

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

The
Invitation

Sunday, July 12
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 to Tell the Story”

UMH #156

Welcome

Beth Strakonsky, Worship Leader

PRELUDE & BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

“Préambule”

Louis Vierne

Abigail Wood, organist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Jesus told us that he came not to be served, but to serve.

People: We come to follow the One who knelt, who washed feet, who gave himself for us.

Leader: He said that when we feed the hungry and welcome the stranger, we are serving him.

People: We come looking for Christ in the faces of our neighbors.

Leader: Service is not a burden God lays on us. It is the joy God invites us into.

People: We come ready to give what we have, gladly.

Leader: So, let us worship the God who serves, and who calls us to serve with joy.

All: We come to worship, and we come to be sent.

*OPENING HYMN “They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love” TFWS #2223

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.

A Prayer of Commissioning for the Henderson Settlement Mission Team

Leader: Gracious God, we come before you today with hearts full of gratitude for these, your servants, who prepare to leave home and travel to Henderson Settlement to serve in your name.

People: We send them out, Lord, with our love and our prayers.

Leader: Bless their hands as they build and repair. Bless their voices as they encourage and listen. Bless their hearts as they meet neighbors, they do not yet know, and let them see your face in every person they serve.

People: We send them out, Lord, with our love and our prayers.

Leader: Give them safe travel and safe return. Give them patience on hard days and joy in unexpected moments. Give them the humility to receive as much as they give, and the courage to be changed by what they encounter.

People: We send them out, Lord, with our love and our prayers.

Leader: And for us who remain here in Frederick, keep us mindful of this team all week long. Let our prayers travel with them to Kentucky, and let us welcome them home eager to hear how you moved among them.

People: We send them out, Lord, with our love and our prayers. Go now in peace, in purpose, and in the name of Christ. Amen.

OFFERING PRAYER

Serving God, you did not stay at a distance. You came among us to feed, to heal, to lift up, and to give yourself away. As we bring these gifts, remind us that you meet us in the ones we serve, in the hungry, the stranger, the sick, and the forgotten. Take what we offer and use it to put your love into action. May our giving be one more way we say yes to the joy of serving you. Amen. (Mark 10:45; Matthew 25:35-40)

OFFERTORY Antiphon III: "I am Black but Comely, O Ye Daughters of Jerusalem"
Marcel Dupré

***DOXOLOGY**

UMH #94

UNISON PRAYER

Generous God, you have shown us that the way to life is the way of service. We thank you for the chance to give, to help, and to love our neighbors as you have loved us. We confess that we do not always serve with joy. Sometimes we serve out of guilt, or we look past the people right in front of us, or we decide that someone else will do the work. Forgive us. Open our eyes to see your face in the least of these. Open our hands to share what we have. And open our hearts to the joy you have promised, the joy of a people who serve not because they must, but because they are loved. Make us a community of welcome, affirmation, and love for all and send us out to serve in your name.

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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Take My Life and Let It Be”

Music by Mark Hayes; words by Frances R. Havergal
William Davy, soloist, Joyce Summers, pianist

SCRIPTURE

Mark 10:45 & Matthew 25:35-40

David Cline

MESSAGE

“Joyfully Serving”

Karen Gebhart, Certified Lay Servant

***CLOSING HYMN**

“Go Make of All Disciples”

UMH #571

CARRYING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

Abigail Wood, organist

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

WIFI PASSWORD: 131Guest

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

Coffee Host: David and Gail Colby

Acolyte: Charlotte Miller

The altar flowers are in loving memory of Martha Nelson, by Paul Nelson.

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NOTES FROM THE OFFICE



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Summer Casual at Calvary — Come As You Are (Even More Than Usual!)

As we head into the hot summer months, we're inviting our whole congregation to embrace a more casual, relaxed dress code for worship from **July through August**.

Break out the Hawaiian shirts, cargo shorts, sandals — whatever helps you stay cool and comfortable! We want you focused on worship, not on sweating through your Sunday best. This is also part of our commitment to being good stewards of energy here at Calvary. As we balance comfort with efficient cooling, your casual attire helps us all do our part.

And as always — at Calvary, you are welcome to come as you are, any time of year. Dressed to the nines or fresh from the field, there's a place for you here. This summer, we're just embracing the fact that "as you are" might be a little more relaxed (and a little cooler). ☺

New Members Class – Sunday, 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 John Wesley 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 July, once again, Calvary is partnering with the annual United Way **Stuff the Bus** campaign by collecting new, unused school supplies throughout the month of July for children in need.

Your donations will help ensure students in Frederick County have the tools they need to succeed in the classroom. Look for the yellow collection bins in the Parish Hall to drop off your donations.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support as we make a meaningful impact in our community.

