

# CALVARY

United Methodist Church



GIVE  
**THANKS**  
WITH A GRATEFUL  
**HEART**



**NOV**

**24<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



**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 Schmitgen)  
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

## WORDS OF WELCOME

### CALL TO WORSHIP †\*

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

People: **We give thanks for this good earth, your gift to us and our home, and we pray for wisdom and gentleness to care for your creation, O God.**

Leader: Worship the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with singing.

People: **We gather with grateful hearts, remembering your mercy and strength, your justice and your compassion, your goodness and your grace.**

Leader: Know that the Lord is God.

People: **May we live what we know of you and strive for what you seek, O God.**

Leader: We are God's people, and the sheep of God's pasture.

People: **In humility we pray for the entire human family, remembering those in need, and all who are alone, dishonored or excluded.**

Leader: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving and God's courts with praise.

People: **Move us through thanksgiving and praise to action. Use us to heal wherever there is violence and harm.**

Leader: Give thanks to God, bless God's name.

People: **May we embrace your just purpose, O God, and offer ourselves in prophetic witness.**

Leader: For the Lord is good.

People: **We pray for your goodness to flow outward, flooding this world with love.**

Leader: God's steadfast love endures forever.

People: **We pray for your loving purpose in every life this day and into the days to come,**

Leader: And God's faithfulness to all generations. Amen.

**OPENING HYMN †\*** . . . . . "Come, Ye Thankful People Come" — #694 UMH

### UNISON PRAYER †\*

**God, we long to come into your presence undistracted by our hectic lives. But instead, we fight our way in, amidst the clutter and stress. Our minds are full of worry. Our hearts are buffeted this way and that. Our souls are tired and sore. We yearn to rest in the assurance of Jesus' justice and joy! God, you know our need. Grow our vision and nurture our trust until our worries fall away. Restore us in your grace that we may breathe again, through Christ and in his righteousness. 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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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 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**

**HYMN OF PRAYER \*** . . . . . "We Gather Together" — #131 UMH

*You are welcome to come forward to the altar for prayer.*

**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 †\*** . . . . . Matthew 6:25-33 NRSV

- 25 "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing?
- 26 Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?
- 27 And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life?

*Order of Worship continued on following page.*

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

- 28 And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin,
- 29 yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.
- 30 But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith?
- 31 Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?'
- 32 For it is the gentiles who seek all these things, and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things.
- 33 But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

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

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**SPECIAL OFFERING** . . . . . “Change Matters”  
*We are gathering change to support a monthly meal at Daily Bread.  
 When all of our "extra" change comes together, we can make a positive difference.*

**SERMON** . . . . . “Benefits” — Rev. Beth L. Nelson

**WORDS OF COMMUNITY LIFE**

**CALL TO GIVE**

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND TITHES**

**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!**

**OFFERING PRAYER** †

**CLOSING HYMN** †\* . . . . . "Now Thank We All Our God" — #102 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



# FAMILY CORNER

## WINTER SCHEDULE

### PARENTS DAY OUT

**Saturday, December 21**

**11:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

We will do Christmas activities, cookie decorating, crafts, games, and dinner. This will give parents time to finish shopping and be able to wrap 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**

Movie and movie snacks will be provided.

### PARENTS NIGHT OUT

**Saturday, February 8**

**6:00 - 9:00 PM**

FREE  
babysitting  
and dinner.

### MORE INFO

MEGAN 412-715-4946  
BRITTANY 412-715-4947



# THIS WEEK AT CALVARY

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**SUN**  
**NOV 24**

**THANKSGIVING SUNDAY AND COMMITMENT SUNDAY**

During Worship | Sanctuary

**COMMUNITY LUNCH**

Following Worship (Monthly) | Fellowship Hall

**HANGING OF THE GREENS**

Following Community Lunch | Calvary

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

8:00 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall

**TUES**  
**NOV 26**

**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 28**

**OPEN SANCTUARY**

6:00 – 8:00 PM (Weekly) | Sanctuary

**SUN**  
**DEC 1**

**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**

Following Worship (Weekly) | Chapel

**OLIVE WOOD FOR CHRISTMAS**

Following Worship | Chapel

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8:00 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall

# COMMUNITY LUNCH

LAST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall following morning worship. This is an expansion on our normally scheduled fellowship time.

The Fellowship Hall is located downstairs. You can use the stairs or take the elevator.





## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 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 | 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.



