



**April 30, 2023**  
**9:30 a.m.**

## CHURCH NEWS

### PRAISE & ADORATION

Praise & Worship.....Praise Team  
 Scripture.....Minister  
 Prayer..... Deacon  
 Hymn.....#380.....“Leaning On The Everlasting Arms”

### CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

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: E<sup>3</sup>**  
**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!

**WE ARE FIRST CALVARY:** Watch the full video of the "We Are First Calvary" Segment featuring Sister Donna Mack on the First Calvary YouTube Channel: [Youtube-@FCBCDurham](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFCBCDurham). Learn about a member of your church family and their FCBC journey... and remember that together, WE ARE FIRST CALVARY.

**NEW MEMBER CONNECTION: ALL NEW MEMBERS OF FIRST CALVARY ARE INVITED TO THE NEW MEMBER CONNECTION EVENT ON SATURDAY, MAY 6<sup>TH</sup>, 9:00 A.M. TO 12:30 P.M.** Come learn more about your church and meet others in your church family. Look for an email to register. If you are a new member and have not attended a NMC yet, WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU TO BE THERE.

**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](mailto: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.**

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU...AND WE NEED YOU!** Come join the **Emergency Response Team Security Unit.** If you are interested in or have a background in Security, we need you on our team. Flexible schedule rotations to work with your availability. Please contact Brother Charles Currin at (910)448-8763 or the Church Office at (919)489-4184. Come join the team!!

**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!!

**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 6<sup>th</sup> 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.

**THE HONORING OUR ELDERS DRIVE THROUGH EVENT** will be held in the FCBC Parking Lot on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 11:30am-1pm. Mature Adults, 65 years and over, come join us and drive through. RSVP by May 7<sup>th</sup> or as soon as possible to Deaconess Angela Privette (919-414-2119), Deaconess Denise Guerrier (919-724-8168), or Deaconess Monica Perry (919-801-8698).

**IT'S VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL TIME AGAIN AT FIRST CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH.** Children age Birth to 18 years are admitted free from June 14 - 16 starting at 5:00 for dinner. Our theme this year is Twists & Turns - Following Jesus Changes The Game" Psalm 25:4. Don't worry adults, we have a class for you too. This week of food and exciting learning opportunities is free of charge and open to everyone. Also, if you would like to serve during these three days as a teacher, teacher's assistant, work with Culinary Arts, please contact Mary Gilmer at [wibbie.gilmer@gmail.com](mailto:wibbie.gilmer@gmail.com) or 919-358-9279.

**FROM THE COMMUNITY:** "Mother of the Nation: Maddie Hall Xuma and Black Women's Global Activism During Jim Crow & Apartheid" a lecture presentation by author Dr. Wanda A. Hendricks on Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 3pm, at Hayti Heritage Center located at 804 Fayetteville Street. Free Open to the Public.

## 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	<b>Hock Center</b>
Sis. Rochelle Nelums	<b>Pruitt Health</b>
	Erwin Road 27707
Bro. Michael Wilson	<b>Tower Rehabilitation &amp; Nursing Center</b>
	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
Sis. Brenda Carter	5 Rush Court	27713
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. Deborah Jolly		
Sis. Mary Liverman	6 Warfield Court, Greensboro	27406
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 <sup>th</sup> Sun)	Sanct
1:15pm	Health & Wellness Ministry (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)	CR I
1:15 pm	Evangelism Ministry (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)	CR II
1:15 pm	Daughters of Calvary (3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun)	CR II
1:15 pm	Computer Ministry (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)	CR III
4:00 pm	Associate Ministers (each 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)	CR II
5:00 pm	Deacons & Trustee Ministry Mtg. (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)	CR III/LIB
6:30 pm	Official Leadership Team (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)	FH

### MONDAY

6:00 pm	Tots of Praise Rehearsal (after 1 <sup>st</sup> )	CRM
6:30 pm	Psalm 150 (after 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sun)	CRM
6:30 pm	Young Adult Choir (after 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)	CRM
6:30pm	Children's Church Committee (after 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)	LIB
6:30 pm	Sunday School Teachers (1 <sup>st</sup> 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 <sup>rd</sup> Mon)	LIB
7:30pm	Male Chorus (after 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun)	CRM
7:30pm	Young Adult Choir (before 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun)	CRM

