

the Messenger

† October 2022

Special Sunday coming this month

We are used to worship on Sunday morning. We gather to give praise and thanks to God, hear the Word proclaimed, offer prayers, sing hymns and make our offerings. Another way we worship God is through acts of kindness and service we provide to others. What if we turned one particular Sunday morning into a time of mission and service? We are going to do just that on **Sunday, October 23**. You don't have to go far-away or give up a week of your time to offer your hands and heart to God through serving others.

We are making this easy for everyone. Plan to come to the church building on Sunday, October 23 and you will have two options for giving your time. During the morning we will be having a meal packaging event in the Parish Hall running throughout the morning. We hope to package 10,000 meals that can be shipped wherever there are food needs around the world. This is a project we are doing in cooperation with the organization Rise Against Hunger. We did this in 2018 and in 2019 and it was a rewarding and fun event for everyone who took part. It requires hands to measure and package different food items. No heavy lifting required, you can sit, and it allows you to get to know others while working. We hope to have folks come and offer 30-90 minutes of time before or after one of our worship services. Between 9:00 AM and noon that day.

Also that morning, we will be holding two worship opportunities as well, one at 9:00 AM and the other at 11:00 AM. These will be much shorter than usual in order to encourage everyone to volunteer in the Parish Hall. But we can also have time to worship in the sanctuary at the same time, so we won't miss out on that.

In the afternoon, there will be the CROP Walk through the street of Frederick. This is a two mile walk that is intended to raise money and attention for hunger relief through Church World Service. The youth will be talking part and other walkers and donors are invited to join them.

This particular Sunday the focus is on the ways in which we give our time and service to others is a vital part of our Christian discipleship.



Worship this month

During October we will be considering “Our Money Story”. We all have a money story, whether we recognize it or not. We hear such stories told to us from our family, our friends, our colleagues, and our culture. Even the church tells stories about money.

Money and possessions are one of the most common topics in scripture, and Jesus talked about money more than faith and prayer. Our money story, therefore, is a spiritual story. Thinking about God’s money story should be liberating, inviting, and transformative. This series encourages us to transform our ways of thinking and handling money into a fuller expression of who we are and what we believe.

October 2, 2022. Holy Communion

Title and Theme: REMEMBER

Luke 22:1-23 (The Last Supper and Judas’ betrayal)

Exodus 16:1-18 (Manna in the wilderness)



October 9, 2022 New members received

Title and Theme: RELEASE

Matthew 19:16-22 (A wealthy man seeks eternal life)

Deuteronomy 15:1-11 (The year of canceled debts)

October 16

Title and Theme: REIMAGINE

Mark 12:38-44 (The widow’s mite)

Leviticus 19:9-10 and Leviticus 25:8-12. (The Year of Jubilee)

October 23--Mission/Service Sunday

Meal Packaging Event, CROP Walk

Two shorter worship experiences (roughly 30 minutes in length)

9 AM and 11 AM with service project going on all morning in the Parish Hall.

Title: Rolling Up Sleeves and Rewing Up Souls

Matthew 25:31-46

October 30

Title and Theme: RESTORE

John 21:1-19 (Jesus appears to the disciples)

Genesis 33:1-17 (Esau forgives Jacob)



Greetings from Calvary Weekday School!

We had a great opening to the 2022-2023 school year. Everyone is learning the classroom routines and making new friends. We also had our first fundraiser at Chick-fil-A. Thanks to all who were able to come out and support our school. Don't worry if you missed it, we are planning to host more throughout the school year. As soon as we know the date, we will post it on our Facebook page and share it with the church.

The students also had school pictures taken at the end of the month and we started our second fundraiser with Claire's Gourmet that runs until October 18th. If anyone is interested in purchasing something from this fundraiser, please contact Olivia at: calvaryweekdayschool@calvaryweekdayschool.com for more information.

At the end of the month, the pre-k classes are headed to the pumpkin patch. We are so happy to have field trips back this year.

Happy Fall-

Patty Lockard, Director



October 23, 2022

2:00 p.m.

