



SUNDAY, JANUARY 16, 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? 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 <code>CalvaryPgh@gmail.com</code> or visit our website at <code>CalvaryPgh.com</code> 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

Rhonda Harrison (friend of Linda Ehrlich) — brother passed away

Joan Jessup — sister passed away

Lorraine Malcolm's great-grandbaby — lead poisoning

John Henderson (Ellen Homitsky's brother) — leukemia

Joshua (Brian Burns' cousin's son) — brain tumor

Shelly (Christine Thomas' daughter) — car accident

Christine Thomas — new treatment for leg

Gerald — hospital

Jane Wederich (Ellen Homitsky's aunt) — heart problems

Danny (Bova's cousin) — ICU with respiratory issues

Lisa Ferguson — father in hospice

John Burke Dr (Truddee's husband) — UPMC Monroeville

Tea Sampson — ICU Presbyterian

Brian (Debbie Neuherz's brother-in-law) — Covid, loss of his wife

Brenda (Debbie Neuherz's sister) — loss of husband, Kevin, to Covid

Anna Jane (Bova family) — cancer

Tavarious Lee — violence

Kathy (Christine Thomas's sister) — recovering from stroke

Kate (Christine Thomas's niece) — needs a kidney

Charlee (Zeke Thomas's brother) — COPD

Pat (friend of Christine Thomas) — health struggles

ONGOING PRAYER CONCERNS

Joan Sturtz — caring for Bill

Ron and Sally Westerman

Randy & Danny — bone marrow transplant

Dan Souza — cancer

Tom Smith — cancer

Rev. Edward Clarke (Emanuel UMC) — esophageal cancer

Paul Brucker — ongoing health struggles

HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

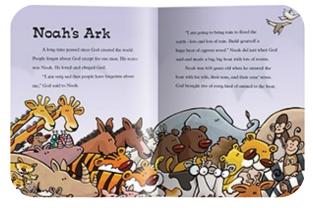
If you have a prayer request or a joy that you would like to be lifted up, you can either fill out the "PRAYER REQUEST" card in the back of the pews and place it in the offering plate, or contact the church office directly at 412-231-2007, or you can complete the new "Prayer Request Form" on the Calvary website at <code>calvarypgh.com/contact/prayer-request.php</code>. 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.



Spark Story Bible — Sunday School Edition

Designed for early readers, the award-winning Spark Story Bible opens up God's Word to kids through colorful art and rich retellings of 150 of the most popular Bible stories. A key part of Spark Sunday School, the Spark Story Bible uses creative language familiar to kids and features activity suggestions and questions help kids connect with the stories. Activity suggestions and questions help kids connect with the stories. Designed for age 2 to grade 2.







Children's Bible Sponsorship Form

We'd like to fill our pews with Children's Bibles as a way of acknowledging the children in our presence and inviting them to engage with the Bible as we do.

WE NEED YOUR HELP! Are you willing to sponsor a Bible?



Name Quantity _____ Phone _____ **In Memory or Honor of...** (Please circle choice) Memory | Honor _______ Memory | Honor _____ Memory | Honor _______ Memory | Honor Memory | Honor _____ Memory | Honor _____

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someone special. Please include payment with your order form.

Call the church office at 412-231-2007 with any questions.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome an	d Announcements
Call to Wors	hip †*
Leader:	Come to the feast.
People:	God welcomes us here.
Leader:	Come to be fed.
People:	Christ nourishes us with love.
Leader:	Come to be transformed.
People:	The Spirit re-creates us anew each day.
Opening Hyı	mn <i>†*</i>
Opening Pra	yer
Community	Greetings
Message for	the Young Hearted
Prayer Conc	erns
Pastoral Pra	yer
Our Fath on earth we forgiv	rayer *
	ncerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be
uninform	ned. 2 You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to

the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. 4 Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; 5 and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; 6 and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. 7 To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. 8 To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit,

ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, 10 to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 11 All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Responsive Hymn †* "Many Gifts, One Spirit" — #114 (UMH)

Invitation to Offering

Doxology †* "Bless Thou the Gifts" — #587 (UMH)

Bless thou the gifts our hands have brought; bless thou the work our hearts have planned.

Ours is the faith, the will, the thought; the rest, O God, is in thy hand.

Offering Prayer †*

Generous God, we are reminded through scripture of the spiritual gifts that you give. We know that these are not for us to hold onto but are gifts for us to share – gifts from you meant for giving. As we offer our tithes and offerings, prompt us to commit more than dollars, but to see the gifts you have written on our hearts and to share generously of these

Closing Hymn †*.... "Sent Forth By God's Blessing" — #664 (UMH)

as well! We pray these words in the name of Jesus, in whose way we follow, for whose love

Benediction **

we are eternally grateful. Amen.

