

Fall Market & Open House

Saturday, October 15
10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Sanctuary Tours (1pm/3pm),
Music, Food, Jewelry,
Antiques & Collectables

Visit CalvaryPgh.com for further details!



You are God's beloved, and you are welcome here.

Calvary UMC is a member of the Reconciling Ministries Network



Calvary United Methodist Church

UPCOMING EVENTS

Check Out Our Upcoming Children's Events!

**ALL ARE
WELCOME!**

For more
information:

Megan
412-715-4946

Brittany
412-715-4947

Oct
29 Trunk or Treat
11am - 2pm

Nov
20 Family Fun Day
1-3pm

Dec
03 Kids Christmas Celebration
1-3pm

Weekly Sunday School
10-10:45am
Ages Pre-K thru Middle School



WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S TABLE OF GRACE
WITH OUR SISTERS AND BROTHERS IN CHRIST,
WE CATCH A GLIMPSE OF GOD'S PERFECT LOVE.
WE REMEMBER HOW MUCH JESUS LOVES US
AND THAT WE ARE PART OF GOD'S FAMILY.



CALVARY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2022

WELCOME TO CALVARY



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.***

Shane Siciliano, Pastor

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PRAYER CONCERNS

Immediate Needs

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

Juan Martinez's Grandmother
Milliner Family (friends of Brittany Bova)
Samara Smith-Hopkins
Friend of Mark Snyder
Kathleen (friend of Brittany Bova)
Joshua (Brian Burns' cousin's son)
Jane Wederich (Ellen Homitsky's aunt)
Danny (Bova's cousin)
Kathy (Christine Thomas's sister)
Kate (Christine Thomas's niece)

Ongoing Prayer Concerns

Martha Helmreich
Christine Thomas
Paul Brucker
Joan Jessep

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, 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

Social Justice Ministries Task Force Informational Conversation

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

We are launching a brand-new task force and everyone is invited to join! Matt Dean will be the SJM Chair. We will: (1) conduct an initial informational conversation on Sunday, October 2nd at 12:15pm after worship, (2) take a two-question congregational interest survey, (3) work in teams, and (4) collaborate with others. We look forward to seeing you at our first meeting to hear your passions!

Indoor Church Clean-up

Saturday, October 8 from 9:00am-12:00pm at Calvary

There will be an indoor clean-up on Saturday, October 8th from 9am to noon. It is very important to get Calvary ready for the Fall Open House and the upcoming holiday season. We need all the help we can get, and there will be tasks to fit every person's interest and ability. Snacks will be provided. Prayerfully consider sharing your talent on 10/8.

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 in Faith & AHPS.

Church Council Meeting

Thursday, October 20 at 6:00pm in the Chapel

Church Council meets the third Thursday of each month. Committee heads will receive a form by email to report information and action items the week leading up to the meeting. Please email this information back by Tuesday evening prior to the meeting. An agenda will then be emailed out to all Church Council members a day or so prior to the meeting.

Bye-Week Fellowship Meal

Sunday, November 6 from 12:00-2:00pm in the Fellowship Hall

Family Fun Day

Sunday, November 20 from 1:00-3:00pm

Families with kids stay after church for games and fun together. This event is rain or shine.

Safe Sanctuaries Training

Saturday, January 21, 2023 from 9:00-11:30am

Details to come.

ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

- Leader: Touch your heart. May we be open to share God’s love any way we can with others who are doing disaster relief ministry. Let our love be “love in action.” Bless my heart.
- All: **Bless my heart.**
- Leader: Touch your hands. May we touch the wounds of Christ as we touch the wounds of the world with love, compassion, and tenderness. Bless my hands.
- All: **Bless my hands.**
- Leader: Touch your feet. May we walk with courage on our journey. May we be in accompaniment and walk together. May we be inspired by the Holy Spirit to go forth to find new and continued ways to be in partnership with others. Bless my feet.
- All: **Bless my feet.**
- Leader: Bow to the person next to you and say, “Bless you my friend.”
- All: **Bless you, my friend.**
- All: **Amen.**

Postlude †

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

SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY TASK FORCE

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

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- ✓ Take a 2-question congregational interest survey
- ✓ Work in teams
- ✓ Collaborate with others

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAYS

Bible Study

Time / Location: 10:00-10:45am / Calvary 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.

