

CALVARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
131 WEST SECOND STREET, FREDERICK, MARYLAND 21701

Are We There Yet?

Sunday, June 21
10:00 A.M. Worship
www.Calvaryumc.org

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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

“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

UMH #121

Welcome

Beth Strakonsky, Worship Leader

PRELUDE & BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

“Morning Has Broken”

Setting by Robert Lau

Ann Thompson, organist

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: When we feel abandoned and alone, unable to find a way out of the wilderness that surrounds, we cry out to God...

People: And God listens to us.

Leader: When we feel discouraged and defeated, unsure we will ever really be able to make ends meet and worried that no matter how hard we work, it will never be enough, we cry out to God...

People: And God listens to us.

Leader: When we feel lost and forgotten, unable to find the words for the grief, isolation, and despair that we feel, our hearts cry out to God...

People: And, God pays attention to us.

Leader: As we gather in this place and time, remember: You are not alone. God knows where you are, and God listens to the cries of our hearts.

ALL: May we also listen to one another as God guides us toward the cool, refreshing waters we need to continue on our journey as the family of God.

***OPENING HYMN**

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

UMH #577

MINISTRY INVITATION & CELEBRATIONS

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

Listening God, you hear the cries we whisper and the cries we cannot speak. In a world still marked by fear, abandonment, and unfairness, you remain the one who listens and who hears the voices of the outcast, the wounded, the overlooked. As we bring our offerings today, open our ears, as yours are open. Make our giving an act of solidarity with those whose voices rise in need. Use these gifts to reveal your presence, to bring water into desert places, and to remind all your children that they are not alone. Shape us into people who hear because we have been heard. Amen. (Genesis 21:8-21)

OFFERTORY

“Flute Piece”
William Hine

*DOXOLOGY

“The Family Prayer Song”
First Verse Only

TFWS #2188

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, Creator of all that is, Donor of Grace, and Giver of Life:
Hear our prayer. There are chasms in our lives, deep valleys that separate us from one another and from You. We confess that we have allowed those rifts to grow, for fear of admitting our part in the separation, for fear of being rejected when we reach out. You call us to a reconciled life, to healed relationships, to a wholeness with each other and with You. Mend us, we pray, and make us new creations through the power and love of Christ, in whose name we pray.**

PRAYER HYMN

“God of the Sparrow”

UMH #122

PASTORAL PRAYER & 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

“He Never Failed Me Yet”

By Robert Ray
Meg Winter and Karen Dobbs, soloists; Sanctuary Choir

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 21:8-21

Didi Willard

MESSAGE

“Someone Left Behind”

Dr. Rev. Beth Hutton

CARRYING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”
Setting by Michael Burkhardt

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

WIFI PASSWORD: 131Guest

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

Coffee Host: Margie Wilde

Acolyte: Ryan Mills

The altar flowers are in honor of all dads and father figures, whose love and presence shape our lives. We also remember those no longer with us whose impact and love continue to live on in our hearts ~ by Helen Sheppard

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Services are livestreamed on Facebook & YouTube weekly

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE



Want to receive our weekly e-news? You can get a “Between Sundays,” announcements of upcoming events, prayer concerns, and other great information each Tuesday. Just send an email request to office@calvaryumc.org, sign up at <https://calvaryumc.org/newsletter/>, or the scan the QR code to the left.

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Scan the QR code to give online or to update your contact information in our Calvary database. Keeping your information current helps us stay connected as a church family — and your gifts help us shine Christ’s light in our community. Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity! www.calvaryumc.org/give



New Members Class – Sundays, June 21 & July 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 Memorial Room on the second floor, led by Rev. Dr. Hutton. The session will cover the church’s history, purpose, and growing in faith.

MISSIONS & OUTREACH



This June, our Love Offering supports Sleep In Heavenly Peace (SHP). Sleep in Heavenly Peace is an International, All-volunteer 501(c) (3) non-profit with 400+ chapters in the US, Canada, Bermuda, and the Bahamas. Our volunteers cut, sand, and assemble lumber bought from local Lowes stores into twin beds. At no charge to the families, volunteers deliver and set up single or bunk beds, with ALL NEW mattresses, sheets, blankets/quilts, and pillows to needy Frederick County families whose 3 to 17-year-old kids have no bed.



