

**Calvary Episcopal Church
Annual Parish Celebration
January 20, 2019**

2019 Vestry of Calvary Episcopal Church



Standing: Frank Lemkowitz, Oscar Lozano, Betty Best, David Taylor, Roy Haley,
Don Whitehead, Jim Kidda
Sitting: Rev. Paul Wehner, Angela Colley, Bob Watts, Eric Cain, Amber Zentis,
Rev. Lecia Brannon
Not pictured: Missy Marek

ANNUAL PARISH CELEBRATION-2018

Calvary Episcopal Church
Sunday, January 20, 2019

Opening Prayer and Comments	Fr. Paul Wehner
Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.	
Appointment of Recording Secretary	Fr. Paul
2018 Annual Parish Meeting Minutes Approval	Fr. Paul
Rector's Report	Fr. Paul
Sr. Warden's Report	Jewlon Morris
Jr. Warden's & B&G Committee Report	Oscar Lozano
Treasurer's Report	Frank Lemkowitz, Finance Committee Kathy Haley, Manager of Finance & Operations
Calvary Episcopal School Report	Malcolm Smith, Headmaster
Christian Formation	Betty Anne Taylor
Calvary Foundation Report, Elections	Charlie King
Outreach Committee Report	Tim Hillis
Parish Statistics	Fr. Paul, Rev. Lecia
Acknowledgement of outgoing Vestry members (Jewlon Morris, Dorothy Lyons, Leslie Amentini, Scott McLemore, Joyce Strimple)	Fr. Paul, Amber Zentis
Recognition of current School Board, Foundation Board, and Myers Endowment Board	Fr. Paul
Plans for 2019, Introduction of 2019 Vestry	Amber Zentis, 2019 Sr. Warden
Closing Prayer	Rev. Lecia

CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
2018 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 21, 2018

Fr. Paul opened the meeting at 9:15 AM with an opening prayer.

Greg Bethke was appointed recording secretary for the meeting.

Anne Scarborough led a short birthday celebration for Fr. Paul, including a cake cutting ceremony.

2017 Annual Parish Meeting Meetings

Minutes from the 2017 Annual Parish Meeting were distributed in the 2018 Annual Meeting Packet, which also contained reports from the Rector, Sr. Warden, Jr. Warden and Buildings and Grounds Committee, Treasurer, Calvary Episcopal Preparatory School and various other Calvary Ministries.

Dorothy Lyons made a motion to accept the minutes. Peggy Clingenpeel seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Rector's Report

Fr. Paul presented the highlights from his full Rector's report contained in the meeting packet. He started by reading a portion of Psalm 96 which encourages us to 'sing unto the Lord.' He then described how we must be able to 'sing a new song' and embrace change to go where the Lord takes us. Several of the changes that have taken place at Calvary over Fr. Paul's seven years as Rector were described. He then shared examples of how Calvary spread God's love throughout the community in 2017 through several of the many outreach activities.

He shared news of the unexpected gift of nearly \$500,000 from the Henderson-Wessendorff Foundation to pay off Calvary's building loan. This gift, making Calvary debt-free for the first time in nearly two decades, will allow Calvary to do even more for the underserved in our community in the future.

Fr. Paul then gave thanks to the congregation for achieving so many worthwhile accomplishments in 2017, and he looks forward with the congregation to hearing 'new songs' that Jesus puts in our hearts in 2018.

Sr. Warden's Report

The Sr. Warden's report was presented by Jewlon Morris. He first described his journey of serving on vestry, starting in 2015 and leading to his becoming Sr. Warden in 2017. He then illustrated some of the many accomplishments Calvary achieved in 2017, including recovery efforts following Hurricane Harvey. Jewlon emphasized, however, that Calvary's response to the hurricane recovery efforts are not finished. Jewlon finished his update by re-enforcing Bishop Doyle's message to Calvary during his visit: Calvary has accomplished its goal of becoming a Welcoming Church, and now it needs to go into the community and become more evangelical.

Jr. Warden's Report

The Jr. Warden's report was presented by Terry Jordan. Terry split his update into three sections: Buildings & Grounds Maintenance, Flood Control Project, and Capital Improvements. Among the many repairs undertaken across the campus throughout the year, Terry highlighted the Austin Street sidewalk replacement that was donated by the Randolph family. In terms of flooding, Terry reported that Calvary experienced only minor damage from the Hurricane Harvey flooding.

He also acknowledged Jim Grotte for his work in pushing the Flood Control Project with the Cities of Richmond and Rosenberg. The final item covered in the Jr. Warden's update was the kitchen remodeling project, which involved replacing nearly everything except for the stainless steel counters.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was presented by Treasurer Christian Iversen, who directed parishioners to page 13 of the 2018 Annual Meeting Packet. Year-to-date, 2017 total revenues were \$652,679, and 2017 total expenses were \$657,126 resulting in a net deficit of \$4,447. Kathy Haley, the 2017 Annual Stewardship Chairperson then provided an update on 2018 pledges. There were 118 family units pledging \$558,980 for 2018.

Calvary Episcopal School Report

The Calvary Episcopal Preparatory School (CEP) report was presented by CEP Headmaster Malcolm Smith. He started by recognizing the Calvary members who served on the school board. He then reminded parishioners that his report covers the 2016-2017 school year. Highlights included an ethnically and economically diverse student population, 36 new students, starting the 2017-2018 school year with the same number of students as ended the 2016-2017 school year and zero turnover of faculty/staff.

Christian Formation

Calvary's Christian Formation Coordinator, Betty Anne Taylor, presented the Christian Formation report. She described some of the programs undertaken in the past year, including Sunday School Without Walls, Children's Chapel, Multi-Generational Sunday School, Early Communion, and Bible study for high school and junior high school students. Plans were shared for the 2018 youth formation programs. Rev. Lecia then reported on the programs offered in 2017 for Adult Christian formation. Plans for 2018 include a study on Verna Dozier's book "The Dream of God, A Call to Return."

Calvary Episcopal Church Foundation, Inc.

The Calvary Foundation report was presented by 2017 President Charlie King. He described the grants given by the Foundation and summarized the deposits and expenses of the Foundation. At the end of 2017, the Foundation fund had a value of \$205,448.03 of which \$100,000 is corpus. Charlie also reported that the Foundation is considering funding the construction of a new columbarium.

Two board member positions will become vacant. Each term is for three years. Angela Cooley and John Ondrusek have been nominated to fill the vacancies. No additional nominations were made from the floor. Since the nominations come from Committee, no further action is needed to bring them to a vote. The nominations were put before the Parish for a floor vote, and the motion passed.

Highlighted Ministry – Outreach

Tim Hillis began his update on Calvary's Outreach activities by showcasing a tee shirt with the words summarizing Outreach's motto: 'God's Work, Our Hands.' He then described Outreach's name change to 'Into the Community,' which highlights the ministry's primary goal of forming relationships with the community. After recognizing the Outreach committee's leadership team, Tim continued by sharing some of the many activities undertaken by the Outreach ministry. The full report is included on pages 24 and 25 of the 2018 Annual Meeting Packet.

Parish Statistics

Fr. Paul reviewed the 2017 parish statistics found on page 31 of the meeting packet. Rev. Lecia then said a prayer for those who passed away in 2017, and she read their names.

Acknowledgement of Outgoing Vestry Members and Plans for 2018

Fr. Paul announced that Jewlon Morris will remain on vestry for an additional year filling a vacant vestry position. In addition, Jewlon will continue as Senior Warden in 2018. Fr. Paul and Jewlon then thanked, and presented gifts to, the outgoing vestry members: Greg Bethke, Terry Jordan, Jason Kniss and Amber Zentis.

Jewlon then made some brief remarks about plans for 2018, in particular re-emphasizing the parish of Bishop Doyle's challenge for Calvary to become more evangelical.

Closing Remarks and Prayer

Fr. Paul recognized current, and introduced new, members of the CEP School Board, the Foundation Board, and the Myers Endowment Board as well as Calvary's Council Delegates.

Rev. Lecia finished with a closing prayer, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 AM.

Submitted by,
Greg Bethke, Recording Secretary

2018 RECTOR'S REPORT

“Be at peace among yourselves. And we urge you, beloved, to admonish the idlers, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with all of them. See that none of you repays evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to all. Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you! (1 Thessalonians 5.13-18)

Dear People of Calvary,

The New Testament includes many pastoral letters written by St. Paul to the early Christian congregations with which he maintained an ongoing relationship. His letters generally included a combination of encouragement, instruction, and rebuke, when necessary; but above all, they centered on the gathered life of the community. Staying *united* together in their worship of God in Christ and in their love and care for one another, was of paramount importance to Paul. Over and over again, he emphasized the importance of unity for the wellbeing and the faithfulness of both the church and its individual members. Paul wrote that without the support of the church community, the temptations and forces of the world would be too much to withstand on one's own. Therefore, tending to the health of the church body is all-important, and his letters go into great detail about how that should be done.

Be at peace among yourselves. . . . always seek to do good to one another and to all.

Christine D. Pohl, professor emeritus of Christian ethics at Asbury Theological Seminary, writes the following in her book about the important traits of healthy congregations:

“The character of our shared life in congregations, communities and families has the power to draw people to the kingdom or to push them away. **How we live together is the most persuasive sermon we'll ever get to preach.** While the beauty of loving communities does not replace the importance of the verbal proclamation of the gospel, Jesus explicitly linked the truth of his life and message to our life together.”