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.

Choir Rehearsal

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

Fellowship Following Morning Worship

Time / Location: Following morning worship / Calvary Chapel

Description: 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 Chapel

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

Choir Rehearsal

Time / Location: 6:00-7:30pm / Calvary 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!

Messiah Festival Choir Rehearsal

Time / Location: 7:30-9:00pm / Calvary Sanctuary

Description: Bask in Handel's inspiring Messiah while surrounded by candlelight and Calvary's magnificent Tiffany stained-glass masterpieces. All are welcome! No audition required!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nursery Ministry

Our nursery ministry can only continue if new volunteers sign up. Brittany and Megan are not expected to staff the nursery by themselves beyond the next few weeks. If you are interested in volunteering occasionally in the nursery but are nervous to start, Brittany and Megan will be happy to train you and work with you. You can ease into this ministry. Just approach Brittany or Megan and say you would like to help.

Today Is World Communion Sunday — A Message from the Missions Committee

Your gift will help equip "gifted and qualified students from around the globe...to help build the kingdom Jesus ushered in." Every gift given will be a gift of love and help to change someone's life. Your gift is SO appreciated! Place your envelope, with the donation, into the offering baskets.

Daily Bread Needs Deodorant — A Message from the Missions Committee

We are seeking donations of deodorant for the Daily Bread. Please bring unused containers of deodorant to church and leave them in the chapel for the Missions Committee to take over.

Fellowship in the Chapel After Church

All are welcome to come to the chapel for fellowship after church. Volunteers are needed to bring snacks, help with set-up and clean-up, or make a donation to help with expenses. Please see Linda Ehrlich (laehrich927@aol.com) to help.

Donations Needed

We are seeking donations for the Fall Market (10/15) and the Calvary Women of Faith table during the Allegheny West Christmas House Tour (12/9 & 12/10). 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
- Clothing will not 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.

Cookie donations are also being solicited for sale at the Fall Market. Please pre-package two/three cookies in plastic sandwich bags. Cookies can be brought to church any time between now and 10/14. Leave them on the donations table in the chapel.

There will be volunteer opportunities the day of the Fall Market. Watch for further information soon. We hope to make this a church-wide event that will be fun for everyone, and a successful fundraiser as well.

ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

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. Renew our communion with your Church throughout the world, and strengthen it in every nation and among every people to witness faithfully in your name. 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 Father, now and for ever.

All: **Amen.**

The Lord’s Prayer * #895 UMH

Prayer for Those in Communion from Afar *

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

Prayer after Communion

Offering Our Gifts and Tithes

Doxology †* #94 UMH

Offering Prayer †

Closing Hymn †* “O God in Heaven” — #119 UMH

Benediction — A Blessing of Ourselves †*

Written for Japan Earthquake/Tsunami Relief (South Korea, April 2011)

Leader: Touch your eyes. May God open our eyes. And may we clearly see the suffering of the world around us. Let us see ways that a crisis can be turned into an opportunity. Let us put aside any differences and work with one another. Bless my eyes.

All: **Bless my eyes.**

Leader: Touch your ears. May God bless and open our ears so we may hear the voices of others here and around the world, and truly listen to what their needs may be. Bless my ears.

All: **Bless my ears.**

Leader: Touch your mouth. May we speak words of comfort, healing, renewal. Let us also speak words of advocacy and need for relief work. Let us speak words of hope and power for a world that desperately needs Christ. Bless my mouth.

