

Calvary Presbyterian Church

A Loving Community to Support you on Your Faith Journey!



Connections

Happy New Year! Here's your January issue of Connections! Please remember: be sure to click OPEN when your email provider delivers your newsletter so you don't miss any content.

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From the Pastor Nominating Committee

The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) is comprised of members Jerry Blackman, Valaree Bower, John Cecchini, Steve Gilbert, Lori Gilmore, Dave McGrath, and Lyn Wargny. Session and the Presbytery's Committee on Ministry approved the MIF (Ministry Information Form) prepared by the PNC. The MIF serves as the church's "want ad" for calling a new full-time pastor. The MIF was utilized by PC(USA) to match potential candidates for pastor with the church's PNC for consideration. The PNC met regularly throughout 2023 and reviewed approximately (110) PIFs (Personal Information Forms) of potential candidates. The candidates ranged from graduating seminary students to broadly experienced pastors. The PNC identified candidates for interviews and outstanding candidates were selected for second interviews. Extensive second interviews were conducted with three (3) candidates. After a period of prayer and discernment, unfortunately, the

potential pastors declined the PNC's invitation to accept a call to serve as Calvary's full-time pastor.

While disappointed that the potential pastors declined the extended invitations, the PNC remains hopeful for 2024 as other churches within the Presbytery were able to call a pastor.

The Church Leadership Connection (CLC) ministry of PC(USA) changed their matching system software platform in September 2023. The PNC will convert the church's existing MIF to a newly formatted MDP (Ministry Discernment Profile). The new MDP will be submitted to CLC and Calvary's PNC will receive new resumes from pastors seeking a call.

The PNC will work with renewed effort in 2024 to follow God's guidance and call the next full-time pastor for Calvary.

Jerry Blackman

January Worship

1/7 Dorothy Talavera
1/14 Live Music Worship
1/21 Rev Patty Epprecht
1/28 Rev Jim Kraft

Be Social!

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



Stay 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 and music.

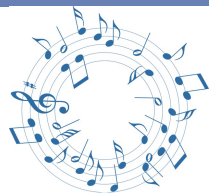
You can access videos, the website and streaming services right from this email! Just click on the buttons for a direct link!

Visit the Calvary Facebook Page

Visit Calvary Website

Visit the YouTube Channel

Mark Your Calendars!



MUSIC at Calvary in January

at Calvary this January...

1/7 - The Chancel Choir celebrates Epiphany with the ancient French carol "Carol of the Star" arr. by Donald Moore.

1/14 - LIVE MUSIC WORSHIP, 10am, with Revival featuring a variety of inspirational, uplifting songs.

1/21 - The Choir sings "With a Voice of Singing" by Martin Shaw.

1/28 - "Shall We Gather at the River?" , inspired by Revelations 22:1, by Robert Lowry, arr. by Jay Rouse, is one of the choral arrangements dedicated to our choir member Kathy Mesmer's mother.



Our Church Family



Happy January Birthday to you!

first AND second Saturdays each month
from 10-1

Sale: items that have the color blue

Watch for FLASH SALES

Check our **Facebook** page for more
great deals!



Fun & Games!

Kids Korner Activities

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It's a NEW YEAR! Be the Best you can be in 2023!

