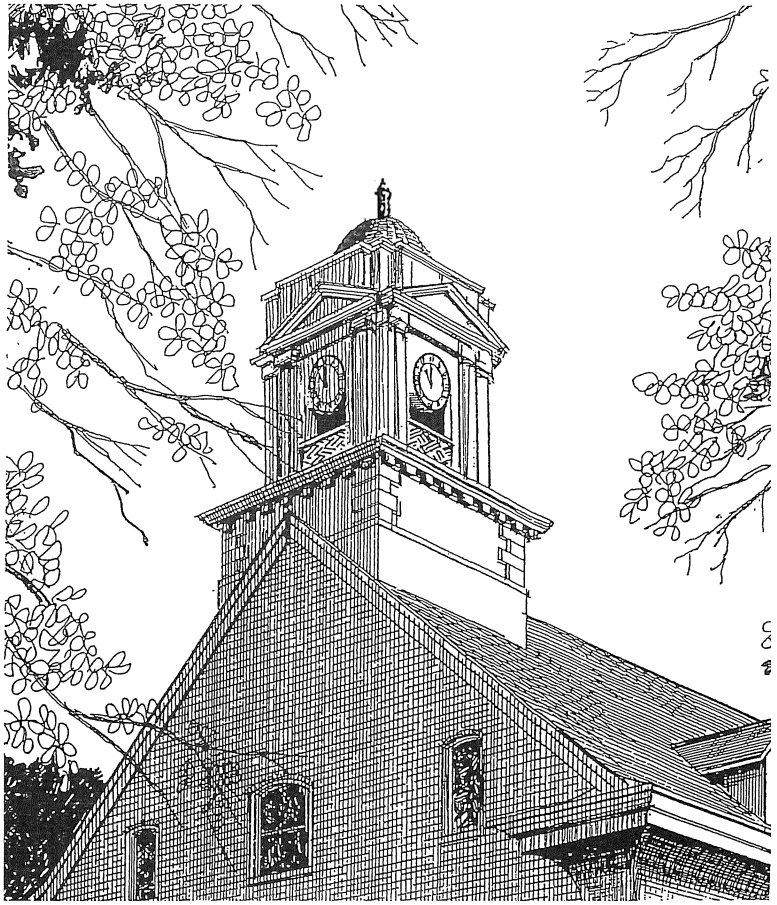
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## Festival of Christ the Chief Elder

## Proper Twenty-Seven

## November 8th, 2026

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## Congregational Watchword for 2026

"For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly." (Titus 2:11-12)

**We welcome all members and guests** to our service today,
and we are glad that you have joined us for worship at Calvary!

## Serving in Worship

**The Rt. Rev. Dr. Nola Reed Knouse,** *Preaching*
**The Rev. Madi Guthrie**, *Pastor*
**Amanda Schumpert,** *Director of Music*
**Mary Louise Kapp Peeples,** *Organist*
**Alexander Stultz,** *Violinist*
**Kayla Stewart,** *Lay Reader*
**Brian Lott,** *Band Director*
**The Calvary Band**
**Calvary Strings**
**The Calvary Chancel Choir**
**Robert Middleton, Elaine Palmore, & Bobby Stewart,** *Ushers*

The flowers placed in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Phyllis Trivette on her Birthday and Jack and Treva Trivette on their Anniversary by the Trivette Family.

Our nursery is now in the back left corner of the Sanctuary.
For more information, please read the card in your pews.

There will be no Godly Play this morning. For those children remaining in the sanctuary, New to the Pew bags can be found up front filled with fun activities to help them in worship. All children are welcome!

