

# Calvary Presbyterian Church



## Connections

Hello and welcome to the August issue of Connections! Please remember: be sure to click OPEN when your email provider delivers your newsletter so you don't miss any content.

While you are reading this month's newsletter: if you see a word or phrase in **bold** like **THIS**, or if you see the word **HERE**, click on it! These are links that will automatically open a website or document. Enjoy the summer!

### August Reflection

#### DO YOU KNOW THE PRESBYTERIAN FAMILY TREE?

Presbyterians have ancestors stretching back to the sixteenth century. Here are snippets of the five most important men of that time.

1. Huldrych Zwingli. (1484-1531)

Huldrych was the person who started the Protestant Reformation. He enacted his religious and political views against the reigning Roman Catholic powers. Zwingli's statement of belief called the "Sixty-seven Theses" was grounded in the gospel of Jesus Christ. He died as a Chaplain on the battlefield of Kappel.

2. Martin Bucer. (1401-1551)

Martin was a church reformer in Strasburg, Germany. He became a leader trying to unify Protestants seeking ecumenical relations among the emerging Protestant bodies. Bucer influenced Calvin, who spent time in Strasburg. Bucer stressed the importance of in Christian theology and the need for church discipline.

### 3. Heinrich Bullinger (1504-1575)

Heinrich was the successor to Huldrych Zwingli as the leader of the Protestant Reformation in Zurich. Bullinger was an important theologian who stressed the place of Christ in the doctrine of election and predestination as well as the importance of preaching. The Second Helvetic Confession (1566) was written by Bullinger when he contracted the plague and he thought was going to die.

### 4. John Calvin (1509-1564)

John was the most important theologian in the Reformed family. He wrote "Institutes of the Christian Religion (1536), a comprehensive statement of Christian belief. Calvin influenced many through his Biblical commentaries, sermons, letters, and theological tracts. Calvin's focus was on the greatness of God and God's love in Christ who calls the church to be his faithful disciples in this world.

### 5. John Knox. (ca. 1514-1572)

John, the Scottish reformer, who met Calvin in Geneva and then returned to Scotland to become a leading preacher and writer. Knox was faced with many dangers from the English government, specifically Mary Queen of Scots. Knox was part of the group who wrote "The Scots Confession" (1560). This confession stresses that God alone saves people through Jesus Christ and draws them into the church.

This is just a small amount of history to spark your interest about our Presbyterian ancestral tree.

\*Information from: The Presbyterian Handbook Revised Edition c. 2016

## Vacation Bible School

The theme for this year's week-long VBS is Knights of the North Castle'. Kids will enjoy a full week of fun activities including crafts, games, music, storytelling, snack time.

There is **STILL TIME** to sign up! Click on the image for registration. Or, show up in person, same day!

Contact **Sarah Wood** for more info!



**CALVARY VBS 2023**  
JULY 31 - AUGUST 4<sup>TH</sup>  
9:00AM-11:30AM  
AGES: 3-11

**KNIGHTS OF THE NORTH CASTLE**

GAMES • CRAFTS • MUSIC • SNACKS

JOIN US JULY 31 - AUGUST 4<sup>TH</sup>, 9-11:30AM FOR OUR KNIGHTS OF THE NORTH CASTLE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL. AGES: 3-11 (PARENTS OF CHILDREN AGES 3 & 4 HAVE THE OPTION TO STAY OR DROP OFF).  
SUGGESTED DONATION: \$5  
REGISTRATION ONLINE OR REGISTER AT DOOR ON JULY 31ST  
VISIT [CALVARYRVERTON.ORG](https://forms.gle/EKF24W8KATJMPD8ZA) OR EMAIL: [CHURCHOFFICE@CALVARYRVERTON.ORG](mailto:CHURCHOFFICE@CALVARYRVERTON.ORG)  
REGISTRATION LINK: [HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/EKF24W8KATJMPD8ZA](https://forms.gle/EKF24W8KATJMPD8ZA)

## August Worship & Music Schedule

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8/6 Communion

8/13

8/20 Rev David Watts

8/27 Rev David Watts

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## August Music Schedule

8/6 Contralto Alyx Reinhardt

8/13 "Joyful Noise" instrumental ensemble featuring Bob Cornatzer - Trumpet, Dorothy Talavera - Flute, Aeryn Gilmore - Tenor Sax, Lori Gilmore - Trombone, and Terry Pahl - Electric Bass

8/20 Soprano Lori Gilmore

8/27 Flutist Dorothy Talavera

## Don't be a Stranger. Be Social!

Links to Facebook pages, Live streaming services, YouTube and Church Website all in one place. Just click on the buttons and stay connected!



Don't miss out on staying connected to your church family. Use the links below to worship with live streaming services on Facebook. Our YouTube channel is a repository for past services. You can access videos, the website and streaming services right from this email! Just click on the buttons for a direct link!

[Visit the Calvary Facebook Page](#)

[Visit Calvary Website](#)

[Visit the YouTube Channel](#)

## Our Church Family



**Happy August Birthday to you!**

### **Calvary Birthdays**

David McGrath 1

Deidre Golden 1

Bill Hall 2

Debra Sickler 2

Linda Fioretti 4

Ed Fioretti 4

Janice McGrath 4

Sandi Cornatzer 10

Jimmy Asbury 11

Craig Mannon 11

Maureen Gaspari 14

Alyx Reinhardt 19

Claire Pattanite 23

Barbara Lamb 29

C. J. Mannon, Jr 29

Joan McGowan 30

Dear Calvary Friends,

Thank you all for your love, our support and your prayers for Phil and our family. I am blessed to have such a wonderful church family. Thank you for all the cards and for your love.

