

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 28, 2021

First Sunday of Advent

10:00 A.M.

Prelude

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

arr. Lani Smith

Ann Thompson, organist and Joyce Summers, pianist



Welcome and announcements

Mission Moment

Director of Emergency Family Shelter,
The Religious Coalition for Emergency Human Needs

Neil Donnelly

We Open the Door

The Candle of Hope

Advent Song

“Hope Waits for Us at Advent”

**Hope waits for us at Advent
Hope waits for us to trust.
Hope waits for our commitment
to a land that’s kind and just.
In this time of preparation
for the work of co-creation,
for the birthing of a world
that heals the ones in pain.
Hope is born in us again!**

*Going Forth

Baskets for your offering are located at the doors going out.

This advent season we are using materials from Worship Design Studio to shape and enrich our worship. The advent song, artwork, lessons with the children and much of the prayers come from the Advent program called “The Inn: Making Room for the Holy”. How can we be a place where the Holy can find room to be born? How might we offer respite, welcome and care to those seeking shelter from the challenges that life brings? How might we find Hope, Peace, Joy and Love.

The altar flowers are in memory of my family Grover and Agnes Mossburg, Paul and Norman Mossburg, Virginia Fisher and Harriett Lakel by Anne Mossburg.

November Ushers: Donald Linton, James Shoemaker, Ron Dudley, Paul Muehl

Organist: Ann Thompson

If interested in being a flower sponsor, please sign up by calling the church office or at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d4faaa72fa75-altar> to sign up for altar flowers, pulpit or communion table. Lots of dates available.

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/>

Sign up for our weekly e-news. Every Tuesday you’ll get a thought from Pastor Steve, links to upcoming events and service opportunities and a list of prayer concerns. Simply share your name and email with office@calvaryumc.org.

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

Covid-19 Update Our goal is to maintain our in-person worship and do it safely, even as we continue our on-line worship opportunities as well.

Masks are required when attending worship services or events with more than twelve persons within the church building. We will, however, continue to sing and read responsively. We are masking for the safety of all and will announce all changes or enhancements to our protocols by all our media means. We want everyone to BE safe and FEEL safe. If unvaccinated, we ask you to continue to social distance and wear your mask.

If you have any questions, or wish to share your feelings, feel free to speak with me or any other member of the Re-Open Task Force.

The Church Nursery is open for children up to 4 years of age. Temperature checks, masks and social distancing are required. Contact Christy Mossburg or Amy Stone for more information. The Nursery is now HIRING!! The nursery is looking for an adult supervisor for Sunday mornings, please contact the Nursery Director Cathleen Gough if interested.

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 for log in information.

Look for our **Children's Worship Bags** in the narthex, filled with activities to keep little hands busy during worship! **Please return these bags to the narthex at the end of the church service** so they are available for others to use. Each bag contains a small erasable whiteboard, a notebook, crayons, and several fidget toys, including pipe cleaners and coloring pages.

Join Us at Calvary's **Holiday Blood Drive!**

The American Red Cross is hosting a Holiday Blood Drive at Calvary UMC on Wednesday, December 1st from 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. For 1-2 hours of your time, you can help up to 3 people with one donation! Blood supply levels in the area continue to be a critical need, and the pandemic continues to amplify the urgency for adequate blood supplies, so why not give a holiday gift that can save up to 3 lives? Or if you can't, consider inviting a friend to donate! To sign up, call or text Eric Anderson before the event at 240.506.5759, or connect via email at eric.anderson3@redcross.org. Limited appointment times remain, primarily in mid-afternoon and in the last hour, so to secure a spot on the schedule, please reach out soon!

Open Prayer will resume on Wednesday, December 1 at 7:00 p.m.

Angel Tree Due to safety concerns, we will be supporting the Salvation Army/Religious Coalition children a little different this year. We are collecting gift cards that will be used to provide their Christmas wishes of toys, clothing, and their Christmas dinner. We suggest that gift cards to Target, Walmart, Kohls, Giant Eagle and Weis.

Gift cards can be placed in the box by the Christmas tree in the narthex. If you do not have time or feel safe shopping, checks and cash donations are gratefully accepted. Please make checks out to Calvary United Methodist Women and reference "Angel Tree". Donations can also be mailed or left in the church office.



Traditional Children's Christmas Pageant
Sunday December 12 at 9:00 am in Parish Hall.
All are invited!

UMW Advent by Candlelight Tea Join the UMW celebrate the Advent Season. A program, tea, treats, and fellowship are planned for Saturday, December 11 at 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All are welcome. Please RSVP on the sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall or by emailing Jane Sowers at jsowers@fred.net by December 5.

Prayer Concerns:

Recent Passing: Verner Sundell, Robert Pickard

Members of Calvary: Rev. Shannon Sullivan, Aaron and Zeke Sullivan Harrington, Bruce Caruthers, Joann Crum, Betty Brewer, Lois Pacheco, Lynn Schumacher, Rita Sharpe, Georgia Riggleman, Laura (Daughter of Carol and Art Fennington), Nancy Dobbs, Anna Belle Childers, Beth Richards, Nancy Slovikosky, Linda Sheridan, JoAn Ehlers, Ann Crum, Nancy Crum, Fannie Johnson, Bob Strine, Michael Boyer, Judith Allen

Friends of Calvary: Ellis Larsen (Father of Rev. Steve Larsen), Dawn Albertini (Friend of the Andersons, Chaney's and Jones), Bethany Bajsert (Friend of Rita Sharpe), Heather (Friend of Jean Flory and Becky Kile), Rich Lamont (Friend of the Schwarzenbergs), Mary Jo Martin (Friend of Paul Nelson), Sis McKee (Aunt of Didi Willard), Patti Hicks (Friend of Didi Willard), Don Kessel and Ken Kessel (Brothers of Susan Baggett), Family of David Walters (Father of Kate Mills), Joni Kline (Cousin of Meg Winter), Audrey Cash (Friend of Helen Sheppard), Kristy Johnson, Vivian Warner (Mother of Jan Cline), Lena Dietz (Friend of Friendly Circle Class), Mary Fraser (Friend of Terri Giambarresi), Kitty Cooley (Sister of Connie Scoggins), Ellie (Friend of Gloria Orrison), Suzanne Simpson and Adam Shake (Sister & brother-in-law to Christy Mossburg), John and Lynn Mills (Friends of Charles Geisbert) Linda Horinie Henke (Niece of Charles Geisbert), Lillian Mingola (Mother of Maria Calcagni), Ed Kinsey, Jr (Father of Ed Kinsey), Wendy Koch (Niece of Helen Sheppard), Alice Woodward (Sister of Rita Sharpe), Virginia Painter Floyd (Friend of Rita Sharpe), Gay Ann Mazac (Niece of Steve and JoAn Ehlers), Zakaria El fatihi, Tracy Sizemore, Stacey (Sharpe) Steinhaus

This Week at Calvary

Today, November 28

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship

5:30 p.m. Youth Group

Tuesday, November 30

10:00 a.m. Pastors Bible Study

Wednesday, December 1

8:30 a.m. Calvary Blood Drive

6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study

7:00 p.m. Open Prayer

Thursday, December 2

6:00 p.m. AGAPE

Next Sunday, December 5

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship

5:30 p.m. Youth Group

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