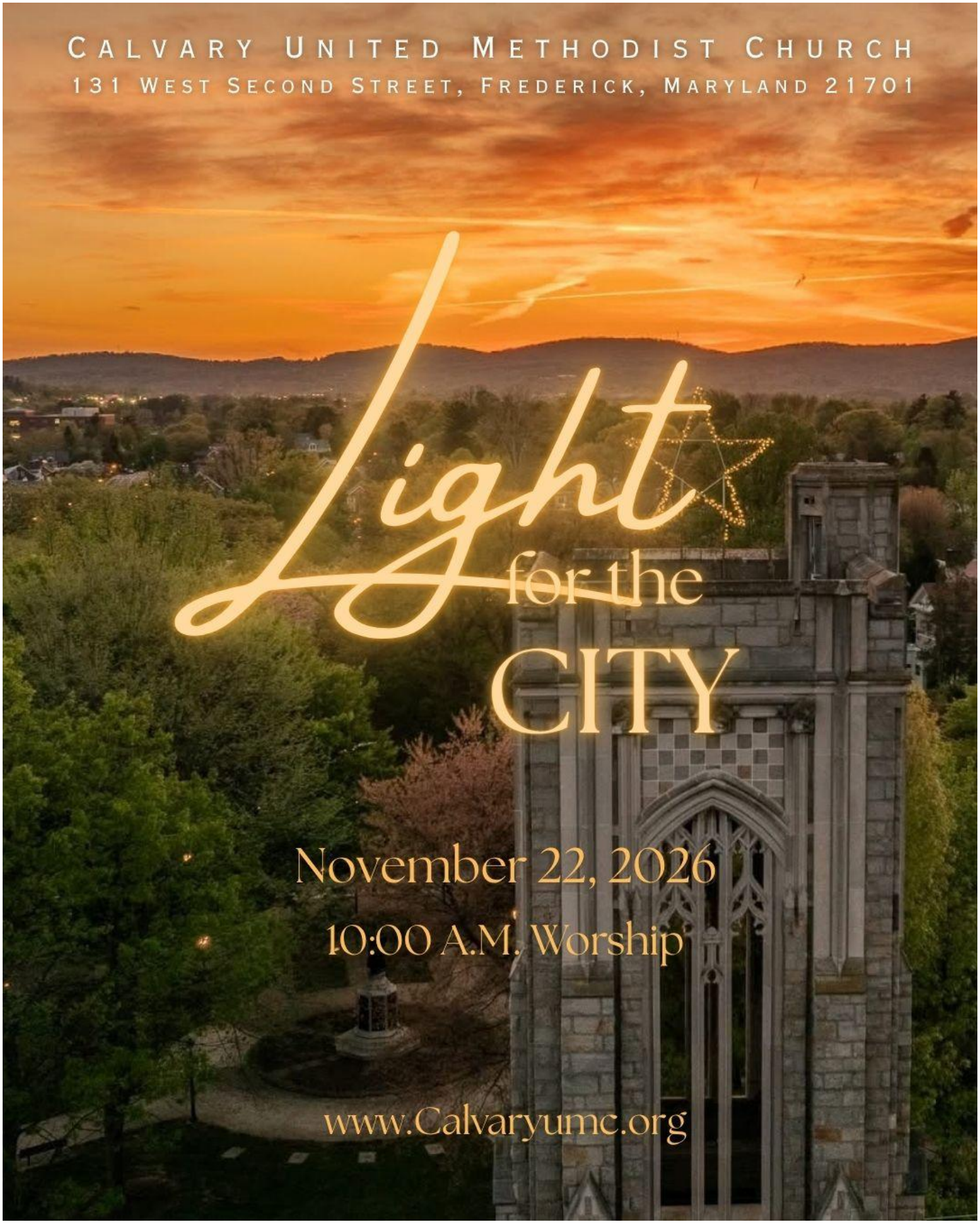

Calvary United Methodist Church
131 West Second Street, Frederick, Maryland 21701
Light for the CITY
November 22, 2026
10:00 A.M. Worship
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CALVARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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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 "Majesty, Worship His Majesty" UMH #176

WELCOME & MINISTRY INVITATIONS Beth Strakonsky, Worship Leader

PRELUDE & BRINGING IN THE LIGHT

"Hope in God" Ron Mallory

Joyful Noise Handbells

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, and the glory.

People: Yours is the kingdom, and you are exalted above all.

Leader: Who are we, that we should be able to give so freely?

People: All things come from you, and of your own have we given you.

Leader: Today we bring our promises: at the font, at the chest, and before one another.

People: Christ is our King and our light. Let us worship God.

