

# 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.*

March 7, 2021

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

Online Worship

## Opening Music

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

Welcome, announcements

Rev. Steve Larsen

## Call to Worship

In the days of Noah, God placed a rainbow in the sky as the sign of a covenant of God's love for all the earth.

**In the colors of the rainbow, we see the sign of God's grace for all creation.**

In the days of Moses, the words of God were written on tablets of stone, as the sign of a covenant between God and all of God's people.

**In the tablets of stone, we see the sign of God's hope for each to live in peace with God and neighbor.**

In the days of the prophet, God promised to place a new covenant in our hearts.

**As members of the living Body of Christ, we see the sign of God's promise among us.**

## Opening Prayer of Confession

**God gave us the covenant of the law to guide us and help us live with our neighbors in love. When we break God's law, we leave our neighbors hurt and bruised. God's law is a gift to us, showing us how to keep our part of the covenant. Even through old pain and wounds, may we embrace the new life that Christ can bring.**

A Moment of Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance and Pardon

May the God of the law guide us in living lives that keep the covenant of love.

**May Christ's forgiveness grant us new life,  
even when we break God's law.**

May the Holy Spirit of conviction lead us to confession and renewal.

**May we respond in love to the God of covenant and change. Amen.**

Hymn

“Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart”

UMH #500

First Lesson

Exodus 20:1-17

Gospel Lesson

John 2:13-22

Response

The word of God for the people of God.

**THANKS BE TO GOD.**

Time with the Children

Sermon

All These Words

Rev. Shannon Sullivan

*A Sermon in the series Rend Your Hearts: Claiming the Promise*

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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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	“Cleanse My Heart” Meg Winter, soloist	Kim Noblitt & Jamie Harvill
Doxology		
Prayer of Dedication		
Hymn	“Cry Of My Heart”	TFWS #2165
Benediction		
Organ Voluntary		

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*The Call to Worship is from Seekers Church website, <http://www.seekerschurch.org/>. Reposted: <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2012/02/lent-call-to-worship-covenant.html>*

*The Opening Prayer of Confession is by Rev. Dr. Emily K. Bisset. Reposted: <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2012/02/confession-lent-3-b.html>*

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](http://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 encourage folks to have their bibles available. We invite and welcome anyone to join us, please contact Pat Herber at [pkherber@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:christy@calvaryumc.org).



Holy Vessels will be the theme for this year's Lenten Program. We will examine various ways that Christ offers healing and wholeness not just through physical healing but also the restoration of emotional well-being, community, and even environmental health. We will be looking at the Gospel of Matthew and using material provided by Worship Design Study.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86927791056?pwd=cFILUGpZM0gzUVQ5QnJlEQVpxSyt4Zz09>

Meeting ID: 869 2779 1056

Passcode: 131

We will be offering the study on Zoom at 7 pm each Wednesday for 5 weeks. Zoom will allow us to see each other (if you wish) and also have some conversation around the theme and the scripture lessons. We will also be recording each session and making these available on YouTube and Facebook so that people can view the session at a different time or without having to use ZOOM.

**The March/April Upper Room** is now available, please email or call the church office for a mailed copy.

### **Prayer Concerns:**

**Recent Passing:** Lucille Etzler

**Members of Calvary:** Robert Summers, Rita Sharpe, Tom Mullineaux, Larry Johnson, Karen Shipley Leggett (daughter of Greg Shipley), Laura (Daughter of Carol and Art Fennington), Lou Finneyfrock, Anna Belle Childers, Sebastian Duthoy, Wave Starnes, Beth Richards, Shauna Main, Nancy Slovikosky, Linda Sheridan, JoAn Ehlers, Nancy Dobbs, Charles Orrison, Betty Fawley, Ann Crum, Nancy Crum, Fannie Johnson, Bob Strine, Michael Boyer, Grace and Jack Heller, Grace Sheetenhelm

**Friends of Calvary:** Ellie( Friend of Gloria Orrison) Eleanor Verna (Mother of Colleen West), Sonja Sharpe and family (Niece of Rita Sharpe), Georgia Riggleman, Gail Crum (Friend of Rita Sharpe), Suzanne Simpson and Adam Shake (Sister and brother-in-law to Christy Mossburg), John and Lynn Mills (Friends of Charles Geisbert) Linda Horinie Henke (Niece of Charles Geisbert) Bob Hudak (Husband of Terri Hudack), Mary Zalatoris (Mother of Jeff Zalatoris), Pamela Pomblin (Daughter of Grace Sheetenhelm) , Sanvana Drone (Great granddaughter of Grace Sheetenhelm), 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), Martha Major (Friend 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), Jeremy Winn and Becky Woodward (Niece and Nephew of Rita Sharpe), Randy and Linda Miller (Friend of Rita Sharpe)