Why This Matters: Our local SHP chapter is focused solely on ensuring that No Kid Sleeps on the Floor in Our Town. In January of 2026, our chapter delivered the 3,000th bed since it started in 2019. Our church supports the chapter's activities by providing space for the storage of bedding, mattresses and beds. Many members of our church family are involved in our local SHP chapter. We have a delivery team from our church that goes out 3-4 times each month to deliver beds.

CHILDREN'S & FAMILY MINISTRIES

AmyStone@calvaryumc.org

VBS DECORATING - We would Love to borrow any ARTIFICIAL trees, ferns or other greenery you may have at home to help transform our church into a rainforest for VBS! Please bring your silk Ficus trees (NOT Christmas trees please) or other plants to the Parish Hall from June 14-June 21, and please label them with your name so that we can return them to you after VBS! ~ Thank You!

Help Feed our Rainforest VBS Adventurers!

We are looking for donations of snacks and supplies for the 100+ children and adults attending this year's Rainforest VBS. Contributions from our church family help offset costs and make this exciting week possible for everyone involved.

A sign-up sheet will be available at the Welcome Center in the Parish Hall. Please consider signing up to donate an item or two. All supplies should be brought to the church kitchen by **Sunday, June 21**. Thank you for helping make VBS a wonderful experience for our children & volunteers! Questions?? Contact Beth Strakonsky at beth.strakonsky@gmail.com or 301-471-1822.



RAINFOREST FALLS VBS!

June 22 – June 25, 2026

Monday - Thursday

9 a.m. - Noon

Ages 3 – 5th Grade

Register Here →

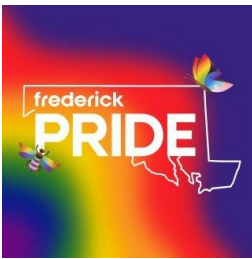


Calvary is taking a trip to see the LIVE onstage performance of....
JOSHUA!



at *Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster PA!*
11:00 a.m. Saturday, August 8
(leaving Frederick at 7:45 a.m.)

Tickets have already been reserved – please contact AmyStone@calvaryumc.org ASAP if you and your family would like to join us! (Adults \$89, Children 12 and under \$39).



Calvary's Frederick PRIDE Day Booth

On Saturday, June 27 from 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Calvary will sponsor a booth on Carroll Creek to greet and distribute handouts to members of our greater community celebrating Frederick Pride Day. We do this in partnership with our Trinity and Middletown UMC friends.

The will need 2-3 volunteers from our congregations to staff our table during each hour. You can help us share Calvary's reconciling ministry of love with others of our community by volunteering for an hour. Please use the QR Code provided to sign up.



You will be notified of our booth location along the Creek once we are informed of the same. Thank you for volunteering to help. If you have any questions, contact Paul Nelson at paul.d.nelson@outlook.com



Celebrating a New Book from One of Our Own

We're delighted to share that Calvary's own Rev. Dr. Raymond T. Moreland has published a new book, **Jesus: The Unheroic Hero of God's Kingdom.**

It's a thoughtful read for pastors, laity, and anyone seeking a fresh perspective on Jesus and his kingdom. Available now on Amazon:

<https://www.amazon.com/Jesus-Unheroic-Hero-Gods-Kingdom/dp/1556055668>



Blood Drive
Calvary United Methodist
Church Frederick

Parish Hall
131 W Second St.
Frederick, MD 21701

Wednesday, July 15, 2026
8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Summer is a great time to become a donor for the Red Cross, our Parish Hall is super cooled for the occasion, snacks, and drinks are provided.

Scan the QR Code to make your appointment.

Interested in becoming a volunteer, please contact Pam Pittman at pamandj@comcast.net, help is always welcome.



This Week at Calvary June 21 ~ June 28

Sunday, June 21 – Father’s Day

9 a.m. Sunday School
 9 a.m. Children’s Promotion Sunday
 10 a.m. Worship Service – Sanctuary
 11:15 a.m. New Members Class- Memorial Room
 11 a.m. VBS Set Up – Church Wide

Wednesday, June 24

9 a.m.-12 p.m. VBS
 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Church Office Open
 2 p.m. Miriam’s Circle
 6 p.m. Men’s Bible Study – Conference Room

Thursday, June 25

9 a.m.-12 p.m. VBS
 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Church Office Open
 5 p.m. VBS Family Fun Night

Monday, June 22

9 a.m.-12 p.m. VBS
 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Church Office Open
 5:45 p.m. Monday Night Ladies AA – Education Bldg.

