

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.

May 25, 2025

The 6th Sunday of Easter

10:00 a.m. Worship Service



Prelude "Land of Rest" Traditional American Melody, setting by Joseph M. Martin
Dr. Adela Peeva, pianist

*Passing the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Welcome, announcements

*Call to Worship (read responsively)

Come! Weak-kneed and tongue-tied, come. All you who are feeling hassled and harried, come. All you with shattered dreams and punctured hopes, come. For here is the water of life and the springs of joy.

We come as we are.

Gather round. All you with lonely hearts and worried brows. All you fragile vessels bearing the hurt of the world, all you carrying the wounds of rejection, all you knowing the ambushes of life, come. For here is the love of a community gathered to offer praise and thanksgiving.

We come with our needs.

Come. Here is a banquet for your soul, a vision of peace and harmony, a feast of hope and healing. Come.

We come to be fed.

Come close; gather in. God is here. Christ is present. Hear the whispers of grace. Feel the warmth of love. Know the healing of wounds. Sense the hope and embrace the joy. God has for us.

We come together. God's love makes us one.

*Hymn

“He Leadeth Me”

UMH #128

Opening Prayer (unison)

**Sojourning God, your Spirit exists everywhere, on every path, inviting us to move with curiosity and compassion toward each other. Show us how to be humble and willing to accept that all people are sacred and made in your image. May we grow in peace, enlarge in love, and deepen in our understanding. Nudge and guide us, we pray.
Amen.**

Scripture Lesson

Revelation 21:22-26

David Cline

Anthem

“Across the Lands”

Words and music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend
Sanctuary Choir

*Gospel Lesson

John 14:23-29

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-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

“Shall We Gather at the River”

UMH #723

Sermon

The Awakened Traveler
Week 3: The Reflection

Rev. Steve Larsen

Time for Reflection and Commitment

Pastoral Prayer

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 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

“Morning Meditation”

by Steve Scott

*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

“This is My Song”

UMH #437

We invite those who have a birthday this month to come forward for a blessing during the singing of the hymn.

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Postlude

“Marching To Zion”

by Robert Lowry

*Going Forth

Worship Series: The Awakened Traveler (4 Sundays)

Jesus is always on a journey moving from place to place. The call to discipleship is a call to come and follow him. Our own travels can become a sort of journey

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

Coffee Hosts: Paul Nelson

Acolyte: Charlotte Miller

Altar Flowers: In memory of Martha Nelson and all who have given their lives in service to our country, by Paul Nelson

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**.

Acolytes Needed: Please contact Stefanie Harris at jujubee820@yahoo.com to sign up.

It's Almost Yard Sale Time!

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



We want

On Sundays after church . . .

Drop off your DONATIONS
May 1st – June 1st

Clothing★Household Items★Tools★Office Supplies★Kitchenware★Jewelry★Baby Items
Toys★Christmas Decorations★Board Games
Books★DVDs★CDs★Video Games★Bicycles
Vinyl Records★Antiques★Plants★Baked Goods
Camping, Lawn and Garden Equipment

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

FOR

No electronics or exercise machines.

WAYS YOU CAN HELP!

1. Bring your usable treasures you no longer want to the stage from **May 1 – June 4**.
2. Pot your extra plants & bring them to the hallway outside the Parish Hall **Thursday, June 5 or Friday, June 6**.
3. For the Bake Sale: bake and bag your items in small portions [4-6 cookies, 1-2 muffins, etc.]. Leave them in the kitchen by **Friday, June 6**. No custard or items needing refrigeration.
4. Sign up to sort & organize items the week before the sale. We work from 8:30 a.m. – noon. Most help is needed early in the week. Come to work whatever portion of the morning that fits your schedule.
5. Sign up to work on **Saturday, June 7**. Indicate the hours you can help.
6. Sign up to help with clean up.
7. Sign up to bring your truck or SUV to make a trip to Goodwill with unsold items on **Saturday afternoon, June 7**.

Calvary UMC SHP Bed Build

For the fourth year, Calvary UMC will be sponsoring a bed build for Frederick Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP), our local non-profit providing beds with all new bedding for any child ages 3-17 who needs a bed. The build will be held from **5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 12** at the build barn in Adamstown. The barn is located at 2553 Buckeystown Pike, Adamstown, MD 21710. Look for the flags at the farm entrance.

This is a wonderful evening of service and fellowship as we work together to assemble parts for 20 beds and then stay to enjoy a time of fellowship and ICE CREAM! Consider bringing your grandchildren or inviting others to join you. We are inviting all ages this year and just ask that any children under 10 be accompanied by an adult (one adult for each child). We now have a much safer solid concrete floor (no more remnants of the uneven flooring of the old milk barn). We hope the June date will have warmer weather and less conflict with school/sport activities. Or consider just riding out to see the activities and enjoy ice cream (served around 7 p.m.). Please bring your own chairs as we will be sitting near the barn.

