

Alone in the Garden

Matthew 26:30-56

Act I – The Shepherd Struck, the Sheep Scattered (26:30-35)

Jesus views everything unfolding as the _____ of Scripture, the outworking of a divine plan.

Act II – The Sorrow of the Holy Son (26:36-38)

Matthew describes Jesus as “sorrowful and troubled.”

Jesus Himself declares:
“My soul is very sorrowful, even to death.”

These words unveil the profound _____ of Jesus. True God, yet true man. He feels the weight of what lies ahead with deep emotional clarity.

Act III – The Cup and the Will (26:39–44)

Our Lord falls on His face in prayer. Luke tells us that He sweats drops of blood. Matthew shows us the intensity of His petitions.

The focal point of His prayer is a single symbol: _____.

Throughout the Old Testament, the cup represents the outpouring of _____.

- Psalm 75:8
- Isaiah 51:17

Jesus prays:
“If it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, Your will be done.”

He embraces the Father’s will with perfect obedience.

Gethsemane teaches us what the Cross means.

1. God’s _____ clarifies the gospel.
2. Without wrath, Jesus becomes _____.
3. Without wrath, the _____ cannot be understood.
4. Without wrath, _____ cannot be grasped.

Act IV – The Disciples’ Weakness and Jesus’ Lonely Path (26:40-46)

Jesus returns and finds His closest friends asleep.

He calls to Peter – the one who vowed loyalty:
“Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation.
The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.”

Then He awakens them:
“The hour is at hand... Rise, let us be going.”

Act V – The Betrayal and the Arrest (26:47-56)

Jesus is not seized;
He _____.

Judas approaches with a kiss of betrayal. Jesus responds:
“Friend, do what you came to do.”

From the Garden of Eden to the Garden of Gethsemane

Adam brought the _____ in a garden; Jesus begins _____ it in a garden.

The first Adam fell in Eden; the Second Adam stands in Gethsemane – obeying where Adam rebelled, seeking the Father where Adam hid, bringing life where Adam brought death.

The whole story of Scripture—creation, fall, promise, sacrifice, temple, prophecy—all of it is converging on this moment in this garden.

Conclusion – “Jesus, Thank You”

Dr. Paul Thompson
Calvary Baptist Church
November 23, 2025

Sunday, November 23

10am Worship

Praise Him Praise Him

Scripture Reading & PrayerPaul Thompson
Jeremiah 9:23-24

²³ Thus says the Lord: “Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, let not the mighty man boast in his might, let not the rich man boast in his riches, ²⁴ but let him who boasts boast in this, that he understands and knows me, that I am the Lord who practices steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth. For in these things I delight, declares the Lord.”

I Will Glory In My Redeemer

O the Deep Deep Love of Jesus

Scripture Reading & Prayer of Thanksgiving..... Dan Tankersley
1 John 1:9

⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Hebrews 9:22
²² Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.

1 Peter 1:18-19
¹⁸ ...[know] that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.

Offering

Your Will Be Done

MessagePaul Thompson
Alone in the Garden
Matthew 26:31-56

Jesus Thank You

Benediction.....Jed Downs
Titus 3:4-7

⁴ But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, ⁵ he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, ⁶ whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷ so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

5pm Worship

BaptismJudah Childree & Scout Stickles

Scripture ReadingSteven Wilson

Revive Us Again

Jesus Paid It All

MessagePaul Thompson
The Cup of Wrath
Psalm 75

All I Have Is Christ

Thanksgiving Meal Opportunity

Thursday, November 27 | 11:30am | Parlor

Jeff and Staci Spears want to offer a Thanksgiving meal for Calvary members who might be eating alone or have no family or special plans for Thanksgiving. If you would be interested in sharing lunch on Thanksgiving with some of your Calvary family, contact Staci Spears 334-618-3726 by November 24.

November 30 AM Worship

Please note that our Sunday morning worship service on November 30 will be held in the Sanctuary.

Notice for Parents of 4-Year-Olds through Kindergarten

On Sunday, November 30, children ages 4 through Kindergarten will attend Worship with their parents following Life Group. Life Groups will meet as scheduled; however, parents are asked to pick up their children at the conclusion of Life Group and bring them to Worship. Thank you for your cooperation as we provide this special opportunity for families to worship together.

Pray for the Kenya Mission Trip | December 2-9

Reagan Farris and Lance Morgan will be leading a youth conference with Echoes of Mercy Mission.

Workday at East Avenue Baptist Church
Friday & Saturday, December 5 & 6 | 9am

There are more workdays planned for our new church plant - East Avenue Baptist Church in Ozark and workers are needed. For more details, please contact Steven Whitfield at 601-916-0789 or Zach Daniels at 334-733-6326.

Breakfast in Bethlehem
Saturday, December 6 | 9:30-11:30am

A preschool family event in the Fellowship Center for ages 3 (by 9/1/24)through K5. Register online at calvarydothan.com.

