



Calvary United Methodist Church
131 West Second Street, Frederick, Maryland 21701

LOVE HOPE JESUS

WHAT WAS THE MESSAGE
OF JESUS—REALLY?

September 28, 2025
10:00 A.M. worship

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Your presence is an offering to God. Please take a moment to record your participation in worship on the welcome pad located at the end of the pew and pass to your neighbor. This is a great place to leave prayer joys, concerns or notes for the pastoral staff as they are reviewed each week in the office.

GATHERING HYMN

“I Love You, Lord”

TFWS #2068

WELCOME

Rick Miller, Worship Leader

PRELUDE & BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

“The Peace may be exchanged” from *Rubrics*

Dan Locklair

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Jesus said, “I am the bread of life.”

People: We hunger for the nourishment only He can give.

Leader: Jesus said, “I am the light of the world.”

People: We come to walk in His light and leave the darkness behind.

Leader: Jesus said, “I am the good shepherd.”

People: We follow His voice, trusting His care.

All: Come, let us worship Christ, our way, our truth, and our life.

***OPENING HYMN**

“I Am Thine, O Lord”

UMH #419

FAMILY TIME

Children's Church is for children ages 4 - 5th Grade and meets in the Chapel immediately following Family Time in the service.

OFFERING PRAYER

Christ our Shepherd and our Light, You have fed us with grace and guided us with truth. Accept these offerings as a sign of our love for You. Use them to feed the hungry, guide the lost, and bring light into places of shadow. Amen.

OFFERTORY

“Andante Sostenuto”

J. S. Bach/arr. by Richard Purvis

UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Jesus, our Bread of Life and Light of the World, we thank You for feeding our spirits and guiding our steps today. You have spoken truth to our questions, hope to our fears, and comfort to our weariness. We praise You for being our Good Shepherd, who knows us by name and calls us to follow You into life abundant. We thank You for the fellowship of believers who walk this journey with us, for the light that shines in our darkness, and for the daily bread that sustains us. As we go into this week, keep us close to Your side, let our lives reflect Your light, and use us to feed the hungers of the world with Your love.

PRAYER HYMN

“Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus”

UMH #349

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD’S PRAYER

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.

ANTHEM

“Write Your Blessed Name O Lord Upon My Heart”

Dale Grotenhuis

Sanctuary Choir

SCRIPTURE

John 6:35; 8:12; 10:11; 14:6

Beth Strakonsky

MESSAGE

“Who Do You Say That I Am”

Rev. Dr. Beth Hutton

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

***CLOSING HYMN**

“Christ for the World We Sing”

UMH #568

CARRYING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

“Psalm XIX”

Benedetto Marcello

**Congregation stands, in body, heart or spirit.*

****NEW WIFI PASSWORD: 131Guest**

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

Coffee Host: Beth Strakonsky

Acolyte: Cory Huggins

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Want to receive our weekly e-news? You can get a “between Sundays”, announcement of upcoming events, prayer concerns and other great information each Tuesday. Just send an email request to office@calvaryumc.org or

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Children's Ministry

Become An Acolyte!

In interested in becoming an acolyte, please contact Stefanie Harris (jujubee820@yahoo.com)



6 – 8 p.m. Friday, October 3
Ages 4 – 5th Grade

In Calvary's Parish Hall

Bring a bagged dinner! 🍔
Wear your pajamas! 👕
Bring a pillow and blanket! 🛏

Please sign up here!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0949ACAD2FABFBC61-51455585-parents>



Trunk or Treat & Chili Cook-Off! 🎃
4 – 6 p.m. Saturday, October 25

Certificates will be awarded for the **best trunks**, the most **delicious chili**, and the **spookiest dessert!** Bring a canned food item to "VOTE" for your favorite trunk!

Sign Up online or in the Parish Hall!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0949ACAD2FABFBC61-51449030-trunk>

Be sure to indicate in your Sign Up:

- How many people will be attending?
- Will your family be decorating a vehicle trunk?
- Will you be bringing your family's best Chili recipe?
- Will you be bringing a Spooky Dessert to share?



Calling All Elves!

Santa's workshop needs you! The Holiday Bazaar is **Saturday, November 15**. We need elves now to help us create items to fill our tables. *Workshop hours: Mondays 9:30 a.m. and Wednesdays 6:30 p.m.* Proceeds from the bazaar support Frederick charities. Questions? Call Head Elf Becky Isaacs: (301) 639-5377 or mikbecki@comcast.com



September Love Offering – Volunteer in Mission Team

This month's Love Offering supports our Volunteer in Mission (VIM) Team as they prepare to travel to Ashe County, North Carolina in October. The team will be serving the community there, helping with rebuilding efforts after last year's devastating floods.

You are invited to give toward this special offering by placing your gift in the offering plate and noting **"VIM"** in the memo line. You may also give directly online using the QR code below—again, please mark **"VIM"** in the memo line.

Thank you for helping us send this team forth with your prayers and support!



Mission Sunday - October 5

Rise Against Hunger

The Rise Against Hunger Packing Event will take place at **11 a.m. Sunday, October 5**, in Parish Hall. Again, this year, we will pack food for 10,000 meals to be distributed around the world targeting communities facing high rates of food insecurity. Hunger can affect health, education, and economies of any area, with particular impact on children. Almost half of all childhood deaths worldwide occur in children experiencing malnutrition. Your help is needed to measure, weigh, and box the food packets. A light lunch will be served along with samples of the food we are packing. Plan to put on a hairnet with the rest of us to join in this rewarding event!

SHIP Homeless for the Holidays

Looking for volunteers! Please join us to support SHIP (Student Homeless Initiative Partnership) and help wrap collection boxes in preparation for their Holiday campaign of collecting hygiene products for homeless, and at risk, Frederick County public school students.

