

Join us Sunday, December 17  
at 6:00pm for a

# CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

WITH THE

## Calvary Choir

GOODIES / FELLOWSHIP / CAROLS

### A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION WITH THE CALVARY CHOIR

The Calvary Choir invites you to join them for a Christmas Celebration on Sunday, December 17, at 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. There will be delicious goodies to enjoy as you and your friends and family gather around tables adorned with Christmas decorations. The choir will sing some Christmas music for you and also sing some traditional carols with you. It will be a festive evening celebrating the good news of our Savior's birth.

### CHRISTMAS OFFERING

During the Christmas season, we celebrate God's amazing gift to us of His Son to be our Savior. If you would like to express your gratitude by giving Him an extra gift beyond your normal giving to His work through Calvary Baptist Church, you can use an offering envelope marked "Christmas Offering" or select that fund when you give electronically. These gifts will support the Motorhome Project at the seminary in Tecate, Mexico. They have acquired two motorhomes that are now permanently located on the campus, to provide lodging that is better suited than the dorm rooms for couples or families who come for training or involvement in local outreaches. Some repairs and improvements are needed to enhance their usability.

# Connections

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#### Sunday Services

9:00am Sunday School  
10:00am Inner Mission  
10:30am Worship Service  
(Livestream Available)

#### Office Hours

Monday through Thursday  
9:00am-3:00pm  
Friday  
9:00pm-12:00pm

(Please note that the church office will be closed on Monday, December 25 and Monday, January 1 in celebration of Christmas and New Year's holidays.)

#### Visit us online

[www.CalvaryCR.org](http://www.CalvaryCR.org)



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Rapids](https://www.facebook.com/CalvaryBaptistChurchCedarRapids)



Please give contact information updates to the church office.



On Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve Sundays, December 24 and 31, we will have only the morning worship service at 10:30. There will be no Sunday School, Adult Bible Classes, or Inner Mission on those Sundays, and nothing will be scheduled those evenings. Invite family and friends to join you at Calvary for worship on those mornings, and then enjoy the rest of the day together.



The Sunshine Singers will present their musical, "The Christmas Express," at 6:00pm on Sunday, December 10. Come along for the ride as the train conductor welcomes a teacher and her students, along with some other characters, as they make their way to Bethlehem, PA to celebrate the birth of Christ with a grand pageant. We invite you, and your family and friends, to join us on a joyful journey as God orchestrates a night of miracles to help us all remember the true meaning of Christmas... Jesus!



**SALT & PEPPER RETIREES FELLOWSHIP**

We will be meeting for our Christmas fellowship on Tuesday, December 12 at 11:30am. We will enjoy a catered lunch in the fellowship hall and then move to the sanctuary to enjoy Christmas music by our special guests, "Young at Harp." Contact Nadene Roberts or Donna Voss for more information.

**BAKERS AND DELIVERY DRIVERS NEEDED**

Attention, cookie chefs! The Deaconess committee has made a request for some volunteers to supply two dozen cookies for the annual holiday cookie platters. The platters are provided to homebound/shut-ins in our church family. You are asked to bring the cookies to the church kitchen on December 5 (no later than 5:00pm). We also are asking for volunteers to deliver the platters. Please sign up at the Welcome Center if you would be willing help. Contact Pam Winchester at 319-929-4801 for information.

**LADIES NIGHT OUT**

Ladies Night Out is for all women in the church, and they are welcome to invite friends as well. We will be meeting at Biaggi's (320 Collins Road NE) on Monday, December 4 at 6:30pm. If you plan to attend, please call or text Deb Gaeta at (319) 491-7720 or email djaeta@q.com so she will know how many will be attending.

**WINTER BLOOD DRIVE**

Save the date! Please join Nadene Roberts and ImpactLife, who will host Calvary's 21st blood drive on Monday, January 29. (The last date to donate and still be eligible for this drive is December 4.) To sign up or for more information on becoming a donor, contact Nadene or visit [Bloodcenter.org](http://Bloodcenter.org).

**YOUTH ACTIVITIES**

**YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY**

On Wednesday, December 20 at 6:30pm, the Calvary teens will be celebrating the birth of our Savior with a party in the youth building. Please bring snacks and drinks to share and a small gift (under \$10) to exchange.