See Sylvie Duthoy for sponsor forms

Thank You!!

Nancy Huffman would like to thank you all for all of the cards, well wishes, and encouragement. She believes that all of the love and prayers that you sent her has gotten her to where she is in her recovery. Nancy is no longer using the walker while at her daughters home in West Virginia, which is a huge sign of healing.

If you would like to send Nancy a card, she has a new temporary address:

16 Ross Mill Road, Hedgesville, WV 25427

Stewardship

I was reading in Genesis the story about Joseph and his life experiences as a prisoner because of false accusations, and the GOAY to Pharaoh and the Egyptians during an extended famine.

Joseph could have retreated from a life under servitude in Egypt after rejection of his brothers and an exiled life. But, he put himself forward, making his will obedient to the will of God. He was betrayed by his eleven brothers and sold into slavery. He wound up in Egypt and sold to one of Pharaoh's officials, Potiphar. He was placed in charge of Potiphar's household with responsibility and wide authority. Sounds like the best of the worst times. Bad times were followed by good times and the cycle repeats.

Based upon false charges, Joseph is stripped of power and all authority, but not the blessing of God. In faith Joseph continued to serve God by giving his best fruits to the Egyptian overlords. Eventually, after years as a prisoner, Pharaoh became aware of Joseph's gift of dream interpretation and his kind attitude toward his Egyptian overseers. We could expand further about Joseph's reliance upon God's care and mitigating the bad times by making them a blessing in hard times; but that is not the story for now.

What I want to expand upon is Joseph's advice to Pharaoh as to the interpretation of the dream of seven years of famine following seven years of plenty. Joseph told Pharaoh that while there were to be seven years of plenty, the Egyptians should save and store up all the grain that was beyond the immediate need of the people and store it for the expected period of famine. The amount to be stored each year was to be five per cent. This is good stewardship. Save an excessive amount in times of plenty.

Joseph's story really has two parts. We have seen the first involving stewardship. The second is that as Joseph, we should rely upon God to care for us in good and bad times. We should not give up or give in when times are bad. God does provide. In the last 20 years we have faced three economic recessions. In 2008, 2020, and now starting in 2022. To some these are bad times. We lived through the first two with God's blessings and we will get through this one.

God showed Joseph, Pharaoh and us what to do during good times to allow us to better endure the bad times. We should save, hold back some portion of our abundance to carry us over to the other side. John Wesley said to earn, save and give. Joseph did that by planting and I suspect increasing the sowing of seed, storing and giving to those suffering during famine or need. For each of us it is a different portion of saving from our abundance. But like Joseph, we should always give back to God of our First fruits in honor of His blessings. He is the God who cares for us.

CALVARY

COMMUNITY CONCERT SERIES

2022-2023 SEASON

Sunday, October 16, 2022
Naho Bessho, pianist
3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.



Naho Bessho, an accomplished pianist, is known for her lyrical and delicate tonality. Her awards include the Japan Classical Music Competition at age 19, and 2nd prize at Yangtze-River Cup International Competition in 2001. She earned her performance diploma from Boston University in 2006. Ms. Bessho's program will include works by Dvořák, Poulenc, Brahms, and Schubert.

IT'S BACK!

Calvary UMC Holiday Bazaar

Come on, Floyd! We've got
more shopping to do.



Handmade

Gifts & Wreaths

Arts & Crafts Vendors

Luncheon & Bake Sale

Silent Auction

Live Music

NOVEMBER 12, 9AM TO 3:00PM
CALVARY UMC, FREDERICK. MD

Church Conference to be held on Saturday, October 22

The Church Conference is the annual meeting where the church reviews its ministries and celebrates its connection with the larger United Methodist Church. This year we will be holding the conference at Jackson Chapel United Methodist Church at 11:30 AM. Jackson Chapel is located at 5609 Ballenger Creek Pike, Frederick. Agenda items include: election of new persons in leadership roles, report of the pastors and deacon, approval of the compensation packages for the pastor and action on those members who have become inactive.

