



Old Fashioned July Parish Picnic On The Grounds

Make plans to attend the Annual Parish Picnic on July 4, and share good food, exciting games, and wonderful fellowship. Bring lawn chairs or blankets and wear comfortable picnic clothes (fine for the service, too).

Hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, condiments, and paper goods will be provided. Sign up in the Old Well Hall to indicate what dish you will bring and if you will help with setup, cooking, and cleanup. The youth will lead games for folk of all ages after we eat.

August Supper is August 21 – Planners Needed

Are you interested in helping with the August Supper? The next meeting will be held Tuesday, July 6, at 7:00 p.m. in the library.

The original summer suppers began in the 1800s as “Miss Fannie’s Supper” (after Fannie Blake) to raise money for the church and to unite people through the bounty of homegrown vegetables and home cooked foods. The suppers stopped for a time in the late 20th century, but were re-established five years ago.

If you have a garden, please consider planting an extra row for this endeavor. If you would like to be involved, but cannot make this first week, watch for meeting dates and join us as we make plans.



Share in our Ministry of Welcome & Hospitality

The coffee hour that follows both of our services on Sunday morning gives an opportunity for the community to informally greet one another, to catch up sharing good or not-so-good news, and to meet those who have recently come to worship with us and invite them to other happenings within our parish.

When we don’t have cookies and juice or punch, folks don’t seem to stay around for long, and because we scatter quickly, we may not seem welcoming to visitors. We are in need of more people to sign up to share in this ministry. It doesn’t have to be elaborate – just a few cookies and some juice or punch.

This summer we would like to move coffee hour to the sidewalk adjoining the grove – something we have enjoyed doing in the past. Perhaps cookies and lemonade would be an option. Jonah Fore, our Sunday morning sexton, will be available to help set that up.

Look for the large sign-up boards in the Old Well Hall and consider sharing in the ministry of welcome and hospitality.

Calvary Food Pantry Anecdotes

While I was in Africa this year, I was able to pass on gifts made by members of Calvary to several different charitable organizations. Included in the donations from Calvary, I was able to purchase an olive tree which will have a plaque acknowledging that funds came from Calvary Episcopal Church. Before I left, a member of the Methodist Church in Jeffrey's Bay handed me \$100 and asked me to put it toward the Calvary Food Pantry. "Africa is always on the receiving end," she said, "and sometimes I think that we are always stretching out our hands to the wealthier nations. This gift is to let you all know that we appreciate your help but we know that you have needs too. I pray that this will help the poor who come to your food pantry."

A few weeks ago, I stopped by the Food Pantry on my way to the airport. As usual it was a busy scene with many faithful Calvary members interacting lovingly with those who needed food. I was introduced by Bob Reamy to an attractive African American lady. She shook hands, gave me a big smile and told me how grateful she was for the pantry. She said, "It's not just that you offer food but it is *healthy* food. Since I have been coming here my blood sugar has gone down to normal after months of being way too high. I really want to thank you all for that." We talked a bit more and as she got ready to leave she gave me a hug.

To *all* the pantry helpers, packers, servers, record keepers, drivers, and welcomers, please know that you are doing a wonderful job by serving our community and allowing them to see Christ in each one of you.

- Mother Liz

Food Pantry News

The Calvary Food Pantry will continue to operate during the summer when many of our volunteers will be traveling- the folks in need will still be here, turning to us for help. Please consider giving some of your time, as you are able, to fill in or join the team to keep this service running smoothly over the next few months.

Something else you may not know - your financial donation goes a long way when we do the shopping, so consider sending a check or dropping a donation into the canister on the table in the Old Well Hall. Money is needed everywhere these days and it may seem we are asked to donate to all who ask, which can be frustrating and even irritating. We appreciate even pocket change put into our canister- it all goes to the direct purchase of food for our clients. And we are bargain shoppers! Thanks so much for the help you can give.

Continuing Food Pantry Needs

Macaroni & cheese, juice, and spaghetti sauce



Pictorial Directory

After several months of problems and delays, we now have Calvary's pictorial directory in hand. Parishioners who had a picture taken for the directory will find their labeled copy in the Old Well Hall. Simply check your name off the list when you pick it up. Directories are also available to be picked up in the parish office during the week. We do have some extra copies - check with the office on availability.

Christian Formation To Be Formed In The Image Of Christ

This year, Camp Henry day was not celebrated in May as it has been in the past. There had been some changes regarding Camp Henry's TLC day at Lake Logan, usually held in May, and in the process the day for the parishes in the diocese to celebrate Camp Henry was lost. It has been returned to the calendar for next year, but in the meantime we will pray for Camp Henry and those participating.