Friday, June 26

Church Office Closed
 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Scott Key Prom – Parish Hall

Saturday, June 27

11 a.m.-5 p.m. Frederick PRIDE Day

Tuesday, June 23

9 a.m.-12 p.m. VBS
 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Church Office Open
 6 p.m. Sanctuary Choir- End of Year Picnic

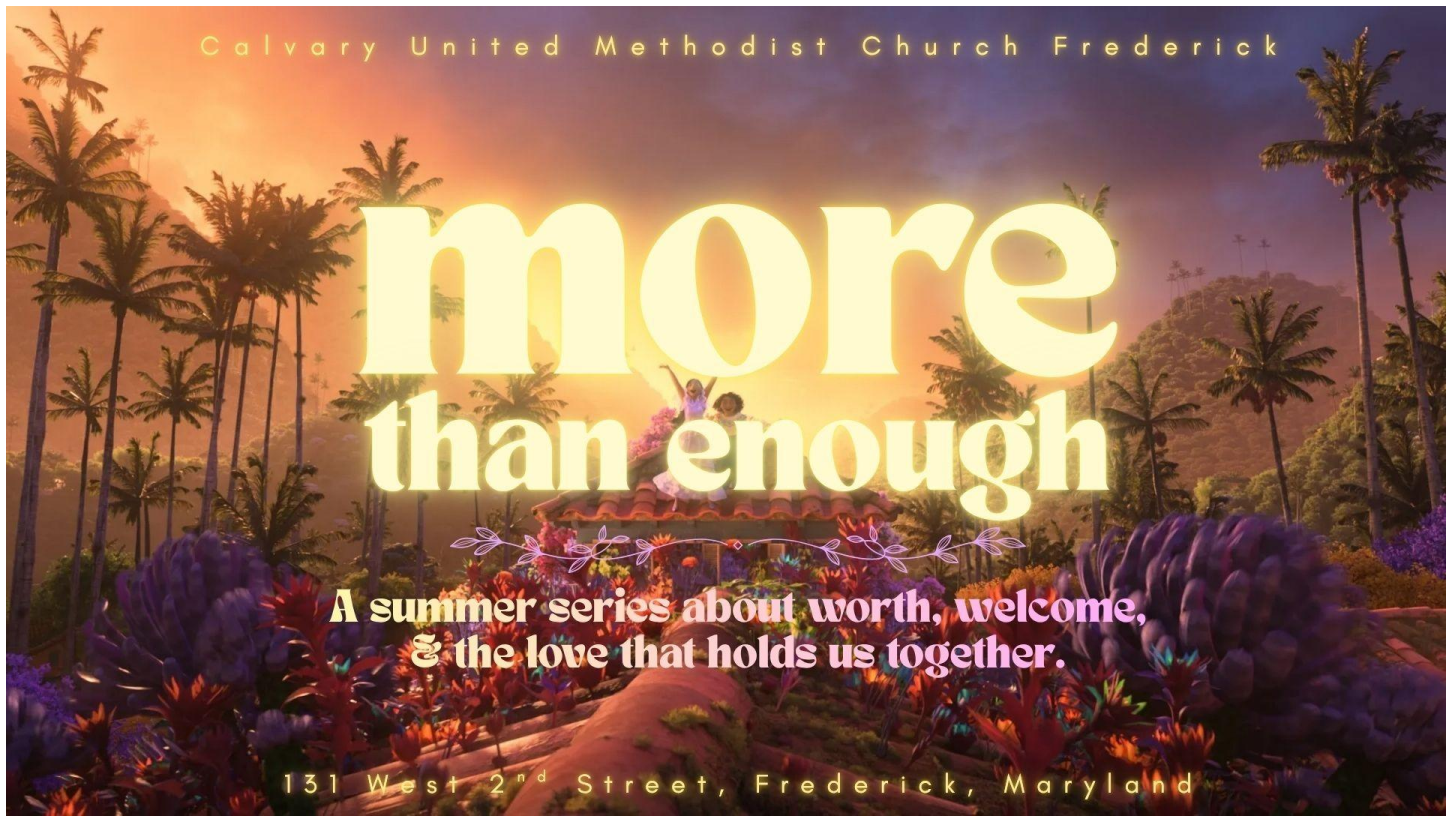
Sunday, June 28

9 a.m. Sunday School
 10 a.m. Worship- Sanctuary



Calling First Responders, Medical Professionals, and Those Trained in Safety

Calvary is taking some proactive steps around safety and security, alongside our Trustees and Ushers, and we would love to know who is already among us. If you are a first responder, in law enforcement, a medical professional, or have training in safety or emergency response, please let us know. There are no current concerns; we simply want to be prepared and to know whom we can call on. Contact Scott Moyer at smoyer6105@gmail.com.



MORE THAN ENOUGH

A summer series about worth, welcome, and the love that holds us together.

A New Summer Series Begins July 19

This summer, worship gets a little cinematic. Starting Sunday, July 19, we begin a new series called "More Than Enough," inspired by a story many of us already know and love. Over several weeks, we will follow one ordinary family through the things we all carry: the pressure to be enough, the parts of ourselves we would rather not talk about, the question of who has been left off the guest list, and the stubborn hope that a miracle might still be on the way. You do not have to know the story to find yourself in it.

SAVE THE DATE: On Thursday, July 23, bring the whole family for Movie Night, when we will watch the film behind the series together. Popcorn is on us.

Prayer Concerns:

Recent Passing: Mary Herber (Mother of Dave Herber), Nancy Huffman, Keitha LeMaster (Mother of Didi Willard)

Members of Calvary: Janie Hahn, Anne Mossburg, Don Linton, Isam Ballenger, Nathan Robinson, Betsy MacMullan, Marietta Anderson, Becky Acklin, Lois Tyson, Lois Pacheco, Charlie Giesbert, Patricia Pettingall, Helen Alysmeier, Gracie Heller, Jack Heller, Rita Sharpe, Ann Crum, Marilyn Moyers, Peggy Griffiee, Nancy Dobbs, Jim Dobbs, John Stenner, Betty Rollins, David Fish, Claire Moked

