

Rejoice Always



CALVARY

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SUNDAY, JULY 17, 2022

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.

Families with Babies or Young Children

Families with babies or young children? Welcome! 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

Immediate Needs

Amy Martin (daughter of Susan and John Laczko — baby boy due July 15th)
Jenalee Morris — personal loss
Father of Liz Martinez — heart attack, surgery
Kim Ferguson (Karen Ferguson's sister) — upcoming hospitalization in August for cardiac issues
Tricia Magee (friend of Larry and Pam Hopkins) — Cancer
Tom (friend of Anne Christianson) — cancer diagnosis and recovery from pneumonia
Robert Frank (Karen Ferguson's uncle) — personal struggles
Lori McDonough (relative of Venus) — health concerns
Juan Martinez's Grandmother — diagnosed with inoperable tumor, now in hospice
Milliner Family (friends of Brittany Bova) — Father overdosed
Debbie Neuherz — loss of her sister
Samara Smith-Hopkins — mass in breasts
Mark Rehn's Parents — father had a stroke and mother is in a care home
Friend of Mark Snyder — cancer has returned
Kathleen (friend of Brittany Bova) — broken hip and surgery
Jeanne DiThomas (friend of Jane Skerl) — recovering from surgery
Joshua (Brian Burns' cousin's son) — brain tumor
Shelly (Christine Thomas' daughter) — car accident
Christine Thomas — new treatment for leg
Jane Wederich (Ellen Homitsky's aunt) — heart problems
Danny (Bova's cousin) — continued recovery with lungs
Kathy (Christine Thomas's sister) — recovering from stroke
Kate (Christine Thomas's niece) — needs a kidney

Ongoing Prayer Concerns

Martha Helmreich — recovering at home
Paul Brucker — ongoing health struggles
Joan Jessep — tumor on her brain
Joan Sturtz — caring for Bill
Randy & Danny — bone marrow transplant
Dan Souza — cancer
Tom Smith — cancer

How Can We Prayer 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, or you can 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Church Council Meeting

Date / Time / Location: Thursday, July 21 / 6:00pm / Chapel

Description: If you are a member of Calvary's church council, please plan on attending.

SPRC Meeting

Date / Time / Location: Sunday, July 24 / 12:15pm (following morning worship / Parlor

Description: If you are a member of Calvary's Trustees, please plan on attending.

Trustees Meeting

Date / Time / Location: Sunday, August 7 / 12:15pm (following morning worship / Parlor

Description: If you are a member of Calvary's Trustees, please plan on attending.

Vacation Bible School

Date / Time / Location: Monday, July 25 thru Friday, July 29 / 5:30p-8:00pm / Calvary UMC

Description: Come join us at Calvary for Vacation Bible School! This year's theme is "Food Truck Party — On a Roll with God!" All children from preschool thru 5th grade are invited. To register please visit CalvaryPgh.com and scroll down to the VBS section of the home page or call Brittany 412-715-4947 or Megan 412-715-4946. We will be needing volunteers for setup and tear down as well as group leaders and class instructors. We will also be distributing a list of items that we need to have donated within the next week. Please stay tuned for further updates!



HYGIENE KITS

Hygiene Kits for the Mission Barn

Katie Peterson spoke here in May about the Mission Barn outside New Castle. The Calvary United Methodist Women (CUMW) would like to ask everyone to make Hygiene Kits which we will take with us when we go to volunteer there on Saturday, July 23. These are used especially for natural disasters and sometimes are used when we have flooding in our area. The kit has very specific items and just be followed exactly. Some items can be found at a dollar store. Bring completed kits to church. If you have questions, contact Joan Bradley at ogremtb@aol.com.

UMCOR Hygiene Kit — Value \$12 per kit

Hygiene Kit Materials

- **One hand towel (15 x 25 –17 x 27 inches)**
 - No kitchen, cleaning, or microfiber towels
- **One washcloth**
 - No kitchen, cleaning, or microfiber towels
- **One comb**
 - Must be sturdy with at least 6 inches of teeth
 - No pocket combs or picks
 - Rattail and combs without handles are acceptable but must have at least 6 inches of teeth
- **One toenail or fingernail clipper**
 - No emery boards or metal nail files
- **Bath-size soap (3 oz. bar or larger)**
 - No Ivory or Jergen's soap
 - Do not remove from packaging
- **One adult toothbrush**
 - Do not remove from packaging
 - Personal advertising not acceptable
- **10 adhesive bandages (¾ by 3 inches)**
 - Common household bandages acceptable
- **One one-gallon size re-sealable bag**

