



# March 2026



## Calvary UMC's Monthly Newsletter

**Find connection. Find community. Find Calvary.**

This monthly newsletter gives you a clear look at what's ahead—special events, ministry updates, small groups and ways to get involved.

It's your guide to staying connected and discovering new opportunities to grow and serve with us.

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# Welcome to Our Monthly Newsletter

This newsletter keeps you informed and connected with everything happening at Calvary. Each issue includes:

- ✓ A complete monthly calendar insert
- ✓ Upcoming events & special services
- ✓ Ministry highlights & leadership updates
- ✓ Important church announcements
- ✓ Fellowship opportunities
- ✓ Community outreach news
- ✓ Building & project updates
- ✓ Ways to serve & get involved

We hope this newsletter helps you stay informed, engaged and inspired by all that is happening at Calvary.

## YOU ARE WELCOME HERE

**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.**

## WANT TO SEE MORE OF CALVARY?

Scan here or visit  
[CalvaryPgh.com](http://CalvaryPgh.com) for a  
closer look!



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"Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Grieve, mourn and wail. Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up."

PSALM 51:10





# CELEBRATE WITH US

## SUNDAY CELEBRATIONS

Join us each week to celebrate God's presence with joyful music, inspiring messages, prayer and community. Come as you are and experience a spirit-filled, uplifting hour of hope and connection.

### CELEBRATE IN PERSON – SUNDAYS AT 11 AM

#### Parking

As an urban church, we have arranged parking lots close to the church. We have several lots available to you most Sundays. When there is a Pittsburgh Steelers football game, there is still plenty of parking for you to use. Scan the Parking QR code below or visit [calvarypgh.com/worship-in-person](http://calvarypgh.com/worship-in-person) for additional information about parking.

### WATCH ONLINE

Celebrate God's presence from the comfort of your home with uplifting moments, inspiring messages and meaningful fellowship. If you miss a Sunday, explore our archives and watch anytime that's convenient. Stay connected and be part of our community as we celebrate together in real time. Simply scan the Watch Online QR code below or visit [calvarypgh.com/watch-online](http://calvarypgh.com/watch-online) to join live or access our archives, Facebook or YouTube.

### COMMUNION

**1st Sunday of each month | During Church | 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 share.

WATCH  
ONLINE



WORSHIP  
ARCHIVES



BULLETIN  
ARCHIVES



PARKING



# CELEBRATION LEADERS



## THANK YOU

Thank you in advance to all who will contribute in the coming month to make our worship meaningful through the gift of your time and the sharing of your spiritual gifts. Your dedication, presence and participation will continue to strengthen our community and enrich our worship.

## CELEBRATION LEADER ASSIGNMENTS

### SUNDAY, MARCH 1

**Lay Liturgist:** Anne Christianson

**Welcome Team:** Ji Little, Ryan Little, Doug Lucas, Fred Ruddock

**Acolytes:** Zay Burns-Elliott, James Mickens, Roman Smith

**Slide Projectionist:** Patty Bogdewic

### SUNDAY, MARCH 8

**Lay Liturgist:** Bing Ewalt

**Welcome Team:** Linda McDonald, Tim Napieralski, JoEllen Parker, David Rizzo

**Acolytes:** Gwen Cobb, James Mickens, Roman Smith

**Slide Projectionist:** Kenny Elliott

### SUNDAY, MARCH 15

**Lay Liturgist:** Mary Emili

**Welcome Team:** Patty Bogdewic, Ji Little, Doug Lucas, Fred Ruddock

**Acolytes:** Zay Burns-Elliott, Destin Cobb, Roman Smith

**Slide Projectionist:** Linda McDonald

### SUNDAY, MARCH 22

**Lay Liturgist:** Brittany Bova-Mickens

**Welcome Team:** Ryan Little, Tim Napieralski, JoEllen Parker, Fred Ruddock

**Acolytes:** Gwen Cobb, James Mickens, Roman Smith

**Slide Projectionist:** Patty Bogdewic

### SUNDAY, MARCH 29 – PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

**Lay Liturgist:** Tim Napieralski

**Welcome Team:** Patty Bogdewic, Doug Lucas, David Rizzo, Fred Ruddock

**Acolytes:** Zay Burns-Elliott, James Mickens, Roman Smith

**Slide Projectionist:** Linda McDonald



## TELL ME SOMETHING GOOD

### GROUNDING OURSELVES IN THE GOOD NEWS THIS LENT

This Lent, our theme “**Tell Me Something Good**” invites us to return to the heart of Jesus’ life and ministry—radical welcome, love of neighbor, care for the vulnerable, nourishment for the hungry and nonviolence in the face of injustice. These teachings ground us in the liberating love, mercy and grace at the center of the Christian faith. The “good news” is meant to reconnect us to our roots and shape us into people who embody hope in a world often overwhelmed by bad news. Throughout this season, we celebrate the joy, abundance and compassion found in Jesus’ message—a good news that grows, heals, delights and brings life. We hope this series nurtures meaningful conversation and worship, guiding us to let the good news take root in us and inspire action in a world longing for what is truly good.



