



Exciting News from Calvary UMC Frederick!

We're excited to welcome our new Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. Hutton, who will begin her ministry with us on Sunday, July 6th!

Join us this summer for a special worship series called "A Future with Hope," inspired by Jeremiah 29:11:

*"For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord... to give you a future with hope."*

This series will explore how God plants seeds of growth, nurtures our spirits, and calls us to share love and hope with the world. Each Sunday, we'll reflect on how God's patient work transforms our lives and strengthens our community.

About Dr. Hutton: Dr. Hutton is a dynamic leader and historian with a deep passion for fostering communities of acceptance, hospitality, and mission.

In addition to her role as our new Senior Pastor, she is an adjunct professor of History at Stevenson University, a lifelong student of global cultures and historical movements, and a devoted mom to three young adults. Dr. Hutton looks forward to walking alongside our congregation as we discover and embrace God's future together.

Join us on Sunday, July 6th and throughout the summer on Sunday at 10 a.m. as we celebrate new beginnings and the hope God offers us in every season.

All are welcome to join this journey of faith and growth!

CALVARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## *a future with* **HOPE**

**Summer Worship Series**

Beginning Sunday, July 6<sup>th</sup>

10 a.m. Worship

131 West Second Street Frederick, MD 21701



Calvary United Methodist Church of Frederick sponsored a Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP) bed build on Thursday evening, June 12, with 57 members and a few visitors taking part. Dave Herber led the activity and began by providing instructions to the volunteers, encouraging them to work quickly but safely. He said to them “Remember, we’re not building fine furniture!”

Volunteers worked in assembly line fashion. Teams sanded each piece of precut wood to remove blemishes and rough edges, ensuring a safe surface. They then assembled the bed frames using drills, screws, and other tools. The design typically includes headboards, side rails, and slats to support the mattress. Each component was carefully secured to create a sturdy and reliable structure and then stained to enhance durability and provide a uniform finish.

A unique feature of SHP beds is the organization’s branded logo, which is burned into the headboard component before staining as a signature mark of craftsmanship. This is a favorite task for the younger volunteers! All assembled components also underwent a quality check to ensure they met safety standards and were ready for use.

Everyone had fun and we managed to complete 34 beds in a small amount of time. After the work was completed, we enjoyed ice cream from Rocky Point Creamery. Now that was a treat! Thirty-four kids in Frederick County will be excited when they receive these beds along with mattresses and bedding later this summer. The beds will be delivered to homes and assembled by SHP volunteer delivery teams.

The bed-building process at *Sleep in Heavenly Peace* is more than just woodworking — it’s a community-driven effort that brings people together to make a tangible difference in children's lives. Through teamwork, dedication, and generosity, SHP and partners like Calvary UMC continue to provide comfort and dignity to those who need it most.





Finance will begin providing the congregation with quarterly reports on the financial condition of Calvary. The plan is to provide a brief article for the Newsletter on a quarterly basis.

First a high-level overview from 2024, followed by the current period.

Operating funds exclude restricted funds such as Memorial contributions, Sleep In Heavenly Peace, various Music Funds, Scholarships, and many other specifically designated contributions made by our congregants, and the Calvary Trust Fund. The combined restricted funds balance was \$112,694.

Total sources of operating funds declined in 2024 compared to those of 2023, and expenses were greater than they were in 2023 resulting in operating loss and depleting the Church's cash balance.

The major source of operating funds is cash, envelope, and contributions that come in by way of electronic payment, and this source of funds declined in 2024. Expenses that showed the biggest increases were utilities; the past winter was unseasonably cold with snow, and Conference payments. In 2023, we fell way behind on obligations to Conference. Calvary Trust Fund has funded major repairs to the buildings.

For the period through May 2025, the trend of operating losses has continued and our cash in the bank continued to decline to a level that created some concern.

Quite unexpectedly, in early June we received several checks as part of the federal government's Employee Retention program in the net amount of \$111,777. The refunds were calculated based on the church's salaries and wages during the pandemic. An additional amount of around \$60,000 is expected to be received in the future.

Future reports will focus more on the current period with more data and facts of interest

*"You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem ...*

Confirmation Sunday, June 8

Confirmation Class Members:

Aubrey Greaves

Malachi O'Toole

Connor Radcliffe

~Photos by John Mitchell



*and to the ends of the earth."*

*Acts 1:8, NRSV*





On Sunday, June 8, the Grateful Hearts recognized Paulette Shockey-Petrucci as their teacher. Paulette is stepping down after 35 years as the lead teacher of the Grateful Hearts classroom.

