

# Calvary's New Social Justice Ministry (SJM) Task Force

We are launching a brand-new task force and everyone is invited to join! Pastor We will:

- Conduct an initial informational conversation on Sunday, October 2nd at 12:15PM (after worship)
- ✓ Take a 2-question congregational interest survey
- ✓ Work in teams
- ✓ Collaborate with others

# Matt Dean will be the SJM Chair.

We look forward to seeing you at our first meeting to hear your passions!

# The Potter's Wheel



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

#### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

#### **Immediate Needs**

Hailey Mickens and Family
Laura & Dan (sister/brother-in-law to Joan Mialki)
Denny (friend of Jane Skerl)
Jenalee Morris
Father of Liz Martinez
Kim Ferguson (Karen Ferguson's sister)
Tricia Magee (friend of Larry and Pam Hopkins)
Tom (friend of Anne Christianson)
Lori McDonough (relative of Venus)

**Ongoing Prayer Concerns** 

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

Juan Martinez's Grandmother

Kathleen (friend of Brittany Bova)

Joshua (Brian Burns' cousin's son)

Kathy (Christine Thomas's sister)

Kate (Christine Thomas's niece)

Jane Wederich (Ellen Homitsky's aunt)

Samara Smith-Hopkins

Friend of Mark Snyder

Danny (Bova's cousin)

Milliner Family (friends of Brittany Bova)

#### 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 *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.

# **Calvary United Methodist Church**

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **Fall Market Donations Needed**

We are seeking donations for the fall market and the Calvary women of faith during the Allegheny West House Tour. Acceptable donations include: antiques (can include furnishings), collectibles, household items, jewelry, and Christmas items. Please note the following:

- All donated items must be clean, complete, and in working order
- No clothing will be accepted
- If you are not sure about a donation (particularly larger items), please reach out to Doug Lucas before bringing to the church

Donations will be accepted until October 2nd. There be an area set aside in the chapel for donations. Look for the sign and use the table provided.

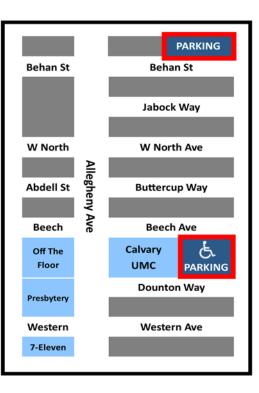
#### Northside Commons Food Pantry Needs — Reusable Grocery Bags

On April 12th, 2022 the Pittsburgh City Council voted to place a ban on the distribution of single use plastic bags. This will take place in 2023. Because of this the Pantry will need reusable bags that can be bought at the grocery stores you may frequent or any extras you have around the house. We will be collecting them throughout September. They can be placed in the hot pink, marked box that can be found in the Chapel area. The Mission Team thanks you for your continued support.

#### Sunday 1:00pm Steeler Games

Greetings! Please see the map that lists directions to and where to park on Sundays when we do not have access to the lots next to and across from our church. Please be mindful that this lot is 5 blocks away from the church. Some of the sidewalks leading to and from this lot are red brick and are not flat. Please use caution when walking to and from this lot. If walking to and from this lot would be too difficult, park in the parking lot at the rear of the church which is also our handicap parking lot. Please note that you may get a parking ticket if you park on any street on Steeler Sundays. And, please do not pay to park in any of the parking lots charging money!

Special note about Handicap Parking: The map lists where the church's handicap parking is located in the lot behind the church. The church's handicap ramp is also located in this lot. We encourage people not to park in the rear parking lot to allow people with special needs to have those parking spaces.



## ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

One: On the night in which he gave himself up for us, Our Lord Jesus Christ 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, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." And so, in remembrance of the healing, life-transforming acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

#### All: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

- One: 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.
- All: Amen.

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.

Prayer for Those in Communion from Afar \*

We who are many are one body, one loaf, rising in Spirit together. Even if we cannot be physically in the same space, we are one in love. We are one in the grace of Christ broken open for us.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion . . . . . . . Holy Communion is open to everyone

**Prayer after Communion** 

Benediction *†* 

Postlude †

#### **Trustees Meeting**

Today, Sunday, September 4 at 12:15pm in the Chapel Please tell Tammy Phillips or Pastor Shane if you need to call in.

