



# THE CALVARY CONNECTION

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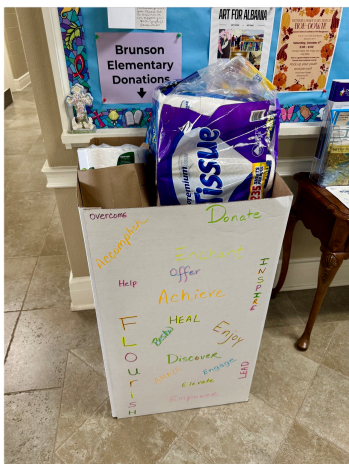
OCTOBER 2025

## October Birthdays

1: Betty Troutman  
2: Virginia Baker, Elaine Pace, Pat Scales, Amanda Schumpert  
3: Matt Kane  
6: Will Bullins  
7: Meredith Clark  
9: Misty Hayes  
10: Stephen Baker, Sarah Kane  
11: Donna Sharp, Frances Swing  
12: Marty Ziglar  
13: Shannon Lineback, William Redd, Patrick Roberts  
14: Meredith Bandy, Scott Peddycord  
Brandi Stone  
15: Rusha Oerter

18: Julie Cobb  
19: Chaz Snider  
20: Bradley Cheek, Marilyn Griffin, Bill Hampton  
21: Bruce Rothrock Jr.  
22: Carl McKnight, Sonya Price, Rebecca Spritz  
23: Lici Fansler, Stephanie New  
25: Lucy Fordham, Travis Fordham, Pat Lineback, Brad Smith  
26: Patti Malaspina  
27: Mike Pearsall  
28: Patricia Garr  
29: Darrell Lineberry, Tessie Stoltz  
31: Justin Stultz

## BRUNSON TOILET PAPER DRIVE



Due to the generosity of the Calvary congregation, we were able to collect 700+ rolls of toilet paper to donate to Brunson Elementary! Thank you to everybody who donated and helped facilitate this drive! We are so grateful for the giving spirit of each and every one of you. Keep a look out for future missions projects that Calvary will participate in.



Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a

*cheerful giver.*

2 Corinthians 9:7

Dear Beloved Members and Friends of Calvary Moravian,

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. I write to you with excitement about an important spiritual journey we will embark on together this fall: our annual stewardship campaign, "Subscribe."

Just as we subscribe to services that bring value to our lives, God invites us to subscribe to a life of faithful giving that transforms both our hearts and our community. This is not about the church's need to receive, but about your need as a believer to grow in your relationship with Christ through the spiritual discipline of proportional giving.

**Our "Subscription Journey" begins October 12th with a church cookout after worship**, where we'll gather in fellowship and introduce this meaningful program. Over the following weeks, we'll explore together what it means to subscribe to God's vision for our lives and our congregation. The journey concludes on **Dedication Sunday, November 23rd**, which is beautifully combined with our Thanksgiving Lovefeast. We look forward to sharing this celebration of gratitude and commitment with you.

Throughout this campaign, we will ask the central question that should guide every Christian's financial decisions: "What part of your income is God calling you to give?" This is not about meeting a budget target, but about your own spiritual growth. Whether you currently give 2%, 5%, or are working toward the biblical tithe of 10%, we encourage you to consider growing one step higher in your commitment to Christ.

Like a subscription service that provides ongoing value, your faithful giving creates ongoing ministry impact. Your commitment supports our youth programs, strengthens our Christian education, maintains our sacred spaces, and extends Christ's love into our community and beyond. When we all subscribe together, incredible ministry happens.

On Dedication Sunday, you'll have the opportunity to complete and bring forward your "Subscribe to Calvary" card during worship as an act of dedication, a sacred moment between you and God. We are also encouraging people to connect their giving to an automatic monthly draft. If you are interested in doing that, members of the Stewardship committee, our Financial Secretary, or our Treasurer can help you through that process. I encourage you to begin now asking God in prayer, "What percentage of my income are you calling me to subscribe to for your kingdom work?"

Remember: this is about spiritual growth, not fundraising. When we subscribe to God's vision through proportional giving, we discover the joy of partnership with Christ in ministry. We become not just consumers of church services, but co-creators of God's mission in the world.

I look forward to seeing you at our "Subscribe to Calvary" Cookout on October 12th and walking this journey of faith together towards our Dedication Sunday celebration.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Chaz & the Stewardship Committee (Tres Fordham, Clyde George, Barbara Howard, Elaine Palmore, Adam Pristas, Bill Seippel, & Nick Stone)



**SUBSCRIBE**  
*to Calvary*

## **A Journey of Faith & Commitment**

**October 12<sup>th</sup>**

"Subscribe to Calvary" Cookout

**November 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Subscription cards distributed

**November 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Subscription Sunday  
& Thanksgiving Lovefeast

# CALVARY CELEBRATES!

*Thank you to those who responded to our invitation to talk about what you value about Calvary Moravian! It can be hard to articulate, but I encourage each of you to think about this. Why do you keep showing up, week after week? Why do you volunteer, serve on committees, teach Sunday school, sing in the choir or play handbells or in the band? Let's celebrate what we love as a gift from God! Here is what a few of your sisters and brothers said:*

"I grew up at Calvary, and I remember wonderful preaching all the way back to Dr. Schwarze and Bishop Howard Rondthaler, who used a lot of big words I didn't know. And I remember the names of all my Sunday-school teachers, back to the Cradle Roll. They are the reason I'm a Christian today. Calvary's my home!"

