

CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
GOLDEN, COLORADO

January 2012

Passion for Jesus • Community of Joy • Hope for the World

Calvary Connection

Wednesday Night Live Returns January 11th!



Start the new year right by going deeper into your Christian faith and life with others here at Calvary.

Our Wednesday Night Live program is designed to give you a mid-week opportunity for friendship, learning and spiritual growth.

There are a number of options, so choose one that looks right for you!

Dinner starts at 6:00 (\$5 per person or \$10 per family) and the program begins at 6:45. Nursery care is available, as well as the Awana program at First Baptist Church for kids 3 years old through the 6th grade (see Awana info on page 4).

Calvary Calendar

Wednesday, January 11
Wednesday Night Live resumes

Friday, January 13
OPUS Twelfth Night Party

Saturday, January 14
Women's Luncheon

Sunday, January 15
Pocket Change Sunday

Thursday, January 19
Yarn Spinners

Sunday, January 22
St. Francis Center

Friday, January 27
Women's Literary Society

Sunday, January 29
Calvary Annual Meeting

Our Christian Identity and Life – the Basics

Join Cathy Hitch and John Wengrovius for an overview of our faith and life as Christians. We'll cover the basic beliefs of the Christian faith, how God has gifted each one of us for particular work and ministry, and look into the Episcopal/Anglican tradition of which Calvary is a part. At the end of the class, anyone who wants to can be confirmed by the Bishop of Colorado in May. There will be lots of opportunity for questions and discussion! Let Cathy know if you have any questions – cathy.hitch@calvarygolden.net or 303-278-4436

The Origins of the Bible

Ever wondered how the Bible came to be the way it is? Why were these books chosen and not others? When was it written down? Why are English translations sometimes so different? What does it mean to say the Bible is "inerrant" or even authoritative? Join Lisa Batzle as she takes us through the story of how the Bible came to be the way it is and what the implications are for our faith. Lisa has done a great deal of research preparing for this class so you are sure to learn a lot. Contact her if you have any questions - lisa.batzle@comcast.net or 303-274-5251

Women's Group

The Women's Group decided they are interested in Lisa's class about the origins of the Bible, so they won't be meeting separately this spring. Have questions? Contact Julie Sheridan at jsl_p2@sheridanlaw.com or 303-279-5376

Men's Group

The Men's Group will also be sitting in on Lisa's Bible class. Typically the Wednesday night Men's Group has a Bible study; by taking Lisa's class together this Spring, we hope to bring fresh insights to future studies.

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Senior Pastor's Report

Happy New Year to everyone! With 2012 underway, we look forward to the days getting longer and a new year of life and ministry at Calvary. We have a full schedule of programs, ministry opportunities, classes for adults and children, and occasions to enjoy one another's fellowship. You can read about many of them in this newsletter

In these coming months, our common theme will be "A Season of Compassion." As we look to Jesus for our values and direction in life, we are drawn to become people of compassion, those who minister to and walk with those in need; we will be examining the many ways we are called deeper into compassion and God's love for all people.

On another note, I have been invited to give the meditations for the annual women's retreat sponsored by the women of St. Michael's parish in Colorado Springs. The retreat is open to all women in the Diocese and will be held at Mount St. Francis in north Colorado Springs April 20-22. This is a classic silent retreat, and the theme will be *Intentional Living and the Cultivation of Virtue*. Call me if you want to know more.

The beginning of the year always leads me to ponder what God has in store for us in the coming months. My prayer, as always, is that we will be open to His leading and faithful to His call. With God, there is never a dull moment!!

May you all have a Blessed New Year!

—**John Wengrovius, Senior Pastor**

In December, Calvary was blessed to receive once again a grant from the Prior Family Foundation. For the past 12 years, the Foundation has generously provided our church community with gifts that have funded a wide variety of projects in the Parish beginning with the completion of the nursery below the Great Hall in 1999. Our heartfelt thanks goes out to the Prior Family Foundation for their many years of support.

Annual Meeting: January 29

Calvary's 145th Annual Meeting will take place Sunday, January 29. We will start with a potluck lunch following services that morning, and during the meeting we will elect new vestry members and look forward to the year before us. A program for children sixth grade and under will be available.

