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.

February 13, 2022

The 6th Sunday After Epiphany

10:00 A.M. Worship

Opening Music

"Blest Be the Tie that Binds"

setting by W. Wold

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

Rev. Ken Humbert

*Call to Worship (read responsively) Psalm 92:1-2

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night.

You, O Lord, are exalted forever.

It is good to praise your Name, O Most High!

*Hymn

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

UMH #110

- A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
 Our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
 For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and
 Power are great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.
- 2. Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing, Were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he; Lord Sabaoth, His name, from age to age the same; and he must win the battle.
- 3. And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, We will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us. The Price of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we Can endure, for lo, his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.
- 4. That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth; The Spirit and the gifts are ours, thru him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body They may kill; God's truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever.

Opening Prayer (unison)

God of Gods: We come to worship today to hear your good news, to hear of faith, hope and love ringing out from your kingdom. We know that doubt, fear and hatred can shake even the strongest. Shape us into faithful hopeful people and fill us with your love that passes all understanding. We pray this together in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

Epistle Lesson 1 Corinthians 13 Cindy Mills

Gospel Lesson Luke 6:17-27 Cindy Mills

Response

The word of God for the people of God.

THANKS BE TO GOD.

Time with the Children

Special Music "Love Song" Diane Machen

Lainey Davy, soloist arr. Heather Sorenson

Joyce Summers, pianist

Sermon A More Excellent Way Rev. Steve Larsen

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Ken Humbert

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/

Offertory "Wonderful Words of Life" Arranged by A. Whitworth

*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! Alleluia!

- 1. Though I may speak with bravest fire, And have the gift to all inspire, And have not love, my words are vain, As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.
- 2. Though I may give all I possess,
 And striving so my love profess,
 But not be given by love within,
 The profit soon turns strangely thin.
- 3. Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control, Our spirits long to be made whole. Let inward love guide every deed; By this we worship, and are freed.

*Dismissal with Blessing

Voluntary "Praise to God!" J.S. Bach

Going Forth

The Opening Prayer today was written by Carol Penner and posted on Leading in Worship. http://carolpenner.typepad.com/leadinginworship.

Organist: Ann Thompson

Ushers: Dave Mills, Randy Griffee, Ron Dudley

God gave us flowers to show us his love, after the service, please feel free to take a few of the flowers to share with others that you love. The flowers will be available in the Narthex after the completion of worship.

Covid-19 Update (February 1, 2022)

Our goal is to continue with in-person worship as well as an on-line Livestream worship option.

Masks are required when attending worship services or events with more than twelve persons within the church building. This includes everyone regardless of vaccination or booster status. We want everyone to BE safe and FEEL safe.

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 office@calvaryumc.org.

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

<u>The Church Nursery</u> 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 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.

Love Bag Adoption Project- Calvary members have adopted and will be delivering Love Bags to 93 church members today and tomorrow. Thank you for caring for your neighbors so beautifully

This Week at Calvary February 13 ~ February 20, 2022

Today, Sunday February 13

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

10:00 a.m. Worship

Tuesday, February 15

10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study

1:30 p.m. Wesleyan Circle Meeting

Wednesday, February 16

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

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

Thursday, February 10 6:00 p.m. AGAPE

Sunday, February 13

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

10:00 a.m. Worship

3:00 p.m. Brian Ganz Concert

<u>Unclobber</u> – a Book Study on rethinking what the Bible says about Homosexuality has been rescheduled to begin April 26, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. We hope you will join us in a 5-week study of Colby Martin's book <u>Unclobber</u>, led by Rev. Vicky Starnes and Paul Nelson. Questions? Contact Vicky at 302-745-2278 or <u>revvicky@aol.com</u>. Books will be available for those who register for the class. Just call the church office or send an email to <u>office@calvaryumc.org</u>.

Prayer Concerns:

Recent Passing: Linda Mullineaux, Dollie Gibson, Jeffrey T. Calvert (Cathee Calvert's husband)

Members of Calvary: Eleanor Bowersox, Mandy Mossburg, Owen Duthoy, Scott English, Bruce Caruthers, Betty Brewer, Lois Pacheco, Rita Sharpe, Georgia Riggleman, 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: Colleen West, Glenda (Sister of Charlotte Pasquerette), 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, Jill Sizemore, Stacey (Sharpe) Steinhause, Jeb Kaiper (Nephew of Rita Sharpe)

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