All: **Bless my mouth.**

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ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

Prayer of Confession and God’s Pardon — from Israel/Palestine *

All: **Creator, we are fragmented. You intended us to be one: woven together and safe in your arms. We have pulled society’s fabric into pieces, attempting to gain control for ourselves. The media often do no more than reinforce and polish our narrow views. We weld idols from broken shards of understanding and rely on them instead of your provision. Slowly, we erect a wall of fearful self-interest that becomes our shrinking prison. What we call “security” is a miserable separation.**

Leader: Though stitches hurt for a moment, sew us together again, Lord. Guide us in The Way when we are vulnerable, so we can grow to be faithful, kind, and resilient. Join our hands and hearts with distant communities so we can be whole, in solidarity and love. Warm us with your closeness, Great Counselor. Amen.

(Please Stand)

The Great Thanksgiving for World Communion Sunday †*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is 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, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. You have made from one... every nation and people to live on all the face of the earth. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your 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 he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

(Please be Seated)

Leader: 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, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." 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.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS, CONT...

THANK YOU! — A Message from the Missions Committee

Thank you to all the Calvary families who participated in our "reusable bag" collection!! Since this is an on-going need for our Northside Ministries Food Pantry, you will have other opportunities throughout the year to contribute. We collected, and delivered, a wonderful number of the grocery reusable bags. The "body of Christ" here at Calvary is always so supportive of the needs of the Northside Food Pantry.

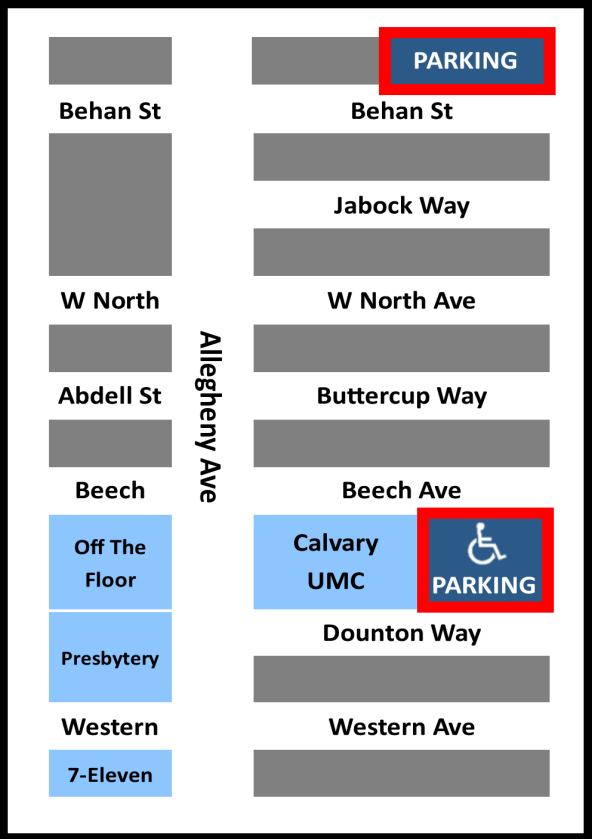
Our World Is Hurting — A Message from the Missions Committee

If you wish to help by donating to either International Disasters or US Disasters, go to the internet and type in: [umc.org-disaster relief](http://umc.org-disaster-relief). The donation page will come up ready for your contribution.

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

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship — from Canada †* Lay Leader — Matt Dean

Leader: Around the world people gather to break bread and pour wine.
All: **We gather with them in heart and mind.**
Leader: Around the world the broken body is made whole.
All: **As part of that body we join in its unity.**
Leader: Around the world the Banquet of God is prepared for the table.
All: **We, who share in the banquet, come eagerly to be fed.**
Leader: Let us worship together, let us share God’s bounty. Amen.

