

CALVARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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*Calvary United Methodist Church seeks and invites all to become disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of our community and our world.*

November 29, 2020

1st Sunday of Advent

On-Line Worship Service

Opening Music

You are invited to light a candle during the time of worship. Please greet one another in the comments online.

Welcome and announcements

Rev. Steve Larsen

Call to Worship

The power of dreams lies in waking up. For when we close our eyes,

We can see a better world.

When we close our eyes,

We can dream a better dream.

But when we open our eyes,

We begin the work of faith.

The power of worship is the same. When we enter this time of worship,

We can see a better world.

When we enter this time of worship,

We dream a better dream.

But when we leave this time of worship,

We begin the work of faith.

So come in. Dream your dream. Find hope here. For after this time,

We will continue the work of faith.

Let it be so.

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath: The Candle of Hope

The Calabrese Family

Prayer of Confession (said together)

Original Dreamer,

Over and over again in scripture, we hear your dream for a beautiful world.

We hear your dream for peace and reconciliation.

We hear your dream for harmony and togetherness.

We hear your dream for community and hope.

We hear your dreams, and yet we do not open our eyes.

We continue to live with the curtains drawn,

the covers pulled tight,

eyes shut to the realities of the world.

Forgive us. Kindle a hope in us that will burn through the darkest nights.

Give us the strength and the will to keep awake in this sleeping world.

With hope we pray, Amen.

Hymn

“O Come, O Come Emmanuel”

UMH #211

First Scripture Lesson

Isaiah 64:1-9

Second Scripture Lesson

Mark 13:24-37

Response

The word of God for the people of God.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

Time with the Children

Sermon

Those Who Dream...Keep Awake

Rev. Shannon Sullivan

Our sermon series this Advent is Sanctified Art's Those Who Dream series: “This theme is for the dreamers in all of us—those who dream of a deeper connection with God and those who dream of a better world. It is for those who dream of comfort and for those who have given up on their dreams. It is for those whose dreams have been crushed and for those who show us that dreams take time. Join us this Advent as we dream alongside prophets and angels, Mary and the Magi. Join us as we seek and sow God’s dreams for our world.”

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Steve Larsen

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come,

thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering

Although we are not able to put our contributions in the offering plate, there are other ways that we can give. Checks can be sent to the church office at 131 West 2nd St, Frederick, MD 21701. Online payments can be made easily and securely by going to the church website and clicking on the “Donate” button to find several options.

Offertory

“The Thrill of Hope”

ad. *Morning Hymn* Charles Wesley

Christy Nichols

Doxology

Prayer Over the Offering

Rev. Steve Larsen

Hymn

“Wake, Awake, For Night is Flying”

UMH #720

Organ Voluntary

Our liturgy this morning is from Sanctified Art.

Brian and Peggy Krompasick are celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary today, November 29.

The online worship service premieres on both Facebook and YouTube each Sunday at 9:00 am. The services can be viewed at any time. You can find links at www.calvaryumc.org or search for “Calvary United Methodist Church, Frederick” in either YouTube.com or Facebook.com.

In need of a pastoral call, a prayer, or just someone to talk to? Call one of your pastors! Rev. Steve Larsen at 301-848-8216 or Rev Shannon Sullivan at 410-937-8835.

Looking for other ways to connect with your Calvary family?

Join our Facebook group where you can share prayer concerns and connect with church members and friends. Join here: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/212630313297563/>.

Telephone one another. If you need a directory, let us know or click on “MyCalvary” on our website: www.calvaryumc.org.

Our Women's Ministry Gratitude Group on Facebook is another place you can join us. We share daily gratitude and joys, daily prayer requests, and share inspirational messages. All are welcome. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/783900735353923/>

The Asbury Class is meeting through Zoom Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m. Here are the details, shared by class leader Pat Herber: We leave the first 15 min (10:00-10:15 a.m.) for folks to join and chat (and overcome any technical difficulties). Then we have a check in where we invite everyone to share a bit and then Dave leads a scripture based discussion. We encourage folks to have their bibles available. We invite and welcome anyone to join us, please contact Pat Herber at pkherber@gmail.com for log in information.



Our Children's Sunday School program happens every Sunday morning with a short Zoom Story Time led by Rev. Shannon Sullivan and our Children's Sunday School leaders. If you are not already part of this group, email Christy Mossburg for details at christy@calvaryumc.org.

Prayer Concerns:

Recent Passing: Hayleigh Gibson (Niece of Maryjane McClement), Thom Zufull (Brother of Nancy Strine), Tom Van Pelt (Father of Becky Bostian and Beth Waskey), Nancy Molesworth, Libby Hale

Members of Calvary: Anna Belle Childers, Josie Manger, Paulette Shockey-Petrucci, Mike Issacs, Beth Richards, Mitch Reading, Peggy Griffiee, Shauna Main, Nancy Slovikosky, Dottie Mitchell, Linda Sheridan, Eleanor Pickard, JoAn Ehlers, Nancy Dobbs, Charles Orrison, Jill Benton, Leslie Bell, Betty Fawley, Ann Crum, Buck Isaacs, Nancy Crum, Fannie Johnson, Bob Strine, Michael Boyer, Verner Sundell, Norie Shipley, Joyce Dixon, Wave Starnes, Larry Johnson, Sebastian Duthoy, Grace Heller, Jack Heller, The Fennington Family

Friends of Calvary: Family of Scott Irwin, Martha Major (Friend of Rita Sharpe), Suzanna Simpson and Adam Shake (Sister and Brother-in-law to Christy Mossburg), Stacey Gadbois (Friend of the Moked Family), John and Lynn Mills (Friends of Charles Geisbert), Linda Horinie Henke (Niece of Charles Geisbert) Bob Judak (Husband of Terri Hudack), Pamela Pomblin (Daughter of Grace Sheetenhelm), Sanvana Drone (Great granddaughter of Grace Sheetenhelm), Mark Farnham (Brother-in-law to Mark and Allison MacDonald), Doug Millette (Uncle of Mark and Allsion MacDonald), Lillian Mingola (Mother of Maria Calcagni), Ed Kinsey, Jr (Father of Ed Kinsey), Anastasia Spadacino (Mother of Anastasia Slovikosky), Wendy Koch (Niece of Bruce and Helen Sheppard), Alice Woodward (Sister of Rita Sharpe), Eli Yanike (Great-grandson of Ramona Yanike), Gay Ann Mazac (Niece of Steve and JoAn Ehlers), Harriett Lakel (Sister of Anne Mossburg)



The Hannah Circle invites you join us in providing Christmas gift cards for those families we serve through the Religious Coalition and the Salvation Army. With the pandemic, families need help more than ever, but we also want to keep givers safe. This year we are asking for gift cards to grocery stores and stores like Target and Wal-Mart.

All gift cards need to be returned to the tree no later than **Sunday Dec. 13th**. If you wish to contribute but do not have time to grab a gift card, checks or cash donations will be gratefully accepted. The Hannah Circle will be glad to do your shopping for you! Please make checks out to Calvary United Methodist Women and reference "Angel Tree". There is a place in the narthex for your donations, but you can also mail them or leave them in the church office.