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# Heart with Loving Heart United 401




*Alternate translation, hymn 673*

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## Gathering in Unity

Watchword for the Week (Matthew 25:13)

*Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.*

**** Please stand as you are able.***

**Band Prelude**

**Trinity Chime**

**Strings Prelude** *Jesus Loves Me* — Traditional

**Welcome**

## Proclaiming God's Love

***Hymn #401** *Heart with Loving Heart United* — Cassel

***The Chief Eldership of Jesus Christ** Singing from the Heart

Lord, save your people, and bless your heritage;
**Be our Shepherd, and bear us up forever.**

Pilgrimage

Welcome among your flock of grace
with joyful acclamation,
our Shepherd whom we now confess!
Come, feed your congregation.
We own the doctrine of your cross
to be our sole foundation;
accept from every one of us
the deepest adoration.

Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers. All things have been created through him and for him.
**He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together.**

He is the head of his body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything,

**For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.**

Lord Jesus Christ, you care for and guide the church universal, yet in mercy you were pleased to accept the office of Chief Elder of our Unity.

**Help us always to remember that the life in our congregations is not the fruit of our own piety but of your love, which constrains us to love one another.**

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep. I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak. I will feed them with justice.

**Good Shepherd, we thank you that you have redeemed us as first fruits for God. Help us to follow wherever you lead.**

Through the testimony of Jesus Christ and the work of the Holy Spirit, God calls each individual personally into the fellowship of his flock.

**God leads each member of the Body of Christ to the recognition of sin and to the acceptance of the redemption achieved by Christ.**

We recognize the Word of the Cross as the center of Holy Scripture and of all preaching of the Gospel, and we know our primary mission is to bear witness to this joyful message. We ask our Lord for power never to stray from this.

**Lord Jesus, you entered into this world's misery to bear it and to overcome it. Forgive us when we have failed to follow you in serving your people. Help us to know that like your love, this service knows no bounds. Ever anew point out to us the way to reach our neighbors, opening our heart and hand to them in their need.**

Thus says the Lord, our Chief Elder: Do not fear, for I am with you. I will strengthen you; I will help you; I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.

Dear Head and Savior, now we pray:
grant us your Spirit's power,
as in the past, so in our day
and every future hour:
with hope may our lives testify
that you all needful gifts supply
to serve the world and unify
your church for life on high.

*Dear Head and Savior, now we pray,* © 2002 by C. Daniel Crews.

**Offertory** *Wild Mountain Thyme* — Traditional

***Doxology and Offertory Prayer** Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

**The Holy Scriptures**

Old Testament: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 23-24
*Gospel: John 10:1-10

The Word of God for the People of God
**Thanks be to God.**

**Communion Meditation** God Invites You: Giving With Your Whole Heart

## The Sacrament of Holy Communion

*In the Moravian Church, we exercise an open communion, meaning all who confess Christ as Lord are welcome at His table. Gluten-free elements are available by request. Please indicate to the pastors as they come around.*

**Communion in celebration of the Chief Eldership of Christ**

## Sending to Serve

**Strings Postlude** *I Come to the Garden Alone* — Traditional

**Trinity Chime**

**Convening of Fall Church Council**

### Agenda

Church Council
November 8th, 2026

Call to Order and Prayer

Approval of Minutes

Report of the Nominating Committee

Elections
- Board of Elders: Adam Carter, Sandra Davis, & Eleanor Lott
- Youth Elder Representative: Alexander Stultz
- Board of Trustees: Chelsea Blackburn, Jack New, & Chese Trivette
- Salem Congregation Trustee: William Burke

Report from Building & Grounds

Report from Roof & Steeple Construction

Report from Roof & Steeple Fundraising & Grant Committee

Finance & Treasurer's Report

Ministry Report

Adjournment

**Spring Church Council Minutes**

**8 March 2026**

Approval of Minutes

Motion: By Blake Ingram, and seconded by Justin Stultz, to approve minutes. All approved. Motion carried.

**Ministry Report - Chaz Snider**

Pastor Chaz highlighted several ways Calvary Moravian Church served the community in 2025. Ministries included hosting two American Red Cross blood drives, providing Angel Tree gifts and supplies for 47 Brunson Elementary students, donating over 1,000 pounds of food to Sunnyside Ministry, and partnering with The Dwelling to host the Winter Overflow Shelter. The church also supported the community through events such as Hollyween, the Bookmarks Festival, Brew Your Faith at Lot 63, concerts, and ongoing ministries like the Card Ministry and Chicken Pie preparation sessions.