- Only a pair of scissors and a willing heart to help is needed!

We will be wrapping on **Tuesday, October 28 from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.** in Frederick on Spectrum Drive. Please reach out to Beth Stitely to sign up or if you have any questions. Come help support an amazing organization while having a bunch of fun doing it!

Beth Stitely ~ autumn.purple@hotmail.com or 301-730-8282

Mission Central Trip has been planned for Wednesday, November 12. The group will depart the Common Market parking lot at 10:30 a.m., if interested, please sign up at the Welcome Center.



Calvary Community Concert Series Returns October 5, 2025

Ars Gratia Populi

A vocal ensemble founded in 2023 by All-Ireland Champion Kevin Elam, the group explores the interactions between art music and folk music in an a cappella setting. The name, Ars Gratia Populi, translated as “art for art’s sake,” represents their view that art derives its meaning not from itself but from the positive reaction it can create in the human mind and soul. Doors open at 2:30 p.m. ~ Concerts begin at 3 p.m.



Calling all knitters, crocheters, and yarn enthusiasts! Join our vibrant community for a monthly gathering where love and stitches unite to create comforting prayer shawls and foster meaningful connections. Consider joining us at 11:15 a.m.

Sunday, October 5 in the John Wesley Room, to enrich our prayer shawl collection and connect with compassionate Calvary members while expanding our heartwarming ministry. We meet regularly on the 1st Sunday of the month following worship service. For more information, contact Jennie Davy: Jennieleee81@msn.com or 301-524-5842 (text or voice)



We are planning a trip to the Strawbridge Shrine in New Windsor on **Wednesday October 8**, leaving church at 9:30 a.m. and returning at 2 p.m. Strawbridge is known as the Home of American Methodism. The Shrine and museum is the home of Robert and Elizabeth Strawbridge. Our tour includes the history of how the church spread into America, as well as the first Sunday school and first house of worship. The visitors center has displays, artifacts, and video presentations. Join us to see where the seeds of Methodism were planted and circuit riders spread The Word. After the tour, we will stop for lunch before returning to church. Contact Helen Sheppard at brucehelenshep@msn.com to reserve your seat on the church bus.

New Members Class - Sunday, October 19

Those interested in joining Calvary UMC or learning more about following Christ are invited to a class at 11:15 a.m. in the John Wesley Room, led by Rev. Dr. Hutton. The session will cover the church's history, purpose, and growing in faith.

Church Conference will be held on Saturday, November 1 at 2:30 p.m. at, Damascus UMC, 9700 New Church Street, Damascus MD 20872

Youth Spaghetti Dinner on November 4 at 5:30 p.m., come support our Youth for there next mission trip.

New Member Reception is planned for Sunday, November 9 after worship service. Come meet our new members.

This Week at Calvary September 28 ~ October 5

Sunday, September 28

- 9 a.m. – Sunday School
- 10 a.m. – Worship Service – Sanctuary
- 5:30 p.m. – Youth Group

Monday, September 29

- 6 p.m. – Church Council – Baker Center

Tuesday, September 30

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

Wednesday, October 1

- 6 p.m. – Men's Bible Study – Library

Friday, October 3

- 6 p.m. Parent's Night Out – Activities Room

Sunday, October 5 – Mission Sunday

- 9 a.m. – Sunday School
- 10 a.m. – Worship Service – Sanctuary
- 11:00 a.m. – Rise Against Hunger- Parish Hall
- 11:15 a.m. – Prayer Shawl Ministry – JW Room
- 3:00 p.m. – Concert - Sanctuary

Prayer Concerns:

Members of Calvary: Becky Acklin, Anne Mossburg, Lois Tyson, Lois Pacheco, Tom Mullineaux, Charlie Geisbert, Terry Fisher, Jim Dobbs, Patricia Pettingall, Mike Isaacs, Helen Alysmeier, Nancy Huffman, Gracie Heller, Jack Heller, Rita Sharpe, Ann Crum, Marilyn Moyers, Peggy Griffiee, Nancy Dobbs, John Stenner, Bob Bennett

Friends of Calvary: The Moldenda Family (Stephen Harris sister's family), Joe Birch(Friend of Paul Nelson), Judy Keys (Charlie Geisbert Caregiver), Charlotte Woodward (Friend of Betsy Bryant), 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), Wendi Cyford (Friend of Angie and Eric Anderson), Marcy (Friend of Julie Schwarzenberg), Agnes Dobson (Mother of Grace Dobson), Dom Norris (Friend of Drew Irving), Jan Nefflen (Friend of Peggy Rhoderick), Angela Gorens (Friend of Stephanie Felton), Drew Wilson, Marie Slovikosky Miller (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)

CALVARY'S YOUTH HOSTS

THE J RAY FRANK MEMORIAL



WALK FOR WASH

OCTOBER 12- 2PM

CALVARY UMC

PARISH HALL

**DONATE OR JOIN US FOR A 5K WALK
AROUND DOWNTOWN FREDERICK TO RAISE
FUNDS FOR THE UMC GLOBAL MINISTRIES
WATER, SANITATION, AND HYGIENE
PROGRAM – WASH**

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QUESTIONS: CALVARYYOUTH@CALVARYUMC.ORG

CALVARY UMC

Holiday BAZAAR

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15

9 AM TO 3 PM

SANTA'S FIRST STOP!

*Handmade Crafts - Vendors - Bake Sale
Silent Auction - White Elephant Room
Live Music - North Pole - Kids Crafts
Calvary's Famous Cheesballs*

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LUNCHEON SERVED FROM 11 AM TO 1 PM





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