



The Friendly News

Calvary Baptist Church



March & April 2018



The Pastor's Corner

Dear members and friends,

I hope you will be well when you receive this Friendly News. We disseminate this Newsletter once in two months. It has come to my attention that some of you have not been getting the Newsletter or any other information and letters that have been mailed to you. I am very sorry about that. We are revising the mailing information that we have, and will make every effort to make things right. If you have changed your address recently, please contact the church office.

We are on the Lenten journey—40 days of prayer and fasting, reflection and confession, leading up to Easter day when our Lord Jesus Christ rises from the death. I pray that the good Lord will walk with you in all circumstances. His grace is sufficient for us.

Many of you have received the letter of invitation to participate in the acquisition of new church hymnals, and the response has been great so far. For those who have not received the letter, I would like to share now with you and invite you to participate.

As you know, we have had the red and blue Church hymnals for several years, serving us well. Sadly, they have been declining greatly in condition. Many members expressed the need to replace them. A team was formed to explore, study and select a new hymnal. The team members Dorothy Cheney, Janet Paton, Kelliann Burns, Michael Dugas, and Atula Jamir met and came up with the hymnal *Sing Joyfully*. The new hymnals were dedicated on Sunday, March 4, 2018. We would like to extend to you the opportunity to purchase one or more hymnals in honor and/or memory of a loved one(s). You can also donate in your name. The cost for one hymnal is \$20. Your contribution will lift



our spirits of praise now, and bless those who will enjoy them long after we are gone. Please fill out the enclosed sheet and send it along with your check to the church office. To those who have already sent in your forms, thank you. For further questions please contact Kelliann Burns at 978 835 2185.

May the love of God keep you.

In the service of our Lord,

Rev. Atula Jamir

If you wish to purchase one or more hymnals in honor and/or memory of a loved one(s), please fill out the information below as you would like it to appear on the hymnal. The cost of one hymnal is \$20.00. Checks may be made payable to Calvary Baptist Church. On the memo line please write "hymnal". Please mail your money (cash or check) to the Calvary Baptist Church, 60 Hastings Street, Lowell MA 01851, with the following information included:

Hymnal Dedication	
In memory of:	_____
In honor of:	_____
Given by:	_____
Phone/email	_____
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Easter Story Word Search



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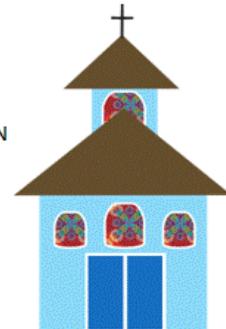
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An Easter Canticle

In every trembling bud and bloom
That cleaves the earth, a flowery sword
I see Thee come from out the tomb,
Thou risen Lord.

In every April wind that sings
Down lanes that make the heart rejoice;
Yea, in the word the wood-thrush brings,
I hear Thy voice.

Lo! every tulip is a cup
To hold Thy morning's brimming wine;
Drink, O my soul, the wonder up —
Is it not Thine?

The great Lord God, invisible,
Hath roused to rapture the green grass;
Through sunlit mead and dew-drenched dell,
I see Him pass.

His old immortal glory wakes
The rushing streams and emerald hills;
His ancient trumpet softly shakes
The daffodils.

Thou art not dead! Thou art the whole
Of life that quickens in the sod;
Green April is Thy very soul,
Thou great Lord God.

Charles Hansen Towne



Spring Begins

Spring begins this year on Tuesday, March 20, 2018. Here are some fun facts about the season:



- ◇ On the first day of Spring, a person at the North Pole would see the sun skimming across the horizon, beginning six months of uninterrupted daylight. A person at the South Pole would see the sun skimming across the horizon, signaling the start of six months of darkness.
- ◇ The first day of Spring is called the Vernal Equinox. “Vernal” is Latin for Spring. “Equinox” is Latin for Equal Days.
- ◇ The first spring flowers are typically lilacs, irises, lilies, tulips, daffodils, and dandelions.
- ◇ Tornadoes are most common in the spring and least common in winter.
- ◇ The last day of Spring is Thursday, June 21.



13 Overlooked Spring Cleaning Spots

It's time for Spring cleaning! Here is a list of places in your house that often get over-looked during your basic day-to-day clean-up.

Entire house:

- Clean ceiling fan blades and glass globes on ceiling lights.
- Dust hard-to-reach shelves and tops of windows.
- Wipe down baseboards.
- Wash or dust window blinds.

Kitchen:

- Pull out and clean behind refrigerator.
- Dust top of refrigerator.
- Dust tops of cabinets, if exposed.
- Put your oven through its self-cleaning cycle.

Living Room

- Vacuum upholstered furniture.
- Vacuum curtains to remove dust.

Bedrooms

- Wash big bedding like comforters and quilts. (You may have to do this in a commercial machine at the laundromat.)
- Hang pillows outside in the sun for at least two hours. Replace if it's been more than 2 years.
- Rotate or flip mattresses.



March Birthdays

March 5—Kim Seng

March 12—Jocelyn Strong

March 10—Amanda Mignone

March 16—Emily Jean Breault

March 24—Sarah Bitegetsimana

March 29—John Tellier



*Happy Birthday from
all of us at Calvary!*

*Please contact the
church office if we have
missed anyone.*

April Birthdays

April 2—Zoe Noel

April 8—Garry Long

April 12—Kayla Mone

April 13—Kelliann Burns

April 15—Brandon Chan

April 16—Phean Sar

April 24—Faye Roberts

April 28—Jonathan Pica

April 30—William Franks



Praying for One Another

Ngabuen Nshom	Doris Phinney
Charles Lehman	Doug Phinney
George Garmon	Carol Yeomans
Laurie Douillette	Savon Vath
Shirley Crocker	Ruth Porter
Vannary Chan	

We continue to pray for one another in different circumstances. If you would like a prayer, please call the church office or the pastor so that we can print your name in our upcoming newsletters.





