

Dear Calvary Family,

Rick Warren writes in his book, The Purpose Driven Church, that in every church there are four distinct classes of members.

- Those whose names appear on the membership and lists but who are indifferent to and unsupportive of the message and ministry of the church.
- Then there are these who do come with some frequency and who “hear” the message but make no effort to understand or apply it to their lives.
- Third, there are those who both hear and understand the message, but do nothing with; I.e., it is merely an intellectual exercise.
- Finally, the fourth but most essential group.....but, alas the smallest.....is composed of those who hear, understand, respond and apply God’s word to many facets of their life.

We are blessed at Calvary to have an “above average” number of members who take the gospel to heart, who seriously seek God’s will in their lives, study His word and apply it to their decision-making. These are our “pillars of the church;” their lives portray ministry, love and care wherever they go. I have to say, that there is room for many, many more of us in this class of members. Lent is a great time to rise to the next level.

Do you seek the Lord’s voice through worship, study and prayer? Are you personally committed to obedience to His Word? If there is room for improvement - if you see yourself in one of those other three classes of members - what decisions would you need to make now to achieve deeper intimacy with God and His Church? Lent provides us with ways and means to make more faithful choices.

In his beautiful book, I Shall Not Want, Robert Ketchum tells of a Sunday school teacher who asked her group of four year olds if anyone could recite the twenty-third Psalm. A golden-haired little girl promptly shot up her hand. Somewhat skeptical, the teacher asked if she really could quote the entire Psalm. The little girl hurried to the front, faced the class, made a perky bow, and said: “The Lord is my shepherd; that’s all I want.” She bowed again and returned to her seat.

That may be the greatest interpretation ever given. “The Lord is my shepherd: that’s all I want.” How desperately the world needs more followers of The Good Shepherd, Jesus. How desperately Jesus needs you to make Him yours. Use this Lent to receive God’s greatest gift: Jesus.

See you on Wednesday evenings in Lent for the Challenging Lifestyle course!

Faithfully,

Chip

**The Cathedral Domain
Summer Camps 2009**

Senior High Conference (Co-Ed) Graduates of grades 9-12	June 14 - 20	Fee: \$325.00
Glen Adkins Camp 1 (Co-Ed) Graduates of grades 1 & 2	June 21-24	Fee: \$180.00
Glen Adkins Camp 2 (Co-Ed) Graduates of grades 1 & 2	June 24 - June 27	Fee: \$180.00
Junior High Conference (Co-Ed) Graduates of 7 & 8	June 28 - July 4	Fee: \$325.00
Camp Beulah Smith (Girls Only) Graduates of grades 3 & 4	July 5 - 11	Fee: \$325.00
Camp Bill Smith (Boys Only) Graduates of grades 3 & 4	July 12 - 18	Fee: \$325.00
Camp Mary Breckenridge (Girls Only) Graduates of grades 5 & 6	July 19 - July 25	Fee: \$325.00
Camp Alexander Patterson (Boys Only) Graduates of grades 5 & 6	July 26 - August 1	Fee: \$325.00
Camp Jim Bickford (Co-Ed) Graduates of grades 6 - 8	July 26 - August 1 Environmental Education	Fee: \$325.00

2008-2009
Calendar of Events

The Little Disciples (20 months – Preschool) and **The Get Along Gang** (Pre K - 2nd grade) offer our children an opportunity to gather every month for a time of Bible stories, crafts, refreshments and fellowship. We will follow our summer 2008 VBS curriculum, *Rainforest Adventure*, at First Christian Church, 1930 Winchester Avenue.

Schedule of Events

Sun., April 5	Monthly Meeting	5:00 - 6:30 p.m.
Sun., May 3	Monthly Meeting	5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

R U Receiving E-News from Calvary?

Once a week we send out timely announcements and reminders to everyone for whom we have an e-mail address. If you are not receiving it, guess what? We don't have your address! Let us know below or just email us at melissaowens2@windstream.net
Soon we hope to post the sermon on the website.