Postlude **

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COVID-19 Guidelines at Calvary

Masks or cloth face coverings are to be worn at all times inside the Church buildings. Mask or face covering must be covering both your mouth and nose. Every other pew is available for seating. Please space out seating to ensure individuals or families are at least 6 feet apart from anyone outside of their household.

Multi-Media Musical Documentary for Black History Month on February 26 at Dutihl UMC The Pittsburgh District Anti-Racism Team is bringing a multi-media musical documentary to the Pittsburgh area for Black History Month - "I Go On Singing: Paul Robeson's Life in His Words & Songs." at Dutilh United Methodist Church (1270 Dutihl Rd, Cranberry Township) on Saturday, February 26 at 6:00pm. The story of this American hero, Paul Robeson, who struggled and triumphed comes alive in a rousing 90-minute song-filled presentation performed by the gifted Pittsburgh native, gifted American baritone and international ambassador of peace, Anthony Brown. "I Go On Singing" brings music and history alive with equal parts documentary and live concert experience. Musical numbers range from spirituals to Broadway, and include Robeson's original arrangements of favorites like "Wade in the Water," "Ol' Man River," "It Ain't Necessarily So," "Water Boy" and many others. In addition, Robeson's musical colleague, the legendary folk singer Pere Seeger, makes three video appearances discussing his friendship with Robeson, the music they shared, and the turbulent times in which they lived. "Once in a lifetime a human being comes along who stands head and shoulders above the rest. Paul Robeson was such a man." A free-will offering will be received at the evening's conclusion to help cover the cost of the program.

Lay Leaders and Liturgists

Liturgists serve and 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. If you are interested in being a Lay Leader or a Liturgist for an upcoming Sunday worship service, please contact the church office or see Rev. Kelly Smith.

Children's Bible Sponsorships

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OUR CONTINUED SAFETY

Our Continued Safety Covid Safety Precautions

Calvary Church Family and Friends,

We here at Calvary believe that keeping everyone safe is our top priority. The latest Covid surge is cause for concern - while this new variant is much less severe, more like a cold or mild flu, but also spreads



much faster. We have people in our families and in our communities without access to a vaccine, specifically small children. Even though it is mild for most children, our local hospitals and health care systems are completely slammed.

As your pastoral staff, we believe that the safety practices we have in place are important in keeping all of us safe. Everyone must continue to wear masks (over their nose and mouth) while in the building and continue to socially distance (6 feet or more), especially on Sunday mornings. We also believe if you are concerned, you can stay home and join us for worship virtually (on our YouTube and Facebook pages).

Please reach out to us if you have any concerns.

Blessings,

Rev. Kelly Smith and Rev. Larry Homitsky



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.

Sunday Morning Worship

Description: Join us for worship every Sunday at 11AM whether in person or virtually!

Facebook — Calvary United Methodist Church, Pittsburgh

YouTube — Calvary UMC Pittsburgh PA

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. The team is also working on plastic mats made from plastic grocery bags. There is plenty to do. No sewing experience needed; if you can tie a knot, you can make a sleeping bag! Please consider joining us on Monday evenings. Questions? Please contact Terri 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: There is an exercise class that meets every Tuesday and Thursday at 9:00am in the Calvary Chapel. The group uses the program "Grow Young Fitness". The program is targeted to "older adults", but great for people of all ages. You can participate at your comfort level, and many exercises are done while sitting. If you have any questions contact Linda Ehrlich (*laehrlich927@aol.com*), or come by some Tuesday or Thursday morning to join in the fun. As the exercise leader always tells us, remember to "keep it movin'".

Bible Study Led By Rev. Larry Homitsky And Rev. Kornelius Neal

Time / Location: 6:30pm / New Destiny CMEC Church (Formerly Emanuel UMC) **Description:** Please join us for our joint bible study with New Destiny. Afterwards it's also been our tradition to head to the Clark Bar for refreshments and further discussion. The address of New Destiny is 856 Crucible Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15220.

WEEKLY CALENDAR, CONT...

TUESDAYS, CONT...

Renewal Choir Rehearsal

Time / Location: 6:30-7:30pm / Calvary UMC Sanctuary

Description: Love Singing? Thinking About Joining the Choir? Now is the perfect time to

give it a try! No audition required! All are welcome! See Brian Burns for details.

Hand Bell Rehearsal

Time / Location: 7:30-8:30pm / Calvary UMC Upstairs Music Room

Description: Interested in joining? We are seeking new and energetic people willing to learn and participate. Please consider adding your talents to our group. No experience is necessary to join and it is probably easier to do than you think! See Brian Burns for details.

THURSDAYS

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