### LENT RESOURCES AVAILABLE IN OUR WELCOME AREAS

During Lent, under the theme “Tell Me Something Good,” we invite you to deepen your faith with a variety of resources. These materials are available in the Welcome Areas.

#### **Devotional Booklet**

A seasonal guide with weekly biblical reflections, poetry, art and insights from guest contributors, designed to support a thoughtful and prayerful Lenten journey.

#### **Daily Devotional Cards**

A set of simple daily practices for Lent and early Eastertide, each offering a prompt, a “good news mantra” and a short prayer to help ground your day.

#### **“Tell Me Something Good” Cards**

You’ll find these cards in the pews. They may be completed anonymously—simply share “Something Good” and place the card in the offering plate.

#### **Children’s Curriculum & Lent Plays**

Our children will be presenting special Lenten plays certain Sundays throughout Lent, using storytelling and imagination to explore the good news of Jesus’ teachings. We hope these performances will inspire joy, reflection and a sense of community for all ages.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## A MESSAGE FROM CALVARY UMC

For the first time in nearly 20 years, all of our Lenten services will be held at Calvary, and we could not be more grateful. This season feels especially meaningful as we come together in one sacred space to worship, reflect and grow as a community.

## EASTER FLOWER ORDERS

Help us celebrate Easter by decorating our altar with beautiful lilies, tulips and mums. Flowers may be given in honor or in memory of loved ones. The cost is **\$10.00 per flower**, and they will decorate the altar on Easter Sunday and may be taken home after the service. Order forms will be available as bulletin inserts beginning March 1. The **deadline to place your order is Sunday, March 22**, and payment should be included with your order form. If you have questions, please contact the church office at 412-231-2007. Let's fill our sanctuary with beauty as we celebrate the joy of Easter!

## HOLY WEEK SERVICES

### PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

**Sunday, March 29 | 11:00 AM | Sanctuary**

We begin with palms celebrating Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and move through Holy Week in anticipation of Easter.

### MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

**Thursday, April 2 | 7:00 PM | Sanctuary**

Join us for a reflective service remembering the Last Supper, where Jesus commanded, "Love one another as I have loved you." The service includes Holy Communion.

### GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

**Friday, April 3 | 7:00 PM | Sanctuary**

Gather to remember Christ's crucifixion, God's ultimate act of love and forgiveness and experience renewal in Him.

### EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

**Sunday, April 5 | 7:00 AM | West End Overlook, Marlow Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15205**

Join us for a cherished community tradition as we celebrate Easter at the West End Overlook, offering one of the best views of Pittsburgh at dawn. Originally led by Emanuel United Methodist Church, this inspiring tradition continues since our congregations united in 2017.

### EASTER CELEBRATION SERVICE

**Sunday, April 5 | 11:00 AM | Sanctuary**

Join us as we proclaim "Christ is risen!" and celebrate Christ's resurrection with a joyful service featuring special music from Calvary's Festival Choir, South Hills Brass and guests.



## LENTEN REFLECTION CHALLENGE

*By Kenny Elliott, Calvary Lay Leader*

*Questions? Contact Kenny at 724-513-4625 (text or call) or kenelliott76@gmail.com*

I struggled to write this article, but I cannot give up this space I have in our newsletter. The next four months hold some of the most important programs, projects and events in recent memory. What we do between now and June 21 will help shape who we are as a church for the next five years.

So I invite you to pause and reflect. Write down your responses. Save this newsletter, and return to what you have written on Sunday, June 21.

1

**How would you describe Calvary today? Who do you see and interact with on Sundays and throughout the week? What is worship like? Sunday School? Bible study? The ministries you participate in?**

2

**What are the most important parts of our Calvary community that you hope will continue to grow? What do you value most? What do you experience here that you want newcomers to experience too?**

Over the next four months, Calvary will complete the largest and longest sustained outward-focused effort in our history. We are not only inviting people to attend our existing worship services and ministries, but also we are creating intentional opportunities for our neighbors to connect with us. We are extending a clear invitation:

**“Join us in building a more just world—nurturing kindness, love and generosity.”**

## **By June 21, we will have:**

- Hosted seven Hey Neighbors! Wednesday dinners, welcoming our wider community to gather around a simple meal and build relationships.
- Celebrated Holy Week with Maundy Thursday, our first on-site Good Friday service in years, and Easter, a worship service when many who do not regularly attend church walk through our doors.
- Held our Easter Egg Hunt, one of the many Children and Family Ministries outreach events that consistently connects us with neighborhood families.
- Opened the church daily for prayer and presence, including a Spring Neighborhood Block Party, to engage the hundreds of thousands visiting our city during the week of the NFL Draft.
- Sponsored “Can We Drag You to Church?” Miss Calvary Pageant, offering bold hospitality and affirmation to the Queer community—many of whom have been excluded or wounded by the Christian church.
- Celebrated Pentecost, the birth of the church and an opportunity to receive anew the power of the Holy Spirit.
- Participated actively as a church in Pride by marching in the parade with a choir-filled trailer and hosting a booth for the first time.
- Organized and launched new social justice and neurodivergent ministries.

With all of these touchpoints—personal invitations, shared meals, worship services, prayer and thoughtful follow-up—we could see regular attendance double in just four months.

