

CALVARY

United Methodist Church



Pentecost Sunday



MAY

19TH

2024

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



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.**

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



**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

Adel Fougnes
Janice Duckworth (sister of Judy Melvin)
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. 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



PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP †* Liturgist — Jan Meyers

Leader: In rushing wind and tongues of fire...

People: the Church is born.

Leader: In courage found and faith renewed...

People: the Church gains strength.

Leader: In visions seen and dreams made real...

People: the Church blesses the world.

Leader: In hopes rekindled and fears released...

People: the Church leads the way.

Leader: In rushing wind and tongues of fire...

People: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

HYMN OF PRAISE †* "O Worship the King" — #73 UMH

OPENING PRAYER †*

God of wind and flame, ignite a fire in our hearts and fill us with your courage and power. On this day of Pentecost, may our young people see visions and our elders dream dreams. Blow open the doors of our shut up hearts and send us into the world to spread the good news of your saving love. Amen.

COMMUNITY GREETINGS †

SONG OF PRAISE †* "Surely the Presence of the Lord" — #328 UMH (Two Times)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

EPISTLE LESSON * Acts 2:1-21 NRSV

- 1 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.
- 2 And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.
- 3 Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them.
- 4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.
- 5 Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem.
- 6 And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each.

- 7 Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?
- 8 And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language?
- 9 Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,
- 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes,
- 11 Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power."
- 12 All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?"
- 13 But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."
- 14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.
- 15 Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning.
- 16 No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:
- 17 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.
- 18 Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.
- 19 And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
- 20 The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
- 21 Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

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

All: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER CONCERNS

HYMN OF PRAYER * "I'm Goin' a Sing When the Spirit Says Sing" — #333 UMH
You are welcome to come forward for prayer at the altar rail.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER * #895 UMH
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.

ANTHEM Renewal Choir

GOSPEL LESSON †* John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15 NRSV

- 26 “When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf.
- 27 You also are to testify, because you have been with me from the beginning.
- 4 “I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you.
- 5 But now I am going to him who sent me, yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’
- 6 But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts.
- 7 Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you, but if I go, I will send him to you.
- 8 And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment:
- 9 about sin, because they do not believe in me;
- 10 about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, and you will see me no longer;
- 11 about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.
- 12 “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now.
- 13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.
- 14 He will glorify me because he will take what is mine and declare it to you.
- 15 All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON “Charged Batteries” — Rev. Beth L. Nelson

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 †* “We Are the Church” — #558 UMH

BENEDICTION †

POSTLUDE †

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

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THIS WEEK AT CALVARY



SUN
MAY 19

A TIME FOR FELLOWSHIP

Following Worship (Weekly) | Chapel

AA (ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS) NORTHSIDE SUNDAY NIGHTERS

8:00 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall

TUES
MAY 21

EXERCISE CLASS FOR ALL AGES

9:00 AM (Weekly) | Chapel

NA (NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS) MANCHESTER

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

THURS
MAY 23

EXERCISE FOR ALL AGES

9:00 AM (Weekly) | Chapel

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

10:00 – 11:00 AM (Weekly) | Parlor

OPEN SANCTUARY

6:00 – 8:00 PM (Weekly) | Sanctuary

SUN
MAY 26

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

COMMUNITY LUNCH

Following Worship (Monthly) | Fellowship Hall

DAILY BREAD PICNIC

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

AA (ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS) NORTHSIDE SUNDAY NIGHTERS

8:00 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall



ANNOUNCEMENTS

NORTHSIDE COMMON MINISTRIES CONTINUES TO NEED TOOTHPASTE

NCM would like Calvary to continue to collect toothpaste. There is a collection bin in the chapel. Cloth grocery bags also continue to be collected. Thank you!

EVENTS

“CHANGE MATTERS” SPECIAL OFFERING

Sunday, June 2 (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.

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) or Linda Ehrlich (laehrlch927@aol.com) for any questions.

DAILY BREAD – UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH (UWF)

Thursday, June 13 (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.

WEEKLY

SLEEPING BAG GROUP (CURRENTLY ON BREAK FOR SUMMER)

Mondays | 6:30 PM | Fellowship Hall

This group is currently on break for the summer. 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. Please contact Terri Howell (412-482-2211 / 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.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOOD/FELLOWSHIP SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Fellowship Sponsors for Sunday, May 19: Tammy Phillips and Susan Derouin

The times we gather for food at Calvary are very important to making CONNECTIONS and continuing the fellowship after the worship service. We talk, laugh, share, and nourish one another in body and spirit. To sustain these connections, we are asking for volunteers and sponsors for our food/fellowship times. Volunteers can sign up to help with food preparation, or service and clean-up. Sponsors can sign up by donating \$50 for food served in the chapel and \$100 for the monthly community luncheon. You are welcome to partner with someone else to sponsor. There are two sign-up sheets in the chapel along with envelopes for donations. Please give donation envelopes to Mike Schnitgen with date of sponsorship and names of donors. Please consider what you can do to help, and thanks very much.

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.) Please email Lay Leader Kenny Elliott (kenelliott76@gmail.com) for a name tag.

EVENTS

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 in the fellowship hall located downstairs following morning worship.

COMMUNION

Sunday, June 2 (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, June 20 (3rd Thursday of each month) | 6:30 – 8:00 PM | Chapel

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.

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



PLANT SALE PICKUP DATES

The plants can be picked up on either **Monday, May 20** or **Tuesday, May 21** from **1:00-6:00pm** in the church parking lot off Dounton Way. Contact Linda Ehrlich (412-512-7246 / laehrlich927@aol.com) with any questions. Proceeds from the plant sale are donated to various charities supported by the Calvary United Women in Faith.

HAVE SOMETHING TO SHARE?

If you have an announcement that you would like to be placed in the bulletin, website, Facebook, etc., please email Karen Ferguson (karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com). Announcements for the bulletin must be submitted by noon on Wednesday for inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin. Please include the following information: (1) title/subject of announcement, (2) content, (3) how long it should be advertised, and (4) where you want it to be publicized.



A Time for Fellowship

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

SEE ANNOUNCEMENT IN THE 'GET
CONNECTED' SECTION ON HOW YOU
CAN GET INVOLVED IN OUR
FELLOWSHIP TIME AT CALVARY!



EVENTS

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.

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!





ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPECIAL MUSIC AND TALENTS NEEDED FOR THE SUMMER

In lieu of choir for the summer we would like to have some kind of special art each week. Pick-up choir will be once a month as announced. But, we could also use special music, or maybe some special poem or reading. Please feel free to share this with your friends, relatives, and neighbors. Reach out to Music Director Brian Burns (724-388-3246 / bsburns77@aol.com) with questions or if you would like to participate.

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".

WEEKLY

CHOIR REHEARSAL (CURRENTLY ON BREAK FOR SUMMER)

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

Tuesdays | 6:00 – 7:00 PM | Sanctuary

This group is currently on break for the summer. We will resume practices again in September. 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 (CURRENTLY ON BREAK FOR SUMMER)

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

This group is currently on break for the summer. We will resume practices again in September. 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) with questions.

SMALL GROUPS



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).

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

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!

EVENTS

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.

COMMUNITY LUNCH

LAST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

Calvary hosts a Community Lunch the last Sunday of each month.

This is an expansion on our normally scheduled fellowship time which follows morning worship.

The luncheons are held in the fellowship hall downstairs.

Please join us in this monthly tradition of fellowship and welcoming our neighbors!



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You ARE WELCOME HERE.



PASTOR

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