

CALVARY

United Methodist Church



**Here is a boy
with five small
barley loaves and
two small fish,
but how far will
they go among
so many?**

John 6:9



JUL

28TH

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

Family of Sara Belohavek (Sara passed away)
Family of Tom Paulin (Tom passed away)
Sam (niece of Bing and Mary Ewalt)
Jennifer Ruchlin (friend of Judy Melvin)
Maria (friend of Anne Christianson)
Georgeann (friend of Anne Christianson)
Joyce & Ray Zimmerman (sister of Yvonne Hudson)
Donna Reinard (sister of Yvonne Hudson)
Joan Mialki
Chris (friend of Mike Schnitgen)
Adel Fougnes
Cary Knight
Janet and Tom (friends of David Grinnell)
Mayernik daughters & grandfather

ONGOING CONCERNS

Paul Brucker
Colleen (daughter of Terri Jagielski)
Mary Ewalt
Rev. Tom Funk
Martha Helmreich
Judy Melvin
Dan Souza
Tom Smith
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 calvarypg.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 — Linda McDonald

Leader: Rely on God's providential care.

People: God's grace is sufficient for us.

Leader: Take nothing for the journey but faith in Christ.

People: We can trust the God of our salvation.

Leader: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised.

People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Come! Let us worship.

OPENING HYMN †* "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" — #89 UMH

UNISON PRAYER †*

Eternal Spirit, you call us to set aside our scheming and place our trust in you alone. You challenge us to take nothing for the journey but our desire to do your will. Teach us once more that your strength is made perfect in weakness, and that your grace is sufficient to meet our every need. With the confidence of little children, we place our lives in your hands this day. For we know that you will be with us every moment of our lives. Amen.

COMMUNITY GREETINGS †

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Megan Bova

PSALTER LESSON * Psalm 14 NRSV

- 1 Fools say in their hearts, "There is no God." They are corrupt; they do abominable deeds; there is no one who does good.
- 2 The Lord looks down from heaven on humankind to see if there are any who are wise, who seek after God.
- 3 They have all gone astray; they are all alike perverse; there is no one who does good, no, not one.
- 4 Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers who eat up my people as they eat bread and do not call upon the Lord?
- 5 There they shall be in great terror, for God is with the company of the righteous.
- 6 You would confound the plans of the poor, but the Lord is their refuge.
- 7 O that deliverance for Israel would come from Zion! When the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice; Israel will be glad.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

SHARING PRAYER CONCERNS

HYMN OF PRAYER * "Trust and Obey" — #467 UMH
You are welcome to come forward for personal 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.

GOSPEL LESSON †* John 6:1-21 NRSV

- 1 After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias.
- 2 A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick.
- 3 Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples.
- 4 Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near.
- 5 When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?"
- 6 He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do.
- 7 Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little."
- 8 One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him,
- 9 "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?"
- 10 Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all.
- 11 Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted.
- 12 When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost."
- 13 So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets.
- 14 When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."
- 15 When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.
- 16 When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea,

- 17 got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them.
- 18 The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing.
- 19 When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified.
- 20 But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid."
- 21 Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Partners!" — Rev. Beth L. Nelson

HYMN * "Jesus Loves Me" — #191 UMH

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM . . . Cameron Leo Kontos, son of Emily & Christian Kontos

WORDS OF COMMUNITY LIFE

CALL TO GIVE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

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 †* "We'll Understand It Better By and By" — #525 UMH

BENEDICTION †

POSTLUDE †

Please join us for a time of fellowship around the tables in the chapel.

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

THIS WEEK AT CALVARY



SUN
JUL 28

COMMUNITY LUNCH

Following Worship (Monthly) | Fellowship Hall

AA (ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS) NORTHSIDE SUNDAY NIGHTERS

8:00 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall

TUES
JUL 30

NA (NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS) MANCHESTER

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

THURS
AUG 1

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

10:00 – 11:00 AM (Weekly) | Parlor

OPEN SANCTUARY

6:00 – 8:00 PM (Weekly) | Sanctuary

TALK ON PALESTINE HOMELAND & CHRISTIAN ZIONISM

7:00 PM | Bidwell Presbyterian Church, 1025 Liverpool St, Pittsburgh, PA 15233

SUN
AUG 4

“CHANGE MATTERS” SPECIAL OFFERING

During Worship (1st Sunday of each month) | Sanctuary

COMMUNION

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUMMERTIME FELLOWSHIP

Since summer tends to be a time when we have more freedom with our schedules it has been suggested that our food schedule change for the summer. The plan is to have no food before church but just coffee, tea and water. We, of course will still have our fellowship time after church with ONLY LIGHT REFRESHMENTS. It is our hope that individuals from the congregation will sign up and volunteer to sponsor/provide these goodies. Mike Schnitgen is still planning to have our monthly community meal after church on July 28 and August 28.