When each of us looks back at our time at Calvary, it will be the love and support we felt in our church family that we will most remember. Whether we gathered in worship, or prayer, or study, or to break bread, or to work – it is the relationships we made here that will stay with us. When I think back about the many times that I participated in church projects or ministries, etc., it is the conversations and the enjoyment of others that I inevitably reflect on most – not the jobs themselves. Even the seemingly endless string of meetings that I have attended often bring a smile to my face, because we were working together for the shared purpose of serving God in our church and in our community. Seeking *to do good to one another and to all* is grace-filled behavior that nourishes our own souls as well as those with whom we are interacting. And as Dr. Pohl asserts, the manner in which we treat each other is one of the most important aspects of how we are viewed by our visitors and our community. When we sincerely love each other without expectation of gaining something in return, we model the love of Christ in a way that our broken world is hungry to be part of.

As I look back on 2018, I am overwhelmed by the magnitude of our generosity and by the numerous ways that Calvary has shared the love of Christ in our community. The monetary value of our outreach this year was about \$115,000, or more than 16% of our operating budget – by far the largest amount in recent history. However, the monetary value of our work is less

important than the fact that we did not just put checks in the mail. **No, we worked together** to help north Richmond recover from Harvey; we **planted and weeded** the Garden to grow food for others; we **delivered** the 900+ meals at Thanksgiving; we **knocked on the door and went inside** more than 40 homes with Christmas gifts for 145 children; we **sat and listened** to the students that we mentored at Jane Long Elementary; we **invited** spokespersons from the organizations that we support to come meet and talk to us; we **opened our doors** to the YMCA, the Scouts, Ft. Bend Lawyers CARE, and other non-profits without charge; we prayed with those who came seeking financial help and treated them with **esteem and respect**; we **got in our cars and went** on mission trips to other places that needed our help; we **went inside prison walls** to deliver the message of God's love to those who most need to hear it; we **loaded washing machines with quarters** and stayed to visit with parents who struggle to put clean clothes on their children; and we **lay on gurneys and gave our blood** to save the lives of our brothers and sisters. And, the fact is that our personal participation in Calvary's outreach is life-giving – both to those whom we meet and also to us. Because the more we listen and understand about the struggles of others, the more grace-filled we become as parents and grandparents and as children of God.

*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you!*

I *rejoice and give thanks* today, as I celebrate my 71st birthday. I have been blessed beyond measure every step of the way, and I count my Calvary family as chief among those blessings. I am grateful for all of you, and I especially appreciate the leadership of those who have served on vestry or as Board members or committee chairs. Together we have celebrated God's incredible provision for this church, and we have also experienced the great joy of sharing those provisions with others. However, 2019 will be my last year as your rector. The Episcopal Church requires clergy to retire from fulltime church work by the age of 72, which means that I must retire in the next 12 months. Given the cycle of our church year and also that of our school, I have decided that the best time for me to step down is during the summer. My last Sunday will be Pentecost Sunday, June 9. Most of you know how much I enjoy our Pentecost picnic, so it should make for an awesome grand finalé. Sherry and I then plan to be Summer Camp Directors at Camp Allen from June 16-22, and my official final day of work will be June 30. While these are very difficult words for me to type, I am determined that we will continue the *good work that God has begun in us* and will *give thanks in ALL circumstances*. The world needs us – and I pray that we will not waver in our desire to share God's love in Christ to those outside our walls. I know that you will have many questions about what is next for Calvary – your vestry and I pledge to provide information as soon as we have it. In the meantime, let us look ahead together with excitement and anticipation about the future - secure in the knowledge that we are known and loved by God forever.

In the love of Christ,

Paul+

CALVARY EPISCOPAL CHURCH PARISH MEETING SENIOR WARDEN'S REPORT

The year for Calvary started with: the vestry happily reviewing the letter from Amegy confirming the loan has been paid in full. At the Annual Vestry Retreat representatives from Church and School joined Father Paul and the Vestry in putting together a prioritized list of future needs for both the Church and school. Later a committee was established to address the list of needs for both the Church and School. A long debated and awaited event came out of the meeting in which the future needs of CEC and CEP were prioritized. The School acquired two vans. Both vans have the CEC logo and have been used by both Youth and Adults at Calvary Church.

The Rev. Nancy Wilkes was welcomed as a staff member and Rev. Lecia Brannon went from being the Curate, a partially financed position by the Diocese, to the full time Associate Rector, fully supported by Calvary. Heidi Eland was hired as the new parish administrator. Several former members of Calvary EYC approached the church after graduating from University to seek support for their full-time jobs on the mission field. The vestry approved support for Jacob and Katy Hills, and Angel Gonzalez

Along with new security doors being installed between the parish hall and the Thompson highway foyer, cameras with recording ability were also installed allowing for motion surveillance of certain key locations after and during hours. The vestry approved a project for expanding the columbarium, and the Calvary Foundation took on the responsibility for planning and managing the project. It is completed and located on the wall directly to the left of the first columbarium, as you face the baptismal font.

The Vestry gave approval for the creation of the “Green Team” ministry, an effort at Calvary to help take care of our beautiful Earth. The “Green Team,” headed by Betty Anne, Taylor will investigate how Calvary can be a part of this national effort.

Calvary's pictorial directory is being updated.

Vestry approved to support continued growth and reorganization of the Scouting program at Calvary.

Vestry approved the new financial budget for 2019, which included a 3% raise for current employees.

It has been a great honor and privilege to serve you.

Jewlon Morris, Senior Warden

Calvary Annual Parish Meeting Jr. Warden's Report for 2018

I. Building & Grounds Maintenance

Maintaining this large campus is always a challenge, and this year was no exception. The most significant repairs for 2018 revolved around the Air Conditioning, Plumbing leaks, and Electrical. There were some upgrades made to some of our lighting fixtures to convert them to LED.

II. Calvary Episcopal Preparatory

The school went through their 10 Year Accreditation with the Southwestern Association of Episcopal Schools late in 2018. The school wanted to make the school and campus look as nice as possible, thus the following things were done:

- ◆ Walls to hallways, bathrooms, workrooms, and offices were painted or touched up
- ◆ Ceiling tiles were replaced
- ◆ Trees and shrubs were trimmed
- ◆ Sidewalks and concrete play areas were power washed
- ◆ Windows were cleaned
- ◆ The Temporary Building no longer used or needed was removed

III. Capital Improvements – Parish Hall Roof Replacement

After struggling with continued roof leaks after every rain, the decision was made to have the roof replaced. The Building and Grounds Committee chose Duran Roofing to do the work. We were also able to purchase an extended warranty on the installation that will protect us from having to pay for labor charges should the shingles or the installation fail.

IV. Joint Facilities Planning Committee

This committee was formed after the Vestry Retreat last January to look into future capital improvements to the Church and School. The Committee has a list of projects they are getting cost estimates on. They met this week to review the estimates and will make recommendations soon.

V. Flood Control Project

Continue to work with cities of Richmond and Rosenberg to address chronic drainage issues from local creek. Cities are jointly working with Ft. Bend County Drainage District to address flooding issues.

