



April 9, 2023
9:30 a.m.

CHURCH NEWS

PRAISE & ADORATION

Praise & Worship.....Praise Team
Scripture.....Minister
Prayer..... Deacon
Hymn.....#276.....“Because He Lives”

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Special Presentation.....Sister Channelle Marsh
Church News
Offertory Prayer
Offering/Giving
Offertory Song

CARE & CONCERNS THROUGH PRAYER

Pastoral Concerns/ Recognition of Sick/Prayer Concerns

Altar Call & Prayer

The Word in Song

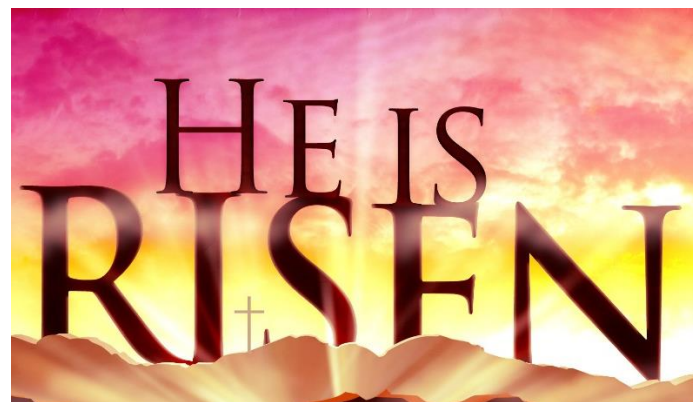
WORSHIP THROUGH INSTRUCTION

****The Sermon.....Pastor Marc A. Lavarin**

*Invitation to Christian Discipleship/ Invitational Selection
If you would like to unite with our Church Family, you can do so during the Hymn of Invitation following the sermon. You may join by Baptism, Christian Experience, Letter, or as an Associate Member.

*Benediction

***PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE and remain standing**
****Please refrain from walking during The Sermon**



Our Mission: E³
Empower spiritual lives, Enhance quality of life,
& Evangelize the lost

FROM PASTOR LAVARIN: DISCOVER THE VISION HAPPENS EVERY WEDNESDAY, at 7PM. This is at Bible Study time, but it's so much more than Bible Study! In-Person (please wear a mask) and on Zoom and Facebook. Join in the discussion and let's "Discover the Vision" together!

THERE WILL BE NO SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY.

RIDGECREST 2023—(July 17-21) REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN TO MINISTRY LEADERS. The Family Conference encourages, equips, and inspires. Please contact Minister John Carter at carter@firstcalvary.org for details. Availability is limited and openings are on a first come, first served basis. Registration is open until all slots are filled. The last day to be considered is **May 21, 2023.**

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS: The 2023 FCBC Scholarship Application is now available. They can be obtained via the Scholarship Ministry website. All applications are to be emailed to Scholarship@firstcalvary.org no later than 7pm on April 26, 2023. Please contact any member of the scholarship ministry, Sister Brenda Carter (brenda.6470404@yahoo.com), or Sister Traci Boone (traci_boone2000@yhao.com) with any questions.

NURSES...AND THOSE WITH NURSING AND MEDICAL EXPERIENCE...WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU...AND WE NEED YOU! Come join "MERT", the Medical Emergency Response Team, and give insight on medical concerns and issues. Please contact Brother Charles Currin at (910)448-8763 or Brother Robert Vance at (919)544-4425. Come join the team!!

WOMANHOOD MONTH: LADIES, GET READY FOR WOMANHOOD WEEKEND, COMING APRIL 21ST-23RD! We are "Building Hope", and YOU are invited to the events for the weekend. Friday, April 21st, 12p-Hour of Power with Minister Cynthia Jacko-Wise, Saturday, April 22nd, 9a-Women's Conference, also with Minister Jacko-Wise, and Sunday, April 23rd, 9:30a-Womanhood Sunday, with Rev. Shavon Arline-Bradley. Register for Hour of Power and Women's Conference via the church website or TODAY AFTER SERVICE IN THE VESTIBULE!

IT'S THE WOMANHOOD CHOIR! Yes, the time has come! We will be back in the choir stand for Womanhood Sunday, April 23, 2023. If you are interested, please click the link to register: <https://www.firstcalvary.org/forms/view/39935>. Space is limited and the deadline to register is April 18, 2023. Before registering please check your calendar and make sure you are available to make the following rehearsals. Hopefully, you can make all three. However, attending at least two is mandatory to sing. Thursday, April 13th at 7pm, Tuesday, April 18th at 7pm, and Thursday, April 20th at 7pm. If you are not able to join us on April 23rd, more opportunities are forthcoming. Stay tuned.....

