

CALVARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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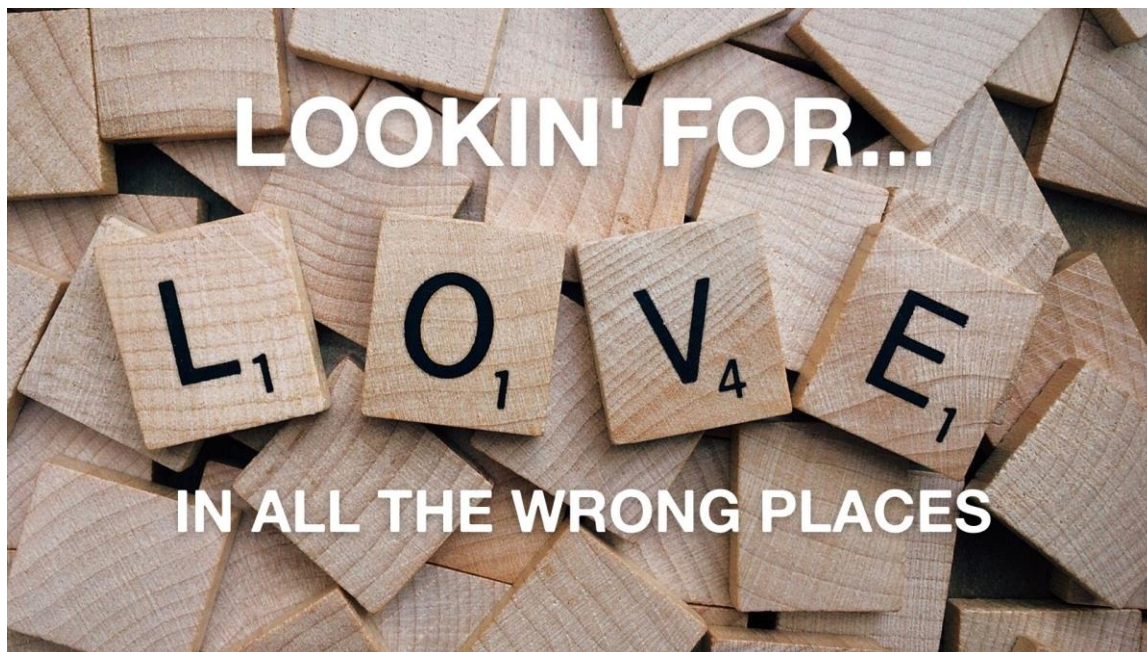
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Calvary United Methodist Church seeks and invites all to become disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of our community and our world.

February 26, 2023

1st Sunday in Lent

10:00 a.m. Worship Service



Prelude

"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"
Joyful Noise Ringers

Music by William H. Doane
Arr. by Cathy Moglebust

*Passing the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Welcome, announcements

*Call to Worship (read responsively)

based on Isaiah 1:18

Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord:

though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow.

though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

*Hymn

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

UMH #138

Confession and Assurance (responsive)

Holy and Merciful One, in this season of discernment we come bringing our deepest longings, and our failed attempts at satisfying them. We have often looked for love, for acceptance, and for security, in the trappings of notoriety, popularity, and power that diminish others in order to gain for ourselves.

**We yearn for lives that matter,
we desire relationships that thrive,
we want less regret.**

At times we fail to see that you have already given us what really matters: Your love and acceptance. You provide opportunities all around us to make a difference in the lives of others. You give us a fresh start each day, inviting us to do better. In this silence, we bring to you our pleas to be open to a different way of living.

Silence

My friends, be assured by the Psalmist who says,
“I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go;
I will counsel you with my eye upon you.”

Let us respond together:

**We open our hearts, our minds, our souls, our vision
to the ways of love created by God, embodied in Jesus,
and moving in us by the Spirit.
We are forgiven, loved, and freed! Amen!**

Reception of New Members

Confirmed in Christ: Nathan Benson

Transferred and profession of faith:

Gary and Sharon Brown

Daniel C. Brown

Karen and Raymond Gebhart

Rev. Glenn S. Griffin (retired United Methodist clergy)

The pastor addresses those wishing to become members of the church:

Do you wish to be a disciple and follower of Jesus Christ?

I do.

Will you make this your church family? Will you allow the people of this church to love and care for you, and will you to do the same for them as we serve God together?

I will.

