

FROM THE PASTOR’S DESK

Webster.com defines the word “stewardship” in this way: the office, duties, and obligations of a steward; the conducting, supervising, or managing of something; *especially* the careful and responsible management of something entrusted to one’s care. Now how does this apply to our daily walk with Christ? Well, every disciple of Jesus Christ (not just those at First Calvary Baptist Church) should be ready and excited to give of your TIME, TALENTS AND TREASURES according to God’s Word...each and every day. In order for us to continue “Developing and Leading Disciples Into Spiritual Excellence”, we have to be reminded that God has entrusted us to be here on this earth to make a difference, with our God-given time, our God-given talent, and yes, our God-given treasures. Speaking of which, I would like to say a word or two about our God-given treasures. Here at First Calvary we are a transparent congregation and we appreciate every God-given treasure for the ministry work of this church. With that being said, I really need for this month to continue to be a prosperous giving month. We need your consistent gifts each and every Sunday. We need your sweet presence in Bible Study and Sunday School and Worship each week. We need you to consider, “have I been true as a Disciple of Jesus Christ in the life of this congregation?” If your answer is not in the affirmative then why not start today in this Lenten Season.

Today we celebrate Scout Sunday. First Calvary has a LARGE, active Scouting Ministry. Special thanks to the Scout Leadership Team, each leader, and every family that is involved with this ever-growing ministry. Please remember that our Scouting Ministry is just that.....MINISTRY! It is not a nursery, it is not after-school care, it is not a baby-sitting service. The goal of Boy Scouts “is to train youth in responsible citizenship, character development, and self-reliance through participation in a wide range of outdoor activities, educational programs, and, at older age levels, career-oriented programs in partnership with community organizations.” Additionally, Girl Scouts “aims to empower girls and to help teach values such as honesty, fairness, courage, compassion, character, sisterhood, confidence, and citizenship through activities including camping, community service, learning first aid, and earning badges by acquiring other practical skills.” (source-wikipedia) When you are a part of the Scouting Ministry, your life is poured into for the better.

Please don’t forget that the 18th Annual Westend Community Foundation, Inc. Golf Tournament will be held at Hillandale Golf Course on this coming Saturday. We still need volunteers to assist with the event. If you are available, come and lend a hand. Contact Sister Rebecca Oats at (919)536-4201 no later than this Wednesday, March 15th, at 4:00 p.m. to lend a hand. Ready? Set? Golf! ☺ Also, be here for the Lenten Service on March 22nd at 10:00 a.m. (if you can)....the Music Workshop on March 22nd-26th...and Mature Adults, 60 and up, wear your green and attend our next Senior Lunch and Learn on March 30th! Always remember that we are AN EXCITING CHURCH EXCITED ABOUT ITS MISSION!

THE DEACON’S MESSAGE

God has blessed each of us with a heart for compassion, a desire to encourage, and a willingness to comfort others in times of need. Though we face trials and tribulations of our own, it does not mean that we are to neglect others if they are facing woes at the same time, or after we do. The heart of God, which you carry in your spiritual temple, wants you to act now! Have you ever felt that tugging that you should call someone or stop by their house? Have you felt a need to send a card, share a smile or bless someone just because your heart told you too? God has compassion for us and blesses us. We in turn are to do the same thing for those He loves. 2 Corinthians 1:3-4, NIV reminds us of this. “[Praise to the God of All Comfort] Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God.” Remember, to whom much is given, much is expected. Share the love of God you have received.

TODAY’S MINISTRY THROUGH SERVICE

Music:	Tots of Praise/Voices of Calvary
Director of Music Ministries:	Minister Michael Dotson
Senior Church Musician:	Brother David Cannady
Percussionist:	Brother Andre Sanders
Saxophonist:	Brother Lynwood Jones
First Aide Ministry:	Sister Kelly Foster
Encouragers:	Brother Lonnie Forte/ Sister Kendra Adams
Audio Technician:	Deacon Darryll Gadson
Nursery Volunteers:	Minnie Russell/Dorothy Tate/ DeMya Oakley/Danyell Hinton
Videographers:	Brother Reginald Taylor/ Sister Anita Hill
Next Sunday Van Drivers:	Deacon Jeff Forde/ Deacon Shedrick Poole

STEWARDSHIP STATISTICS

Our Tithes & Offerings must be \$32,288.46 per Sunday to meet our budget. Thank you for giving!

March 12, 2017

Bible Study	54	Sunday School	148	New Members	N/A
Early Worship	200	Worship Service	265		
Tithes and Offering				\$33,524.91	
Sacrificial Offering				\$2,213.75	
Children’s Church				\$21.39	
Food Pantry				\$310.00	
Scholarship				\$240.00	
Sunday School				\$184.57	
Gift/Donation				\$100.00	
Online Giving				\$ 8,223.00	
Total Giving				\$44,817.62	



Feeding the Community

Spring into Service:

Donate non-perishable food items to the FCBC Food Pantry ANYTIME: peanut butter, rice, jelly, pasta, cereal, canned veggies, canned fruit, pasta sauce, ramen noodles, oatmeal, etc.

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.

STEWARDSHIP MONTH

March 2017

1	12:00 <i>noon</i>	Noon Day Prayer
	6:45 PM	Prayer & Praise
	7:00 PM	Bible Study
SUN 5		“All Tithers/Prove Me Sunday”
	7:45 AM	Early Morning Worship Service
		Holy Communion
	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:30 AM	Service of Baptism
	10:45 AM	Morning Worship Service
		Holy Communion
8	12:00 <i>noon</i>	Noon Day Prayer
	6:45 PM	Prayer & Praise
	7:00PM	Bible Study
SUN 12		Scouting Sunday
	7:45 AM	Early Morning Worship Service
	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:45 AM	Morning Worship Service
15	12:00 <i>noon</i>	Noon Day Prayer
	6:45 PM	Prayer & Praise
	7:00 PM	Bible Study
18	8:30 AM	THE WESTEND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GOLF TOURNAMENT
SUN 19	7:45 AM	Early Morning Worship
	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:45 AM	Morning Worship Service
22	10:00 AM	LENTEN SERVICE
	12:00 <i>noon</i>	Noon Day Prayer
	6:45 PM	Prayer & Praise
	7:00 PM	Bible Study
22-26	7:00PM	ANNUAL MUSIC WORKSHOP
SUN 26		SACRIFICIAL SUNDAY
	7:00 AM	Intercessory Prayer
	4:00 PM	MUSIC WORKSHOP CONCERT
	7:45 AM	Early Morning Worship
	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:45 AM	Morning Worship Service
29	12:00 <i>noon</i>	Noon Day Prayer
	6:45 PM	Prayer & Praise
	7:00 PM	Bible Study
30	10:00 AM	SENIOR LUNCH & LEARN

NO FOOD, DRINK OR GUM IN THE SANCTUARY.
HELP KEEP THE BUILDING CLEAN BY DISPOSING OF TRASH.
*Please remain standing
**Please refrain from walking during The Sermon
Use the rear exit unless there is an emergency
THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION

You are invited to join us for Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.!
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The Abbreviated FC Mission Statement:
E³: Empower spiritual lives, Enhance quality of life,
& Evangelize the lost



"An Exciting Church Excited About Its Mission"

SCOUT SUNDAY



Boy Scouts



Girl Scouts®

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SUNDAY

Worship- 7:45am & 10:45am♦Children’s Church-10:45am
Sunday School-9:30am

WEDNESDAY

Noon Day Prayer- 12:00pm
Prayer & Praise– 6:30pm♦Bible Study–7:00pm

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