YOUTH TRAIN: All Aboard: Choo-Choo! The Youth Council will sponsor an Amtrak train ride to the Greensboro Museum on May 13, 2023. The mission project for May 6th is the Diaper Bank for all ages 9am-11am at FCBC; and the Food Bank for kids day ages 5-11 from 1pm-3pm (8 slots available at Food Bank on 2700 Angier Ave). The link to sign up will be available on next Sunday, so save the date.

THEY'RE PLAYING BASKETBALL! Do you love basketball? Do you enjoy watching basketball games filled with tricks and tons of fun? If your answer is yes, you are invited to join the Youth Council in watching the Harlem GlobeTrotters! When: April 16, 2023 Where: PNC Arena, 1400 Edwards Mill Rd., Raleigh, NC 27607 Time: 1:30pm.



ONLY 50 SLOTS are available! First come first served. All youth that participated in at least 1 of these mission/service projects - MLK Day of Service/Diaper Bank, HBCU Museum, Boy Scouts Sock Service Project, Girl Scout Cookie Sale, or Durham Crop Hunger Walk, have already earned their ticket! Remember: Youth ages 5 - 11 must be accompanied by an adult chaperone 21 or older! All that are planning to attend must sign up by Friday, April 14th : <https://bit.ly/HG-BBALL> or use the QR Code. **All NO SHOWS, including free ticketed youth will have to reimburse First Calvary Baptist Church the cost of the ticket.** For any questions, please contact youthministry@firstcalvary.org.

FROM THE COMMUNITY: BWWC6! Ladies, 18 and above, YOU ARE INVITED! Come to the 6th "Be Well Women's Conference"sponsored by The Well Fellowship Christian Church, on Friday & Saturday, April 28th & 29th. **Registration is ONLY \$50!!** FCBC's own, Dr. Micara Sessoms is a featured panelist. Register at <https://buytickets.at/bwwc6>. **REGISTRATION IS GOING ON NOW—REGISTER TODAY. SPACE IS LIMITED...SO DON'T WAIT TO REGISTER--DO IT TODAY...Don't miss it...you will wish you had been there!**

FROM THE COMMUNITY: First Calvary will host a Durham Public Schools Town Hall Meeting on Thursday, April 13th, at 6pm. The public is invited. Learn more about the district's priorities and goals, and give feedback to help finalize a new path for Durham education. See bulletin insert or visit www.dpsnc.net to register.

LET'S CELEBRATE! First Calvary Family, you are invited to a special Baby Celebration honoring Lady Barbara and Pastor Marc as they prepare for their special delivery in May! A Baby Celebration will be held on Saturday, April 15th in the fellowship hall from 1pm to 3pm. Register TODAY....don't wait! REGISTER TO ATTEND BY APRIL 10TH. **Space is limited and you must RSVP with the following link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/baby-celebration-for-barbara-and-marc-lavarin-tickets-571134818617>. If interested, check out the Lavarin Baby Registry at www.babylist.com or with this link: <https://www.babylist.com/list/baby-barbaraandmarc-lavarin>.**

HEALING AND RECOVERY

Remember our sick & shut-in members with prayers, cards, visits, & calls and share this information with the Pastor and Deacons. Contact the church office with sick & shut in information.

HOSPITAL & CARE FACILITY		
Sis. Louise Jones	Duke University Hospital	
Sis. Rochelle Nelums	Pruitt Health	
	Erwin Road 27707	
Bro. Michael Wilson	Tower Rehabilitation & Nursing Center	
	3609 Bond Street Raleigh, NC 27604	
AT HOME CARE		
Sis. Mary Bailey	1505 Palmers Grove Church Rd, Hillsborough	27278
Bro. Danny Blackwell	1 Lucas Drive	27703
Sis. Iris Blackwell	1 Lucas Drive	27703
Sis. Betty Borden	718 Wortley Drive	27713
Sis. Blanche Burgess	3901 Hulon Drive	27705
Dea. Larry Carver	602 Crestview Drive	27712
Sis. Wilhemenia Foster-Long	117 Briarhaven Drive	27703
Deacns. Cynthia Gadson	708 Ainsley Court	27713
Sis. Anita Hill	19 Juliette Drive	27713
Sis. Shirley Jackson	2420 Glenbrook Drive	27707
Sis. Mary Liverman	4302 Stonehenge Rd., Greensboro	28406
Bro. Frank Lloyd	7 Gwendolyn Circle	27703
Sis. Princess Matthews	1127 Briar Rose Lane, Apt. 103	27704
Sis. Bettie Sanders	323 Crooked Creek Parkway	27713
Dea. John Smith	1405 Timber Wolf Drive	27713
Sister Zandra Turner	816 Tumeric Lane	27713
Bro. Kevin Young	1027 Moreland Avenue	27707