Opening Hymn †* “One Bread, One Body” — #620 UMH

Opening Prayer — from Zimbabwe † Lay Leader — Matt Dean

Community Greetings †

Children’s Message

Prayer Hymn * “We Are Called” — #2172 TFWS

Prayers of the People — from Japan *

Leader: We give thanks to You, Lord, for You are good; Your love endures forever.
All: **All nations have enjoyed the benefits of Your goodness and unfailing love. Your love has filled our congregations...our pastors...and all those who fear you, Lord. We offer you our dedication...and humbly give testimony to the goodness you, our God, have shown us.**

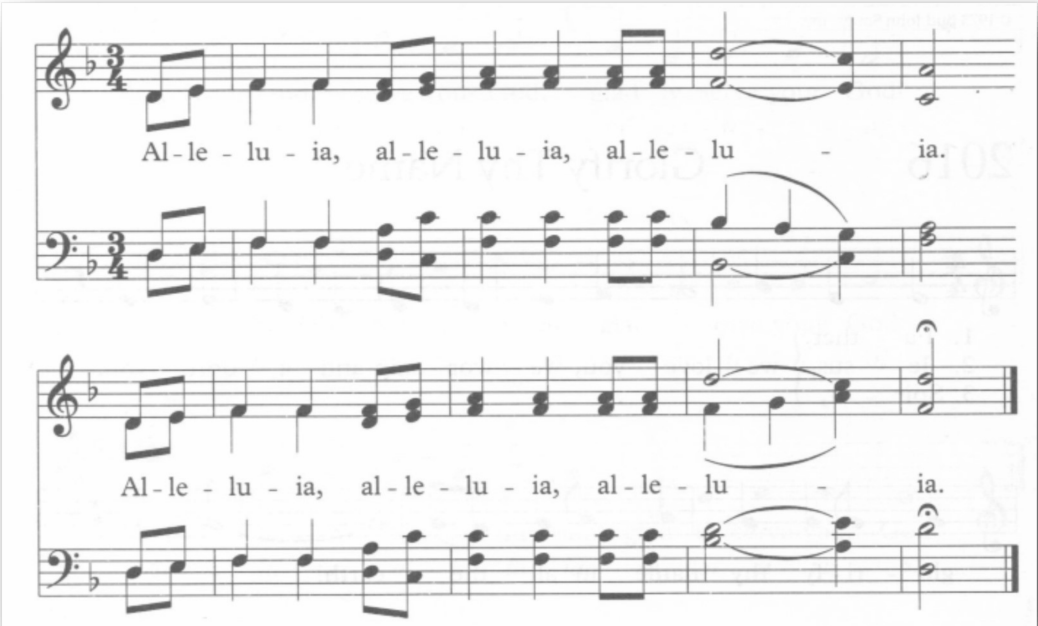
Leader: It is better to take refuge in You, Lord.
All: **We know, dear Lord, that you are with us in all circumstances of life. We will not be afraid of troubles that come into our lives. We thank you, Lord, because you have heard our cry of anguish. God, you comfort us with support and give us a new perspective on the future.**

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.
All: **As we worship you Lord, we also confess our confidence in you. We rely on you more than those who have flesh and blood, both lowly and exalted. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Amen.**

Scripture * Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12 NRSV

ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

Choral Response (Choir & Congregation) *. “Alleluia” — #2014 TFWS



Gospel * Luke 17:5-10 NRSV

Sermon. “Life Itself” — Pastor Shane Siciliano

Anthem

The Creed, A Statement of What We Believe — from Nicaragua *

All: **I believe, God, that you are not primarily our Judge and Lord, but our Father and Mother, because you hear the cry of the oppressed—the cry of your children. You are in heaven; we raise our eyes to you in the middle of our struggles. Hallowed be your liberating actions against those who oppress us many times in your name. Let your justice come to us, beginning with those most impoverished. Let your will and your liberation begin on earth and end in heaven. Let the bread that we produce every day be shared and eaten by all. Forgive our selfishness in the measure that we strive to eradicate collective selfishness. And keep us from the temptation of exploiting others to accumulate wealth. Deliver us from vengeance and hate against those who oppress and repress. Amen.**

Invitation to Holy Communion

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