*– Richard Henderson*

"Before retirement from Moravian Ministries Foundation, I was honored and privileged to visit and to "see inside" many Moravian congregations in both the Northern and Southern Provinces. I saw many churches working hard and being successful in being loving and faithful Christian congregations. When Jack and I visited Calvary over ten years ago, we found Calvary to be that loving and faithful congregation that was just the right fit for us. And we were welcomed with open arms. Thank you, Calvary, for being that special place for us."

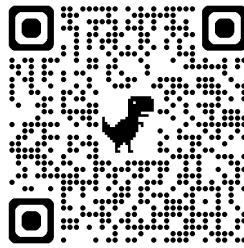
*– Chi-Chi Messick*

"*Charlie*: What I value is that Calvary is truly a *Moravian* church, with all the liturgies carried out fully, all parts of the church, the Calvary staff take care to make sure we really are a Moravian church, and to lead any of us who are willing to be a part of it. It would make me sad if we ever got away from a traditional Moravian church. And I love the beautiful windows. *Nancy*: I like all the people. It's a diverse group of people, and though I don't pretend to know all of them, everybody is so friendly, from the babies to the oldest ones. The staff we have is very good and concerned. *Charlie*: And the music is fine. I can speak on Nancy's part too when I say Amanda is wonderful. *Nancy*: And all the music, Mary Louise on the organ and all. *Charlie*: And we want to be there, not "pajama church." I know when we've been sick or out of town, it's good, but if we can, we want to be there."

*– Charlie and Nancy Miller*

# HOLLYWEEN

Our annual Hollyween community event with our friends from Bookmarks and Salem Pres is coming up! On October 25th from 10 AM-11:30 AM, we'll be back on our front lawn for a fun, safe, Halloween inspired morning. There will be lots of activities, crafts, pumpkin painting, a book reading, face-painting and a Trunk-or-Treat! That's where we need your help. We need 10 to 15 cars decked out in your best Halloween decor to give out candy to all the kids that come enjoy the morning! If you can help, please use the following QR code to sign up or email Amanda Schumpert at [amanda@calvarymoravian.org](mailto:amanda@calvarymoravian.org). Thank you for helping us give our kiddos and those of our community a safe way to have some Halloween fun!



## MUSIC & WORSHIP COMMITTEE

As of September 2025, we have restarted our Calvary Music and Worship Committee. The Music and Worship Committee is an active standing committee that serves under the guidance of the Board of Elders. They are instrumental in helping us maintain our instruments, consider and plan for special services throughout the year, tend to the needs of our different ensembles, and engage in creative discussions around the music and worship ministries of our congregation. We are so grateful for these members who have agreed to serve:

Brian Lott, Band Director  
Chi Chi Messick, Elders Representative  
Betsy Oerter  
Elaine Palmore  
Amanda Schumpert, Director of Music  
Chaz Snider, Pastor  
Bob Snyder  
Alexander Stultz  
Justin Stultz, Trustees Representative



# UPCOMING LOVEFEAST & DIENER INFORMATION

## Lovefeast Preparation

Hard to believe, but it is time to begin preparing for our upcoming Lovefeasts. It takes MANY volunteers (ideally, all of us) to welcome and serve our over 1500 Lovefeast guests. New this year, we will also be co-hosting two Lovefeasts at Salemtowne. There is an opportunity for everyone and every age! Please mark your calendars and let us know how YOU would like to serve.

## What is a Diener?

In the Moravian tradition, dieners (derived from the German verb, dienen) serve the Lovefeast during services of worship. The Lovefeast, dating to the New Testament agape meal, is not a sacrament like Holy Communion; rather, it is a fellowship meal symbolizing our unity in Christ. The meal is simple, usually consisting of a sweetened bun and a cup of coffee. After everyone is served, the congregation prays the blessing and partakes.

Lovefeast is observed on special occasions during the Church Year, particularly at Christmas, during Holy Week, and on Thanksgiving. Lovefeasts also may be served for mission occasions and church anniversaries.

Dieners play a very important role in the service of Lovefeast. The women dressed plainly in white and the men dressed in dark coats are to convey simplicity in their dress as they represent the Christ "who came not to be served, but to serve."

Dieners practice Christian hospitality as they serve a simple bun, coffee, and candle (at Christmas) to Calvary's guests.

Our dieners are an essential part of being able to host our three services on Christmas Eve, which is a beloved tradition in downtown Winston-Salem.

Training for new dieners is provided and uniforms for female dieners are available for use. If you, or someone you know, are interested in serving or learning more about this important ministry, please contact one of the following head dieners:

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Tres Fordham  
336.403.8819  
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## Other Ways to Serve

Is diening not your thing but you still want to help with our Lovefeasts? There are many other ways to participate and something for everyone! Other opportunities include:

- Children & Adult Choirs
- Band
- Coffee Team
- Door Holders
- Ushers/Greeters
- Livestream Crew
- Sitting with Children's Choir
- Nursery Care
- Candle Team
- Lovefeast Lounge Hosts

Contact any of the following people for more info and they can connect you with the appropriate leader.

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Amanda Schumpert  
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## TRIBUTES

Please note that this reflects tributes as of September 10<sup>th</sup>.  
All tributes received after that date will be included in the next  
*Calvary Connections*.

## MEMORIALS

### **Terry Franklin Gordon**

Lydia and Clifton Gordon  
Marilyn and George Hege

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).

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

**The Rev. Dr. Nola Reed Knouse**,  
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**Amanda Schumpert**,  
*Director of Music & Congregational Ministries*

**Jacob Patrick**, *Office & Communications Manager*

**Mary Louise Kapp Peeples**, *Organist*

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