"The Calvary Corner"

SUMMER ISSUE ~ JUNE/JULY/AUGUST

From the Moderator of Calvary Baptist Church

WE ARE MOVING FORWARD IN JESUS NAME

I would like to give Glory, Honor and praise to our Lord & savior Jesus Christ for all He has done & is doing for THE Spiritual & financial GROWTH OF Calvary Baptist Church, Amen!

I thank God for a successful Annual meeting on 6/11/23 at Calvary. We have had a challenging year and through Christ Jesus we persevered in decency and in order & came through with the Victory in Jesus name. as the Scripture says in;

Romans 8:28 And we know that all things work together for the good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose.

I thank God that Calvary Baptist Church is called according to God's purpose. As we enter into our new annual fiscal year, let us be mindful that God has called us individually & collectively to be used, in the body of Christ, for His divine purpose. Let us continue to move forward in His will, in Spirit & in truth.

Isaiah 43:18-19 Behold, I will do a new thing, now it shall spring forth; shall you not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.

May God continue to bless Calvary Baptist church, all its members, guests & friends as we continue to move forward in Jesus' name, Amen.

God Bless Us, Rev. Erica A. Traub, Moderator



Church Office closed \sim Tuesday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day.



I will be away on vacation from July $17 \sim 21$. Please keep me and my family in your prayers. Thank you!

Martha Buxton, Administrative Assistant

Stewardship Message



Matthew 25: $14 \sim 30$: "To one he gave five talents of money, to another two talents, and to another one talent, each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey." (v.15).

Message: The master divided the money (talents) among his servants according to their abilities. No one received more or less than he could handle. If he failed on his assignment, his excuse could not be that he was overwhelmed. Failure could come only from laziness or hatred toward the master. Talents represent any kind of resource we are given. God gives us time, gifts, and other resources according to our abilities and he expects us to invest them wisely until he returns. We are responsible to use well what God has given us. The issue is not how much we have, but how well we use what we have.

Calvary we all have talents that God has given us. Let's be bold and courageous and share what God has given to us by joining one or more Committees in the church to help bring more believers to Christ. Let's remember that the church continues even during the summer months, so remember to give your tithes and offerings. Calvary Baptist Church is on the move and God is with us! Be with God.

In His Service – Carol Hall -Walker, Stewardship Chair



On May 21, 2023, Rev. Dr. Daniel Cottrell read scripture Philippians 3:7-14 and his sermon entitled, "I Just Can't Help It". The church service was followed by Rev. Dr. Jacqueline Dyer (picture facilitating the last retreat series where she worked with the Calvary congregation to develop a "Behavioral Covenant". This document will be finalized and shared with the congregation at the Annual Meeting to be held on June 11, 2023 following service. Members will be asked to pray, read, and sign the behavioral covenant. Each member will keep a copy for themselves, and a signed copy will remain on file in the church. Each year at the annual meeting this document will be reviewed and updated, as needed.

Calvary....God is with us!! Amen.





Emergency Food Pantry Message

Matthew 25: $31 \sim 46$: In caring for the "the least of these" we are caring for Jesus. Here we find the single largest explanation given by Jesus in the New Testament of the criteria for obtaining entrance into the heavenly realm. It strongly suggests that care of the poor, the disenfranchised the weak and the vulnerable matters to God. Using our resources to advocate on behalf of "these little ones" seems to be a proper and important use of what we have and that we will be held accountable for our choices.

Message: God will separate His obedient followers from pretenders and unbelievers. The real evidence of our belief is the way we act. To treat all persons, we encounter as if they are Jesus, is no easy task. What we do for others demonstrates what we really think about Jesus' words to us – feed the hungry, give the homeless a place to stay look after the sick. How well do your actions separate you from pretenders and unbelievers?

Calvary, please keep the emergency food pantry in your prayers and remember we need at least \$250.00 per month to keep the church's contribution to the pantry intact. We are grateful for our partnership with the Church Portadores De Su Gracia and we thank God for his blessings that we can continue this important work with your help.