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Beth Lee

John Gibbs

Adult Ministries, Formation & Opportunities

COLLEGE & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY



Young Adults – we know you're out there!

If you have an idea for a Young Adult adventure – another snowshoeing day or movie night – let us know and we'll be happy to get the word out. Contact Daniel Coffey at daniel.coffey77@gmail.com or 303.994.4510

Mines Student Lunch & Bible Study

Welcome back, students! We are off and running with our Mines Student Lunch on the first day of classes, January 11th. Come at 11:45, or as soon as you can, for a delicious homemade lunch and short Bible study. If you have any questions, contact Daniel Coffey at daniel.coffey77@gmail.com or 303.994.4510.



ADULT FORMATION

Exciting Stuff on Sunday Mornings!

Two new adult education classes started January 8th. John, Tim and Cathy will team up to talk about "**Who We Are: Calvary's Anglican Heritage.**" Especially designed for newcomers and anyone interested in why we do what we do around here, this class will explore both our Evangelical and Anglo-Catholic traditions, as well as take a good look at our worship services. The idea is to help everyone feel more comfortable with our background and range of worship services.

Our other class will explore "**Issues Facing Christians Today**". From business relationships and biotechnology to global poverty and human rights, we'll talk about how Christian thinking is distinctive from secular thinking and how our Christian witness can influence the world around us. Come prepared for some fascinating conversations!

Sunday morning is a great time for adults to get together for fellowship and learning as disciples of Christ. We meet in the Ministry Center community rooms from 10:15 to 10:55, between the 9:00 and 11:05 services.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Stasi Eldredge to speak at the Annual Women's Luncheon on January 14th

It's not too late to get in on the action! We have an amazing speaker coming to our Women's Luncheon this year. Stasi Eldredge, author of the book *Captivating* and wife and ministry partner of John Eldredge (*The Sacred Romance*, *Wild at Heart*), will give us her insights into the core desires of women, and how God, who gave us those desires, seeks to fulfill them. It's truly an honor to have her with us – you won't want to miss it! Saturday, January 14th at the Fossil Trace Golf Course clubhouse. \$20 for lunch with scholarships available. Sign up at church or call the office to reserve a seat today!

Join a "Captivating" group

Following on Stasi Eldredge's talk at the Women's Luncheon, we will be forming small groups to read her book *Captivating* and talk about it in greater depth. We'll know more about the schedule and how many groups we have after the luncheon. Some groups may not meet until this summer, if that's more convenient for you. Contact Cathy Hitch if you have questions: cathy.hitch@calvarygolden.net or 303-278-4436.

Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study looks at different spiritual traditions

Our spring study is going to be great! Starting Tuesday, January 3rd, we'll be looking at six great spiritual traditions in the Christian church – contemplative, evangelical, social justice, sacramental, charismatic and holiness. Every week we'll have exercises that help us experience the various traditions. You may just find some exciting new resources for your Christian walk.

We are a great group of prayerful, caring women, and we are always looking for new people to join us. We meet from 9:30-11:30 in the Ministry Center Community Rooms. If you have any questions, contact Cathy Hitch at cathy.hitch@calvarygolden.net or 303-278-4436.

Calvary Women's Literary Society

All women are welcome to join our book club! We have a wonderful group of women who enjoy a relaxed evening with dinner and a great discussion of an interesting book. Any and all women are welcome to join us at any time. Because we have two months to read for our January meeting, we have chosen a longer book, **The Book Thief by Marcus Zusak**. Join us on January 27th, 6:00pm optional potluck dinner, 7:00-8:30pm discussion. We'll meet at Betty III's home, 222 Yank Court in Lakewood, 303-237-4490. Hope to see you then!



Feb 24 - *The End of the Affair* by Graham Greene, location TBA
Mar 30 - *Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother* by Amy Chua, location TBA

Kids Korner

Mark your Calendars for VBS 2012!

Date: June 18th – 22nd

Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Where: Calvary Church

Ages: 4 yrs. – 6th grade

Registration Fee: \$30/child, \$60/family
(Financial assistance is available)

Registration starts in May!!!