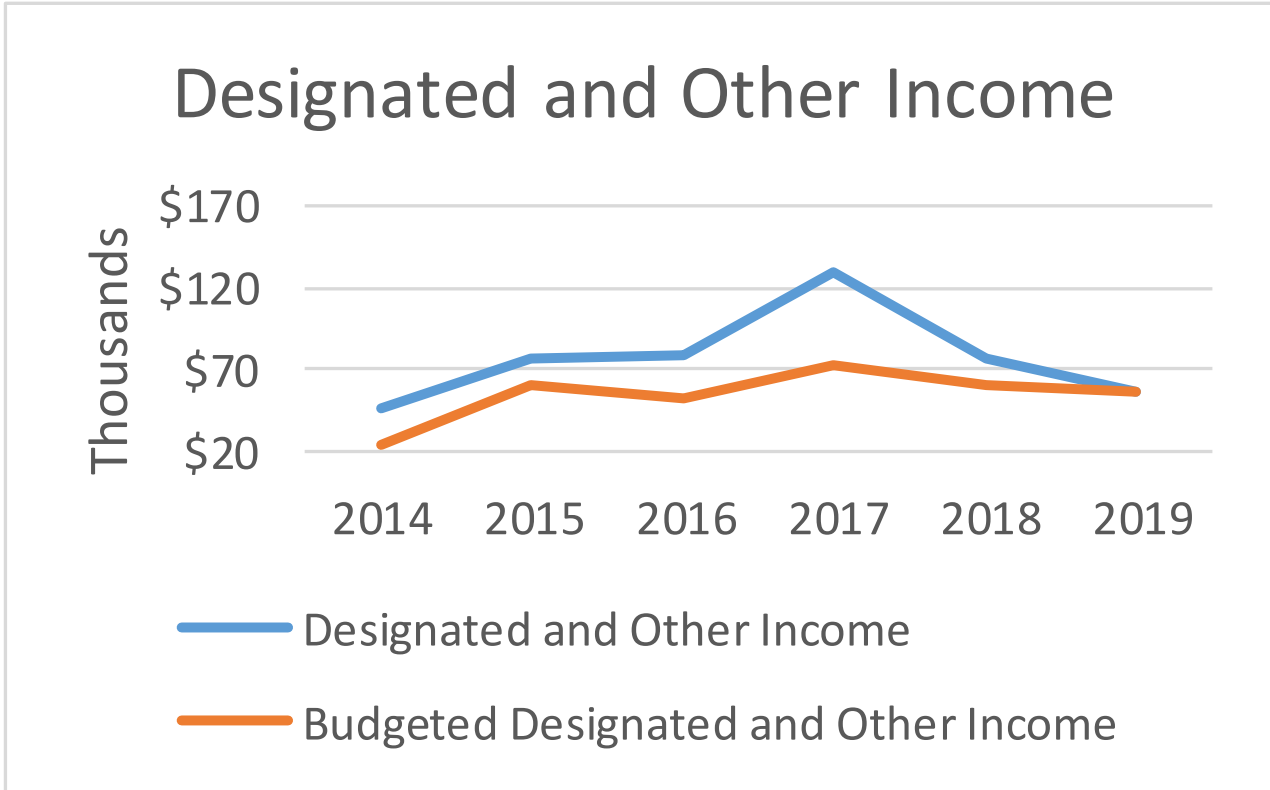
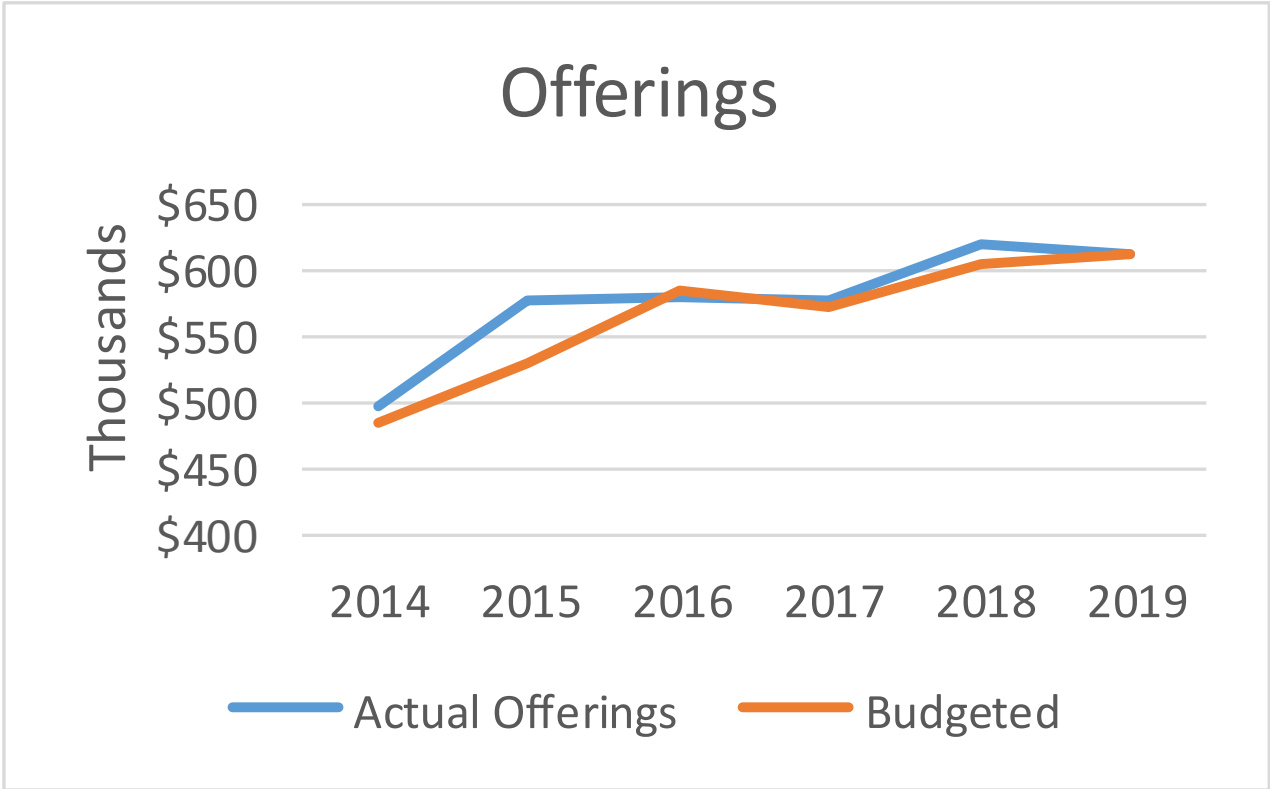
Building & Grounds Committee:

Oscar Lozano – Jr. Warden, Terry Jordan, Jim Grotte, Frank Plut, Fr. Paul Wehner

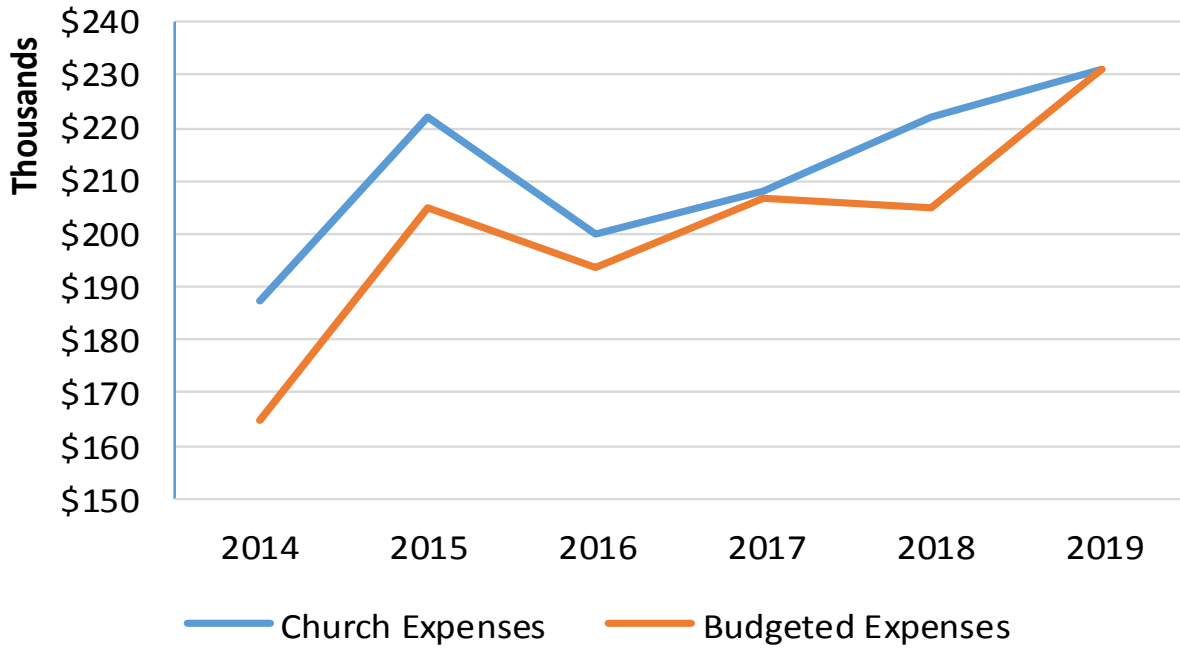
Calvary Episcopal Church
Year ending December 31, 2018

Accounts	2018 YTD Actual	2018 Annual Budget	2019 Annual Budget
Revenues			
Plate Offerings	\$ 80,888	\$ 50,000	\$ 65,000
Pledge commitments	540,406	555,000	548,000
Total Offerings	621,293	605,000	613,000
Investment Income	46	-	-
Church Usage	705	500	750
Designated Income	76,797	61,250	56,000
Total Revenues	\$ 698,841	\$ 666,750	\$ 669,750
Expenses			
Vestry Oversight			
Insurance	19,747	19,300	19,440
Office and Administration	40,673	38,400	43,150
Buildings and Grounds	92,441	80,580	80,088
Employee Compensation	363,752	361,151	317,061
Vestry and Stewardship	8,766	8,000	23,000
Total Vestry Oversight	\$525,378	\$507,431	\$ 482,739
Mission/Outreach Ministry	76,271	58,950	74,650
Finance Committee	6,067	4,000	6,000
Calvary Life Ministry	14,441	17,340	20,485
Worship Ministry	12,380	13,400	15,850
Formation/Spirituality Mnstry	9,003	10,000	10,625
Diocesan Obligations	54,434	54,434	59,433
Total Expenses	\$ 697,975	\$ 665,555	\$ 669,782
Net Total	\$ 867	\$ 1,195	\$ (32)
Current year - Principal Payments	\$ -		
Next year - Preincipal Payments	\$ -		
2018 Restricted funds - Capital Maintance	\$ 15,000	* Moved from cash at end of year	
2018 Restricted funds - Harvey House donations	\$ 27,229	* Not included in above listed "Outreach"	
2018 Excess Cash	\$ 867		

