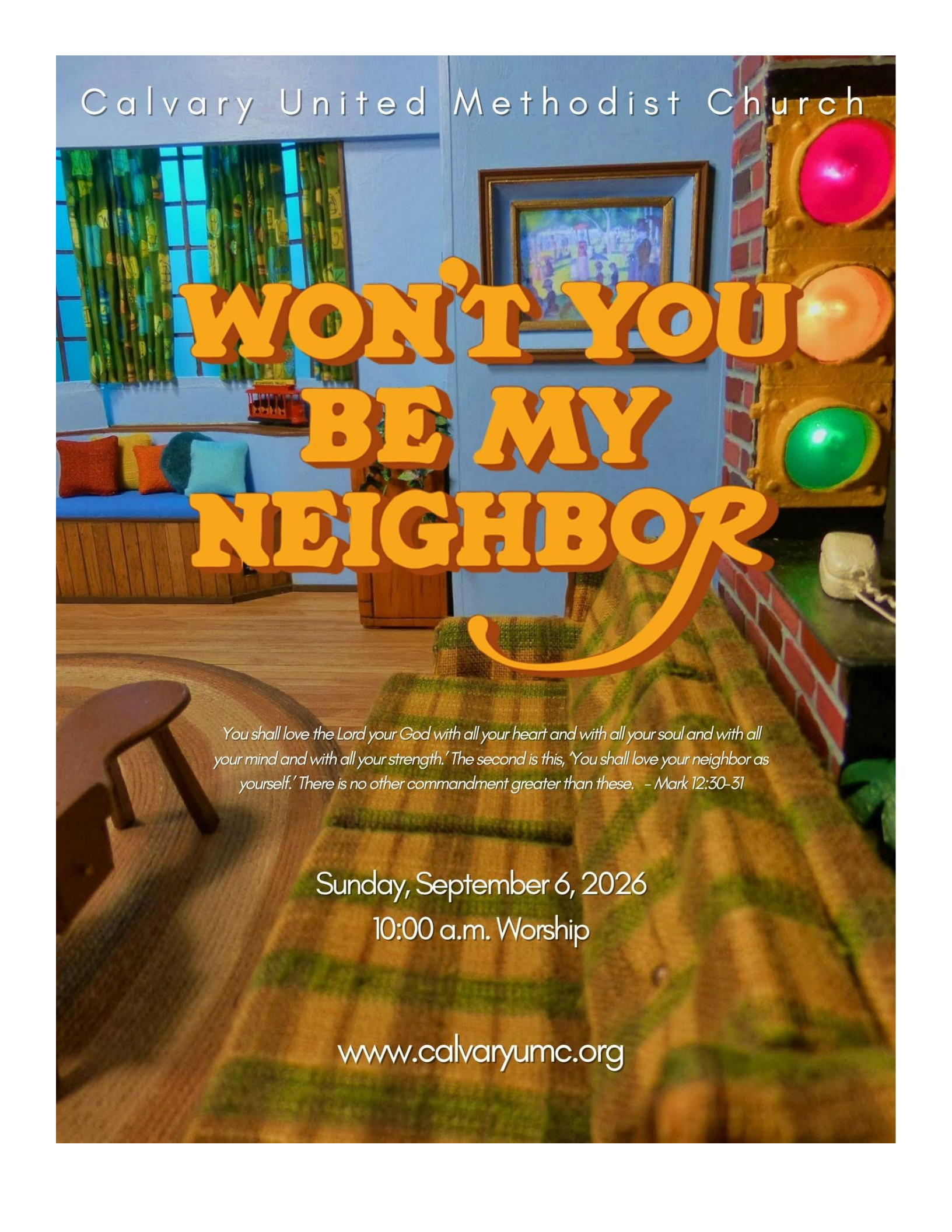




Calvary United Methodist Church

WON'T YOU BE MY NEIGHBOR

'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these. - Mark 12:30-31

Sunday, September 6, 2026

10:00 a.m. Worship

www.calvaryumc.org

CALVARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

131 West Second Street, Frederick, Maryland 21701

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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

“Jesu, Jesu (v. 1-3)

UMH #432

WELCOME

Karen Gebhart, Worship Leader

PRELUDE & BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

“Andante Sostenuto”

J. S. Bach/ arr. by Richard Purvis

Brenda Weiser, organist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Won't you be my neighbor?

People: We come as we are, ready to be welcomed.

Leader: Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength.

People: Love your neighbor as yourself.

Leader: There is no commandment greater than these.

