



Work as Worship Retreat

Friday, February 23 | 7:30 am-2:30 pm | Fellowship Center

Cost: \$25.00 per person

Register online at workasworkretreat.org/local

Join other business leaders across the country for a full 1-day retreat to hear from experts, be encouraged, and discuss how to connect your faith and work.



RECHARGE

A Parent's Date Night

Friday, February 16 | 6-8 pm

Let us care for your children while you go on a date. This is for babies through Kindergarten. Preschoolers will be in the Preschool Building and Grades 1-5 in the Gym. Cost is \$5 per child. We will have food, fun, and games.

Ministry Staff

Paul Thompson	Senior Pastor
Charles Uptain	Executive Pastor
Dan Tankersley	Discipleship
Matthew Dorsey	Worship
Joyce Alexander	Preschool
Zach Daniels	Children
Reagan Farris	Student Interim
Greg Pendergrass	Community/ROC
Patty Farrington	Senior Adults
Woody Farrington	Pastoral Care

Ministry Assistants

Caren Coleson	Pastoral
Carol Morris	Executive Assistant
Rebekah McLure	Music
Anne Register	Community/Recreation
Emily Shiver	Senior Adults
Brooke Stickles	Family Ministries
Amanda Trammell	Publications
Angie Tice	Adults/Outreach

Support Staff

Nolan Dykes	Music Assistant
Mark Shiver	Facilities Manager

Weekday Ministry

Michelle Beasley	Associate Director
Nickie Smith	Receptionist

**For the Record
For January, 2018**

Average Attendance:

8:00 Worship.....	290
10:30 Worship	351
Life Groups	568
Mission Church.....	140
Nursing Homes.....	70
Outreach Bible Study.....	16

Total Giving:

General Fund	\$288,211.96
Y-T-D Required	\$202,000.00
Lottie Moon	\$132,462.06
Lottie Moon Goal.....	\$140,000.00

Sermon Schedule

**Sunday, February 4
8:00 am & 10:30 am**

Joining Jesus: It Takes Words
Message by Paul Thompson

**Wednesday, February 7
6:00 pm Fellowship Center**

Led by Paul Thompson

**Sunday, February 11
8:00 am & 10:30 am**

Am I in the Place of God?
Message by Paul Thompson

6:00 pm

Night of Prayer

**Wednesday, February 14
6:00 pm Fellowship Center**

Led by Paul Thompson

**Sunday, February 18
8:00 am & 10:30 am**

Joining Jesus:

With a Little Help from My Friends
Message by Paul Thompson

**Wednesday, February 21
6:00 pm Fellowship Center**

Led by Paul Thompson

**Sunday, February 25
8:00 am & 10:30 am**

Called to Be Saints Together
Message by Paul Thompson

**Wednesday, February 28
6:00 pm Fellowship Center**

Led by Paul Thompson

From Our Senior Pastor

The first part of our church commitment statement reads, “*We are a family of everyday missionaries ...*”

This echoes the words of the Apostle Paul in 1 Corinthians 1:2 (ESV):

“*To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours ...*”

That phrase, “**called to be saints together,**” really grips me. What a beautiful statement about the Christian life! To be sure, we are called to grow up in Christ (Eph. 4), take on the mind of Christ (Philippians 2), and carry on the mission of Christ (John 17). But we are not called to do any of this alone! We are called to do it *all together!* That’s the biblical notion of a church!

Beginning on February 25, we will start our journey through First Corinthians – chapter by chapter and verse by verse – as we hear from God on what it means to be and live as God’s people – the church.

In many ways, what the 1st century Corinthians *were, we are* today. We face the same challenges to the Gospel from within and without the church. We face the same allures of the world and a culture spiraling downward. A lack of unity is as big a threat to the church today as it was then. And we still often struggle with practical implications of the Gospel in our personal lives, our families and marriages, and in our church relationships.

As C. K. Barrett writes,

I believe that the church in our generation needs to rediscover the apostolic Gospel; and for this it needs the Epistle to the Romans. It needs also to rediscover the relation between this Gospel and its order, discipline, worship and ethics; and for this it needs the 1st Epistle to the Corinthians.

Also, I hope you’ll join us for this month’s 2nd Sunday night of worship as we again focus on prayer. We had a great, Spirit-led meeting last month and I anticipate the same again on February 11th. Our theme this month will be “Praying the Word.” We invite you to join as we pray the very words of Scripture for our families, our church, our city, and beyond. As we continue to emphasize increased prayer in the life of the church, please note the Home Prayer Gatherings that are taking place this month. Find one near you and join in. These are simple gatherings centered around sharing needs and praying for one another. These are also great missional opportunities for you to invite someone who needs prayer.

