

Calvary United Methodist Church

WON'T YOU BE MY NEIGHBOR

FIRST RESPONDERS
APPRECIATION SUNDAY

Sunday, October 25, 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

“We Are Called”

TFWS #2172

WELCOME & MINISTRY INVITATIONS

Beth Strakonsky, Worship Leader

PRELUDE & BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

“Great Is The Lord”

Michael W. Smith, arr. Douglas E. Wagner

Joyful Noise Handbell Choir

***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 are no commandments greater than these.

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

***OPENING HYMN**

“How Can We Name a Love”

UMH #111

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. (Mark 12:28-34)

Offertory

Setting of the Hymn Tune

“TERRA BEATA”

Diane Bish

***DOXOLOGY**

UMH #94

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

“Jesus, United by Thy Grace”

UMH #561

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

“Be Not Afraid”
Sanctuary Choir

Craig Courtney

SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 16:13-14 and John 15:12-13

David Cline

Leader: *The Word of God for the people of God.*

People: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

“Look for the Helpers”

Rev. Dr. Beth Hutton

*CLOSING HYMN

“We Are Called”

TFWS #2172

CARRYING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

arr. Wayne Wald

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

Ushers: Dave Mills, Rick Miller, Andy Radcliffe, Paul Muehl

Coffee Host: Helen Sheppard

Acolyte: Kalian Wastler

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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



Ushers Needed

Interested in becoming an usher for our Sunday worship services, please contact Dave Mills at dacmills78@gmail.com or stop in to talk with him in the Narthex on Sunday mornings.

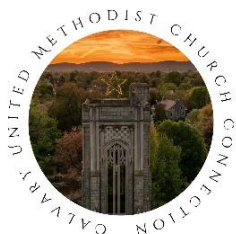
New Members Class – TODAY, Sunday, October 25

Those interested in joining Calvary UMC or learning more about following Christ are invited to a class in the John Wesley Room beginning after worship, led by Rev. Dr. Hutton. The session will cover the church’s history, purpose, and growing in faith.

Find Your Place at Calvary:

Want to get more involved, learn about a ministry, or share a gift or idea with our leadership team? Look for Karen Gebhart at the front of the sanctuary after worship on **Sunday, November 1**. Whether you're new or have been here for decades, we'd love to help you get connected.

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.



MISSION CENTRAL TRIP

Mission Central Trip is planned for **10:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Thursday, October 29**. Please sign up at the Welcome Center in the Parish Hall.

MISSIONS & OUTREACH



October Love Offering: Clean Water Through WASH

Most of us turned on a faucet this morning without giving it a thought. For billions of our neighbors around the world, clean water is not a given. It is a long walk, often made by women and children, and the water at the end of it is not always safe to drink.

So, this month our Love Offering supports WASH, the Water, Sanitation and Hygiene work of Global Ministries and UMCOR. Alongside Methodist and ecumenical partners, WASH helps communities build clean water sources, improve sanitation, and learn the hygiene practices that keep families healthy. Last year this work reached more than 90,000 people. Jesus said, "I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink." This is one way we get to do that together.

How to give: Give directly to the Love Offering. Mark your gift "Love Offering" in the offering plate, or give online through MyCalvary. Every gift, in either direction, goes to WASH. Thank you for being a church that shows up for our neighbors, near and far.

SHIP Gift Box Wrapping

Please join us immediately after worship **TODAY, Sunday, October 25**, to help wrap 75 collection boxes for SHIP's Homeless for the Holidays Hygiene Drive. Many hands make light work, and your help is greatly appreciated!

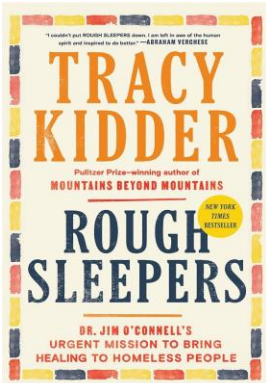
Any questions please contact Beth Stitely
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November Love Offering: Frederick Rescue Mission and Faith House

Serve lunch with a Calvary team (Nov. 10, 27, or 30, 11:00–1:30) or sort food (Nov. 11, 8:45–12:30). Teams of five; sign up in the Welcome Center. Questions: Pat Herber, 301-401-0522, or Dave Shickel, 410-570-4559.

