

# CALVARY

United Methodist Church



**ALL Really Does Mean ALL!**



**MAY**

**5<sup>TH</sup>**

**2024**

*You* are God's beloved. *You* are welcome here.



# WELCOME TO CALVARY

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## 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.**

## GETTING TO KNOW YOU

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 better. If you are in need of a large print bible or hymnal, please see any greeter for help.

## FAMILIES WITH BABIES OR YOUNG CHILDREN

We welcome all of God's children into our worship services, including infants and toddlers. If you would like to use it, we have a Family Area in the rear left of the Sanctuary with rocking chairs and toys.

## LOCATION OF BATHROOMS

From the front exits of the sanctuary outside the right doorway, an accessible restroom and baby changing table are available on this level. From the front exits of the sanctuary outside the left side, restrooms are located down the stairs. An elevator is located thru the sanctuary outside the right and to the back.

# PRAYER CONCERNS

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**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

Tom Paulin  
Budd Wagner  
Cary Knight  
Martha Helmreich  
Janet and Tom (friends of David Grinnell)  
Patricia Hartman  
Colleen (daughter of Terri Jagielski)  
Mayernik daughters & grandfather  
Joyce & Ray Zimmerman (sister of Yvonne Hudson)  
Cel Thomas, John Rosella, Darlene Lesure  
(friends of Fred Ruddock)

## ONGOING CONCERNS

Mary Ewalt  
Sara Belohavek  
Paul Brucker  
Rev. Tom Funk  
Judy Melvin  
Dan Souza  
Tom Smith  
Joan Sturtz  
Marcia Webb (dear friend of Mark Snyder)

## 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](http://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.

**If you would like a card or email sent from the church to let people know we are praying for them, please give us an address or email.**



# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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## PRELUDE

## WORDS OF WELCOME

### CALL TO WORSHIP †\*

Leader: Sing to our God a new song,

**People: for God has done wondrous things.**

Leader: The Holy One's might is not found in destruction,

**People: but in steadfast love and constant faithfulness.**

Leader: These gifts are not for us alone,

**People: they are for one and all.**

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

**People: Break forth into songs of praise.**

Leader: Let all creation praise the Lord.

**HYMN OF PRAISE †\* . . . . .** "To God be the Glory" — #98 UMH

### OPENING PRAYER †\*

**God of Love, let your Holy Spirit come upon us—into our hearts, into our minds, and into our souls. Let your presence speak within us—in the languages we speak, in the ways we live and have our being. For we long to hear you, Gracious One, and to understand. Amen.**

### COMMUNITY GREETINGS †

**SONG OF PRAISE †\* . . . . .** "He Is Lord, He Is Lord!" — #177 UMH

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**SPECIAL OFFERING . . . . .** "Change Matters"

*We are gathering change to support a monthly meal at Daily Bread. When the children come around, please give generously. When all of our "extra" change comes together, we can make a positive difference*

**EPISTLE LESSON \* . . . . .** 1 John 5:1-6 NRSV

- 1 Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child.
- 2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments.
- 3 For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome,
- 4 for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith.

- 5 Who is it who conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?
- 6 This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Leader: The word of God, written by the people of God, for the people of God.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**ANTHEM** . . . . . Renewal Choir

**GOSPEL LESSON †\*** . . . . . John 15:9-17 NRSV

- 9 As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love.
- 10 If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love.
- 11 I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.
- 12 "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.
- 13 No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends.
- 14 You are my friends if you do what I command you.
- 15 I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing, but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father.
- 16 You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name.
- 17 I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Leader: The word of God, written by the people of God, for the people of God.  
**All: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** . . . . . "All Really Does Mean All!" — Rev. Beth L. Nelson

**HYMN OF PREPARATION \*** . . . . . "In Remembrance of Me" — #2254 TFWs

**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**WORDS OF COMMUNITY LIFE**

**CALL TO GIVE**

**OFFERTORY**

**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!**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION †**

**CLOSING HYMN †\*** . . . . . "I Come with Joy" — #617 UMH

**BENEDICTION †**

**POSTLUDE †**

*† Please stand as you are able | \* Words on screen | Bold text is unison.*



## A Time for Fellowship

PLEASE JOIN US AROUND THE TABLES  
IN THE CHAPEL BEHIND THE  
SANCTUARY FOLLOWING MORNING  
WORSHIP FOR REFRESHMENTS.

CALVARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# FAMILY CORNER

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### PARENTS DAY OUT

Sat, May 11  
12-3 pm

FREE BABYSITTING, lunch,  
snacks, movie, games, and  
activities for kids of all ages!



### DAILY BREAD PICNIC

Sun, May 26  
3 pm

Trinity Lutheran Church  
616 W North Ave  
Pittsburgh, PA 15212

### VBS 2024

Mon, Jun 17 thru  
Fri, Jun 21  
5:45-8 pm

Stay tuned for further  
details about this year's  
program and registration.