Finally, spend some quality time in prayer for our students as they participate in this year’s DiscipleNow Weekend on February 9-11. Their theme this year is “Crushed.” It’s all about the process of pressure God uses to shape us as He wills – much like the pressure that makes carbon into diamonds! Pray that our students have a real encounter with Jesus through the events, teaching times, and 1-1 opportunities with godly mentors on that weekend.

For His Glory,
Pastor Paul

Ministry News

Calvary Missions

Mission Trip to Guatemala City | April 2-6, 2018

Cost: \$1500 | Team Leader: Roger Simpler

This trip will concentrate on helping one of our local partners build relationships with the local schools. We hope to take school teachers on Spring Break to train local teachers in Guatemala City. Contact the church office for more details.

Discipleship Ministry

Want a bold prayer to pray? How about this one from Tim Keller: “Show me the specific gaps between my faith and my practice, and empower me to close them.”

It’s been said that Southern Baptists are “educated beyond their obedience.” If we are honest, we will admit there is often a large gap between what we *know* and what we actually *do*. For example, we *know* our purpose is to “make disciples of all nations,” but we don’t always act on this knowledge. I hope the *Joining Jesus: Life as an Everyday Missionary* study has helped to close this gap by offering practical ways to act and obey the Great Commission.

Way #65 of the “101 Ways to Demonstrate the Gospel” from *A Field Guide for Everyday Mission* says: “Attend community events: Instead of creating your own celebrations, join what’s already happening in your community. Even if you feel out of place, it’s a great way to be involved.” Speaking of community events, Dothan’s annual Mardi Gras Parade will be held Saturday, February 10 at 2:00 pm. The parade route goes beside Calvary (Dakota St.) and in front of Calvary (Montezuma). This is a perfect “everyday missionary” opportunity to act and meet Calvary’s neighbors. I encourage you to let Calvary be your viewing spot for the parade. Remember, “Whatever else we do in life, our primary purpose is to be agents of God’s mission to the world.”

Women’s Bible Study

Join us as we study the first 11 chapters of Genesis in the “**God of Creation**” study by **Jen Wilkin**. What better way to start fresh than looking into the very beginning of God’s great plan of redemption? Our kick off day will be Sunday, February 18, at 3:00 pm in the G-Force room in the Children’s Building. We will gather together for worship, prayer, and the first session of this series. For the next nine weeks, we will split into two sessions per week to make it easier for you to attend - either Sunday afternoons at 3:00, or Tuesday mornings at 9:30. Childcare will be available by reservation only. Register by emailing caren@calvarydothan.com or sign up after the morning services on Sunday, February 4.

Worship Ministry

Our goal at Calvary is to see all people delight in and be satisfied by the Glory of God!

One of the ways this happens for our faith family is our Sunday worship services. Music is not worship but God glorifying worship usually includes music as Psalm 9:11 proclaims “sing praises to the Lord...tell among the peoples his deeds!” So come join us in serving the Lord through music, so all may worship the living Lord!

Community Ministries

What community ministry has God put on your heart to be involved with this year? We will be starting the process of providing details of each ministry opportunity soon. Please start praying about where God wants you to serve as an everyday missionary. Watch for details in the upcoming weeks.

Preschool Ministry

Faith at Home with Kindergarteners: Join Mrs. Joyce on Sunday, February 25, room 219 in the Preschool Building at 9:15 am during Life Group as we discuss living out your faith at home with your children. We will share information and then give you an opportunity to model what you’ve learned that morning with your children.

Student Ministry

DNow: Students 6th-12th grade, DNow is here! The dates are February 9-11. Cost is \$80 per student. This year we will take an in-depth look at the life of Joseph and how he endured the process of being pressed but not CRUSHED as he went from the “Pit” to the “Palace.”

Senior Adult News

Mid Week Service is Wednesday, February 14, at 10:30 am in the Sanctuary. The Sonshine Singers will be presenting the Musical “The Time of Our Lives.” A Valentine meal will follow in the Fellowship Center.



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February 3-4

Saturday-Woody Farrington,
334-618-5846

Sunday-Patty Farrington,
334-618-5845

February 10-11

Saturday-Charles Uptain,
334-797-7191

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334-797-7191

February 17-18

Saturday-Joyce Alexander,
334-798-4791

Sunday-Joyce Alexander,
334-798-4791

February 24-25

Saturday-Dan Tankersley,
334-655-8765

Sunday-Dan Tankersley,
334-655-8765

CALVARY EXTENDS OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO...

Lance Beasley - death of grandmother

Terry Bullard - death of granddaughter

Laura Chafin - death of brother

Patricia Hammonds - death of son

Martha Hawkins - death of son

Carol Morris - death of mother

Jeff Spears - death of father

Allen Swezey - death of father

Allen Swezey - death of step-mother