

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.*

May 2, 2021

5th Sunday of Easter

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

We come to this place where God pours out love on us,
we join our voices in praise, as our fears are left behind.

We gather with these people, those who seek to follow Jesus,
so we might walk the paths of service hand in hand.

We open our hearts to the gifts of the Spirit,
so that grace and peace might be the fruit we bear.

Opening Prayer of Confession

God of compassion and mercy, you told us through the example of Jesus to love one another as much as you loved us. Yet, we struggle to love each other. We have a hard time loving those who are not like us, who disagree with us, or who ask us to face the truths about ourselves.

You told us to love one another, because love is from God. And we often do not love those we think are dirty, hungry, lost, or undesirable. It is written that perfect love casts out fear, and yet we are afraid. Afraid for our safety, our wallets, and how others perceive us.

Forgive us, God, and show us how to love thy way you command us to love. Release us from our judgment and our fear. Open our hearts so that they might receive your perfect love for us, and offer it to the world.

A Moment of Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance and Pardon

Friends, the good news is this: love is from God, and we are loved by God.

Let us worship now as those forgiven and loved! Amen.

Hymn

“Lift High the Cross”

UMH #159

First Lesson

1 John 4:7-21

Gospel Lesson John 15:1-8

Response

The word of God for the people of God.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

Time with the Children

Sermon

Abide in Me

Rev. Shannon Sullivan

A Sermon in the series Living the Resurrection

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

"Let Us Love One Another"

Arnold B. Sherman

Sanctuary Choir

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn

"They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love"

TFWS #2223

Benediction

Organ Voluntary

The Call to Worship is by Thom Shuman, <https://www.liturgylink.net/2012/05/01/ctw-this-place-these-people-these-gifts/>.

The Opening Prayer of Confession is adapted from Julie Jensen

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 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.

Church Scholarship

Each year the church provides scholarships to students in the congregation pursuing higher education in 2021-2022. See the church website, www.calvaryumc.org, click the News, then Scholarship for the application and information about the scholarship process. Applications are “live” starting April 1, 2021. Applications are due to the church office by June 1, 2021.

COVID Vaccinations With limited supplies, it has not been easy to get the vaccination. It has been difficult to use the vaccine websites to secure an appointment. If you would like help getting an appointment or need transportation, please let me know by calling the church office and we will match you up with someone who can help.

If you are someone who would like to help others in the church secure an appointment, please let us know so we can match you up with those who are having difficulties.

Do you like to work in the garden ? Some occasional help is needed in the Church gardens, some weeding, planting, watering and even mowing. Take your pick and your day. Please call or contact Helen Sheppard or Bob Jacobs for more information. Thank you for making our church beautiful.

Prayer Concerns:

Members of Calvary: 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 Sheetenhelm, Lois Tyson (Death of her brother Lloyd)

Friends of Calvary: Family of Donald Washburn (Father of Hope Auth), Family of Joyce Friel, Valentin-Morales family, Mary Fraser (Friend of Terri Giambarresi), Kitty Cooley (Sister of Connie Soggins), Ellie(Friend of Gloria Orrison) Eleanor Verna (Mother of Colleen West), Georgia Rigglesman, 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), Mark Dixon (Friend of Rita Sharpe), Virginia Painter Floyd (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, Clark Davis (Friends of Rita Sharpe), Marion Woodward (Brother in-law to Rita Sharpe), James Wentzel (Friend of Rita Sharpe)

Calendar Reminders:

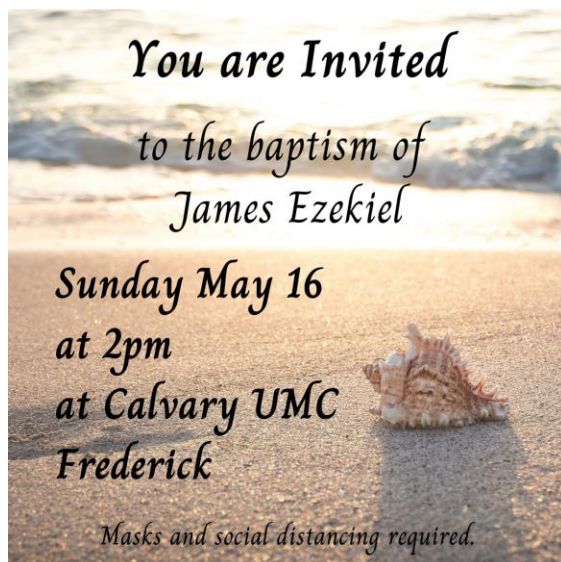
May 3	SPRC	7:00 p.m.
May 4	UMW Ex. Committee	11:00 a.m.
May 5	Listening Path Study	7:00 p.m. (Zoom)
May 8	Spring Flower Planting	9:00 a.m.



Calvary Blood Drive

Wednesday, May 12, 2021

Contact Eric Anderson for information at eric.anderson3@redcross.org



You are all invited to Zekie's baptism! Because his grandmother is a pastor as well as his mom, we are having a short second worship service on Sunday, May 16 at 2pm to celebrate the grace of God that has surrounded Zekie from birth and will his whole life long and to welcome him into the family of faith. There will be an online way to participate as well as in-person. You all have so welcomed Zekie already, even with the challenges of the pandemic, we wanted to make it official.