Calvary United Methodist Church 131 West Second Street, Frederick, Maryland 21701 for the CITY November 9, 2025 10:00 A.M. Worship WWW.CALVARYUMC.ORG

### CALVARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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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

"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

UMH #173

**WELCOME** 

Rick Miller, Worship Leader

PRELUDE & BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

"Rhosymedre"

Ralph Vaughan Williams

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Arise, people of God! The light of Christ is among us.

People: We come to worship the One who calls us out of darkness into light.

Leader: In this sacred space, all are welcome, the weary and the joyful, the searching and the sure.

People: We gather as one family, embraced by grace, ready to reflect God's love.

Leader: Come, let us lift our voices, open our hearts, and shine together in worship.

All: Glory be to God, whose light shines through us and into the world!

\*OPENING HYMN

"Gather Us In"

TFWS #2236

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

#### **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

Holy and gracious God, we give thanks for those who join in covenant with us. With joy, we welcome them, grateful to grow together as disciples of Jesus Christ. As we receive them into this fellowship, we also renew our vows before you. With humble hearts, we commit again to offer our prayers and presence, our gifts, service, and witness, trusting your grace at work among us. By your Spirit, bind us in love. Strengthen us to encourage one another, serve our neighbors, and seek your kingdom first. Send us as one body, faithful, hopeful, and generous, that Christ may be known in this community and beyond. Amen.

### **FAMILY TIME**

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

### STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

### OFFERING PRAYER

Gracious and giving God, every gift You provide is a spark of Your light within us. Accept the offerings we bring, our gifts, our time, our devotion, and use them to extend Your welcome far beyond these walls. May these gifts help our church shine brighter in this city, that all may know the warmth of Your love. Through Christ our Lord, Amen

### **OFFERTORY**

"My Jesus"

Words and Music by Anne Wilson, Jeff Pardo, Matthew West AGAPE

Lainey Davy, soloist

\*Doxology UMH #94

### UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Radiant God, we give You thanks for the light that welcomes us home, the light that gathers us in worship, warms our hearts in fellowship, and sends us forth in love. Thank You for this church, where Your presence shines through every song sung, every prayer lifted, and every act of kindness shared. As we worship You today, fill us with Your Spirit, that our lives might glow with gratitude and hospitality. May all who enter this place know they are loved, valued, and embraced by Your grace.

### PRAYER HYMN

"There's a Spirit of Love in This Place"

W&S #3148

1. There's a spirit of love in this place, there's a spirit of love in this place. You can't see it, but it's there, Just as precious as the air. There's a spirit of love in this place.

Refrain

- O alleluia, sing alleluia! We bless your holy name.
- O alleluia, sing alleluia! There's a spirit of love in this place.
- 2. There's the presence of peace in this room, there's the presence of peace in this room.

  In God's tenderness is found peace that passes human bounds. There's the presence of peace in this room

"Sometimes a Light Surprises" Sanctuary Choir Craig Courtney

**SCRIPTURE** 

Isaiah 60:1-5 and Matthew 5:1-16

Janie Hahn

**MESSAGE** 

"Light That Welcomes"

Rev. Dr. Beth Hutton

### PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

\*CLOSING HYMN

"This Little Light of Mine"

UMH #585

### CARRYING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

**POSTLUDE** 

"Menuet Gothique" from Suite Gothique León Boëllman

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

### \*\*NEW WIFI PASSWORD: 131Guest

Ushers: Linda Watson, Richard Delauter, Judy Wilson, Paul Muehl, Dave Mills

Coffee Host: David Cline Acolyte: Mikey Mills

"On this Veteran's Day we honor the brave men and women who have served our country with courage, dedication, and sacrifice. Thank you for your strength and your unwavering love of country." By Scott and Leisa Moyer.

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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.

### **Children's Ministry**



# Kids Crafts and A Visit with Santa! At Calvary's Holiday Bazaar!

Join us in the Memorial Room for Kids' Crafts, snacks and a visit with Santa!

**ALL AGES are WELCOME!** 

9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Saturday, November 15

**Mission Possible Kids** is for kids in Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade who want to help others and make a difference in the world! This month, **MPK** will meet on Sunday, November 23 from 5:30 – 7:00 pm in the Activities



Room of the Education Building. Join us! J **Bring a canned food item for our local food bank!** Please register at <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0949ACAD2FABFBC61-48584528-mission">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0949ACAD2FABFBC61-48584528-mission</a> or contact <a href="mailto:AmyStone@calvaryumc.org">AmyStone@calvaryumc.org</a> for more information and to order a Mission Possible Kids t-shirt!



### Christmas Pageant Weekend!

Friday, December 12 – Sunday, December 14

Calvary will be participating in *Frederick's Kris Kringle Procession* on **Friday, December 12**. Line-up begins at **5:30 p.m.** on South Carroll Street between East Patrick and East All Saints Street and ending at Calvary where we

will enjoy cookies and hot cocoa in the Parish Hall! We will need *children and adults* to help us sing Christmas carols and to complete our mini-Nativity Scene float, complete with Mary, Joseph, the angels and stable animals! Walking musicians are welcome and encouraged as well!

