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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.



April 6, 2025

Fifth Sunday in Lent 10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Prelude

"Jesus, Walked this Lonesome Valley" setting by Roger Wilson 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) We come to worship because we long for mercy. We long for community. We long for God. We come to worship because we need a good word. We need connection. We need moral reminders. We come to worship because we are in between: Hope and grief, faith and doubt, joy and longing, curiosity and conviction. So, we come to worship and God meets us here. Surely, we are not alone. Thanks be to God for meeting us in the middle! Amen. "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" *Hymn UMH # 295 Call to Confession Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, When we fail to be righteous, show us mercy. When we fail to be merciful, show us what is right.

Again and again, bring us closer to you. Again and again, show us the way. Amen. Words of Forgiveness Family of faith, hear and believe this good news: When we fail to be righteous, God is merciful. When we fail to be merciful, God invites us to try again. Again and again, God moves closer to us. Again and again, God shows us the way. Thanks be to God for this unending love. Amen. *Gospel Lesson Luke 19:1-10 Margie Wilde *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-5th grade are invited to Children's Church 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 | "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" | UMH #297 |
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| Sermon | Everything In Between | Rev. Steve Larsen |
| | Righteousness & Mercy | |

Time for Reflection and Commitment

Pastoral Prayer

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 <u>www.Calvaryumc.org/give/</u>. 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

"Faith, Hope and Love"

music by Pachelbel, arranged by David Ogden

Sanctuary Choir, Joyce Summers, conductor, Dr. Adela Peeva, organist

*Doxology

UMH #298, st. 4

Were the whole realm of nature mine. That were an offering far too small. Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

*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 (unison)

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

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Postlude

"Adagio"

by William Walond



Throughout this season of Lent, we will be looking at several familiar stories found in the Gospel of Luke that point two or more things that Jesus holds together in creative tension. What may seem to be opposites can turn out to be where we find God is most present.

The theme, artwork, and many prayers for our worship services in the season of Lent are adapted from | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org

Help Wanted

The church is seeking someone to serve as a host for the Blood Drives we hold five times a year in collaboration with the American Red Cross. To learn more, contact Pastor Steve (revsteve@calvaryumc.org) or Eric Anderson (eric.anderson@frederickhabitat.org)

Ushers: Dave Mills, Bill Pasquerette, Mark MacDonald, Paul Muehl Coffee Host: David Cline Acolyte: Emily Harris

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 <u>AmyStone@calvaryumc.org</u> 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: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b4aa9a82aa4ff2-acolyte/18827003#/</u> If you have any questions please contact Stefanie Harris at jujubee820@yahoo.com

Throughout this Lenten season, we are reminded this is a time of reflection, sacrifice, and service. It is a season when we look inward to grow spiritually and outward to live out our faith in meaningful ways.

Every Member in Ministry Survey is a simple but powerful way for each of us to discern how we can serve within our church community. Just as Jesus humbled Himself to serve others, we are called to use our time and talents to uplift those around us. Whether through hospitality, missions, teaching, or outreach, there is a place for everyone to give back.

You will find the survey – and our Ministry Guide – in the pews, Narthex, and Welcome Center. Please complete and return your surveys at your earliest convenience. Thank you!

Children's Sunday School Lenten Mission Project

From March 9 – April 20, The Children's Sunday School Classes will be collecting the items below to benefit the Emergency Shelter at Heartly House in Frederick. Please look for the donation box in the Activities Room of the Education Building.

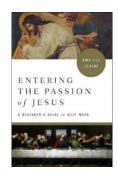




Please join us for a Family Easter Celebration! 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Saturday, April 19, 2025 Calvary UMC Parish Hall Please register at https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0949ACAD2FABFBC61-48405082-calvarys

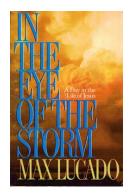
Contact <u>AmyStone@calvaryumc.org</u> for more information.

Donations of small candies, stickers, and prizes are being collected to stuff in Easter Eggs from March 9 – April 6! Thank you!



119 BOOKS. That's how many titles you can read in our mobile library. Check out the new titles for APRIL -

THE PASSION OF CHRIST Entering the Passion of Jesus – Amy-Jill Levine The Eye of the Storm – Max Lucado





Save the Date! 2 p.m. Saturday, May 31 – Pastor Steve's Retirement tribute and reception. The reception committee for Pastor Steve's Retirement Celebration is requesting "covered dishes" to complement what we are providing. Look for a sign-up sheet at the information desk starting Sunday,

March 30. Your dish must be plated and ready to serve. If you would rather write a check to help cover expenses, please put it on the collection plate and include 'retirement celebration' on the memo line.

Prayer Concerns:

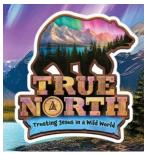
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Members of Calvary:

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Lillian Schwarzenberg (Mother of Roy Schwarzenberg), Carol Burnette (Sister of Judy Johnson), Wendi Cyford (Friend of Angie and Eric Anderson), Marcy (Friend of Julie Schwarzenberg), Agnes Dobson (Mother of Grace Dobson), Ruth Spring (Friend of Stephanie Felton), Dom Norris (Friend of Drew Irving), Jan Nefflen (Friend of Peggy Rhoderick), Family of 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), Kitty Cooley (Sister of Connie Scoggins), Suzanne Simpson and Adam Shake (Sister & brother-in-law to Christy Mossburg), Gil Crippen, Jim Clark, Ida Durden, and Janella Walls, Louise Brieto (Family Members and Friends of Rita Sharpe



Mark your calendars for this summer's!
TRUE NORTH VBS! June 23 –June 26, 2025
Online registration begins April 1 at calvaryumc.org.
If you are available to volunteer for this fun and amazing ministry, please contact <u>AmyStone@calvaryumc.org</u>.
Sign Up Today!! Use the following link to complete a registration form.

https://calvaryfrederick.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/115/responses/new



Calvary United Methodist Church Scholarship forms are now available at <u>www.calvaryumc.org</u> then click the News drop down list, then Scholarships. There are two applications available, online or printable. All forms must be submitted by **May 18, 2025.**



April 13 ~ Palm Sunday

- April 17 ~ Maundy (Holy) Thursday, 7:00 p.m. Service, with Holy Communion
- April 18 ~ Good Friday, Noon and 7:00 p.m. Service, with Stations of the Cross
- April 20 ~ Easter Sunday, 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion

April 6, 2025~April 13, 2025

Today, Sunday, April 6

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

Tuesday, April 8

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

Wednesday, April 9 6:00 p.m. Lenten Study

Saturday, April 12 7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast

Next Sunday, April 13 *Palm Sunday* 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 4:00 p.m. Concert 5:30 p.m. Youth Group





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