Friends of Calvary: Krista, Paula and Bob Biser (Formal members of Calvary), Lori Love (Friend of Joyce and Rob Summers), Kerstin Goerndt (Friend of Julie Schwarzenberg), Amelia Irving (Daughter of Drew Irving), Bob Morgan (Friend of Paulette Shockey-Petrucci), Peggy Cline (Mother of David Cline), Alan Tetrault (Friend of Joe and Amy Cerrito), Mary Ann Gearing (Mother of Beth Stitely), Aberum Mills (Grandson of Cindy and Dave Mills), Katherine Walters (Mother of Melissa Wastler), Texanna Stup (Bonnie Johnson's Aunt), Hannah Dore (Daughter of Jim Dore and Meg Winter), Keith Henke (Nephew of Charlie Geisbert), Kathy Irving (Sister in Law to Drew Irving), Catherine and Matt (Friends of Scott Murphy), Avelyn Morris (Paul Nelson great granddaughter), Charles LeMaster (Father of Didi Willard), The Ingram Family, Jenna W. and Family, Natalie Springirth and Family, Sarah G., Steven S., Amanda P. and Family, (Family and Friends of Shannon Ingram), Krista, Angie Miller (Mother of David Petrucci), Charlotte Woodward (Friend of Betsy Bryant), 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), Nancy Mohler, Melissa Gekas, Angela Gorens (Friends of Stephanie Felton), Drew Wilson, Marie Slovikosky Miller (Sister-in-law of Nancy Slovikosky), Cheryl Christine (Chris) Irving (Wife of Drew Irving), 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), Tammy and Alexia Wertz

JUNE / JULY SERVING SCHEDULE

	June 21	June 28	July 5	July 12
Worship Leader	Beth Strakonsky	Karen Gebhart	Beth Strakonsky	Beth Strakonsky
Lay Reader	Didi Willard	Margie Wilde	Cindy Mills	Didi Willard
Acolyte	Ryan Mills	Savannah Muehl		
Coffee Host	Margie Wilde	Helen Sheppard	Helen Sheppard	David & Gail Colby

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**Rev. Chance Martinez-Colon
and Christian Benford**

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Calvary, a community of welcome, affirmation, & love for all.

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