To sign up for the event or if you have any questions, please contact Dave or Pat Herber (pkherber@gmail.com). If you are viewing this notice in an electronic version, you may also register on the SHP Golden Volunteer system using the link below. Also, if you would like to make a financial donation to support this build, please make your check payable to CUMC and designate SHP Bed Build on the memo line. Hope to see many of you on June 12!

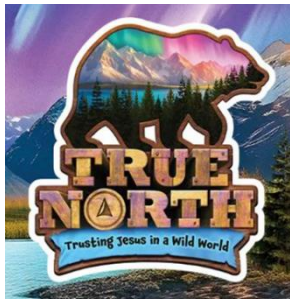
<https://volunteer.shpbeds.org/timeslots/jOcfUEe8ff>



Calling All Agents! Kindergarten-5th Grade, our next Mission Possible Kids meeting will be on **Sunday, June 1, 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.**

Please register at:

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



Vacation Bible School is almost here!

9 a.m. - Noon, Ages 3 Years Old - 5th Graders

Monday, June 23 - Thursday, June 26

Online Registration is now open at

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

or visit www.calvaryumc.org.

Volunteers, please plan to attend ONE of the important Information Meetings being held in the Conference Room.

Wednesday, May 28, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 4, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 8, 11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

It's not too late to volunteer! Please contact AmyStone@calvaryumc.org for more information!

Snack donations are also needed - please look for sign-up sheets in the Parish Hall. Thank you for helping to make our VBS an amazing week of sharing God's love with our youngest church members and guests!

Henderson Settlement Diaper Drive: The Youth Group would like to take LOTS of diapers to Henderson on their mission trip. Diapers of ALL sizes are needed – infant to adult sizes and wipes. Please put them in the basket in the foyer of the cradle in the Parish Hall. The little ones and their parents will be very thankful.

Pastor Steve's Retirement Reception

Thank you for signing up to bring a covered dish for Pastor Steve's Retirement Reception on **Saturday, May 31!** Terre and I will be setting up from 1 p.m.-3 p.m. on Friday, May 30, if you want to bring your dish early. You can also drop food off 30-45 minutes before the program on Saturday. Please have your dish plated and ready to serve. You, the congregation, have really "stepped up to the plate" literally by signing up for a variety of yummy sides! If you would rather write a check to help cover reception expenses, please put RETIREMENT CELEBRATION in the memo line and drop off at the church office or put in the collection plate. It takes a congregation to pull off a retirement celebration for a beloved pastor! See you on May 31! – Peggy Rhoderick

The Grateful Hearts need your help! Paulette Shockey will be stepping down at the end of this school year as the main teacher for this important ministry, and we thank her for her many years of service and dedication to this class.

We are in need of a new Lead Teacher for the Grateful Hearts class, beginning this fall on Sunday, September 7. This teacher would volunteer to plan and implement weekly lessons with the help of the assistants.

Calvary has been able to continue this wonderful ministry for over 40 years because of the help and support of so many amazing and compassionate volunteers. We would be devastated to have to discontinue this program due to lack of support. Please contact Margie Wilde for more information at skywilde@comcast.net

****The Church Parking Lot** will be Closed on **Wednesday, May 28 from 10:15 a.m.-11:00 a.m.** for the Weekday Schools Bubble Day. Please refrain from dropping off yard sale items until after 11:00 a.m. that day.

May 25, 2025~June 1, 2025

Today, May 25, 2025

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, May 26

Memorial Day Holiday

Tuesday, May 27

6:30 p.m. Joyful Noise Handbells

7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir

Wednesday, May 28

10:15 a.m.-11 a.m. Kindergarten Bubble Day

2:00 p.m. Miriam's Circle

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

Saturday, May 31

2:00 p.m. Pastor Steve's Retirement Event

Next Sunday, June 1

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Worship

11:15 a.m. Children's Choir

5:30 p.m. End of Year Celebration for Youth Group

Prayer Concerns:

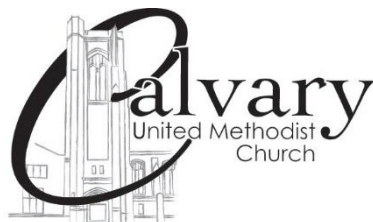
Recent Passing: Silvia Myers (Grateful Heart Member Mark Myers Mother)

Members of Calvary:

Nancy Slovikosky, Ginger Ward, Isam Ballenger, Jim Dobbs, Patricia Pettingall, Mike Isaacs, Helen Alysmeier, Nancy Huffman, Gracie Heller, Jack Heller, Lois Pacheco, Rita Sharpe, Ann Crum, Marilyn Moyers, Peggy Griffiee, Nancy Dobbs, John Stenner, Bob Bennett

Friends of Calvary:

Charles LeMaster (Father of Didi Willard), Thomas Crone (Brother-in-Law to Patsy Eavey), Chris Cubby (Friend of Paul Nelson), 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), 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), Janet Stone (Mother of Jeff Stone), Hope Patterson (Sister of Charlotte Pasquerette), Kitty Cooley (Sister of Connie Scoggins), Gil Crippen, Jim Clark, Ida Durden, and Janella Walls, Louise Brieto (Family Members and Friends of Rita Sharpe)



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