

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.

May 21, 2023

7th Sunday of Easter

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Prelude

“A Song of Hope”

by David Lasky
Dr. Adela Peeva, organist

*Passing the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Welcome, announcements

Rev. Steve Larsen

Presentation of Calvary Scholarships

Beth Strakonsky, Scholarship Committee, Chair

*Call to Worship (read responsively)

From Ps. 148:1, 13

Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord from the heavens,
praise the Lord in the heights!

**Let them praise the name of the Lord,
whose name alone is exalted,
whose glory is above earth and heaven.**

*Hymn

“Morning Has Broken”

UMH #145

*Affirmation of Faith

UMH #883

A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada

We are not alone, we live in God’s world.

We believe in God:

**who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

**to celebrate God’s presence,
to live with respect in Creation,**

to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.

Reception of New Members

Deana Rice, Profession of Faith

Judy Wilson, Restoration of Vows

To those wishing to become members of the church:

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

We 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 do the same for them, as together we serve God with our prayers, presence, gifts, witness and service?

We will.

To 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?

All the people:

We will.

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 witness and our service, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

Pastor:

The God of all grace, establish you and strengthen you by the power of the Holy Spirit, that you may live in grace and peace.

Anthem

“Love Song”

words and music by Diane Machen

arranged by Heather Sorenson

Sanctuary Choir, Joyce Summers, pianist

*Gospel Lesson John 17:1-11

Beth Strakonsky

*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

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

UMH #140

Sermon

Who Me? Yes, You!

Rev. Steve Larsen

Time for Reflection and Commitment

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**

Offertory

“Blessings”

words and music by Laura Story

Agape

Lainey Davy, soloist, Rob Summers, Brad Davy, Dr. Ray Moreland,
Bob Abbott, guitarists, Joyce Summers, pianist

In addition to placing your contributions in the offering plates, checks can also 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/. (See QR code on the back of this bulletin) You can make a one-time gift or set up ongoing electronic payments.

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

*Doxology

Tune Old 100, UMH #95

Words: Brian Wren, 1989

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures high and low;
Praise God, in Jesus fully known;
Creator, Word, and Spirit One.**

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn

“Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”

UMH #173

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Postlude

“Fanfare Postlude”

by Douglas E. Wagner

*Going Forth to Serve

Ushers: Susan Baggette, Terre Roderick, Bret Slovikosky, Paul Muehl, Dave Mills

Acolyte: Emily Harris

Coffee Time Host: Leisa Moyer

The altar flowers in loving memory of Martha Nelson, by Paul Nelson.

The 239th session of the Baltimore Washington Conference of the United Methodist Church will be taking place in Baltimore, Wednesday, May 31 through Saturday, June 3 with Bishop LaTrelle Easterling presiding. This will be the first time that the conference has met together in person since May 2019. Conference policies, priorities, budget and plans for the coming year will be discussed and approved along with the commissioning and ordination of candidates in ministry and various worship services. The conference will also be taking action on churches who wish to disaffiliate from the United Methodist Church. Rev. Steve Larsen, Bob Jacobs and Paul Nelson are voting members of the annual conference.

If you are interested in becoming a flower donor, please contact the church office or sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d4faaa72fa75-altar2#/> There are many opening.

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 five - 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, sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0949acad2fabfbc61-childrens> or contact the church office.

A MUSICAL INVITATION

This summer, you are invited to enrich our worship services with your voices or instruments. As our choir is off for the summer and we are looking forward to the wonderful tradition to hear variety of solo singers or instrumentalists, this could be a great opportunity for everyone who would like to participate in Calvary's musical life. Please contact Adela if you are interested or have questions.

Let every instrument be tuned for praise! Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise! And may God give us faith to sing always Alleluia!



"Be sure to register NOW for **Calvary's STELLAR VBS** at calvaryumc.org (look for our STELLAR page and click on the registration button)! Crews are filling up fast!

Monday, June 19 - Thursday, June 22 9:00 am - Noon

VBS is for children aged 4 - 5th Grade. *We are also still in need of Adult and Youth Volunteers* for our Nursery and as Assistant Preschool Leaders. We also need coordinators and servers for our VBS Celebration Dinner on Thursday, June 22 beginning at 6:00 pm.

