



# Spotlight



Summer 2018

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## Nothing New Under the Sun?

On behalf of my family and myself, I wanted to thank you all for the service of ordination that happened on the evening of July 8<sup>th</sup>. It was an amazing night of sacred formality, and import. I had the distinct joy and pleasure to have been ordained a Reverend in the Baptist tradition, as the ordained shepherd of Calvary Baptist Church ...

Ecclesiastes Chapter 1 verse 9 says that: <sup>9</sup> "What has been will be again, what has been done will be done again; there is nothing new under the sun."

I try and make a habit not to regularly contradicting Scripture – and yes God is still working with me on a lot of stuff, but like every one of us in this church family, we are His works in progress! Last Sunday evening we did do something new together as a church family, if the scuttlebutt is to be believed. For it seems I am the first pastor ordained in this church family in 124 years! But based on all the different ways that God is growing us as a church family, growing us in love and care one for another, but most importantly in our love for Him and our neighbours inside and outside the church, I am confident that I will not be the last pastor ordained by our church family! I am hopeful that I am simply going to be the first among many that God is going to raise up in our midst if we keep going where He leads as we continue growing in love and faithfulness in our walk with Jesus!

Last Sunday was truly an amazing experience – I am still trying to find the words to explain and relate it all – overwhelming, humbling, awesome, auspicious, weighty, somehow right ... scary?! None of these words, really do the experience justice – that overwhelming sense of God's love, patience, providence, presence and faithfulness, that has all served to get me, and us all, to this point in our church family life together! The outpouring of love, and support – the continued messages of encouragement from all those who came out to bear witness to God's goodness, helped make an already amazing experience even more so by their presence. I was honoured to share in this time honoured tradition, handed down through hundreds of years in the life of the Church, with you all, with my new church family, my family and my friends!

Thank you all for your continued love, care, encouragement and prayers that have helped us mark this major milestone in our shared journey of faith together! Keep on praying for us all as a church family as we go boldly into the future that God has planned for us together! Let us keep on praying for His guidance and power to help us be and do all that HE has called us to be together. Let us continue on in faith, in thanksgiving, trusting that God will protect, provide and prosper our humble offerings of what we have - a little food and drink, a friendly smile, a kind word, a strong shoulder to cry on, a hand to hold, a shared whispered prayer in a moment of crisis, an encouraging word, whatever small thing we have let us commit to freely giving it so that the work of God in our church may continue to positively impact the world around us and our Beach community so that all may know without a shadow of a doubt that they are loved and special to God. Let us all pledge to do whatever it takes to make sure that above all else we are a place that is willing to do whatever new thing God has called us to for the sake of loving and reaching the world with the love of God! Let us show in all that we do and say and are together the love of God as the constant and conspicuous hallmark of our lives together as a church family and in every great thing that we attempt for God and His Kingdom! Amen. ☺

David McCleary



We will be holding a Baptism Ceremony on September 30<sup>th</sup> during the Sunday morning service.

There will be eight baptism classes in the months of July & August in preparation.

For further information contact Pastor David at [pastor@calvary-baptist-church.ca](mailto:pastor@calvary-baptist-church.ca) or call 416-691-4721.

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## Moderator's Message

David encourages his son, Solomon by saying: "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the Lord God, my God is with you. He will not fail you, or forsake you until all the work for the service of the temple of the Lord is finished" Chronicles 28:20

We the family of God at Calvary, continue that work, for Jesus gave us a great commission to go and make disciples of all people.

Lately, we have received blessing, opportunity and challenge, in abundance. He continues to bless us with Jonathan and an expanding youth program.

We recognize that in order to fulfill our ministry missions, we need to make our environment welcoming and accommodating. This requires financial support. Our Facility and Fundraising Team has initiated our first effort towards our 2020 Campaign. Pastor David will hold Baptism classes in July and August, anticipating a Baptism Ceremony on September 30<sup>th</sup>. We also praise God for our leadership in His hands. I pray we will continue to be willing, obedient and faithful to His call.

Wherever you are this summer, at home or away, I pray you enjoy the beauty and grandeur of God's creation.

*Tina Timmermans, Moderator*

## Youth Outreach

We're so proud of the combined youth of Calvary and Heavenly Light who are doing amazing things! They spent the past several weeks studying about love and service through reading scripture. Now...they're ready to apply these lessons from the bible in their daily lives! With the support of members from our congregation, they've been collecting items to put together 43 care packages full of essential for the homeless in Toronto on July 8<sup>th</sup>.



## Worship Team Update

After an extensive search the Minister of Music Search Committee is pleased to announce that we have hired Hanna Kim. She will begin her ministry with us starting July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please welcome her as she brings her extensive talents to our worship.

Hanna is currently working toward her doctoral degree (DMA) at the University of Toronto. While at the U of T, having completed her compositional studies with the guidance of Prof. Gary Kulesha. Her composition style encompasses a wide range of traditional, romantic. Minimalistic and improvisational performances. Ms. Kim's composition has been performed by the Uvic Orchestra, the Tsillumos Ensemble, Canadian Women Composers Projects and the Opera from Scratch in Halifax.

In addition to playing her own solo and chamber music, Ms. Kim is also an active pianist. With a passion for piano performance, Kim has written several piano instruction books for children, at the publication request of KMS Music Publications (also known as Eunmak-Segye, in South Korea).

