



# Calvert County NEWS

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### **Calvert County Church Continues Tradition with Annual Jousting Tournament**

**PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – Aug. 12, 2013** – Riders of all levels will compete in Maryland’s official state sport during the 147<sup>th</sup> Annual Calvert County Jousting Tournament Saturday, Aug. 31, from 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. at Christ Episcopal Church, 3100 Broomes Island Road in Port Republic.

Jousting is recognized as the oldest equestrian sport in the world and reminds enthusiasts of the Middle Ages when men waged war and battled to the death from atop their horses. Today’s jousters compete to demonstrate their keen horsemanship, skill and sportsmanship in “The Ring Tournaments.” It is a unique and colorful sport filled with age-old customs and pageantry.

The public is invited to experience this exciting piece of Maryland history. Jousting starts at noon and donations will be accepted for admission to the grounds for the tournament and bazaar. All proceeds benefit Christ Episcopal Church.

The event includes a church bazaar from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. featuring books, baked goods, toys, plants, crafts and much more. Music will be performed in the church from 1 to 4 p.m. (rain or shine) featuring a variety of vocal and instrumental music.

A country supper from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. offers fried chicken, deviled crab or ham as entrees with various sides, beverages and desserts sure to please any palate. Boxed suppers will be available from noon to 6 p.m.

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Christ Episcopal Church has long been part of Calvert County's history. The present church dates from 1772, although a log church was originally built on the grounds as early as 1672.

For more information on the jousting tournament or Christ Episcopal Church, visit [www.christchurchcalvert.org](http://www.christchurchcalvert.org); email [christchurchcalvert@comcast.net](mailto:christchurchcalvert@comcast.net); or call 410-586-0565.

For more information on county events, visit [www.choosecalvert.com](http://www.choosecalvert.com).

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