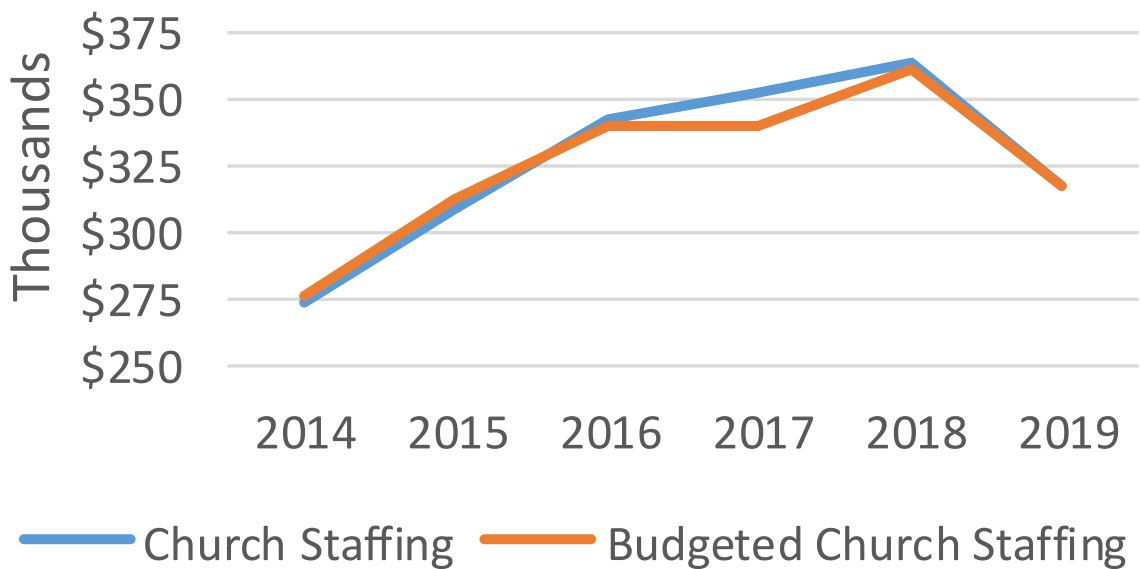
Respectfully submitted,
Christian Iversen, Treasurer



Church Expenses



Staffing



Annual Stewardship Report



Christ Rings True!

This year's stewardship season we explored how the practice of intentional giving deepens our walk with Christ. We learned from and were inspired by David Taylor, John Jacobson and Bishop Duncan. Tim Hillis, Roy Haley and Elise Kaufmann along with the Taylor Family shared their stories of God's abundance during the remodeling of the Taylor family home. Kathy Culmer told us stories that made us laugh and George Doherty & John Steele entertained us again! Our congregation's generosity is evident in how we all shared our time, talent and treasure during this past year. It truly represents your faithfulness and trust in our almighty God.

Blessings,

Kathy Haley, Stewardship Committee Chair

Stewardship Committee Members: Fr. Paul Wehner, Rev. Lecia Brannon, Amber Zentis, John Jacobson, Susan Grotte, Kathy Haley, Eric Cain

"You were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the Gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in Him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit." Ephesians 1:13

***Thank you to those who committed themselves
to supporting the mission of Calvary Church in 2019:***

	2019 Pledge	2018 Pledge	2017 Pledge	2019 New Pledges
General Fund	\$546,310	\$558,980	\$528,396	\$23,080
Number of family units	117	118	115	16

Thank You

This year, the Calvary's major project was to rebuild the Taylor family home, which was significantly damaged by Hurricane Harvey. Through the course of this project, we were amazed and blessed by the work of the Holy Spirit who, time and time again, provided exactly what we needed to accomplish the necessary work. It was an incredible blessing to witness so many members and friends of our Calvary Church family stepping up to help our neighbors in need.

We thank:

Calvary Church Foundation

Art & Ruth Callaham

Bill & Julie Schneider

Carlos & Kathyryne Salinas

Christian & Irene Iversen

David & Lois Essells

Don & Catherine Clark

Don & Sammie Bagozzi

Don & Sandra Dunbar

Duane & Karen Bennett

Eric & Kimberly Cain

Frank & Lisa Traylor

Ginny Randolph

Jeff & Sandy Dempsey

Jeffrey & Amanda Holmquist

John & Betty Jacobson

John & Dorothy Lyons

John & Stella Russo

John Qualtrough

Kate Brewer

Kenneth & Arlene Radel

Linda Paine

Mark & Mary Servantes

Mike & Ruth McClelland

Mike & Betsy Zanghi

Molly Powell

Paul & Sherry Wehner

Reb & Anne Scarborough

Trey & Daphne Lane

Robert Numa

Robin & Rosemary Buddecke

Roger & Kay Hardee

Roy & Carol Ann Christian

Ruth Carrell

Sanctuary Fellowship Church

Soni & Priscilla Oyekan

Terry & Beth Jordan

In-kind contributions were also generously gifted from: James and Nancy Hippler (Hippler Electric), Carlos and Kathyryne Salinas (All Star Plumbing), Harrie and Angela Cooley (Greenmark Environmental), St. Laurence Habitat Team, First Baptist Church (Tuscaloosa), Friends of North Richmond, and Jim and LeAnne Klentzman.

Calvary Episcopal Preparatory
Annual Parish Meeting Report
A Report on the 2017-2018 School Year
January 20, 2019

On behalf of our board, teachers and students, the following report to Calvary Church outlines some of the many accomplishments of Calvary Episcopal Preparatory during the 2017-2018 school year. The school community extends sincere thanks to Calvary church members who served on the School Board for their dedication to our students: **John Anderson, Bill Burelsmith, Steven Cherry, Mark Fidler, Kathy Haley, Susan King, Jeff McClellan, Frank Plut, and Joe Robinson.** We especially thank our Chair, **The Rev. Paul Wehner**, for his pastoral leadership and service to our school community.

Calvary Episcopal Preparatory enjoyed a year of many successes that includes academic and the arts, character and faith development and service to others. Credit for these successes can be shared by many: our school board, our faculty and staff, our many parent volunteers, the Calvary Episcopal Church community and most importantly, our outstanding students.

- ◆ The first two weeks of school were followed by Hurricane Harvey. This devastating storm caused the closure of CEP for 11 school days. Our school was blessed in that the building was minimally affected. Although several of our family's homes were flooded, we lost very few families due to the storm. During the time the school was not in session, the school and church came together to help families recover from the devastation of the storm.
- ◆ Our school welcomes and embraces a diverse student population with 48% of our students coming from various ethnic and economic backgrounds. This includes our growing international population.
- ◆ Service to others is an important aspect of our school. Every grade and student participated in Service Learning, and at least one project for the year.
- ◆ Matriculation chapel welcomed 38 new Crusaders to our school in the fall of 2017.
- ◆ Because our school was facing an accreditation visit from the Southwestern Association of Episcopal Schools (SAES), the 2017-2018 school year was a year of self-study. Every faculty and staff member served on at least one committee that reflected on each aspect of the school, from which a comprehensive report was written. The visit took place October 28-31, 2018.
- ◆ Private School Interscholastic Association (PSIA). CEP hosted (with over 1,000 guests on our campus) and competed in academic, speech and the arts against 13 other private schools in the Houston area. As has become a tradition, we once again won our district competition, sending our students to compete at the state level in 36 different categories. The middle school one-act play, *The Diviners*, won district and competed in the state competition, winning third place with best actor won by Paul Lazarou.
- ◆ Although we enjoy a reputation as a strong academic school, we also celebrate the arts. We sent 37 middle and upper school students to compete at the Texas Thespians Festival in Dallas in all forms of theatre arts: with over 8,500 public and private school students throughout the state competing in musical theatre, tech, crew and dramatic events. One of our middle school students, Rachel Lazarou, qualified for and attended the nationals at The University of Nebraska this past summer. She was the youngest Texas soloist at the competition.
- ◆ Over 70% of our 7th grade class qualified for the Duke University Talent Identification Program for gifted and talented students, and 33 students in grades 3-6 qualified for DECATS, a special summer program for academically talented students.

- ◆ Sports and Athletics:
 - ◇ Our boys' basketball team (grades 6-8) won the West Houston Christian Athletic Conference and Tournament, winning all their games
 - ◇ We added badminton and bowling to our high school sports, as well as invited high school students to be assistant coaches in sports in which they excel
- ◆ In a highly competitive Fort Bend County private school market, our school continues to enjoy strong enrollment.
- ◆ There were several technology upgrades and initiatives: the school website underwent a complete makeover increasing our international marking and information; Apple iPad Carts with 62 iPads to be used in classrooms; fiber upgrade for Internet/Phones; RenWeb Student Management System
- ◆ The school received a gift of \$500,000, which paid off our note and reduced our debt to zero. Thanks to this gift, our faculty and staff received salary and pension increases of over 3%.
- ◆ We had a very small turnover of faculty or staff, allowing us to enjoy continuity of curriculum and instruction.
- ◆ Our Annual Golf Tournament, with the continued support of many CEC participants, netted just under \$20,000.

Calvary Episcopal Prep understands how important it is for parish schools to enjoy a positive relationship with the sponsoring church. CEP would like to sincerely thank Calvary Episcopal Church for their continued support and enthusiasm. A special thanks for the \$10,500 (including \$3,000 to help purchase a bus) that was donated by Calvary Episcopal Church to our school in 2018.

Respectfully submitted,
Malcolm Smith, Headmaster

Joint Facilities Committee Update

In Spring of 2018, the church and school appointed representatives of both institutions to form a committee to assess the physical needs of the facilities and to identify sources of funds for the needs presented. The committee's goal is to make recommendations to the Vestry and School Board and no action will be taken without School Board and Vestry approval.

The committee met in May and requested that the school proceed with short term repairs and proceed with purchasing 2 activity buses to be shared by both entities. They also requested that the school set up a meeting with Bob Schorr, manager of Strategic Development for the Episcopal Diocese of Texas and present findings to the committee.

In the September meeting, Mrs. Benoit presented the findings of Bob Schorr which included suggestions on physical improvements to the facilities as well as funding options. The committee requested that Mrs. Benoit finalize a priority list for the school and church with cost estimates to be presented at the next meeting.