The fiftieth anniversary of this wonderful ministry for the children and youth of our diocese was celebrated last year at the Diocesan Picnic. There were many present who shared fond memories of their times at camp. Some folks stayed for the weekend to renew old friendships. We are indeed fortunate to have our own diocesan camp where everyone can become aware of God working among those in the group - where the Christian faith may be related to the campers day-to-day experiences.

In my lifetime, I have had the good fortune to experience camp as a camper, counselor, and camp director. Living in a Christian community in a "place apart" at summer camp provides opportunities for young people to develop deep relationships with folks of the same age and with a caring adult staff. Watching a young person have that AHA! Moment as he/she fully experiences the Christian community cannot be compared to any other experience. I have been blessed and strengthened to have participated in such moments as I have witnessed the positive effects that a church camp experience can have on the lives of those participating in the camp experience.

This summer two of our parishioners are working at Camp Henry. Following several years as camper and then a counselor, Barbara Hall is an assistant Camp Director. After many years as a camper, Spencer Sharrits is a first year counselor. Many of our youth will be attending camp throughout the summer. Remember to keep Camp Henry in your prayers, and if you would like to contribute to the scholarship fund, your contribution will help a young person have the experience of a lifetime.

Jill Meares
Coordinator of Christian Formation



EGYPT - Joseph's Journey from prison to palace

Come spend a while on the Nile, and experience Joseph's incredible faith journey at this summer's Vacation Bible School, to be held July 26 - 30.

Beginning at 9:00 a.m. each morning, we will gather with our family group for the opening celebration of energetic singing. After family time, we will visit the Marketplace Shops to discover the *EGYPT* that Joseph knew. In Marketplace, we might create an Egyptian board game, craft a Cairo jeweled collar, sample unique treats at the Food Shop, and more.

Registration forms will be in the mail, pick them up in the Old Well Hall, or you may call the church office - 684-6266. Cost is \$10.00 per child.

YOUR Assistance Needed for Vacation Bible School

Are you a child at heart? Do you love children and enjoy working with them? Are you willing to share God's love with children? Adults and youth beginning with sixth grade are needed to help with VBS. Sign up for a leadership role, and you will have an incredible week of fun at *EGYPT - Joseph's Journey from prison to palace*. VBS provides a wonderful opportunity for you to get to know the children in our parish and their friends. There are a variety of areas where help is needed. If you have 3 1/2 hours a day or a few days (8:45-12:15) that you would be willing to spend with children ranging in age from 4 years old through 5th grade, call Michelle Fountain - 684-7529 or Jill Meares - 684-6266 to sign up.

Food & Formation

Food & Formation has ended for the summer. We expect to start up again mid-August.

ECW Meeting

The ECW will hold a meeting on Wednesday, June 30 at 11:00 a.m. in the library to discuss future plans and made decisions on where to spend our funds. All women are invited and urged to come. Coffee and muffins will be served.

Cakeless Bake Sale

Many thanks to all who made contributions to the ECW's "Cakeless Bake Sale" fund raising effort! We have collected over \$1,000 to fund our outreach commitments.

It's never too late to contribute a "cake" to the ECW's fund. Thanks again.

- Lucy Gunn

Veteran's Quarter Meal

Calvary provides lunch on the second Wednesday of every month at the Veteran's Restoration Quarters. The next meal will be served on Wednesday, July 14. Look for sign-up sheets in the Old Well Hall. Sign up today!

St. Anne's Guild Monthly Meeting

St. Anne's Guild will meet at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 14 in the Commons Room to continue our Bible study. Members, bring a sandwich. All are welcome!

Good Church Choir Seeking Musical Tenors

If you are (or know of someone who is) a tenor, Calvary's adult choir would like to know. They have great need for tenors when choir resumes this fall. For more information, please contact the Choirmaster, Philip Dettra after services or leave him a message at 684-6266.

IAM's School Supply Drive

Each year, Interfaith Assistance Ministry collects donations of school supplies and backpacks for students whose families are in financial crisis. Last year, IAM provided school supplies for 603 Henderson County children. Supplies will be collected July through August. You can drop off donations at the IAM offices in Hendersonville, or at Calvary.

Needed supplies include 3-ring binders, notebook dividers, calculators, college and wide ruled loose leaf paper, colored pencils and markers, highlighters, pink erasers, pencil sharpeners, boxes and pouches, glue sticks, rulers, safety scissors, crayons, and backpacks.

For more information, call IAM at 697-7029.