# Christmas Pageant Dress Rehearsal is

Saturday, December 13 from 10:00 a.m. - Noon.

Calvary's Annual Children's Christmas Pageant will take place at 9 a.m. Sunday, December

14 in Parish Hall! Children will meet in the Activities Room at 8:30 to put on costumes!

Please let us know if your family will be participating in any or all these exciting events at:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0949ACAD2FABFBC61-52220851-christmas

### Jump Right In!



Our Holiday Bazaar is **Saturday, November 15**. We need your help to set up any day from **9 a.m. – noon the week of November 10-14**. See the Help Wanted sheets in the Welcome Center and sign up for a host of any activities, from setting up tables to decorating the North Pole to breaking down after the bazaar!

We need your help, please sign up in the parish hall at the Welcome Center to set up and tear down the Holiday Bazaar. We need all the hands we can get. ~ Thank you!

### Cheeseballs Are Back! ★

It is that time again—our church-famous Holiday and Port Wine Cheeseballs are rolling back into season! Here is how you can be part of the fun:

- **Donate Ingredients** Calling all nuts (and cheese lovers)! ☐ Help us keep the tradition rolling by donating ingredients for our famous Holiday and Port Wine Cheeseballs. Ingredient donations help us offset costs. A sign-up sheet is waiting for you at the Welcome Center—grab a line before they are all filled!
- Help Us Roll We need hands to help us mix and roll! Join the fun in the Kitchen at 6 p.m. Wednesday, November 12. No culinary degree required—just bring your energy, good humor, and maybe an apron. *Cheeseballs taste better when made together!*

Let's roll together and make this year's batch the cheesiest yet! W If you have any questions, please contact Beth Strakonsky — <u>beth.strakonsky@gmail.com</u> or 301.471.1822

# The Holiday Bazaar Elves Are Still Busy at Work!

White Elephant Room: We need intriguing items you just don't have room for. Or grown out of. Or no longer need. Whatever the reason, someone will find they are just perfect. Bring your items to the edge of the stage in the Parish Hall. Questions? *Call White Elephant Elf Helen Sheppard (301)* 898-3464.

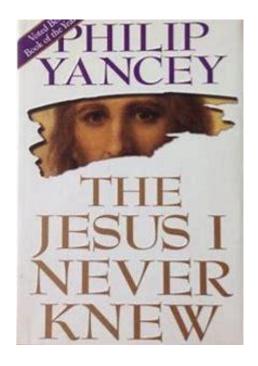
<u>Silent Auction:</u> Friends, neighbors, and teachers are some perfect beneficiaries of the special treasures at the Silent Auction. BUT, first we need the treasures to auction off! Beautiful items in the past have included paintings, a nutcracker collection, mugs with scenes from Van Gogh's paintings, and more. If you have a stellar item to donate to our Silent Auction, please contact *Silent Auction Elf Laura Hunter* (301) 268-4564.

<u>Jams and Jellies:</u> Please consider donating some of your extra special homemade jams and jellies. Our bazaar has been known for its blue-ribbon condiments, the little gifts you give to the most special people to say *I love you*. Bring your jams and jellies to the edge of the stage in the Parish Hall and put a note on them for *Head Elf Becky Isaacs (301) 639-5377*.

<u>Bake Sale Goodies:</u> Last – but never least – are the delicacies we offer at our Bake Sale Table. The Calvary elves are the best at baking! Please bring your baked items portioned for sale to the parish kitchen on from noon – 4 p.m. Friday, November 14. No refrigerated items, please. Mark your delicious creation if it is gluten free or contains any nuts. For more information, call or text *Bake Sale Elf Leisa Moyer 240-285-6175*.



# From Calvary's Library



# The Jesus I Never Knew by Philip Yancey

"Who do you say I Am?" Matthew 16:15

"The Jesus I got to know in writing this book is very different from the Jesus I learned about in Sunday school. In some ways He is more comforting; in some ways more terrifying."

How does the Jesus of the New Testament compare to the Jesus we think we know so well? From the manger in Bethlehem to the cross in Jerusalem, Philip Yancey presents a complex character who generates questions as well as answers—a disturbing and exhilarating Jesus who wants to radically transform your life and stretch your faith. He does this by telling stories about the life around him, and everyone loves to hear a good story. It's one thing to talk about God's infinite wisdom and love. It's quite another to hear about a heartsick father scanning the horizon every night for his wayward son. We get that. Yancey's flare for honest, vivid, down-to-earthiness gives piercing power to the brooding we often face regarding the gospel facts about Jesus Christ. Yancey helps us see Jesus as He really was.



