

# CALVARY

United Methodist Church



*All  
Saints  
Day*

**NOV**

**3<sup>RD</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



**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

Hannah Hardy (daughter of Linda Ehrlich)  
Suzanne (friend of David Grinnell)  
Narda Funk and Family  
Chris Sweeney  
Chad Bogdewic  
The Robert's Family  
Gina (friend of Judy Melvin)  
Kaia Bachman and family  
Venus Whisenhunt  
Ed Warren  
Marlene Burkhart  
Chris Siewers  
Wendy (friend of Mark & Debbie Neuherz)  
Karen Hines (mother of Patty Bogdewic)  
Rev. David Eichelberger  
Rev. J. Howard Cherry  
Roy (fiancé of Venus)

## ONGOING CONCERNS

Sam (niece of Bing and Mary Ewalt)  
Jennifer Ruchlin (friend of Judy Melvin)  
Georgeann (friend of Anne Christianson)  
Mayernik daughters & grandfather  
Joyce & Ray Zimmerman (sister of Yvonne Hudson)  
Donna Reinard (sister of Yvonne Hudson)  
Joan Mialki  
Chris (friend of Mike Schnitgen)  
Cary Knight  
Paul Brucker  
Colleen (daughter of Terri Jagielski)  
Martha Helmreich  
Judy Melvin  
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 [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** . . . . . "Introduction and March on 'Lauda anima'" — Portman/Goss

## WORDS OF WELCOME

### CALL TO WORSHIP †\*

Leader: Come, let us praise the Lord!

**People: Let us shout our songs of thanksgiving to Almighty God!**

Leader: For God has done wonderful things for us.

**People: God's love and blessings have been showered upon us.**

Leader: Come, let us praise the Lord!

**People: Let us sing songs of great joy to God.**

**OPENING HYMN †\*** . . . . . "Sing with All the Saints in Glory" — #702 UMH

### UNISON PRAYER \*

**God of new beginnings, wipe away our tears, that we may come before your throne with hearts full of song and with souls on fire. Help us live as those who are prepared to die, so when our time to depart comes we may go forth as those who are prepared to live. Whether living or dying, O Lord, our hearts will always belong to you. Amen.**

### COMMUNITY GREETINGS †

**SONG OF PRAISE †\*** . . . . . "Give Thanks"

Give thanks with a grateful heart,  
give thanks to the Holy One;  
give thanks, because he's given  
Jesus Christ, his Son.

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give thanks to the Holy One;  
give thanks, because he's given  
Jesus Christ, his Son.

And now let the weak say 'I am strong',  
let the poor say 'I am rich',  
because of what the Lord has done for us;  
and now let the weak say 'I am strong',  
let the poor say 'I am rich',  
because of what the Lord has done for us.  
Give thanks...

**PSALTER LESSON \*** . . . . . Psalm 126:1-6 NRSV

- 1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.
- 2 Then our mouth was filled with laughter and our tongue with shouts of joy; then it was said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them."
- 3 The Lord has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.
- 4 Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourses in the Negeb.
- 5 May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.

6 Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

**SHARING PRAYER CONCERNS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

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

**GOSPEL LESSON †\*** . . . . . John 11:32-44 NRSV

- 32 When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."
- 33 When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved.
- 34 He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see."
- 35 Jesus began to weep.
- 36 So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!"
- 37 But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"
- 38 Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it.
- 39 Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days."
- 40 Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?"
- 41 So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me.
- 42 I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me."
- 43 When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!"
- 44 The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**SERMON** . . . . . "Tears" — Rev. Beth L. Nelson

**HYMN OF PREPARATION \*** . . . . . "Hymn of Promise" — #707 UMH

## INVITATION TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION \*

**People:** Holy God, we want to make you proud. We want to hide away our faults so no one can see. We want to be considered worthy of sainthood. But you know our faults anyway. You know every detail of our lives. Forgive us for trying to pretend we're perfect. We confess that we dance along the line between self-improvement and vanity.