Yard Sale at New Hope

If you have clothes, shoes, or household stuff that has accumulated since our rummage sale that you'd like to unload, call New Hope Presbyterian Church at 274-0191 (or Kim at 280-1325). They are holding a yard sale on July 24 and are willing to pick up your unwanted items.

Finding the More Excellent Way

Celebrating God's Gifts in One Another:

A retreat led by The Rt. Rev. Porter Taylor,

and sponsored by the Gay & Lesbian Ministries of the Episcopal Diocese of WNC.

July 24, 9:30a.m. - 4:00p.m.

Calvary Episcopal Church

Cost: \$10 (includes lunch)

In the 12th chapter of his first letter to the Corinthians, Paul articulates a vision of the Church that we still struggle to embrace. His image is the Body of Christ made of many varied members. Paul calls for us to move beyond division and even beyond tolerance to find a “more excellent way” to honor all parts of the Body of Christ.

Morning and afternoon sessions will explore the giftedness of all baptized persons and then focus on finding “the more excellent way” of going beyond divisive perspectives by being turned by God so that we see the world as Christ does and move as a Church to become more fully the Body of Christ. Each session will include Bible Study, a reflection by the Bishop, small group discussion and a plenary. The day will close at 4:00PM following Eucharist with music from the Calvary Taizé Players.

Although this retreat grew out of conversations with LGBTQ Episcopalians regarding the particular gifts they bring to the church, all spiritual seekers are welcome as we seek to unite in community beyond all categories such as gender, race, or class. To register, please email [Alice Keenan](mailto:AliceKeenan@diocesewnc.org) (reception@diocesewnc.org) by July 17.

Send a Youth to Camp:

Make a Donation to the Camp Henry Scholarship Fund

Help a youth attend Camp Henry by making a contribution to the scholarship fund to honor someone special in your life. The Camp Henry Committee has always had a policy that no child would be denied a Camp Henry experience because of financial need. Last year the committee was fortunate enough to award full or partial scholarships to over 70 campers. Each year with rising costs, this number has increased. No contribution is too small.

For several years, Calvary Church has given approximately \$1,000 to enable Calvary campers to participate in the camp experience. The first session of camp ends this Saturday. Some requests for assistance have already been provided. Make checks payable to Calvary Church with Camp Henry in the memo line.

Dear Calvary Church:

“Thank you.” Two little words, but steeped in heartfelt meaning. They don’t seem like enough to express the feelings of a family so grateful for the outpouring of loving and caring we received. For all your prayers, expressions of concern, visits, flowers and hugs during Mother’s illness, we humbly thank you. For all the love and support given to us at her service and after, we humbly thank you. Your cards, calls and hugs have helped so much to make this time a little easier and we are very thankful for each and every one of you.

- Lucy, Jimmy, Jenn & Barbara and all the family of Mildred Cunliffe

Thank you for all your prayers, cards, the flowers from the altar and the prayer shawl you sent me when I was ill. Your concern and thoughtfulness means a lot and helped to make a hard time easier. I am very grateful to be so well taken care of.

- Lucy Hall

Thank you all so much for the cards, meals, calls, visits and prayers while recovering from my knee surgery. It is such a blessing to experience the love of our Christian family. I really appreciate everyone so much.

- Janet Edwards

Calvary Prayer List

Immediate Concerns

Warren Peterson, Marge Roome, Paul Thiel, Gene Shipley, Carl Patrick, June Wolfe, Helen Diggs, Jackie Combs, Sarah Brown, Dot Kerr, Julia Williams, Janet Edwards, Betty Shuford, Virginia McGee, Ed Jaqua, John Woosley, Linda Bregartner, Bill Jackson, Evelyn Neville, Peggy Hayes, Dan Roberts, Juanita Gaddy, Paul Thiel, Greg Coulson, Elaine Taft, Dawn Dyer, Kelly King, John Smith, Guy Puckett, Saylor, Christopher, Nokb, Carol Ann, Cathy, Joe, Kenn, Misty, Terry, Dorothy

Ongoing Prayer Requests

Lou Luther, Dan Kuyat, Alison Woodrow, Tracy Iurato, Martha Emery, Anne Rodgers, Kaye Harvey, Irene Presley, Clelia Savarino, Andrew Glasgow, Leann Wood, Louise Dunlap, Norma Gaddy, Ben Wald, Beth Allison, Ann Platzer, Barbara Burkhardt, Marie Schmittner, Anna Koster, Corda Maney, Bill & Jean Marberger, Kay Levine, Ruby Ledbetter, Maddox Hare, Amber; those seeking Holy Orders, especially Jill Meares

Departed

Joey, Kaitlin, and Anthony; Mary L. Johnson