People: Let us worship the God who calls us into love, together.

*OPENING HYMN

“Father, We Have Heard You Calling”

W&S #3150

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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

Gracious God, you loved us first, and everything we bring this morning is only a small return on that love. Take these gifts and use them to open a door for someone who needs to know they are welcome here. Keep us faithful to the invitation you have already extended to us. In Christ's name, Amen.

Offertory

“Down by the Riverside”

Traditional; arr. Bernd Frank

Will Davy, soloist; Joyce Summers, pianist

UNISON PRAYER

God of every neighborhood, we thank you for calling us into relationship with you and with one another. Thank you for the teachers, greeters, and volunteers who make room in this place for every person who walks through our doors. Keep us mindful that love of you and love of neighbor were never meant to be separated.

PRAYER HYMN

“Together We Serve”

TFWS #2175

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.

SCRIPTURE

Mark 12:28-34

Cindy Mills

MESSAGE

“Won’t You Be My Neighbor”

Rev. Dr. Beth Hutton

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...and so, with you people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

...and so in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ... as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again

...all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN

“One Bread, One Body”

UMH #620

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

***CLOSING HYMN**

“In Christ There Is No East or West”

UMH #548

CARRYING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

“Allegro Pomposo”

Thomas Roseingrave

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

***WIFI PASSWORD: 131Guest**

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

Coffee Host: Leisa and Scott Moyer

Acolyte: Laurali Gough

The white rose bud on the altar is in celebration of the birth of Wyatt Leigh Hinton, born Sunday, August 16. Proud parents, Catherine and Christopher Hinton and Proud Grammy, Suzanne Duvall.

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Services are livestreamed on Facebook & YouTube weekly

3150 Father, We Have Heard You Calling

1. Fa - ther, we have heard you call - ing to your
 2. Je - sus Christ, our faith's per - fec - ter, priest and
 3. Ho - ly Spir - it, fire of heav - en, fall up -
 4. Praise we bring to God the Fa - ther, praise we

church in ev - ery age; for a sign of true de -
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 bring to God the Son, praise to God the Ho - ly

vo - tion for a sac - ri - fice of praise.
 na - tion with the truth of your great love.
 pas - sion, then trans - form your church, we pray.
 Spir - it, praise to you, the three in one.

In this place where you have brought us, may we
 So trans - form our fee - ble wit - ness, may we
 As you pour your grace up - on us, may we
 Tri - ni - ty of love in - spire us, may we

WORDS: Gareth Hill

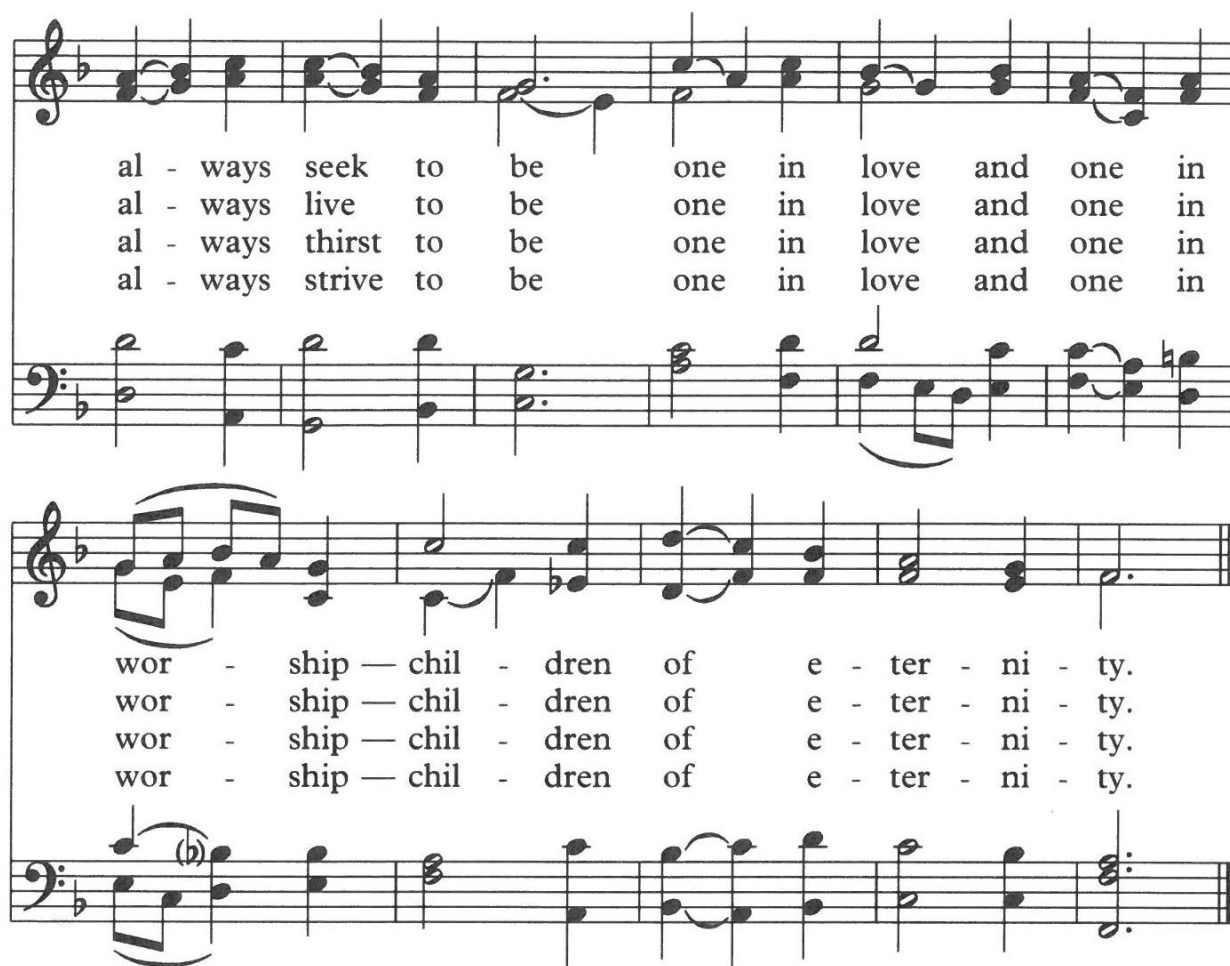
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NOTES FROM THE OFFICE