#### **UMC Disabilities Special Offering Sunday**

Sunday, September 11

Our special offering for UMC Disabilities Awareness Sunday will be next week, on September 11th. This Special Sunday supports servant ministry in the Western PA Annual Conference. The offerings will be used to make our churches more inclusive. Projects include building ramps, installing elevators, etc...Help make the church a place where ALL are welcome! The Mission Team is asking you to come prepared to share a special offering in support of this ministry on September 11th.

#### **Church Council Meeting**

Thursday, September 15 at 6:00pm in the Chapel

#### **United Women in Faith Annual Meeting**

Saturday, September 17 at 8:30am at Baldwin Community United Methodist Church Join us as we share with others who support ministries concerned with the needs of women and children. A Continental Breakfast will begin the day at 8:30am. The program featuring Anchorpoint Counseling and Tutoring Ministry will address the changes that the pandemic brought into our lives. A free lunch (catered by Panera) will end the day by 12:30pm. Contact Joan Bradley by September 11 to join our carpool to the meeting.

#### **SPRC Meeting**

Sunday, September 18 at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall (before the service - NEW TIME)

#### Social Justice Ministries Task Force Informational Conversation

Sunday, October 2 at 12:15pm in the Chapel

#### Fall Market & Open House

Saturday, October 15 from 10:00am-5:00pm at Calvary

Please join us! There will be Sanctuary Tours and Organ Music (1:00pm and 3:00pm) Music, Food, Jewelry, Collectables, Household Items, Glassware, and Furniture. ADMISSION IS FREE. This event is sponsored by Calvary United Women of Faith & Allegheny Historic Preservation Society.

# AUGUST FINANCES Income \$12,166.87 Expenses - \$20,712.03 AUGUST DEFICIT - \$ 8,545.16

#### **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

#### Prelude

#### Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship **
<b>Opening Hymn</b> <i>†</i> *
Opening Prayer +*
Community Greetings **
Children's Message
Prayer Hymn *
Pastoral Prayer
Scripture *
Special Music
Gospel * Luke 14:25-33 NRSV
Sermon

**Invitation to Holy Communion** 

**Prayer of Confession Before Communion \*** 

All: Gracious and loving God, you invite us to the table, yet we resist your grace. It is sometimes easier to float around outside of the Christian community than it is to invest fully in it. You invite others to the table as well sometimes people whom we do not see as worthy, and sometimes people who make us feel unworthy ourselves. We put up barriers in places where you long to create circles of love and faith. We repent from these sins, and ask you to forgive us for these and all of our trespasses. We continue now to confess in silence...

## ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

Words of	Assurance *
Pastor	: When we fall short in life, God puts us on the potter's wheel and fashions us into vessels fit for the kingdom. This journey of transformation is rarely pleasant, but it is necessary for us to be made new and whole. Amen.
Offering O	Our Gifts and Tithes
Praise Allelui Praise	**
Offering P	rayer †
The Great	Thanksgiving <i>†</i> * Our Ancient Prayer Before Communion
One:	The Lord be with you!
All:	And also with you.
One:	Lift up your hearts.
All:	We lift them up to the Lord.
One:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All:	It is right to give our thanks and praise.
One:	Our Lord Jesus was always the guest. In the homes of Peter and Jairus, Martha and Mary, he was always the guest. At the meal tables of the wealthy, where he pled the cause of the poor, he was always the guest. Upsetting polite company, befriending isolated people, welcoming the stranger, he was always the guest. But here, at this table, he is the host. Those who wish to serve him must first be served by him. Those who want to follow him must first be fed by him. Those who would wash his feet must first let him make them clean. For this is the table where God intends us to be nourished; this is the time when Christ can make us new. So come, you who hunger and thirst for a deeper faith, for a better life, for a fairer world. Jesus Christ, who has sat at our tables, now invites us to be guests at his. And so, with God's people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise God's name and join their unending hymn:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

(Please be seated)