**3**

**What would that look like? How do you envision Calvary on June 21? What will we need to do to welcome, accommodate and care for so many people seeking connection and community?**

**4**

**How will you take part? How will you roll up your sleeves to pray, to volunteer, to invite family, friends and neighbors? How is God calling you in these next four months?**

**5**

**And finally, who will you be as a disciple of Christ by June 21? How will you be transformed by the love, grace, worship, teaching and community we share at Calvary?**

Let us move forward together with love, faith and hope that God has invited us into strengthening, growing and widening our community as we look and reach outward to welcome others in new ways.

Calvary United Methodist Church proudly presents

Can We

**DRAG**

You to Church?

## A Night of Sass, Sparkle & Celebration!

An all-ages show supporting & uplifting  
the Trans & Drag Queen communities!



Experience Lively Drag  
Performances by Pittsburgh's  
(AND Calvary's) Finest!



Dinner &  
Silent Auction



Who will be  
crowned  
Miss Calvary  
2026??



**DETAILS COMING SOON!**



# PLANT Sale



## UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH ANNUAL PLANT SALE

**Our Annual Plant Sale is in full bloom now through April 17th!**  
Order forms can be found at the Ministry Board in the chapel.  
All proceeds benefit various charities supported by the Calvary  
United Women in Faith. **Think Spring—place your order today!**



### ORDER PICKUP



Thursday, May 21 & Friday, May 22



1:00 - 6:00 PM



### QUESTIONS?

Linda Ehrlich (412-512-7246 / laehrlich927@aol.com)



# SPECIAL EVENTS & MEETINGS

## “HEY, NEIGHBORS!” WEDNESDAY DINNERS

**Wednesdays During Lent | 6:00–8:00 PM | Chapel**

**Main Contact:** Patty Bogdewic (patriciabogdewic@gmail.com)

**RSVP:** Sign-up sheet in chapel or contact Patty Bogdewic

From Ash Wednesday, February 18, through April 1, join us for seven Wednesday evenings of free meals, fun activities and warm community as we launch “Hey, Neighbors! Wednesday Dinners”. The first hour will be dinner, followed by a second hour of a weekly-changing activity. Soup and connection will be at the heart of our shared life. These dinners are for neighbors and Calvary friends alike—anyone seeking belonging is welcome. This is more than soup; it’s living out our mission and boldly proclaiming, “You are God’s beloved, and you are welcome here.”

## PLANNING MEETING – NFL DRAFT OUTREACH

**Sunday, March 1 | 12:15 PM | Chapel**

**Main Contact:** Kenny Elliott (724-513-4625 or kenelliott76@gmail.com)

There will be a planning meeting for the upcoming NFL Draft Weekend events, including the Neighborhood Spring Block Party. Volunteers and planners are invited to help coordinate activities, open house tours and community engagement efforts. **All are welcome and encouraged to attend this meeting.**

## STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING

**Saturday, March 7 | 9:00 AM-12:00 PM | Parlor**

**Main Contact:** Kenny Elliott (724-513-4625 or kenelliott76@gmail.com)

This meeting is for Administrative Committee Chairs, including Trustees, Finance, SPRC, the Capital Campaign and key ministries. Together, we will explore **how to move from where we are now to who we are called to be.**

## NEW MEMBER GATHERING

**Sunday, March 8 | 12:15 PM | Parlor**

**Main Contact:** Rev. Beth L. Nelson (412-398-7894 or revbeth@calvarypgh.com)

We will gather in the parlor after enjoying some snacks. If you're interested, please inform Rev. Beth. Feel free to reach out with any questions.

## WHY DRAG? – AN EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOP

**Sunday, March 15 | 12:15 PM | Chapel**

**Main Contact:** Tim Napieralski (sashanapieralski@outlook.com)

Join us for *Why Drag?* – an educational workshop exploring the history and art of Drag performance and its importance within the Queer community. This session will also include a thoughtful question-and-answer time focused on the upcoming “Can We DRAG You to Church?” and “Miss Calvary” event.

## **GATHERING WITH BISHOP SANDRA STEINER-BALL**

**Sunday, March 15 | 3:00–5:00 PM | Monroeville UMC**

**RSVP:** <https://bit.ly/3MgpCd7>

Join Sandra Steiner Ball for one of six Western Pennsylvania Conference gatherings. Clergy and laity will worship, receive ministry updates and reflect on moving forward together as a Spirit-empowered community.

## **SPECIALLY CALLED CHURCH CONFERENCE**

**Thursday, March 19 | 6:30–6:45 PM | Chapel**

A specially called Church Conference will be held for the purpose of voting on **Nathan Salamacha** as a candidate for ordained ministry in the United Methodist Church. Nathan has received full approval from SPRC. A written, printed ballot will be used for voting at this meeting. The District Superintendent will be present. This conference will take place prior to the regularly scheduled Church Council meeting that evening.

## **CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING**

**Thursday, March 19 (3rd Thursday of each month) | 6:30–8:00 PM | Chapel**

**Main Contact:** Kenny Elliott (724-513-4625 or [kenelliott76@gmail.com](mailto:kenelliott76@gmail.com))

There will not be meetings in July or December.