The pastor addresses the congregation:

These persons have professed their faith in Jesus Christ and their desire to be a part of your church family. Will you welcome them, love them, encourage them and be their church family?

We will.

The Pastor addresses the candidate being confirmed:

Nathan, the Holy Spirit work within you,
that having been born through water and the Spirit,
you may live as a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. Amen.

The pastor addresses the congregation:

Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

The congregation responds:

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you
and we welcome you in Christian love.**

**As members together with you
in the body of Christ
and in this congregation
of The United Methodist Church,**

**we renew our covenant
faithfully to participate
in the ministries of the Church
by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service,
and our witness that in everything God may be glorified
through Jesus Christ.**

The pastor addresses those who have been confirmed and received as members:

The God of all grace, who has called us to eternal glory in Christ,
establish you and strengthen you by the power of the Holy Spirit,
that you may live in grace and peace.

Anthem “Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days”
 Music by Diana Mengel
 Sanctuary Choir, Joyce Summers, accompanist

*Gospel Lesson Matthew 4:1-11 Margie Wilde

*Response
The word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Time With the Children

Following the Time with the Children, all children in K-3rd grade are invited to Children's Church either in the Chapel or in the Nursery for the remainder of the worship service. Parents are asked to walk their children to narthex/lobby where they will find the children's church leader.

*Hymn "It Is Well with My Soul" UMH #377

Sermon Look for the Resister Rev. Steve Larsen
Lookin' for Love in All the Wrong Places, week 1

Time for Reflection and Commitment

Prayers of the People "Kyrie Eleison" UMH # 484

The pastor will lead the congregation in prayers for the world, our community, our relationships, and ourselves. At the invitation of the pastor, the congregation will sing together the response:

**Kyrie Eleison, Kyrie Eleison
Kyrie Eleison, Kyrie Eleison**

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

**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**

Offertory "O Master, Let me Walk with Thee"
setting by Gilbert M. Martin

Our giving to God and the church is one more way we worship God.

In addition to putting our offering in the offering plates, 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/ or by using the QR code on the back of this bulletin. You can make a one-time gift or set up ongoing electronic payments. ACH payments can also be set up using the form on the church website or in the information stand in the narthex.

Please use this time to register your attendance here today in the red folders found in the pews.

*Doxology “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” UMH # 298
(stanza 4)
**Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small;
love so amazing so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.**

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn “I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry” TFWS #2051

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Postlude “Toccata in E Minor” by Johann Pachelbel

*Going Forth to Serve

Our worship series for Lent is called **Lookin’ for Love in All the Wrong Places** (WorshipDesignStudio.com/love). We often look for wholeness and happiness in places offering only temporary “good feelings” and satisfaction. Lent is a wonderfully reflective time to reassess where we are searching for meaning and purpose. The title of a song from years ago reminds us that we may not find what we are looking for in the usual places. We’ll consider several stories of Jesus to find out just who offers the “real deal.”

Ushers: Dave Mills, Rick Miller, Paul Muehl, Terre Rhoderick

Acolyte: Savannah Muehl

Coffee Time Hosts: Bob and Kay Jacobs

Altar Flowers: Many dates are available. Please sign up today to become a flower sponsors: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d4faaa72fa75-altar2#/> or contact the church office.

The Church Nursery is open for children up to 5 years of age. Look for our **Children's Worship Bags** in the narthex, filled with activities to keep little hands busy during worship!

Children’s Church is for ages 5 - 3rd grade and meets either in the Chapel or in the Nursery during our worship service, immediately following our *Time with The Children*.

We need adult volunteers to be in the Chapel from 10:15 a.m.-11:00 a.m. on a rotating basis for Children’s Church. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Amy Stone.

AmyStone@calvaryumc.org or sign up at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0949acad2fabfbc61-childrens> or contact the church office.

Be a **2023 Coffee and Donut time** in the Parish Hall on Sunday mornings. To sign up go to:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d4faaa72fa75-coffee2> ,Contact Margie Wilde at skywilde@comcast.net for more information, or contact the Church office.



Calvary United Methodist Church will be providing a church-wide study for all ages on five Wednesday evening during the Lenten season starting March 1. We start at 6:00 pm with a meal and finish by 7:30 pm.

Each Wednesday we will

- eat together
- play together
- talk and study together
- sing and worship together

Each session will focus on one psalm using materials from GenOn Ministries, a leader in creating intergenerational events for churches.