### MORE INFO

Megan 412-715-4946  
Brittany 412-715-4947



# THIS WEEK AT CALVARY

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**SUN**  
MAY 5

## **“CHANGE MATTERS” SPECIAL OFFERING**

During Worship (Monthly) | Sanctuary

## **COMMUNION**

During Worship (Monthly) | Sanctuary

## **A TIME FOR FELLOWSHIP**

Following Worship (Weekly) | Chapel

## **AA (ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS) NORTHSIDE SUNDAY NIGHTERS**

8:00 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall

**MON**  
MAY 6

## **SLEEPING BAG GROUP**

6:30 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall

**TUES**  
MAY 7

## **EXERCISE CLASS FOR ALL AGES**

9:00 AM (Weekly) | Chapel

## **CHOIR REHEARSAL**

6:00 – 7:00 PM (Weekly) | Sanctuary

## **HAND BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL**

7:00 – 8:00 PM (Weekly) | Music Office (Upstairs in the Chapel)

## **NA (NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS) MANCHESTER**

7:00 – 8:00 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall

**THURS**  
MAY 9

## **EXERCISE FOR ALL AGES**

9:00 AM (Weekly) | Chapel

## **WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY**

10:00 – 11:00 AM (Weekly) | Parlor

## **DAILY BREAD – UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH (UWF)**

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM (Monthly) | Northview Heights

## **OPEN SANCTUARY**

6:00 – 8:00 PM (Weekly) | Sanctuary

**SAT**  
MAY 11

## **PARENTS DAY OUT**

12:00 – 3:00 PM | Chapel

## **BELLE VOCI CONCERT – THE ELEMENTS**

7:30 PM | Sanctuary



**SUN**  
**MAY 12**

**CALVARY SUNDAY MORNING CAFE**

10:00 – 11:00 AM (Weekly) | Chapel

**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL**

10:00 – 10:45 AM (Weekly) | Parlor

**“MINOR PROPHETS” WITH REV. CHAD BODGEWIC**

10:00 – 10:45 AM (Weekly) | Parlor

**“BIBLE 101” WITH REV. MYLES BRADLEY**

10:00 – 10:45 AM (Weekly) | Chapel

**CHOIR REHEARSAL**

10:00 – 10:45 AM (Weekly) | Sanctuary

**A TIME FOR FELLOWSHIP**

Following Worship (Weekly) | Chapel

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BELLE VOCI PRESENTS

**THE ELEMENTS: EARTH,  
WIND FIRE & SPACE**

11 MAY | 7:30 PM | \$25 TICKETS  
AVAILABLE AT [WWW.BELLEVOICIPGH.COM](http://WWW.BELLEVOICIPGH.COM)

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*Belle Voci*  
CONNECTING SONG AND COMMUNITY



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### NAME TAGS

Calvary has purchased magnetic name tags for members, attenders, and visitors to help us better connect with one another by helping us learn each other's names (and remind us when we forget.) If you already have a name tag or gave your preference you do not need to again.

Please email Lay Leader Kenny Elliott ([kenelliott76@gmail.com](mailto:kenelliott76@gmail.com)) if you would like to complete an online form to indicate how you would like your name (and optional pronouns) listed on your name tag. Families, it will be easier to enter each person separately. You can complete the form multiple times.

We will have blanks for you to write on Sunday until we can make your permanent name tag. We will always have blanks for visitors and if we can't locate yours one Sunday.

## EVENTS

### COMMUNION

**Sunday, May 5 (1st Sunday of each month) | During Worship | Sanctuary**

All are invited to the table of our Lord. You do not need to be a member of Calvary or any church to participate. The bread that we share is gluten free so that all may partake.

### CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

**Thursday, May 16 (3rd Thursday of each month) | 6:30 – 8:00 PM | Chapel**

### COMMUNITY LUNCH

**Sunday, May 26 (Last Sunday of each month) | Following Worship | Fellowship Hall**

This is an expansion on our normally scheduled fellowship time following morning worship. Please join us around the tables in the fellowship hall located downstairs following morning worship.

## WEEKLY

### CALVARY SUNDAY MORNING CAFE

**Sundays | 10:00 – 11:00 AM | Chapel**

Please join us for coffee and sweet treats Sunday mornings beginning at 10 AM. We have several groups meeting you might want to check out over coffee and your favorite muffin, cinnamon roll, or donut.

### A TIME FOR FELLOWSHIP

**Sundays | Following Worship | Chapel**

Please join us around the tables in the chapel behind the sanctuary following morning worship for refreshments.



## EVENTS

### PARENTS DAY OUT

**Saturday, May 11 | 12:00 – 3:00 PM | Chapel**

FREE BABYSITTING, lunch, games, snacks, and activities provided!