## **SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Sunday, March 22 | 12:15 PM | Parlor**

**Main Contact:** Kenny Elliott (724-513-4625 or [kenelliott76@gmail.com](mailto:kenelliott76@gmail.com))

Calvary is forming a Social Justice Committee to help define and organize our Social Justice Ministry, one of our strategic goals for 2026. If you feel called and have a passion for Christ's world-transforming Gospel and the United Methodist Church's social principles. Please sign up at the following link: <https://bit.ly/3MFK4V3>

## **AHPS TIFFANY CONCERT SERIES**

### **GRETCHEN VAN HOESEN, PITTSBURGH SYMPHONY HARPIST**

**Sunday, March 22 | 4:00 PM | Calvary UMC**

**Website:** [ahps-pgh.org](http://ahps-pgh.org)

**Tickets:** \$25–Adults, \$20–Seniors & Students, \$15–16 & under (purchase at the door)

Gretchen Van Hoesen has been principal harpist of the Pittsburgh Symphony since 1977 and has performed worldwide as a soloist and collaborator. An acclaimed recording artist and educator, she teaches at Carnegie Mellon and Duquesne Universities and is widely recognized for her artistry and lasting contributions to the harp community.

## **NEW MEMBER SUNDAY**

**Palm Sunday, March 29 | During Church | Sanctuary**

**Main Contact:** Rev. Beth L. Nelson (412-398-7894 or [revbeth@calvarypgh.com](mailto:revbeth@calvarypgh.com))

We're excited to welcome new members to our Calvary family! Join us as we celebrate the joy of community and the growth of our church family. New members will be officially recognized during church, and light refreshments will follow in the fellowship hall. Come meet our newest members and share in this joyful celebration!

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## NFL DRAFT OUTREACH / NEIGHBORHOOD SPRING BLOCK PARTY

**Main Contact:** Kenny Elliott (724-513-4625 or kenelliott76@gmail.com)

**Sign up to help or participate:** <https://bit.ly/3MFK4V3>

Calvary is excited to welcome neighbors and visitors during NFL Draft Weekend with a full week of open doors and community engagement, Saturday, April 18 through Sunday, April 26. With an estimated 500,000–700,000 visitors expected in the neighborhood, volunteers are needed for Thursday and Friday's open house as well as the block party. Events will take place rain or shine. Registration is recommended but not required. More details to come—join us as we share hospitality, fun and service with our community!

### SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

- **Saturday, April 18–Sunday, April 26:** Church open daily for tours
- **Thursday, April 23:** First Round Outreach (evening, time TBA)
- **Saturday, April 25:** Neighborhood Spring Block Party (morning, time TBA)

### NEIGHBORHOOD SPRING BLOCK PARTY – SATURDAY, APRIL 25

Join us for a free, family-friendly Spring Block Party just blocks from Acrisure Stadium! Visitors, neighbors and families can enjoy hands-on activities and service stations hosted by Calvary ministries, in partnership with Kidcelerate, Humane Animal Rescue and GBU Northside Neighborhood. Activities include Marvel superheroes, face painting, a sanctuary scavenger hunt, guided tours and GBU-funded service stations like birthday cake kit packing for families in need.

## AHPS TIFFANY CONCERT SERIES – HYMN SING

**Sunday, May 3 | 4:00 PM | Calvary UMC**

**Website:** [ahps-pgh.org](http://ahps-pgh.org)

**Tickets:** TBA

Join us for a family-friendly Hymn Sing with Brian Burns on Calvary's historic Farrand & Votey Organ. Enjoy beloved hymns and the rich sound of this remarkable instrument while singing together in a beautiful, historic setting.

## CELEBRATING PROGRESS: PHASE 1 & NEW PEW CUSHIONS DEDICATION

**Sunday, May 17 | 12:15 PM | Calvary UMC**

Phase 1 of our building improvements is complete, featuring a renovated first-floor bathroom and kitchenette. In addition, AHPS has led the replacement of our pew cushions, which we expect to be fully installed by Easter. Join us for this special milestone as we celebrate our community and the progress we've made together.

## CELEBRATE PENTECOST!

**Sunday, May 24 | During Church | Calvary UMC**

Join us as we celebrate Pentecost, the day the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples and empowered the Church to share God's love with the world. Come worship with us in vibrant praise, experience the joy of community and reflect on the Spirit's work in our lives today. Wear red to symbolize the fire of the Holy Spirit, and be ready for a morning full of music, prayer and celebration. Families and friends of all ages are welcome—let's honor the Spirit together!

## **HONORING BRIAN BURNS: 25 YEARS OF SERVICE AND MUSIC**

**Sunday, May 31 | During Church & Luncheon Following Church | Calvary UMC**

**Main Contact:** Karen Ferguson (724-448-1429 or karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com)

Celebrate Brian Burns' 25 years of service at Calvary United Methodist Church! Over the years, Brian has restored historic instruments, guided major renovations and brought the Messiah Sing-Along to life, enriching Pittsburgh's Northside with music, history and community. His leadership has touched countless lives through weddings, funerals, outreach events and tours, creating spaces for celebration, remembrance and connection. Join us in honoring his remarkable contributions to the arts, inclusion and civic life, and stay for a special catered luncheon following church to celebrate this milestone with the Calvary community.