MINISTRY MEETING SCHEDULE

CFLR –Community Family Life Center at Lyon Park
CFR –Conference Room **CRM** -Choir Room
CR I -Classroom 1 **CR II** -Classroom 2 **CR III** -Classroom 3
FH – Fellowship Hall **LIB** – Library **Sanct**-Sanctuary

SUNDAY		
7:00 am	Intercessory Prayer Service (4 th Sun)	Sanct
1:15pm	Health & Wellness Ministry (2 nd Sun)	CR I
1:15 pm	Evangelism Ministry (2 nd Sun)	CR II
1:15 pm	Daughters of Calvary (3 rd Sun)	CR II
1:15 pm	Computer Ministry (2 nd Sun)	CR III
4:00 pm	Associate Ministers (each 2 nd Sun)	CR II
5:00 pm	Deacons & Trustee Ministry Mtg. (2 nd Sun)	CR III/LIB
6:30 pm	Official Leadership Team (2 nd Sun)	FH
MONDAY		
6:00 pm	Tots of Praise Rehearsal (after 1 st)	CRM
6:30 pm	Psalms 150 (after 3 rd & 4 th Sun)	CRM
6:30 pm	Young Adult Choir (after 2 nd Sun)	CRM
6:30pm	Children's Church Committee (after 2 nd Sun)	LIB
6:30 pm	Sunday School Teachers (1 st Mon)	CR I
6:30 pm	Calvary's Anointed/Vessels of Praise	FH/Sanct
7:00pm	Entrepreneur Ministry (TBA)	CR III
7:00pm	Visionary Ministry (3 rd Mon)	LIB
7:30pm	Male Chorus (after 2 nd & 3 rd Sun)	CRM
7:30pm	Young Adult Choir (before 3 rd Sun)	CRM
TUESDAY		
6:00pm	Scouting Ministry (every other Tues)	ALL AREAS
6:30pm	Hospitality Ministry (2 nd Tues)	CR I
6:30pm	Praise Team	CRM
6:30pm	Circle of Care (COC) (2 nd Tues-Quarterly)	LIB
6:30pm	Beauty for Ashes	LIB
7:00pm	Male Summit (Tuesday after 3 rd Sun)	LIB
7:30pm	Music Council (2 nd Tues)	CR II
7:30pm	The Encouragers (1 st Tues)	CR III
WEDNESDAY		
12:00pm	Noon Day Prayer	Conf. Call
6:30pm	Youth Bible Study	Zoom
7:00pm	Bible Study	Zoom/FB
THURSDAY		
6:00pm	Nursery Ministry (1 st Thurs)	Nursery
6:30pm	Calvary's Anointed/Vessels of Praise	FH/Sanct
6:30pm	Beautification Committee (2 nd Thurs)	CR I
6:30pm	Couples' Ministry (4 th Thurs)	CR II
6:30pm	Youth Council (4 th Thurs)	CR I
6:30pm	ACT Ministry (3 rd Thurs)	CR I
6:30pm	Young Adult Ministry (3 rd Thurs)	CR II
6:30pm	Emergency Response Team (ERT)	CR II
7:00pm	Singles in Love with Christ (4 th Thurs)	LIB
7:00pm	Sunday Service Choir Rehearsal	CRM
7:30pm	Drama Ministry	CR III
SATURDAY		
9:30am	Pearls of Praise (2 nd Sat)	CRM
10:00am	Scholarship Ministry (before the 2 nd Sun)	CR II
10:00am	PROJECT F.I.N.E.	CFLR
10:00am	Onesiphorous Prison Ministry (3 rd Sat)	CR I
10:30am	Deaconess Ministry (1 st Sat)	LIB/Sanct
11:00am	Senior Missionary Ministry (3 rd Sat)	LIB
11:00am	Senior Usher & First Aid Ministry (2 nd Sat)	CRM/ Sanct
11:30am	Culinary Arts Ministry (4 th Sat)	LIB

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Because of Calvary! We celebrate today **BECAUSE OF CALVARY!** Jesus Lives....and we are so glad about it! The Resurrection is why we profess a belief....and knowing...that our Savior truly IS a SAVIOR....He saved us all with His great sacrifice. The Resurrection is the pinnacle of the Christian faith. Without the Resurrection, death wins...and we all know that ain't happening! Each of us has victory in the very Victory of Christ! It's **Because of Calvary** that we are here.... It's **Because of Calvary** we praise a Risen Savior....It's **Because of Calvary** hearts can be changed. **Because of Calvary.** Happy Resurrection to each of you.

