



CALVARY

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Ministries and Committees of Calvary Episcopal Church

Revised 2026

The following ministries and committees work together to be the hands and feet of Jesus in the world, to keep Calvary growing and moving forward spiritually, financially, and physically, and provide the help for the many tasks that go into creating “a place to call home” for parishioners and the Bastrop community at large. If you are interested in learning more about any of these volunteer opportunities, please contact the Vestry Liaison or the chair of any of these groups. We welcome you to explore any of these opportunities that interest you and to join in when and where your time and talents lead you.

Children, Youth, and Families: Terry Stringer, Ministry Liaison (8)

Acolytes – Elva & Isabella Conrardy

Young adults and children age 8 and older serve in worship.

Family Fun Night – Erika Rankin

Fun and fellowship for families once a month.

Formation – Youth (Middle and High School Ages)- Vacant

Facilitate weekly Formation for Youth

Formation 4 Year Olds - Elementary Ages Formation)- Jamie McDonald

Facilitate weekly lessons or serve as second adult facilitator and greeter for the children who attend this Formation.

Nursery & Safeguarding God’s Children – Karol Moseley & Lisa Bortner

Provide childcare for children birth-3 during church service and ensure that all individuals who serve on the Vestry, as staff and in positions involving children, have been certified through the Safeguarding God’s Children Program.

Vacation Bible Camp – Jamie McDonald

Serve during our three-day evening event with crafts, music and games held in June

Community Engagement – LaDonna Love, Vestry Liaison (5)

Art Fest – Charlotte Pace

Assist with planning and hosting an annual fundraiser in support of local artists and Calvary that features the sale of art and crafts created by members of the community and Calvary.

Downtown Committee – Tobin Bortner, Mat & Elissa Gibbons

Plan and coordinate events in collaboration with the City of Bastrop that includes Mardi Gras, Pride Festival, Juneteenth Celebration, Boo Bash, Christmas Parade and Cocoa & Carols

Concerts at Calvary – Holly Fritz

Plan and host concerts in the Calvary Sanctuary featuring local and regional artists.

Free Little Library – Maria Tuttrup

Collect and stock books for adults and children in a free exchange library outside the Parish Hall.

Mercantile Board – Don McCall

Oversee the rental and use of the Green Mercantile for small start-up businesses.

Fellowship and Hospitality: Kitty Howell, Vestry Liaison (8)

Coffee Hosts – Charlotte Pace

Provide snacks and coffee following the 10 am service.

Kitchen Krewe – Liz Grissom

Volunteers help keep the kitchen, refrigerator, stove and other areas clean and ready for use.

Special Events Committee – Brenda Playfair

Making people feel welcome and providing food, drink, set up and take down at special events

Women’s Group – Lisa Bortner

Plan special events for the women of Calvary to include things like the Spring Brunch, visits to prayer labyrinths, and other fun activities.

Gratitude Team – Mary Black

Providing a special meal or treat for Calvary volunteers in gratitude for their efforts.

Hungry Elders – Betty Davenport

Provide a meal and activity for a fellowship of the “elders” in our Calvary Community and invited guests.

Connect Ministry – Charlotte Pace

Develop visual invitations and other activities to welcome newcomers and help them connect with our Calvary Community.

Foyer Dinners – Jan & Terry Stringer

Small group gatherings in parishioners’ homes or at restaurants once a month for dinner and fellowship

Adult Formation Activities – Terry Stringer, Vestry Liaison (3)

Brotherhood of St. Andrews – Terry Stringer

Men’s fellowship that meets every other week for Bible study, fellowship, prayer, and cinnamon rolls and participates in activities such as cooking pancakes and sausage for Shrove Tuesday.

Adult Formation – Mary Robson & Lisa Bortner

Plan and present regular Sunday formation for adults following the 10 am service each week.

Women’s Bible Study – Jan Stringer & Lisa Bortner

Participate and assist with our weekly noon Bible study for the women of Calvary.

Service – John Meyer & Kate Hurst, Vestry Liaisons (11)

Alternative Giving Fair – Kathy Nelson & John Meyer

Help coordinate December event for donations to Bastrop County's local charities

Argent Court – Barbara Kayton

Help with weekly worship at local assisted living center on Fridays at 10am

Bulletin Folding - John Meyer

Thursday mornings, join fellow parishioners in folding bulletins for weekly and any special services.

Cold Weather Warming Center - Don McCall

Staff evenings and overnight, bring food and/or help with setup and tear down at Calvary co-sponsored shelter when temperatures are below freezing.

Thursday Lunches – Jamie McDonald

Prepare and give out free sack lunches to people in front of the church every Thursday.

Open Door Soup Kitchen – Jamie McDonald

Make and serve breakfast and lunch at the Soup Kitchen on Mondays

Snack Bags and Water – Byron Rentfro

Stock water bottles and prepare snack bags for people stopping by the Parish Hall and who are experiencing food insecurity.

