

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 <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

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

Michael Dodson
Amy Martin (daughter of John & Susan Laczko)
Melissa Payton (daughter of John & Susan Laczko)
Jim Newton (brother-in-law of Kathy Winne)
James Rynd (friend & neighbor of Kathy Winne)
Jacqueline Melvin Cannon (Judy Melvin's sister)
Ronald Frank (Karen Ferguson's grandfather)
Tom Smart (friend of Anne Christianson)
Rev. Tom Funk

Mary Callison
Chris Griffin
Jenalee Morris
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)
Nancy Richards

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

New Member Gathering

Date & Time: Sunday, May 21 following morning worship

Location: Calvary UMC Chapel

Description: New members will be received on Pentecost Sunday, May 28, 2023. If interested,

please see Rev. Beth or Rev Myles. New member gathering will be after worship on May 21.

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.

New Member Sunday

Date & Time: Sunday, May 28 during morning worship

Location: Calvary UMC Sanctuary

Description: New members will be received on Pentecost Sunday, May 28, 2023. If interested, please see Rev. Beth or Rev Myles. New member gathering will be after worship on May 21.

Church Council Meeting

Date & Time: Thursday, June 15 from 6:30-8:00pm

Location: Calvary UMC Chapel

Summer Solstice Open House & AHPS Annual Meeting

Date / Time: Wednesday, June 21 from 4:00-8:00pm

Location: Calvary UMC Sanctuary and Chapel

Description: Mark this date on your calendar! This is a joint event hosted by Calvary UMC and the Allegheny Historic Preservation Society (AHPS). Volunteers are needed for the Summer Solstice event to help serve refreshments and to answer general questions about Calvary.

Please see David Grinnell for if you can help or with questions.

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 2023

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

Need more information? Have Questions?

Contact Megan at 412-715-4946 or Brittany at 412-715-4947.

VBS Child Registration



VBS Volunteer Registration





ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship **

Leader: Look up, see the Risen Jesus ascending to God's Heaven.

All: We are witnesses to the power of God at work on earth.

Leader: Look down, see the earth on which Jesus walked.

All: We are witnesses to the power of the God who walks with us.

Leader: Look around, see the people who Jesus came to love.

All: We are witnesses to the reality of God's Love.

Opening Prayer †*

God of the Heavens, we see your presence in the skies, the seas and the mountains. We are reminded of the beauty of all that you create. Yet, we have done harm to our mother earth and to our sisters and brothers who share it with us. We come now to lift our eyes to see the beauty of your forgiveness and the power of your love. We come to praise you for the gift of your risen and glorified Son, Jesus, who at your right hand eternally. Amen.

Community Greetings †

Children's Message

1 Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy. 2 For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth. 3 He subdued peoples under us and nations under our feet. 4 He chose our heritage for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves. Selah. 5 God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet. 6 Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises. 7 For God is the king of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm. 8 God is king over the nations; God sits on his holy throne. 9 The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of Abraham. For the shields of the earth belong to God; he is highly exalted.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

#895 UMH

Sharing Prayer Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

from now." 6 So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" 7 He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." 9 When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. 10 While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. 11 They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been

taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Words of Community Life

Offering Our Gifts and Tithes

ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

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 †* "Jesus Shall Reign" — #157 UMH

Benediction **

Postlude †

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

You are invited to join in a time of fellowship in the chapel.

Come and grab a snack and enjoy conversations!





ANNOUNCEMENTS

Change Matters!

There will be a special "change" offering the first Sunday of every month. During worship, our children will collect "change" because when there is lots of change together, we can make a difference. These gifts will be used to help the Women United in Faith to purchase food for Daily Bread. Food costs have increased and the number of people needing food has also increased. So gather up that loose change and help support this ministry. Paper money and checks work too. Change matters!



Calvary is Seeking Our Next Office Coordinator

The job description is posted on the website and Facebook. For people applying, they should send their application to the Chairperson of SPRC, Dave Tinker via email to tinker.calvaryumc@gmail.com and in the memo line please state "Office Coordinator" position.

Calvary Garden Club and Grounds Crew — Volunteers Needed

Interested in getting a little dirt under your fingernails and helping make the exterior of Calvary Church pop with colorful flower blossoms and other plants during the growing season? Volunteers are needed to help the Calvary GARDEN CLUB and GROUNDS CREW. We are all set to start planting when the flats of annuals arrive at the United Women in Faith's plant sale and there is also mulch that has arrived. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Chapel.

Are You Interested in Becoming a Member of Calvary United Methodist Church? New members will be received on Pentecost Sunday, May 28, 2023. If interested, please see Rev. Beth or Rev Myles. New member gathering will be after worship on May 21, 2023.

Ministry Opportunities at Calvary UMC — A Message from Ken Elliott

Calvary is always in need of helpers for the Welcome Team - greeting visitors and attenders, giving them bulletins, and collecting the offering. Summer is a great time to try it out because attendance may be light, but having a strong Welcome Team presence is important. Many people will be coming to check our church out as they travel this summer. We need to be able to show them hospitality, and the Welcome Team members are the first friendly faces people see. Remember how you felt when you first came to Calvary? Whether it was a good or less than optimal experience, we should want to make sure everyone has the most sincere and heartfelt welcome, that being in Calvary is both being in a sacred place and at home at the same time. Also, we need some drivers who can pick up members who need transportation Sunday mornings. Please let me know if you can.

Northside Common Ministries Continues to Need Toothpaste — A Message from the Missions Committee

TOOTHPASTE continues to be a weekly need at the pantry. Jana, Dir., would like Calvary to continue to collect it as she can then have it on the weekly grocery list available to the patrons. We continue to have a wonderful response from the generous hearts of our Calvary family! There are 2 collection bins—one at the Allegheny entrance and the other in the Parlor/Chapel. Cloth grocery bags also continue to be collected.

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

UPDATE: Choir will continue thru May then take a break for the summer. We will resume again in September

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

UPDATE: The last meeting is Monday, May 22, and will reconvene in September

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@yahoo.com or call 412-482-2211 with any questions.

WEEKLY CALENDAR, CONT...

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.

Choir Rehearsal

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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: Our Bible group has completed their study of The Beatitudes. Next we will be taking an in depth look at Ephesians 1:4-7, 9-11...God's Love Letter to us. Our Bible group will hold its last Bible study on June 15th and resuming in September with a study on the, "Fruits of the Spirit" found in Galatians 6:6-26. You are welcome to come and drop in any time to study and pray with us. Coffee and a few treats always available!

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Pastoral Ministry Team Rev. Myles Bradley and Rev. Beth L. Nelson

Emeritus Clergy Rev. Thomas Funk, Rev. Jorinda Bullitt, and Rev. Larry Homitsky

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