Calvert City Church of Christ

4625 U.S. Hwy. 62; P.O. Box 466, Calvert City, KY 42029; office@calvertchurchofchrist.com

Elders

Dennis Driver (270) 205-5625

Gayle Hall (270) 994-7622

Randy O'Bryan (270) 205-6185

Deacons

Leslie Bean Ricky Collins **Ronnie Cox Nick Darnell Larry Davis Ross Dougherty Kyle Farris Brent Fortner** Jeff Hall Jon Hart **Mark Hart Kevin Hunt Jamie Leonard David Lineberry Dale Roberts Gary Smith Jimmy Smith Jackie Travis**

Preacher

Lance Cordle

lance@calvertchurchofchrist.com

From Scared to Thankful

In August of 2010, the Associated Press reported the story of 75-year-old Ron Sveden of Brewester, Mass., who was suffering from failing health, difficulty breathing, and aggravated coughing spells. Tests showed "an ominous dark spot" on his lung, which he concluded was probably cancer. Though Sveden himself feared the worst, his doctors told him that tests were inconclusive, and only exploratory surgery would prove definitive. Upon removal of the mass, lab work concluded it was nothing more than an aspirated pea which had sprouted in the dark, moist environment of his lung. Sveden was considerably relieved to know the inevitable doom he had projected would not come to pass. His trouble soon turned into giving thanks.

So it is in our lives, and it was with David when he wrote the 28th Psalm. The Psalm is about praying for help and thanking God for answering. So, while he laments of his problems at the beginning, the psalmist praises God for His aid. He worships the Lord while in his need and while with God's help. The key to the Psalm is in verse 6: God hears and answers our prayers!

A Prayer of Trouble (1-5). In verses one through two, he prays, "Please Help!" He calls the Lord his Rock and asks him to not be deaf to him. Specifically, he asks the Lord to defeat the wicked. Many speculate this is in the time that Absalom and his armies are hunting down David (though this cannot be proven). He prays for the Lord to avenge based on the deeds of their hands; to repay them what they deserved. Notice the wicked may not regard the works of the Lord and the feats of His hand, but He will recompense them for their deeds and the deeds of their hands (vv. 4-5).

A Prayer of Thanksgiving (6-9). There are four specific blessings from God for which David offers his gratitude. All of these are linked to his prayer of verses one through five.

Verse 6 - Thank You for hearing me.

Verse 7 - Thank you for helping me.

Verse 8 - Thank you for strengthening me.

Verse 9 - Thank you for saving me.

God may not always answer our prayers the way we want them to be. Things may not turn out the way we would want. However, knowing we have an all-powerful God who loves us enough to listen to us and provide for us should give us great strength. Counting our blessings helps us appreciate all He does for us and all He is. Notice what he calls the Lord in this Psalm: Rock, Strength. Shield, Saving Defense, Shepherd. That is why with his "voice" David speaks these prayers out loud. He is not just thinking them. He is offering them to the One who hears and protects. —Corey Sawyers

Dates to Remember:

November 8—Caring Cooks

November 10—Winter Give-Away

November 11—Youth/KFC Devo

November 12—Fruit Baskets

November 18—Stilley House Devo

November 21—Thanksgiving Devo

November 25—Last Sunday of Month

Winter Community Giveaway



The time is near! Our Winter Community Giveaway is this **Saturday November 10th 8am - 12pm.**

Items needed:

Winter Clothing (all sizes)

Toys

Household Items and Appliances

Please insure that all donated items are in working condition and clean. If possible, please hang all clothing on wire hangers.

Drop off time: Friday November 9th, 8am-7pm

Members of the church that are in need will have opportunity to shop Friday from 7:30 - 9:00 pm.

Volunteers are needed for both days to help organize, sort and move items in and out. We will also be offering Bible Studies, Bibles and prayers and need volunteers to greet people and evangelize. Please sign up in the main lobby. Please volunteer as much as you can.

Veterans' Day

Sunday, November 11 is Veterans' Day. As you pause to thank God for those who have served our country, look around and see men among us who served as well. Thank them and thank God for them.

Ancient Truths for Modern Times WCCK, FM—95.7 Sundays 8:30 a.m.

