



**January 14, 2024**

**8:30 AM Uplift**

*If you are a guest today, please fill out the "Guest Information" portion  
of your bulletin and place it in the offering plate.*

*Thank you for worshiping with us!*

Scripture: Mark 2:13-22

Message:

Good News in Not-So-Good Times

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?

Welcome to ***Uplift!*** We're glad you're here to worship with us!

For your small children, a nursery is located  
through the right front door of the sanctuary.

Hearing assistance devices are available from our *Uplift* sound team.

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*Please silence cell phones during the worship service.*



**January 14, 2024**

**10:55 AM**

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### **Gathering God's People**

Prelude ..... "Psalm 23" ..... arr. Wagner

Welcome to Worship

\* Welcome Chorus "All Hail King Jesus" ..... No. 295

\* Invocation ..... Steve Simandle

### **Worshiping God's Glory**

\* Hymn of Praise "I Know Whom I Have Believed" No. 353

(Verses 1 and 2)

The Prayers of God's People

\* Hymn of Giving ..... "Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners" ..... No. 156

(Verses 1 and 2)

*(Children in K through Grade 3 may exit for Children's Church)*

\* Prayer over the Offering

Offertory ..... "Doxology" ..... arr. Wolaver

### **Hearing God's Word**

Scripture ..... Mark 2:13-22

Worship in Song ..... "I Thirst" ..... Tom Beckom

Message Good News for Not-So-Good Times Alex Martin

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### **Answering God's Call**

\* Invitation ..... "The Savior is Waiting" ..... No. 412

\* Closing Prayer

\* Postlude ..... "Recessional in B-flat" ..... arr. Wilson

\* Congregation please stand.

## Church Life Updates

- **Thanks for Giving:** We'd like to thank everyone who helped make last Sunday's blood drive in honor and in memory of Brent Hull a success. Because of your support, 36 units of blood were collected. Our next blood drive is scheduled for May 19.
- **Save Some Soles:** Calvary's first mission project for 2024 will be a "Sock Drive." We aim to collect at least 500 pairs of new socks for adults (men or women), which will be shared with our local ministry partners for distribution. Collection boxes will be available in the church office, church lobby, and near the elevator entrance.
- **Wednesday Nights Are Back:** A new season of Calvary's Midweek Ministry has begun. We open with prayer in the Fellowship Hall at 6 o'clock and then split into small group growth opportunities for all ages. Adults have two study options this session: a continuing study of Revelation led by Pastor Alex, and a new study led by Becky Critz called "Unoffendable," which teaches how "letting go" of offenses can give you new energy and gratitude.
- **You Can Be an Encourager:** Calvary's "Card Ministry Team," which got started with our "Servant Sunday" last fall, will meet at 10 o'clock am on Saturday, January 27, to create new cards that will be used to bless those who need a lift. You don't need any special skills or training—just a heart for encouraging others. If you have questions or want to help, please contact Andrea Phillips (336-710-3524), so she can have enough supplies available.
- **We Need Your Help!** We're preparing to "Make Mount Airy Our Valentine." On Sunday, Feb. 11, we'll be sharing the love of Christ in a practical way by delivering packages of cookies to local businesses. And we'd like your help brainstorming our list of recipients! We'd love to bless businesses whose employees don't always get a lot of appreciation. And if we can identify businesses that you visit frequently, that's even better. That way, you can help make our deliveries—and can begin developing a relationship that might lead to future opportunities for outreach and ministry. You can use the bulletin tear-off to make your suggestions. And if you have questions about this project, please contact Jan Varney, Lilnette Phillips, or Pastor Alex.

# Church Statistics

Budget Year 2023 As of 01/07/24	Budget to Date	Receipts to Date	Expenditures to Date	Receipts minus Expenditures
General	\$561,944.00	\$621,845.66	\$ 613,511.33	\$8,334.33
Transportation	\$3,000.00	\$6,825.00	\$4,925.15	\$1,899.85
Endowment Fund as of 01/07/24:			83,453.03	

If you have any questions about the budget please see Bob Peake.

Date	Sunday School	Uplift	Traditional	Total Worship
01/07/24	101	0	158	158

# Calendar of Events

## Sunday, January 14

8:30 AM Uplift Service  
9:45 AM Sunday School  
10:55 AM Traditional Service

## Sunday, January 21

8:30 AM Uplift Service  
9:45 AM Sunday School  
10:55 AM Traditional Service

## Wednesday, January 17

6:00 PM Mid-Week Ministry  
7:15 PM Choir Practice

## Wednesday, January 24

6:00 PM Mid-Week Ministry  
7:15 PM Choir Practice

## Thursday, January 18

10:00 AM Pastor's Bible Study

## Thursday, January 25

10:00 AM Pastor's Bible Study

## Prayer Concerns

- **The Calvary Family:** Our Homebound Members, Family of Brent Hull, Brenda Arnder and her daughter Peggy, Gray Beverly, Ray Dunbar, Renee Francis, Vernell Goins, Anita Greene, Lillie Mae Haynes, Andrea Herath, Norris Hodge, Norris Jarrell, Carol Lowe, Tony Martin, Greg McCormick, Robert McKinney, Devra Neal, Howard Shelton, Craig Slate, Owen Stone, Tony Varney, Kendra White
- **Friends of Calvary (12/31):** Courtney Payne Benfield, Ralph Hiatt, Sr. (Ralph Hiatt's father), Don Moorefield (Jenny Moorefield's brother), Mike Rutherford (friend of Keith Doyle), Gaynell Snow (relative of Tom & Lore Beckom)
- **Friends of Calvary (01/07):** Rita Blackburn (Jill Cawley's mother), Virginia Howlett (George Howlett's mother), Family of Bonnie Moses (mother-in-law of Bob & Pam Peake's daughter, Angie Moses), Todd Wishneski (Will Jarrell's coworker)

	January 14	January 21
Deacon of the Week	Steve Simandle	Debbie Howlett
Safety Team—Uplift Safety Team—Traditional	Benny Lisk Roger Jarrell	Mike Francis Gray Shelton



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