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.

January 30, 2022

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

10:00 a.m. Worship

Opening Music

"Prelude and Fugue in G Major"

J. S. Bach

Those of you joining us online are invited to light a candle during the time of worship. Please greet one another in the comments.

Welcome, announcements

Rev. Steve Larsen

*Call to Worship

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

The risen Christ is with us.

Praise the Lord!

*Hymn

"God of Love and God of Power"

UMH #578

- 1. God of love and God of power, grant us in this burning hour grace to ask these gifts of thee, daring hearts and spirits free. God of love and God of power, thou has called us for this hour.
- 2. We are not the first to be banished by our fears from thee; give us courage, let us hear heaven's trumpets ringing clear. God of love and God of power, thou hast called us for this hour.
- 3. All our lives belong to thee, thou our final loyalty; Slaves are we whene'er we share that devotion anywhere. God of love and God of power, thou has called us for this hour.
- 4. God of love and God of power, make us worthy of this hour; Offering lives if it's thy will, keeping free our spirits still. God of love and God of power, thou has called us for this hour.

Opening Prayer (unison)

O God, in mystery and silence you are present in our lives, bringing new life out of destruction, hope out of despair, growth out of difficulty. We thank you that you do not leave us alone but labor to make us whole. Help us to perceive your unseen hand in the unfolding of our lives, and to attend to the gentle guidance of your Spirit, that we may know the joy you give your people. Amen

First Lesson Jeremiah 1:4-10 Ronda Dudley

*Gospel Lesson Luke 4:21-30 Ronda Dudley

The word of God for the people of God.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

Time With the Children

Anthem "O Lord Most Holy" (Panis Angelicus) Cesar Franck

Melissa Cregger, mezzo; Joyce Summers, pianist

Sermon Jesus at Nazareth Rev. Steve Larsen

Part 2: Trouble with the locals

Pastoral Prayer

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 www.Calvaryumc.org/give/

^{*}Response

Offertory

"Mercy Still" (text by Charles Wesley)
Melissa Cregger, mezzo;

Nicole Elsey; arr. Heather Sorenson

Joyce Summers, pianist

*Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn

"Lord, Speak to Me"

UMH #463

- 1. Lord, speak to me, that I may speak in Living echoes of thy tone; as thou hast sought, so Let me seek thine erring children lost and lone.
- 2. O strengthen me, that while I stand from On the rock, and strong in thee, I may stretch out a Loving hand to wrestlers with the troubled sea.
- 3. O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the Precious things thou dost impart; and wing my words, that They may reach the hidden depths of many a heart.
- 4. O fill me with thy fullness, Lord, until My very heart o'er-flow in kindling thought and Glowing word, thy love to tell, thy praise to show.
- 5. O use me, Lord, use even me, just As thou wilt, and when, and where, until thy blessed Face I see, thy rest, thy joy, thy glory share.

*Benediction

*Organ Voluntary

"Praise Him with Pipes"

Ben Logan

Organist: Rev. Kathy Kohl

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. Many 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 will 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 <u>office@calvaryumc.org</u>.

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

Covid-19 UpdateVirus Pandemic Policy Update (December 31, 2021)

With the increasing numbers of persons infected with the coronavirus across Maryland and the high numbers of persons in Frederick Health Hospital, the county Board of Health has instituted a mask mandate for persons gathering indoors. Since Calvary UMC has already been following this practice, we will continue to offer an in-person worship service on Sunday mornings along with a livestream option for people to participate online.

We will be making some changes to our current policies starting January 1:

- There will be no coffee and donuts served in the parish hall after worship services.
- All groups meeting in the church are asked to wear a mask while inside regardless of the number of people.
- If someone has been infected with COVID-19 during the past seven days or been exposed to someone with an active case of COVID-19 during the previous seven days, they should not enter the church buildings. Persons should be symptom free for five days or have a recent negative covid-19 test before they enter the building.

By mid-January, the extent of the delta and omicron variants should be better known. You can find the livestream at https://www.facebook.com/CalvaryUMCFrederick. Our goal is to maintain our in-person worship and do it safely, even as we continue our on-line worship opportunities as well.

<u>The Church Nursery</u> and Children's Sunday School is Temporarily Unavailable. Contact Christy Mossburg at christy@calvaryumc.org to get the updated policies and procedures for both our nursery and Sunday School program.