When: Wednesday evenings (3 yrs. old through 6th grade)

Time: 6:30 – 8:00 pm (coordinates with WNL at Calvary)

Place: First Baptist Church of Golden, 19th/Washington

Awana is part of the collaboration of The Together Churches of Golden.

Awana Prayer, Vision and Values*:

Prayer: "Our prayer is that all children and youth throughout the world will come to know, love and serve the Lord Jesus Christ."

Vision: "To be a strategic partner with churches and ministries in a global effort to ensure the opportunity for all children and youth to be evangelized and disciplined in Christ."

Values: "We will glorify God and serve the body of Christ by committing ourselves to these values:

We proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ with clarity and urgency.

We commit to God's Word as our guide and standard.

We treat all people as created and loved by God.

We maintain a servant heart in all we do.

We manage God's resources with faithfulness and integrity.

We pursue excellence as unto the Lord.

The Awana Clubs

Awana is broken down by age into three clubs, each with their own themes, characters, uniforms and handbook sets. The three clubs are: Cubbies (3yrs old - Kindergarten), Sparks (Kindergarten-2nd Grade) and Truth and Training (T&T) (3rd – 6th Grades).

An Awana Night

An Awana night is based on three main activities: Game Time, Handbook Time and Large Group Time. Games are played by teams, around the "Awana Circle." Handbook time is set-aside for clubbers to recite memorized Bible verses and to demonstrate completion of non-memory sections of their handbooks. Large Group Time will include singing and a Bible lesson. At the end of Large Group Time, the achievement awards clubbers have earned will be handed out. The Sparks and T&T will alternate time on the Game Circle and will generally have separate Large Group Times but may come together for special speakers. The Cubbies will be largely independent and will play games and do activities that are age appropriate, as well as memorize and recite Bible verses and have a Bible lesson. Here in Golden we will also be providing childcare for volunteers' children who are too young for Cubbies.

*Taken from Leader Basic Training ©2006 Awana® Clubs International; 1 East Bode Road; Streamwood, IL 60107-6658 U.S.A.

For more info on all our wonderful programs for children, contact Calvary's Children's Director,
Sarah Ferdig – sarah.ferdig@calvarygolden.net or 303-279-2188

Youth Matters



Welcome to ... Daniel Coffey, our new Director of Student Ministries (7th grade & up)



*YOUTH GROUP FOR
HIGH SCHOOL
AND
MIDDLE SCHOOL*

*SUNDAYS @ 6-8:30 PM
CALVARY CHURCH*

“Who IS that dude up there playing the big violin, anyway?”

So, you have probably met Alli (my wife of nearly 6 months) and I at some point, or at least heard us if you’ve been in the Great Hall, but I’d like to formally introduce myself: my name is Daniel Coffey. I was born and raised in Littleton, CO.

When I finished high school, I went off to Wheaton College where I majored in Biblical Studies. As soon as I could, I high-tailed it back to mountainous Colorado (I missed the snowboarding ... and my family).

Since being back, I have been studying for my Master of Divinity at Denver Seminary. I will finish there (God and professors willing) in eight short months.

These days you’ll find me playing viola, snowboarding, baking sourdough bread, reading, and having fun spending quality time with people.

Both Alli and I are delighted for me to step into the role of directing the Student Ministries here at Calvary.

We can’t wait to meet more of the youth in our community, get to know all of them better, disciple them as followers of Christ and encourage them to grow into the men and women God is inviting them to be.

So, whether you’re a middle or high schooler, a parent, or you just want to introduce yourself, please do!

We’d love to meet you.

Eagerly Anticipating the Grand Adventure God has for Us All,

Daniel Coffey

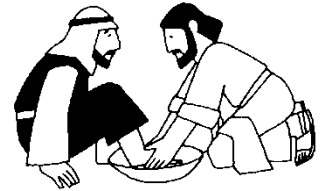
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Outreach Ministry

St. Francis Center Sunday, January 22nd

Would you like to take a Sunday morning this month to serve at the St. Francis Center, a day shelter for the homeless? If you would like to participate in this ministry on January 22nd, please talk to or call Eileen Regan at 303-906-6222. Volunteers are needed for the center to keep their doors open. The morning starts with a short service at 8am and ends at 12 noon.



