

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 12, 2025

Baptism of the Lord

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Prelude

“Voluntary in G”

by William Boyce
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)

based on Ps. 29

Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,

Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory of God’s name,

Worship the Lord in holy array.

The voice of the Lord is upon the water.

The God of glory thunders, the Lord upon many waters.

The voice of the Lord is powerful.

The voice of God is full of majesty.

Let us praise the name of the Lord.

*Hymn

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

UMH #139

Opening Prayer (unison)

Living God, when your Spirit descended on Jesus at his baptism in Jordan’s waters, you revealed him as our own beloved Son. You anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Grant that all who are baptized into his name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior now and forever. Amen.

Scripture Lesson

Isaiah 43:1-7

Beth Strakonsky

Anthem

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

words and music by Graham Kendrick
Sanctuary Choir, Joyce Summers, pianist

*Gospel Lesson Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

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

“Spirit Song”

UMH #347

Sermon

I Will Be With You

Rev. Steve Larsen

Time for Reflection and Commitment

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

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

**Our Father (Mother/Parent), 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/. 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

“Hymne”

by Vangelis
Karen Gebhart, organist

*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

“Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart”

UMH #500

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Postlude

“Immortal, Invisible”

by Walter Charles Smith
Karen Gebhart, organist

*Going Forth

Ushers: Terre Rhoderick, Drew Irving, Bret Slovikosky, Paul Muehl, Dave Mills

Coffee Host: Helen Sheppard

Acolyte: Mikey Mills

The altar, lectern, and pulpit flowers are in memory of Joyce Dixon.

Ushers Needed please contact Dave Mills at dacmills78@gmail.com if you are interested in becoming an usher.

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#/#/](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- 5th, and meets in the chapel following the **Time with the Children.** Children's Church is now incorporating many elements of our traditional service so that children are interactively engaging in worship, just on a smaller scale.



3 p.m. Today, Sunday, January 12, 2025

Marjory Serrano-Coyer, violinist and Dr. Hsin-Yi Chen, pianist
Calvary UMC's 2024-2025 Community Concert Series presents Dr. Marjory Serrano-Coyer, violinist, and Dr. Hsin-Yi Chen, pianist, for an unforgettable musical journey called "Tranquil Turbulence: A Musical Odyssey."



Veggie Tale Movie Night is happening from **6 – 7 p.m. Friday, January 17** in the Activities Room of the Education Building. Join us for pizza, a movie, discussion, a craft and more! Wear your pajamas and bring a pillow and blanket if you'd like. Please register by contacting AmyStone@calvaryumc.org



Mission Possible Kids next meeting will be **5:30 p.m.-7 p.m. Sunday, January 26** in the Activities Room of the Education Building to assemble LOVE BAGS! Join us! Please contact AmyStone@calvaryumc.org for more information and to order a Mission Possible Kids t-shirt.



Calvary's **Mission Possible Kids** will be decorating and assembling individual **LOVE BAGS** for our beloved Calvary Members and Friends of Calvary who could use a little extra love as Valentine's Day approaches. If you would like to order items to help fill our LOVE BAGS, please use this Wish List to order what is needed:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/30GPR7U2Y8RS9?ref=wl_share

Please donate items by January 15.

Help will be needed to deliver **LOVE BAGS** to 70 or more recipients during the month of February! Look for our beautifully decorated bags in the main hallway of the church building and please deliver one or two using the addresses printed on the labels.

*If you know of someone who would appreciate receiving a LOVE BAG this year, please contact AmyStone@calvaryumc.org so that we can make sure to get them on our list!

Pajama Drive for Heartly House

Since 1979 Heartly House has been the only organization in Frederick County providing comprehensive services – free of charge – to survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, intimate partner violence, human trafficking, and child abuse. Fleeing for their safety, many come with nothing in hand. To sleep comfortably, especially that first crucial evening, they need night clothes. Calvary is holding a **Valentine Drive for NEW pajamas** – women's and children's – all sizes and some non-gender specific. As you notice after-Christmas sales be sure to look out for new pajamas to donate to this important cause. A container will be available on the Parish Hall stage from January through February for donations. Please package your selections in clear plastic bags to help their distribution.