Since food is involved, as well as some craft materials, we would like to know how many are coming each week. Folks can join us for a single session; just let us know you are coming.

The Grateful Hearts Class needs bus drivers and an additional adult to ride along for picking up and dropping off. Volunteers are needed on Sunday mornings from 7:45 - 9:00 am, and again from 11:30 am- 12:30 pm. For more information or to help, please contact Margie Wilde at skywilde@comcast.net.

Attention Ladies of Calvary are you looking for fellowship, spiritual growth, and participation in missions? Try one of our circles. The Miriam Circle meets on the fourth Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. or the Wesleyan Circle meets on the third Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. at church. If you would like to know more about the Miriam Circle, please contact Mary Crum at 301-695-9109, for the Wesleyan Circle please contact Betsy Bryant at 301-668-1032 or Jean Shaff at 301-663-8582.



District5 Quintet, March 26, 2023 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Calvary UMC's Community Concert Series presents District5 Quintet. The program, "Invitation to the Dance" will feature music inspired by dance, an exciting program of piano transcriptions for wind quintet including works by Samuel Coleridge Taylor, Fanny Mendelssohn, Jean-Philippe Rameau, and many others. This award-winning ensemble comprised of flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, and French horn has a unique

repertoire that showcases the virtuosity, colors, and endless possibilities of the wind quintet. This concert is sponsored in part by the Delaplaine Foundation, Frederick Arts Council, and the William E. Cross Foundation. www.District5Quintet.org

Mark your calendars! Calvary's **Vacation Bible School** will take place **Monday, June 19 - Thursday, June 22, 2023**. We need many volunteers! This year's theme is "STELLAR - Shine Jesus' Light!" Please contact AmyStone@calvaryumc.org to volunteer, or sign up in Parish Hall or on the bulletin board in the main church hallway. Participant registration begins on April 3.

Prayer Concerns:

Recent Passing: Donna Loeb, Regina Reid (Mother of Virginia Edmonston)

Members of Calvary: J. Ray Frank, Ramona Yanike, Lou Finneyfrock, Todd Main, Shauna Main, Anna Stroh, Scott English, Bruce Caruthers, Betty Brewer, Rita Sharpe, Nancy Dobbs, JoAn Ehlers, Steve Ehlers, Ann Crum, Nancy Crum, Fannie Johnson, Judy Allen, Lois Pacheco, Kitty and Nathan Robinson, Charlotte Elliott, Jack Heller, Nancy Crum, Joyce Dixon

Friends of Calvary: Camille Kime (Friend of Linda English), Steve Twiss (Brother of Margie Wilde), Marie Smith (Friend of Susan Baggette), Jerry Black (Son-in-law of Betsy Bryant), Allan Huffman (Son of Nancy Huffman), Brian Jones (Friend of the Linda & Scott English), Joey Nichols (Friend of Paul Nelson), Erik Karl (Son of Cathy Karl), Janet Stone (Mother of Jeff Stone), Hope Patterson and Cathy Short (Sisters of Charlotte Pasquette), Ken Kessel (Brother of Susan Baggette), Audrey Cash (Friend of Helen Sheppard), 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), Gay Ann Mazac (Niece of Steve and JoAn Ehlers), Alice, Marion and Becky Woodward, family members of Rita Sharpe, Virginia Painter Floyd, Tracy Sizemore, Anne Hovis, Gil Crippen, Rhonda Wills, friends of Rita Sharpe

This Week at Calvary February 26 ~March 5

Next Sunday, February 26

9:00 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages
10:00 a.m. Worship
11:15 a.m. Children's Choir
3:00 p.m. District 5 Quintet Concert
5:30 p.m. Youth Group

Monday, February 27

7:00 p.m. Lay Leadership

Tuesday, February 28

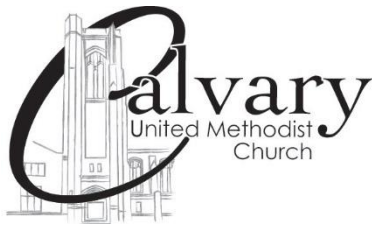
10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
6:00 p.m. AGAPE
6:30 p.m. Joyful Noise Handbells
7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Wednesday, March 1

6:00 p.m. Lenten Study (Please sign up in the Parish Hall if you plan to attend the dinner)

Next Sunday, March 5

9:00 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages
10:00 a.m. Worship
11:15 a.m. Children's Choir
5:30 p.m. Youth Group



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