**2024**

## ***CHRISTMAS DINNER INVITATION***

*Inviting all women to gather and celebrate the start of the holidays with a night of food, fun and fellowship hosted by the Calvary United Women in Faith. Join the festivities by bringing a wrapped item that you want to regift for the “**Regift Exchange**” game.*

**Date:** Wednesday, December 11, 2024

**Time:** Fabled Table Banquet Center (No stairs)  
1400 Buena Vista Street, Pgh., PA 15212

**Time:** 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

**Cost:** \$30, Payable by check to: **CUMW** or cash

**RSVP:** By Sunday, December 1 to Kim Butler,  
412-638-7773 or kimabutler4@gmail.com

**Dietary Restrictions:** Let Kim know.

**Parking:** Is limited. Several handicap spots available.





## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CHRISTMAS BLESSING BAGS TO SENIORS

Your help is needed to brighten the life of a senior! Calvary is providing Christmas Blessing Bags to Seniors in The Upper Rooms Apartments. This building is located at 2334 Perrysville Avenue, so they are our neighbors. They have a Christmas Party each year and the greater community provides small gifts for each resident. We are looking for donations of individual packets of hot chocolate, small packages of cookies and crackers, candy canes, little packs of tissues, and other treats that seniors might enjoy. There will be a basket in the chapel to gather these items. They will be packed on Thursday, December 5 by the South Hills Impact Club. There are 25 women, 13 men, and 12 staff, so 50 total bags. Thank you!

### KIDCELERATE TOY DRIVE & BRICK DRIVE

Please see the Brick Drive and Toy Drive information in this week's bulletin and think about how you can contribute to this outreach. Tags for the Toy Drive are located on the bulletin board in the chapel. Contact Rev. Beth Nelson with any questions or for further information.

### 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

### OLIVE WOOD FOR CHRISTMAS

**Sunday, December 1 | Following Worship | Chapel**

Tina Whitehead will once again be with us next Sunday with a selection of Palestinian Craft items. Following worship, Tina will be in the chapel to share items, handmade by Palestinians in the West Bank. Plan to browse, looking for that perfect Christmas gift for a friend or yourself.

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

**Thursday, December 12 (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. 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.

### “CHANGE MATTERS” SPECIAL OFFERING

**Sunday, December 29 (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

**THIS GROUP IS SUSPENDED AS OF MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18. THERE WILL BE NO MEETING THAT DAY. THE GROUP WILL RECONVENE ON MONDAY, JANUARY 6.**

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

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 / [trr\\_howell@yahoo.com](mailto:trr_howell@yahoo.com)) for additional information.

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.

## 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.



THANK  
YOU!



Dear Calvary United Methodist Church,

**Thank you for your continued donations of toothpaste to the Northside Common Ministries Food Pantry, an affiliate of Goodwill of Southwestern PA, and for your generous Thanksgiving food donations, helping to make Thanksgiving special.**

Your contributions positively impact the fight against hunger, homelessness, and many challenges of day-to-day life. Donations from the community are the lifeblood of NCM. Last year, the Food Pantry served 12,852 individuals and 7,615 households, providing crucial food assistance to those in need.

Thank you,  
Goodwill of Southwestern PA

***Added Note: As always, when there is a need in our Northside Community, our Calvary congregation "shows up." Thank you for your very generous hearts. - Kathy and Budd***



# kidcelerate BRICK DRIVE



Help Kidcelerate's Learning Hub start their own "Brick Club" by donating your gently used bricks of any size (aka LEGO® bricks)!

## Brick Collection Locations

### **Calvary United Methodist Church**

971 Beech Ave. Pittsburgh, PA 15233  
Monday - Thursday 10:00AM - 2:00PM;  
Sundays 9:00AM - 12:00PM

### **Christ United Methodist Church**

44 Highland Rd. Bethel Park, PA 15102  
Door 2, Tues. - Thurs. 9:30AM - 3:30PM

### **St. Paul's United Methodist Church**

1965 Ferguson Rd. Allison Park, PA 15101  
Monday - Thursday AM 8:30AM - 4:00PM;  
Sundays 8:00AM - 12:00PM

*Or call/email to make other arrangements:*

(412) 231-4900 ext. 105 | [thehub@kidcelerate.org](mailto:thehub@kidcelerate.org)

# SMALL GROUPS



## EVENTS

### CHRISTMAS DINNER INVITATION

**Wednesday, December 11 | 6:00 – 8:30 PM**

**Fabled Table Banquet Center (no stairs), 1400 Buena Vista Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15212**

**Cost:** \$30, Payable by check to: CUMW or cash

**RSVP:** By Sunday, December 1 to Kim Butler (412-638-7773 / [kimabutler4@gmail.com](mailto:kimabutler4@gmail.com))

Inviting all women to gather and celebrate the start of the holidays with a night of food, fun, and fellowship hosted by the Calvary United Women in Faith. Join the festivities by bringing a wrapped item that you want to regift for the "Regift Exchange" game. If you have dietary restrictions, please let Kim know. Parking is limited but several handicap spots are available onsite along with street parking.

## 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)).



## 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

### 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

### 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.

### COMMUNITY LUNCH

**Sunday, December 29 (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.

## 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.



# **kid**celerate

## TOY DRIVE

Help Kidcelerate provide holiday gifts for  
the 4th and 5th grade students at  
Pittsburgh Public Schools' King PreK-8.