#### Save the date!

Come and enjoy the beginning of the Advent Season at 2 p.m. Saturday, December 6. Share tea, cookies and cakes and join in the fellowship of singing hymns with the Calvary Women. Look for a signup sheet at the Welcome Center in the Parish Hall.

### **Angel Tree**

The Calvary Angel tree will once again grace Parrish Hall with the goal of providing Christmas for others in our community. For the past 25 years, Sheila Howard has led a group of Calvary women in organizing this outreach program. She has decided to step away from this service project to



focus on the Sleep in Heavenly Peace partnership. Although her organizational skills could never be duplicated nor could her shoes be filled, we will certainly try to continue with the program we love so much. Thank you, Sheila, for your service and leadership.

The Angel tree will be set up after the Holiday Bazaar and will be covered with ornaments. Each of the children's ornaments contain toys from their Christmas wish list, clothing needs of the children and grocery store gift cards for their Christmas dinner.

Participation is easy and instructions are included on the back of each ornament. Remember to sign out the ornaments you select in the white ring binder. All gifts need to be returned to the tree **no later than Sunday December 7** – we will need to sort, pack, and tag the gifts before they can be delivered, and it is very time consuming.

If you choose to purchase a clothing item, it is very helpful if you include a gift receipt in the package. This helps to make exchanges easier for the family in case they need a different size.

We will be collecting gift cards (Target, Walmart, Kohls, Grocery Stores) and cash donations for those who are uncomfortable shopping. There is a box near the tree that you may drop your cash donations and gift cards in.

Please make checks out to Calvary United Methodist Church and reference "Angel Tree".

Questions, please contact: Julie Schwarzenberg at 240-626-7666

# Attention all bakers...

A favorite Calvary event is just around the corner.

BAKE A BATCH cookie event for Jenn Esler. Jenn is a Calvary member and served as the Nursery Director before being diagnosed with a brain

tumor years ago. Following surgery, she had extensive rehabilitation to improve her quality of life. Proceeds from Bake A Batch serve to help Jenn in her rehab and to remind her that she is not forgotten by her Calvary family.

All cookie donations can be dropped off in the kitchen or church office on Friday, December 12 or Saturday, December 13 by 9:30 a.m.

Cookie trays will be available for purchase Sunday, December 14.

Baking Cookies is a great activity to do with your children or grandchildren and for a great cause. All homemade cookies, whether family favorites or holiday classics are welcomed.

So get those mixers moving!!! Any questions please contact Julie Schwarzenberg at: 240-626-7666

# This Week at Calvary November 9 ~ November 16

### Sunday, November 9 - New Members Reception

- 9 a.m. Sunday School
- 10 a.m. Worship Service Sanctuary
- 11 a.m. Children's Sunday School Teacher Meeting- Conference Room
- 11:15 a.m. New Members Reception
- 11:15 a.m. Joyful Voices Choir Room
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Group Youth Room

### Wednesday, November 12

- 10:30 a.m. Mission Trip to Mission Central
- 6 p.m. Making Cheese Balls Kitchen
- 6 p.m. Men's Bible Study Conference Room

#### Monday, November 10

- 7 p.m. Trustees- Conference Room
- 7 p.m. SHP SHP Room ED Building

### Tuesday, November 11

- 10 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study Parlor
- 6:30 p.m. Handbells Bell Room
- Sanctuary Choir Choir Room

### Saturday, November 15

9 a.m.-3 p.m.
 Holiday Bazaar

#### Sunday, November 16

- 9 a.m. Sunday School
- 10 a.m. Worship Sanctuary
- 11:15 a.m. Joyful Voices Choir Room
- 3 p.m. Concert Series Sanctuary
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Group Youth Room

# Altar Committee Meeting & Training - Sunday, November 23 – Immediately Following Worship

With a new pastor joining us, now is the perfect time to gather our Altar Committee for a refresher and training. We will review the setup for communion, altar paraments, and other worship-related preparations that make our services so meaningful.

We are also looking to **welcome new members** to the team! If you have ever wondered how everything comes together each Sunday, or if you would like to be part of creating a beautiful worship space, come join us. No experience necessary, just a willing heart and a good eye for detail. Contact Bonnie Strine for more information.

### **Prayer Concerns:**

Members of Calvary: Amanda Lozinski, Judy Johnson, Becky Acklin, Anne Mossburg, Lois Tyson, Lois Pacheco, Tom Mullineaux, Charlie Geisbert, Jim Dobbs, Patricia Pettingall, Helen Alysmeyer, Nancy Huffman, Gracie Heller, Jack Heller, Rita Sharpe, Ann Crum, Marilyn Moyers, Peggy Griffee, Nancy Dobbs

Friends of Calvary: Leanne and Albert Hutton (Parents of Rev. Dr. Hutton), Don Metcalf (Brother of Paul Metcalf), Family of Janet Shimmin (Niece of Carl and Linda Reed)Paul and Gwen Landers (Friends of Stephanie Felton),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)





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