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, sign up at <https://calvaryumc.org/newsletter/>, or the scan the QR code to the left.

Stay Connected & Support Calvary through Online Giving

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



Sept. 10, 2026
6 p.m. ~Parish Hall
Frederick Health:
What’s the Diagnosis
and Prognosis?

Learn what’s happening at the hospital and what’s in store for the future.

Join Robin Rose, Vice President
& Chief Development Officer

&
Kate Burke, Senior Development
Specialist

from Frederick Health
Development as they discuss life-
changing new initiatives,
highlighting how your local
healthcare is evolving to serve
you better

We Need You for the Bazaar! ~ 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Saturday, November 14

It takes the whole church to make the Bazaar a success! We need crafters and vendors, cheeseball makers, Silent Auction and White Elephant donations, baked goods for the Bake Table, day-of volunteers, and a clean-up crew.

Crafting begins at **9:30 a.m. Monday, September 14 in the Craft Room.** You do not have to be a crafter to join us—there’s plenty of gluing, cutting, organizing, and other jobs that don’t require artistry. Just bring your smile and laughter!

Please mark the **Bazaar date** on your calendar and watch for future announcements about ways you can help. We need you! Have a great rest of the summer! ☀️ Becky Isaacs, Chairperson
301-639-5377

MISSIONS & OUTREACH

September Love Offering: Blessings in a Backpack

This September, we invite you to join us in showing love and compassion to children in our community through our **Blessings in a Backpack** program.

Throughout the month of September, we will be collecting a special **Love Offering** to help provide nutritious food and essential support to children who may experience food insecurity on weekends and school breaks.

Every gift, no matter the amount, can make a meaningful difference. Together, we can help ensure that children have the nourishment they need to learn, grow, and thrive.

Please prayerfully consider giving to our **September Love Offering**. Your generosity is a blessing that reaches beyond our church and into the lives of children and families in our community.



SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY

Social Justice Ministry at Calvary: A NEW START

Following worship on **Sunday, September 20, at 11:15 in the Conference Room** (former library), there will be a **meeting to launch Calvary's Social Justice Ministry** for the year ahead. **If you are** not sure what this ministry entails, but are curious, **please come!** **If you have** an interest in this aspect of ministry, but have not been previously involved with it at Calvary, **please come!** **If you have** been involved previously in any aspect of this ministry at Calvary, and continue to be interested in being involved, **please come!** So, grab a donut and cup of coffee or tea and **please join us!**

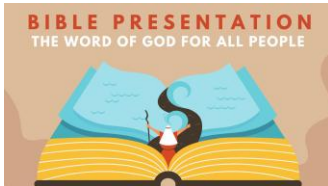
Til then, Blessings in Christ Jesus! Paul Nelson

CHILDREN'S & FAMILY MINISTRIES

AmyStone@calvaryumc.org

Children's Church is for children ages 5 through third 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!