Please join us for one of our **VBS Information Meetings** on **Wednesday, May 24 at 6:00 pm** or on **Sunday, June 4 at 11:00 am** in the Church Library. For more information, please contact AmyStone@calvaryumc.org, or at 240-357-4710.

It's going to be OUT OF THIS WORLD as we *Shine Jesus' Light!* ✨"

Mission/Outreach News

July 16-22: Henderson Settlement trip

If you are interested in joining the mission team or learning how you can support this mission activity, please contact Helen Sheppard brucehelenshep@msn.com or [Dave Herber dlherber@comcast.net](mailto:dlherber@comcast.net).

SHP Bed Delivery Team

If you would like to be part of Calvary's bed delivery team, you can sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0445ABA822AAFD0-shpcumc2>

We meet at the church with a team of 4 to 5 individuals who load the bed parts and bedding and typically drive to three homes each evening to assemble the beds. We can always use pick-up truck drivers too.

Food Wheelbarrow

Support for our area food bank has been steady over the last few weeks. Thank you to all who have consistently kept our wheelbarrow full each week. The Food Bank is currently requesting Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Rice, Instant Potatoes, Canned Meats, Mac n Cheese, Peanut Butter, and Hygiene Products. Please bring any of these items to Church and drop off in the Wheelbarrow by Parish Hall entrance.

Help Wanted! We Need You! Are you bored? Lonely? Need exercise? Want to make new friends? Just want to help? Calvary's Yard Sale is Calling YOU!

****Two Golden Opportunities:** Come join a group of friendly, fun-loving, talkative folks to help sort and organize yard sale items. No previous experience necessary. Be there Monday, June 5 through Friday, June 9 from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. (or any part thereof). *Added Bonus-workers get to shop early!* After 1 p.m. on the day of the sale we need an army of volunteers with trucks, vans, and SUV's to help repack boxes and take them to the Salvation Army, Wonder Books, and places of other gently-used items. If you have questions, please contact Mary Crum, 301-695-9109

Donations for the yard sale can be dropped off to the church Monday, Wednesday, or Friday, between 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Tuesday and Thursdays at the kitchen between 7 a.m.-12 p.m.

YARD SALE



SATURDAY, JUNE 10

7:00AM – 1:00PM

CALVARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

131 West 2nd Street in Frederick

[Corner of 2nd and Bentz Streets]

RAIN OR SHINE ♥ BAKE SALE

INDOORS

100%
of all sale proceeds
will benefit
Frederick charities



Prayer Concerns:

Members of Calvary: Dick Alsmeyer, J. Ray Frank, Ramona Yanike, Todd Main, Scott English, Bruce Caruthers, Betty Brewer, Rita Sharpe, Nancy Dobbs, Steve Ehlers, Nancy Crum, Fannie Johnson, Judy Allen, Lois Pacheco, Kitty and Nathan Robinson, Charlotte Elliott, Joyce Dixon, Eleanor Bowersox, Becky (knee surgery) and Mike Isaacs

Friends of Calvary: Gladys Brown (Friend of Paulette Shockey-Petrucci), Harry Crum (Father-in-law to Becky Crum), Camille Kime (Friend of Linda English), Steve Twiss (Brother of Margie Wilde), 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 and Jack Cooley (Sister and brother-in-law 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 Ehlers), Alice, Marion and Becky Woodward, family members of Rita Sharpe, Virginia Painter Floyd, Jill Sizemore, Anne Hovis, Gil Crippen, Rhonda Wills, Ann Kushick, Jim Clark, friends of Rita Sharpe

This Week at Calvary May 21~May 28

Today, Sunday May 21

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:00 a.m. Sunday School Teacher Meeting
- 11:15 a.m. Children's Choir
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Group

Monday, May 22

- 4:00 p.m. Mission and Outreach Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Church Council

Tuesday, May 23

- 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, May 24

- 2:00 p.m. Miriam's Circle
- 6:00 p.m. VBS Information Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study

Friday, May 26

- 10:00 a.m. Calvary Weekday School Kindergarten Graduation

Next Sunday, May 28 - Pentecost

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



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