

**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.*

April 13, 2025

Palm/Passion Sunday 10:00 a.m. Worship Service



Prelude

“Jubilant Procession”  
by Handel, arranged by Mark Ardrey-Graves  
Joyful Noise Ringers

Welcome, announcements

\*Call to Worship (read responsively)

On this day, Jesus marched

**in between the city walls and the Temple,  
in between joyful Hosannas and doubtful whispers,  
in between oppressive poverty and greedy power,  
in between rampant fear and hope unfurled.**

On this day, Jesus marched in between what had been  
and what could be.

**So may we meet Christ in that liminal space.**

**May we lay down our coats in that messy middle.**

Hosanna in the highest!

**Hosanna in between!**

\*Processional Hymn

“All Glory Laud and Honor”

UMH #280

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (unison)

**Great Creator, forgive us  
when we speak before listening,  
when we speak over our neighbor,  
when we speak with barbed words.  
Creator God, forgive us  
when we listen to society,**

when we listen to my friends,  
when we listen to the news or social media,  
but we do not listen to you.

Creator God, forgive us  
when we shout out, but do not shout your name,  
when we listen, but do not listen for your voice.

Create in us a clean heart, O Lord,  
and renew a right spirit within each of us. Amen.

# Words of Forgiveness

Friends, whether or not you stuck to your Lenten goals this year, whether or not this is your first time in church or your thousandth time whether or not you know to speak to God or listen for God's voice, God listens to you. God is merciful. God is abounding in steadfast love.

There is nothing you could do or leave undone that could keep God from loving you. So, hear and believe the good news of the gospel:

**We are seen. We are heard. We are loved. We are forgiven.**

**Not a day goes by that we ever walk alone.**

**Hosanna in the highest! Amen.**

Scripture Lesson                      Psalm 118:19-29, pg. 434

Beth Strakonsky

## Anthem

## “Hosanna”

text and music by Stephen Elkins

Children's Choir, Joyce Summers, pianist

\*Gospel Lesson                      Luke 19:29-40, pg. 63

Beth Strakonsky

\*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-5th 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 “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

UMH #278

# Sermon

## Everything in Between Shouting & Silence

Rev. Steve Larsen

## Time for Reflection and Commitment

## Prayer for Ourselves and Others

### 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.**

### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> St, Frederick, MD 21701.*

*Online payments can be made easily and securely by going to [www.Calvaryumc.org/give/](http://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

**"Prepare the Way, O Zion"**

arranged by Mark Schweizer

Sanctuary Choir, Joyce Summers, pianist

### \*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.**

### \*Prayer of Dedication

### \*Hymn

**"Lift High the Cross"**

UMH #159

### \*Dismissal with Blessing

### \*Postlude

Toccata in D minor

by Gaston Bèlier  
Guest organist, Brody Bett

### \*Going Forth

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We are pleased to welcome **Brody Bett** as our guest organist today. Brody is 15 years old and has been studying organ since the age of 6. He is the full-time organist for Irving Park United Methodist Church in Greensboro, NC, a position he has held since age 11. Brody is also a singer and pianist and has performed across the country since he was 8 years old. He has played some of the world's largest pipe organs including the Wannamaker, Salt Lake City Tabernacle, Disney Concert Hall and the famous Hazel Wright at Christ Cathedral in California. Brody has been blessed to perform for many people and events including a program for the L'Organo Series at The Spoleto Festival in Charleston, SC. In December 2024, he was the organist at The Citadel for the wedding of Cornel Zimmer, the owner and founder of Cornel Zimmer Organ Builders in Denver, NC, who built Calvary UMC's beautiful new pipe organ. Brody's goal is to spread the beauty of the organ to everyone, especially young people, and be an inspiration and advocate for these beautiful instruments. You can follow him on Facebook by searching his name.

### **Lenten Worship Series**



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](http://sanctifiedart.org)

### **Maundy (Holy) Thursday – April 17**

There will be a worship service at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary with the Sanctuary Choir and Holy Communion.

### **Good Friday – April 18**

There will be a worship service at both noon and 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary Friday remembering the passion of Christ through visual art, scripture readings, prayers and hymns.

### **Easter Sunday – April 20**

There will be two Easter worship services on Sunday, one at 9 a.m. and the other at 11 a.m. Both will include the Sanctuary Choir, special music, and Holy Communion. Come join us in the celebration of the good news of the resurrection and the gift of everlasting life for all in Christ.

**Ushers:** Dave Mills, Bill Pasquerette, Mark MacDonald, Paul Muehl

**Coffee Host:** Leisa Moyer

**Acolyte:** Mikey Mills

**Ushers Needed!** Please contact Dave Mills at [dacmills78@gmail.com](mailto:dacmills78@gmail.com) if you are interested in becoming an usher.

### **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](mailto:revsteve@calvaryumc.org)) or Eric Anderson ([eric.anderson@frederickhabitat.org](mailto:eric.anderson@frederickhabitat.org))

**Children's Sunday School** for **Preschool 3-Year-Olds** through **5<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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](mailto:jujubee820@yahoo.com)

### **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**

Calvary UMC Parish Hall

Please register at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0949ACAD2FABFBC61-48405082-calvarys>

Contact [AmyStone@calvaryumc.org](mailto:AmyStone@calvaryumc.org) for more information.