Assembly Instructions

- Lay hand towel flat on a table.
- Lay the washcloth in the center of the hand towel.
- Place all remaining items on top of the washcloth (except the plastic bag).
- Fold the sides of the hand towel to cover the items.
- Grasp the bundle tightly and roll over the remainder of the towel.
- Place the tightly rolled bundle in the plastic bag, remove air, and seal.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship †* Psalm 126

One: When the Lord restores our fortunes,

All: **we are like those who dream.**

One: Our mouths are filled with laughter;

All: **our hearts sing with shouts of joy.**

One: Worship the Lord of our salvation.

All: **Worship the Lord!**

Opening Hymn †* “Rejoice, the Lord is King” — #715 UMH

Opening Prayer

Community Greetings †

Believers’ Moment

The World Methodist Social Affirmation * Adopted by WMC 1986 in Kenya

One: We believe in God, creator of the world and of all people; and in Jesus Christ, incarnate among us, who died and rose again; and in the Holy Spirit, present with us to guide, strengthen, and comfort.

All: **We believe; God, help our unbelief.**

One: We rejoice in every sign of God's Kingdom; in the upholding of human dignity and community; in every expression of love, justice and reconciliation; in each act of self-giving on behalf of others; in the abundance of God's gifts entrusted to us that all may have enough; in all responsible use of the earth's resources.

All: **Glory be to God on high; and on earth, be peace.**

One: We commit ourselves individually and as a community to the way of Christ: to take up the cross; to seek abundant life for all humanity; to struggle for peace with justice and freedom; to risk ourselves in faith, hope, and love, praying that God's kingdom may come.

All: **Thy kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.**

Children’s Message

Prayer Hymn * “I Sought the Lord” — #341 UMH

Pastoral Prayer

* Words are listed on screen / † Please stand as you are able

ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

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.

Scripture * 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 NRSV

16 Rejoice always, 17 pray without ceasing, 18 give thanks in all circumstances, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 19 Do not quench the Spirit. 20 Do not despise prophecies, 21 but test everything; hold fast to what is good; 22 abstain from every form of evil. 23 May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely, and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. 24 The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this.

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Special Music

Gospel * Luke 10:38-42 NRSV

38 Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. 39 She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. 40 But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." 41 But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; 42 there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon "The Better Part", Pastor Shane Siciliano

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 †* "God of Love and God of Power" — #578 UMH

Benediction †

Postlude †

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAYS

Children's 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.

Coffee Fellowship

Time / Location: 10:15-10:50am / Calvary Chapel

Description: Fellowship is back! Come early, get a drink and a treat, and meet other members and visitors.

Morning Worship

Time / Location: 11:00am / Calvary Sanctuary

Description: Communion is served the first Sunday of each month. All persons are welcome at Calvary's table.

Fellowship Following Morning Worship

Time / Location: Following morning worship / Calvary Chapel

Description: Fellowship is back! Come to the chapel following morning worship for fellowship. A light array of foods and beverages will be served.

TUESDAYS

Exercise Class For All Ages

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

Description: There is an exercise class that meets every Tuesday and Thursday at 9:00am in the Calvary Chapel.

THURSDAYS

Exercise Class For All Ages

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

Description: There is an exercise class that meets every Tuesday and Thursday at 9:00am in the Calvary Chapel.



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GET TO KNOW YOUR PASTOR QUIZ

While no one guessed all 15 answers, Bailey and Xavier Burns-Elliott guessed 14 answers correctly and Lisa Tinker guessed 13.

Each winner will receive a \$10 gift card from Target.

Congratulations to our winners and thanks to everyone that took the quiz!



