



THE CALVARY CONNECTION

Unity. Liberty. Love. Serve.

AUGUST 2025

August Birthdays

1: Sydney Ziglar
2: Wes Peddycord, Gage Pristas
3: Wesley Davis
5: Davison Clark, George Tasedan
6: Emily Cheek, Beth Petersen
7: Tres Fordham, Sandra Johnston
8: Jean Fordham
9: Sonny Hughes, John Polychron
12: Peter Blum IV
14: Jane Ebert
15: Lincoln Biggam, Frank Martin, John Weaver
16: Henley Peatross, RJ Stewart Jr.
17: Karen Morgan, Jerry Wood

18: Mark Biggam, Donna McCarn
19: Jenny Chilton, Matthew Martinez, Eric Vernon
20: Charles Mecimore, Sydney Payne, Steven Peddycord
21: Becky Boner
22: Joeann Settle
23: Ellen Spritz
25: Judi Chandler, Alison Marion, Jan Trivette, Dexter Wiggins
25: Britton Jones
29: Ashlyn Davis
30: Wayne Shugart
31: Will Guthrie, Nicky Spritz

BREW YOUR FAITH

A laid-back discussion group where faith meets real life over a pint or pour-over.

Second Tuesdays at 7 PM
Beginning August 12th
At Lot 63 Coffee in Old Salem

Questions?

Email chaz@calvarymoravian.org

BEREAVEMENT BOX MINISTRY

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At Calvary Moravian Church in Winston-Salem, the death of a member's close family member sparks not only the usual procession of casseroles and desserts, the usual flood of cards and emails, flowers and memorial gifts, but a very practical response as well. The Bereavement Box ministry began several years ago, and is continued by Calvary's Sisters Fellowship.

Upon the death of a close family member (parent, child, spouse/partner, sibling), a Bereavement Box is delivered to the home of the person most likely to be dealing with the "administrative details" following a death. It is a simple, unassuming item—just a hard plastic portable file box with a carrying handle and flip-top lid, filled with folders and supplies. But the box and its contents are a practical administrative aid at a time when details are easily lost amidst the overwhelming situation.

As soon as a death is announced through the church's usual communications channels, someone lets the bereaved know that a box will be delivered, and what the intent of the box is. At least one sister, when she plans to deliver a box, simply lets the bereaved know that she's dropping by within a time window to leave the box on the front step, so that they need not feel responsible for being home or greeting anyone.

A sheet showing the contents of the box (see below) is included within the box itself, along with a condolence card signed on behalf of the Sisters Fellowship. The boxes are stored in a location readily accessible to the Sisters, but out of the way of other supplies. When the boxes run low, more are assembled, using funds from the Sisters' annual Christmas Lovefeast-in-a-Box sales.

A bereavement box may be delivered to someone on the death of a more distant relation if there was a special relationship there, and at least one person has delivered such a box to a friend who is not a member – reimbursing the funds by personal donation (each box costs about \$30 to assemble).

It is not uncommon for these boxes to become something of a keepsake for grieving families, as they ultimately house the tokens of their loved one's celebration of life and the evidence of lovingkindness shared with their family during a time of need.

Each Bereavement Box contains:

- Hanging file folders to organize things such as: obituary (drafts and copies from newspapers); cards, memorials, photos, memoir, bills/expenses and others
- Legal pad and pens for making lists and taking notes/phone messages
- Paper clips for attaching flower cards to index cards
- Masking tape for labeling unmarked food containers
- Alphabetized index card box to track names of people to thank later – those who helped, gave memorials, flowers, food, etc.
- A supply of thank you notes and envelopes
- An invitation to call or email with questions or suggestions, with contact information

Is this something that would be helpful in your congregation? To learn more about how congregations can build their own bereavement boxes, contact Nola Knouse, nola@calvarymoravian.org.

Lydia Ingram is a member of Calvary Moravian Church in Winston-Salem, and Nola Knouse, is pastor of Congregational Care & Visitation at Calvary.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

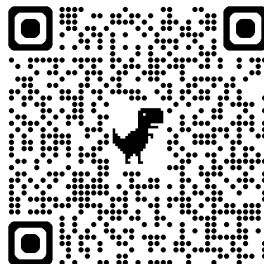


On August 10th, we'll celebrate the start of a new school year!

During worship, we'll have new stickers and tags as we participate in our annual Blessing of the Backpacks & Devices! Students, teachers, administrators, staff, all educators: bring your bags! We can't wait to pray ourselves into a new school year, remembering that with God all things are possible.