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 now meeting in a hybrid format. Some folks may join from the Memorial room while others will join remotely using Zoom. We share fellowship and prayer joys and concerns at 9:00 a.m. followed by bible study/discussion each week. Join us

virtually or onsite any time between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on Sundays. Please contact Pat Herber at pkherber@gmail.com for our weekly email and log on information.

Look for our **Children's Worship Bags i**n 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.

This Week at Calvary January 30 ~ February 6, 2022

Today, Sunday January 30 10:00 a.m. Worship

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Tuesday, February 1 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study

1:30 p.m. UMW Ex. Committee

Wednesday, February 2

8:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m. Calvary Blood Drive

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

7:00 p.m. Sacred Rhythms (Zoom)

Thursday, February 3 6:00 p.m. AGAPE

Sunday, February 6

9:00 a.m. Sunday School for all Ages

10:00 a.m. Worship

<u>Unclobber</u> – a Book Study on rethinking what the Bible says about Homosexuality has been rescheduled and will begin in April. Please continue to look for details in the weekly e-news, monthly newsletter and the bulletin for updates.

Pastor's Tuesday Bible Study will begin meeting again on Tuesday, February 1 at 10:00 a.m. in the library.



Join Us at Calvary's WINTER Blood Drive!

The American Red Cross is hosting a WINTER Blood Drive at Calvary UMC on Wednesday, **February 2 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 three people with one donation! Blood shortages are now designated at a crisis level, and the pandemic continues to amplify the urgency for adequate blood

supplies. Please consider making a donation that can save up to three 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- to late-morning and early afternoon, so to secure a spot on the schedule, please reach out soon!

Love Bag Adoption Project

Last year our Love Bag Adoption Project was such a huge success that we decided to continue the tradition.

What are Love Bags?

These are bags put together for members of our church who need a little extra love for Valentine's Day. Instead of donating bulk items to the church for a group to assemble, we are asking people to adopt someone to offer them a Love Bag.

If only one person or family is making a love bag for one other person, what does that look like?

We want it to be flexible. Normally our love bag has crossword puzzles, lotion and chapstick, notebook, pens, and sometimes a stuffed animal, in addition to various snacks (not too sweet since some folks can't have a lot of sugar). Maybe you want to continue that.

Or maybe you want to offer a gift of a prayer cross or a gift box you find at a local store. It does not need to be an expensive item. Something small done with love. It is a connection point, an opportunity for a little luxury for those who need a little extra love right now. Loving our neighbor is an important part of living out our faith, and it is also a way we can be the hands and feet of Christ for another.

If you'd like to adopt a Love Bag recipient, contact Christy Mossburg at christy@calvaryumc.org to be matched up to one of our congregation members. We can promise you will get as much joy out of giving this small gift of connection as your newly adopted recipient does. Gift bags must be distributed by February 14. Thank you for your support!

Here are steps for the Love Bag Adoption:

- 1. Email Christy Mossburg and let her know how many you would like to "adopt."
- 2. Prepare a bag filled with special items to make your adoptee feel loved and remembered.
- 3. Take a picture of the bag so we can share with the congregation the number of filled bags we were able to complete.
- 4. Deliver the bag to the recipient by February 14.

Prayer Concerns:

Recent Passing: Alex Parsons (Granddaughter to Bobbie Parsons), Kern Thorton's sister Portia, Henry T. Boswell, Jr. (Father of Amy Jones)

Members of Calvary: Linda Mullineaux, Owen Duthoy, Scott English, Bruce Caruthers, Joann Crum, Betty Brewer, Lois Pacheco, 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, Darlene McKnight, Peggy Griffee, Judy Allen

Friends of Calvary: Maura Wenzel (Friend of Terri and Leo Giambarresi), Jim Bates (Uncle to Leisa Moyer), Carol Burnett (Sister of Judy Johnson), Dawn Albertini (Friend of the Andersons, Chaneys and Jones), Bethany Bajsert (Friend of Rita Sharpe), Rich Lamont (Friend of the Schwarzenbergs), Sis McKee (Aunt of Didi Willard), Don Kessel and Ken Kessel (Brothers of Susan Baggett), Family of 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) Steinhause

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