



September 21, 2025

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!

Message

The Beginning:
God Is Closer than You Think
Genesis 28:10-17

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.



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10:55 AM

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Gathering God's People

Prelude..... "There is a Wideness in God's Mercy" arr. Schlosser

Welcome to Worship

* Welcome Chorus "Bow the Knee" No. 505

* Invocation..... Danny Lineberry

Worshiping God's Glory

* Hymn of Praise.... "Just When I Need Him Most" No. 160
(Verses 1 and 4)

The Prayers of God's People

* Hymn of Giving..... "Abide with Me" No. 88
(Verses 1 and 3)

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

* Prayer over the Offering

Offertory "Be Thou My Vision" arr. Greiner

Hearing God's Word

Scripture Genesis 28:10-17

Worship in Song

Message..... The Beginning: Pastor Alex Martin
God Is Closer than You Think

Answering God's Call

* Invitation "Near to the Heart of God" No. 458

* Closing Prayer

* Postlude "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" arr. Ellor
* Congregation please stand.

Church Life Updates

- **Blood Drive:** We're happy to report that 43 unites of blood were donated at last Sunday's blood drive. Thanks to all who gave—and to all who helped make this important ministry possible.
- **Deacon Selection:** Last Sunday, our church family nominated these individuals to serve a 3-year term on our board of deacons: Kenny Nowlin, Jan Varney, Tom Beckom, Doug Odell, and Steve Simandle. David McPeak, Jr. was also nominated to complete the term of Kent Moser, who has stepped away from deacon ministry to focus on caring for his wife Karen. A vote of affirmation will take place in worship on Sunday, October 12.
- **Surry Baptist WMU Gathering:** The Surry Baptist WMU will host a Fall Gathering on Monday, Sept. 29th at 6 PM at Highland Park. Attendees are encouraged to bring an item of children's clothing to support the local ministry. If you'd like to attend, please let Beth Church or Mary Jane Shelton know ASAP!
- **Baptist Men's Pancake Breakfast:** This Saturday, September 27, the Surry Baptist Men will host a pancake breakfast in Calvary's fellowship hall from 7 am to 10 am. All donations support the Handyman ministry.
- **Backpack Fund Drive:** We've raised \$1,125 toward the \$6500 goal for this year's Backpack Challenge. Your donation makes it possible for us to meet the needs of children from families facing food insecurity. Thanks in advance for your generous giving!
- **Servant Sunday:** On Sunday, October 19, we'll be canceling our *worship services* so we can *worship through serving!* Copies of our Servant Sunday project list can be found in the information stations. We encourage you to sign up by contacting the church office.
- **Christmas Choir:** Calvary's choir is beginning work on this year's Christmas cantata...and *we'd like you to join us!* Rehearsal for the cantata takes place during the first 15 minutes of each Wednesday night choir practice, which starts at 7:15.
- **Ready to Serve?** Calvary's nominating committee is seeking those who'd like to play an active role on our ministry teams and committees. If you've got a desire to participate in the work God is doing here, please fill out the "I Want to Serve" portion of the bulletin tear-off and drop it in the offering plate, or reach out to Debbie Howlett (dhowlett1@triad.rr.com).

Church Statistics

Budget Year 2025 As of 09/14/2025	Budget to Date	Receipts to Date	Expenditures to Date	Receipts minus Expenditures
General	\$475,142.54	\$454,946.58	\$376,410.76	\$78,535.85
Transportation	\$2,134.62	\$765.00		\$765.00
Endowment Fund as of 09/14/25:				\$174,293.60

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

Date	Sunday School	Uplift	Traditional	Total Worship
9/14/2025	153	130	92	222

Calendar of Events

Sunday, September 21

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

Sunday, September 28

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

Wednesday, September 24

5:45 PM Midweek Ministries
6:15 PM Handbells
7:15 PM Choir Rehearsal

Monday, September 29

6:00 PM WMU Fall Gathering

Wednesday, October 1

5:45 PM Midweek Ministries
6:15 PM Handbells
7:15 PM Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, September 27

7:00 AM Pancake Breakfast

We'd Love to Have You Join Us!

Membership at Calvary is open to everyone who has placed their trust in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord and has been baptized by immersion. To join the church by profession of faith or by transfer of letter from another congregation, you can speak to the pastor during the song of response at the end of worship or contact him during the week.

Prayer Concerns

- **The Calvary Family:** Our Homebound Members, Claudia Bryant, Nakota Chandler, Lauren Francis, Anita Goins, Mary Lynn Goins, Vernell Goins, Lillie Mae Haynes, Mary Ruth Lewis, Teresa Martin, Karen Moser, Doug Nichols, Veda Payne, Natalie Puckett, Jack and Mary Helen Smith, Owen Stone
- **Friends of Calvary (9/7):** Family of Don Beverly, Family of Randy Collins, Family of Earl Shelton, Jean Arrington (Nicole Harrison's grandmother), Larry Patterson (Donna Keck's brother), Carole Simmons (Jarod Simmons' mother), Debra Walker (Judy Meinecke's sister-in-law)
- **Friends of Calvary (9/14):** Family of John Tadlock (Alex Martin's ministry mentor), Kenneth Coe (Mary Jane Shelton's brother), Joanne Martin (Alex Martin's mother)

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Deacon of the Week	Danny Lineberry	Debbie Howlett
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Striving to glorify God by being a Christ-centered, caring church through worship, discipleship, missions and ministry.