

# 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.*

July 11, 2021

The Lord's Day

Online Worship 9:00 AM

## 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 (read responsively)

We are from north and south.

**We are from tiny apartments and expansive homes.**

We are from this city and from others far away.

**We are from big families and dinners made for one.**

We are from stages of grief and stages of love.

**We are from hot summers and cold winters.**

We are from kitchens with passed down recipes,  
and front porches with old, familiar swings.

**We are from the dust of the earth and the stars of the sky.**

We are from a lot of places, but today we are here.

**Today we are together.**

Holy God, gather us in.

Hymn of Praise

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

UMH #139

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (unison)

**When people heard that Jesus was from Nazareth, they asked, "Can anything good come from Nazareth?" We confess, God of beginnings, that we have asked the same question. Can anything good come from that side of town? From a school with poor test scores? From a criminal history? From the opposite political party? From a history of addiction? From a faith with doubt? From a church with faults? Holy God, forgive us for doubting that you are in all things at all times. Open our eyes to see your goodness, not as something that resides here or there, but as the expansive grace that it is. Can anything good come from there? Yes. Always yes. Amen.**

## Words of Forgiveness

Family of faith, if you ever ask yourself, “Can anything good come from this messy and human life of mine?” Remember this: God is always whispering, “Yes.” You were created in the image of God. Your origin story is one of goodness and love from the very beginning. So hear and believe the good news of the gospel:

**God is here. God is at work among us.**

**We are forgiven. Thanks be to God for a love like that. Amen.**

First Lesson	Genesis 2:4b-15	Humanity is formed from dust	Beth Strakonsky
Gospel Lesson	John 1:35-51	Jesus calls the disciples	Beth Strakonsky

## Response

The word of God for the people of God.

**THANKS BE TO GOD.**

## Time with the Children

Sermon	I've been meaning to ask.... Where are you from? (part 1 of a new sermon series)	Rev. Steve Larsen
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## Pastoral Prayer

## 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.*

Anthem	"Theme and Variations" (The Hands of Time) Mark Runkels, oboist	Michel Legrand
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## Doxology

## Prayer of Dedication

Hymn	"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"	TFWS #212
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## Benediction

Family of faith, as you leave this place,  
may God grant you the curiosity to counter assumptions,  
the vulnerability to befriend,  
the bravery to speak your truth,  
the wisdom to listen, the strength to ask for help,  
the resiliency to choose love, even when it's hard,  
and the awareness of the Holy Spirit always beside you.  
In the name of the Great Connector—Love itself—  
go in peace.

**Amen**

Voluntary

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We will continue to offer both an online and in person worship service each Sunday.

Our current covid-19 safety plan:

1. If you have symptoms associated with COVID-19 or have been in contact with someone who currently has an active COVID-19 infection, please stay home and participate online.
2. Persons who have been fully vaccinated **do not have to wear a mask** inside the building.
3. If you have not been fully vaccinated, you may enter but you are **asked to wear a mask** while inside.
4. A section in the sanctuary is set aside to allow physical distancing for those who have not been fully vaccinated at this time or prefer to observe social distancing.
5. Everyone is asked to register their attendance with name and contact information.

### Update on Sunday Worship

We are currently having about 100 people each week in the sanctuary at 10:00 A.M. for worship with the help of ushers, scripture readers, organist and special music. After the worship service, there is fellowship time with coffee and donuts in the Parish Hall (except for this Sunday, July 11)

Sermon Series: **I've been meaning to ask....**



Today we start a four-week sermon series created by A Sanctified Art focused on community and those things that link us together. Using four simple questions, we will consider those things that can foster relationships and the ways our experiences and dreams connect us. Next week: Where does it hurt? 1 Samuel 1:1-18 and Mark 5:21-43

### Special Memorial Service, Today, July 11 at 11:00 AM

The United Methodist Women at Cavalry United Methodist Church will be providing a way to help people gather to remember, to celebrate and to grieve those who have died both within the church membership and in the extended family of loved ones. There will be a special memorial service to commemorate those who have died since March 2020 be on Sunday, July 11 at 11:00 AM after the usual morning worship service.

There will be music, scripture readings and prayers along with a brief sermon. We invite friends and family of the deceased to share a few words. Following the service, the We Care Committee will provide food and refreshments in the Parish Hall to allow for further conversation and fellowship.

**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. Ken Humbert 410-507-7631.

### **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 9:00 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.

**\*\* Story Time Zoom begins at 11:30 a.m. every Sunday** Our Children's Sunday School program happen every Sunday morning with a short Zoom Story. If you are not already part of this group, email Christy Mossburg for details at [christy@calvaryumc.org](mailto:christy@calvaryumc.org).

### **Prayer Concerns:**

**Recent Passing:** Harriett Lakel (Sister to Anne Mossburg)

**Members of Calvary:** Nan Doggett, Richard Delauter, Carol Whittington, Rita Sharpe, Tom Mullineaux, Georgia Riggelman, Laura (Daughter of Carol and Art Fennington), Nancy Dobbs, Anna Belle Childers, Sebastian Duthoy, Wave Starnes, Beth Richards, Nancy Slovikosky, Linda Sheridan, JoAn Ehlers, Betty Fawley, Ann Crum, Nancy Crum, Fannie Johnson, Bob Strine, Michael Boyer, Grace Sheetenhelm, Jane Sowers (Death of her Sister Sue Rexrode Bowers)

**Friends of Calvary:** Kristy Johnson, Vivian Warner (Mother of Jan Cline), Lena Dietz (Friend of Friendly Circle Class), 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), 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), Jeremy Winn and Becky Woodward (Niece and Nephew of Rita Sharpe), Randy and Linda Miller, Marion Woodward (Brother in-law to Rita Sharpe), James Wentzel (Friend of Rita Sharpe)

**Stay-at-Home Youth Mission Week** is July 12-14. For more information, check out July's Newsletter and the weekly e-news to sign up this week.