Bible Dedication Sunday for 3rd Grade Students will take place during Worship on Sunday, September 20. Families, please join us during Children's Church in the Chapel for a ceremony following the Bible Dedication during Family Time.



Calvary United Methodist Church



The first
Joyful Voices
Rehearsal
Choir Practice will be
on
Sunday, September 13
at 11:15 am
following the Pot Luck
in the Choir Room
For more information,
please contact
Janet Fox at
jfox@myactv.com



Calling all agents! The first **Mission Possible Kids** meeting for the new school year will take place from **5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. Sunday, September 20** in the Activities Room! MPK is for kids in grades K-5 who want to make a difference in the lives of others and shine God's light in the world.

We work hard!

Use the QR Code to sign up:





Our first **Veggie Tale Movie Night** of the new school year is happening from **6 p.m. – 7:15 p.m. Friday, September 25** in the Activities Room! We will have pizza and snacks, a lively discussion, watch a movie, do a craft, color a picture and so much more! Please feel free to **bring a blanket** and **pillow** and **wear your pajamas!**

YOUTH MINISTRY



 **CALVARY UMC**

Youth GROUP

**KICKOFF
SEPTEMBER
13TH AT
5:30 PM
PARISH
HALL**

Questions?
Reach out to Miss Jenn:
calvaryyouth@calvaryumc.org

7:30 pm pick up

JOIN US!

*All Youth grades 6-12
are welcome*

DINNER, GAMES, FUN, AND FELLOWSHIP

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UN-BURDENED: FREDERICK COUNTY UNITED IN RELIEF

*"I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me,
I was in prison and you visited me." Matthew 25:36*

Medical debt should not be a life sentence for getting sick. Yet thousands of our neighbors right here in Frederick County are trapped under healthcare bills they cannot afford to pay.

This fall, Calvary is joining five other Frederick faith communities, Grace United Church of Christ, All Saints Episcopal Church, Evangelical and Reformed United Church of Christ, Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Frederick, and St. Katharine Drexel Catholic Church, in a shared effort called Un-Burdened: Frederick County United in Relief.

Together, working with the national nonprofit Undue Medical Debt, our goal is to raise \$103,172 by October 31 to wipe out \$15 million in accumulated medical debt, freeing more than 14,000 of our neighbors from bills they cannot pay. Because Undue purchases debt in bulk at steep discounts, every dollar given relieves about \$100 in medical debt. Gifts are 100% tax deductible, and recipients face no cost, no tax consequences, and no strings attached.

This is something every single person in our congregation can be part of. With six churches giving together, even \$10 or \$20 adds up to real relief for a real family. Whatever you're able to give, large or small, becomes part of something much bigger than any one of us could do alone. This is Gospel work, mercy made practical, a tangible way of caring for our neighbor.

If you would like to learn more, contact Dr. Hutton.



To give now, use this QR Code:

JOIN US AT IN THE STREETS, SEPTEMBER 12!



On **Saturday, September 12**, Calvary will have a booth at Frederick's beloved In the Streets Festival, and we would love for you to be part of it. You will find us in the Kids Block, alongside our Weekday School, sharing the wonderful things happening right here on the Calvary campus.

No experience required. No script to memorize. Just bring a friendly smile and a willingness to share what Calvary means to you. That is exactly the kind of witness that opens doors.

We are looking for volunteers to take a shift at the booth. If you love this community and enjoy a good conversation, this one is for you.

Please use the QR Code to sign up today!



SECOND SUNDAY POTLUCK LAUNCHES SEPTEMBER 13

ALL-CHURCH



Calvary is launching a new monthly tradition, and we are kicking it off with a potluck.

On the second Sunday of each month, starting September 13, everyone is invited to gather in the Parish Hall immediately following worship for Second Sunday Fellowship. Our September theme is Back to the Table. Bring a favorite dish that takes you back to school days, a comfort food, a family recipe, something that tastes like fall. Main, side, salad, or dessert, all of it welcome. Can't bring a dish? Come anyway. There will be plenty, and your presence is the point.



RSVP HERE:

https://calvaryfrederick.ccbchurch.com/event_detail.php?event_id=1401

Or scan this QR code (to the left). Kitchen ovens will be available for warming, the refrigerator is open for drop-off before Sunday School, and beverages and paper products are provided.