2025 CHURCH-WIDE RETREAT

We're heading to Laurel Ridge for our annual retreat! It's happening over Labor Day Weekend, August 29th-31st, and all members/families are invited. Expect a weekend full of connection, worship, fun, and peace in the mountains. Bring the whole family: there's something for everyone! You can also elect to stay an extra night on Sunday for the holiday weekend. To register, please fill out the Google form in this week's e-blast or by scanning the QR code below and then contact Karen Eagle at Laurel Ridge (336.359.2951 ext. 231 or guests@laurelridge.org) to book your room(s). If you prefer to not register electronically or have any questions, you can also reach out to Elaine Peddycord at her contact info below. (peddycj@bellsouth.net or (336) 692-3236) The deadline for registration is Sunday, August 10th. Hope to see you there!



CALVARY DAY AT THE DASH!

The Christian Education Committee is hosting another Calvary Moravian Day at the Dash baseball game on Sunday, August 17th at 2 PM. Below is a QR code and link to purchase tickets in our block of seats. Tickets are \$12 (plus a processing fee) and will be emailed to you. The link may also be shared with friends and family who want to join in the fun. We hope you will join us!

www.gofevo.com/event/Calvarymoravian27



CALVARY MORAVIAN WOMEN'S DAY

Save the Date: Saturday, October 4th will be Calvary Moravian's Women's Day!

This event will be open to women who are members and friends of Calvary Moravian! More details coming soon!

CHICKEN PIE MAKING



Who wants to help make chicken pies?

Let's get this joyful (and yummy!) tradition re-started here at Calvary! If you're interested in taking part, even if you've never done it before, please contact Jan Bullins (jtbullins@gmail.com, 336-655-9444).

We'd like to get started in September!

ELDER'S MEETING MINUTES

DATE

July 21, 2025

Approved in August

ATTENDEES

Chaz Snider
Eric Vernon
Tres Fordham
Butch Goforth
Barbara Howard
Carl McKnight
Chi-Chi Messick
Stephanie Nixa
Spencer Routh

KEY DISCUSSIONS

Previous Minutes Approved

- Approved the minutes and summary from the last meeting

Piedmont Opera Rehearsals Approved

- Approved allowing Piedmont Opera to hold chorus rehearsals in the building, with Amanda to follow up on their needs and building use procedures.

Bookmarks Festival Approved

- Approved allowing Bookmarks to use the facilities for their festival from September 25–28, 2025, consistent with past arrangements

New Member Transfer Approved

- Approved the transfer of membership for Charles Snider Jr.



OTHER BUSINESS

- Discussed a potential future request from the Salem Band to use church space; decision pending further information.
- Clarified that Spencer Routh will prepare minutes summaries after each meeting for board approval at the next meeting.

2026 DAILY TEXTS

It's time again to order your copies of the Daily Texts for next year! We ask that you consider how many copies you would like for yourself and for gifts, so that we can take advantage of the publisher's early bird pricing and purchase an accurate number of preorders. Please submit your preorders by August 8th to lock in the early bird pricing below. We will be purchasing very few extra copies with this first order. We, of course, can order more later at an increased price. Email Jacob at jacob@calvarymoravian.org with your order or call the church office. No prepayment is needed, we will take payment when the books arrive this Fall. Thank you!

Prices through August 8th
Hardcover - \$15.50
Small paperback - \$13.00
Large print paperback - \$14.50
Journal edition - \$17.00



TRIBUTES

MEMORIALS

Zachary Franklin Gordon

Mary and Bill Hampton

Terry Franklin Gordon

Mary and Bill Hampton

Kermit's Hot Dog House

Cynthia and Charles Nash

Barbara and Lewis Boyle

Eddie Allen Gray

Glen W. Gray

Please note that this reflects tributes as of July 12th. 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.

FINANCIAL DEEP DIVE

On Sunday, September 14th, following worship, our Finance Committee will hold another deep dive session and share financial information connected to the feasibility study, and talk about how the Joint Board plans to address the top priorities identified by our congregation. Lunch will be served. Please RSVP by contacting Jacob (jacob@calvarymoravian.org or 336-722-3703).

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The Rev. Dr. Chaz Snider, *Pastor & Head of Staff*

The Rev. Dr. Nola Reed Knouse,

Pastor of Congregational Care & Visitation

Amanda Schumpert,

Director of Music & Congregational Ministries

Jacob Patrick, *Office & Communications Manager*

Mary Louise Kapp Peeples, *Organist*

Sabrina Maksi, *Financial Secretary*

Brian C. Lott, *Band Director*



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Mon-Thurs 8 AM-4 PM
Lunch Hour: 12:30-1:30 PM
Closed on Fridays

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