The priority list is comprised of the following items: new floors throughout facility, lighting upgrades, remodel of bathrooms, gym kitchen remodel, audio visual upgrade in gym, security cameras, desks for classrooms, computer lab remodel, furniture for parish hall, replacement of ceiling in solarium and parish hall, and misc. items. The Joint Facilities Committee met on Thursday, Jan. 17 to review the project list and make recommendations to the Vestry and School Board for additional action.

Dana Benoit, Chief Operating Officer, Calvary Episcopal Preparatory

Christian Formation 2018

Looking Back

We continued with Sunday School Without Walls this year. For the older children ages 9-11, I used devotions taken from the Adventure Bible, which the children receive when they go through Early Communion. I also continued to use the "Jesus Storybook Bible" for the younger children. My overall focus, especially for the activities, was sharing ideas and prayers with the family. I send letters out to 30 children at this time.

We are continuing with Heart's Alive Curriculum for our Children's Chapel. Attendance varies widely and we are going to keep all the ages together this spring. I want to give a special thank you to all the Children Chapel leaders – especially Leslie Amentini who keeps us all on a steady course. Children's Chapel is a wonderful forum for letting the children have a voice in their worship, in their formation of ideas and hearing teachings from different leaders each week, which adds a depth that I do not believe they would get otherwise.

This year we had **fourteen** Confirmands! So very exciting to have such a great group learn what it means to be Christian in the Episcopal tradition. A very big thank you to all who helped make that happen – Reb Scarborough, Anne Scarborough, Soni and Priscilla Oyekan.

We had one very successful "Fearfully and Wonderfully Made" session. The Texas Wildlife Rehabilitation Center presented an interesting program on different animals that they get in their center such as turtles, snakes, a one-eyed screech owl and my favorite, a Virginia possum that we all got to gently pet. We had plans to go to the George Observatory and enjoy God's beautiful sky, but that got rained out.

We did VBS in the evening last summer and offered a Parenting Class at the same time. A big thank you to Lauri Cusick for leading our adult class. VBS had a very different vibe this year. I loved it – stress free, time to nurture our children, the closeness of a smaller group. We learned to "live like we know God has a plan for us!". Thank you all who helped make this VBS a wonderful gathering!

For adults, we had two book studies. One was Henri Nouwen's "Reaching Out." The second was the Rev. Charlie Holt's "A Spirit – Filled Life." Both books were filled with wisdom and there is something about learning and growing together spiritually that is like no other closeness. I thank all of you who came and shared of your time and heart.

One fun event we had was holding a dinner for women we called "The Butterfly Effect". Sheila Phillips did a fabulous reading of a "The Butterfly Effect" by Andy Andrews. It was a great feeling to remember that "what we do matters"!

Looking Ahead

I love the feedback I received from children and parents about their experiences with doing Bible lessons at home. We will definitely continue with Sunday School Without Walls. Sometimes we plan to include other age groups in our home-centered devotionals. We have already sent one out to young women 6th grade and up early this month.

Children's Chapel and EYC (see separate report) will continue to be high priority as we follow the Bible's command "to train up our children in the way they should go." *Proverbs 22:6*.

We are planning more "Fearfully and Wonderfully Made" programs, including trying again to go the George Observatory this spring.

One idea is to have a "put your best dish forward" dinner where we bring those beautiful dishes we never use and share the story behind it.

VBS will be again be an evening event this year – this time with dinner for everyone who comes, and with two nights of a fun class for the parents. And we have exciting plans for the Friday night family gathering.

We have begun our first book study, “Inspired” by Rachel Held Evans that will last till March 4. We hope to have at least two more this year.

And I am sure we will come up with many other learning adventures throughout this coming year.

Thank you,
Betty Anne Taylor

Christian Formation – Adult Formation for 2018

Adult Education for 2018 covered a wide range of topics with a focus on Christians and Episcopalians in the Kingdom of God. The Kingdom of God is a prominent theme in the gospel of Mark, our gospel for 2018. We began our year with an overview of the themes of Mark in a video conversation between Rev. Lecia and our Calvary member Dr. David Capes.

Over the course of this year, Adult Education included several presentations from our Calvary Outreach and Action Team. We were regularly updated on the repair and rebuild of “The Harvey House” in which Calvary participated in with our partners, Friends of North Richmond and Habitat for Humanity members.

Dan Bradley, Education for Ministry Mentor presented a five-week study on the book, “The Dream of God” by Verna Dozier. Rev. Lecia facilitated a book study on “Reclaiming Christianity” written by Bishop Claude Payne and “Being Disciples” by former Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams. Theology Conversations, an opportunity to have conversation about navigating our daily lives and differing views as Christians, met four times over beer and coffee in Richmond, Rosenberg and Sugar Land. Look for more of these to be offered in Spring of 2019.

Lectures by video from NT Wright on “The Cross”, a documentary on Homeboy Industries in Los Angeles, a TED Talk by Anne Lamott, episodes from CNN’s United Shades of America hosted by W. Kamau Bell on “Sikhs in America” and documentaries on the life of Eugene Peterson rounded out our year.

With gratitude,
Rev. Lecia+

Education for Ministry

Education for Ministry (EfM) continues to meet on Monday evenings from 6:30 to 9:00 pm. Our theme this year is “Living Faithfully in a Multicultural World.” There are eight seminar participants; Jan Conklin and Ron Best in Year 1; Marily Simon and Rick Lane in Year 2; Jan Yurasek and Rob Hamon in Year 3; and Lynette Butler and Molly Powell in Year 4. Lynette and Molly will be graduating in May. Dan Bradley and John Lyons serve as co-mentors.

Dan Bradley

Calvary Episcopal Church Foundation, Inc.

Report for Annual Meeting

January 20, 2019

The CECF serves as means by which parishioners may financially support the Church now and in the future to meet needs that cannot be met by the operating budget alone, and to provide additional support to the many outreach projects this Parish undertakes. Since receiving our non-profit status from the IRS in July of 2014, we have enjoyed our fourth full year as a functional organization, with a website presence on the Calvary church website (www.calvaryrichmond.org/foundation) and promotional brochures.

Current asset value of the Foundation at close of business Dec 31, 2018:

Edward Jones Investment Fund	\$165,411.99, of which \$100,000 is corpus.
Edward Jones Money Market	<u>\$ 47,062.01</u>
TOTAL	\$212,474.00

Grants Given:

\$ 1,854.00	- Camp Scholarships
\$ 1,460.00	- Adult Mission Trip
\$ 7,000.00	- Outreach Fund
\$30,023.07	- Heritage Fund (Kitchen dishwasher, Parish Hall roof)
\$ 204.90	- Discipleship

Total \$40,541.97

Deposits:

\$43,835 – Memorials Gifts, Heritage Fund Donations, and Columbarium payments

Expenses:

\$ 1,360.99	– Administration and Columbarium expenses (including \$500 for tax return)
\$35,260.00	– Columbarium Construction expenses

Board of Directors for 2018: Charlie King, John Ondrusek, Robin Garcia, Charlie King, Carlos Salinas, Lisa Lemkowitz and Angela Cooley. Carlos Salinas and Lisa Lemkowitz roll off the board this year. Lisa has decided to continue for her second term. Angela Cooley was elected to the Church Vestry so she needs to give up her seat on our Foundation.

Election of new Directors:

The following have been nominated to fill the 3 vacancies:

- Kathy Bethke - 2-year term
- Dennis Gorka - 3-year term
- Lisa Lemkowitz - 3-year term

Respectfully submitted,
Charlie King – President 2019

Supporting Calvary Episcopal Church, its ministries and the community it serves

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VISION

Inspired by the Holy Spirit to serve God; we are the hands and feet of Christ in our community. We know our neighbors and are known by them. We provide opportunities for everyone to work together to restore relationships and build new ones.

Calvary Church embraced this vision and showed up in our community in amazing ways in 2018!! Below are the highlights from some of our outreach ministries in 2018 along with some thoughts about our plans for 2019.

CALVARY ACTION TEAM & FRIENDS OF NORTH RICHMOND

Roy Haley and Tim Hillis

We focused the Calvary Action Team efforts and our partnership with Friends of North Richmond this year on rebuilding the Taylor house on 715 Maiden Ln in North Richmond. This small two bedroom home where nine people lived was devastated by Harvey. Calvary responded by raising just over \$30,000 and utilizing over 2,800 volunteer-hours to not just rebuild their home, but also help restart their lives. God was definitely at work in this project - every time something was needed, he provided. Leadership and skilled volunteers from Habitat for Humanity, Electrical and HVAC from James Hippler Electric, Plumbing from All Star Plumbing (Carlos Salinas), Landscaping and driveway from Greenmark Environmental (Harrie and Angela Cooley), drywall by a group of volunteers from First Baptist Church in Tuscaloosa, windows and Hardie plank from a resident whose house was flooded on the Brazos three times, and Calvary volunteers who showed up with just the right skills at just the right time. It was a blessing not just for the Taylor family but for Calvary to witness and testify to as well.

Habitat for Humanity

Dan Bradley

Habitat for Humanity work continued to focus on critical care repair work in 2018. In the wake of Hurricane Harvey, the decision was made to postpone new construction until 2019. In addition, many of our regular Habitat volunteers were involved in the Maiden Lane project, as were several of the Habitat construction supervisors from St. Laurence Catholic Church.