For questions, please contact Beth Stitely at autumn.purple@hotmail.com.





SCAN TO DONATE TO
STUFF THE BUS NOW!

STUFF THE BUS

United Way is collecting school supplies to support Frederick County Public Schools students in ALICE families. Drop off school supplies at any of our public collection sites or make a monetary donation online.

Collection Period: June 8 - August 3

ITEMS NEEDED:

- **Backpacks**
- **Binders**
- College-Ruled & Wide-Ruled Paper
- Colored Pencils
- **Composition Notebooks**
- Crayons
- Dividers
- Dry Erase Markers
- **Earbuds (with Microphone)**
- Glue Sticks
- Graphing Calculators
- Highlighters
- Kleenex
- **Markers**
- Pencils
- **Pencil Boxes**
- Pens
- Rulers
- **Scissors**
- Spiral Notebooks
- Two-Pocket Folders (Plastic Preferred)
- Ziploc Bags

ALL DONATED ITEMS MUST BE NEW AND UNUSED.

*Bolded items are most needed.

For more information or to donate, visit
uwfrederick.org/stuffthebus.

Questions? Contact Erin Lawson
at elawson@uwfrederick.org.



Summer is upon us, and this usually means the food bank donations are at a low point across the county.

For anyone who would like to contribute to the food bank through donations, please feel free to stop by the wheelbarrow outside the Parish Hall and pick up a food bank shopping list for the summer months.

Foods:

Cereal
Canned Meats
Canned Fruits
Individual Fruit Cups
Canned Vegetables

Condiments
Pasta & Sauce
Capri Sun or Similar Juice
Pouches
Granola Bars

Toiletry Items:

Full Size Shampoo
Body Wash
Bar Soap
Deodorant & Toothpaste

Centro Hispano Lunches –How You Can Help

For nearly 20 years, Centro Hispano de Frederick has been empowering members of Frederick's immigrant community to thrive. Through English and citizenship classes, summer STEM programs for children, year-round enrichment activities for seniors, and many other educational and family support services Centro has become a vital resource for our neighbors as they build successful lives in our community.

On Thursday and Friday, July 16-17, Calvary will provide lunches for approximately 100 participants. This includes more than 70 children and teens who are spending part of their summer learning, growing, and serving others through Centro's programs. Several other downtown churches are providing lunch on other days/weeks.

How can you help?

With only a short time to prepare, we're asking for your support. Please consider signing up using the SignUpGenius link below. Some opportunities involve donating specific food items, while others allow you to make a monetary contribution so we can purchase the remaining supplies. Every donation-large or small-helps ensure these students, volunteers, and participants receive a nutritious lunch while they learn and serve.

If you have any questions, please contact Beth Strakonsky at beth.strakonsky@gmail.com or 301-471-1822.

Thank you for helping us extend Christ's love through hospitality and service to our community.
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D49ADAB2AA7FAC43-64716267-lunches#/>

CHILDREN'S & FAMILY MINISTRIES

AmyStone@calvaryumc.org



Children's Church will continue through the summer! **Children's Church** is for children ages 5 – 3rd grade and takes place in our beautiful **Chapel** during the Worship Service immediately following the *Time With the Children*.

Children's Church is a mini-service where children can take part in the service on a smaller scale. Join us!



Save the Date!

Children's Sunday School Carnival Kick-Off

9:00 – 9:45 a.m. Sunday, September 6, 2026

YOUTH MINISTRY

Summer Youth

July 15 ~ S'mores/Mission Trip Paperwork turn-in night
July 18 beginning at 8 p.m. ~ Pack the van for Mission Trip
July 19-25, Mission Trip to Henderson Settlement
August 12 ~ Mission Central Trip
Please contact Youth Director Jenn Duthoy at
missjenn@calvaryumc.org for more information.



Calling First Responders, Medical Professionals, & 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.

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.



Blood Drive

Calvary United Methodist Church Frederick

Parish Hall
131 W Second St.
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Wednesday, July 15, 2026
8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

This Week at Calvary July 12 ~ July 19

Sunday, July 12

9 a.m. Summer Sunday School
10 a.m. Worship Service – Sanctuary
11:30 a.m. Trustees- JW Room

Wednesday, July 15

8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Calvary Blood Drive- Parish Hall
9 a.m.-1 p.m. Church Office Open
6 p.m. Men's Bible Study – Conference Room

Thursday, July 16

9 a.m.-1 p.m. Church Office Open

Monday, July 13

9 a.m.-1 p.m. Church Office Open
5:45 p.m. Monday Night Ladies AA – ED. Bldg.
6:30 p.m. SHP Team Meeting- Pot Luck Meal

Friday, July 17

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, July 14

9 a.m.-1 p.m. Church Office Open

Sunday, July 19

9 a.m. Summer Sunday School
10 a.m. Worship- Sanctuary
11:15 a.m. New Members Class- JW Room

Something New at Calvary

Join our Beginner Tai Chi class to learn gentle, easy-to-follow movements that improve balance, mobility, and relaxation. No experience is needed—just come enjoy a supportive community while reducing stress and enhancing your overall well-being. Both seated and standing options will be provided. Dr. Nanette Tummers is our instructor.

