

LET NOT YOUR
HEART BE TROUBLED:
YE BELIEVE IN GOD,
BELIEVE ALSO IN ME.

JOHN 14:1 KJV



CALVARY

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2023

WELCOME TO CALVARY

YOU ARE GOD'S
BELOVED,
AND YOU ARE
WELCOME HERE.



Our Welcome Statement

Calvary United Methodist Church believes that all means all. We open our hearts, our minds and our doors to all our neighbors. We gladly invite into our shared life all persons who seek a community of support where they can grow in God's grace. Regardless of your race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, ability, relationship status, or background – *you are God's beloved, and you are welcome here.*

Welcome to Calvary!

If you are a first time guest, thank you for visiting Calvary! We would invite you to check out our Welcome Tables for more information about who we are. We would also ask you to fill out a "GET CONNECTED" card in the back of the pews so we can get to know you. If you are in need of a large print bible or hymnal, please see any greeter for help.

Location of Bathrooms

From the front exits of the Sanctuary outside the right doorway, a handicapped accessible restroom and baby changing table are available on this level. From the front exits of the Sanctuary outside the left side exit, restrooms are located down the stairs.

Families with Babies or Young Children

Families with babies or young children? We have a family area in the sanctuary with rocking chairs and toys so your family can participate in the service.

How Do I Get Involved?

There are many ways you can become involved at Calvary United Methodist Church. If you have been promising yourself to join a small group experience for not just a continuing learning opportunity but also to meet new friends, please fill out a "Get Involved" card in the back of the pews. You can also email CalvaryPgh@gmail.com or visit our website at CalvaryPgh.com for information about the many ministries available. If you are ready to serve or just want to connect and grow, there are plenty of opportunities for you to use your gifts and talents.

PRAYER CONCERNS

DO NOT BE ANXIOUS ABOUT ANYTHING,
BUT IN EVERYTHING, BY PRAYER
AND PETITION, WITH THANKSGIVING,
PRESENT YOUR REQUESTS TO GOD.

PHILIPPIANS 4:6

Immediate Needs

Jacqueline Melvin Cannon (Judy Melvin's sister)
Tom Smart (friend of Anne Christianson)
Rev. Tom Funk
Mary Callison
Chris Griffin
Jenalee Morris
Father of Liz Martinez
Tricia Magee (friend of Larry & Pam Hopkins)
Roy Ziegler (friend of Venus)
Lori McDonough (relative of Venus)
Friend of Mark Snyder
Sheila Shimko (mother of Sheila Hill)
Chuck (Eliyana Bogdewic's great uncle)

Ongoing Prayer Concerns

Martha Helmreich
Christine Thomas
Paul Brucker
Joan Sturtz
Randy & Danny
Dan Souza
Tom Smith

How Can We Pray For You?

If you have a prayer request or a joy that you would like to be lifted up, you can either fill out the "PRAYER REQUEST" card in the back of the pews and place it in the offering plate or contact the church office directly at 412-231-2007.

You can also complete the new "Prayer Request Form" on the Calvary website at calvarypgh.com/contact/prayer-request.php. The information on this form goes directly to the clergy of Calvary UMC. We treat these concerns in a private and confidential manner (unless otherwise directed), respecting the privacy of individuals as the requestor directs us.

PLEASE NOTE — Prayer concerns will be published for 4 weeks unless otherwise instructed.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAYS

Bible Study

Time / Location: 10:00-10:45am / Calvary UMC Chapel

Description: *"Affirming the Scriptures of an Affirming God"* — How can we respond when people use verses of the Bible as a weapon? We can relearn the weaponized Scriptures in defense of love. We'll be looking at the Scriptures through the lens of welcoming, affirming, and accepting all people. Feel free to bring your Bible, but we also have more Bibles available.

Choir Rehearsal

Time / Location: 10:00-10:45am / Calvary UMC Choir Loft

Description: Love Singing? Thinking About Joining The Choir?... Now is the perfect time to give it a try! No audition required! All are welcome!