Two new homes in North Richmond will commence construction in Spring 2019. One is sponsored by St. Laurence Catholic Church; the other is sponsored by Christ United Methodist Church, both of Sugar Land. Both projects appear to be fully funded, but there may be opportunities for Calvary to participate financially. Both churches enthusiastically welcome our volunteer support, both as construction workers and lunch sponsors.

A large tract of land in North Richmond, donated by the George Foundation, will be the future site of a new Habitat village in Fort Bend County. This project, which could encompass a couple of dozen new homes, is still in the planning and permitting phase. Construction of the first new home in this area will likely begin in the fall of 2019, depending on permitting and project sponsorship.

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THE PRESTON STREET COMMUNITY GARDEN REPORT 2018

Kate L. Brewer and Lois Whitehead

Calvary Episcopal Church and First Baptist Church of Richmond continue their relationship in managing and maintaining the community garden. Both churches have made it their mission for the benefit of the North Richmond Community. The garden committee includes Dr. Jimmy Robertson of FBC, the garden manager, assisted by Dan Bishop of FBC, and Kate Brewer and Lois Whitehead who are the leadership team from Calvary. Dan Bradley continues as caretaker of the orchard. Judy Holy and June Fryters are community members on the garden committee.

We held two work days in 2018. The first one was on Saturday, Feb. 24th. A total of 50 volunteers came to clean up the Bell Garden and to prepare the individual raised beds and the production beds for spring/summer planting. A big thanks to Don and Lois Whitehead for providing a delicious lunch of hot dogs on the grill with all the fixings. Our volunteers from Calvary included 16 adults and 4 youth. Our second work day was on Saturday, October 6th, when we prepared the beds for fall/winter planting. We had 20 volunteers that included eight adults and four children from Calvary.

A majority of the raised beds have been assigned to members of Calvary, FBC, Cornerstone Ministries and to individual residents of the Sugar Land/ Richmond-Rosenberg area who are dedicated to helping maintain the garden. This year, from January 1st to December 31st, approximately 1,811 pounds of spring/summer and fall/winter produce were donated to Helping Hands and the Ft. Bend County Women's Center. Most of it was from the production beds and the orchard; however, a considerable amount was donated by individuals who grew their own produce in their raised beds. We thank them for their generosity in sharing with those in need!

In 2018, kindergartners from Calvary Episcopal School and first graders from Jane Long Elementary School visited the garden to learn how the community garden grows. After a brief tour, some children planted small vegetable plants, as well as seeds, in one of the table beds and others enjoyed learning how to harvest ripe vegetables from the production beds.

A new feature at the garden is small wooden bridge, built by Jimmy Robertson, that gives easy access from the production/raised beds section into the Bell Garden. It will be completed soon and will include river rocks and landscaping.

In 2019 we will celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Community Garden.

With the support of Calvary and First Baptist Church and the dedication of church and community volunteers who work hard on a weekly basis, the garden can continue to serve the needs of the community of North Richmond.

HELPING HANDS

Lois Essells

Throughout 2018, Calvary members and friends supported Richmond-Rosenberg Helping Hands in a variety of ways.

We have had a total of five volunteers from our congregation this year. Two of those are new volunteers and one former volunteer.

- ◆ 556 lbs. of packaged food has been donated from the congregation.
- ◆ The 1025.5 lbs. of produce from the garden is a separate contribution. Also, an additional forty packages of juice, fruit, and cereal were donated to Lunches of Love.
- ◆ The Calvary budget included \$2000 which was given in increments of \$500 quarterly. Also, Super Bowl of Caring raised \$1000 and the Thanksgiving Day service had an offering of \$700 for Helping Hands. This is a total of \$3700 contributed from Calvary Church.

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In the coming year Helping Hands continues to need our assistance. On February 9th, there is a fundraising Fun Run and Silent Auction. Please look for information to participate or donate Silent Auction items. Super Bowl of Caring is coming soon and other opportunities to contribute cash and food will be available. Volunteers are always appreciated. Finally, donations of clothing, linens and food are accepted in the Helping Hands box in the Solarium at any time.

KAIROS

Dave Essells, John Johnston and Bob Watts

Calvary Episcopal Church keeps forging ahead for Christ and His kingdom through His people and your work. KAIROS is only one of the many services of the hearts, minds and hands God uses from our church in this fine work.

This year the Kairos team involved over 20 people altogether (not including each of the kids, prayer and financial partners) baking cookies, doing artwork, writing letters, praying and participating in the three events where we spent each weekend with our Brothers in White. We impacted over 126 brothers who actively participated. We collected and donated over \$1000 to KAIROS. The Brothers also impacted and enriched our lives in countless ways as well. It's fun and rewarding to watch the Spirit of God work!

We invite any Calvary person to join us in this effort. We can always use your prayers, finances and hands to do the work of God inside the walls of our Texas Prisons. Please contact any of us if you'd like to see if God is calling you into this area of service to our Brothers in White.

BLOOD DRIVES

Frank Plut

There were four blood drives in 2018. We had 99 donations, resulting in 127 units and 381 lives saved. Four blood drives are scheduled for 2019. The dates are January 27th, April 28th, August 4th, and November 3rd. The blood center needs 800 units a day in order to supply all the hospitals in the 26 counties they support. New donors are always welcome and previous donors are encouraged to donate again.

THANKSGIVING FEAST

Molly Powell

At Thanksgiving, 950 Thanksgiving meals were prepared and distributed to needy families in greater Richmond, Rosenberg, Fulshear, Needville, Missouri City and Sugar Land. Thanks go to Dozier's Market in Fulshear for the contribution of 30 turkeys and the assistance of Calvary church members in donating pies, cooking turkeys and preparing the mashed potatoes, stuffing and green beans in the Calvary kitchen. Most of the meals went to Meals on Wheels recipients who receive no meals on Thanksgiving. Not only does this ministry bring Christ's love to the people served, but it brings together volunteers from other faith communities in Fort Bend County. Volunteers this year included Scout Troop 1000, Calvary Episcopal Preparatory students and parents, and neighboring churches. This year for the first time, we had a large team of volunteers from the Lighthouse Indian Baptist Church in Missouri City.

After 6 years of leading this wonderful outreach to our community, I am stepping down - but we won't miss a bit in the years to come, because Bill Daw is taking over the leadership of the Thanksgiving Feast. I am grateful for the the hundreds of people that have supported this ministry in my time as the coordinator - it has truly been a blessing to work with all of you. And thanks to Bill for taking the reins.

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CHRISTMAS ADOPT-A-FAMILY

Frank and Mary Ellen Plut

Raymond and Debbie Pohler

Our Calvary Family and Friends made Christmas joyous for 145 children living in our church neighborhoods! Besides gifts of toys, games, clothing and furniture, we also gave 56 age-appropriate Bibles to the children, purchased with financial donations.

Imperial Sugar and Wholesome Foods have been adopting families through our program for several years. Also, our Cub Scout and Boy Scout troops, and a Girl Scout troop all adopted families. Our church families, Shepherd Groups, EYC, and CEP parents and teachers, and families in the community who have learned about our program, make up the wonderful people who adopted 43 families this year.

The stories we hear tell us that not only are we blessed, but we truly receive much more than we give. The smiles and hugs from the children are all that one could want—a truly special and Merry Christmas.

ADULT MISSION TRIP

Lori Hoy

The Adult Mission Trip was a visit to Galveston's Children Center from June 13 - 15 2018, a CPS home for 16 boys and 16 girls. The purpose of the trip was to give foster children our time, our love, and a listening heart. Children were involved in many activities, including crafts, games, puzzles, books, and music. The big event of the week was taking the boys and girls to Schlitterbahn for the day. When the children had their exit interview, they were asked what they liked best and what they would like to have more of. Schlitterbahn was the highlight of the trip and they want more visits from people "like those people from the church" who came and did activities with us. Many of us were touched by comments the children made.

KID'S HOPE

Chris Bradley

Calvary's Outreach to Jane Long Elementary through the Kid's Hope mentoring program is in its 4th year. Ten Calvary members volunteer as Kid's Hope mentors. They meet with their student once a week throughout the school year, providing encouragement, support and academic enrichment on each visit. Our volunteer mentors have been recognized by the Jane Long staff for making a positive difference with the students in the program.

LAUNDRY LOVE – NEW!!

Rev. Nancy Wilkes, Deacon

Laundry Love is a new outreach ministry here at Calvary for 2019!

The Laundry Love Initiative began about fifteen years ago in Ventura, California with a mission to wash the clothes and bedding of individuals and/or families living in poverty. There are now Laundry Love's located throughout the United States. You can read more about the initiative at www.laundrylove.org.

Laundry Love seeks to bring economic relief by giving the individual or family the option to redirect funds toward food, medical, gas or transportation costs or other everyday necessities. From the infant to the aged, and across a broad spectrum of ethnicity, culture and personal story, Laundry Love seeks to nurture the wellbeing of each person through intentional networking and friendship.

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Funding and oversight for the Calvary Laundry Love are through the Outreach Committee. Because it is a committee, there are no regular helpers for this ministry. Monthly success will depend on Calvary ministry groups/individuals who want to support Laundry Love by donating liquid laundry detergent and dryer sheets, or by hosting Laundry Love for a few hours.

This is a ministry of presence. We do not handle the participant's laundry; our role is to put the detergent and quarters in the machines and offer kindness and non-judgement conversation.

The Calvary Laundry Love is held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the Collins Road Washeteria in Richmond. Please contact Rev. Nancy if you would like to help with this ministry.