Sincerely,

Kathy Mesmer, Jenn, Keith, Anthony and Joey



**SAVE THE DATE!**

Calvary Presbyterian Church Riverton invites you and your family to



**Come out and PLAY!**  
**FAMILY FUN NIGHT**

**September 9th, 2023**  
**4:00pm-8:00pm**

**GAME  
NIGHT**

**INDOOR GAMES**  
**FOOD**

at Calvary Church, 300 4th Street, Riverton, NJ

RSVP Encouraged but not mandatory:

[churchoffice@calvaryriverton.org](mailto:churchoffice@calvaryriverton.org) or call 856-829-0783

*Kids 12 and under must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.*

### **The Return of Sunday School!**

Calvary's Sunday School starts September 10th with Rally Day!

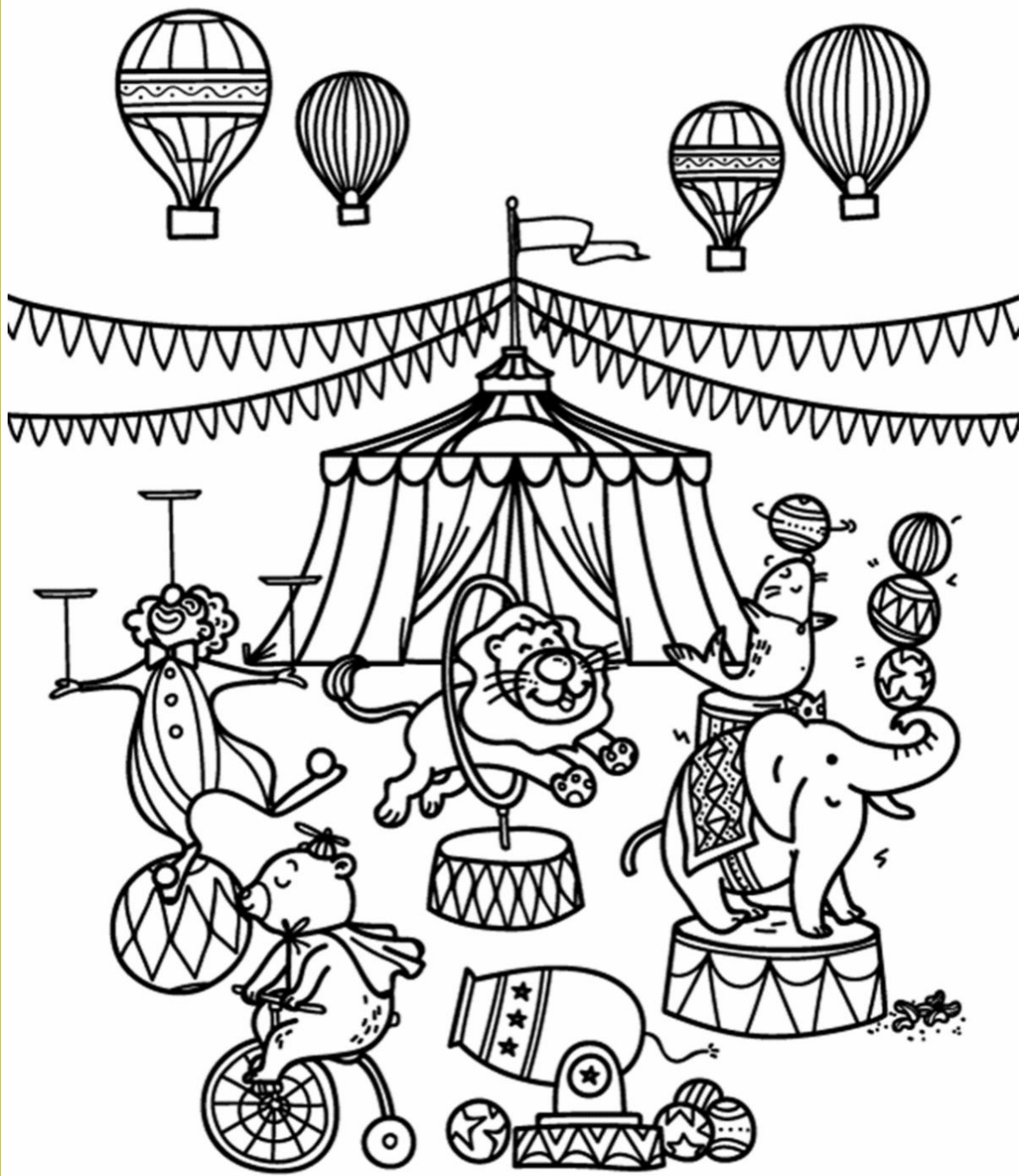
Sunday school begins right after the Offering Dedication at the 10am service. Children will be escorted to the class. Sunday School will end at 11 when parents can pick up the children in the Assembly Room and

enjoy refreshments together.



## Fun & Games!

### Kids Korner Activity



[Click on the image](#) to open a printable version.

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## Adult Diversion: Word Search



# Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Gifts of the Holy Spirit are not presents that we could see or touch, but special power to do God's work. Find the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

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Z Q R N U L D V A E S T O D E I Q I N M  
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N R D O M T U Z G C I R V R D Y M H W M  
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  - PASTORS
  - HEALING
  - EVANGELISE
  - FAITH
  - TEACH
  - DISCERNMENT
  - LEADERSHIP
  - MIRACLES
  - WISDOM
  - KNOWLEDGE
  - APOSTLES
  - ENCOURAGE

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**Faithfully Funny...**



Hot enough? We are also PRAYER CONDITIONED!

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