Winter Open Classes
Wednesdays | 6pm | December 3-February 25

(No Classes December 24 or 31)

Systematic Theology 1
Teachers: Paul Thompson, Don Mills

Parenting for Life
Teachers: Joseph Parden, Sam Tarwater

How to Study the Bible / Fear of Man
Teachers: Dan Tankersley, Lance Morgan

Meaningful Membership Intensive Class
Sunday, December 7 | 1-4pm

If you are interested in knowing more about Calvary or would like to join and are not able to attend all three Sunday morning classes, join us for this intensive 3-hour class in the Office Building Conference Room. All the material will be covered in this one class.

If you plan to attend and/or need childcare, call the church office or email angie@calvarydothan.com by Wednesday, December 3.

I WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT:

My Decision Today:

- ☐ I trusted Jesus as Savior.
- ☐ I’d like to join Calvary Baptist Church.
- ☐ I believe God is calling me into ministry/mission.
- ☐ Please have a pastor or elder contact me.

If you would like to speak with someone about one of the items noted above, please visit the Next Steps Kiosk before you leave today.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- ☐ Pastors & Prayer Team Only
- ☐ Churchwide

Connect Card
November 23, 2025

Please complete this tab, tear it off and drop it in an offering plate, or in the boxes by the exits.

- Please update my information
- Please contact me about membership

I am a:
First Time Guest
Attender
Member

Name

Address

City

State/Zip

Male
Female

Married
Single

Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Spouse

Spouse's Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)

Children:

Name / Date of Birth

Name / Date of Birth

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November Missions Spotlight

Steve & Toni Chambers (Neighborhood Church UWS)
Steve and Toni moved to NYC in the Fall of 2017 with the intent of planting a church in the city. By God's grace, that became a reality, and Neighborhood Church was born. Steve's mission for the church is simple: Love God and Love Your Neighbor. To see how you can pray for the ministry work of the Chambers, pick up a prayer card at the missions kiosk in the Fellowship Center foyer. To learn more about the ministry work of the Chambers in NYC, visit facebook.com/neighborhoodchurchuws or neighborhoodchurchuws.com.

Alabama Baptist Children's Homes & Family Ministries (Local Missions Partner)
The purpose of Alabama Baptist Children's Homes & Family Ministries is to protect, nurture, and restore children and families through Christ-centered services. The result we desire to see is hope and wholeness for children and families through knowing God. To see how you can pray for the ministry work of the ABCH, pick up a prayer card at the missions kiosk located in the Fellowship Center foyer. To learn more about the ministry endeavors of ABCH, contact Kim McGainey at kmcgainey@alabamachild.org or visit facebook.com/alabamachild/ or alabamachild.org.

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THE PEOPLE CAME...
November 16
Life Group: 503
10:00 Worship: 638
5:00 Worship: n/a
Hispanic Church: 112
Neighborhood Church (NY): 25

THE PEOPLE GAVE...
General Fund
Given November 16: \$44,154.52
Given Y-T-D Surplus (Deficit): (\$234,627.10) as of 10/31/25

BIBLE READING PLAN
November 23-29
Ezek 35-36, 1 Pet 3
Ezek 37-38, 1 Pet 4
Ezek 39-40, 1 Pet 5
Ezek 41-42, 2 Pet 1
Ezek 43-44, 2 Pet 2
Ezek 45-48, 2 Pet 3-1 John 1

Sunday Schedule
8:30am Life Groups & Open Classes
10:00am Worship, Fellowship Center
Kid's Worship, Grades 1-5, Chapel (except 1st Sunday)
5:00pm Family Worship, Sanctuary
Childcare for Babies-K3

I'm New Here
We're so glad you've joined us for worship today and would love to be able to share more with you about our church.
To fill out a digital Connect Card or learn more about Calvary, please use your smartphone camera to scan the QR Code or you can fill out the Connect Card in this bulletin and place it in the offering plate.
Also, be sure to stop by our Next Steps table in the foyer after the service for a gift from us!

How to Become a Christian
Want more information about how to become a Christian? Go to calvarydothan.com/how-to-become-a-christian/.

If you would like to view a pdf of today's AM sermon notes, go to calvarydothan.com/messages.

Ministry Staff
Paul Thompson..... Senior Pastor
Charles Uptain..... Executive Pastor
Dan Tankersley..... Discipleship Pastor
Steven Wilson..... Interim Worship
Tommy Perry..... Missions
Joyce Alexander..... Preschool
Josh Robertson..... Children
Stephanie Tankersley..... Children's Worship
Reagan Farris..... Students
Randy Hunt..... Senior Adults
Zach Daniels..... Resident Church Planter

Lay Elders
Eric Donop David Glover Sam Tarwater
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STAFF ON CALL
Sunday, November 23:
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SERMON SCHEDULE
Sunday, November 30
10am
The Courtroom and the Courtyard
Matthew 26:57-75
Message by Paul Thompson
5pm
Lessons in Sovereignty and Responsibility from Judas the Betrayer
Matthew 26:20-25
Message by Paul Thompson

Wednesday Schedule
6:00pm Open Classes, D-Groups, & ESL Classes
Birth-K5, Preschool Bldg
Grades 1-5, Chapel
Grades 6-12, Student Room
7:00pm Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

10 In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

- 1 John 4:10



WELCOME TO
Calvary
BAPTIST CHURCH