Pastor Chaz also shared that Calvary was awarded a $300,000 matching grant from the National Fund for Sacred Places for the roof and steeple repair project. Out of 319 congregations that applied nationwide, Calvary was one of 30 selected, recognizing both the church's historic building and its active role in serving the community.

He noted that the congregation enters the coming season with strong momentum in mission, community presence, and investment in the church's future.

**Financial Report - Bill Seippel**

Bill Seippel presented the Income and Expense Statement and encouraged council members to ask questions.

- Total Spending: $585,979

- Total Income: $388,134

- Current Deficit: Approximately $199,000, which has been covered through withdrawals from investments considered logical or safe.

There was a discussion from the congregation surrounding the deficit and the need to look at the spending of the church.

Parking was discussed as a possible barrier for visitors and congregants. Current options include street parking and parking at the Poplar and Holly rental properties. The council discussed the need to review parking plans for Christmas services, when attendance is higher.

There was also discussion of past efforts to address parking, including the potential of adding a parking deck and the purchase of rental properties intended to provide additional parking. It was noted that demolition of these properties could be considered in the future to create additional parking spaces if necessary.

Bill also noted that the Trustees continue to review church expenses, and a detailed expense report is available to anyone who would like additional information.

**Buildings and Grounds Report: Spencer Bullins**

Spencer Bullins reported that the Buildings and Grounds Committee currently has four members and is a strong working group.

Rental Properties:

Repairs needed for the church's rental properties are not currently included in the budget, though maintenance needs have arisen. Spencer noted there is interest from potential renters, but repairs may need to be addressed.

Roof and Steeple Project:

Clyde George and Will Guthrie have joined the committee to assist with the project. The church has contracted with a historic architect, who recommended two structural engineers to assess the structure.

The current plan includes:

● Removing some slate around a dormer to inspect potential water damage. ● Completing a discovery process to determine the extent of needed repairs.

● Developing a design plan, after which contractors will be asked to provide cost estimates.

Once estimates are available, the Fundraising Committee will share additional information with the congregation. Current work is focused on addressing leaks around the dormers and steeple where needed.

Steeple and Roof Fundraising Report: Chi Chi Messick

Chi Chi Messick reported positive progress on the Steeple and Roof Fundraising Campaign. ● Total raised as of the end of February: $183,132

● Goal: $300,000

Breakdown of funds received:

● $130,000 in direct donations

● $42,000 from memorials and honorariums

● $11,000 from non-members

Chi Chi issued a challenge to the congregation to increase participation before Easter, with the goal of having 100% of members contribute to the campaign.

She also expressed thanks to Bill Seippel and Jacob Patrick e for their help and support with the campaign.

**Adjournment**

Pastor Chaz thanked those who provided reports, as well as the church staff and board members for their continued work and service.

**Before adjournment:**

● Bill reminded council members that a detailed expense report is available for anyone who would like to review it.

● Adam Pristas encouraged members to personally invite others to Calvary, noting that church growth often begins with a simple invitation.

**Motion to Adjourn:**

Motion: By Adam Pristas, and seconded by Wendy Goforth, to adjourn the meeting. All approved. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

### Prayer Requests

Eddie Johnson; Camilla Williams; Bernard Williams; Misty Hayes and family; Rameth McKnight; Ursula Pierce; Steven Nixa; Lily Shaw; Patrick Biggam; Lynn Biggam; Tommy & Nancy McKoon; Scott & Elaine Peddycord; Judi Chandler; George Tasedan; Bill & Mary Hampton; Haley and Zelda Covert, Richard Hughes, and their family; Lisa Hampton; Karen Stewart; Holly and Barry Broadstreet; William Hughes; Ramona Prestwood; Romaine Poindexter; Joeann Settle; Joel C. Lineback; Patsy Lineback; Virginia Segar; Dallas Prestwood; Emily Cheek; Teddy Tompkins; Johnnie Pearson; Ed Wynn; Christina Stanford; Ellen Steadman; Betty Troutman; Linda Neighbors

## The Life of the Church

### Candle Making!

In preparation for our annual Candle Trim, we need to make candles! Learn how to string the molds, melt and pour the beeswax and then pop them out of the molds! Jan Bullins, our resident candle maker, will lead you through all the steps. Call Jan at 336-655-9444 for available times.