***OPENING HYMN** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" UMH #139

FAMILY TIME

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM ~GRACE LAWRENCE

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER FOR BAPTISM

Gracious God, We thank you for Grace, and for your grace poured out on her this day. With joy we welcome her into the body of Christ and into the family of this congregation. We promise, with God's help, to be her faithful friends in Christ. We will surround her with a community of love and forgiveness, that she may grow in her trust of God, and be found faithful in her service to others. We will pray for her, that she may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life. Do all in your

power to increase her faith, confirm her hope, and perfect her in love. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon Grace, that she may be given power to live and grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ. We give thanks for the ministry we all share in Christ. Amen.

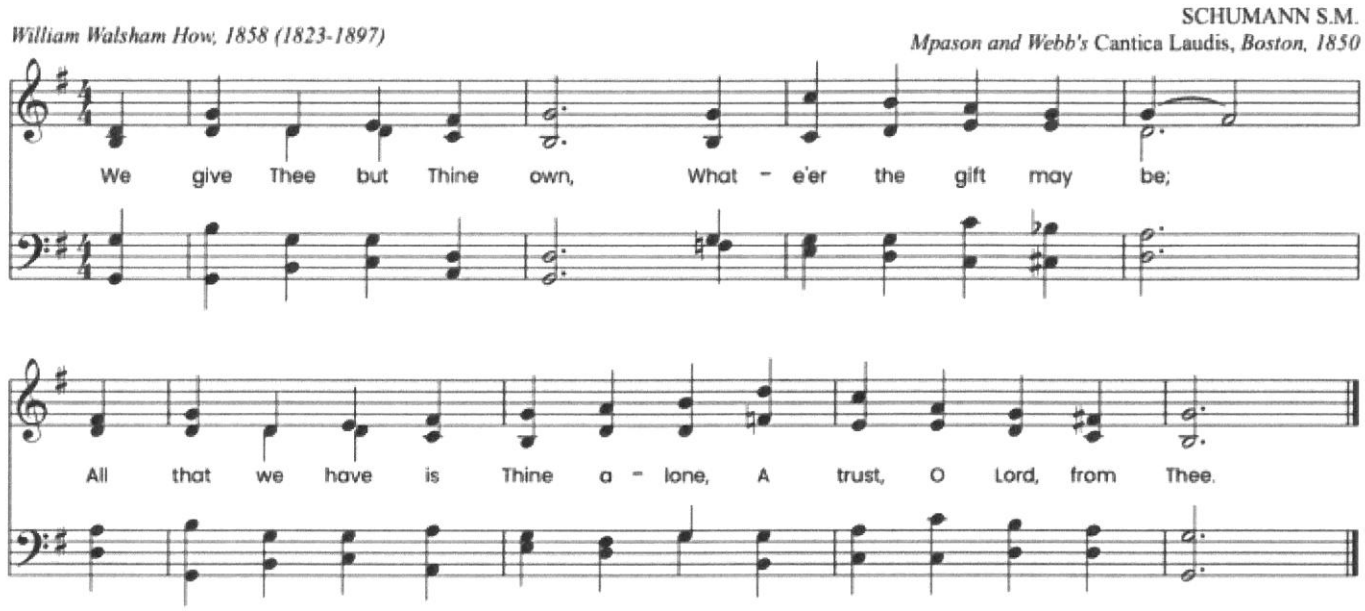
OFFERING PRAYER

This prayer is written to be prayed over the Joash Chest once the cards have come forward. God of every generation, David gave for a temple he would never enter. The people of Calvary built this sanctuary for children they would never meet. Today we take our turn. Receive these commitments and these gifts. Bless what they will become: a church ready for Grace and for every child after her, and a light for this city in years we will not see. All of it is yours already. With joy, we give it back. Amen.

Offertory "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" setting by Timothy Flynn

***DOXOLOGY**

We Give Thee But Thine Own



UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We thank you, O God, for this day. For the water of baptism, and for Grace, your beloved child. For new members who join their lives to ours. For those who built this house before us and trusted us with it. For Jesus Christ, our King, who came to the house of Zacchaeus and comes to ours. Everything we have is from your hand. Make us glad and generous stewards of it.

PRAYER HYMN "My Tribute" UMH #99

(Verse sung by soloist, followed by chorus sung by ALL)

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 "Consecration" by John Ness Beck

Sanctuary Choir

SCRIPTURE 1 Chronicles 29:10-18 and Luke 19:1-10 Cindy Mills

Leader: *The Word of God for the people of God.*
People: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE Stewardship – Light for the City Rev. Dr. Beth Hutton

CALVARY CHEST – BRINGING OUR GIFTS TO GOD'S TEMPLE

They gave according to their means, and beyond their means, of their own free will, begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part..., but first they gave themselves to the Lord.