Beginning July 20, weekly on Monday afternoons 3-4 pm in the fellowship hall. There will be a suggested donation per session to compensate the instructor and benefit a local mission effort. Questions - feel free to reach out to Pat or Dave Herber at pkherber@gmail.com.

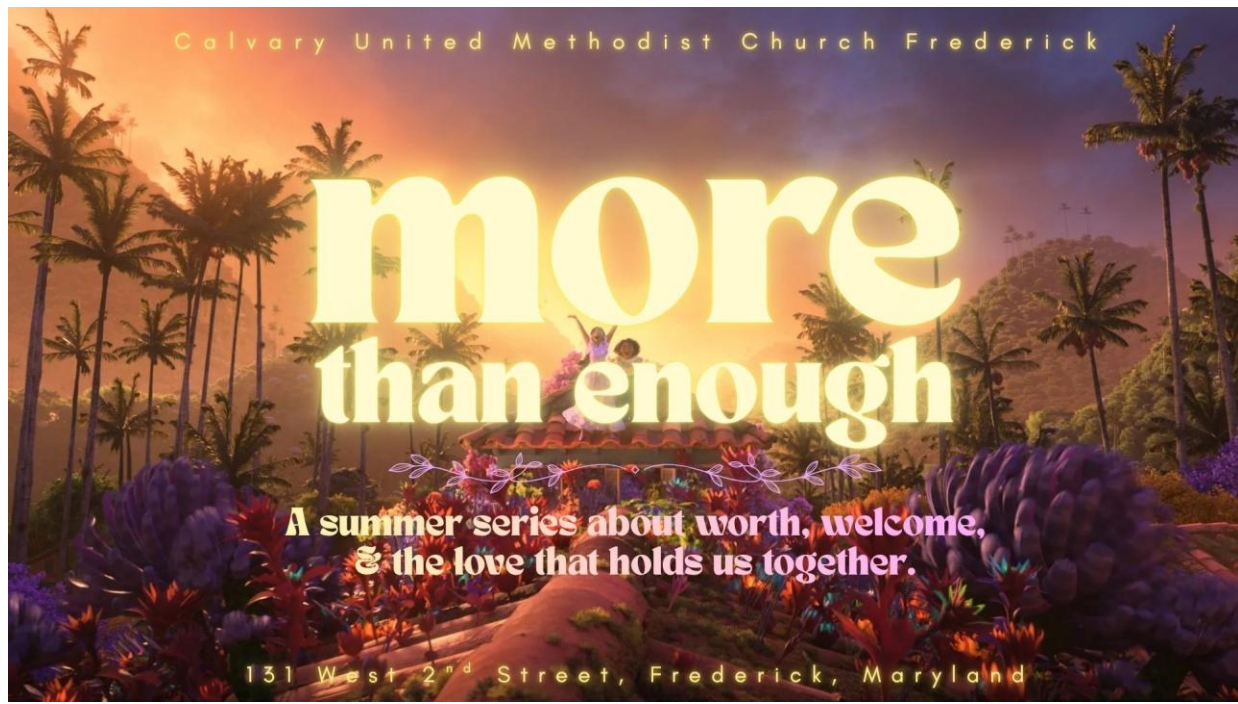
Introducing the Calvary Connection App!



We're excited to launch **Calvary Connection**, our new church app designed to help our church family stay connected. With the app, you can connect with fellow members, stay up to date on church events, give online, access important announcements, and so much more.

Download the **Calvary Connection** app on your phone today and discover an easy way to stay engaged with everything happening at Calvary! The QR Code below is our launch page, click the Google Play or the Apple; this will lead you directly to the App install button.





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: Michael Linton (Son of Alice Linton and Donald Linton), Rosella Rust (Mother of Mike Rust)

Members of Calvary: 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: Lori Love (Friend of Joyce and Rob Summers), 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

JULY SERVING SCHEDULE

	July 12	July 19	July 26	August 2
Worship Leader	Beth Strakonsky	David Cline		
Lay Reader	Didi Willard	Laura Hunter	Margie Wilde	
Acolyte	Charlotte Miller	Laurali Gough		
Coffee Host	David & Gail Colby	Paul Nelson	David Cline	Leisa Moyer



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