## **PITTSBURGH PRIDE**

**Saturday, June 6 (Pride Events/Booth) & Sunday, June 7 (Parade) | TBA | Downtown**

**Main Contact:** Tim Napieralski (sashanapieralski@outlook.com)

Calvary is partnering with First Church to participate in this year's Pride Parade, and they are inviting other UMC churches to join us as well. We'll have a truck and trailer (float) with marchers, Calvary t-shirts printed ahead of time, and Calvary swag to hand out at our booth. Come celebrate, show your support, and be part of this vibrant community event! More details about dates, times and how to get involved will be shared over the coming months, so stay tuned.

## **HEARTS & PAWS – BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

**Sunday, October 4 | TBA | Downtown**

**Main Contact:** Karen Ferguson (724-448-1429 or karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com)

Join Calvary United Methodist Church, GBU Life's North Side Neighborhood and the Humane Society for Hearts & Paws—a joyful community celebration of the animals we love and the neighbors we cherish! This special event features a Blessing of the Animals, pet-friendly swag, kid-friendly activities and meaningful ways to support local animal welfare. Whether you have a beloved companion, are thinking about adoption, or simply love animals, all are welcome! **New this year – a Pet Vaccination Clinic!** Help keep our furry friends healthy and happy while enjoying the festivities—a perfect addition to the celebration. More details about this exciting addition will be shared soon. It's a time for compassion, connection and celebration—with wagging tails, open hearts and joyful spirits.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### NEW MISSIONS DROP-OFF AREA

Calvary is creating a central Missions Area with labeled bins for each program we support. The location is still being finalized, so stay tuned for details in the coming months. This will make it easier to drop off items and serve our community.

### COOKIE BAKERS NEEDED FOR DAILY BREAD

**Main Contact:** Judy Flaherty (412-913-8250)

Daily Bread needs **25 dozen cookies each month** to support their ministry. If you enjoy baking, this is a simple and meaningful way to help! Please label your container and place your cookies in the freezer. Thank you for sharing a little extra sweetness with our community!

### UPCOMING SHOE COLLECTION

**Main Contact:** Calvary UMC Church Office (calvaryppgh@gmail.com)

Calvary will soon be hosting a shoe collection in partnership with PPS King Elementary. Stay tuned—further details on dates, drop-off locations and how you can help will be shared shortly. Thank you for helping support our local students and community.

### SLEEPING BAG MINISTRY – ITEMS NEEDED

**Main Contact:** Terri Howell (412-482-2211 or trr\_howell@yahoo.com)

Our Sleeping Bag Ministry is hard at work creating warm, durable sleeping bags from recycled materials, complete with essential personal care items for local homeless shelters. To keep this important outreach going, we are collecting donations of needed items. We are collecting blankets, sheets, pillowcases, curtains, coverlets, tablecloths and neckties for making sleeping bags. For personal care, we welcome small bottles of shampoo and conditioner, toothpaste and toothbrushes, deodorant, soap, hats and gloves, and new men's socks. Donations can be placed in the bin in the chapel marked Sleeping Bag Ministry or downstairs by the old safe. Thank you for helping us care for those in need!

### WINTER CARE & FOOD COLLECTIONS FOR OUR NEIGHBORS

**Main Contact:** Patty Bogdewic (patriciabogdewic@gmail.com)

Help Calvary support local families this winter! Drop shelf-stable donations in the chapel bin for food banks and community ministries. Items needed include pop-top canned goods, cooking oil, sugar, flour, spices, tea, coffee, dish detergent, feminine hygiene products, gloves, hand warmers, toothpaste and reusable bags. Thank you for sharing nourishment, warmth and care with our neighbors.

# EVENTS

## **CALVARY UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH – SERVING DAILY BREAD**

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

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

**Main Contact:** Judy Flaherty (412-913-8250)

Calvary United Women in Faith coordinates the meal preparation for Daily Bread, a ministry that offers meals three times a week to those who are unhoused or underemployed. They provide products, gloves, hand warmers, toothpaste and reusable bags. Thank you for sharing nourishment, warmth and care with our neighbors!

## **NORTHVIEW HEIGHTS FOOD DISTRIBUTION**

**Saturday, March 21 & Saturday, April 25 | 9:00–10:30 AM**

**Northview Heights, 533 Mount Pleasant Rd, Pittsburgh, PA 15214**

**Main Contact:** Linda Ehrlich (412-512-7246 or laehrlich927@aol.com)

**RSVP:** Sign-up sheet in chapel

All participants have found the experience meaningful and fulfilling, and we're excited to welcome new volunteers. We need six volunteers for each scheduled date.

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

**Sunday, March 29 (Last Sunday of each month) | During Church | Sanctuary**

Our children are collecting “change”—because when we all contribute a little, it adds up to make a big difference! These gifts help buy food for Daily Bread.