We have celebrated a wonderful Holy Week, the first at FCBC and in Durham for Barbara and myself, and it was blessed. Maundy Thursday was such a blessed time of worship and reflection and our Spring Festival, despite the weather, was a good time for the church and community. I am grateful to our Staff/Team for canvassing the neighborhood to get the word out. Today, we welcome visitors and guests, returning church family, and those with us virtually for Resurrection Sunday! We also welcome and are excited about the return of the Mass Choir....sing the songs of Zion and let's worship the living Savior, Saints! Yes, "life is worth the living JUST because He Lives!"

Ladies, please register for the Womanhood Weekend events, coming in just a few weeks. You can register today in the vestibule or throughout the week on the church website, but don't delay. It will be a great time of worship and teaching, make sure you don't miss it! Speaking of "don't miss it", Discover the Vision will be back this Wednesday....be there...don't miss it!

Jesus lives....He rose on the 3rd day with all power...He is our Risen Savior...we celebrate... **Because of Calvary.**

Because of Calvary,
Pastor Marc

THE DEACON'S MESSAGE

"Ah Lord God! Behold, You have made the heavens and the earth by Your great power and by Your outstretched arm! Nothing is too difficult for You..." Jeremiah 32:17, NASB "Give God Room to Work on Your Behalf..." Do you need something to build upon to start today? Do you need a good enough reason to get out of the bed after yesterday's challenges? Is there any reason to hope that today will be better than yesterday, or, that it will be better than countless days of difficulty? Here is some good news to get you going. God can do anything! At times we tend to forget who we are dealing with. The God that we pray to and believe in is creator of the universe. The heavens and the earth are His handiwork. The sun, moon and stars are mental manipulations of His thought process that produced something we can see, admire and experience. There can be no doubt in our hearts and minds that God is THE all-powerful being we need in our lives. Whether the sun is shining, or the rain is cascading from the sky and pooling at our feet, God is part of it all.

STEWARDSHIP STATISTICS

Our **Tithes & Offerings** must be **\$36,810.84** per Sunday to meet our budget. Thank you for giving!

April 2, 2023

Discover the Vision **N/A** Sunday School **92** New Members **2**
In-Person Worship **387** Worship Service (Streaming) **145**

Tithes and Offering	\$17,265.30
Sacrificial Offering	\$2,515.00
Food Pantry	\$80.00
Scholarship	\$185.00
Children's Church	\$6.00
Sunday School	\$81.00
Mortgage	\$32,000.00
Online Giving	\$24,463.50
Total Giving	\$76,595.80

LET US PRAY: MATURE ADULTS, AGE 60 & UP, join "Noon Day" midweek prayer & devotion, **EVERY WEDNESDAY at 12:00 p.m.** Call 712-432-1000, enter access code 616729948#. Others are invited to attend as well.

TIME FOR THE "MID-WEEK TUNE UP"! Join the Prayer Conference Call on Wednesdays at 7:00 a.m., 712-432-1001, code "494132935#". **This call is led by Pastor Lavarin.** Please ONLY use the above listed number for this Wednesday call. Additionally... **AND THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT....PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOUR PHONE IS MUTED ON THE CALL AND YOU CANNOT BE HEARD.**

Come to Intercessory Prayer on the 4th Sundays, 7:00 a.m.- Zoom Access: Meeting ID: 874 6010 4604, Passcode: 386584.



REMINDER: The FCBC Food Pantry always welcomes donations of non-perishable food items! Types of Items Needed: rice, beans, jelly, peanut butter, cereal, pasta, pasta sauce, canned veggies & fruit, tuna, pickles, soup, ramen noodles, hot dogs, small packs of hamburger, etc.

PLEASE REMEMBER: YOU WILL NEED TO STILL WEAR A MASK WHENEVER YOU COME TO THE CHURCH.