Name

E-mail Address

Vestry Highlights

The Vestry met in regular session on Monday, February 23, 2009 and

- Received a 40 day Lenten devotional from Bernard O’Nan based upon Norman Vincent Peale’s, Power of Positive Thinking.
- Appointed Vestry members to Commissions as follows:
Service: T. Mussetter, R. Ford, B. O’Nan
Worship: Fr. Chip
Adult Ed.: O’Nan, P. Cochran
Evangelism: S. Davis, L. Pullem
Pastoral Care: Mussetter, R. Reames, Davis, D. Yacoe
Stewardship: J. Ford, Reames, T. Pitt
Youth Ed.: Pullem, Mussetter, (D. Braun)
Communications: D. Martin, S. Gilmore
- Noted from Don Maxwell, treasurer, that January pledges were under by \$2732, total income was down by \$5384, but that operating expenses had been held under budget resulting in a net deficit of \$931.
- Agreed that in the future Diocesan Convention registration fees would be paid in bulk by Calvary.
- Approved proposal for cleaning church sanctuary carpets.
- Adjourned 7:00 p.m.

Honoring Women

In every parish there are women who deserve recognition. Perhaps they model quiet, modest, unassuming lives of Christian service. Or perhaps they are highly visible and active as they use their God-given gifts in a myriad of roles. Perhaps they deserve recognition just because of who they are and what they mean to your parish.

If you know of a woman in your parish that deserves recognition, the ECW would like to know about her. Tell us her history in your parish and why you believe she deserves special recognition.

A woman from each diocese will be honored at a special event at the ECW Triennial Meeting in Anaheim in July 2009. She does not have to be present at the event.

For a nomination form, please contact Diane Gabbard at 859-581-9113 or dianegabbard@fuse.net. The deadline for applications is March 30.

For Your Information

Second Sunday in Lent - March 8

First Lesson: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16
Epistle: Romans 4:13-25
Gospel: Mark 8:31-38
Psalm: 22:22-30

Third Sunday in Lent - March 15

First Lesson: Exodus 20:1-17
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25
Gospel: John 2:13-22
Psalm: 19

Fourth Sunday in Lent - March 22

First Lesson: Numbers 21:4-9
Epistle: Ephesians 2:1-10
Gospel: John 3:14-21
Psalm: 107:1-3, 17-22

Easter Flowers
Calvary Episcopal Church
P.O. Box 109
Ashland, KY 41105

I would like to make a gift of Easter Flowers (*please circle one*) in memory or in thanksgiving or in honor of

From _____

Enclosed is cash or check in the amount of \$ _____
(Suggested donation, \$20)
Made payable to "Calvary,"
Memo: Easter Flowers.

Prayers Are Requested for:

For the Sick and Those in Need

Bill Moore, Betty Lou Moore, Brian and Becky, Cindy, John, Larry Craycraft, Eric, Erin, Jon, Chrissey, Danielle, Tyler, Jess, Lucy, Bob, Janet, Drew, Bruce Craft, Lisa McLaughlin, Charles Watson, Nina Carey, and Dean Hollinsworth

Shut-in/Convalescing

Marie Kephart, Lucille Kazee, Phyllis McKenzie, William and Betty Brown, Duane Chapman, and Martha Compton

Adult Ed during Lent features a course on Jesus' parables each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. On Wednesdays from 6-8 p.m. we are offering a course based on the Sermon on the Mount called "Challenging Lifestyle." Children will have their own program with Debbie Braun.

2009 Cathedral Domain Camps brochures and registration forms are now available on the hall table. Camps fill very quickly. Parents are urged to get their kids' forms in ASAP!

ALTAR FLOWER REQUEST

DONOR _____

IN MEMORY OF _____

IN CELEBRATION FOR _____

IN HONOR OF _____

IN THANKSGIVING FOR _____

WEEK _____ YEAR _____

RETURN TO OFFICE OR PLACE IN OFFERING PLATE.

PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

We are pleased to lift up special needs and thanksgivings related to loved ones. Names are carried for one calendar month unless otherwise requested. Thanksgivings change weekly. Please try to be as concise and specific as you can.

PLEASE BLOCK PRINT

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

NAME OF PERSON(S) TO BE PRAYED FOR:

Their Need (healing, hospital, convalescing, dying, etc.):

Thanksgiving for:

Today's Date: _____

Your Name _____
(important)

Please place form in offering basin or mail to the office.