**We read self-help books, listen to sages who tell us how we can achieve perfection, and try to eliminate all the mess from our lives so we can feel in control. Forgive us for striving to be godlike when all you've ever asked of us is to be human. We forget that even the saints are human. Even the saints are messy and complicated. Our heroes are flawed, our loved ones make mistakes, and our idols aren't really made of solid gold. We confess that we are quick to judge the faults of others we have placed on a pedestal, as though they aren't human too.**

**Forgive us for expecting too much of one another. Forgive us, we pray. Give us grace to trade the illusion of perfection for the real life you have gifted us, and hold us secure in the promise of future glory. Amen !**

**Leader:** Let us pray: Holy Creator, you fashioned us with a heart like yours: expansive and made to love deeply. We hold so many people in our hearts this day—those who have passed and those left behind, those who have laid a foundation for our faith and those who will build on the foundation we have laid, those who are grieving the loss of a loved one and those who are celebrating a new life entering this world. In your wisdom beyond our understanding, you have placed a veil around this life. We don't know what was before; we don't know what's after. All we know is the passing from one to the next and the holy in-between in which we live all of our days.

Our lives are only a brief glimmer in your eternal glory, one flickering candle with a borrowed flame. We pray that you would keep our flames strong. Give us a fire that burns for justice, warms cold hearts, and comforts those living in an endless night. Let our brief flames ignite and inspire others, passing on what we have received from the saints you have placed in our lives. And as our lights dim, grant us the peace of rest in your holy darkness and your eternal glory. May we then come to fully understand the mystery of our faith:

**People:** Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. Amen.

**Leader:** Paul tells the Corinthians, "For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body that is broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."

### 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.**

**SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP.** . . . *All are welcome and the bread is gluten-free.*

**TIME OF REMEMBRANCE**

**READING OF THE ROLL OF THE RESURRECTED**

**HYMN †\* . . . . .** "Holy Ground" — #2272 TFWs

**UNISON PRAYER †\***

Holy God, in whom we live and move and have our being, we entrust these souls to you. As you formed them from the earth, we have returned their bodies to the earth. And as you breathed your breath of life into them, their souls have returned to you, Source of All. Hold them close, and hold us close, too. Give us your peace as we await the day we return to you in glory. In life, in death, and in life after death, we trust in you, our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. Amen.

**WORDS OF COMMUNITY LIFE**

**CALL TO GIVE**

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND TITHES**

**OFFERTORY . . . . .** "Ever, Only, All for Thee" — Powell/Herold

**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 †\* . . . . .** "For All the Saints" — #711 UMH

**RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION †\***

Leader: Hold fast to the faith of God's saints, past and present.  
**People: In our living and in our dying, we belong to God.**  
Leader: Trust the example they left for us to follow.  
**People: In our loving and in our service, we are heirs with Christ.**  
Leader: Walk in the puddles of light the saints left as footprints for us to follow.  
**People: In our journeys of faith, we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord.**

**POSTLUDE † . . . . .** "Saints Bound for Heaven" — Steven Scott

*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

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**SUN**  
NOV 3

## **ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**

During Worship | 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**  
NOV 4

## **SLEEPING BAG GROUP**

6:30 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall

## **AHPS ANNUAL MEETING FEATURING MICHAEL CRAIG**

6:00 PM | Chapel

**TUES**  
NOV 5

## **EXERCISE CLASS FOR ALL AGES**

9:00 – 10:00 AM (Weekly) | Chapel

## **CHOIR REHEARSAL**

6:00 – 7:00 PM (Weekly) | Sanctuary

## **MESSIAH REHEARSAL**

7:00 – 8:30 PM (Weekly) | Sanctuary

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

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

**THURS**  
NOV 7

## **EXERCISE CLASS FOR ALL AGES**

9:00 – 10:00 AM (Weekly) | Chapel

## **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

10:00 – 11:00 AM (Weekly) | Parlor

## **HAND BELL REHEARSAL**

6:00 – 7:00 PM (Weekly) | Upstairs Music Room

## **OPEN SANCTUARY**

6:00 – 8:00 PM (Weekly) | Sanctuary

**SAT**  
**NOV 9**

**NORTHVIEW HEIGHTS FOOD (NVH) DISTRIBUTION**

9:00 – 10:30 AM (Monthly) | Northview Heights

**ASPECTS OF LOVE – FREE CONCERT**

7:00 PM | Sanctuary

**SUN**  
**NOV 10**

**BIBLE STUDY WITH REV. CHAD BODGEWIC**

10:00 – 10:45 AM (Weekly) | Parlor

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

10:00 – 10:45 AM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall

**CHOIR REHEARSAL**

10:00 – 10:45 AM (Weekly) | Sanctuary

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# 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!





