

# News from Calvary

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## Missions Breakfast

Turn your clocks back and come  
Sunday November 7th  
9:00a.m. Breakfast

(Call to let us know you are coming 410-825-3360)

## NOVEMBER



### From the Pastor:

Years ago, when I was in the Navy, I wasn't much of a reader. However, in those days Walden Book Stores had begun opening in malls across the country, and I found that I enjoyed going into those stores to peruse the books. One day I saw a little book by Norman Vincent Peal entitled *Norman Vincent Peale's Treasury of Courage and Confidence*. I remembered my parents listening to Dr. Peale on the radio, and I think they subscribed to the *Guidepost* magazines. Dr. Peale had also spoken on the day I was commissioned into the Navy, and by chance I had the opportunity to meet him as he was rehearsing his remarks the day before. So I bought the book, and over the years I have picked it up to read some stories and poems that gave that famous man encouragement. Included in its pages was Rudyard Kipling's poem "If" which has long been a favorite of mine... So, when I pick the book up now it falls open to page 26, because the binding has become broken at the page with that poem.

About a year ago Susan Edwards started collecting favorite poems, sayings, hymns from members of Calvary. She called the project Calvary's Pearls, and she put a box with a bow on the piano. I gave the project little thought. I suppose I thought it would lead to some little booklet with a few pages of sayings. Throughout the year, when children were present in Church, Susan would tell me that they were working on the

book, and I would wonder what was taking so long... Or I feared that maybe this project was just too much for her and Leah. Finally a couple of weeks ago Susan announced "It's ready! Take a look at the proof." I found myself blown away by the beauty of this production.

Susan and her daughter Leah, who did the lay out, along with the young people had made a beautiful production, full of sayings, the art work of children, and beautiful photographs taken by Leah and Clair Edwards and Georgia Hillman. I said to Susan "This is so special, I think we should take a Sunday morning worship service and give people a chance to share their favorite thoughts." I wish more of you had put your name on your contributions, but on the morning of November 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:00 I am hoping that you will tell us what you supplied from your archives. I hope that all of you will come to worship with us on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

In preparation for that morning you can see copies of the book in the sanctuary, and you can see many of your contributions on a bulletin board Susan prepared, just outside the door the choir enters through on Sundays. If you would like to purchase a copy of the book, it is available for \$18.00 (or \$50.00 for three), which covers our printing cost. All you need to do is fill out a form and turn it in to the office. I hope that in years to come you will find yourself turning again and again to favorite pages.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Wednesday Evening Programs as usual  
November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>. There will be no  
programs November 24<sup>th</sup> due to Thanksgiving  
Holiday.**

**November 7th** Communion  
9:00 a.m. Missions Breakfast

**November 8th**  
12 Noon – Annie Armstrong Circle meeting  
in the home of Leah Holland. Please bring a  
sandwich.

7:30 p.m. Needles & News at the home of  
Libby Field.

**November 14th**  
Coffee Hour following Church Service.

**November 21<sup>st</sup>**  
Special celebration during worship of the book:  
“Calvary’s Pearls”

To find out more about that day check out the  
pastor’s letter.

**November 22<sup>nd</sup>** Sarah’s Hope 10:00 a.m. to  
1:00 p.m.

**THANKSGIVING MORNING  
at 10:00 a.m. November 25<sup>th</sup>. We  
will have our Thanksgiving Service  
at Towson Methodist Church.**

**November 29<sup>h</sup>** Pick-up cakes for Our Daily  
Bread and return by Saturday.

Be sure to purchase your Christmas  
Cards with the picture of our sanctuary  
decorated for Christmas Eve.

## BUDGET CONCERNS:

Every year at this time it seems we talk about  
budget concerns. Currently, we are behind what  
**we estimated** we would receive in tithes and  
offerings. I put “**we estimated**” in bold because

we did estimate and project what we would need  
and receive. What we need you to do is:

1. Check to see if you have given what you did  
pledge to the congregation, and if you have not  
and you are able to make a gift, please do this  
now.
2. Fill out a pledge card this month so our  
projection for next year will be more accurate.
3. Please return the pledge card by Sunday  
November 21st.

**Saturday November 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>,  
9:30 a.m. Christmas play practice.  
Susan Edwards may have already  
contacted you, but if she hasn’t and  
you are interested please call  
Susan (410-377-8586).**

*If you are bringing in Thanksgiving  
baskets for ACTC please have them to  
Calvary by the 15<sup>th</sup>. There is also need for  
cash for the Thanksgiving Baskets (some  
cash put in every basket). If you are  
unable to make up a basket you can give  
cash. Make your checks payable to  
Calvary Baptist Church, designated  
Assistant Center.*

*Dear Calvary Baptist Church;*

*We convey our thanks to you  
for the contribution of \$2,000 to American  
Baptist Missions program. Through your  
contributions, you will find the joys which  
only come to those who know the true  
meaning of Christian Stewardship.*

(This amount is included in our 2010 Budget.)