Happenings

At Calvary

- Sunday Worship: 10:45am
 - Maundy Thursday Worship March 29, 2018 at 7pm
 - Good Friday Worship March 30, 2018 at 12noon
 - Easter Sunday Worship 10:45am
- Pastor Atula will be out of the country March 6 - March 22.
- ⇒ Music Club every Friday night
- ⇒ Bible Study every Wednesday
- Pastor's new office hours: Tuesday—Friday 9am to 2pm.
- Our next Deacon's meeting will be on March 19, 2018.

In The Community

Empower—Lowell Alliance and Coalition for a Better Acre leadership workshop. Workshops are Thursday evenings starting March 22. Contact Nancy Coan at 978-454-5405.

Annual Interfaith Gathering Against Violence “If My Neighbor Is a Martian, What Should I Do?” Leaving our comfort zones to overcome our fears.



From Our Kitchen



Sausage Casserole

Ingredients:

1 pound breakfast sausage

3 cups shredded potatoes,
drained and pressed

1/4 cup butter, melted

12 ounces shredded mild cheddar cheese

1/2 cup onion, chopped

1 (16 ounce) container of small curd cottage cheese

6 jumbo eggs

Directions:

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Lightly grease a 9x13 inch square baking dish.

Place sausage in a large, deep skillet. Cook over medium-high heat until evenly brown. Drain, crumble, and set aside.

In the prepared baking dish, stir together the shredded potatoes and butter. Line the bottom and sides of the baking dish with the mixture.

In a bowl, mix the sausage, Cheddar cheese, onion, cottage cheese and eggs.

Pour over the potato mixture.

Bake 1 hour in the pre-heated oven, or until a toothpick inserted into center of the casserole, comes out clean. Let cool for 5 minutes before serving.

More recipes can be found at allrecipes.com.



Fresh Broccoli Salad

Ingredients:

- 1 tablespoon white wine vinegar
- 1 lemon
- 1 tablespoon freshly squeezed lemon juice

- 2 teaspoons Dijon mustard
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt
- A pinch of pepper
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1 pound broccoli, rinsed, trimmed and sliced thinly
- 6 ounces cherry or grape tomatoes, halved
- 3 ounces coarsely chopped pecans or hazelnuts
- 2 tablespoons fresh basil leaves

Directions:

Whisk together the vinegar, lemon juice, mustard, salt and pepper in a medium mixing bowl.

While whisking, gradually add the olive oil.

Add the broccoli and toss to coat.

Cover and place in the refrigerator for 1 hour.

Stir in the tomatoes, hazelnuts and basil. Cover and allow to sit at room temperature or in the refrigerator, for another 15 minutes before serving.

More recipes can be found at allrecipes.com.



You're Invited!

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Join us for Worship on Easter Sunday!
All are welcome! Come and help us
celebrate our Lord!

WHERE

DATE APRIL 1, 2018

TIME 10:45AM

TEL. (978) 495-9598



Daylight Saving Time

Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 11, 2018. When local standard time is about to reach 2:00am clocks are turned forward one hour to 3:00am.

According to the National Sleep Foundation, people sleep about 40 minutes less on average on the night after the switch to Daylight Saving Time. But, it also means there is more daylight in the evening and that warmer days are ahead!



Support Calvary Baptist Church



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the donation rate to 1.5% to Calvary on your first eligible purchase. Please go to smile.amazon.com/ch/04-2109846 to participate!

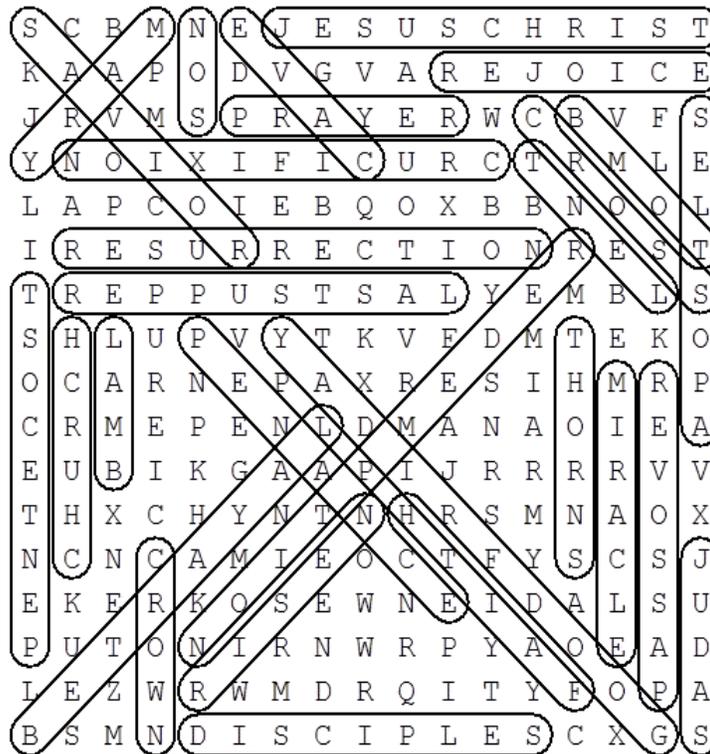


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