



# THE CALVARY CONNECTION

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MAY 2025

## May Birthdays

1: John Hayes, Susie McCollum  
2: William C. Redd, Jr., Ruth Bandy  
3: Conner Lough  
4: Lynn Christensen, Autumn Tysk  
5: Meredith Boles, Allen Burke  
6: Ryley Jones  
8: Richard Cobb, Noah Cox  
10: Justin Trivette,  
11: Tyler Collins, Nathan Lineback  
12: Dale Segraves, Daniel Szabat, Martha Willis  
15: Martha Rothrock, Justin Underwood  
16: Madi Guthrie, Byron Poindexter  
17: Jan Bullins, Hampton Grubbs

19: Nate Smith  
20: Wyatt Baker, Vicki Chadwick,  
Grayson Church, Grace Tasedan  
21: Jennifer Carter  
22: Sandra Davis  
23: Bryan Peterson, Gail Lineberry,  
Tommy McKoon  
24: Bonner Samms III  
25: Elaine Peddycord, Sami Rothrock  
26: Beth Nance  
28: Anna Dickens, Nick Poindexter

## GRADUATE RECOGNITION

On Sunday, May 18th, we will observe our Graduate Recognition Day. On this special day of worship, we will be acknowledging all those who have completed the major milestone of graduation from high school, college, or graduate school. **By May 9th**, please email Jacob ([jacob@calvarymoravian.org](mailto:jacob@calvarymoravian.org)) and let us know of anyone in your family who will be graduating from high school, college, or graduate school. This will give us the opportunity to announce graduate information in our church publications, including the bulletin and our newsletters. In addition to the names of graduates, please provide school/college information, graduation date, and any future plans for the students following graduation. We look forward to acknowledging and congratulating all our graduates!



# CALVARY CELEBRATES OUR MUSIC PROGRAM!

We are so blessed to have the commitment to music we share at Calvary. The many members that make up our myriad ensembles and the countless hours they dedicate each year to the ministry and worship of our church is inspiring.

Our Band Director, Brian Lott, and the ensemble of players that enhance our worship service each week are incredibly dedicated and much appreciated. Their music here at Calvary and as a part of the wider Moravian Funeral Band provide comfort, joy, peace, nostalgia, and hope at all the varied times in which they offer their time and talents.

Our Calvary Ringers never fail to ring out their message in worship every time they play. Their dedication to weekly practice, the laughter and learning that takes place, and their love of playing (and counting!) in the midst of our worship each season is such a wonderful blessing!

Our children and youth pass on traditions of our church with their annual Hosanna and Morning Star, as well as other small ensembles, and solos they sing or play as an offering to God. We enjoy their dedication weekly on violin, piano, small choral ensembles, and as soloists. How fortunate we are to have them ready and willing to share their gifts with us!

We are also blessed by other resident musicians who play various instruments like guitar, flute, trombone, trumpet, oboe, and piano, as well as offering their vocal talents in various solos and duets throughout the year.

Our organist, Mary Lou, is second to none. There aren't adequate words to thank her for the countless hours she devotes to planning, practicing, and playing for our weekly worship, as well as all the special services that are included in our calendar. Her attention to detail, musicality, creativity, and devotion to quality musicianship, and service to God are obvious in every piece she plays. Additionally, her dedication to supporting our choral program goes beyond the call of duty every single week. Again, we are so blessed.

Then we have our Calvary Chancel Choir. This group of talented, devoted, and caring souls lead us in countless ways. They are true examples of consistent and called leaders in our congregation and they dedicate more hours than one might realize to that leadership. A lot is asked of them every week and they always deliver. Their commitment, not just to Calvary, but to God, is unmistakable.

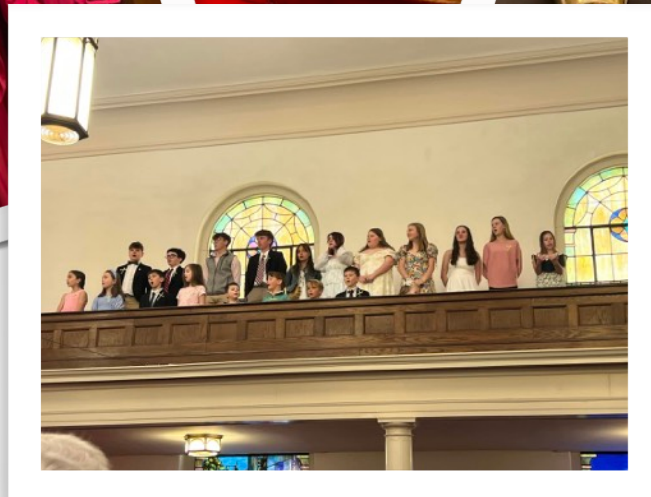
We also have in our midst a group of five choral scholars from UNCSCA. Calvary is blessed to have this nearly 20 year, long-running program. Through it we have had some incredible singers and musicians, and these five are no exception! Our soprano, Frida Garcia, is a High Point native currently completing her junior year, majoring in Voice. She serves in several supporting leadership roles on campus, including Resident Assistant and multiple advocacy groups. Our alto, Helen Steffan, is completing her second year at UNCSCA as a Piano Performance major, studying with Dimitri Shteinberg. She hails from

