



December 7, 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 worshipping with us!

Message

A Very Matthew Christmas:
A Disruptive Question for Christmas
(Matthew 16:13-20)

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.

NEXT SUNDAY: DECEMBER 14

Join us at 8:30 next Sunday morning as the Uplift Praise Band presents *The Unexpected Messiah*, a beautiful reminder that, to a world expecting a conquering king, Jesus came as a humble child to show us the nature of God's love!

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Hearing assistance devices are available; please see an usher.

Please silence cell phones during the worship service.



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10:55 AM

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Gathering as God's People

Prelude..... "Adoration to the King" arr. Leatherman

Welcome to Worship

* Welcome Chorus "Emmanuel" No. 201

* Invocation..... Bob McPherson

* Hymn of Praise "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" No. 176
(Verses 1)

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Receiving God's Gift: A Noel Celebration

Sing Noel

Prepare the Way

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

* Hymn of Giving..... "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"No. 188
(Verses 1)

* Prayer over the Offering

Offertory "Still, Still, Still" arr. Sorensen

Manger Carol

Noel Festival

Noel! Christ the Lord Is Born

What Child Is This?

A Noel Celebration

Responding to God's Good News

* Invitation "Noel! Christ the Lord is Born"

* Closing Prayer

Church Life Updates

Christmas Cantata: *A Noel Celebration*

This morning, we celebrate the Savior as our sanctuary choir presents their Christmas cantata for 2025, *A Noel Celebration*! We'll be joined by an orchestra that includes musicians from Calvary, North Surry High School and the surrounding community:

Director: Blake McCraw

Flute: Laiken Reece and Estephany Sanabria

Clarinet: Ani Hughes and Logan Jarrell

Trumpet: Aidan Watson

Trombone: Mike Hintz and Nathan Hintz

Tuba: Colby Callaway

Harp: Joyce Stephens

Timpani: Ryan Critz

- **Christmas Missions Offering:** Let's share Jesus with people around the world by raising \$5000 to support global missions! You can designate your offering to Andy & Cari Robertson (our missionaries in central Africa), the Lottie Moon offering of the SBC, or the Global Missions Offering of the CBF.
- **Angel Tree:** Today is the deadline for Angel Tree gifts to be returned to the church. Please be sure that one copy of your recipient's tag is in the bag, with the other affixed firmly to the outside.
- **2026 Budget Vote:** In today's bulletin, you'll find a ballot for the budget that we discussed at our Nov. business meeting. Members of our church family are asked to mark their ballot and put it in the offering plate.
- **T-Shirt Orders:** Today is the deadline to order a Franklin Backpack Ministry t-shirt, designed by Calvary's kids. Sizes run from Youth M to Adult XL, and the cost is \$11.70 per shirt. Adult shirts in 2XL and 3XL are also available for a small upcharge. To order a shirt, please contact Becky Critz (336/341-8249) or the church office.
- **Kids' Christmas Play:** We can't wait for this year's Children's Christmas Pageant! If you'd like your child to participate, please contact Melissa Bracey (336/712-5449) to get more information about the play and its rehearsal schedule.
- **Christmas Post Office:** Dec. 12 is the deadline to use our "Christmas Post Office" to send holiday greetings to our Silver Circle members. Just complete your cards, write the recipients' names on the outside, and drop them in one of the collection boxes.

Church Statistics

Budget Year 2025 As of 11/30/2025	Budget to Date	Receipts to Date	Expenditures to Date	Receipts minus Expenditures
General	\$633,523.38	\$616,214.26	\$534,388.54	\$71,825.72
Transportation	\$2,769.23	\$1065.00		\$1065.00
Endowment Fund as of 11/30/25:				\$179,032.48

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

Date	Sunday School	Uplift	Traditional	Total Worship
11/30/2025	172	143	87	230

Calendar of Events

Sunday, December 7

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

Sunday, December 14

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

Tuesday, December 9

6:30 PM BYW

Wednesday, December 17

6:15 PM Handbells
7:15 PM Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, December 10

6:15 PM Handbells
7:15 PM PM Choir Rehearsal

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, Mike Flanagan, Lauren Francis, Mary Lynn Goins, Vernell Goins, Lillie Mae Haynes, Mary Ruth Lewis, Karen Moser, Doug Nichols, Troy Payne, Veda Payne, Natalie Puckett, Sherry Riddle, Jack Stanley, Owen Stone
- **Friends of Calvary (11/23):** Shirley Fields (Bodey Fields' mother), Peter King (pastor of Woodland Baptist Church)
- **Friends of Calvary (11/30):** Family of Janie Draughn (Mitzi Poore's mother), Family of Wayne McKinney (Beverly Hamilton's father), Jean Arrington (Nicole Harrison's grandmother), Nancy Moore (Beth Church's mother), Carole Simmons (Jarod Simmons' mother), Debra Walker (Judy Meinecke's sister-in-law)

	D e c e m b e r 7	D e c e m b e r 14
Deacon of the Week	Bob McPherson	David Stone
Safety Team—Uplift Safety Team—Traditional	Drew Nowlin Jim Byrd	David McPeak Lowell Layman

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Striving to glorify God by being a Christ-centered, caring church through worship, discipleship, missions and ministry.