HYMN OF CONSECRATION

1. We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
   He chastens and hastens His will to make known.
   The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.
   Sing praises to His name; He forgets not His own.

2. We come now before You in sacred commitment;
   Our tithing providing Your work yet to do.
   May we join this moment in peace and atonement.
   All that You've given us, we return now to You.

3. A light in this city to reach every corner;
   To seek friend and stranger, our mission renew.

From boiler to tower, we pledge unto Your power.
As stewards we rejoice in our turn serving You!

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***BENEDICTION**

CLOSING HYMN "Now Thank We All Our God" UMH #102

CARRYING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" setting by Craig Phillips

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

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  Services are livestreamed on Facebook & YouTube weekly

Ushers: Linda Watson, Richard Delauter, Judy Wilson, Paul Muehl, Dave Mills
Coffee Host: Beth Strakonsky
Acolyte: Kaliana Wastler
Altar Flowers: With gratitude for the opportunity to share God's abundant blessings with those in need. ~By Paul Nelson

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE - WIFI PASSWORD: 131Guest

Want to receive our weekly e-news? You can get "Between Sundays," announcements of upcoming events, prayer concerns and other great information each Monday and Friday. 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

Ushers Needed

Are you 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.

Tai Chi Class

Tai Chi is a gentle series of movements that improve balance, mobility, and relaxation. A number of CUMC members and community members have had the opportunity to experience Tai Chi in the last several months. We will have one more session this year: **3 – 4 p.m. Monday, December 7**, in the Education Building, lower level. All donations will be given to the December Love Offering. Both seated and standing options are available and all are welcome.

Beginning in January 2027, a six-week session will begin from **3 – 4 p.m. Mondays** in the lower level of the Education Building. Participants will be asked to register and pay for the six-week session. If you have any questions or are interested in the six-week session, please contact Pat or Dave Herber at pkherber@gmail.com.

CALVARY CONNECTION APP!

Stay in the know with the **Calvary Connection App!** Our new church app makes it easier than ever to engage with your Calvary church family. You can connect with fellow members, keep up with upcoming events, give online, receive important announcements, and enjoy many other features designed to keep you informed and involved in the life of our church. Download the app today!

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.

MISSIONS & OUTREACH

November Love Offering
Frederick Rescue Mission and Faith House

Our November Love Offerings go to the Frederick Rescue Mission and Faith House. Every gift you give this month goes directly to their work.

We are not only giving. The Missions and Outreach Committee has arranged several ways for the Calvary family to serve alongside the Rescue Mission in person, living out Jesus' call in Matthew 25 to feed the hungry, who are members of Christ's own family.

Serve lunch (teams of five), **11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.** at the Rescue Mission on West South Street:

- **Friday, November 27**
- **Monday, November 30**

Questions? Contact Dave Shickel (410-570-4559) or Pat Herber (301-401-05220

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.

Please join us for the City of Frederick
Kris Kringle Procession
6 p.m. Friday, December 11
Stay tuned for Line Up information coming soon!



Pageant Dress Rehearsal
10 a.m. Saturday, December 12

Annual Children's Christmas Pageant
9 a.m. Sunday, December 13
Arrive by 8:30 a.m.

We are assigning pageant parts now! Please sign up for **Pageant Weekend Events** with the QR Code





Join the Joyful Voices and Mission Possible Kids for Christmas

Caroling at the Record Street Home!

2 p.m. Sunday, December 20

(Meet in the Choir Room at 1:30)

All Ages are Welcome and Encouraged to Join Us!

CALVARY BLOOD DRIVE

American Red Cross

Give blood.

Blood Drive

Calvary United Methodist Church Frederick

Parish Hall
131 W Second St.
Frederick, MD 21701

Wednesday, December 2, 2026
12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

To make an appointment to donate please use the QR Code or the link below:

SCAN ME

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

ADVENT TEA

Ladies . . .
You are invited to Calvary's
Advent Tea
December 5, 2:00 – 4:00pm
Parish Hall
Join us for a traditional
English Afternoon Tea



Sponsored by the Executive Committee of the Calvary Women in Faith.
Note: Our program features excerpts from the book, Seasons Greetings:
Letters from those who were around during the birth of Christ.

HANGING OF THE GREENS



Join in the fun and celebration of the Advent Season beginning with the Hanging of the Greens -
9 a.m. Saturday, November 28.
Any and all are welcome!
Coffee, tea and water are available.

