

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 21, 2024 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany 10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Prelude “Voluntary in D” by William Croft
Dr. Adela Peeva, organist

*Passing the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Welcome, announcements

*Call to Worship (read responsively)

Are you listening? God is doing a new thing! Will you join in?

Yes! We will follow!

Listen! Did you miss it? God calls us again to build the kin-dom of heaven. Will you join in?

Yes! We will be builders of the kin-dom.

Wait, did you catch that? Again, God calls us to declare the good news to those in need. Will you join in?

Yes! We will declare the good news with our voices and our lives.

And still, God calls. God never quits calling us to live and to give abundant life. Will you join in?

Yes! We will join with God in sharing the gracious gift of abundant life with the world. May we respond to God’s loving and persistent call with a loving and persistent yes! A yes for us, a yes for our neighbors, and a yes for our world to be transformed. Amen.

*Hymn “Immortal Invisible, God Only Wise” UMH #103

Opening Prayer (unison)

Almighty and everlasting God,

in whom we live and move and have our being,

you created us for yourself,

so that our hearts are restless until they find rest in you.

Grant to us such piety of heart and strength of purpose

that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will, and no weakness from doing it.

In your light may we see life clearly

**and in your service find perfect freedom,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

First Lesson Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Beth Strakonsky

Anthem “Shine, Jesus, Shine”
words and music by Graham Kendrick, arr. by Jack Schrader
Sanctuary Choir, Joyce Summers, pianist

*Gospel Lesson Mark 1:14-20 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 in the Chapel. Parents are asked to walk their children to narthex/lobby where they will find the children's church leader.

*Hymn “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light” UMH #206

Sermon Call and Response Rev. Steve Larsen

Time for Reflection and Commitment

Joys and Concerns

Please share birthdays, anniversaries, and moments of joy as well as prayer concerns that are weighing on your heart. If you don't feel comfortable sharing these out loud, feel free to write a note in the red attendance pad.

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.**

****Attention-** The Nursery will temporarily be meeting in the Education Building during the worship service from 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

Acolytes Needed: Dates have been added to the sign up list! Please use this link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b4aa9a82aa4ff2-acolyte/18827003#/> If you have any questions please contact Stefanie Harris at jujubee820@yahoo.com

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 not an adult present in the Chapel, please walk over to the Education Buildings Activity Room where the Nursery will be held temporarily.

Weather related closures

It's that time of year again when weather may require us to change our schedule. If inclement weather requires the closing of the church building, closing updates will be posted on the church website (www.calvaryumc.org) or you may call the church for a recorded message (301-662-1464). In the event Frederick County Public Schools are closed, the church and school buildings will also be closed.

Week of January 21 ~ January 28

Today, Sunday, January 21

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:45 a.m. Peal Bell
10:00 a.m. Worship
11:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry
11:15 a.m. Children's Choir
5:30 p.m. Youth Group

Monday, January 22

7:00 p.m. Church Council

Tuesday, January 23

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

Wednesday, January 24

2:00 p.m. Miriam's Circle
6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study

Friday, January 26

10:00 a.m. Memorial for Frannie Johnson

Next Sunday, January 28

Bible Sunday

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:45 a.m. Peal Bell
10:00 a.m. Worship
11:15 a.m. Children's Choir
5:30 p.m. Mission Possible Kids
5:30 p.m. Youth Group

Revised Organ Installation Schedule: Our organ builder, Zimmer, is waiting for the final set of reed pipes to be completed this month, so they have moved their return date to Monday, January 29. They expect completion of the organ by the end of February or early March. The good news is we will have the new organ for Easter!

Please note:

- The parking lot will not be available the afternoon and evening of January 29.
- The Sanctuary will not be available for use during this period except Sundays from **February 4 thru March 1.**
- We expect to be using the Sanctuary every Sunday for our worship service during this period.

Thank you for your support of this historic project!

Free Calvary Grocery/Shopping Reusable Tote Bags

As Frederick City has enacted the new law of no plastic bags at grocery stores, stores, pharmacies, and the like, we are at your rescue. Pick up a free CUMC reusable tote bag at the Welcome Center in Parish Hall and shop without worry of how you will take your purchases home.