Diocesan Convention 2009

The Diocese of Lexington held its 118th Convention in Covington on February 19-21. More than 150 lay and clergy delegates gathered for prayer, deliberation, and information about the state of the church. Representing Calvary were Fr. Chip, Sharon Valentine, Carol Greene, Diane Zwick and Tina Mussetter. On Thursday evening, the delegates gathered in Trinity Church in downtown Covington to participate in a Eucharist celebrated by Bishop Sauls. The preacher was the Rev. Dr. Howard Anderson, Rector at St. Mary, Pacific Palisades, CA. Dr. Anderson is active in the Emergent Church movement, which is a process about how the individual members of the church remain relevant in living out our calling as 21st Century members of the Body of Christ. He also was the keynoter for the business session the following day and led a well-attended workshop. In his sermon and his keynote address, he said that the Episcopal Church has become the new catholic church, in the Latin meaning of catholic. We are the part of the Body in the United States that is inclusive to all people - laity, clergy, and leadership.

In his speech to us Friday morning, Bishop Sauls said that our diocese, as well as the whole Episcopal Church, must develop a new method of educating our clergy. This year, graduating seminarians will have a debt of \$120,000 from their calling to be clergy. This drives the need for higher salaries for them, which fuels rising personnel costs in parish budgets. He intends to begin a process to educate and ordain clergy which does not require three years in residence at a school of theology. It will probably entail periods of academic study, hands-on time spent in a parish or church-related work, and extensive use of mentoring from experienced priests.

He also discussed the fragile state of The Cathedral Domain, noting that larger and wealthier dioceses have already closed (or are in the process of doing so) their camps because of the cost to the other programs of the dioceses. His estimate is that without a large infusion of funds, The Domain, located on 800 acres in Eastern Kentucky, will be forced to close in approximately five years.

On Saturday, the convention adopted Diocesan budgets for 2009. For Mission and Ministry, the expense budget is \$1,059,382, while budgeted income is \$1,095,264. The expense budget of The Cathedral Domain is \$448,616 while its income budget is \$363,000. The Reading Camps expense budget is \$117,901 while its income is \$118,138. The Small Church

Consortium expense budget is \$97,873 while its income is \$99,081. St. Agnes House expense budget is \$88,500, which is also its income budget.

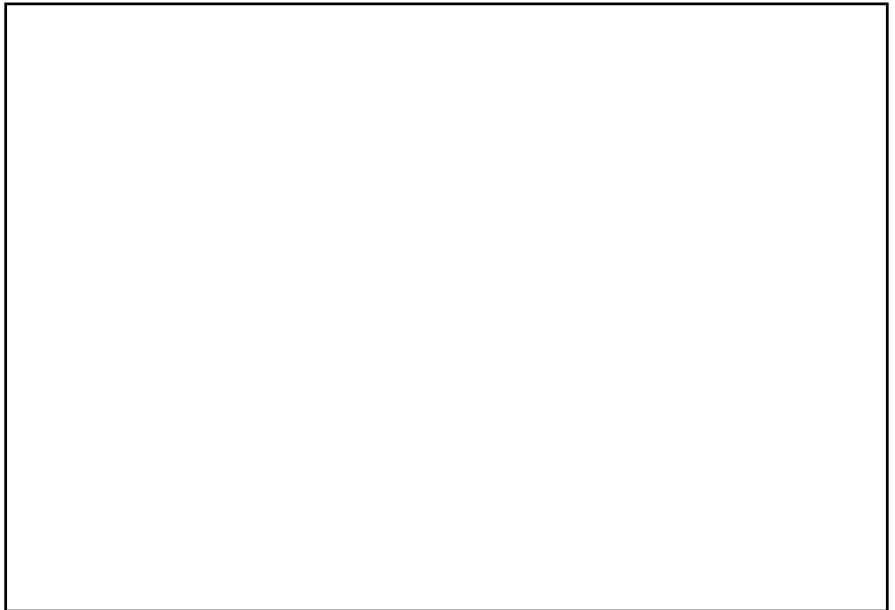
The convention also adopted several resolutions. One was to implement a resolution passed by a previous convention "On the Study of the Impact of Slavery and the Subsequent History of Segregation," which will have parishes which existed during the period of legal slavery in Kentucky examining their records to understand in what ways slavery affected the life and ministry of those parishes. The convention also passed a resolution calling on the Episcopal Church to form a task force on Older Adult Ministry, focusing resources on the growing numbers of older members we have nationally. Also, a resolution was proposed and, after much debate, referred to the Peace and Justice Commission calling for mandatory training for members of diocesan commissions and committees on the issue of dismantling racism. The training would be in place by 2012. The convention adopted a revision to its canon describing how individual parishes are assessed annual fees by the diocese. Now, the assessment is based on the most recent available years operating budget, but this will modify it to the average of the past three years available operating budgets of the parish.