# All Saints' Day



**On this All Saints' Day  
we remember all of those  
that have passed away in  
the last year.**

Charles Adamchuck

Sara Belohavek

Mary Callison

Jacqueline Melvin Cannon

Chris Ferringer

Robert Frank

Mary Frank

Ronald Frank

Adel Fougnyes

Rev. Thomas Funk

Janet Gunter

Jerry M. Haslett

Gus Kalaris

Steve Kerestes

Greg Perkins

Daniel Pultz

Dan Souza

Charles Thomas

Kevin Wilson

Reida Zappa



# NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



## UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH – VICTORIAN HOUSE TOUR & SHOPPE

There will be a Holiday Shoppe in Calvary's Fellowship Hall both days of the Victorian House Tour. The United Women in Faith (UWF) will have a booth at the Shoppe as one of our major fundraisers. We will, once again, be accepting donations of Christmas items that are clean and in good repair. Items will be accepted beginning now until Wednesday, November 20. Even though it is early, we hope that you will take some time to root through your stored holiday items to get them to the church by the 20th. That will give us enough time to sort and price items before Friday, December 6, and think of how good you will feel that the Santa cookie jar you never used will be purchased and packed away by someone else (Ha!). Please contact Linda Ehrlich or Kim Butler with questions. Items can be dropped off Sunday after church or during the week by contacting: Linda (412-512- 7246 / [laehrlich927@aol.com](mailto:laehrlich927@aol.com)) or Kim (412-638-7773 / [kimabutler4@gmail.com](mailto:kimabutler4@gmail.com)). We would like to know when you are bringing items to church so we can plan to get them to our storage area right away.

## MESSAGE FROM CALVARY'S HOSPITALITY PARKING TEAM

### Steeler 1:00 PM Home Games: November 17 & December 8

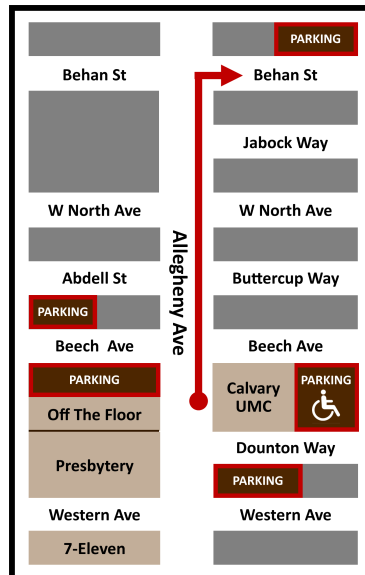
Greetings! See the map included in this bulletin for directions on where to park when the Steelers football team plays at 1:00 PM on Sundays at home. On these Sundays, we do not have access to the parking lots we normally park in; however, we are able to park in a parking lot located on Behan Street. There will also be signs set up along the route directing you where to drive to get to the Behan lot. Please be mindful that the Behan lot is five blocks away. The sidewalks between the church and the lot are not level in places. Please use caution. If walking to and from the Behan lot would be difficult, park in the parking lot behind the church. Allow us to remind our parishioners and guests not to park in the parking lot behind the church to allow persons with limited mobility to park in the lot so they can access the ramp. Thank you!

## 2024 ADVENT SERIES "WORDS FOR THE BEGINNING"

Advent is a season of endings and beginnings. As the calendar year comes to a close, a new church year begins. Christ's birth ushers us into new ways of living and loving; and yet, the world as we know it spins madly on. In many ways, pregnant Mary was surrounded by endings – large and small, personal and political. But Mary proclaimed hope in a God who was and is making all things new. Christ's birth offered a beautiful new beginning for shepherds and Magi alike - all the while, King Herod tried to bring Christ's story to an end. When we ourselves navigate seasons filled with endings and beginnings we need reminders.