Thanksgiving Eve Dinner – Maurine Weber

Cook, serve and/or deliver a special Thanksgiving Eve meal to individuals in our community.

Discretionary Funds and Pastoral Support – Amy Moenhke

Individuals who need assistance with the cost of utilities, medicines, or other supports along with pastoral care may request assistance from our Rector two days each week.

Office Support – Alex McCown

Volunteers serve as a Parish Hall receptionist and complete various clerical tasks during regular office hours between Monday and Thursday.

Worship and Prayer – Nancy Jensen-Case & Byron Rentfro, Vestry Liaisons (9)

Altar Guild – Penny Whiting & Sherri DeLeon

Care for vessels and linens used in the Eucharist and prepare the sanctuary for services

Contemplative Prayer Group – Susan Crone

Contemplation and discussion every Wednesday at 5:30 pm on Zoom

Daughters of the King – Maurine Weber

The Order of the Daughters of the King focuses on prayer and service and meets monthly.

Ushers – Byron Rentfro & Gerald Hanna

Provide worship bulletin, process bread and wine, hand out offering plates, and track attendance.

Invite Ministry (Greeters, Kid's Kits, Welcome Bags): Carla Schutty

Welcome parishioners and visitors and hand out Kid's Kits and Welcome Bags.

Lay Eucharistic Ministers (LEMs) – Jamie McDonald

Serve the chalice during communion.

Lay Pastoral Assistants – Amy Moehnke

Assist the Clergy with specific activities such as offering communion and taking communion to members who are experiencing illness or unable to attend a church service.

Intercessor & Lector – Sally Sanchez and Jamie McDonald

Read scripture readings and prayers of the people each Sunday service.

Thursday Women's Prayer Group – Kitty Howell

Meet weekly with a group of women to offer prayers for our Calvary community, our city, our state, and our world.

Live Stream and Audio Team - LuAnn Sills

Broadcast our 10 AM service over YouTube and monitor the soundboard for these events.

Music Ministries – Kate Hurst, Ministry Liaison (1)

Choir and Ensemble– Justin West

Provide music for each Sunday 10 AM service and special services and attend weekly rehearsal sessions for either the Choir, Ensemble, or both groups under the direction of Calvary's Music Director, Dr. Justin West.

Facilities – Eddie Mendoza, Ministry Liaison (4)

Junior Warden

Vestry Member who oversees the work of the Sexton and volunteers to take care of the various Calvary Properties including the MERC. This person serves on the Vestry for a 3-year term.

Property Committee

Volunteers take on various "handyman/woman" jobs to repair and maintain Calvary properties.

Landscape Team

Volunteers help to plan, plant and prune the landscape on Calvary properties.

Security Committee

Volunteers plan and execute measures to provide for the security of our property, Calvary parishioners and visitors during events and regular services.

Planned Giving – Kate Hurst, Vestry Liaison (2)

Bell Tower Legacy Fund – Sara Clayton

Plan and invest funds donated to Calvary for this special use, review and award grants annually for various parish ministries and committees.

Stewardship Committee – Charlotte Pace

Plan and deliver the annual pledge campaign activities and other fundraising events for Calvary.

Finances and Oversight – Mo Tanner, Vestry Liaison (4)

Vestry – Kate Hurst

Serve a three-year term to make decisions regarding the physical and financial issues for Calvary Church. Members are elected annually or may be appointed by the Rector under special circumstances.

Finance Committee – Mo Tanner

Plan and develop the annual budget and report monthly to the Vestry regarding our financial status and responsibilities.

Real Estate Development Committee

Research and help make short-term and long-term recommendations to the Vestry regarding matters related to Calvary's real estate holdings.

Treasurer – Shirley Siler

Individual who works with our bookkeeper and the Finance Committee to develop an annual budget, track revenues and spending, and complete other financially related tasks and report monthly to the Vestry.

Calvary Staff

We are greatly added in our work by our wonderful Calvary staff that include:

Amy Moehnke – Locum Tenens

Doing all things priestly!

Dr. Just West – Music Director

Developing and leading music for our Sunday 10 AM service and special services throughout the year.

Alex McCown - Administrative Assistant

Day-to-day running of the office, room and event scheduling, calendar scheduling, text messaging, supporting our Rector and Senior Warden in various church activities such as reporting to the Diocese of Texas.

Jamie McDonald- Lay Ministry Coordinator

Organizes the schedule of our Sunday Servers, Lay Ministers, and volunteers for Open Door among many other "volunteer" activities.

Isaac Merion – Sexton

Provides part-time repair and maintenance activities and other support to prepare our spaces for use.

Fernando Preciado – Communications

Produces The Scroll, Sunday bulletins, social media, and A-frame signs.

Alejandro Icazbalceta – Bookkeeper

Provides part-time bookkeeping services for Calvary.