Warm Up with God's Love Coat Drive

As the Holidays come to an end, the cold winter weather is just beginning. We at Calvary want to make sure all those in need of coats, and winter outerwear, feel the warmth of God's love by continuing to provide for them.

Please consider donating used (or new) coats and outerwear in good condition and place them in the labeled box in the Parish Hall.

All donations will go directly to the homeless and ministries serving those in most need. Please contact Beth Stitely with any questions: autumn.purple@hotmail.com or 301-730-8282

PERSONALIZE your SWAG

For those who have bought a cool Calvary Apron (or plan to in the future) you can now have it personalized with your name embroidered on it! For just \$10, you can have your first and/or last name added to give it that special touch. Bring your apron and give to Beth Stitely on Sundays or contact her at autumn.purple@hotmail.com 301-730-8382.

B **Museum of the Bible Trip** – We are planning a bus trip to the Museum of the Bible in Washington, D.C. Families and friends are welcome to come along! We will meet at the MARC Train Station, behind Target in Frederick, at 9:30 a.m. **Saturday, April 6** and return at 4 p.m. The **non-refundable** cost per person is \$57.75, which includes the bus trip, tip for the driver, taxes, and your ticket into the museum. There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center in addition to the breakdown of the costs, details of the trip, and a map of the six floors of the Museum. Checks must be received by March 3 and made out to Fran Haller. If you have any questions, please contact Fran, fehaller@outlook.com, or Helen Sheppard, brucehelenshep@msn.com.



Donations for our **Love Bags** will be collected throughout January and will be assembled by Calvary's Children in Sunday School and during Mission Possible Kids.

We will be collecting:

small candies and mints
small notepads
crossword/activity books
tissues/wet wipes

small stuffed animals
small hand lotions
pens/pencils
cheery decorations

tissues/wet wipes
small \$ store gifts

Help will be needed to deliver love bags to 90 or more recipients during February!

Children's Ministry



Mission Possible Kids is for kids in Kindergarten through 5th Grade who want to help others and make a difference in the world!

MPK will meet from 5:30 – 7 p.m. **Sunday, January 28** in the Activities Room of the Education Building to put together Love Bags and help with other tasks. Join us! Please contact AmyStone@calvaryumc.org for more information and to order a Mission Possible Kids t-shirt.



We are hoping to take a church group to see the live onstage performance of

DANIEL at *Sight and Sound Theater* in Lancaster PA!

11 a.m. **Saturday, August 10** (leaving Frederick at 7:45 a.m.)

Tickets are already selling out fast – please let Amy Stone know if you and your family would like to join us! (Adults

\$89, Children 12 and under \$39)

<https://www.sight-sound.com/shows/lancaster/daniel/2024>



Mark your calendars for this summer's SCUBA VBS!

June 17 – June 20, 2024

Registration begins April 1. Please let Amy Stone know if you will be able to volunteer!

Prayer Concerns:

Recent Passing: Frannie Johnson, Shirley Lakel

Members of Calvary: Marilyn Moyers, Josie Cottone, Basil Eavey, Peggy Griffee, Todd Main, Dick Alsmeyer, Ramona Yanike, Betty Brewer, Rita Sharpe, Nancy Dobbs, Nancy Crum, Judy Allen, Lois Pacheco, Joyce Dixon, Eleanor Bowersox, Susan Howe, Reed Keirn, Raymond Crum, Paul Nelson

Friends of Calvary: Abby Leach (Friend of the Family Circle Class), Family of Frank Warner (Brother of Jan Cline), John and Dottie Stenner, Donnie Green (former member), Sarah Jenkins (Sister of Mary Crum), Irene Shafer (Friend of Betsy Bryant), Cheryl Christine (Chris) Irving (Wife of Drew Irving), Patty Lockard (Weekday School Director), 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), 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), Alice, Marion and Becky Woodward, family members of Rita Sharpe, Hannah Addair, Virginia Painter Floyd, Jill Sizemore, Anne Hovis, Gil Crippen, Rhonda Wills, Ann Kushick, Jim Clark, June Tucker and family, friends of Rita Sharpe



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