Sunday School

Time / Location: 10:00-10:45am / Presbytery (Across the street from Calvary)

Description: Calvary offers two Sunday School Classes: (1) Ages 3-10, (2) Ages 11-15. Please meet up in the chapel and everyone will walk across the street together.

Fellowship Following Morning Worship

Time / Location: Following Morning Worship / Calvary UMC Chapel

Description: Come to the chapel following morning worship for fellowship.

MONDAYS

Sleeping Bag Group

Time / Location: 6:30pm / Calvary UMC Fellowship Hall

Description: The sleeping bags are made from recycled materials, packed with personal items such as toothpaste, shampoo, hats and gloves then distributed to nearby homeless shelters. There is plenty to do. No sewing experience needed. Questions? Please contact Terri Howell at trr_howell@yahoo.com or call 412-482-2211 with any questions.

TUESDAYS

Exercise Class For All Ages

Time / Location: 9:00am / Calvary UMC Chapel

Description: The group uses the program "Grow Young Fitness". The program is targeted to "older adults", but great for people of all ages. If you have any questions contact Linda Ehrlich at laehrlich927@aol.com.

WEEKLY CALENDAR, CONT...

TUESDAYS, CONT...

Choir Rehearsal

Time / Location: 6:00-7:30pm / Calvary UMC Choir Loft

Description: Love Singing? Thinking About Joining The Choir?... Now is the perfect time to give it a try! No audition required! All are welcome!

THURSDAYS

Exercise Class For All Ages

Time / Location: 9:00am / Calvary UMC Chapel

Description: The group uses the program "Grow Young Fitness". The program is targeted to "older adults", but great for people of all ages. If you have any questions contact Linda Ehrlich at laehrlich927@aol.com.

Women's Bible Study

Time / Location: 10:00-11:00am / Calvary UMC Parlor

Description: Join us for *"Living Right-Side Up in an Upside Down World - A Women's Study on the Beatitudes."* This study for women began on Thursday, February 23 and continues for six weeks. We will take a look at what it means to live out the "Blessed are" statements in our rapidly changing and, at times, challenging world. The curriculum was developed by Kathy Wagner and is taken from "Our Daily Bread" daily devotionals. You are welcome to come for any/all of the sessions as we experiment with this day and time for a study. Linda Ehrlich has copies of the complete curriculum if you would like a copy.



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Gathering Words

Come now and see for yourselves. God is alive in our midst and begins life anew even among us. You will see the very nature of God in those gathered around you. Get ready to stand firm, to stand on the Rock that is Jesus Christ. From there we will feel the confidence of those who follow the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

Welcome

Call to Worship †*

Leader: In you, Lord, I have taken refuge.
All: **Let me never be put to shame. Deliver me in your righteousness.**
Leader: Turn your ear to me. Come quickly to my rescue.
All: **Be my rock of refuge, a strong fortress to save me.**
Leader: Since you are my rock and my fortress,
All: **lead and guide me, for the sake of your name.**
Leader: Let your face shine upon your servant.
All: **Save me in your unfailing love!**

Opening Hymn †* “Sing Praise to God who Reigns Above” — #126 UMH

Opening Prayer †*

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth. We pray, this day that we may come to a clearer understanding that you have more interest in our character than in our comfort. Where we have need of correction, speak plainly to us and grant us the courage to make the changes you would bring in our lives. May the love we express for you on this Sunday morning continue throughout the coming week. Strengthen this congregation, we pray, in order that we may become more effective in our ministry, in our service, and in our witness to the community. In the name of the risen Christ, Amen.

Community Greetings †

Song of Praise * “He is Lord” — #177 UMH

Children’s Message

Psalter Lesson * Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 NRSV

1 In you, O Lord, I seek refuge; do not let me ever be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver me. 2 Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily. Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me. 3 You are indeed my rock and my fortress; for your name’s sake lead me and guide me;

ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

4 take me out of the net that is hidden for me, for you are my refuge. 5 Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God. 15 My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors. 16 Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love.