Photos by John Mitchell



Dear Calvary Friends,

Thank you for the special recognition on June 8th for my work with the Grateful Hearts class. Except for a break of about two years, after 35 years, starting in 1990 as an assistant to Nancy Manthey, and with current travel plans, it is necessary to pass the torch on to someone else.

I pray that someone will step up to take over the class. Your reward will be great as you experience the unconditional love of the members. These adults love their Calvary family.

Please continue to accept and love the Grateful Hearts members.

Thank you to all who contributed to a very generous gift certificate and to John Mitchell, Amy Stone and Margie Wilde for the very special canvas photo of Grateful Hearts members and assistants.

Thank you to all of those who have assisted me over the many years and especially Margie Wilde for taking on the daunting task of finding bus drivers and assistants, as well as maintaining contact with the homes of the Grateful Hearts members.

In Christian love,

Paulette

## Greetings from Calvary Weekday School

We finished up another school year. At this point, we have about two spots left in the Prek 3's program for the 2025-2026 school year.



Beth Smith, the current 5 day 4's teacher, is retiring and moving back to South Carolina with her family. Her assistant, Tracy Racheff, and Amy Neubauer, the MWF 3's teacher, are stepping back but will return as substitutes next year.

We welcome Lauren Singer to replace Beth in the 5 day 4's program as the head teacher. Lauren's daughter is a former student at our school and her son will be in the kindergarten class. Shannon Musser, who is the current kindergarten assistant, will move to the assistant position along with Lauren. They will make a great team!

Heather McCubbin will join us from Wee Folk Preschool as the assistant in kindergarten. We are lucky to have two teachers in the kindergarten program. Finally, Jennifer Manion joins us with over 17 years of early childhood experience to fill the MWF 3's head teacher spot. We are looking forward to getting to know our new staff and we wish Beth the best of luck in her retirement.

More to come as we kick off the new school year!

Patty Lockard, Director



Lt. William Davy  
Rt. Karen Dobbs  
Photos by John  
Mitchell  
Worship Service  
Sunday June 1



# Calvary Summer Blood Drive on Wednesday, July 16



**Help save a life.**  
Schedule your  
blood donation  
appointment today.

Calvary United Methodist Church is proud to sponsor our next blood drive with the American Red Cross on Wednesday, July 16.

An estimated 38 percent of Americans are eligible to give blood or platelets, but of those, less than 10 percent actually donate each year. If you are healthy and eligible, please come out to donate. Most donations take about an hour, so book your appointment, roll up your sleeve and become a part of the lifesaving mission of the Red Cross and Calvary UMC.

Drive Details: Wednesday, July 16, 8:30 AM to 6:00 PM. Calvary UMC located on the corner of N. Bentz and W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, across from Memorial Park.

**We'd love to have you sign to donate on July 16<sup>th</sup>!** You can do that by emailing me at [RevSteve@calvaryumc.org](mailto:RevSteve@calvaryumc.org), or call/text me at (301) 848-8216. Give me a time that works for you and I will do our best to accommodate. If you have the Red Cross Blood Donor app, you can also schedule your donation through the app. Enter Zip Code 21701, and search for: **Calvary UMC-Frederick** on July 16.

If you cannot make it, consider inviting a family member or friend to donate instead – it really does make a difference. You can also promote our drive on Facebook by sharing this event.

## Children's Ministry News!

Calvary's Children's Sunday School is taking a break for the summer from June 29 – August 31.



**Children's Church** will continue through the summer! **Children's Church** is for children ages 5 – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and takes place in our beautiful **Chapel** during the Worship Service immediately following the *Time With the Children*.

Children's Church is a mini-service where children can take part in the service on a smaller scale. Join us !

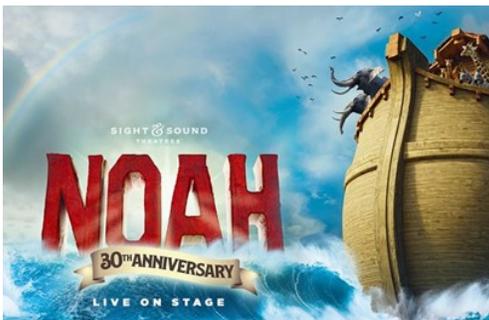


### Children's Sunday School Carnival Kick-Off

**Sunday, September 7, 2025 9:00 – 9:45 am**



Calvary's **TRUE NORTH Vacation Bible School**, June 23 - 26, was a huge success! We had 65 children registered, and there were 50 adult and youth volunteers helping out throughout the week. So many generous people supplied snacks, craft materials, decorations and prayers in order to make this the most amazing VBS ever! On Thursday evening, June 26, Calvary hosted a VBS Celebration for families, featuring a hot dog dinner, songs, skits and fun – many new families attended! Church events like this are only possible because of the hard work and commitment of so many in our congregation – Calvary is truly blessed to have such dedicated and hard-working members who are willing to give so much to help out! A huge **THANK YOU** to everyone who participated before or during the event – we simply couldn't do it without your support! Plans are already in motion for **NEXT** year's VBS!



