



# BECAUSE HE LIVES

April 19, 2026



We're so glad you've joined us today!



**Learn more** about the opportunities below:

- Scan the **QR code**
- Stop by a **Connection Center**
- Visit **[calvarychurch.org/learnmore](http://calvarychurch.org/learnmore)**

**Interested in leading a small group this summer?** We will help prepare you with all the tools you'll need, and you will have the opportunity to choose from three topics, determine your group size, and when and how often you'll meet. Scan the QR code to get started.

**Women who care for a family member with a disability or chronic illness** are invited to join us on April 25 for Day of Blessing. This special morning is designed to bring encouragement as you fellowship with other women. Please RSVP to Sandy Robinson at [srobinson@calvarychurch.org](mailto:srobinson@calvarychurch.org) by today, April 19.

**Dementia Friends Information Session:** Join us on Thursday, April 23, from 1:00-2:30pm, to hear from Memory Care Educator, Mary Schreiber, about the realities of living with dementia and how we, as a church family, can support those affected and their families. Sign up online.

**Join Calvary Church's 50+ softball team this spring!** Whether you're an experienced player or new to the game, our team welcomes all skill levels. You'll have the opportunity to meet new people, stay active, and grow in your faith as we play together. For more information, call or text Jon Myer at (717) 278-8577.

**Parents, come learn how to weave the threads of the gospel into the fabric of your everyday family life.** On Sundays, April 26 and May 3, at 9:30am, we'll equip you to effectively explain the six essential gospel truths to your children, and when ready, lead your child to Christ. Sign up online.

**Surrendering the Secret** is an eight-week Bible Study designed to encourage women who have gone through the trauma of abortion to embrace God's healing and grace... all in a safe, private environment. The next session begins Tuesday, May 5. For confidential inquiries, email [sts@calvarychurch.org](mailto:sts@calvarychurch.org).

**What if it were possible to explore faith freely,** ask the questions we all have, and work together to find a new starting point for faith? If you're new to faith, just checking it out, or coming back to church after some time away, this eight-week small group is a great first step! Join us for Starting Point on Sundays at 9:30am, starting May 3. Sign up online.

# Reminders

**Global & Family Prayer:** Wednesday, 6:30pm, room 317.

**Join us on the fourth Sunday of the month to explore where you can use your skill set to serve at Calvary.** You'll have the opportunity to ask questions, tour ministries of interest, or even take a test drive. Stop by the lobby conference room at 9:30am on Sunday, April 26.

**Imagine being the reason a child remembers that church is where they feel loved, safe, and encouraged.** That's the opportunity we have in Calvary Kids! Come encourage our Kindergarten-6th graders in their faith. Varying positions are available on Sundays and Wednesdays. Fill out our online serving interest form to get started.

*Scan the QR code to view our church calendar and find out what's happening this week.*

## Praying For One Another

**LGH:** John Musser

**Please take time to pray** for the families of these loved ones who have gone home to be with the Lord:

- Vaughn Downing - April 8
- Naomi Johnson - April 14
- Diego Asin - April 14

## Financial Information

Week 41, April 12

	General	Global	Building	Combined
Weekly Budget	147,097	52,180	11,538	210,815
Received	87,559	18,571	2,674	108,804
Received YTD	7,159,376	1,805,688	247,214	9,212,278
Budget YTD	6,030,977	2,139,380	473,068	8,643,415

*Financial summaries through March 31 are available at the Connection Centers.*

## Stay connected!

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*Ukrainian interpretation at 9:30am | Sign language, Spanish interpretation,  
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## ***Because He Lives***

A Gospel-Shaped Community – Colossians 3 (p. 984)

Because Jesus is alive, our future is not just something we wait for, but it determines our identity and launches us into a *gospel-shaped community*. In Colossians 3, Paul explains how our new identity shapes a new community that displays the glory of God. Today, we will consider our individual role in *growing with God's people* within the context of the local Church.

### **Because He Lives...**

We Belong to a New Community (3:12)

We Pursue Life in Christ Together (3:12–14)

We Form a Kingdom Culture Where...

The Peace of Christ Rules (3:15)

The Word of Christ Dwells (3:16)

The Grateful in Christ Sing (3:16)

**Reflection and Action:** What is one step I need to take this week to move from attending church to pursuing gospel-shaped community by putting on the life of Christ alongside others?