### TUESDAY

6:00pm	Scouting Ministry (every other Tues)	ALL AREAS
6:30pm	Hospitality Ministry (2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues)	CR I
6:30pm	Praise Team	CRM
6:30pm	Circle of Care (COC) (2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues-Quarterly)	LIB
6:30pm	Beauty for Ashes	LIB
7:00pm	Male Summit (Tuesday after 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun)	LIB
7:30pm	Music Council (2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues)	CR II
7:30pm	The Encouragers (1 <sup>st</sup> 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 <sup>st</sup> Thurs)	Nursery
6:30pm	Calvary's Anointed/Vessels of Praise	FH/Sanct
6:30pm	Beautification Committee (2 <sup>nd</sup> Thurs)	CR I
6:30pm	Couples' Ministry (4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs)	CR II
6:30pm	Youth Council (4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs)	CR I
6:30pm	ACT Ministry (3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs)	CR I
6:30pm	Young Adult Ministry (3 <sup>rd</sup> Thurs)	CR II
6:30pm	Emergency Response Team (ERT)	CR II
7:00pm	Singles in Love with Christ (4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs)	LIB
7:00pm	Sunday Service Choir Rehearsal	CRM
7:30pm	Drama Ministry	CR III

### SATURDAY

9:30am	Pearls of Praise (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat)	CRM
10:00am	Scholarship Ministry (before the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun)	CR II
10:00am	PROJECT F.I.N.E.	CFLR
10:00am	Onesiphorous Prison Ministry (3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat)	CR I
10:30am	Deaconess Ministry (1 <sup>st</sup> Sat)	LIB/Sanct
11:00am	Senior Missionary Ministry (3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat)	LIB
11:00am	Senior Usher & First Aid Ministry (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat)	CRM/ Sanct
11:30am	Culinary Arts Ministry (4 <sup>th</sup> Sat)	LIB

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

First Calvary, what an amazing Womanhood Weekend we had last week! I am grateful to all the volunteers and staff that made last week possible! As we approach the month of May, I am grateful for all of the well wishes to both Rev. Barbara and I. As we prepare to welcome our son, we continue to solicit the prayers of our First Calvary family! It indeed takes a village to raise a child, and I look forward to the ways in which this village will do so!

Let me also add my thanks to the First Calvary leadership for allowing me time to be on paternity leave. This is an incredibly important time in the life of our family and I'm grateful to be able to support my family through the ministry of presence. I want you to know that in my absence, there are some amazing preachers coming to share with you each week. We welcome, the Rev. Dr. James Forbes (May 7<sup>th</sup>), Min. Torie Forte (May 14<sup>th</sup>), and Rev. Dr. Judy Fentress-Williams (May 21<sup>st</sup>) to the First Calvary pulpit. These fantastic people of God are anointed, powerful, and excited to be with us!

Lastly, please know that Discover the Vision will continue in my absence. We have some fantastic associate ministers who will be leading the teaching! While on leave, your presence at Discover the Vision is important to me! Please continue to show up, because we are Building on God's foundation!

Because of Calvary,  
Pastor Marc

## THE DEACON'S MESSAGE

As we approach another spring month, we gain a few more minutes of sunlight each day. In other words, during this time of year, every morning we wake up, God gives us a little more time to walk in the light. The question is, what are we going to do with those extra moments? The world tells us that the additional spring and summer daylight is there for our leisure and pleasure. Will we use the extra time deposited into our new day to sit back and relax, or will we use it to help someone else? The good news is that we don't have to make that decision alone. We have a helper! A wonderful benefit of being a disciple of Christ is having access to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, who points out opportunities to walk in His light each and every new day. 1 Corinthians 12:7 says, "But to each one is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good." Let's take advantage of these extra minutes to do something good for our neighbors.

### STEWARDSHIP STATISTICS

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

**April 23, 2023**

Discover the Vision **67** Sunday School **70** New Members **5**  
In-Person Worship **405** Worship Service (Streaming) **243**

Tithes and Offering	\$15,656.00
Sacrificial Offering	\$687.00
Food Pantry	\$461.00
Scholarship	\$175.00
Children's Church	\$6.00
Sunday School	\$70.00
Online Giving	\$15,312.72
<b>Total Giving</b>	<b>\$32,367.72</b>

**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., call 712-432-1001, enter 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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! 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

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



**Womanhood Month:  
"Building Hope"**

**April 30, 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"**

