

Making Christ Known

Colossians 1:24-29

²⁴ Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ’s afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, ²⁵ of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶ the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. ²⁷ To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸ Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. ²⁹ For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

The Cost of Making Christ Known (v. 24)

“I rejoice in my **sufferings** ... filling up what is lacking in Christ’s afflictions ...”

Christ suffered to _____ redemption; the church now suffers to _____ redemption.

Christ’s cross is enough to save the world; what remains is not a missing _____, but a living _____.

A _____ witness is often the very means God uses to spread a _____ gospel.

The Stewardship of Making Christ Known (v. 25-28)

“the **stewardship** of God that was given to me for you ...”

“... the **mystery** hidden for ages and generations but now **revealed** to his saints.”

“Him **we proclaim** ... that **we may** present everyone ...”

“Him we proclaim, **warning** everyone and **teaching** everyone with all wisdom.”

We have been entrusted with the responsibility to make Christ fully _____ until people are fully _____ in Him.

The Power to Make Christ Known (v. 29)

“I **toil** ... with **his energy** that he powerfully works within me”

Not _____ (“God will do it”)

Not _____ (“I can do it”)

The effort is real, and the power is divine. The work is ours, but the strength is His. We labor hard because God is at work in us.

If Christ is worth _____, then He is worth our _____.

Conclusion

The Christ who was crucified to save sinners is still being proclaimed through suffering saints, and He is worthy of every cost required to make Him known.

Sunday, May 10

10am Worship

Scripture Reading & PrayerPaul Thompson

3 John 4

⁴ I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth.

Parent-Child Commitment..... Paul Thompson & Joyce Alexander

Praise His Name (Psalm 148)

Always

The Lord Is My Salvation

Scripture Reading & Prayer of Supplication.....Reagan Farris

Psalm 62:7-8

⁷ On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty rock, my refuge is God. ⁸ Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us.

Offering

All Glory Be To Christ

MessagePaul Thompson

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Colossians 1:24-29

Christ Be Magnified

Benediction Dan Tankersley

Matthew 5:16

... let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

No 5pm Worship

Mother's Day Flowers

Calvary wants to honor the women of Calvary today. Whether you are a mom or not, we think you are a special gift from God. Please go by our flower wall in the foyer and pick out a bouquet before or after the service.

Summer Worship Schedule

- 10am Worship will be held in the Sanctuary from May 24 through September 6.
- 5pm Worship will not meet during the month of July.
- Life Groups and Open Classes will continue to meet at their regular times throughout summer.

Change for Life – Benefiting Wiregrass Hope
Calvary's Goal: \$1,000

Wiregrass Hope is one of our local mission partners, offering free pregnancy resources, parenting and fatherhood programs, biblical counseling, and relationship education—all centered on sharing the hope of Jesus Christ and valuing human life.

Take a bottle, fill it with loose change, cash, or a check, and return it by Sunday, May 31 to support this important ministry. Baby bottles are located in the Fellowship Center Foyer and Preschool desk.

Members Meeting

Sunday, May 31 | Following 10am Worship

All members are encouraged to attend this meeting as we vote on proposed bylaw changes.

Vacation Bible School Registration is Open
June 15-19 | Grades 1-5 | 8:30am-12noon



In a world filled with worry and confusion, kids need to know there is a God who cares for them. At Emerald Crossing VBS, they’ll journey through Ireland’s lush landscapes, exploring the powerful words of Psalm 23.

They’ll discover the life of the shepherd-king David and learn how to cross from worry to peace, from fear to faith, and from uncertainty to a firm foundation in God’s Word through a relationship with the Good Shepherd.

Deacon Nominations Being Accepted

Nomination cards are available at the Next Steps table and can be dropped in the nomination boxes in the Fellowship Center or Sanctuary or you can email names to carencalvarydothan.com. Deadline is May 15.

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
May 10, 2026

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

Name / Date of Birth

Name / Date of Birth

Please complete the additional information on the back of this tab, if applicable.

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May Missions Spotlight
Northeastern Baptist College (Domestic Mission Partner – Bennington, VT)
NEBC seeks to impact the Northeast, the United States, and the world by training students to cultivate the mind of a scholar, the heart of a shepherd, and the perseverance of a soldier. This mission is accomplished through a college education grounded in a biblical foundation and marked by a distinctive blend of academic excellence and practical mentoring. NEBC provides an academically strong, biblically sound, and practically relevant college education from its campus strategically located in the Northeast. To learn about the ministry of NEBC, visit nebcvt.org. To learn how to pray for NEBC, pick up a prayer card at the missions kiosk in the Fellowship Center foyer.
Wiregrass Hope (Local Mission Partner)
Wiregrass Hope's mission is to share the hope of Christ, promote the value of human life, and care for people through pregnancy resources, biblical counseling, and relationship education. Their vision is to build a healthy community where individuals and families value life and thrive because of the love and grace of Christ. To learn about the ministry of Wiregrass Hope, visit facebook.com/wiregrasshopegroup. To learn how to pray for Wiregrass Hope, pick up a prayer card at the missions kiosk in the Fellowship Center foyer.

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THE PEOPLE CAME...
May 3
Life Group: 494
10:00 Worship: 670
Joy Prom: 400
East Avenue Church: 86
Hispanic Church: 114
Neighborhood Church (NY): 25

THE PEOPLE GAVE...
General Fund
Given May 3: \$93,534.65
Y-T-D Surplus (Deficit): \$21,627.48 as of 03/31/26
Spring Missions Offering Y-T-D: \$121,648.81

BIBLE READING PLAN
May 10-18
Ps 129, Num 9:15-10:10, Isa 46-47, Col 1:21-2:5
Ps 130, Num 10:11-36, Isa 48-49, Col 2:6-23
Ps 131, Num 11, Isa 50, Col 3:1-17
Ps 132, Num 12, Isa 51:1-52:12, Col 3:18-4:18
Ps 133, Num 13-14, Isa 52:13-53:12, 1 Thes 1
Ps 134, Num 15, Isa 54, 1 Thes 2:1-16
Ps 135, Num 16-17, Isa 55, 1 Thes 2:17-3:13

Sunday Schedule
8:30am Life Groups
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
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Lay Elders
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STAFF ON CALL
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Joyce Alexander | 334-798-4791
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SERMON SCHEDULE
Sunday, May 17
10am
The Full Assurance of Knowing Christ
Colossians 2:1-5
Message by Paul Thompson
5pm
Obadiah: The Fall of Pride
Obadiah 1-21
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

5 For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord.
- 2 Corinthians 4:5



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BAPTIST CHURCH