

THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY

6:15 p.m. Dinner
7:00 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer
7:00 p.m. Hand Bell Choir Practice

April 24th 8:00a.m. – 3:00p.m. Servefest; tell the pastor if you would like to help.

April 25th Teachers' Appreciation Day

Pick-up cakes for Our Daily Bread. It would be best to return them Friday to avoid the fair traffic on Saturday morning.

April 26th 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 Sarah's Hope. Come when you can to help.

MIGRANT WORKER and DISASTER HEALTH KITS

April through mid-May

The Annie Armstrong Circle is collecting items for the migrant worker kits now to through the middle of May. This is a list of the needed items.

Bath towel	Wash cloth
Soap	Shampoo
Comb	Tooth brush
Deodorant	Tooth paste

We are accepting money if you would prefer that we make the purchases. Thank you for all of your contributions.

Remember that the **Towson Spring Festival** will be held May 1-2, including Sunday morning. We will, therefore, be worshipping at 10:00 a.m. Sunday morning (May 2nd), and there will be no Sunday School. You are also encouraged to wear your "fair" instead of "good" clothes. If you are able to help set up chairs and tables either day for a "rest area" please contact a Deacon or the Pastor.

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

The Calvary Baptist Church,
Towson, Maryland

Eleven O'clock April 18, 2010

<http://www.calvarybaptist-towson.org>

Frederick K. Weimert, Pastor

Ruth Kulkarni, Christian Kirby, Pastoral Staff

Glenn L. Wittstadt, Jr., Organist-Director

If you have a special prayer request please fill out a pink card, found in the pews, bring it forward and place it on the communion table either before the service or during the first hymn.

PRELUDE : "Andante Relegioso" Ludwig Van Beethoven

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 30

As for me, I said in my prosperity,

"I shall never be moved."

By your favor, O LORD, you had established me as a strong mountain;

you hid your face; I was dismayed.

To you, O LORD, I cried, and to the LORD I made supplication:

"What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?"

Hear, O LORD, and be gracious to me!

O LORD, be my helper!"

You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, so that my soul may praise you and not be silent.

O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

*HYMN 7: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

INVOCATION followed by the Lord's Prayer
(The version we use is printed on the laminated card in the pew)
WELCOME & REGISTRATION
EXTENDED LIFE OF THE CHURCH

ANTHEM:

PRAYER FROM THE PEOPLE: Frank Kauffman

*OFFERING Grant us Lord, the grace of giving,
With a spirit large and free,
That ourselves and all our living
We may offer unto Thee.

OFFERTORY: "Offertory in A Major" C. Czerey

CHILDREN'S TIME:

THE GOSPEL: John 21: 1-19 pg. 945
read by: Lucy Moore

RESPONSIVE CALL TO PRAYER:

Jesus had shown himself, and now it was over... The final chapter had been finished when Peter said:

"I'm going fishing."

It wasn't that he had been so busy the past three years that he missed his favorite pastime...

He was going back to his old vocation... His life's "calling"... fishing for fish.

Jesus had disappointed him...

And somewhere in his heart he must have known he had disappointed Jesus.

He had had such high hopes, and it was sad the way it had ended...

But what more could be done?

Then came the call from shore, the catch, the question, "Peter, do you love me?" ... and finally the charge.

"Feed my sheep."

Lord God, You call us from our failure and success to a task that is always waiting our attention...

Help us never to give up or give in... Keep us ever ready to respond to neighbors who need your love. Amen.

HYMN 557: "People Need the Lord"

SCRIPTURE: Revelation 5 pg. 1075

SERMON: "Opening Day"

*INVITATION HYMN 626: "In Christ, Our Liberty"

Decisions of faith are personal decisions. It is for us to choose if we will believe in God. Decisions of faith are also public and corporate decisions. When we choose to follow Jesus we are choosing to become part of the "Body of Christ", the Church. If you would like to confirm the decision you have made to begin your life of faith or continue that life as a part of this congregation, come forward as we sing the invitational hymn and speak with the worship leader about your decision.

*BENEDICTION/RESPONSE

POSTLUDE:

- Congregation standing.

The sanctuary flowers are given by Wendy Wallace in loving memory of her Aunt Bessie and Adeline Perkins.