**YOUTH ARCTIC ADVANCE**

Junior and senior high school students are invited to attend the "Arctic Advance," a winter retreat January 19-21 at Camp Lebanon in Burtrum, Minnesota, where they will enjoy biblical teaching, snow tubing, games, and more. The cost is \$120 (limited scholarships are available). **Permission slips and payment are due by December 10.** Contact Pastor Matt at 319-396-3233 for more information.



9:15am-11:15am  
(Registration at 9:00am)  
Every 1st and 3rd  
Tuesday of the month

*Family Forum*

**CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY**

- We express our condolences to Bob & Lil Kemmerer on the death of Lil's mother, Zelma Frickson, on November 7.
- We express our condolences to John & Jacque Walker on the death of John's father, Lee Walker, on November 10.
- We express our condolences to the family of Shirley Jenkins, who died on November 13.

**LETTERS OF APPRECIATION**

The Linkenback Family would like to thank the Deaconess Committee for the love and care for her these past years. She enjoyed being a deaconess and appreciated the friendship and admired your servant's heart. I know she loved and prayed for her church family.

Jill Applegate

Thank you for the opportunity to come and share an update on our ministry this past summer! Thank you for your many years of support and prayers that make it possible for us to continue to serve in Poland. We couldn't do this without you and thank God for your part. Thank you also for the gift card.

Randy & Kaye Hacker



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> 9:00am Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes 10:00am Inner Mission 10:30am Worship Service (Communion) 4:30pm Choir Rehearsal 6:00pm Sonshine Singers 6:00pm Table Talk 6:00pm Koinonia	<b>4</b>  6:30pm Ladies Night Out	<b>5</b>  9:15am MUMs	<b>6</b>  9:00am Staff Prayer  6:30pm AWANA, Youth Group and Adult Prayer Meeting	<b>7</b>  1:00pm Ladies Bible Study	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>  9:00am-Noon Sonshine Singers Dress Rehearsal
<b>10</b> 9:00am Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes 10:00am Inner Mission 10:30am Worship Service  4:30pm Choir Rehearsal 6:00pm Sonshine Singers Present "The Christmas Express"	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>  9:15am MUMs Leadership Team Meeting  11:30am Salt & Pepper Retirees Fellowship 7:00pm Committee and Ministry Team Meetings	<b>13</b>  9:00am Staff Prayer  6:30pm AWANA, Youth Group and Adult Prayer Meeting	<b>14</b>  1:00pm Ladies Bible Study  6:00pm MUMs Special Activity in Gym	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> 9:00am Sunday School & Adult Bible Classes 10:00am Inner Mission 10:30am Worship Service 4:30pm Choir Rehearsal 6:00pm Christmas Celebration with the Calvary Choir	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>  9:15am MUMs Open Gym  6:30pm Board of Deacons Meeting	<b>20</b>  9:00am Staff Prayer  6:30pm Youth Group Christmas Party	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24 Christmas Eve</b>  No Sunday School, Adult Bible Classes, or Inner Mission 10:30am Worship Service  NO EVENING ACTIVITIES	<b>25 Christmas</b>  OFFICE CLOSED	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>  9:00am Staff Prayer  NO EVENING ACTIVITIES	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>31 New Year's Eve</b>  No Sunday School, Adult Bible Classes, or Inner Mission 10:30am Worship Service  NO EVENING ACTIVITIES						

 <p><b>BIRTHDAYS</b></p>	2 Julia Hale	12 Tim Abodeely	21 Roxann Von Lienen
	2 Ron Tower	13 Virginia Keller	22 Marlin Dunnick
	5 Greg Dengler	14 Sharon Morrow	25 John Morris
	6 Nadene Roberts	16 Nicole Andree	28 Beverly Danielsen
	6 Brad Tower	16 Aude Mondelus	28 Evelyn Lykkegaard
	7 Hilary Bourne	16 Donna Voss	29 Deb Gaeta
	7 Rick Enfield	19 Violet Andree	29 Emma Hale
	8 Ina Mae Wienola	20 Jürgen Sandersfeld	30 Bob Lehman
	11 Gladys Grange	21 Betty Schutte	
	11 Terry Kiser	21 Forrest Voss	