**NOV 4TH - DEC 8, 2024**

**SIGN UP ONLINE OR IN-PERSON TO PROVIDE A GIFT!**

### **Gift Drop Off Locations:**

#### **Calvary United Methodist Church**

971 Beech Ave. Pittsburgh, PA 15233  
Monday - Friday 10:00AM - 2:00PM;  
Sundays 9:00AM - 12:00PM

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Scan the QR code  
to sign up or visit  
[bit.ly/toys4king](http://bit.ly/toys4king)

### **Gifts Should Be:**

- \$20.00 - \$25.00
- Unwrapped (the school will wrap them!)
- Able to fit in a backpack, or easily carried
- No religious items
- No weapons of any kind (including nerf/water guns, etc.)



# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



## EVENTS

### HANGING OF THE GREENS

**Sunday, November 24 | Following Community Lunch | Calvary**

Please join us as we decorate the church for the Advent and Christmas season. All are welcome to stay and get Christmassy! There are jobs for everyone! **We have a job that suits your particular talents!**

- Strong, Limber, Looking for a physical challenge? — You can help put up the massive trees at each side of the front of the church.
- Strong but not willing to stand on a ladder and dangle? — You can help put up the other trees that go in the chapel and at the entrances.
- Not afraid of heights? — You can help to hang the garland in the chapel.
- Meticulous? Not able to stand for long periods of time? — You can help to fluff the bows that go on all of the trees.
- Creative and meticulous, not afraid to stand on a stepping stool or ladder? — You can help to decorate the tall trees.
- Creative, but afraid of heights? — You can help to decorate the other trees in the chapel.

### OLD ALLEGHENY VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS HOUSE TOUR

**Friday, December 6 | 5:00 – 8:00 PM | Calvary**

**Saturday, December 7 | 10:00 AM – 8:00 PM | Calvary**

WHAT IS NEEDED: Volunteers are needed to help in kitchen, sell food, help with sales tables, handing out postcards for tours, setup and cleanup. We also need people to bake cookies prior to the House Tours. We also need people to bake cookies prior to the House Tour.

WHO TO CONTACT/QUESTIONS: Please see or contact Brian Burns (724-388-3246 / [bsburns77@aol.com](mailto:bsburns77@aol.com)) or Linda Ehrlich ([laehrlich927@aol.com](mailto:laehrlich927@aol.com)) if you are able to assist in any way. Time slots are only two hours. There is also a sign-up sheet in the chapel at the announcement table.

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

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

WHAT IS NEEDED: The following is needed for EACH concert: 6 - Box Office, 4 - Parking Attendants, 6 - Ushers. We also need people to bake cookies prior to the concerts.

WHO TO CONTACT/QUESTIONS: Please contact Brian Burns (724-388-3246 / [bsburns77@aol.com](mailto:bsburns77@aol.com)) or Karen Ferguson (724-448-1429 / [karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com](mailto:karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com)) if you are able to help. There is also a sign-up sheet in the chapel at the announcement table.

## CHRISTMAS EVE

**Sunday, December 24 | Services at 4:30 PM & 7:00 PM | Calvary**

WHAT IS NEEDED: At least 8 volunteers for each service to make sure everyone who comes to Calvary feels welcomed, loved, and experiences God's love. We will need help with the welcome team to pass out bulletins and candles, assist at the accessible entrance, door openers, setting up the luminaria, floating around church to answer questions, point out bathrooms, collecting the offering, lighting the candles during Silent Night, and helping however we need. We also need people to bake cookies prior to the services.

WHO TO CONTACT/QUESTIONS: Please reach out to Kenny Elliott (724-531-4625 / [kenelliott76@gmail.com](mailto:kenelliott76@gmail.com)) if you are able to help.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### COOKIE MAKERS NEEDED

We will need cookies for the House Tours, Messiah Concerts, and Christmas Eve... **That's A LOT of cookies!** A sign-up sheet is posted at the announcement table in the chapel. You can also contact Brian Burns (724-388-3246 / [bsburns77@aol.com](mailto:bsburns77@aol.com)) or Karen Ferguson (724-448-1429 / [karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com](mailto:karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com)).

## WORSHIP LEADER ASSIGNMENTS

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

**Welcome Team:** Patty Bodgewic, Brittany Bova, Fred Ruddock, Carl Traud

**Acolytes:** James Bova-Mickens, Zay Burns-Elliott

**Liturgist:** Linda Ehrlich

**Children's Message:** Linda McDonald

**Slide Projectionist:** Patty Bogdewic

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1 – YOUTH SUNDAY

**Welcome Team:** Patty Bodgewic, David Grinnell, Fred Ruddock, TBD

**Acolytes:** TBD

**Liturgist:** Jonathan Bodgewic, James Bova-Mickens, Zay Burns-Elliott

**Children's Message:** TBD

**Slide Projectionist:** Linda McDonald

**Communion Servers:** Brittany Bova, James Bova-Mickens, TBD

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



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