BOOK STUDY



📖 **Rough Sleepers Book Study: New Start Date.** Our online book study will now begin **Wednesday, November 4**, as Dr. Hutton will be out for a medical procedure on October 28. We'll gather three Wednesdays, November 4, 11, and 18, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Google Meet.

The study includes Scripture, small group conversation, and a look at the faith behind what we do as United Methodists. It's part of our November Love Offering for the Frederick Rescue Mission and Faith House.

Read at your own pace, and register at

https://calvaryfrederick.ccbchurch.com/event_detail.php?event_id=1420

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!



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!

**Saturday, November 14
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.**

Santa will be available from 9 a.m. – noon!

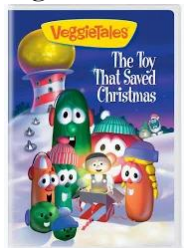


Veggie Tale Movie Night will be held **6 p.m. – 7:15 p.m. Friday, November 20** in the Activities Room of the Education Building. Join us for pizza, a movie, discussion, a craft and more! Wear your pajamas and bring a blanket if you'd like!

This month, we will be celebrating Christmas a little early with a showing of
The Toy That Saved Christmas!

Please register at:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0949ACAD2FABFBC61-48352788-veggie> .



Mission Possible Kids is for children in Kindergarten through 5th Grade who want to help others and make a difference in the world! This month, **MPK** will meet from **5:30 p.m. – 7 p.m. Sunday, November 22** in the Activities Room of the Education Building.

Join us! **Bring a canned food item for our local food bank!**

Please register at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0949ACAD2FABFBC61-48584528-mission> or contact AmyStone@calvaryumc.org for more information. MPK t-shirts are available for \$10 (or two for \$15).



It's Time for...

TRUNK or TREAT!

Sunday, October 25

3:00 - 5:00 pm

Calvary's Parish Hall & Back Parking Lot!

Wear your costume!

Sign up to Decorate Your Trunk!

Bring Your Favorite Chili Recipe!

Make a Spooky Dessert!

**Bring a canned food item to "vote" for
your favorite trunk!**

HOLIDAY BAZAAR



Jump Right In! The Holiday Bazaar Elves Are Still Busy at Work!

Our Holiday Bazaar is **Saturday, November 14**. We need your help to set up any day from **9 a.m. – noon the week of November 9-11**. See the Help Wanted forms 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!

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

Silent Auction: We need special treasures at the Silent Auction! 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.*

Jams and Jellies: 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.*

Bake Sale Goodies: Last but not 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 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Friday, November 13. 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.*



Cheeseballs Are Back!

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

- Donate Ingredients ~ Sign up list is available at the Welcome Center
- Pre-Order ~ By October 25, pick up will be November 8
- Help Us Roll ~ **6 p.m. Wednesday, November 4 and Wednesday, November 11**

Let's roll together and make this year's batch the cheesiest yet!
If you have any questions, please contact Beth Strakonsky.

Beth.strakonsky@gmail.com or 301.471.1822



CALVARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Holiday *Bazaar*



HANDMADE CRAFTS - VENDORS - BAKE SALE
SILENT AUCTION - WHITE ELEPHANT ROOM
LIVE MUSIC - NORTH POLE - KIDS CRAFTS
CALVARY'S FAMOUS CHEESBALLS

LUNCHEON SERVED FROM 11 AM TO 1 PM



NOVEMBER
14

131 WEST 2ND STREET
FREDERICK, MD

FROM 9 AM
TO 3 PM

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

On **All Saints Sunday**, November 1, we will remember and give thanks for those we love who have died during the past year.

