

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.

September 3, 2023

The Lord's Day
Labor Day Weekend

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Prelude

“At the Name of Jesus”

Tune: “Zundel”
setting by Douglas E. Wagner
Dr. Adela Peeva, Organist

*Passing the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Welcome, announcements

Rev. Steve Larsen

*Hymn

“God of Love and God of Power”

UMH #578

Prayer of Confession (said together)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Pardon and Forgiveness

May Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Amen.

Scripture Lesson

Exodus 3:1-15

Cindy Mills

Response

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Time With the Children

Amy Stone

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

“Be still, My Soul”

UMH #534

Sermon

On Calls and Claims

Rev. Steve Larsen

Time for Reflection and Commitment

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

“Standing on the Promises”
Savannah Muehl, soloist

words and music by
R. Kelso Carter

Our response to God's love and grace can be seen in how we share what we have with others. When we pass the offering plate, our giving becomes one more way we worship God.

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

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!

*The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...and so, with you people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

...and so in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ... as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

...all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

Amen.

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.**

Sharing at the Lord's Table

Prayer After Receiving

*Hymn

“Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing”

UMH #671

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Postlude

“Marching to Zion”

by Robert Lowry

Ushers: Susan Baggette, Bret Slovikosky, Fran Haller, Paul Muehl, Dave Mills

Coffee Time Host: Bob and Kay Jacobs

Acolyte: Anna Mills

If you are interested in becoming **a flower donor**, please get in touch with the church office or sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d4faaa72fa75-altar3#/> there are many openings.

Children's Church is for children in grades K-3, and takes place in our chapel during the worship service, immediately following the *Time With the Children*. If you would like to volunteer as a Children's Church Adult, please sign up at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0949acad2fabfbc61-childrens>

If there is no adult in the chapel to lead Children's Church, children are welcome to continue down the hall to the Nursery. For more information, please contact Amy Stone at

AmyStone@calvaryumc.org



Volunteers are needed to transport our Grateful Hearts Class to and from church each Sunday Morning on our church bus. We need a driver and an assistant both before and after church for pick up and for taking the Grateful Hearts home. Join us at **11 a.m. Sunday, September 3** in Parish Hall for an informational meeting and to climb on the church bus for some hands-on learning! Please come to learn more about how you can help with this important ministry! For more information, please contact Margie Wilde at skywilde@comcast.net.



Children's Sunday School will kick off at **9 a.m. Sunday, September 10** in the Activities Room of the Education Building with our annual CARNIVAL and "Bring a Friend to Sunday School" Event! You can register for Sunday School at:

<https://calvaryfrederick.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/84/responses/new> or fill out a registration card when you arrive. We are looking forward to seeing you then!



Our first *Veggie Tale Movie Night* for kids in Preschool - 5th grade will take place at **6 p.m. Friday, September 15!** Join us in the Activities Room of the Education Building for veggie pizza, a movie, discussion, a veggie craft and so much more! Wear your pajamas and bring your blanket to get cozy!

To register, contact AmyStone@calvaryumc.org.



Join us for our first Mission Possible Kids meeting at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, September 24 in the Activities Room of the Education Building. Kids in Kindergarten through 5th grades are encouraged to join us as we make a difference in the world by helping others. Please contact AmyStone@calvaryumc.org to register and to order a t-shirt if you would like one!

Holiday Bazaar at a glance for September

****** Crafting will begin **Wednesday evening, September 6** in the crafting room. The schedule is:

- **9:30 a.m. – noon Monday mornings**
- **7 p.m. – 9 p.m. Wednesday evenings**

Please join us! If you would prefer to work on your talents at home, just let us know! Family or friends are welcome to join us, our door is open to all! Thank you and if you have any questions, please contact Becki Isaacs, mikbeckl@comcast.net, or by phone at 301-639-5377.

**** *Cheeseball*** order forms will be at the Welcome Center Sunday, September 17. Payment will be due Sunday, October 15.

If you know of anyone who is interested in being a vendor at the bazaar or someone who would like to donate some jellies, please contact Fran Haller, fehaller@outlook.com, 301-785-5058.

Calvary Music Ministry is excited and delighted to host ***The Trinity Brass*** ensemble during worship service on **Sunday, September 17**. We will have the joy of listening to beautiful arrangements of “Down to the River to Pray,” “The Lord’s Prayer,” and a medley based on hymns featuring texts by Charles Wesley.