Speakers: Lance Cordle & Gary Knuckles

Caring Cooks

Caring Cooks will meet at 10 a.m. at the activities building to pack and deliver meals on Thursday, **November 8.** This will be the only delivery in November due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Bread of Life

Bread of Life has been very busy of late due to Hurricanes Florence and Michael. Groups have traveled to North Carolina and Florida to provide help and relief to victims of these storms. To see a full report of recent work check the board in the lobby. Because of the high demand for the hygiene kits, Bread of Life has changed the order of supply collection and will collect hygiene items instead of first aid items. Items needed are: toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, conditioner, bars of soap, lightweight bath towels, washcloths, combs, hair brushes, disposable razors, shaving cream, small packages of feminine products and deodorant. Please bring donations to the lobby by Wednesday, November 28. Lists of the needed items are available in the lobby.

Thank You

Thank you so much for the calls, texts, prayers, flowers and cards in your expressions of sympathy and love our los.

In Christian Love, Clatis & Shelia Walker

Birthdays: November 11-17

- Nov. 13—Sandra Smith
- Nov. 14—Modean Driver
- Nov. 15—Kim Copeland
- Nov. 16—Luke Dougherty, Brynn Smith

Prayer Session Sunday, 5:40 p.m. in Room 16

Remember in Prayer:

Pat Croley—knee replacement 11/5

Wanda Whirley—procedure in Nashville 11/5

Jeff Mabry—shoulder surgery 11/6

Brenda Williams—Superior Care, recovering from hip surgery

Mitzi Roberts—recovering from surgery

Lynn Myers—surgery 11/14

Odell Walker—Princeton Health & Rehab

Richard Darnell, Ethel Davis, Jimmy & Karen Davis, JoNell Dawes, Robert Driver, Cindy Grubbs, Jeff Hall, Karen Hicks, Hedia Mabry, Fritz Metzger, Mitzi Roberts, Jerald & Janet Turner,

Nursing Home/Assisted Living:
Brookdale (Paducah)—Jim & Barbara Story
CCCCtr—Nelda Beth, Betty Clark,
Hazel Demery, June Tarkington
Misty Meadows, in Metropolis, IL—Betty Burkeen
Oakview Manor—Barbara Vasseur
Princeton Health & Rehab Ctr—Wanda Walker
Stilley House—Norman Bradford,
Raymon Cordle, Ed O'Dell
Superior Care—John Main

Military: Cory O'Bryan—Germany



Record: November 4, 2018

Mid-Week (October 31)	126
Sunday Morning Bible Study	176
Sunday Morning Worship	251
Sunday Evening Worship	120
Contribution	\$9,199

Contentment Is Possible

Contentment is a rare commodity in our American culture. Professional advertisers spend millions of dollars to maximize our desires for things we don't have — cars, clothes, bodies, cruises, food. In addition, they seek to create guilt, if we are not giving our children every social, academic, recreational or spiritual opportunity. How can a person be content, when their life is "missing so much?"

This conflict makes the reading of Philippians 4:11-13 even more difficult. How could Paul be equally content in times of prosperity and adversity? How could he face being full and hungry with the same assurance? The answer was simple; he had learned to rely fully on the Lord's power in all circumstances.

A group of former students visited a retired professor and poured out their career stresses and frustrations. During afternoon he served them coffee, but in a variety of cups. Some were plastic; others were glass. Some were new; others were chipped and stained. As they drank, he commented that the cups mattered very little, because what they wanted was the coffee. He then observed that life was the coffee and their jobs and positions were merely cups. Paying too much attention to the cups (job stresses) could easily cause one to miss the flavor and aroma of the coffee (life).

Life ought not be measured by a house, a car, a job, a hobby or even one's health. It should be measured by the smiles experienced today and the hope one has for tomorrow. As the professor said that day, "The happiest people don't have the best of everything. They just make the best of everything."

-Don Loftis

Pew Packers Sunday, 5:45 p.m.

Sunday

Bible Study — 9:15 a.m. Worship — 10:00 a.m. Evening Worship — 6:00 p.m.*

*On the last Sunday of each month, the evening service will begin at 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Mid-Week Bible Study—7:00 p.m. Bible Classes For All Ages

Those Who Are To Serve: Sunday, November 11, 2018

Morning

Song Leader: Dale Roberts Opening Prayer: Larry Wynn Closing Prayer: Ronnie Cox

Convalescent Center: R. O'Bryan,, G. Smith, D. Lineberry

Evening

Song Leader: Reese Fortner Opening Prayer: Jake Hall Closing Prayer: Robert Hall

Wednesday, November 14, 2018

Announcements: Nick Darnell Song Leader: Logan Parker Opening Prayer: Brad Parker Closing Prayer: Mark Hart