Leader: The word of God, written by the people of God, for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sharing Prayer Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Anthem The Renewal Choir

Gospel Lesson †* John 14:1-14 NRSV

1 “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. 2 In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. 4 And you know the way to the place where I am going.” 5 Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” 6 Jesus said to him, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. 7 If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” 8 Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” 9 Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? 10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. 11 Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, but if you do not, then believe because of the works themselves. 12 Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. 13 I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14 If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

Leader: The word of God, written by the people of God, for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon “The Way Out” — Pastor Matt Dean

Hymn of Preparation * “One Bread, One Body” — #620 UMH

The Sacrament of Holy Communion *

ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

Hymn * "Communion Setting" (Preface) — #2257-a TFWs

2257-a Communion Setting

(Preface)

The musical score is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of five staves of music. The first staff is marked 'Leader' and 'All'. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al'. The second staff is marked 'Leader' and the lyrics are: 'so with you. Lift up your'. The third staff is marked 'All' and the lyrics are: 'hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.'. The fourth staff is marked 'Leader' and 'All' and the lyrics are: 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is'. The fifth staff is marked 'All' and the lyrics are: 'right to give our thanks and praise.'.

Leader: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, brought us to a land flowing with milk and honey, and set before us the way of life. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Hymn * "Communion Setting" (Sanctus) — #2257-b TFWs

2257-b (Sanctus)

The musical score is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of two staves of music. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord; God of power and might. Heav - en and earth are'.

ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

full of your glo -

ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho -

san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high -

est! Blest is the one who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho -

san - na in the high - est!

Order of Worship continued on following page.

*† Please stand as you are able / * Words on screen / Bold text is unison*

ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

Leader: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. By your great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of your Son from the dead and to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading.

Once we were no people, but now we are your people, declaring your wonderful deeds in Christ, who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light. When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always, in the power of your Word and Holy Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me."

On the day you raised him from the dead he was recognized by his disciples in the breaking of the bread, and in the power of your Holy Spirit your Church has continued in the breaking of the bread and the sharing of the cup.

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Hymn * "Communion Setting" (Memorial Acclamation) — #2257-c TFWS

ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

THE SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH
2257-c (Memorial Acclamation)

Christ has died, Christ is ris - en,
Christ will come a - gain. Ho -
san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho -
san - na in the high - est!

Detailed description: This block contains a musical score for a Memorial Acclamation. It consists of four staves of music in a 3/4 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are: "Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!". The music is written in a simple, melodic style suitable for congregational singing.

Leader: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

Hymn * "Communion Setting" (Great Amen) — #2257-c TFWS

2257-d (Great Amen)

A - men. A - men. A -
men. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the
high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Detailed description: This block contains a musical score for a Great Amen. It consists of three staves of music in a 3/4 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are: "A - men. A - men. A - men. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est! Ho - san - na in the high - est!". The music is written in a simple, melodic style suitable for congregational singing.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

Leader: Now with the confidence of the children, let us pray:

The Lord's Prayer * #895 UMH

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.

Words of Community Life and a Call to Give

Offering Our Gifts and Tithes

Doxology †* "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" — #94 UMH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Offering Prayer †

Closing Hymn †* "When We All Get to Heaven" — #701 UMH

Benediction †*

Postlude †

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***You are invited to join in a time of fellowship in the chapel.
Come and grab a snack and enjoy conversations!***

NEW COMMUNICATIONS REQUEST FORM

A Message from Calvary's Director of Communications, Karen Ferguson

in the interest of streamlining the communications process at Calvary, a new Communications Request Form has been implemented. If you do not have access to a computer, this form can be found on the Welcome Tables then turned into the church office. This form can also be found on the Calvary website under the Contact section. You can reach this form directly by visiting the following link: <https://calvarypgh.com/contact/comm-request.php>

Moving forward this form must be used by everyone for every communications request at Calvary. Communication requests include everything that is announced or publicized at Calvary on either print or digital media. This includes, but is not limited to, bulletin announcements, Facebook posts, upcoming events, meetings, church calendar requests, mass emails, etc...