# WEEKLY

## **SLEEPING BAG MINISTRY**

**Mondays | 6:00 PM | Fellowship Hall**

**Main Contact:** Terri Howell (412-482-2211 or trr\_howell@yahoo.com)

This group creates sleeping bags from recycled materials, which are filled with personal care items and distributed to local homeless shelters. The bags are made from donated blankets, sheets, pillowcases, curtains, coverlets, tablecloths and neckties, and are packed with items such as small bottles of shampoo and conditioner, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, hats, gloves and new men's socks. There is plenty to do, and no sewing experience is required.

## **OPEN SANCTUARY**

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

**Main Contact:** Rev. Beth L. Nelson (412-398-7894 or revbeth@calvarypgh.com)

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.



**NFL DRAFT**



# SPRING BLOCK PARTY

**SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 9 AM – 1 PM**

**FREE FAMILY-FRIENDLY FUN JUST BLOCKS  
FROM ACRISURE STADIUM!**

**Activities Include**

Marvel Superheroes • Face Painting • Balloon Animals  
Open House Tours • Community Outreach Activities



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# Hey, Neighbors!

*Join us for*  
**Wednesday Soup Dinners**

**6-8 pm**



**During Lent**  
**Feb 18 — Apr 1**

Enjoy a **Free Meal** and **Different Activities**  
**Each Week** after Dinner

Whether you come for a meal, conversation, fun or  
community, you'll find a space that welcomes all.



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## SUNDAYS

### LENTEN BIBLE STUDY LED BY REV. CHENDA LEE

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

**Main Contact:** Calvary UMC Church Office (412-231-2007 or calvarypgh@gmail.com)

This Lenten season, join Rev. Chenda Lee for *Walking the Palm Sunday Path in Lent*. Together, we'll explore the Gospel stories and follow Jesus' journey toward Jerusalem, discovering how his actions and teachings offer clear contrasts to the cruelty, greed, intimidation and injustice we see in the world today. Come reflect, discuss and walk with us as we proclaim God's values in our lives and community.

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

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

Anyone with a desire to stop drinking is welcome, regardless of race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, income or profession. And it's free. You can just sit and listen and learn more about recovery, or you can share about your situation. It's completely up to you.

## MONDAYS

### GA (GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS)

**Mondays (2nd Monday every other month) | 6:30 PM | Chapel**

**2026 Meetings:** April 13, June 8, August 10, October 12, December 14

Through shared experiences, participants work toward recovery in a confidential and non-judgmental space.

## TUESDAYS

### EXERCISE CLASS FOR ALL AGES

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

**Main Contact:** Calvary UMC Church Office (412-231-2007 or calvarypgh@gmail.com)

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### 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.

# WEDNESDAYS

## IRON CITY SQUARES – LGBTQIA+ SQUARE DANCE CLUB

**Wednesdays | 7:00–9:15 PM | Fellowship Hall**

**Main Contact:** Blaine Knupp (724-464-4324)

Iron City Squares invites you to join us for Modern Western Square Dancing. No partner or special clothing needed—everyone is welcome!

# THURSDAYS

## EXERCISE CLASS FOR ALL AGES

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

**Main Contact:** Calvary UMC Church Office (412-231-2007 or calvarypgh@gmail.com)

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## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

**Thursdays | 10:00–11:30 AM | Parlor**

**Main Contact:** Kathy Wagner (kbwagner47@gmail.com)

Join us for our new study: *The Women of the Bible Speak—The Wisdom of 16 Women and Their Lessons for Today*. All are welcome as we gather in community around God's Word. Books will be made available for a small purchase fee.

## LEARN TO KNIT & PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

**Thursdays | 11:30 AM–12:30 PM | Chapel**

**Main Contact:** Mary Emili (parkside704@yahoo.com)

Help Calvary grow as a closely knit community! Join instructor Mary Emili in a relaxed and welcoming setting to learn to knit—supplies are provided and all ages are welcome. Sessions last about an hour and meet weekly at the same time and place. You're also invited to bring your own knitting, crochet, needlework or hand-sewing project to enjoy fellowship and creativity together. As your skills grow, you're encouraged to create a prayer shawl. Patterns and assistance are provided. All are welcome.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### FAMILIES WITH BABIES OR YOUNG CHILDREN

We welcome all of God's children to join us in worship—including our littlest ones! If it would be helpful, there's a Family Area at the back left of the sanctuary, complete with rocking chairs and toys to keep little ones comfortable and engaged.

## EVENTS

### EASTER EGG HUNT

**Saturday, March 21 | 1:00–3:00 PM, Egg Hunt at 1:15 PM | Chapel & Fellowship Hall**  
Children and families are invited to gather in the chapel, with the egg hunt beginning promptly at 1:15 PM. Join us for games, crafts and a light snack.

### FAMILY GAME DAY

**Saturday, April 26 | 1:00–3:00 PM | Chapel**  
Join us at Calvary for a Family Board Game Day filled with fun and fellowship for all ages. Bring your favorite games or enjoy one provided as we spend time together laughing, playing and building community. All are welcome.

### KICKOFF TO SUMMER COOKOUT

**Sunday, May 17 | 5:00–7:00 PM | Outdoors & Fellowship Hall**  
Join us at Calvary for a Kickoff to Summer Cookout as we gather for food, fellowship and fun to celebrate the start of summer together. We plan to be outside, weather depending. All are welcome.