If you would like a loved one's name included in our All Saints remembrance, please submit their name to the church office by **October 28**. We will honor their memory during our worship service on **Sunday, November 1**.

May we give thanks for the lives of those who have gone before us and hold their families and loved ones in prayer.

Please use the link or QR Code to complete an All Saints Sunday information form, please make sure to include name, birth date and date of death.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSerjr4dDsnxMZ57vdqA8UQ2sbgphexOJv_6-3YI9t8V4sLG3A/viewform?usp=publish-editor



CALVARY WEEKDAY SCHOOL FUNDRAISER



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Bring in this flyer or present via smartphone

Monday, November 16, 2026

11:30 AM- 9:00 PM

**& 20% of all generated dine in, carry out
and catering sales will go directly to:**

Calvary Weekday School

Not valid with happy hour or any other promotion

PRAYER CONCERNS

Members of Calvary: Mary Johnson, Sebastian Duthoy, Beth Richards, Les Hutzet, Bill Riggelman, Colin Lyon, Nancy Slovikosky, Amanda Lozinski, Beth Stitely, 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

Friends of Calvary: Steven O'Neill (Husband of Rebecca Dean O'Neill), Michelle Grubbs (Friend of Melissa Wastler), Dr. Kirk Volker (Friend of Paul Metcalf), Kristen Miller and Jaimee Swinimer (Daughters of Mike and Becky Isaacs), Agnes Dobson (Mother of Grace Dobson, Arthur (Family friend of Pam and Jay Pittman), Gina Anderson (Daughter of Marietta Anderson), Mary Hobbs (Angela Mayer's Mother), Donna Coakley (Formal member & Friend of Meg Winter), Micheal Lozinski (Brother of Amanda Lozinski), The George Family (Family Friends of Leisa and Scott Moyer), Charlie Jame (Friend of Terry Fisher), 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), Aberum Mills (Grandson of Cindy and Dave Mills), Libby Henely (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), 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), Kitty Cooley (Sister of Connie Scoggins)

This Week at Calvary October 18 ~ October 25

Sunday, October 25 ~ 1st Responders Sunday

9 a.m. Sunday School for all
 10 a.m. Worship- Sanctuary
 11:15 a.m. Joyful Voices- Choir Room
 11:15 a.m. New Members Class- JW Room
 3 p.m.-5 p.m. Trunk or Treat – Parking Lot
 5:30 p.m. Youth Group

Wednesday, October 28

8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Weekday School in Session
 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Church Office Hours
 2 p.m. Miriam's Circle Meeting
 6 p.m. Men's Bible Study – Conference Room
 6:30 p.m. Crafting – Crafting Room

Monday, October 26

8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Weekday School in Session
 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Church Office Hour
 9:30 a.m. Crafting - Crafting Room
 3 p.m. Tai Chi with Nanette- Activities Room

Thursday, October 29

8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Weekday School in Session
 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Church Office Hours
 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Mission Trip to Mission Central

Friday, October 30

8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Weekday School in Session
 Church Office Closed

FALL BACK – Daylight Saving Time Ends

Tuesday, October 27

8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Weekday School in Session
 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Church Office Hour
 10 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study – Parlor
 1:00 p.m. Weekday School Steering Committee
 6:30 p.m. Joyful Handbells – Bells Room
 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir – Choir Room

Sunday, November 1 ~ All Saints Sunday

9 a.m. Sunday School for All
 10 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary
 11:15 a.m. Joyful Voices – Choir Room
 11:15 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry- JW Room
 5:30 p.m. Youth Group

OCTOBER /NOVEMBER SERVING SCHEDULE

	Oct 25	Nov 1	Nov 8	Nov 15
Worship Leader	Beth Strakonsky	David Cline	David Cline	Karen Gebhart
Lay Reader	David Cline	Laura Hunter	Didi Willard	David Cline
Acolyte	Kaliana Wastler			Charlotte Miller
Coffee Host	Helen Sheppard		David Cline	Helen Sheppard
Flowers				Joche Wilmot



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

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