#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **EASTER HOPE OFFERING – BEGINS TODAY**

- Special offering on April 13, 18, and 20
- This year's recipient: *Harvest USA*
- Checks to Calvary with *Easter Offering* in memo; or on website, choose *Easter Hope Giving* in dropdown menu

## **OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY - SIGN UP IN FOYER**

- Wall Township Touch-A-Truck; Sat, Apr 26 at 10am-2pm
- Takes place at Wall Municipal Complex

### **EASTER AT CALVARY**

- Good Friday Service: Fri, Apr 18, 7pm
- Resurrection Breakfast: 9am Easter Sunday; sign up in foyer

#### FELLOWSHIP LUNCH - SUN MAY 4

Please sign up in the foyer to bring something to share.

### **QUARTERLY BUDGET UPDATE**

■ Total giving and other income through the first 3 months (Jan-Mar) was ~\$127,000, compared to expenses of ~\$114,500 in the same period. (One quarter of annual budgeted income would be ~\$126,000.)

#### **CALVARY FELLOWSHIP GROUPS**

- Women's Bible Fellowship: Tue, 10:30-noon; contact Angela Guarracino
- Men's Coffee: Wed, 7-8am (last Wed of the month, Mariner's Cove);
  contact Tim Feehan
- Co-ed Group: Sat morning, 9-10am; contact Garrett Schall
- Co-ed Group: Sun evening (every other week); contact Brian Schulte
- Young Adult Men: contact Matt Brandao for schedule



Sunday School 9am Worship Service 10am



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"Palm Sunday reminds us that even amid triumph, Jesus had the cross in view, willingly sacrificing Himself for our salvation." — John Piper

## **ORDER OF SERVICE**

Call to Worship Luke 19:37-40

As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out."

Song: Wondrous King, All-Glorious

No. 166

# Confession of Faith Westminster Larger Catechism

Q49: How did Christ humble himself in his death?

A: Christ humbled himself in his death in that having been betrayed by Judas, forsaken by his disciples, scorned and rejected by the world, condemned by Pilate, and tormented by his persecutors, and having also struggled with the terrors of death and the powers of darkness, he felt and bore the weight of God's wrath and laid down his life as an offering for sin, enduring the painful, shameful, and cursed death of the cross.

Song: The Power of the Cross

# **Dedication and Collection of Tithes and Offering**

Pastoral Prayer: Authorities - NJ Governor

Nursery available for infants and toddlers, newborn through age 3.

Sermon: Above All Rev. Tom Harr

John 3:31-36 (Church ESV Bible Page 1130)

Song: Rejoice, The Lord is King No. 310

# Benediction 1 Thessalonians 3:12-13

And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Gloria Patri No. 735

## SERMON NOTES

"Above All" John 3:31-36

Summary: The most important question in the world is: Will you believe what Jesus says about himself?

- The Source of the Testimony (v.31, 34-35)
- The Reception of the Testimony (v.32-33)
- The Stakes of the Testimony (v.36)

# WELCOME

Whether you are a spiritual skeptic, seeker after God, or committed Christian, we are glad you are with us today. After the worship service our pastor will be available to greet you in the foyer and tell you more about Calvary. Children are welcome in our worship service. For older children, special bulletins are available on the table in the foyer. For infants and toddlers from newborn through age 3, we offer supervised care by screened volunteers in our nursery room downstairs. Children are dismissed to Nursery during the Pastoral Prayer through the end of the service. In addition, we have a designated space for parents and their young children in a room at the back of the sanctuary. We call it the "Family Room" and it provides the ability to listen and see the service through a glass window. If you have any questions, please ask one of our greeters wearing nametags. It would be their pleasure to serve you.