Calvary UMC Community Concert Series presents:

Anna Lapwood, organist ~ 4 p.m. Sunday, April 13, 2025

From the United Kingdom, international sensation and star Anna Lapwood will present a mix of classical and contemporary organ favorites. Known for her passion to bring organ music to the masses with the goal of making it relevant and fun, Anna will delight and entertain as she engages all the colors and sounds of Calvary UMC's new Zimmer pipe organ. Anna is an associate at the Royal Albert Hall (London) and is director of music at Pembroke College (Cambridge).

THIS WILL BE A TICKETED EVENT DUE TO ANNA'S POPULARITY AND WE EXPECT TO FILL ALL SEATS IN THE SANCTUARY AND BALCONY.

Calvary congregant members may request complimentary tickets during the month of January only by emailing Joyce Summers at jsummers@calvaryumc.org or by leaving a voice mail at 301.606.8007. Please include the name(s) of each person in your email or voice mail. These complimentary tickets are intended for Calvary congregant members only; please do not request tickets for others who are not members. On February 1, 2025, tickets will go on sale to the general public via a ticketing website. There will not be tickets available at the door on April 13.

If you're not familiar with Anna, check out her Facebook page, her TikTok or Instagram page, or search her name on YouTube. She has hundreds of thousands of followers and she performs all over the world. Calvary is extremely fortunate to have secured a date in her 2025 U.S. tour.



I Don't Have Time to Read. Yes, you do!

Calvary's Mobile Library has all the right stuff by:

Max Lucado, Richard Paul Evans, Barbara Kingsolver, Adam Hamilton and others.

And . . . You Can Help Us Expand. If you have an interesting title you would like to *donate* to Calvary's Mobile Library, leave it in the container in the Parish Hall near the book cart. We're looking for *exciting subjects in good condition* to add to our collection. Some suggestions:

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| Christian Fiction in All Genres | People of the Bible |
| Devotional Literature | Prayer, Faith, and Healing |
| End of Life Circumstances | Proactive Christianity |
| Enduring Illness | Social Action |
| History of Christianity | Spiritual Growth |
| Inspirational Biographies | Teachings of Jesus |
| John Wesley | Justice and Ethics |

January 12, 2025~January 19, 2025

Today, Sunday, January 12

9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship
11:00 a.m. Reconciling Ministry Team
11:15 a.m. Children's Choir
3:00 p.m. Concert
5:30 p.m. Youth Group

Monday, January 13

12:00 p.m. Bazaar Luncheon
7:00 p.m. SHP Team Meeting
7:00 p.m. Trustees

Tuesday, January 14

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

Wednesday, January 15

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

Friday, January 17

6:00 p.m. Veggie Tale Movie Night

Saturday, January 18

9:30 a.m. WRS

Next Sunday, January 19

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

Prayer Concerns:

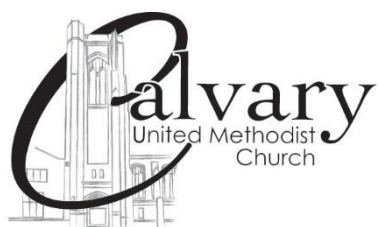
Recent Passing: Ron Dudley, Joyce Dixon, Bobbie Parsons

Members of Calvary:

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

Friends of Calvary:

Jan Bates (Aunt to Leisa Moyer), Isla (Granddaughter to Friends of Pat and Dave Herber), Ruth Spring (Friend of Stephanie Felton), Dom Norris (Friend of Drew Irving), Waldo Blake (Father of Melissa Rust), Jan Nefflen (Friend of Peggy Rhoderick), Cassidy 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 (Sister 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)



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