FREDERICK CITY'S KRIS KRINGLE PROCESSION



6 p.m. Friday, December 11

A cherished Calvary tradition, the Kris Kringle Procession is a wonderful way to celebrate the Christmas season and enjoy the holiday spirit together!
Everyone is invited to come out and join the fun! Whether you're marching in the procession or simply coming to enjoy the festivities, we would love to see you there.

The parade concludes right here at the **Talley Center**, so be sure to stop by Parish Hall afterward for **hot cocoa, cookies, and some Christmas fellowship!** Bring your family, invite a friend, and help us welcome the procession home. **Stay tuned!** Parade lineup information and additional details will be coming soon. We hope to see you there!

BAKE A BATCH



Festive holiday events are upon us, including **Bake a Batch**. Dust off those mixers and discover new recipes or your classic favorites. This is a chance for the fabulous cookie bakers of Calvary to showcase their talents.

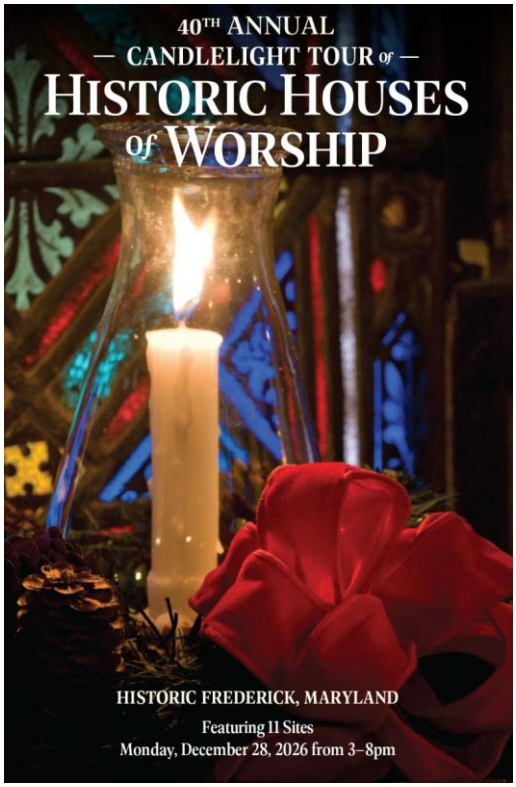
We will be collecting homemade cookies for the annual bake a batch event **Friday, December 11** and **Saturday, December 12**. Trays will be available for sale **Sunday, December 13**. Questions contact Julie Schwarzenberg at 240-626-7666.

TOUR OF CHURCHES

Tour of Churches
NEW DATE:
3 p.m.-8 p.m. Monday, December 28

Calvary UMC is proud to once again participate in the beloved Frederick holiday tradtition! Each year, we welcome hundreds of visitors to our beautiful church, offering warm hospitality, holiday treats, and our famous homemade Chicken Corn Chowder.

We need your help to make this year's event another success!



Here's how you can help:

- Hosts/Greeters- Our Greatest Need! Welcome visitors, answer questions, and share Calvary's hospitality. Several shifts will be avaiable throughout the afternoon and evening. A sign-up sheet will be available at the Welcome Center beginning in December.
- Holiday Treats: Have a few too many Christmas cookies or other baked goodies around the house? We'll glady take them off your hands! Donations of cookies, candies, and other treats are welcome.
- Chicken Corn Soup Team: What began approximately 15 years ago with the Men's Fellowship Group preparing 20 gallons fo Mark Mayer's grandmother's award-winning recipe has grown into an annual tradition of approximately 80 gallons of delicious soup! The team gathers that morning to prepare ingredients, share fellowship, and get ready to serve our guests. Interested in ledning a hand? Contact Mark Mayer, Roy Schwarzenberg, or Frank Strakonsky.

Whether you can give an hour your time, share some holiday treats, or help prepare the soup, you are helping Calvary extend a warm welcome to our community!

Questions? Contact Beth Strakonsky at beth.strakonsky@gmail.com

CALVARY'S ANGEL TREE



HOW TO PARTICIPATE

The tree will be decorated with ornaments listing children's Christmas wishes, clothing needs, and grocery store gift cards to help provide their Christmas dinner. General department store gift cards will also be collected for the Beyond Shelter organization.

Simply select an ornament and follow the instructions on the back. Please remember to sign out each ornament in the white ring binder.

A FEW HELPFUL REMINDERS:

- Include a gift receipt with clothing purchases to make exchanges easier if a different size is needed.
- Include the purchase receipt with store gift cards so we can verify their value.

SHARE THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS!