### DAILY BREAD PICNIC

**Sunday, July 12 | Time TBA | Daily Bread, 901 Allegheny Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15233**  
All are welcome to help serve up this picnic-style lunch at Daily Bread.

## WEEKLY

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

**Sundays | 10:00–10:45 AM | Fellowship Hall (K–6th) & Christian Ed Office (7th–12th)**  
**Contacts:** Megan Bova (412-715-4946 or [mbova@calvarypgh.com](mailto:mbova@calvarypgh.com)) or Brittany Bova-Mickens (412-715-4947 or [bbova@calvarypgh.com](mailto:bbova@calvarypgh.com))  
Our Sunday School is divided into K–3rd, 4th–6th and 7th–12th grades for age-appropriate learning, using Cokesbury's *FaithWeaver NOW* series.



## EVENTS

### HONORING BRIAN BURNS: 25 YEARS OF SERVICE AND MUSIC

**Sunday, May 31 | During Church & Luncheon Following Church | Calvary UMC**

**Main Contact:** Karen Ferguson (724-448-1429 or karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com)

Celebrating our beloved Music Director, Brian Burns, as he marks 25 years of service at Calvary United Methodist Church! Over the years, Brian has restored historic instruments, guided major renovations and brought the Messiah Sing-Along to life, enriching Pittsburgh's Northside with music, history and community. His leadership has touched countless lives through weddings, funerals, outreach events and tours, creating spaces for celebration, remembrance and connection.

**On a personal note from his choir and bell groups**—Brian has been our therapist, court jester, chief mischief maker, teacher, pancake flipper, emergency seamstress, adopted brother, adopted son and friend all rolled into one. He teaches us to feel and live the music, not just sing the notes, and his prayers—heartfelt, funny, honest, endearing, deeply touching—reach every heart. To say we love and adore him is an understatement. Brian Burns is truly one in a million, and we are endlessly grateful to call him ours.

Join us in honoring his remarkable contributions to the arts, inclusion and civic life, and stay for a special catered luncheon following church to celebrate this milestone with the Calvary community.

## WEEKLY

### CHOIR REHEARSAL

**Sundays | 10:00–10:45 AM | Choir Loft**

**Tuesdays | 6:00–7:00 PM (6:00–7:30 PM from October–December) | Choir Loft**

**Main Contact:** Brian Burns (724-388-3246 or bsburns77@aol.com)

All singers are welcome—no matter your experience or ability to read music! Whether you're a seasoned vocalist or just love to sing, we'd love to have you as part of our supportive and uplifting group. No audition is required—just bring your love for music and a desire to be part of something special.

### HAND BELL REHEARSAL

**Tuesdays (January–May, September) | 7:00–8:00 PM | Music Office**

**Thursdays (October–December) | 6:00–7:00 PM | Music Office**

**Main Contact:** Brian Burns (724-388-3246 or bsburns77@aol.com)

No audition or music-reading skills required! Whether you're a beginner or have prior experience, we welcome all who want to be part of this joyful and unique musical ministry.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### A NEW NAME FOR OUR MINISTRY

Calvary's LGBTQIA+ ministry has a new name! We are now Calvary's **Queer Ministry**. When the ministry began in June 2025, it was called the LGBTQIA+ Ministry. After research and conversation, ministry leader Tim Napieralski felt a name change would better reflect our community. While "queer" was once used as a slur, the LGBTQIA+ community has reclaimed it as an inclusive, overarching term that welcomes all. Our new name reflects this spirit of belonging and affirmation.

### GENDER DIVERSITY & PRONOUN TRAINING

On Sunday, February 15, Calvary hosted a Gender Diversity and Pronoun Training in partnership with Hugh Lane, with 12 participants in attendance. The session included meaningful dialogue and thoughtful questions. Hugh Lane also provided a Pronoun Guide, which is available upon request from the church office.

## EVENTS

### WHY DRAG? – AN EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOP

**Sunday, March 15 | 12:15 PM | Chapel**

**Main Contact:** Tim Napieralski (sashanapieralski@outlook.com)

Join us for *Why Drag?* – an educational workshop exploring the history and art of Drag performance and its importance within the Queer community. This session will also include a thoughtful question-and-answer time focused on the upcoming "Can We DRAG You to Church?" and "Miss Calvary" event.

### CAN WE "DRAG" YOU TO CHURCH

**Friday, May 22 | Dinner 5:00-7:00 PM & Pageant 7:00 PM-? | Location TBD**

**Main Contact:** Tim Napieralski (sashanapieralski@outlook.com)

**Tickets:** TBD

Get ready for a night of fun, flair and fabulousness! Calvary is excited to host "Can We DRAG You to Church?" – a fundraiser featuring dinner, a silent auction and drag performances by Pittsburgh's Dixie Surewood and Leia Way LeStat (so far!) along with a few special performances by Calvary members! This all-ages, professional show is Calvary-approved and celebrates, supports and uplifts the Trans and Drag Queen communities. Guests will enjoy lively performances, a panel of judges and the crowning of Miss Calvary 2026! Details on the location and ticket prices are coming soon – stay tuned for an evening of community, joy and generosity you won't want to miss!