COME BACK TO CHURCH FOR WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS! AGAIN-PLEASE WEAR A MASK TO CHURCH.

WE WILL ALSO CONTINUE TO LIVE STREAM WORSHIP VIA THE CHURCH WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK AT 9:30 A.M. EACH SUNDAY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

WOMANHOOD MONTH

April 2023

1	9:00 AM	NEW MEMBER CONNECTION
SUN 2	9:30 AM	Worship Service Stream on Facebook & Website
	11:00 AM	Sunday School on Zoom
5	12:00 PM	PRAYER CALL-MATURE ADULTS NO DISCOVER THE VISION
6	7:00 PM	MAUNDY THURSDAY
7		GOOD FRIDAY
		CHURCH CLOSED
8	10:30 AM	SPRING FESTIVAL
SUN 9	9:30 AM	RESURRECTION SUNDAY Worship Service Stream on Facebook & Website
	11:00 AM	Sunday School Resurrection Presentation
12	12:00 PM	PRAYER CALL-MATURE ADULTS DISCOVER THE VISION
	7:00 PM	Zoom & Facebook
SUN 16	9:30 AM	Worship Service Stream on Facebook & Website
19	12:00 PM	PRAYER CALL-MATURE ADULTS DISCOVER THE VISION
	7:00 PM	Zoom & Facebook
21	12:00 PM	WOMEN'S HOUR OF POWER
22	9:00 AM	WOMEN'S CONFERENCE In-Person & Via Zoom
SUN 23	9:30 AM	WOMANHOOD SUNDAY Worship Service Stream on Facebook & Website
	11:00 AM	Sunday School on Zoom
26	12:00 PM	PRAYER CALL-MATURE ADULTS DISCOVER THE VISION
	7:00 PM	Zoom & Facebook

TODAY'S MINISTRY THROUGH SERVICE

Music:	Praise Team
Director of Music Ministries:	Minister Michael Dotson
Senior Church Musician:	Brother Tony Rhodes
Bass Player:	Brother David Cannady
Percussionist:	Brother Andre Sanders
Saxophonist:	Brother Lynwood Jones
Videographers:	Sister Hilary Fearrington/ Dr. Toni McIntosh/ Sister Gail Hendricks
Audio Team (1 per Sunday):	Brother Ivan Holloway/ Deacon Darryll Gadson/ Deacon Xavier Cason/ Brother Michael Hill/ Deacon Calvin Squires/ Brother Derrick Garrett

FACEBOOK: First Calvary Baptist Church, Durham, NC

If you are having a medical procedure, or are sick at home for over a week, please contact the church office so that Pastoral contact can occur as soon as possible or at your request.



"An Exciting Church Excited About Its Mission"

Celebrating The Resurrection



Womanhood Month:
"Building Hope"

April 9, 2023

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SUNDAY-Worship- 9:30am ♦ Sunday School-11am

WEDNESDAY-Mid-Week Tune-Up Prayer Call-7am

Discover the Vision-7pm

"BUILDING ON GOD'S FOUNDATION"

FIRST CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

WOMANHOOD WEEKEND

HOUR OF POWER

FRIDAY
APRIL 21
12:00 PM

GUEST SPEAKER
MIN. CYNTHIA JACKO-WISE

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SATURDAY WORKSHOP

SATURDAY
APRIL 22

GUEST SPEAKER
MIN. CYNTHIA JACKO-WISE

8:30AM // REGISTRATION
9:00AM // START

Register Today!
“Building Hope”!

SUNDAY
APRIL 23

SUNDAY WORSHIP

GUEST SPEAKER
REV. SHAVON ARLINE-BRADLEY
PRESIDENT AND CEO, NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN

9:30AM



Calling All Ladies...Be Our Guest!

Womanhood Weekend 2023, April 21st-23rd

Register online at www.firstcalvary.org or in the Vestibule today!

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DURHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS

STRATEGIC PLANNING + GROWING TOGETHER

Community Town Hall Meeting

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Throughout the fall, DPS and RTI International heard from parents, students, staff, and community members from across Durham to inform the development of a bold new strategic plan. Come join us to learn more about the district's priorities and goals, including Growing Together, and provide additional feedback as we work to finalize this new path for Durham.

Thursday, April 13th, 6:00-7:30pm
First Calvary Baptist Church
1311 Morehead Ave, Durham, NC 27707

**Strategic Plan
2023-2028**



To register, scan the QR
code below or go to
www.dpsnc.net