Mission/Outreach

Maui Relief and Recovery Offering

The pictures and stories that have come out of the tragic fire in Lahaina, Hawaii are heartbreaking. What was once a vibrant and historic town has been turned to ash and ruins.

For the next few weeks, Calvary UMC will be collecting donations to go for relief and recovery efforts in Maui through UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief). All donations made to UMCOR go 100% to relief and recovery efforts since all administrative costs already paid by the United Methodist denomination. UMCOR teams are often the first relief organizations to arrive after a disaster and they are committed to stay to do the work of rebuilding and recovery for weeks and months after national attention turns to other matters. The Mission and Outreach committee has agreed to put \$500 of the congregation mission funds to this Maui Relief Project. You can also donate to Calvary UMC marked for “Maui Relief” and the church will pass this on to the UMCOR.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace bed delivery team has available openings; please use <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0445aba822aafd0-shpcumc2#/> to sign up. If you have any questions, please contact Pat Herber at 301-401-0522.

SHP Update:

Our SHP Bed Delivery team just completed its 50th bed delivery on August 30. We have assembled and delivered 242 beds to local children. Over this past year, we have had 22 folks who been part of the delivery team. A big thank you goes out to them. In addition, we welcome new members who would like to help with this wonderful ministry. Thanks, Pat

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 requests Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Rice, Instant Potatoes, and Canned Meat, Mac 'n Cheese, Peanut Butter, and Hygiene Products. Please bring these items to Church and drop them off in the Wheelbarrow by the Parish Hall entrance.

Save the Date:

Sunday, October 8 will be MISSION Sunday. In the worship service, we will celebrate the work of outreach and mission being done by the people of this congregation. That morning in the Parish Hall members and friends will roll up their sleeves and spend an hour or more preparing food packages with our partnering organization, Rise Against Hunger. You will want to join with us as we put together 10,000 prepared meals to be shipped wherever there is need.

Calvary Calendar for September 3 ~ September 10

Today, September 3

Wheelbarrow Sunday

9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship
11:00 a.m. Grateful Hearts Volunteer Meeting

Monday, September 4

Labor Day Holiday

Tuesday, September 5

1:30 p.m. UMW Ex. Committee
7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Wednesday, September 6

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

Thursday, September 7

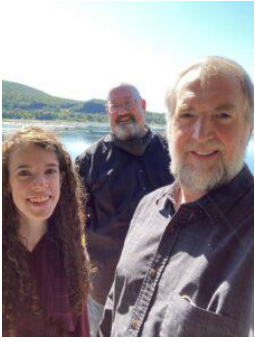
5:30 p.m. The Birthing Group

Saturday, September 9

7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast

Next Sunday, September 10

9:00 a.m. Sunday School for all Ages
9:45 a.m. Peal Bell
10:00 a.m. Worship
11:15 a.m. Children's Choir
3:00 p.m. Community Concert Series
5:30 p.m. Youth Group Kick-Off



**Calvary Community Concert Series presents:
The Knotwork Band - Sunday, September 10**

Seating available at 2:30 p.m., concert begins at 3:00 p.m.

Prayer Concerns:

Recent Passing: Bruce Caruthers, Margaret Burkett, Peggy Smeltzer (Mother of Christy Mossburg), Mark E. Miller (Brother of Rick Miller)

Members of Calvary: Betsy MacMullen, Peggy Griffee, Leisa Moyer, Joan Cooley, Kern Thornton, Becky Acklin, Carol Keirn, Dick Alsmeyer, Ramona Yanike, Todd Main, 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: Patty Lockard (Weekday School Director), Ruth Campbell (Mother Cara Dragan), Camille Kime (Friend of Linda English), Steve Twiss (Brother of Margie Wilde), 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 Hornie Henke (Niece of Charles Geisbert), 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, Family of Steven Francisco (Son of Jody and Laura Francisco, former members

Update: Susan Howe would like to thank everyone for the prayers of healing. She had knee replacement surgery, and recovery has been phenomenal.

Birth Announcement: Araceli Luz Reading was born on August 22, 2023. Parents are Joshua and Lisa Reading. Her grandparents are Mitch and Penelope Reading. The parents reside in Carroll Valley, PA and grandparents live in Hermitage, PA.



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