The Calvary Angel Tree returns to Parrish Hall following the Holiday Bazaar! Help bring Christmas joy to families in our community through gifts, gift cards, and donations.

Please return all gifts by **Sunday, December 6.** Time is needed for sorting, packing, and tagging before delivery.

PREFER NOT TO SHOP?

Gift cards (Target, Walmart, Kohl's, and grocery stores) and cash donations are welcome! A collection box is located near the tree. Checks may be made payable to **Calvary United Methodist Church**, with "Angel Tree" in the memo line.

Thank you for sharing your love and generosity with families in our community. Your kindness helps make Christmas brighter for so many!

Questions? Contact Julie Schwarzenberg at 240-626-7666.



DECEMBER'S POT LUCK



SECOND SUNDAY POTLUCK — HOLIDAY BRUNCH -11:30 A.M.

Holiday Brunch QR Code **Set up/Clean up QR Code:**

Sunday, December 13: Everyone is invited to gather in the Parish Hall immediately after worship for Second Sunday Fellowship!

Celebrate the joy of the season with friends and fellow parishioners at our Holiday Brunch Potluck! Join us for brunch of good food, warm fellowship, and holiday cheer.

Bring your favorite breakfast or brunch dish to share, and come ready to enjoy some festive fun with our church family. Whether sweet or savory, homemade or store-bought, there's always room for one more dish at the table!

We look forward to celebrating the season together!

RSVP HERE or use the Holiday Brunch QR Code in the top Left corner or https://calvaryfrederick.ccbchurch.com/event_detail.php?event_id=1401
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 also need volunteers to help with setup and cleanup each month. QR Code upper right corner.
SIGN UP TO HELP HERE:
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080D4FAAA72FA75-64952547-potluck#/

PRAYER CONCERNS

Recent Passing: Tom Mullineaux

Members of Calvary: Eric Anderson, Sebastian Duthoy, Beth Richards, Les Hutzel, Bill Riggleman, 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 Alysmeyer, Gracie Heller, Jack Heller, Rita Sharpe, Ann Crum, Marilyn Moyers, Peggy Griffee, Nancy Dobbs, Jim Dobbs, John Stenner, Betty Rollins, David Fish, The Jarrell Family, Kaliana and Elliana Wastler, Bill Waskey, Betsy Bryant, Jean Shaff

Friends of Calvary: Agnes Dobson (Mother of Grace Dobson**),** Teddy Wenner (Friend of Paul Nelson), Michelle Grubbs (Friend of Melissa Wastler), Dr. Kirk Volker (Friend of Paul Metcalf), Kristen Miller and Jaimee Swinimer (Daughters of Mike and Becky Isaacs), 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 November 15 ~ November 29

Sunday, November 22 –

Baptism/Receiving New Members

9 a.m. Sunday School for all

10 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary

11:15 a.m. Joyful Voices – Choir Room

5:30 p.m. Youth Group

5:30 p.m. Mission Possible Kids – Activities Room

Monday, November 23

8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. WDS Teacher Work Day

9 a.m.-3 p.m. Church Office Hour

7 p.m. Administrative Council

Tuesday, November 24

8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. WDS Teacher Work Day

9 a.m.-3 p.m. Church Office Hour

10 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study – Parlor

6:30 p.m. Joyful Handbells – Bells Room

7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir – Choir Room

Wednesday, November 25

9 a.m.-3 p.m. Church Office Hours

2 p.m. Miriam's Circle Meeting – Conference Room

6 p.m. Men's Bible Study – Conference Room

Thursday, November 26

Thanksgiving Holiday

Friday, November 27

Church & School Closed for Holiday

9 a.m. Fluffing of the Wraths

Saturday, November 28

9 a.m. Hanging of the Greens

Sunday, November 29

9 a.m. Sunday School for All

10 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary

11:15 a.m. Joyful Voices – Choir Room

5:30 p.m. Youth Group

NOVEMBER SERVING SCHEDULE

	Nov 22	Nov 29
Worship Leader	Beth Strakonsky	Karen Gebhart
Lay Reader	Cindy Mills	Laura Hunter
Acolyte	Kaliana Wastler	Ryan Mills
Coffee Host	Beth Strakonsky	Paul Nelson
Flowers	Paul Nelson (Altar)	

DECEMBER SERVING SCHEDULE

	Dec 6	Dec 13	Dec 20
Worship Leader	David Cline	Rick Miller	Beth Strakonsky
Lay Reader	Stephen Ricketts		David Cline
Acolyte	Kaliana Wastler		
Coffee Host	Leisa & Scott Moyer	David Cline	Helen Sheppard
Flowers		Paul Nelson	Helen Sheppard

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