SUMMER READING PROJECT, FORT BEND COUNTY

Kathryne Salinas

Achieve Fort Bend supplies the lowest achieving first graders in every Title I campus in Fort Bend County with ten books of their own for summer reading. This project is based on research that indicates that most students in poverty lose three months of reading achievement each summer and that simply reading high-interest books at the appropriate level helps these same students to maintain (not lose) reading achievement over the summer months.

In summer 2018, Achieve Fort Bend provided 10 books each to 748 children or 7,480 books. Calvary contributed funds to purchase the books needed at Jane Long Elementary School or 230 books for 23 struggling first grade readers. [The following figures are in regard to 20 children only as 2 children moved away, and one was placed in Special Education.]

Overall, 73% of the children in the county wide project maintained their gains or increased their reading achievement thereby avoiding the typical three-month regression in reading achievement. At Jane Long, 60% of the children (10 children) maintained or increased their reading level. Although at this school 40% declined in reading level, 75% of these children (8 children) only declined 2 levels or about one month of achievement versus the typical three-month regression. Only 2 children suffered the average regression in reading of at least three months achievement.

Thank you, Calvary, for supporting our fragile, young learners at Jane Long for the past 3 years.

LOOKING FORWARD TO 2019

Tim Hillis

Calvary continues to grow in our Outreach, sharing God's love in the community. We are looking forward to an even greater year of work and blessings in 2019. We will continue to support and grow our current ministries while we continue to explore other opportunities God leads us to. We have some areas of focus as we look forward to 2019. One will be growing our newest outreach Laundry Love (see above) and continue to be open to new ministries. We expect to have a fund raiser to raise funds dedicated to supporting a Habitat build in the future. We still have over \$6,000 dedicated to Harvey relief and we continue to seek a project to utilize those funds to in our community (yes, there are still families who have not fully recovered from the effects of the flood). We are also hopeful that we will connect more fully with Friends of North Richmond to participate in the exceptional work they our doing in our nearby community.

It is our greatest hope that God will continue to inspire us and lead us to those ministries that give each member of our congregation an opportunity to find their place in God's ministries. We know that God is calling; we will be listening and praying for Godly responses to His call.

OUTREACH	CURRENT ACTIVITIES / MINISTRY NEEDS	CONTACT
Habitat for Humanity	Help build a new home for our neighbors. Two more homes on the 2019 horizon.	Dan and Chris Bradley 281-770-6711 mdbradley05@gmail.com
Helping Hands	Calvary donates food, and in 2018 gave \$3700 in financial support. Volunteers always needed	Lois Essells lessells53@gmail.com 817-682-1314
Kids Hope, USA	In our 4 th year of mentoring students from Jane Long Elementary. Ten Calvary mentors, plus prayer partners are participating.	Chris Bradley 281-770-6498 mdbradley05@gmail.com
Adult Mission Trip	An annual opportunity to serve outside of our community. For 2019, Galveston, TX. June 15 -22	Lori Hoy lorihoy09@gmail.com 713-494-4391
ACTION Team	Committed to short term outreach opportunities with the Friends of North Richmond. Coordinating Harvey response and other community-based programs.	Roy Haley roymhaley@gmail.com (281) 861-8172
Thanksgiving Meals on Wheels	For nearly 30 years Calvary has prepared and delivered 900+ meals each Thanksgiving morning.	Bill Daw 713-824-0151 wbdaw@dawray.com
Christmas Adopt-a-Family	In 2018 Calvary members purchased gift items for 43 families, bringing smiles to 145 children in Richmond.	Frank & Mary Ellen Plut 713-291-4597 meplut@att.net Raymond & Debbie Pohler 713-817-0994 djpohler@gmail.com
Blood Drive	Calvary has been hosting Blood Drives for 12 years. In 2018 there were 99 donations resulting in 127 units.	Frank & Mary Ellen Plut pluto13@att.net 281-342-6578
Preston Street Community Garden	Celebrating its 10 th anniversary, Calvary, with First Baptist Richmond, grows and donates fresh produce to Helping Hands and the Women's Shelter, and educates elementary students on gardening.	Kate Brewer 281-343-0440 kate@brewer.com Lois Whitehead 260-704-1596 lois.whitehead@gmx.com
Kairos	Prison Ministry Weekend retreat – Serve on a team for a weekend or participate on the off site team, cookie bakers or prayer partners.	David Essells 817-682-1314 artychap@yahoo.com
Laundry Love	This is a new ministry for 2019, providing economic relief in North Richmond by assisting with laundry expenses.	Rev. Nancy Wilkes Nancy.wilkes@gmail.com 713-818-6323
Summer Reading Program	Calvary members financially support book purchases for summer reading at Jane Long and other elementary schools in Richmond	Kathryne Salinas ksalinas@lcisd.org 832-347-5262

CALVARY OUTREACH COMMITTEE:
Tim Hillis, Susan King, Mark Fisler, Roy Haley, Rev. Nancy Wilkes

TROOP 1000 - 2018 Report

Calvary Episcopal continues to serve as Troop 1000's home base and platform to deliver on our mission to prepare young men to make ethical choices over their lifetimes. Boy Scouts develop character, citizenship, and personal fitness as they follow the Scout Oath and Law.

The past year offered our scouts amazing opportunities for growth and advancement. In the Spring, we hiked and camped in the wilderness of Lost Maples State Natural Area, learned safety and marksmanship while rifle shooting at the new Tellepsen Scout Camp in Navasota, and practiced scout skills like use of fire building tools and techniques and primitive shelter building. In the Summer, we attended a week-long camp at Camp Daniel Boone in North Carolina and sent our high adventure group to hike 40+ miles in the wilderness of the Canadian Rockies. In the Fall, the rains made for challenging campouts, but we persevered and rounded out with a successful recruiting campout with our District and a week-long Winter camp at Bovay Scout Ranch in Navasota.

Our scouts were honored to contribute back to the community through a food drive (Scouting for Food), our ongoing citizenship campaign with US flags in the neighborhoods (Flags Across the Brazos), Calvary breakfast preparation once a month, and two families adopted for Christmas. Additionally, numerous Eagle projects were completed or started throughout the year.

This year will involve hiking, canoeing, cycling, and welding, just to name a few highlights. Troop-wide summer camp this year will be in Colorado, and our high adventure scouts will head north to canoe the extreme wilderness of Boundary Waters in Minnesota.

Eight young men achieved the rank of Eagle Scout from Troop 1000 in 2018, and dozens more have learned skills and life lessons as they prepare themselves for the future while having fun along the way. Thanks for Calvary's support!

Scotty Boss, Scoutmaster

CUB SCOUT PACK 1000

The Pack had a busy 2018. We are excited to have added both girls and kindergartners to our program this year. In the Fall, we recruited 22 new scouts ranging from Kindergarten to 5th grade. Five of those new scouts were girls. We finished out December with a total of 75 active scouts.

The Pack achieved several awards from the BSA including on-time re-charter paperwork, the Summertime Pack Award, and several of our leaders were recognized at the Brazos District dinner.

The scouts participated in several service projects throughout the year. Those projects include Scouting for Food in January, packing and delivering Thanksgiving meals through Calvary Episcopal Church on Thanksgiving day, and adopting 2 families for Christmas through Calvary. We also completed service projects for each of the state parks that we camped at.

Pack 1000's other activities throughout the year included: hosting a Pinewood Derby, Blue & Gold Banquet, participating in BSA coupon book sales and scout fair, continuing the Pack 1000 Flag program, participating in Scout Sunday at Calvary Episcopal Church, an overnight at Nasa, attending day camp and resident camp, camping at North Lake Houston & Lake Texana, spending the night at the Skeeters stadium, selling scout popcorn, and many other scout-related activities.

Shawna Weston, Cubmaster

CALVARY CARE TEAM ANNUAL REPORT

2018 began as David Essells, Janice Linsenmayer, Bob Watts and Nancy Wilkes of the Care Team traveled to St. Anne's Episcopal Church in Desoto, Texas to attend training to become facilitators of *Walking the Mourner's Path* to be offered at Calvary. Additionally the booklets of *Journeying Through Grief* are available.

We planned and facilitated three healing services in 2018, as well as the Blue Christmas Service of comfort and hope the first Sunday of Advent.

We hosted a Soup Supper during Lent; invited the congregation to join us for a Wednesday evening dinner in September providing the program, *Planning Your Future*; and also participated in Rally Day.

During the year 207 greeting cards of Get Well Wishes, Thinking of You and Sympathy Cards were sent, as well as Birthday Cards to all members.

In August as a time of retreat, Grace Episcopal Church of Bellaire invited our Team to walk the labyrinth and share our experiences with one another.

While we do not count the number of meals we provide to those recovering from illness and/or surgery; or how many phone calls or visits to shut-ins, or those recovering at home or at facilities; or the number of times we provide respite for families caring for loved ones; or how many times we provide transportation for medical appointments that is our calling as we endeavor to *Bear One Another's Burdens*.

We are here as we are needed.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Care Team,

Janice Linsenmayer

EYC Report for the Annual Meeting

Calvary Youth Group, also known as EYC, has been going strong this past year. The average attendance is 14 youth per Sunday. EYC meets every other Sunday from 4:00pm to 6:00pm. The Youth collected \$1000.00 in donations for Souper Bowl of Caring and they took a field trip to Helping Hands to present the check and take a tour of the facility.

