



March 19, 2023
9:30 a.m.

CHURCH NEWS

PRAISE & ADORATION

Praise & Worship.....Praise Team
Scripture.....Minister
Prayer..... Deacon
Hymn.....#384.....“Trust & Obey”

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Church News
Offertory Prayer
Offering/Giving
Offertory Song

CARE & CONCERNS THROUGH PRAYER

“We Are First Calvary”
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**



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 Deacon Kevin G. Montgomery on the First Calvary YouTube Channel: Youtube- @FCBCDurham. Learn about a member of your church family and their FCBC journey... and remember that together, WE ARE FIRST CALVARY.

FROM THE SUNDAY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION: THE TEEN CLASS IS BACK! Any Zoom challenges with the Teen Class have been corrected. Teens, 13-17... come join the Teen Class Sunday School this Sunday...and every Sunday at 11:00 am. The Zoom information is as follows: Meeting ID: 81023410603, Passcode: 515700. SEE YOU THERE and THANKS FOR YOUR PATIENCE!

RIDGECREST 2023—(July 17-21) REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN TO MINISTRY LEADERS. The Family Conference is designed to encourage, equip, and inspire members and leaders. Please contact Minister John Carter at carter@firstcalvary.org for details. Availability is limited and openings will be granted 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.**

CLOTHING GIVEAWAY: Church Family, please spread the word! There will be a clothing giveaway on Saturday, March 25, 2023 from 7am-12noon at the Smith House, 1019 Cornell Street. Be on the lookout for future donation dates. Thanks for your continued support!

2023 SPRING LOVE OFFERING: Attention all College Students: Please complete the Spring Love Offering form listed on the Scholarship ministry page (scholarship@firstcalvary.org by 1pm on March 26, 2023 if you wish to receive the Spring Love Offering. Please do not place the form in the Ministry mailbox as we will only accept online requests. Please contact Sister Brenda Carter (brenda_6470404@yahoo.com) or Sister Traci Boone (traci_boone2000@yahoo.com) if you have any questions.

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@yahoo.com) should you have any questions.

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. SPACE IS LIMITED....SO DON'T WAIT TO REGISTER...Don't miss it...you will wish you had been there!

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.

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! 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>.

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. 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
Dea. Larry Carver	602 Crestview Drive	27712
Sis. Wilhemenia Foster-Long	309 Pearson Drive	27713
Sis. Shirley Jackson	2420 Glenbrook Drive	27707
Sis. Louise Jones	1218 Cornell Street	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
Sis. Conya Thorpe	2801 Ross Road	27703
Sister Zandra Turner	816 Tumeric Lane	27713
Bro. Kevin Young	1027 Moreland Avenue	27707

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

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	Psalm 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

Discover the Vision in on Wednesdays at 7pm. Please join us here in person as we explore and discuss topics relevant to our growth as a church. Your presence makes a difference, and I look forward to seeing our church come together and engage with one another. Also on Wednesdays, we have our Mid-Week Tune Up prayer call at 7am. Call in and let's pray together. Also, I remind and invite our Mature Adults to join in the noon day prayer call, just for you on Wednesdays at 12p, with Min. Booth. There are so many opportunities for our Church Family to come together, and I hope each of you take advantage of every single one.

Church Family, on next week we will have our first Sacrificial Sunday of the year. I am excited about what God will do through our sacrificial giving. As we have focused on "Building Generosity" this month, I am hopeful that there has been something that has triggered an even deeper generosity in each of us. Maybe we will dig deeper into our pockets and purses and give more. Maybe we will reach out to one another and spend more time. Maybe we will seek out that Ministry that needs more hands and serve more. Whatever the tug, prayerfully there is a call on your life to give as richly as Christ gave to us.

Because of Calvary,
Pastor Marc

THE DEACON'S MESSAGE

"Don't let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust also in me...." John 14:1, NLT Jesus spoke these words to the disciples as they stared in disbelief at the thought of one of them betraying Jesus, and Jesus leaving them. Where would they go without someone to lead? Do you feel as if you have been abandoned? Everything seemed to be going pretty well, and then, all of sudden, the crack in the ground turned into a crater. You thought you were following Jesus, but you lost Him in the crowd somehow. Has He left you behind? No. Jesus knows where you are and what you are going through. God does not want us to have troubled hearts. Yes, He knows that we will find ourselves in unsettling situations, moments of despair, and bewildering bouts of uncertainty. They are all part of the journey. However, troubled hearts only appear when their chambers have been pumping doubt instead of trust. There was no one greater than God, no one greater than God's son, except God Himself. We can trust God! If you find yourself in a sticky situation, trust God. Remember, nothing clogs up the chambers of our hearts quicker than doubt. Do yourself a favor. Before spiritual bypass surgery becomes necessary, take Jesus at His word-Jesus says, "just trust me".

STEWARDSHIP STATISTICS

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

March 12, 2023

Discover the Vision **108** Sunday School **81** New Members **1**
In-Person Worship **244** Worship Service (Streaming) **227**

Tithes and Offering	\$7,634.48
Sacrificial Offering	\$495.00
Food Pantry	\$376.00
Scholarship	\$75.00
Children's Church	\$3.00
Sunday School	\$23.00
Online Giving	\$15,708.91
Total Giving	\$24,757.80



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.

(This is a great community service project for your job or school...or even a great family project!)

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.

STEWARDSHIP MONTH

March 2023

1	12:00 PM	PRAYER CALL-MATURE ADULTS
	7:00 PM	"VISION HUDDLE"
		In-person/Zoom/Facebook
4	9:00 AM	NEW MEMBER CONNECTION
SUN 5		PROVE ME/ALL TITHE SUNDAY
	9:30 AM	Worship Service
		In-person/Zoom/Facebook
8	11:00 AM	Sunday School-In Person & Zoom
	12:00 PM	PRAYER CALL-MATURE ADULTS
	7:00 PM	"DISCOVER THE VISION"
		In-person/Zoom/Facebook
SUN 12		SCOUT SUNDAY
		*TIME CHANGES- DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME
	9:30 AM	Worship Service
		In-person/Zoom/Facebook
15	11:00 AM	Sunday School-In Person & Zoom
	12:00 PM	PRAYER CALL-MATURE ADULTS
	7:00 PM	BIBLE STUDY
		Stream on Zoom & Facebook
SUN 19	9:30 AM	Worship Service
		Stream on Facebook & Website
22	11:00 AM	Sunday School-In Person & Zoom
	12:00 PM	PRAYER CALL-MATURE ADULTS
	7:00 PM	"DISCOVER THE VISION"
		In-person/Zoom/Facebook
SUN 26		SACRIFICIAL SUNDAY
	9:30 AM	Worship Service
		In-person/Zoom/Facebook
29	11:00 AM	Sunday School-In Person & Zoom
	12:00 PM	PRAYER CALL-MATURE ADULTS
	7:00 PM	"DISCOVER THE VISION"
		In-person/Zoom/Facebook

TODAY'S MINISTRY THROUGH SERVICE

Music:	Praise Team
Director of Music Ministries:	Minister Michael Dotson
Guest Musician:	Brother David Cannady
Percussionist:	Brother Andre Sanders
Saxophonist:	Brother Lynwood Jones
Videographers:	Sister Hilary Fearington/ 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"

STEWARDSHIP MONTH



"Building Generosity"

March 19, 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"