We need words that can feel like steady ground, like a path for our feet to find as we step forward into the unknown. This worship series is shaped around several reminders we all need from time to time:

**You are a blessing. We can't go alone. Do the good that is yours to do. Hope is worth the risk. Love knows your name. Don't forget to laugh. The road isn't straight.**



# MISSIONS & OUTREACH

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HURRICANE RELIEF – UMCOR

Hurricanes have devastated parts of the southeastern US, bringing catastrophic wind, rain, and flooding. You can donate to the UMCOR US Disaster Response and Recovery. Make checks payable to Calvary or donate online at [umcmision.org/advance-project/901670/](http://umcmision.org/advance-project/901670/).

### THANKSGIVING OUTREACH – THANKSGIVING FOR THE NORTHSIDE PANTRY

Add one or all of the following to your shopping list to help make someone's Thanksgiving meal complete. Drop off items in the chapel. Return items by Sunday, November 10.

**Items Needed: Stuffing Mix, Mashed Potatoes (instant), Canned Vegetables, Gravy Packets**

### 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

### NORTHVIEW HEIGHTS FOOD (NVH) DISTRIBUTION

**Saturday, November 9 & Saturday, November 23 | 9:00 – 10:30 AM | Northview Heights**

Six volunteers are needed for each date. There is a sign-up sheet in the chapel, and a written description of the work. Contact Linda Ehrlich ([laehrlich927@aol.com](mailto:laehrlich927@aol.com)) with any questions.

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

**Thursday, November 14 (2nd Thursday of each month) | 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

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

The Calvary United Women in Faith (CUWF) organizes the meal being prepared for the Daily Bread which serves meals three times a week to those without a home or who are underemployed. **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. Contact Joan Bradley or the church office for additional information or if you would like to get involved.

### “CHANGE MATTERS” SPECIAL OFFERING

**Sunday, November 24 (Last 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 the Calvary United Women in Faith (CUWF) purchase food for Daily Bread

# WEEKLY

## SLEEPING BAG GROUP

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

**We are currently looking for blankets, sheets, pillow cases, and neckties as well as gathering personal items like small bottles of shampoo, soap, toothpaste, tooth brushes, deodorant, etc, and new men's socks. If you can help, please put your items in the bin in the chapel marked for the Sleeping Bag ministry or leave them downstairs by the old safe.**

The sleeping bags are made from recycled materials, packed with personal items such as toothpaste, shampoo, hats, and gloves, and then distributed to nearby homeless shelters. There is plenty to do, and sewing experience is not necessary. Contact Terri Howell (412-482-2211 / [tr\\_howell@yahoo.com](mailto:tr_howell@yahoo.com)) for additional information.

## 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.

The EastShore Choral presents

# Aspects of Love

**Saturday, November 9 at 7 PM**  
**Calvary United Methodist Church**

Join us for a FREE concert performing the works of Andrew Lloyd Webber, Irving Berlin, Eric Whitacre, The Turtles, and more!

# SPECIAL EVENTS

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## **NOVEMBER – A MONTH OF GRATITUDE**

**November at Calvary will be a month of gratitude with an emphasis on stewardship.**

Sunday, November 3 – All Saints Sunday - We are grateful for a firm foundation of faith.

Sunday, November 10 – A stewardship testimony from a lay person.

Sunday, November 17 – A stewardship challenge from clergy and laity.

Sunday, November 24 – Thanksgiving Sunday and Commitment Sunday

## **AHPS ANNUAL MEETING FEATURING MICHAEL CRAIG AS THE SPEAKER**

**Monday, November 4 | 6:00 PM | Chapel**

Matthew Craig is a dynamic and visionary leader with a strong background in both corporate and non-profit management. Known for his creative thinking and mission-driven focus, he specializes in crafting sustainable programs and leading teams to surpass operational and financial goals. With a passion for preservation and community development, Matthew excels at building trusting relationships with stakeholders and fostering a culture of transparency and diversity.