Calvary is taking a trip to the theater!  
**NOAH**  
at *Sight and Sound Theater* in Lancaster PA!  
August 9 2025 at 11:00 pm

We will be having lunch at Casey Jones Restaurant following the show!

Thank you to the congregation for your weekly donations to the food bank. Although many of you are planning vacations this summer, please keep in mind that there is no vacation at the food bank!! The need for food assistance remains for members in our community especially with kids being home from school. In fact, over the past month the number of clients has grown and often the shelves are scarce.

The following items have been requested for the summer months:

- Cereals
- Peanut butter/jelly
- Canned meats/tuna
- Pasta/sauce
- Instant sides pastas/rice

Individual portions:

- Fruit cups
- Applesauce
- Goldfish
- snacks
- Capri Sun drink pouches



Other food donations welcomed. Thank you again for your support Roy and Julie



Sunday, June 22 marked another year of Children's Sunday School Promotion Sunday. Ms. Amy shared and thanked all that attend Sunday School and all the teachers who have lead them through the school year. Savannah Muehl shared what an impact Ms. Amy has been in her life, Savannah will be moving to the Middle/Youth Sunday School class in the Fall.

The photos were provided by John Mitchell



# Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1**, Joan Glock, Ethan Simpson, Carter Vinar,
- 2**, Isaac Benson, Jeff Matsler, Adryana Slovikosky, Lindy Witmer
- 3**, Suzanne Duvall, Michael Rust
- 4**, Virginia Edmonston, Katie Lopez, Blake Rosen, Rylee Rossman
- 5**, Marilyn Moyers, Margaret Selby, **6**, Madi Davies, Luci Palmer
- 8**, Abel O'Toole, **9**, Joann Crum, Bob Mason, Caitlin Perry, Julie Schwarzenberg
- 10**, Linda Bennett, Gwyn Sewell, **11**, Marley Crum, **12**, Angie Anderson, Cynthia Yeager
- 13**, Ronda Dudley, Page Fox, Betty Rollins, **14**, Christopher Howard, Mary Pfister
- 15**, Maverick Johnikin, Molly Rhoades, Ellori Webster, Caitlyn Wilson, **16**, Olivia Kluttz
- 17**, Mary Boyer, Anne Gray, Amy Heller, Allison Rossman, Candace Whiting
- 18**, Carol DeLaski, Sara Duarte, Celeste Greaves, Donald Linton, Emma Livingston
- 19**, Sebastian Duthoy, **20**, Steve Ehlers, **21**, Michael Karl, **22**, Brent Paugh
- 23**, Maria O'Toole, Don Orrison, **24**, Bob Abbott, Thomas Mullineaux
- 25**, Michael Hahn, Jack Heller, Rebecca Rohrback, **26**, Jack Almeida, Malachi O'Toole
- 27**, Ben Davies, Brianne Paugh, William Selby, **28**, Keith Krause
- 29**, James Colborn, Judy Tran, Alice Zalatoris
- 31**, Ricky Munday, Carol Officer, Allyson Sewell, Daniel Shankle

## *July Anniversaries*

Jeff and Amy Stone	July 1	Ralph and Michele Lopez	July 9
Eric and Angie Anderson	July 5	Carl and Linda Reed	July 11
Scott and Linda English	July 6	Andrew and Amanda Radcliffe	July 14
Isam and Katie Ballenger	July 7	Andrew and Carol Keirn	July 15
Christian and Lori Leber	July 8	Sam and Kate Mills	July 16
Christopher and Erica Miller	July 18	Bruce and Cyndie Seamans	July 18



# JULY



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Welcome Rev. Dr. Beth Hutton	2 6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study	3	4 Independence Day Church Office Closed	5
6 9 a.m. Adult Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. Rev. Hutton's Welcome Picnic	7 7 p.m. SPRC	8	9 6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study	10	11	12 7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast
13 9 a.m. Adult Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship	14 7 p.m. SHP Team Meeting 7 p.m. Trustees	15	16 8:30 a.m. Blood Drive 6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study	17	18	19
20 9 a.m. Adult Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship Henderson Settle- ment Mission Trip Departure	21 7 p.m. Finance	22	23 6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study	24	25	26
27 9 a.m. Adult Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship	28 7 p.m. Church Council	29	30 6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study	31		

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