### Lovefeast in a Box

It's that time of year again! Time to order Lovefeast in a Box™, that is! Calvary will be hosting lovefeasts on Christmas Eve, but for our long-distance friends and those who can't make it in person, we'll still be live-streaming and are again selling at-home lovefeast kits. From NOW until December 6th (or until we sell out), you can order a Lovefeast in a Box.™ Each box contains a dressed lovefeast candle, Moravian cookies, lovefeast coffee, and the worship bulletin (which we call an "ode"). You can order individual, double, or family boxes, shipped right to your door. Then, on Dec. 24, you can participate in a lovefeast with us via video stream! Visit www.Lovefeastinabox.com today to place your order!

### Breakfast Bunch

November 17th, 9 AM at Carriage House. Please contact Pat George (336) 971-3429 or Linda Smith (336) 978-6082 to RSVP.

### Wednesday Night Dinner

Our final Wednesday night dinner will be **November 11th at 5 PM.** Please join us for food & fellowship! This will also be the last night of Bible Study for the year.

### Advent Decorating - Mark Your Calendars!

We're close to time to decorate the church for Advent! The star and large garland will be put up on Tuesday, November 24th at 10 AM.
The remaining decorating with wreaths, greenery, and any other decorations will be on Friday November, 27th from 3-5 PM. Thank you to any volunteers and pizza and salad will be served on the Friday decorating day. Contact Chese Trivette (336-608-8398) for any questions.

### Thanksgiving Food Drive

On Sunday, November 22nd, Calvary will be collecting non perishable food items for Sunnyside Ministries. Sunnyside is a local agency of the Moravian Church, Southern Province. Started 55 years ago, Sunnyside provides short term emergency assistance for families in crisis situations. Calvary collects items monthly for Sunnyside but Thanksgiving is a special time for many of us, so let's make this a special time for those in need. Please bring your donations to the front of the sanctuary on Sunday, November 22nd when we will be observing our Thanksgiving Lovefeast. Let's fill our sanctuary with the bounty of Thanksgiving for all!

### Community Prayer

Our next Zoom Prayer time will be Tuesday, December 8th.

### Wednesday Night Bible Study

Our last Wednesday evening Bible study for the season will meet on November 11th at 6 PM. We meet in person and via Zoom so all are welcome!

### Upcoming Committee Meetings

November 12th, 7 PM — Christian Education Committee
November 15th, 12 PM — Thanksgiving & Christmas Lovefeast Meeting
November 16th, 6:30 PM — Joint Board, Trustees, & Elders Committees

### Donations October 24th- October 30th, 2026

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| Pledges & plate | $4,176.00 |
| Roof & Steeple | $1,600.00 |
| Other | $478.07 |
| **TOTAL** | **$6,254.07** |

**Attendance 11/1: 77**

## Sunday Mornings at Calvary Moravian

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| 9 AM | Handbell Choir Rehearsal |
| 9:45 AM | Elementary (K-5th) — 2nd floor Children's Wing<br>Youth (6th-12th) — 3rd floor youth room<br>Friendship Adult Class — 1st Floor Diener Room |
| 10:30 AM | Adult Chancel Choir Rehearsal |
| 11 AM | Worship |

**To donate online, scan QR code with your smart device.**

**Church Office Hours**
Monday-Thursday 8 AM-4 PM
Lunch Hour: 12:30-1:30 PM
Closed on Fridays
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