Thanks...

Thanks to all those who contributed toys for the local Santa Shop. Many children were *blessed* this Christmas by your generosity. And, thanks to all those who rang bells for The Salvation Army/Golden Service Extension Unit. Calvary had 105 ringers who covered 244 hours at King Soopers and Safeway. We raised a total of \$27,382.29 this year!!! Many individuals and families *will be blessed* this coming year by assistance with payment of their rent or utility or medical bills.



**7 Tuesday nights
this Spring at Calvary
starting Feb 7, 2012**

contact Tim Phenna

register at 303-279-2188

themarriagecourseusa.org

A seven session course set in a fantastic atmosphere.

You will be served a candlelit meal at a romantic table for two while listening to practical talks that are informative and fun.

There is never any group work and you will never be asked to share anything about your relationship with anyone other than your partner.

Music at Calvary

It is always appropriate to be in an attitude of Thanksgiving. As we leave the Christmas season, a special thank you to the following participants in the "Advent Lessons and Carols" service, held on December 18. (One hundred people ignored the fact that the Denver Broncos would be going into the fourth quarter around 5:00 PM and found their way to Calvary for the service.)

Thanks to **lay readers**, Fritz Bart and Lisa Batzle; **bell ringers**, Kevin Wachter and Lisa Batzle; **Calvary Singers**, Sunny Beck, Linda Driggers, Meg Frantz, Cathy Hitch, Barbra Olson, Susan Wachter, Jack Krajewski, John Wengrovius, Gary Blumenschein, Zach Fightmaster, Beyer Patton, Linda Baldwin, Betty III, Renie Lindgren, Melinda Middleton, Gina Pierce, Carla Zinn Rigger, Beth Treat. Thanks to the **dancers**, Stephanie Hobbs, Linda Driggers and Suzanne Brenimer; **musicians**, Susan Gibbs - recorder, Miriam Dickinson - viola, Trent Farchone - cello; to Diana Packard for taking photos, Beyer Patton for more photos, publicity and program.

An extra special thank you and kudos to **Mary Barker** who provided a most elegant soup supper with delicious homemade breads and cookies. What a wonderful festive end to the event.

We were introduced to a budding new harpist on Christmas Eve at the 7:30 PM service in the Historic Church. Amethyst Wright, a young student of MariAnne Lounsbury, joined MariAnne in the Christmas Eve prelude music.

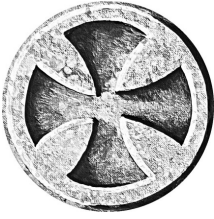
Since a picture is worth a thousand words—here are some pictures of the special musical events that occurred at Calvary this fall:

- Spooks and Saints dinner and concert
- Organ dedication
- Advent Lessons and Carols

All good wishes for a Blessed New Year.

—Gwen Blumenschein, Music Facilitator
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Weekend Service Schedule

SATURDAY

5:00 pm **Traditional Service**
Historic Church

SUNDAY

8:00 am **Said Service**
Historic Church

9:00 am **Blended Service**
Great Hall

9:00 am **Traditional Service**
Historic Church

10:10-11:00 am **Christian Education Hour**

11:05 am **Informal Service**
Great Hall

11:05 am **Traditional Service**
Historic Church

*Nursery available on Sunday from
8:45 am to 12:30 pm*

Weekly Service Schedule

Morning Prayer
9:00 am **Tuesday—Thursday**

Holy Eucharist
9:30 am **Wednesday**
(with healing prayer)

Pocket Change Sunday

Pocket Change Sunday will be January 15. With the new year, it is time for any students out there to start thinking about participating in the scholarship program. To get started you need to handwrite a letter to me that you would like to participate in the program. I will acknowledge your application and ask for the following additional items from you:

- A handwritten note pledging that you will help someone with their education sometime in your life time, (this can be submitted in the initial application).
- A copy of something that ties you to the institution that you will attend during the next scholastic year.

All submissions must be completed and on file by August 1, 2012.

Completed submissions will be acknowledged by regular mail and via email if email address is given. If you have questions ask me during PCS, call me at 303-973-1857, or email mkeckler@comcast.net