**Save the Date! 2 p.m. Saturday, May 31** – Pastor Steve's Retirement tribute and reception. The reception committee for the 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.

**The Youth/Young Adult Mission** team is looking for team members for their trip to Henderson Settlement from July 20 – July 26. In particular, we are looking for one or more male members with home repair skills. Please reach out to Ms. Jenn if you are interested. [missjenn@calvaryumc.org](mailto:missjenn@calvaryumc.org)

### **Calvary's Reconciling Team Announces:**

In response to some of the questions from your surveys (thank you so much for giving us over 100 responses!) we are excited to offer two showings of the movie entitled 1946: The Mistranslation That Shifted Culture. This documentary follows the story of researchers who trace the origins of when the word *homosexual* appeared in the Bible for the first time – 1946. The movie is very interesting and tells the story of the research and biblical study and human story behind this history.

We are offering two showings – one during the day and one in the evening, with dinner and childcare provided.

- Wednesday – April 30 – 2-4pm – in the Parish Hall, drinks and cookies provided
- Friday – May 9 – 6-8pm – in the Parish Hall, drinks and dinner provided (This event will be in conjunction with a Veggie Tales Evening sponsored by Amy Stone in the Educational Building.) Dinner begins promptly at 6pm and movie at 6:10.

If you would like to watch the movie, 1946, and can't make either showing – it is available for rent or purchase on Amazon Prime.

This event is sponsored by Calvary's Reconciling Team: Paul Nelson, Jim Hamilton, Norma Hamilton, Marcia Rose Fuoss, Laura Hunter, Jay Pittman, Wanda Bulkowski-Larsen, Jenn Duthoy, Vicky Starnes and Amy Stone. Questions? Contact Jay Pittman at [jaypittman840@gmail.com](mailto:jaypittman840@gmail.com).

After I glanced in the mirror this morning I decided my garage needed a facelift.



No electronics or exercise machines.

On Sundays after church . . .

Drop off your DONATIONS  
May 1<sup>st</sup> – June 1<sup>st</sup>

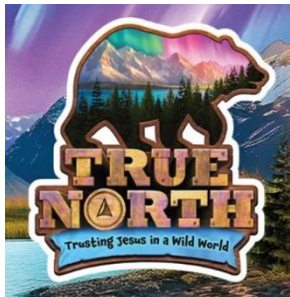
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Camping, Lawn and Garden Equipment

**Calvary's Yard Sale**  
June 7 ♦7:00am to 1:00pm

**Calvary United Methodist Church Scholarship** forms are now available at [www.calvaryumc.org](http://www.calvaryumc.org) 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**.







**Mark your calendars for this summer's Vacation Bible School!**

**TRUE NORTH VBS!** June 23 – June 26, 2025

**Online registration begins April 1 at [calvaryumc.org](http://calvaryumc.org).**

If you are available to volunteer for this fun and amazing ministry, please contact [AmyStone@calvaryumc.org](mailto:AmyStone@calvaryumc.org).

**Sign Up Today!! Use the following link to complete a registration form.**

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

### **April 13, 2025~April 20, 2025**

Today, Palm Sunday, April 13

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship

4:00 p.m. Concert

5:30 p.m. Youth Group

Monday, April 14

7:00 p.m. SHP Team Meeting

Tuesday, April 15

1:30 p.m. Wesleyan Circle

6:30 p.m. Joyful Noise Handbells

7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Wednesday, April 16

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

Thursday, April 17

7:00 p.m. Holy Thursday Worship

Good Friday, April 18

12:00 p.m. Good Friday Worship

7:00 p.m. Good Friday Worship

Saturday, April 19

2:00 p.m. Family Easter Celebration

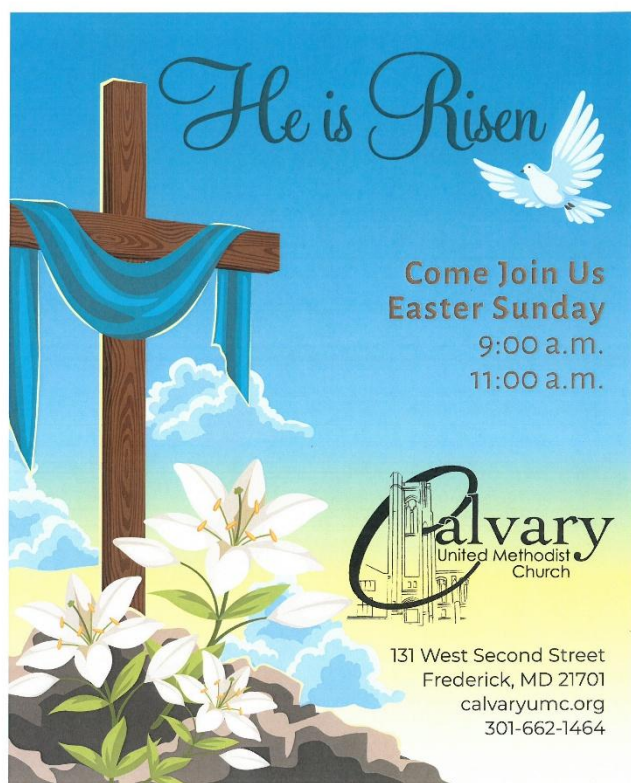
Next Sunday, April 20

*Easter Sunday*

9:00 a.m. Worship

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 p.m. Worship





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