In His Love - Carol Hall-Walker, EFPM Chair



On-line tithes and offering:

Do you pay your bills on-line? If you do, you are saving the cost of stamps/envelopes and the convenience of not having to write out checks each month. If you would like to give your tithes and offering on-line, call your bank to give you a login for on-line access to your checking account. There should not be a bank fee for this service.

Once you have on-line access to your account, click on "add a bill" and follow the instructions to add Calvary Baptist Church, 747 Broad St, Providence, RI 02907 telephone #401-461-7507. When it asks for an account number, use your envelope number. If you have not been assigned an envelope number, call Martha, the Administrative Assistant at 461-7507 or email Betty Cady, Treasurer at eac811@cox.net.

You can set Calvary Baptist Church up as a recurring payment or log in each month entering the amount you want to give. Your payments will be recorded, and you will continue to get giving statements for your records.

SERVANT LEADER TEAM ~

Meetings will be held on Wednesday, July 12th and August 9th at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. All members of the SLT are urged to attend all meetings.

On May 21, 2023, Elaine Dahn read 2 Corinthians 4:18 for the Youth Moment. "So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal."



BIRTHDAYS IN JUNE/JULY/AUGUST

<u>JUNE</u>

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| 1 | Edith Dahn, Elaine A. Knott | 7 | Zulu Seye |
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| 3 | Emertine Outland | 10 | Rachel M. Bloe |
| 4 | Rosa Delgado | 18 | Shedrick Geyetay |
| 5 | Lucretia Askie | 23 | Hannah M. Kamara |
| 6 | Sarah Kamara | 31 | Joyce Bastien |
| 11 | Marra Payen | | |
| 16 | Magdela Payen, Bunmi Akinnusotu | | |
| 19 | Steven Bastien | | |
| 27 | Andrew Walker III | | |

AUGUST

- 4 Lucia Payen, Nathaniel Kwapo
- 6 Bethany Mesyna
- 7 Maia Symonds
- 11 Betty Cady
- Judy DeLuca, Alicia Mulbah
- 29 Rev. Erica Traub

Kona Stewart continuing to help spread the word of Christ via his God given skills in communication. Calvary Baptist Church and the Servant Leader Team give thanks for your faithfulness. Thank you, Kona!





This weekend, June $16^{th} \sim 18^{th}$ and 19^{th} will be the 5^{th} Annual Juneteenth RI Festival **(FREE)** at Roger Williams Park at the Temple of Music.

Gospel Music by professional Gospel singer; Kelly Price.

Sis. Selcon Barnard, Rev. Erica and the Calvary's youth group invite all members & friends to attend this event.

Juneteenth is a celebration that commemorates the June 19th, 1865 emancipation of enslaved African Americans throughout the Confederate States of America.

Rev. Erica Traub, Moderator







INVENTIONS! "VELCRO"

Swiss electrical engineer George de Mestral invented his first touch fastener when, in 1941, he went for a walk in the Alps, and wondered why burdock seeds clung to his woolen socks and coat, and also his dog Milka. He discovered it could be turned into something useful. He patented it in 1955, and subsequently refined and developed its practical manufacture until its commercial introduction in the late 1950s.

The fastener consisted of two components: a lineal fabric strip with tiny hooks that could 'mate' with another fabric strip with smaller loops, attaching temporarily, until pulled apart. Initially made of cotton, which proved impractical, the fastener was eventually constructed with nylon and polyester.

De Mestral named *Velcro*; a portmanteau of the French words <u>velours</u> ('velvet') and <u>crochet</u> ('hook'), to his invention, as well as to the Swiss company he founded; Velcro SA.

The company continues to manufacture and market the fastening system. Originally envisioned as a fastener for clothing, today, Velcro is used across a wide array of industries and applications; including healthcare, the military, land vehicles, aircraft, and even spacecraft.

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CALVARY MEMBERS/FRIENDS INVITED TOO!

~ Have a great rest of your week ~

BE SURE TO READ YOUR BIBLE AND ENJOY YOUR SUMMER!!!