The Church Conference meeting is open for all members of Calvary Church but particularly the voting is members of the Church Council

John Wesley Heritage Tour

Join Rev. Steve Larsen for a nine-day tour of key sites in England that shaped John Wesley and early Methodism, July 18-26, 2023. Come travel and learn about the ways that John Wesley founded a movement that brings together heart and head, a concern for the social holiness gospel along with an interest in individual piety, and the earnest desire to see faith lived out in practical ways. The tour includes London, Epworth, Costwolds, Stratford, Bristol and Bath and Oxford with an optional extension to Ireland. Rev. Larsen will be hosting the trip organized through Educational Opportunity Tours. For more information, contact me at RevSteve@cavalryumc.org or call the church office at 301-662-1464 or visit Calvary's website www.Calvaryumc.org.

The God Who Sees

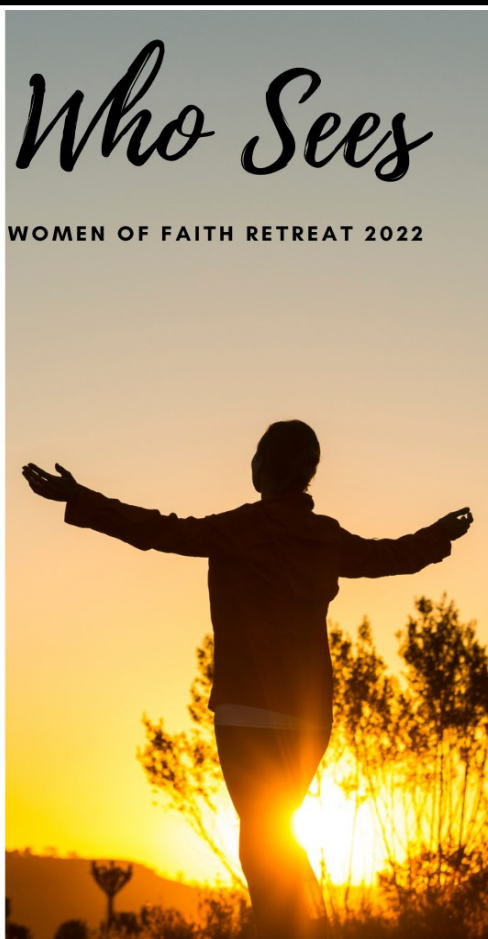
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Church: Ceremonial Tradition or a Call to Action?

Even as our nation's founders renounced the monarchy, more than two centuries later we were recently immersed in our media coverage of the formal pageantry and remorse experienced among even the most common of our English-speaking brethren in the loss of Queen Elizabeth II. Perhaps not since the death of President John Kennedy, or before him President Franklin Roosevelt, or, perhaps nearly a century earlier, that of President Lincoln have citizens of our nation gathered by the roadsides or rails in proportion to those recently gathered in England and Scotland to wave or otherwise bid goodbye to their highest leader.

In the midst of nearly two weeks of public mourning with countless military, civic, and palace guards dressed in the most formal attire, witnessed by multitudes of the public, were periodic prayer services of her Christian faith, as was her final memorial service, held in majestic cathedrals dedicated to the glory of God. My reflections in observing these events were several, one of which was a sense of longing for a day when a nation of people diverse in background, even with strongly divergent political viewpoints, might come together with a civil sense of unity, humility, and respect for one another. If the death of Queen Elizabeth II was able to achieve this outcome in the United Kingdom, I reflected further, most certainly the life, ministry, death and resurrection of Jesus was intended for the same. And how sorely needed is that spirit in our divided nation today.

Which brings me back to the great cathedrals and, more locally, our neighborhood churches and their role in society. As majestic and beautiful as they may be, do they serve in today's world primarily a traditional ceremonial function or are they demonstrably a fulfillment of the ministry of Jesus? When weddings, baptisms, or memorial services are held in the church, they at least connote a sense of tradition for the families and witnesses involved. But what follows in our relationship to God and the church is what really matters if we are true to the teachings and example of our Lord. We know from the gospels that Jesus loved ceremony, even changing water into wine on occasion for those gathered; but his ultimate purpose was a call to us for action in the world around us. When the ceremonies end, where is the sense of humility, service, and caring for our neighbor that is what we are called to be and do?