QUIZ ANSWERS

Favorite ColorGreen

Favorite SportHockey

Eats at Breakfast Everyday ... Kale

Favorite Fruit Bananas

Favorite Bird Raven

Allergic to..... Eggs

Instrument Used to Play.Trumpet

Job Used to Have..... Cable Guy

Current Pet..... Snake

Birthday Month..... April

Favorite Literature.....Russian

Favorite Nut Cashew

Favorite Bible VersionNASB

Favorite Cereal Cheerios

Favorite Chocolate Dark

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday Fellowship

Fellowship before and after worship service has returned to Calvary, and we welcome and need your participation. The main purpose is to gather together, so we want to keep the refreshments simple. Here are some particulars and how you can help. Coffee and sweets will be set up in the chapel from 10:15am to 11:00am and after worship every Sunday. The coffee will be started for you by 9:00am. Volunteers will need to arrive at church with the goodies in time to set up the table by 10:15am. Coffee, tea, cups, napkins, sugar, creamer, serving plates, tongs, gloves will be available in the chapel kitchen. After worship, supervise the table and clean up when fellowship is over (a list of tasks will be provided). We want to stick to basic snacks, so please choose things that don't require utensils. Sweets are great, but you might want to think about cheese and crackers, fruit, wrapped or bagged treats, etc. Remember — KEEP IT SIMPLE. If you would like to be on the Fellowship Team, make a donation, or have questions, please get in touch with Linda Ehrlich at either laehrlich927@aol.com or 412-512-7246.

HOW CAN I HELP? — Sign up to be a host on a Sunday. Purchase the food, arrive by 10:00am to set up, monitor the table, and clean up. A great idea would be to find a partner and be a team. You can help with set up and clean up, but have the food purchased for you. You can make a donation to help off-set the cost of the refreshments. You can donate the food or be reimbursed for your purchase. We will let you know how to submit receipts. You may have other ideas about how you can help. We are interested in any and all suggestions to keep this fellowship time going.

AHPS Angel Cards

AHPS has Angel Cards available for purchase. Volunteers will have them before and after church in the vestibule at the entrance on Allegheny Avenue. They are \$10.00 for 8 cards and envelopes. All proceeds go to Calvary for restoration.

Lay Leaders and Liturgists

Liturgists serve an important role in worship. Liturgists help lead the congregation in various parts of the worship service, including the recitation of the Call to Worship and the reading of scripture. This valuable service allows the congregation to take an active part in the worship service and it allows participants in worship to hear multiple voices speak from the pulpit. Please call the church office if you are interested please reach out to Lynn Sevick at either lynnsevick@mac.com or 724-272-9478.

Enjoy Gardening?

Do you enjoy the flowers and foliage around your home during the spring and summer and getting a little bit of dirt under your fingernails? If you said “YES”, then we would be delighted to have you join a small group of Calvary Gardeners to plant the annual flowers, prep the beds, water and feed the plants and shrubs around the church yard. Holly Pultz, Mary Callison, Mark Neuherz, and David Grinnell invite you to join us as we put our hands together to make the exterior of our church as beautiful and colorful as the interior. Please send David a message at grinnell@pitt.edu to volunteer some of your time and talents in our gardens this summer.

COMMUNICATION GUIDELINES



HAVE SOMETHING TO SHARE?

There are a multitude of ways to get your news to the members of Calvary and the wider community: (1) weekly bulletin, (2) prayer list, (3) Sunday morning worship slides, (4) church calendar, (5) website, (6) Facebook, and (7) Email-Blast. Here are the guidelines for each:

- 1. 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.
- 2. Prayer List:** 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, or you can 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.
- 3. Sunday Morning Worship Slides:** Announcements or events for the slides must be submitted by 12:00pm Thursday for inclusion in the following Sunday's slides.
- 4. Church Calendar:** Please contact Kim Butler at the church office to check availability for the date and location of your meeting or event. Once the event is scheduled, she will inform Karen Ferguson to have it publicized on all requested medias.
- 5. 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.
- 6. 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.
- 7. E-Blast (Email Blast):** If you have information that you would like to be emailed to our member distribution list, please send your request to Karen Ferguson. Announcements can be submitted at any time and will be made soon as possible, but there may be up to 24-48 hours between submission and distribution, so please provide info as early as possible. This information is distributed using the Church Software. There will be a training session this summer once the new pastor, Rev. Shane Siciliano, arrives at Calvary. We will schedule training for Church Council and Rev. Shane first then branch out to congregation members after that. Please stay tuned for updates.

All submissions are subject to editing, and pictures are encouraged wherever appropriate. Around major church holidays, the deadlines may change. To make a submission for any of the above (except the church calendar), or if you have any questions, contact Karen Ferguson via phone at 724-448-1429, email at karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com, or in person.

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