We are also looking for volunteers to help with setup and cleanup each month.
SIGN UP TO HELP HERE



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080D4FAAA72FA75-64952547-potluck#/> - or the QR Code, if you would like to please contact the office at Office@calvaryumc.org to sign up.

Clear the calendar and come to the table. We will see you September 13.

INTRODUCING THE CALVARY CONNECTION APP!



We are 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 Google Play or Apple; this will lead you directly to the App install button.





Blood Drive
Calvary United Methodist
Church
Calvary UMC-Frederick

Parish Hall
131 W Second St.
Frederick, MD 21701

Wednesday, September 23, 2026
8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Making an appointment is easy, please scan the QR Code or use the link to the Red Cross appointment portal.



[https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-
results?zipSponsor=CalvaryUMCFrederick](https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=CalvaryUMCFrederick)

If you would like to volunteer during the blood drive, please contact Pam Pittman at pamlp05@icloud.com

This Week at Calvary September 6 ~ September 13

Sunday, September 6 9 a.m. Sunday School 9 a.m. Children's Sunday School Carnival Kick-off 10 a.m. Worship Service – Sanctuary	Thursday, September 10 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Weekday School in Session 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Church Office Hours 6 p.m. Frederick Health Event – Parish Hall
Monday, September 7 Church Closed for Labor Day Holiday Tuesday, September 8 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Weekday School in Session 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Church Office Hours 10 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study- Parlor 6:30 p.m. Joyful Handbells – Bells Room 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir – Choir Room	Friday, September 11 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Weekday School in Session Church Office Closed Saturday, September 12 7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast- Parish Hall 9 a.m.-5 p.m. In the Streets- Downtown Frederick
Wednesday, September 9 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Weekday School in Session 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Church Office Hours 6 p.m. Men's Bible Study – Baker Center	Sunday, September 13 9 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Worship- Sanctuary 11:15 a.m. Joyful Voices- Choir Room 11:30 a.m. Potluck Meal – Parish Hall 5:30 p.m. Youth Group Kick-Off 6 p.m. VIM Meeting- JW Room

MUSIC MINISTRY

Music Rehearsals Are Back! 🎵

Sanctuary Choir rehearsals begin **Tuesday, September 8**, from **7:30–9:00 p.m.** in the **Choir Room (2nd floor)**.

No experience necessary! If you love to sing, enjoy good fellowship, and would like to help support Sunday worship through beautiful music, please join us. **All are welcome!**

Joyful Noise Handbells also begin rehearsals on **Tuesday, September 8**, from **6:30–7:15 p.m.** Never rung before? No problem! Talk with **Will Davy, Director**, for more information, and come give it a try!

Come make a joyful noise with us!

Prayer Concerns:

Members of Calvary: Beth Stitely, Anne Mossburg, George Jenkins, Carol Fennington, Tom Woodall, 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: Family of Jay Kimmel (Brother in-law to Margie Wilde), Mary Garst (Friend of Kitty and Nathan Robinson, and Rita Sharpe), Michael Seek (Brother of Amanda Lozinski), The George Family (Friends of Leisa and Scott Moyer), Kristen (Daughter of Becky and Mike Isaac), Charlie James (Friend of Terry Fisher), Kathy Best (Sister in law of Wenona Best), Amelia Irving (Daughter of Drew Irving), Bob Morgan (Friend of Paulette Shockey-Petrucchi), Peggy Cline (Mother of David Cline), Alan Tetrault (Friend of Joe and Amy Cerrito), Aberum Mills (Grandson of Cindy and Dave Mills), Katherine Walters (Mother of Melissa Wastler), Texanna Stup (Bonnie Johnson's Aunt), Libby Henley (Friend of Charlie Geisbert), Kathy Irving (Sister in Law to Drew Irving), 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), Agnes Dobson (Mother of Grace Dobson), Dom Norris (Friend of Drew Irving), 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

SEPTEMBER SERVING SCHEDULE

	Sept. 6	Sept. 13	Sept. 20	Sept. 27
Worship Leader	Karen Gebhart	David Cline	Rick Miller	Beth Strakonsky
Lay Reader	Cindy Mills	Didi Willard	David Cline	Margie Wilde
Acolyte	Laurali Gough	Moni Gough		
Coffee Host	David Cline	Paul Nelson	Leisa Moyer	Leisa Moyer
Flowers		Margie Wilde		



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