Paul D. Nelson, Church & Society Ministries

Children's Sunday School News!

Children's Sunday School at Calvary kicked off on September 11 with a Welcome Carnival complete with songs, games and popcorn! Our Children's Sunday School Program meets together in the Activities Room of the Education Building from 9:00 – 9:45 am each Sunday for ages 3 years old through 5th grade. Our "Simply Loved" Curriculum features songs, Bible Buddies to help us learn Bible Verses, interactive Bible learning, crafts, games and much more! This fall, our Bible stories take us from the adventures of Moses and the Ten Commandments all the way up to the story of Jesus' birth! Our Annual Christmas Pageant will take place on December 11! To register for Sunday School, please visit calvaryumc.org or come in on Sunday morning to fill out a registration card in person. For more information please contact Amy Stone at stonefamily5@comcast.net.

Students are no longer required to wear masks, but please keep your child home if they are experiencing symptoms of any illness such as fever, chills, headache, diarrhea difficulty breathing, unusual cough, or new loss of taste or smell.

2022 VBS at Calvary



October Youth Group Schedule

Oct. 2	Youth Group 5:30 p.m.	Oct. 16 Youth Group 5:30 p.m.
Oct. 9	Youth Group 5:30 p.m.	Oct. 23 CROP Walk, and Pizza Party
	Oct. 30 Pumpkin Caring Party 5:30 p.m.	

Edna Snyder would like to thank all who sent her a card for her 93rd birthday. She was overwhelmed and loved receiving them from her Calvary family.

Barbara Burke will be turning 103, on October 19th! Happy Birthday!

Send a card to 405 Peal Street, Frederick, MD 21701-6406

Learn and Enjoy the Art of Change Ringing

Do you like making glorious sound as part of a team while getting a bit of exercise and forgetting about life distractions? Then consider joining a team of beginners who will learn the art of change ringing at Calvary.

Originating during the 16th century in England, change ringing is performed by a group of people who rhythmically ring a set of tuned bells in close coordination following a series of changing sequences to execute pre-learned patterns. Instead of a conventional melody, the result is a rich cascade of tuned sounds. Our Church is somewhat unique in the sense that its tower is one of approximately 50 towers across the U.S. featuring English change ringing bells.

Calvary peal bells installation in 2004

(Calvary Music Ministry archive photo)



In 2004, thanks to the generosity of many donors and tireless work of enthusiastic Calvary members, a set of eight full-circle peal bells, cast by the Joh Taylor Bell Foundry in Leicestershire, England, was installed. The bells are made of bronze and range from 340 to 1,100 pounds in weight. Over the years, many ringers from around the world visited Calvary to ring our peal bells. People in the surrounding Frederick area enjoy the beautiful sounds of the Calvary bells when they are rung by members of the Washington Ringers Society (WRS). They visit Calvary once monthly (usually one Saturday morning). For us. This tradition is a wonderful and unique opportunity to learn from and collaborate with distinguished and rather experienced ringers.

What to Expect in the Learning Process. We will begin with learning how to ring a bell. This is done by pulling a rope that makes the bell swing from its initial, “mouth up” position, completing a full-circle swing, and returning back to its ‘up’ position. Skills will gradually expand to include learning simple methods and ringing within a larger group. When comfortable, ringers will become an integral part of successful peal attempts on important occasions.