Communications is such a huge umbrella at Calvary and a large amount of time is required to address the multiple requests and needs of our congregation while maintaining the brand that has taken years to cultivate. This form will streamline our communications process. It also puts all of the timelines and requirements in one place so that expectations are managed and understood by myself as well as the person or group making the request. I have details the timelines below.

Please review the form and let me know if you have any questions. Thank you so much for your patience as we work together to improve our communications process at Calvary.

Communications Request Guidelines

Weekly Bulletin: Announcements or events for the bulletin must be submitted by noon on Wednesday for inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin. For announcements that you wish to have run more than once, please include the dates you'd like to have it run. You are responsible for your content.

Church Calendar: Fill out the request form indicating it is a Church Calendar request listing all of the details of the request. Church office staff will respond to your request within 48 hours.

Facebook: Facebook posts can be submitted at any time. Posts or edits will be made as soon as possible, but there may be up to 24-48 hours between submission and execution, so please provide info as early as possible. You are responsible for your content.

Website: Changes, additions, edits, announcements, etc... for the website can be submitted at any time. Website changes will be made as soon as possible, but there may be up to 7 days between submission and execution, so please provide info as early as possible. You are responsible for your content.

Mass Email: If you are sending an email to your committee, please have your committee chair send out the email. If you have an email that you want to go to the Calvary Email distribution list, please submit a Communications Request Form.

PLEASE NOTE: All submissions are subject to editing, and around major church holidays the timelines may change.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Church Council Meeting

Date & Time: Thursday, May 18 from 6:30-8:00pm

Location: Calvary UMC Chapel

Northview Heights Food Distribution

Date & Time: Saturday, May 20 at 8:45am

Location: Northview Heights High Rise, 533 Mt Pleasant Rd, Pittsburgh, PA 15214

Description: Six volunteers are needed. If you are interested, please sign up on the Calvary Community Bulletin Board in the chapel.

Shepherding Ministry Group

Date & Time: Sunday, May 21 from 12:30-1:00pm

Location: Calvary UMC Sanctuary

Description: We will be meeting to discuss future plans.

Vacation Bible School (VBS) 2023 — A Children's Ministry Event

Date / Time: Sunday, June 25 thru Thursday, June 29

Location: Calvary UMC

Description: Sunday will be 1:00-3:00pm and the rest of the week will be 6:00-8:30pm. Please see following page for additional details!

VBS

JUNE 25-29 • 6:00-8:30PM

JOIN THE FUN! PLAY! LEARN! CREATE!

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Vacation Bible School 2023 — Hero Hotline

Sunday, June 25 thru Thursday, June 29

Sunday will be 1:00-3:00pm and the rest of the week will be 6:00-8:30pm

Ready for some fun with the ultimate hero team? Scan the QR code below to register for VBS now!

Hero Hotline VBS invites children of all ages to answer the call to serve God together. Join the Professor and Super Meer as young Heroes learn to strive for the things that bring peace and the things that build each other up as we are taught in Romans 14:19.

Want to volunteer?

Volunteers are needed for setup on Saturday, June 24 from 10:00am-3:00pm as well as for jobs during VBS. Please scan the QR code below to sign-up to volunteer.

Set-up Tasks

Hanging banners & putting craft & writing materials together

Set-up Time Windows

10am-12pm, 12-2pm, 1-3pm, 10am-3pm

VBS Tasks

Serve/Clean-up Dinner, Group Leader, Group Helper, Game Leader, Story Leader, Craft Leader or Craft Helper

VBS Time Windows

Sunday from 1-3pm, Monday thru Thursday from 6-8:30pm



VBS Child Registration



VBS Volunteer Registration



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