary
 11:00 a.m. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP- Fellowship Hall
 12:30 p.m. MEC WORSHIP- Sanctuary
 3:30 p.m. MEC CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION- Fellowship Hall

THIS WEEK AT CALVARY: BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES!

BIRTHDAYS

Oliver Baird	12/16
Kendall Verkuilen	12/17
Andrea Zabel	12/18
Conrad von Bibra	12/19
Frances Hames	12/21
Alyssa Robertson	12/22