### DAILY BREAD PICNIC

**Sunday, May 26 | 3:00 PM | Trinity Lutheran Church, 616 W North Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15212**

We are in need of volunteers to make food ahead of time. Please see Megan or Brittany.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) 2024

**Monday, June 17 thru Friday, June 21 | 5:45 – 8:00 PM | Calvary UMC**

Stay tuned for further details about this year's program, registration, and volunteering.

## WEEKLY

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

**Sundays | 10:00 – 10:45 AM | Fellowship Hall**

Calvary offers two Sunday School classes — ages 3 to 10, and ages 11 to 15.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED FOR OPEN HOUSE

AHPS is looking for donations for the refreshment table at the June 20th Open House. Any food that is bite size is acceptable - brownies, cookies, mini-muffins, vegetables, snacks of all descriptions. A sign-up sheet will be placed in the chapel. All items must be delivered to the chapel by noon on June 20th. If you need help, please contact Fred (412-889-9990 / giraffelapin1862@aol.com). Our thanks in advance!

### AHPS SUMMER SOLSTICE OPEN HOUSE & CALVARY UMC ART SHOW

**Thursday, June 20 | 4:00 – 8:00 PM (Tentative) | Calvary UMC**

Mark this date on your calendar! This is a joint event hosted by Calvary UMC and the Allegheny Historic Preservation Society (AHPS). This year, we will be holding an art show in conjunction with the open house. If you are an artist, please contact Kenny Elliott (724-531-4625 / kenelliott76@gmail.com) to let the committee know if you would like to display and what kind of work you would display.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **NORTHSIDE COMMON MINISTRIES CONTINUES TO NEED TOOTHPASTE**

**We've collected over 500 tubes so far!!! Thanks to all who have contributed!**

TOOTHPASTE continues to be a weekly need at the pantry. NCM 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 is a collection bin in the chapel. Cloth grocery bags also continue to be collected. Thank you!

### **CLEANING BUCKETS**

Because of all the recent flooding in our area, the Mission Barn is running low on Cleaning Buckets. For the next month, we will be collecting items for the buckets, concluding our gathering on Pentecost Sunday, May 19. Please give generously to help our neighbors in need. You can fill a whole bucket or buy any of the items on the list. You must follow the list exactly. A list of needed items is below and is available on the mission table.

**Our goal is 10 buckets!** You can bring all or some of the items on this list:

- One five-gallon round bucket with re-sealable lid (14.35" h x 12.19" w x 12.19" d); new or used/clean
- One 32-64 oz. bottle liquid laundry detergent
- One 16-40 oz. bottle liquid concentrate household cleaner; no spray cleaners
- One 16-34 oz. bottle dish soap
- One 4-8 oz. pump spray air freshener (liquid, not gel)
- One 6-14 oz. pump spray insect repellent (pack of 10-20 wipes also acceptable)
- One scrub brush, with or without handle
- 18 re-useable cleaning wipes; no terrycloth, microfiber or paper towels
- Five scouring pads; no stainless-steel pads with soap in them
- 36-50 clothespins
- One 50-100 ft. clothesline; cotton or plastic
- 24 roll of heavy-duty trash bags (33-45-gallon sizes)
- Five "N95" particulate respirator dust masks (1-3 mm thickness); no surgical masks
- 2 pairs kitchen gloves; durable for multiple uses
- 1 pair work gloves; cotton with leather palm or all leather



# EVENTS

## “CHANGE MATTERS” SPECIAL OFFERING

**Sunday, May 5 (1st Sunday of each month) | During Worship | Sanctuary**

Our children collect "change" because when there is lots of change together, we can make a difference. These gifts are used to help Women United in Faith purchase food for Daily Bread.

## DAILY BREAD – UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH (UWF)

**Thursday, May 9 (2nd Thursday of each month) | 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

**Trinity Lutheran Church, 616 W North Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15212**

The United Women in Faith (UWF) organizes the meal being prepared for the Daily Bread which serves meals three times a week to those without a home or who are under-employed. See Joan Bradley if you would like to get involved.

## NORTHVIEW HEIGHTS FOOD (NVH) DISTRIBUTION

**Saturday, June 8 & Saturday, July 13 | 9:00 – 10:30 AM | Northview Heights**

All participants have found it to be a rewarding experience, and we would love to have some new volunteers as well. Six volunteers are needed for each date. There is a sign-up sheet in the chapel, and a written description of the work. Please feel free to contact Stacey Chervon ([stc38@pitt.edu](mailto:stc38@pitt.edu)) or Linda Ehrlich ([laehrlich927@aol.com](mailto:laehrlich927@aol.com)) for any questions.

