

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.

November 17, 2024

10:00 a.m. Worship Service



Uncommon Generosity

Prelude

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

Text: St. Frances of Assisi, translated by William Draper, German Melody
Children’s Choir, Joyce Summers, pianist

*Passing the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Welcome, announcements

*Call to Worship (read responsively)

The Lord is our rock, our fortress, and our deliverer.

Our God, our rock, in whom we take refuge.

God is our shield, and the giver of salvation.

Let us call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised!

*Hymn

“From All That Dwell Bellow the Skies”

UMH #101

Prayer of Confession (said together)

Wondrous and generous God, you have blessed us with gentle rains, glorious sunsets, and sun-warmed days. You have blessed us with loving families, kind friends, and a caring church. Let us receive these gifts with thankfulness and humility. We cannot earn nor do we deserve such generosity, but we graciously open our hearts and hands to receive.

Forgive us when we are hardhearted and tight-fisted, when we don't let your goodness flow through us, when we hide our talents and turn away from the needs of the world. Release us, Holy One, from fear, and create a contagious spirit of generosity that fills the world with hope. Amen.

Silent Prayer

Pardon and Forgiveness

God is merciful and gracious, full of forgiveness, abounding in love and overflowing with blessing. Receive the gift of forgiveness; live this day with new hope and strength to love.

Amen.

Scripture Lessons Deuteronomy 15:7-8 David Cline
 2 Corinthians 9:5-8

Anthem Sing - Along Hymn "For the Beauty of the Earth"
 Words by Folliot Pierpoint, music by Conrad Kocher
 Children's Choir and Sanctuary Choir, Joyce Summers, pianist
All are welcome to join the Children's and the Sanctuary Choir in singing this hymn

*Gospel Lesson John 6:5-14 David Cline

*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 "O For a Heart to Praise My Lord" UMH #417

Sermon When Little Is turned Into Abundance Rev. Steve Larsen
 Uncommon Generosity

Time for Reflection and Commitment

Joys and Concerns

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

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

Please pray this prayer using the words that are closest to you heart:

Our (Father/Mother/Creator), 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

We Offer Our Gifts and Tithes

Our giving is a joyful and prayerful response to God's gifts to us.

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.

Offertory

“Thanks Be to God”
by Handel, arr. by Hal H. Hopson

*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!**

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

UMH #133

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Postlude

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” setting by Robert Lau

*Going Forth

Ushers: Terre Rhoderick, Richard Delauter, Judy Wilson, Paul Muehl, Dave Mills

Coffee Host: David Cline

Acolyte: Charlotte Miller

The altar flowers are given in celebration of all our gals November birthdays (Margie's, Marilyn's, Adelynn's and Kristina's) and also, in memory of my mother's (Ernestine) and my mother-in-law's (Ada) birthdays.

Children's Sunday School for **Preschool 3-Year-Olds** through **5th Graders**. Join us for songs, snacks, crafts and Bible learning! We meet in the Activities Room of the Education Building from **9:00 - 9:45 a.m. every Sunday**. For more information, please contact AmyStone@calvaryumc.org or sign up using this link:

<https://calvaryfrederick.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/113/responses/new>

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*.

The Tuesday Pastor's Bible Study - Next Bible Study will be Tuesday, November 19.



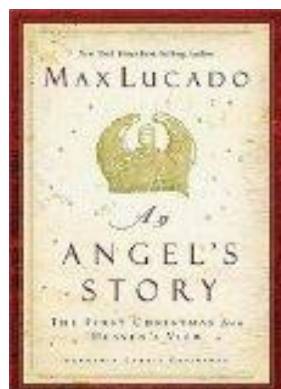
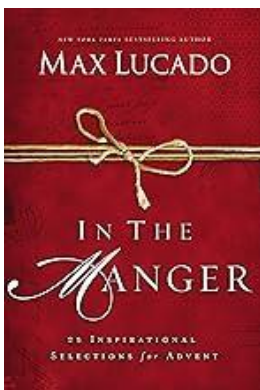
**Our next meeting is on
Sunday, November 24!
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.
Please plan to join us!**

Register Here!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0949ACAD2FABFBC61-48584528-mission#/>

Fluffing the Wreaths will take place at **9 a.m. Friday, November 29**. All are welcome to come and help prepare the decorations for the church greening on Saturday. Coffee and muffins will be served.

Hanging of the Greens, 9 a.m. Saturday, November 30. Please contact Beth Strakonsky at beth.strakonsky@gmail.com for more information



Get Ready for Advent

Now on Calvary's library cart in the Parish Hall are two books by best-selling author Max Lucado to help you prepare for the birth of Jesus. Check them out today!