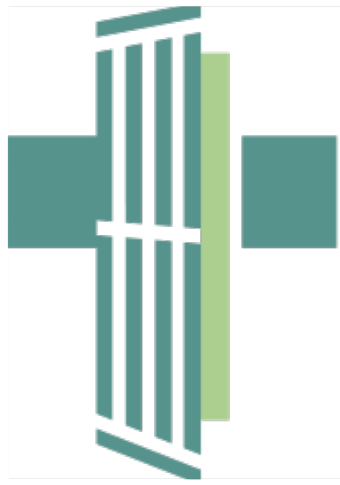
Fayetteville, NC and has been the recipient of several scholarships and performance awards during her time in Winston. Our tenor, Quinn Albinus, has been with us for a while now! Quinn began singing with us pre-Covid while in high school. After graduation, he went to Oberlin Conservatory for one year before transferring back to UNCSA, this time with a focus in Composition. He is from Concord, NC, and is currently completing his junior year. We are fortunate to have two basses as a part of our program: Jacob Burnette and Barrett Bailey. Jacob is a rising senior Composition major from Forest City, NC, who received two prestigious scholarships for his studies at UNCSA. Additionally, he spent last summer as a SECU public service intern, working with the Charlotte Symphony. Finally, Barrett is a rising junior Composition major from Wilmington, NC. Like his colleagues, he has received much acclaim and several awards for his compositions, as well as numerous vocal performance opportunities on campus in both the School of Music and the School of Drama.

All of these dedicated ensembles and individuals make up the soundtrack of our Calvary family. Their love of this congregation, their commitment to our worship, and the holy time they offer to the glory of God is inspiring. As Calvary's Director of Music and the person that has the privilege of interacting with them all every week, I want to say thank you on behalf of a grateful congregation. We are blessed by each of you beyond measure.

Soli Deo Gloria,

*Amanda Schumpert*





# FORSYTH JAIL & PRISON MINISTRIES

The Forsyth Detention Center is in desperate need of men's clothing: pants, shirts, and underwear. Sweatpants and t-shirts are preferable. They've requested medium to large pants, shirts, and underwear. If you have any used, clean clothing that you can donate, please leave them at the bottom of the main stairwell at Calvary and we will take them to the detention center. Thank you!



## 2025 PRAYER CIRCLE AROUND THE JAIL

Join brothers and sisters from many churches and traditions for the annual Prayer Circle Around the Jail at the detention center downtown, on Friday, May 16, 2025; gather at 5:15, pray from 5:30-6:00. Those inside, both inmates and staff, are told about the event, and many look out and see you standing and praying for them. This informal act of Christian love is deeply meaningful as we share our concerns before God for all those incarcerated; their families; and those who work there (food service, health care, security, cleaning, chaplains, officers). Come with your friends and share in this ministry of love. The jail is located at the corner of Church and Second Streets, and takes up the whole block—the goal is to have enough pray-ers to circle the entire block.

# TRIBUTES

## MEMORIALS

### **Lessie Johnson Mann (All to the Lessie Mann Fund)**

Susan Miller  
Judy Marion and Kimberly Patterson  
Phyllis and Harvey Little  
Malissa and Mark Bumgarner  
Jan and Richard Henderson  
Elaine and Scott Peddycord  
Frances Swing  
Jane Click  
Jim Hall  
Laura and Gary Moore

### **Jane Susan Sofley**

Elaine and Scott Peddycord - Youth Fund

Please note that this reflects tributes as of April 16th, 2025.  
All tributes received after that date will be included in the next *Calvary Connections*.  
A special thanks to Dee Brown for compiling these!

If you have any questions, please contact us by emailing  
our financial secretary, Sabrina, at [sabrina@calvarymoravian.org](mailto:sabrina@calvarymoravian.org).





## FAMILY CAMP

Join us for Spring Family Camp May 23-25, 2025



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Children - \$40.00  
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## 2025 SUMMER SCHEDULE

### Creative Arts Camp

Grades 3-8  
June 15-20

### Pre Junior Camps

Grades 1-2  
Pre Junior 1 June 22-24  
Pre Junior 2 July 25-27

### Junior Camps

Grades 3-5  
Junior 1 June 22-28  
Junior 2 July 27-August 2

### Middle High Camps

Grades 6-8  
Middle High 1 June 15-21  
Middle High 2 July 13-19

### Senior High Camp

Grades 9-12  
July 6-12

### Mission Camps

Grades 6-12  
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Standard Mission Camp - June 29-July 5  
Standard Mission Camp - July 20-26  
I love Laurel Ridge Mission Camp - July 27-August 2

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