EYC is a big part of the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper and enjoys helping to serve our congregation. On Maundy Thursday, EYC hosted Shadow of the Cross in the church.

They took a few different field trips this year, including Splashway Water Park and had fun in the sun. 1000 Degree Pizza in Sugarland was kind to donate tickets for all the youth to attend a Skeeters Game.

Stephanie Towne from the Diocese of Texas came in and talked to the youth about the pros and cons of social media, and the youth enjoyed this very informative meeting. December 2018, the youth enjoyed a lock-in after many years of not having one. During the lock-in we loaded on the new Calvary bus and went to Walmart to shop for the EYC's adopted family.

Calvary EYC youth and leaders thank the congregation for their continued support and look forward to 2019.

If you have any questions about Calvary Youth Group (EYC), contact Suzette Hillis.

COMMUNICATIONS AND MARKETING

During 2018 Staff and volunteers continued to focus on maintaining a steady flow of communications to Calvary members and visitors.

- ◆ The weekly e-blast highlights the coming Sunday worship services and upcoming events
- ◆ Calvary Life showcases worship, outreach and social activities with lots of photos
- ◆ The outdoor sign, updated weekly, is a visible reminder to the community about Calvary
- ◆ The church website is updated regularly with current events, while ensuring the Calvary story is complete for people searching for a church home
- ◆ Social media is spot on for what's happening today!
- ◆ The weekly Sunday service bulletin now includes a one-page "take home" page of announcements that families can use to remember and register for activities that appeal to them.
- ◆ External communications remains an additional focus. Throughout the year, the Fort Bend Herald, Greatwood Magazine and Fort Bend Christian Magazine have featured stories and photos about activities at Calvary. We have taken limited paid advertising in two publications with circulations in geographic areas within easy driving distance to attract new members.

If you have church news to share or ideas for additional communications, please contact Suzette Hillis or Amber Zentis.

LAY READER MINISTRY

We currently have 16 licensed active Lay Eucharistic Ministers/Worship Leaders/Chalice Bearers in the rotation. One of them is our deacon, Nancy ,and we have one Lector that is waiting for training so he can move to serve as a Lay Reader too.

Two of our regulars are on Sabbatical - one working out of town and one out for surgery.

We have one regular substitute for either role.

We have 14 Lectors that are actively in rotation.

I hope to get an updated roster with names and current contact information for Lectors and Lay Readers out soon.

We have a system in place for having the robes cleaned quarterly by Dry Clean Super Center on 359 in Richmond.

Respectfully submitted,
Wendy Doherty

NEWCOMER NOTES AND MORE...
2018 -- Year in Review
Anne Scarborough
Calvary Newcomer Coordinator

Looking back over 2018 we had a good year, with new faces joining our Calvary Family. I have almost completed seven full years as Calvary's Newcomer Coordinator. I continue to be excited to share what Calvary has to offer—a family church connected to God and each other.

On April 22 and Nov. 4, Fr. Paul and Sherry hosted Welcome Parties. New and Prospective members were invited to come and "get acquainted." Twenty guests were welcomed at these parties, along with 16 members who helped "host" these fun occasions.

We held our seventh annual Calvary Connection Weekend on May 4-5 with 12 attendees. This is a team led event of learning, fellowship and connection for new and old members. This weekend also counts for Confirmation preparation. Mark your calendars – the next one will be May 10-11, 2019.

A big "Thank-you" to those who put on Calvary's welcoming face at the door and keep our service in order. This past year Charlie and Susan King stepped down as head of the ushers after many years of service. We welcomed the Pohlers and Kaminskys as the new Usher Leaders.

The Cookie Ministry continues the welcome after the 10:30AM service with lemonade and cookies. Jam is given to first time visitors and homemade bread is delivered to their home the following week. Thank you to Ginger Jackson and her Bread Ministry team for baking and taking those 41 loaves.

On May 20, Pentecost Sunday, we had a Baptism celebration, followed by our annual picnic and waterslide fun. Thank you to Jaime Garcia, and his team for planning the event. We sure enjoyed the food cooked and served up by the Broussards, Helberts and others.

Rally Day was held in late August. There was excitement in the Parish Hall as we had 43 Ministries represented. This year two new offerings; the Photography Club and the Business Directory, were popular. Thank you so much to the leaders who created displays and goodies to share.

In November we began the process of creating a new photo Directory. Lifetouch was here taking photos for five full days, and our own Brandon Campbell took photos of those who had schedule conflicts. We are compiling the fun photos and double-checking the contact information, we hope to have a completed directory in the next several months.

On a Sunday evening in December we hosted the Rosenberg Symphonic Band for a Christmas Concert and Reception. The community was invited and we filled the church and Parish Hall. Everyone enjoyed the festivities – thank you to Frank Plut for bringing them to Calvary. Thank you to my cookie bakers and helpers who put on that wonderful reception.

FINALLY THE STATS! Since January 1, 2018:

We collected greeter cards or information on 59 visitors.

14 families/singles joined or rejoined Calvary (including the children—24 people)

2018 Parish Statistics

Baptized

Lance Grafft
Callie Kubala
Daijia Taylor

Confirmed

Callie Kubala
Daijia Taylor
Rylea Broussard
Thomas Cornwall
Sophia Helbert
Luke Kilgard
Olivia Kniss
Lauren Seiler
Thomas Toldeo
Katherine McClellan
Ross Helbert
Philo Okonye

Received

David Essells
Lori Hoy

Reaffirmed

Efigenia Toledo

Married

Erika Ochoa and Trey Stone

Those We Love But See No Longer

Tracy Strimple
Brigitta Herfort
Elizabeth Wehner
Dolores Zehler
Rosalind Frazier
Claudette Asher
Yoalmo Ayala
Joseph Abbondola

NEW AND RETURNING MEMBERS

Randy Charlez
Ben & Eleanor Coatsworth
Steven & Sherre Packard
Mary "Linda" Price
Callie Kubala
Marty Bush
Jack & Cynthia Buttram
Jim & Antoinette Robbins
Helen "Ginger" Johnson
Philo Okonye
Mary & Chuck Marshall
Daijia Taylor
Ricardo & Stephanie Toledo, and Layla
Brittany Hastings & Marshall Grafft, and Lance
Julie & Bill Schneider

Calvary Episcopal Church

Mission Statement: *Calvary welcomes all to join us in the work of embodying Christ in our community.*

Ministry Leaders

Acolytes	Lynn Kidida
Altar Guild	Irene Iversen
Bereavement Committee	Dorothy Lyons
Bread Delivery	Ginger Jackson, Anne Scarborough
Breakfast Team	Linda Paine
Bridge Group	Pat Anderson, Mary Ann Innes
Calvary Life Newsletter	Amber Zentis, Mark Duncan
Calvary Connection Weekend	Anne Scarborough
Calvary Care Team	Janice Linsenmayer, Rev. Nancy
Children's Chapel	Leslie Amentini
Christian Education	Betty Anne Taylor, Rev. Lecia
VBS	Betty Anne Taylor, Jeannine Hillis
Choir (8:00 AM)	John Brun
POGS (10:30 AM)	Will Mason
Confirmation Preparation	Reb Scarborough
Cookie Ministry	Anne Scarborough
Daughters of the King	Jeannine Hillis
Education for Ministry	Dan Bradley, John Lyons
Finance Committee	Christian Iversen
Foyer Groups	Amber Zentis
Greeters	Anne Scarborough
Kitchen Crew	John Lyons
Lay Ministers	Wendy Doherty
Outreach:	
Community Garden	Kate Brewer, Lois Whitehead
Blood Drive	Frank Plut
Thanksgiving Feast	Bill Daw
Adopt-A-Family	Mary Ellen Plut
Action Committee	Roy Haley, Tim Hillis
Habitat for Humanity	Dan & Chris Bradley
Helping Hands	Lois Essells
Kairos Prison Ministry	David Essells, Bob Watts, John Johnston
Kids Hope USA	Chris Bradley
Laundry Love	Rev. Nancy Wilkes
Friends of N. Richmond	Roy Haley
Adult Mission Trip	Lori Hoy
Summer Reading Project	Kathryne Salinas
Parish Retreat	Susan Grotte
Prayer Team	Betty Anne Taylor
Stewardship	Kathy Haley
Sound Board	Jim Kidida
Shepherd Groups	Rev. Lecia Brannon
Supper Club	Zahra Cook
Ushers	Susan King
Website	Suzette Hillis
Youth Group — EYC	Suzette Hillis, Kendra McLemore Craig Kambhu, Nicole Cornwell

Church Staff

Rev. Paul Wehner, Rector
Rev. Lecia Brannon, Associate Rector
Rev. Nancy Wilkes, Deacon
Kathy Haley, Finance & Operations
 Manager
Heidi Eland, Parish Administrator
Betty Anne Taylor, Christian Ed Director
John Brun, Organist and Choir Director
Will Mason, Worship Coordinator
Anne Scarborough, Newcomer
 Coordinator
Suzette Hillis, Communications
 Coordinator
Sarah Minkert, Safeguarding
 Administrator
Jose Portillo, Sexton

2019 Vestry

Amber Zentis, Senior Warden
Oscar Lozano, Junior Warden
David Taylor, Clerk
Betty Best
Eric Cain
Angela Cooley
Roy Haley
Jim Kidida
Frank Lemkowitz, Asst. Treasurer
Missy Marek
Bob Watts
Don Whitehead

Other Officers

Christian Iversen, Treasurer
Bill Daw, Chancellor