In the Manger
The Angel's Story

Week of November 17 ~ November 24

Today, Sunday, November 17

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

Monday, November 18

7:00 p.m. Finance Committee

Tuesday, November 19

10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study
1:30 p.m. Wesleyan Circle Meeting
6:30 p.m. Joyful Noise Handbells
7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Wednesday, November 20

6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Education Committee

Sunday, November 24

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship
11:15 a.m. Children's Choir
3:00 p.m. SHP Reception
5:30 p.m. Mission Possible Kids
5:30 p.m. Youth Group

Update- Walk for WASH

On October 20, 2024, Calvary's Youth held the annual J. Ray Frank Memorial Walk to raise funds for the church's mission and outreach activities. This year the walk supported the UMC Global Mission's Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) program. Sixteen walkers and three volunteers helped to raise \$2,410 to support WASH. These funds will help the program provide clean and accessible drinking water, sanitation improvements, and hygiene programs in less developed countries around the world. Thank you to all who contributed to making this walk a success!

SHIP Homeless for the Holiday Hygiene Drive

Calvary UMC is once again supporting SHIP's (Student Homelessness Initiative Partnership) Hygiene Drive. Now thru Dec 31, we will be collecting new, full sized hygiene products for students in Frederick County experiencing homelessness.

The Christmas wrapped SHIP collection box can be found in the hallway outside the Parish Hall. Listed below are the most needed items. Please contact Beth Stitely with any questions. 301-730-8282, Autumn.purple@hotmail.com.

- Ethnic Hair Care Products
- Deodorant
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Body Wash
- Laundry Detergent
- Razors
- Hand Soap
- First Aid Items
- Dental Floss
- Mouth Wash
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Feminine Hygiene Product
- Shaving Cream
- Body Lotion
- Hair Brushes
- Hair Ties
- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper

Prayer Concerns:

Recent Passing: Rev. Carroll Doggett

Members of Calvary:

Patricia Pettingall, Rev. Ken Humbert, Ginger Ward, Mike Isaacs, Jackie Grimes, Helen Alysmeier, Nancy Huffman, Gracie Heller, Joyce Dixon, Lois Pacheco, Bobbie Parsons, Rita Sharpe, Ann Crum, Marilyn Moyers, Peggy Griffiee, Ramona Yanike, Nancy Dobbs, Judy Allen, John Stenner, Paul Metcalf

Friends of Calvary:

Dom Norris (Friend of Drew Irving), Waldo Blake (Father of Melissa Rust), Jan Nefflen (Friend of Peggy Rhoderick), Kassidy Noble (Niece of Brad and Jennie Davy), Eileen Morrow (Cousin of Karen Gebhart), Angela Gorens (Friend of Stephanie Felton), Jerry Black (Son-in-law of Betsy Bryant), Drew Wilson, Marie Slovikosky Miller, and Mike Miller (Brother and Sister-in-law of Nancy Slovikosky), Sarah Jenkins (Sister of Mary Crum), Cheryl Christine (Chris) Irving (Wife of Drew Irving), Allan Huffman (Son of Nancy Huffman), Brian Jones (Friend of the Linda & Scott English), Scott Berry, Janet Stone (Mother of Jeff Stone), Hope Patterson and Cathy Short (Sisters of Charlotte Pasquerette), Ken Kessel (Brother of Susan Baggette), Audrey Cash (Friend of Helen Sheppard), Kitty Cooley (Sister of Connie Scoggins), Suzanne Simpson and Adam Shake (Sister & brother-in-law to Christy Mossburg), Alice and Becky Woodward (Family of Rita Sharpe), Virginia Painter Floyd, Jill and Tracy Sizemore, Gil Crippen, Jim Clark, Ida Durden, and Janella Walls, Louise Brieto (Family Members and Friends of Rita Sharpe)

December Dates:

- Wednesday, December 4 – Calvary Blood Drive, 8:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, December 7 – Advent Tea, 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
- Sunday, December 8 – Exploring Membership Class, 9:00 a.m.
- Friday, December 13 – Drop off Bake a Batch Cookies Begins/ Kris Kringle Procession, 5:30 p.m.
- Saturday, December 14 – Bake a Batch Cookie Tray Assembly, 9 a.m.
- Saturday, December 14 – Children’s Christmas Pageant Dress Rehearsal, 10 a.m.
- Sunday, December 15 – Children’s Annual Christmas Pageant, 9 a.m.
- Sunday, December 22 – Youth Group Christmas Party, 5:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 24 – Christmas Eve Services, 5 p.m., 7 p.m., and 9 p.m.
- Thursday, December 26 – Historic Houses of Worship Tour, 3 p.m.-8 p.m.

Calvary UMC Women's Advent Tea, Saturday December 7, 2 p.m.-4 p.m.

Calvary UMC Women's
Annual Advent Tea



Saturday December 7, 2024, 2-4pm
131 West Second Street, Frederick MD
*All women and girls of Calvary
including family and friends are invited*

Enjoy Afternoon Tea served by the men of Calvary
Sharing customs and decor from many countries
Singing favorite Christmas songs
Solos by Lainey Davy, accompanied by Joyce Summers
and Special Holiday Door Prizes



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