You don’t need any prior musical experience— just a willingness to learn! The methods and styles of change ringing are quite consistent around the globe. Many ringers can stop by towers on their travels where they are invited to ring alongside local teams. There truly is a global family of change ringers! The ringers’ team will meet on a weekly basis. If interested or have questions, please let Adela know at, adela@calvaryumc.org or call 301-662-1464 ext. 117

Dr. Adela Peeva, Director of Music Ministry

October Birthdays

1, Terre Rhoderick, 2, Emily Carnochan, Erica Shipley, Bethany Webster
3, Julian Pearce, Patricia Pettingall,
4, Bob Cannon, Ann Crum, JoAn Ehlers, Gloria Orrison
5, Allison Chapman, Carol Fennington, Megan Reilly, Carol Stockhausen
6, Isam Ballenger, 7, Austin Stuart, Timothy Caudill, Laken Daugherty, Kay Jacobs
8, Margaret Burkett, 9, Jennifer Aud, David Colby
10, Ellen Ahr, Gracie Heller, Jean Oxley, 11, Jacob Leftwich, Cameron Rokisky
12, Nancy East, Reagan Kinsey, Ginger Ward
13, Larry Johnson, Charlotte Miller, 14, Gracie Mayer, Christopher Miller
15, Sarah Austin, Donna Loeb, Ian Vega
16, Andrew Keirn, Elizabeth Putman, Lucas Putman, 17, Tom Stokes
18, Andrew Crum, Georgia Riggleman, 19, **Barbara Burke**, Kevin Davies, Jonah Miller
20, Courtney Keirn, Melinda Keirn,
21, Betsy Bryant, Taylor Fox, Carla Martz, Ryan Mills, 22, Thomas Mills, Edward Milum
23, Scott Engler, Lynn Schumacher, 24, Nancy McLaughlin, 25, Joan Cooley
28, Angela Mayer, Samantha Shipley
29, Bruce Caruthers, Marla Rowley, Barbara Stone
30, Christine Bowersox, Rachel Gray, Caroline Sunderman

October Anniversaries

Rob and Audra Chewning	Oct. 1		
Brain and Rebecca Forsythe	Oct. 9	Bob and Kay Jacobs	Oct. 28
John and Jennifer Esler	Oct. 16	Mike and Melissa Gaeta	Oct. 31
Art and Carol Fennington	Oct. 17		
Paul and Christy Quigley	Oct. 17		
Stephen and Stefanie Harris	Oct. 18		
Paul and Cyd Maubert	Oct. 20		

October 2022

Oct. 2

Wheelbarrow Sunday

9 a.m. Sunday School

10 a.m. Worship

11:15 a.m. Children's Choir

4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class

5:30 p.m. Youth Group

Oct. 4

10 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study

1:30 p.m. UMW Ex. Committee

6 p.m. AGAPE

6:30 p.m. Joyful Noise Bells

7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Oct 5

6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study

Oct. 8

7:30 p.m. Men's Breakfast

Oct. 9

9 a.m. Sunday School

10 a.m. Worship

11:15 a.m. Children's Choir

4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class

5:30 p.m. Youth Group

Oct. 11

10 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study

1 p.m. CWS Steering Comm.

6 p.m. AGAPE

6:30 p.m. Joyful Noise Bells

7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Oct. 12

6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study

Oct. 15

10 a.m. WRS

Oct. 16

9 a.m. Sunday School

10 a.m. Worship

11:15 a.m. Children's Choir

3:00 p.m. Concert- Naho Besso

4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class

5:30 p.m. Youth Group

Oct. 18

10 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study

1:30 p.m. Wesleyan Circle

6 p.m. AGAPE

6:30 p.m. Joyful Noise Bells

7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Oct. 19

1:30 p.m. UMW Workshop

6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study

Oct. 22

11:30 a.m. Church Conference

At Jackson Chapel UMC

Oct. 23

9 a.m. Sunday School

9 a.m. Rise Ag. Hunger

9 a.m.. Worship

11 a.m. Worship

2 p.m. CROP Walk

4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class

Oct. 25

10 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study

6 p.m. AGAPE

6:30 p.m. Joyful Noise Bells

7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Oct. 26

2 p.m. Miriam's Circle

6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study

Oct 29

Truck or Treat

Oct. 30

9 a.m. Sunday School

10 a.m. Worship

4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class

5:30 p.m. Youth Group

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