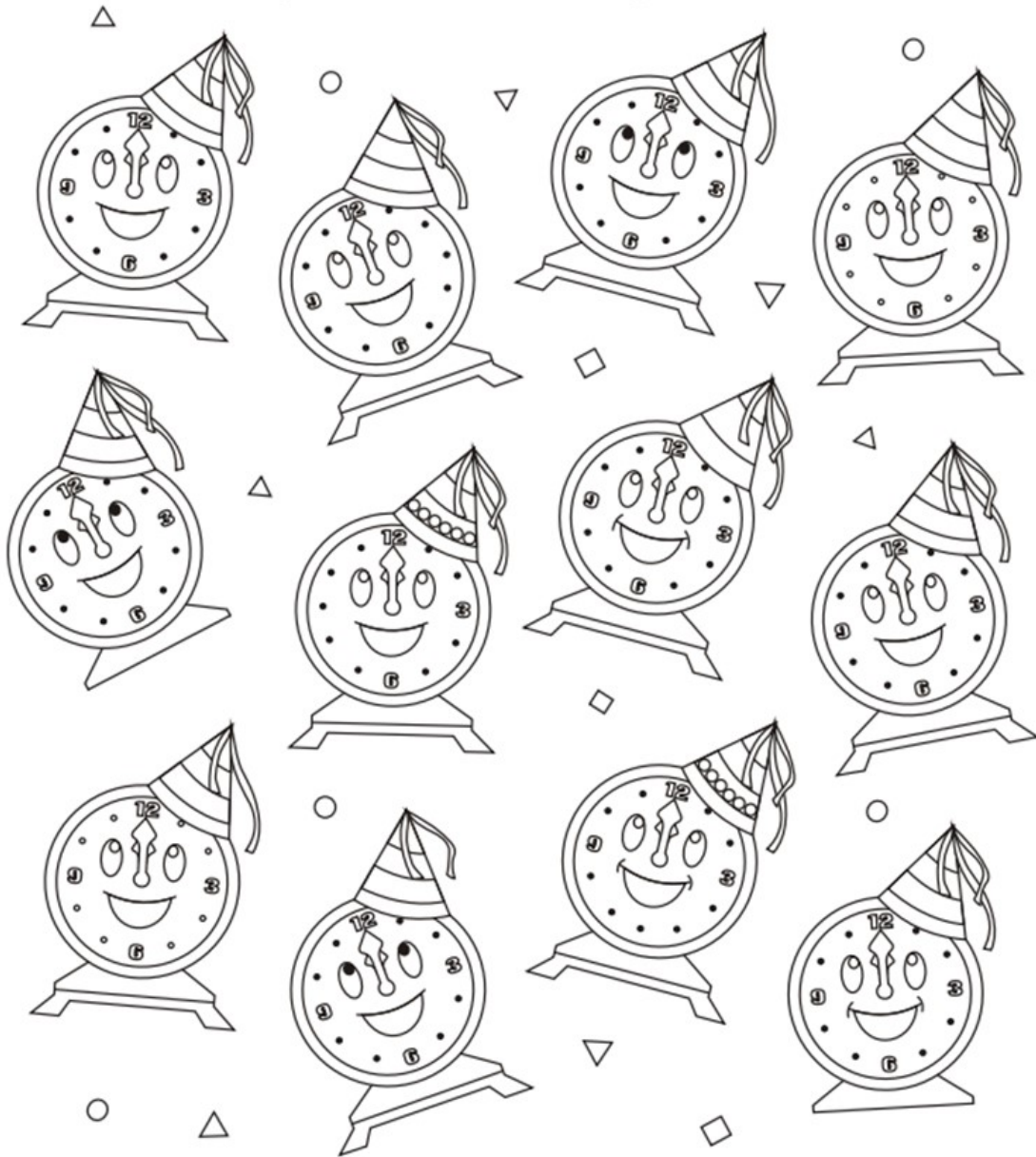
"Therefore if any
man be in Christ,
he is a new
creature: old
things are
passed
away;
behold,
all things
are
become
new."



2 Corinthians
5:17 KJV

Is it Midnight Yet?

Can you find the 2 matching clocks?



Adult Diversion: Word Search and Coloring Sheet

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Simeon Recognizes Jesus

Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Christ. Luke 2:25-26 (NVI)

Based on Luke 2:22-40 (NIV)



J O H I S R A E L D D L E F J
J M I A A P E H L O E O O M K
B R P W L H Z V V I I V V C K
K I K R V J P B E C G Z O E C
L G Y T A L S I Z A O H H U S
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SPIRIT	RIGHTEOUS	PRAISED	COURTS	TEMPLE
CHILD	DEVOUT	LIGHT	JOSEPH	JESUS
PARENTS	SALVATION	ISRAEL	REVEALED	PIGEONS
SIMEON	PROMISED	DOVES	SACRIFICE	MARY



Faithfully Funny...

Lily Holiness Church

**NEW YEARS
RESOLUTION
EXERCISE DAILY
WALK WITH GOD
RUN FROM SIN**

Can we get an AMEN?!

*Wishing you and your family a
Happy, Healthy New Year!*

HAPPY
New Year

REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS; AND AGAIN I SAY, REJOICE.

PHIL 4:4

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