As the current CEO of the Young Preservationists Association of Pittsburgh, Matthew has championed the preservation of historic structures, including his successful collaboration with the National Trust for Historic Preservation which led to multi-million dollar restoration grants. He strategically leverages local, state, and federal funding to create pathways for preservation while managing a team of expert consultants to meet the unique needs of preservation partners. Matthew's leadership extends beyond operations, as he actively engages with media outlets to amplify the organization's mission and successes.

In addition to his non-profit leadership, Matthew founded The Magic Woods Imagination Company, where he produced an award-winning children's television program guided by Fred Rogers. His ability to assemble and lead diverse teams resulted in a nationally distributed show that celebrated nature and friendship, further highlighting his business acumen and creative vision.

Matthew also brings a wealth of media experience from his time as Producer and Host of "The Allegheny Front" on WYEP Public Radio, where he tackled critical environmental issues and oversaw on-location projects from inception to broadcast.

Deeply committed to civic engagement, Matthew has held leadership roles in prominent cultural festivals, serving as President of the Pittsburgh Folk Festival; and the Pittsburgh Irish Festival, where he served as both Media Manager and Master of Ceremonies.

He holds an Executive Certificate in Nonprofit Leadership and Management from the University of Notre Dame, an Economic Development Finance Professional Certification from the National Development Council, and a Bachelor of Arts in Communications from the University of Toledo.

## **GUEST SPEAKER – REV. DONALD WAGNER**

**Thursday, November 7 | During Bible Study at 10:00 AM | Calvary UMC**

Rev. Donald Wagner, a Presbyterian pastor and long-time supporter and interpreter of the situation in Palestine will be visiting Pittsburgh on Thursday, November 7. He will be discussing his book **Glory to God in the Lowest, Journeys to an Unholy Land** at three locations during that day.

**His book is a personal, political, and religious journey from Evangelical Christian faith and conservative politics to solidarity with the poor and advocacy for anti-war, anti-racism, and Palestinian rights.**

After serving for five years as a pastor in a remarkable Black church, Donald Wagner comes to fully understand the original sin of racism. As his journey continues, he encounters another marginalized people - the Palestinians - and witnesses their struggle for justice and equality. Touched by their resilience and fight against injustice, he leaves the pastorate to assume full time work as an advocate for Palestinian political and human rights. He has served as head of Friends of Sabeel, North America - who is sponsoring his Pittsburgh visit.

Rev. Wagner will be **here at Calvary UMC** for our Thursday Bible Study on October 7 at 10:00 AM. Please plan to come to learn more about the situation in the Middle East - all are welcome. Please bring friends who might want to gain a wider view of the current crisis.

Later in the day, Rev. Wagner will share in a book discussion at **Mifflin Avenue UMC** in Regent Square. This event is scheduled for 1:00 PM.

Another panel discussion will be held at our sister church, **First UMC** in Shadyside. The event will begin with light Middle Eastern refreshments at 6:00 pm. The program will follow continuing until 8:30 PM.

## **ASPECTS OF LOVE – FREE CONCERT**

**Saturday, November 9 | 7:00 PM | Sanctuary**

The EastShore Choral presents this FREE concert performing the works of Andrew Lloyd Webber, Irving Berlin, Eric Whitacre, The Turtles, and more. Join us as we celebrate the Aspects of Love!

## **GUEST PREACHER – PASTOR MICHAEL AIRGOOD**

**Sunday, November 10 | During Worship | Calvary UMC**



Please join us as we welcome Pastor Michael Airgood to Calvary. **Michael Airgood** worked as a United Methodist Global Ministries Missionary in Ukraine for years before pastoring United Methodist churches in the Mon Valley for a decade. They recently returned from spending a few months in Ukraine reconnecting with Ukrainian friends, language, and culture. Honored as a 2023 Allies for Health + Wellbeing Bright Young Person for community engagement and working for full inclusion in the UMC, Michael's hobbies include writing, singing, and translating Ukrainian poetry.