We are grateful to Marianne Gast for her interim work with us, and don't worry – whenever we need a fill in we'll be calling her back. Additionally the choir was so enamoured with Albert Wong, our other interim, that he'll be working with Hanna throughout the fall preparing the choir for service anthem and our Candlelight Carol Service. So if you'd like to be part of an exceptional choral experience, come try out the choir which will begin every other Thursday after Labour Day.

Another praise item is the Ordination Service of Rev. David McCleary on July 8<sup>th</sup>. It was a moving culmination of his faith journey.

*Victoria Drysdale, Chair*

# Finance & Facilities Team Report

## Financial Statements for the Five months ended May 31

	2018		2017
	Actual	Budget	Actual
<b>INCOME</b>			
General Offering	\$ 29,793	\$ 34,146	\$ 31,006
Leroux	44,750	44,750	44,750
Heavenly Light & other renta	9,250	12,125	3,990
Grant Income	3,000	3,000	-
Fundraising and other	2,184	3,160	2,143
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	88,977	97,181	81,889
<b>EXPENSE</b>			
E - Facilities Team	35,878	43,006	41,816
F - Ministry Support and Admi	4,249	4,042	3,364
G - Worship Team	5,531	3,625	2,741
H - Christian Education Team	978	1,000	-
I - Pastoral Care Team	866	1,667	1,063
K - Finance & Stewardship Te	2,688	2,867	2,657
L - Salaries and Benefits	46,535	49,806	39,737
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	96,725	106,013	91,378
<b>NET INCOME (LOSS)</b>	\$ (7,748)	\$ (8,832)	\$ (9,489)

We are very grateful that envelope giving is up from the prior year, plate and other giving has declined, resulting in a below budget total and a decline from the prior year for giving overall. Similarly, our rental income is higher than the prior year but we are lagging behind what we had hoped to generate in our budget. Expenses are largely on budget for the first five months, except for facilities (with lower gas and maintenance costs) and salaries, which are lower than expected due to delays in hiring. Overall, the financial statements for the five months show a deficit of \$7.7k, which is slightly lower than budgeted. Grant income from CBOQ and TBM started January 1, however since the youth ministry started on April 1, funds received for the first quarter will be carried forward to 2019.

I am pleased to report that as of June 1, arrangements are in place for some of our youth ministry costs to be shared with the Heavenly Light congregation. This partnership development will enable the Heavenly Light youth to receive Christian Education in English from our youth pastor and is a step towards achieving a sustainable youth ministry at Calvary.

*Heather Mains, Treasurer*

### Ministry Support Coordinator

Calvary is looking to hire a Ministry Support Coordinator to support our youth and family ministries, in addition to other initiatives within the church.

Check out the position on our church web site [www.calvary-baptist-church.ca](http://www.calvary-baptist-church.ca) in the "Careers" page and feel free to share with your friends/family.

# Did You Know ...



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## July

- Love & Prayers**
- The love and prayers of our church family are with our Administrator, Tanya Hardeo, her husband and family, whose father-in-law, Doolichan Pundit passed away June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### A New Arrival

- Sloane Lynne was born Friday June 22<sup>d</sup> at a whopping 9 lbs. 11 oz. at Michael Garron Hospital to parents Tristan Drysdale and Danielle Muise. A first grandchild for Sandy and Victoria Drysdale.

### Remembering

- Margaret Kennedy, who with her husband Guy, were active members of our church family before moving to Charlottetown P.E.I. a number of years ago. Margaret passed away January 12, 2018 in Charlottetown, P.E.I.

### Safe Return

- Diane Tisdall, daughter of Barry Tisdall, has just returned from two weeks in Juba, South Sudan. She was there for Global Affairs, Ottawa to see first-hand about Child soldiers in South Sudan and Journalists for Human Rights, JHR.

2	Eileen Kelley
7	Helen Boyko
17	Rex Deverell
18	Owen Cambridge
21	Pat Dewar
26	John Cambridge
27	Betty Murphy
29	Greg Frank
30	Marita Engel

## August

1	Rita Deverell
3	Bob Long
17	Martin Train
26	Freda Goss
29	Kamila Edwards

## Welcome Community Outreach Assistant

Thanks to the efforts of our Missions Team and staff members, we were able to successfully secure a Canada Summer Jobs Grant to hire a student during the summer months, praise God! Avery Quinn-MacGregor will be serving as our Community Outreach Assistant; helping us develop some integral resources, along with connecting with our community in innovative and engaging ways. Avery brings with her great experience working within a church environment and connecting with various community partners. We're excited to have you on board Avery, and can't wait to see how God will use you to do remarkable things! Welcome!

## Stewardship & Fundraising Team

A month ago, we launched the first phase of Campaign 2020 to raise \$35,000 towards badly needed repairs and updates to our facilities. Work has already begun on some of these projects.

There are 3 parts to the Campaign.

1. Support our special events.
2. Remember to bring in your Loonie/Toonie bottle on the last Sunday of each month and place it on the offering plate. Be sure your name is written on the label and pick it up after the service to start filling it again for next month. If you don't have a bottle, see Eileen Kelley.
3. With your regular offering envelope, make a special donation by entering "2020" on the last line beside "Other – please specify."

With item # 2 and 3 above, you will receive a charitable donation tax receipt at year end, as these amounts will be included in your annual donation to Calvary.

With your support, we will be successful! Thank you. Gord Moore

## The Main Thing • Calvary Baptist Church

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