All of the delegates were greatly pleased that the weather was nothing like that during the 2008 convention, when last year's ice storm struck Lexington on the day it was to begin, canceling the first day, and shorting the second. The 2010 convention will return to Lexington, where our Presiding Bishop, Katherine Jefferts Schori, will be the keynoter and preside at the Eucharist. *(Adapted with thanks to Jim Kimbrough, Ascension, Frankfort)*

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 3/15 Third Lent Worship 8 and 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Fellowship 11:30 a.m.
- 3/16 Newsletter Deadline
- 3/18 Noon HE and Healing
Lenten Supper/Program 6-8 p.m.
Newsletter Mailed
- 3/22 Fourth Lent Morning Prayer 8:00 a.m.
Morning Prayer and Eucharist 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Fellowship 11:30 a.m.
- 3/23 Vestry Meeting 6 p.m.
- 3/25 No Noon Service
- 3/29 Fifth Lent Worship 8 and 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Fellowship 11:30 a.m.

CONFIRMANT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2009



Front left to right: Elizabeth Rice, E.B. Lowman III, Lyndi Lowman, and Chris Cox.

Center: John Leadingham, Joan-Michael Leadingham, Cheryl Henderson, and Brandi Cox.

Back: Bishop Sauls and Fr. Chip.

Raffle to Benefit Cathedral Domain Pool Project

The Cathedral Domain is in dire need of \$16,000 to renovate the swimming pool for summer camp sessions this year. We are raffling a huge basket of wines and Italian fare. You can help by buying lots of chances. The value of the basket is about \$100 and has been assembled by Sharon Valentine and Leannah Leslie. Come see it in the Parish Hall this Sunday. It will be displayed on the table. The drawing will be at 10:30 a.m. on Palm Sunday, April 25. Chances are \$5 each or 6 for \$25.

Community Prayer Breakfast

Tuesday, March 10, 2009

**First Methodist Church of Ashland
Rev. Gene Pillow, Pastor
1811 Carter Avenue
Ashland, KY**

7:30 a.m. Breakfast will be served

**A love offering will be accepted for the
Community Kitchen.**

Please bring a friend.

For Jamie's Sake Challenge: "Who has the biggest heart in the Tri-state?" The Inspire U store in the mall is receiving donations from schools and churches of shoes and clothing for children in foster care grades 6-12. The store will be open until May 16 on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4-8 p.m. For more info call Lea Ann Gollhue at 327-5511.

Rector's Fund Needs Your Help!

The well is almost dry, but appeals from needy people pour in every day. Can you help with a tax deductible donation? Please make checks out to Calvary Church, memo: Rector's Fund. Thank you!

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Birthdays in Our Parish Family in March and April

March 03 Sean Farrington, 04 Francie Martin, 05 Mary Riley, 06 Clay Russell, Tina Mussetter, and David Zwick, 11 Jerry Ford, 12 Chris Pullem, 17 Ken Fosson, 18 Steven Samuel Harris, 22 Phillip Yacoe, 23 Meg Alexander, Lydia O'Nan, 26 Carlyle Clark, 29 Pat Jones

April 01 Nancy McHenry, 06 Virginia Dixon, 08 Ashley Riggs, Steve Gilmore, 09 Cheyenne Black, 11 Debbie Hassler, Margarita Tackett, 12 Chip Womack, 15 Carol Greene, 19 Joseph Harris, 20 Renee Harris, 22 Zach Alexander, 24 Jay Mussetter, 27 Allison Leslie, Leannah Leslie, and 30 Michelle O'Nan

The deadline for the next Crucifer is March 16. Please have all articles for submission in to the office by the above date.



The Rt. Rev. Stacy Sauls, Bishop
The Rev. Mann S. Valentine, Rector
Dr. Carol M. Greene, Music Minister

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