# SMALL GROUPS

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## WEEKLY

### **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL**

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

This group is led by Rev. Chad Bodgewic. All are welcome!

### **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 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**

We are exploring Beth Moore's study of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit as recorded in Galatians 5:22-23. A portion of our time is spent in prayer before delving into our study. This prayer and study time is open to all women. If you are interested and have questions, please email Kathy Wagner ([kbwagner47@gmail.com](mailto:kbwagner47@gmail.com)).

# GET CONNECTED

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 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 envelopes to Mike Schnitgen or place in the offering plate with date of sponsorship and names of donors. Please consider what you can do to help, and thanks very much.

## EVENTS

### CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

**Thursday, November 21 (3rd Thursday of each month) | 6:30 – 8:00 PM | Chapel**

There will not be meetings in either July or December. Contact Church Council President David Grinnell ([grinnell@pitt.edu](mailto:grinnell@pitt.edu)) for additional information.

### COMMUNITY LUNCH

**Sunday, November 24 (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, December 1 (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.

## 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 and fellowship.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL FOR SINGERS – MESSIAH

Sing a choral masterpiece surrounded by Tiffany masterpieces. All are welcome! All voice parts needed! No auditions required! Shenanigans encouraged! Rehearsals are Tuesdays beginning October 1. Scan the QR code for additional information. Ready to sing? Just show up!! There will be a seat waiting for you.



### SPONSORSHIP & PROGRAM AD OPPORTUNITIES – MESSIAH

Please scan the QR code and review the sponsorship packages listed, as well as the additional opportunities we have available, and consider how you can partner with us in offering this unique musical event. When you choose to sponsor this Community Christmas Concert, you are helping continue what has become a tradition in the Pittsburgh area. We thank you in advance for your support.



## EVENTS

### MESSIAH – 12TH ANNUAL HANDEL'S MESSIAH SING-ALONG CONCERT SERIES

**Saturday, December 14 & Sunday, December 15 | 4:00 PM | Calvary UMC**

**Ticket Prices: \$20 General, \$15 Seniors & Students**

**Free Admission: Children 12 & under, Military, Veterans**

Hallelujah! Tiffany meets Handel! Join us for Pittsburgh's holiday tradition. Since 2011, this concert has been practically a sell-out. Our interactive, family-friendly concert features professional soloists, Chamber Orchestra, and the Messiah Festival Choir. Purchase your tickets now by clicking on the QR code.



## WEEKLY

### CHOIR REHEARSAL

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

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

Love singing? Thinking about joining the choir?... Well, now is the perfect time to give it a try! Auditions are not required and all voice parts are needed, so join us for singing, fellowship, and shenanigans! The choir also rehearses Sunday mornings prior to worship. Contact Brian Burns (724-388-3246 or bsburns77@aol.com) for additional information.

### MESSIAH FESTIVAL CHOIR REHEARSAL

**Tuesdays (Beginning October 1) | 7:00 – 8:30 PM | Sanctuary**

### HAND BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL

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

**Thursdays (September – December) | 6:00 – 7:00 PM | Music Office (Upstairs in the Chapel)**

No audition is required, and you do not have to be able to read music. Contact Brian Burns (724-388-3246 or bsburns77@aol.com) for additional information.



## EVENTS

### PARENTS DAY OUT

**Saturday, December 21 | 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM | Chapel**

There will be Christmas activities, cookie decorating, crafts, games, and lunch. This will give parents time to finish shopping and wrapping presents. We will also have a Christmas Shop for kids to shop for parents.

### FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

**Friday, January 10 | 7:00 – 9:00 PM | Chapel**

Movie and snacks will be provided.

## WEEKLY

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

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

Calvary offers Sunday School classes for ages 3-10 and 11-15.

# Thanksgiving Outreach



## Thanksgiving for the Northside Pantry

Add one or all of the following to your shopping list to help make someone's Thanksgiving meal complete.

Drop off items in the Chapel. Return items by November 10.

**Stuffing Mix • Mashed Potatoes (instant) • Canned Vegetables • Gravy Packets**

*You* ARE GOD'S BELOVED.  
*You* ARE WELCOME HERE.



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