# WEEKLY

## SLEEPING BAG GROUP

**Mondays | 6:30 PM | Fellowship Hall**

**The last day before our Summer break is Monday, May 13th. We will start again sometime after Labor Day. We are requesting the following for donations from now and thru Summer: toiletries (soap, shampoo, lotions, etc), socks, neckties, blankets.**

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 (412-482-2211 / [trr\\_howell@yahoo.com](mailto:trr_howell@yahoo.com)) with any questions.

## OPEN SANCTUARY

**Thursdays | 6:00 – 8:00 PM | Sanctuary**

The sanctuary will be open for prayer or silence or meditation every Thursday evening. Feel free to pass through as our special guest, or return on Sunday to make us your home.

# SMALL GROUPS

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## WEEKLY

### MINOR PROPHETS

**Sundays | 10:00 – 10:45 AM | Parlor**

This group is led by Rev. Chad Bodgewic and digs deeper into the Old Testament books after the prophet Daniel: Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah and Micah. The group explores the history, individual ministries, and messages in their historical context. The group is currently looking at Hosea chapters 3 and 4, where God instructed the prophet to marry an adulterous woman as an illustration of Israel's adulterous idolatry against God. All are welcome. No prerequisites required.

### BIBLE 101

**Sundays | 10:00 – 10:45 AM | Chapel**

This group is led by Rev. Myles Bradley. We say that the Bible is "the Word of God, written by the people of God, for the people of God." Join us for a six week journey to meet the writers and explore the words and the Word. Come and learn more about the source of our faith.

### AA (ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS) – NORTHSIDE SUNDAY NIGHTERS

**Sundays | 8:00 PM | Fellowship Hall**

AA meetings are designed to help you on your road to recovery — designed to help you get sober and remain sober.

### NA (NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS) - MANCHESTER

**Tuesdays | 7:00 – 8:00 PM | Fellowship Hall**

Every addict in the world has the chance to experience their message, and find the opportunity for a new way of life.

### EXERCISE CLASS FOR ALL AGES

**Tuesdays & Thursdays | 9:00 AM | Chapel**

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 ([laehrlich927@aol.com](mailto:laehrlich927@aol.com)).

### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

**Thursdays | 10:00 – 11:00 AM | Parlor**

Join us as we study "Living Beyond Yourself: Exploring the Fruit of the Spirit" by Beth Moore. Beth Moore has an excitement and an exuberance for the Gospel and will involve you on an adventure into discovery and growth in the Spirit of the Lord.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PIANO FUNDING SOUGHT – NOTE FROM MUSIC DIRECTOR, BRIAN BURNS

**We've collected \$5,230 of the \$7,500 goal! Thanks to all who have contributed!**

We have received a "new to us" concert grand piano! Our old piano had become worn out and needed more work than it was worth. We came across an opportunity to trade it in on this 9' Baldwin concert grand piano. This piano will enhance and allow us to expand Calvary's music ministry by offering professional piano concerts and recitals. Over the next month or so, the piano will be "fine tuned" to fill our sanctuary with amazing sound. The piano project total is \$7,500. If you would like to contribute financial support to this project, please feel free to make an offering through the collection plates and clearly mark on your envelope or check memo "new piano".

## EVENTS

### BELLE VOCI CONCERT – "THE ELEMENTS: EARTH, WIND, FIRE, AIR, SPACE"

**Saturday, May 11 | 7:30 PM | Sanctuary**

**Tickets: \$25 — Purchase at the door or at [BelleVociPgh.com](http://BelleVociPgh.com)**

Belle Voci is a community-based, adult choir that sings music for voices in the treble range. They perform an eclectic repertoire of wide-ranging styles, showcasing the performance practices of the music's origin. Their Mission: "Connecting Song and Community" through exemplary collaborations of artistic diversity. We are committed to fostering and preserving a culture of diversity, accessibility, and inclusion. We believe music encourages creativity and promotes civic engagement and a healthy community. Belle Voci welcomes singers of all backgrounds, ethnicities, gender identities, sexual orientations, races, religious beliefs, and mental and physical abilities.

## WEEKLY

### CHOIR REHEARSAL

**Sundays | 10:00 – 10:45 AM | Sanctuary**

**Tuesdays | 6:00 – 7:00 PM | Sanctuary**

Love Singing? Thinking About Joining The Choir?... now is the perfect time to give it a try! No audition required! All are welcome! Please join us for singing, fellowship, and shenanigans!

### HAND BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL

**Tuesdays | 7:00 – 8:00 PM | Music Office (Upstairs in the Chapel)**

No audition required and you do not have to be able to read music. All are welcome! Please reach out to Music Director Brian Burns (724-388-3246 / [bsburns77@aol.com](mailto:bsburns77@aol.com)) with questions.

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PASTOR

**Rev. Beth L. Nelson**

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OFFICE HOURS:

**Church Office:** Monday-Thursday, 12-3 PM

**Rev. Beth L. Nelson:** Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

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