FOOD/FELLOWSHIP SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

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.

EVENTS

COMMUNITY LUNCH

Sunday, July 28 (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, August 4 (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, August 15 (3rd Thursday of each month) | 6:30 – 8:00 PM | Chapel

There will not be meetings in either July or December.

WEEKLY

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.



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, August 4 (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, August 8 | 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.

Currently, we are in desperate need of cookies as we have used up everything in the freezer.

Cookies can be brought at any time and put in the freezer in the basement.

WEEKLY

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.

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



MESSAGE FROM CALVARY'S HOSPITALITY PARKING TEAM

Greetings! The parking team would like to remind parishioners and visitors to allow persons with limited mobility to park in the parking lot behind the church so they can access the ramp. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Blessings to all and have a wonderful and safe summer!

HELP US UPDATE THE CALVARY UMC CHURCH DIRECTORY

We are in the process of updating the Church Directory for Calvary United Methodist Church. In order to make this process as easy as possible, we have created a Google form for you to fill out so that we have the most up-to-date information for your household. You need only to complete one form per household (all persons that live at the same address). Thank you so much for your participation in this daunting project! Please let us know if you have any questions.



Calvary UMC Church Directory Google Form — Scan the QR code or go to the following web page: <https://forms.gle/pn64RUnttKHTprZp6>

SMALL GROUPS



WEEKLY

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.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays | 10:00 – 11:00 AM | Parlor

Looking for deeper relationships with some of the women of Calvary? Come and join us this summer as we fellowship around God's Word, praying for a world wounded by sin, our fellow sisters and brothers in Christ and praising and thanking our Savior, Jesus Christ, for his grace and mercy. The coffee pot is always on along with a goodie or two. Feel free to just drop in and join our group on any Thursday you're free. Our Beth Moore study, "Living Beyond Yourself: Exploring the Fruit of the Spirit," will continue in September. Email Kathy Wagner (kbwagner47@gmail.com) with questions.

SPECIAL EVENTS



TALK ON PALESTINE HOMELAND & CHRISTIAN ZIONISM

Thursday, August 1 | 7:00 PM

Bidwell Presbyterian Church, 1025 Liverpool St, Pittsburgh, PA 15233

FOSNA Pittsburgh is delighted to be hosting the Reverend Munther Isaac, pastor and theologian from Bethlehem, Palestine the birthplace of Jesus, He will be addressing the silence of many U.S. churches in the face of mass civilian casualties and destruction of the Palestine homeland and Christian Zionism.

Munther Isaac is a Palestinian Christian pastor and theologian. He presently pastors the Evangelical Lutheran Christmas Church in Bethlehem and the Lutheran Church in Beit Sahour. He also holds the pivotal roles of academic dean at Bethlehem Bible College and is director of the highly lauded "Christ at the Checkpoint" conferences. Munther is fervently dedicated to matters concerning Palestinian theology.

FAREWELL CELEBRATION HONORING BISHOP CYNTHIA MOORE-KOIKOI

Sunday, August 25 | 3:00 PM Service of Recognition & 4:00 – 6:00 PM Open Reception

Christ UMC, 44 Highland Rd, Bethel Park, PA 15102

After eight years of ministry as our Episcopal leader, Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi is concluding her role in Western Pennsylvania and has been assigned to lead the Eastern Pennsylvania and Greater New Jersey conferences. The WPA Episcopacy Committee invites you to join us in bidding Bishop Moore-Koikoi a heartfelt farewell that celebrates our common ministry together.

Everyone is invited to attend. As many of us know from personal experience, a good and heartfelt farewell that celebrates our common ministry together, extends words of reconciliation and healing, and adequately says "thank you" greatly prepares the way for the next leader. As your Episcopacy committee, we want to celebrate an excellent "farewell" to Bishop Moore-Koikoi and her husband, Rev. Raphael Koikoi, so we can be prepared to celebrate an excellent "welcome" to our next episcopal leader, Bishop Sandra Steiner Ball, and her husband, Rev. Barry Ball.



Register Now — Scan the QR code or go to the following web page: <https://wpa-reg.brtapp.com/BishopCynthiaMooreKoikoiFarewellCelebration>

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You ARE WELCOME HERE.



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