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH CELEBRATE A GENEROUS YEAR!

Our United Women in Faith had a wonderful year of giving, contributing a total of **\$2,500** to support a variety of mission organizations. Thank you to all who contributed to making a difference in our community and beyond!

- United Women in Faith: \$200
- Legacy Fund (UWF): \$200
- Ruth M. Smith Center: \$500
- Mission Barn: \$200
- Katie Peterson - Deaconess: \$300
- Northside Food Pantry Advisors: \$300
- Church Union: \$200
- Foundation of Hope: \$200
- Hello Neighbor: \$200
- United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR): \$200

### ANNUAL PLANT SALE

**Main Contact:** Linda Ehrlich (412-512-7246 or laehrlich927@aol.com)

Spring is here—our Annual Plant Sale is underway and runs **through Friday, April 17!** All proceeds support charities served by the Calvary United Women in Faith. **Order forms** will soon be available in the Welcome Areas, on the Ministry Board in the chapel and on the Calvary website. If you'd like one mailed, please contact Linda Ehrlich. **Pickup** will be on **Thursday, May 21, and Friday, May 22.** Think Spring—place your order and help bloom generosity!

## EVENTS

### CALVARY UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH MEETING

**Saturday, March 14 | 9:00 AM Light Breakfast & 9:30 AM Meeting | Chapel**

**Main Contact:** Joan Bradley (ogremtb@aol.com)

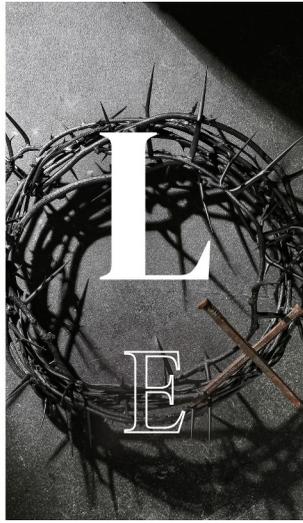
This meeting was rescheduled due to the snowstorm in January. All are welcome to attend if you're interested in learning more about what's happening with this group and how you can get involved. Don't miss this opportunity to connect and participate!



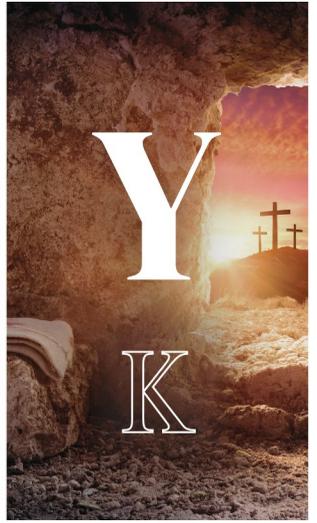
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**EASTER SUNDAY**

APRIL 5 — 11 AM

7 AM — SUNRISE SERVICE  
WEST END OVERLOOK

# Change Matters!

On the last Sunday of every month, our children will collect a special **“Change” Offering** during worship. When we bring our change together, we can make a big difference!

All gifts will support the **Calvary United Women in Faith** in purchasing food for the **Daily Bread** ministry. With rising food costs and more people in need, your generosity makes an even greater impact.

So gather up your loose change—and remember, paper money and checks work too!





## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PEW CUSHIONS UPDATE

The final set of pew cushions was sent out last week for reupholstering! We're excited to share that they are expected to be back in place by Easter, just in time for spring services. Thank you for your patience as we refresh our sanctuary seating—we can't wait for everyone to enjoy the updated look and comfort.

### ON THE HORIZON: EXCITING FUNDRAISERS IN THE WORKS

We're thrilled to share that two exciting fundraisers are in the works to support our Three-Phase Revive & Renew Capital Campaign! These evenings are designed to entertain, connect and raise vital funds for the future of our church—you won't want to miss them.

### A NIGHT OF FOOD & MUSIC

Join us at Fabled Table for an unforgettable evening of delicious food and live musical entertainment. Savor great flavors, enjoy wonderful company and let the music lift your spirits—all while supporting our mission to Revive & Renew!

### TRIVIA NIGHT

Gather your friends and test your knowledge at our Trivia Night, also at Fabled Table! Laughter, friendly competition and prizes await—and if it's a hit, we may bring it back for another round!

These events are more than just a night out—they're a chance to celebrate, connect and invest in the future of Calvary. Stay tuned for dates, tickets and more details—your next favorite evening is coming soon, all for a meaningful cause!

## EVENTS

### CELEBRATING PROGRESS: PHASE 1 & NEW PEW CUSHIONS DEDICATION

**Sunday, May 17 | 12:15 PM | Calvary UMC**

Phase 1 of our building improvements is complete, featuring a renovated first-floor bathroom and kitchenette. In addition, AHPS has led the replacement of our pew cushions, which we expect to be fully installed by Easter. Join us as we celebrate our community and the progress we've made together.



# A TIME FOR CONNECTION

## EVENTS

### COMMUNITY LUNCH

**Sunday, March 29 (Last Sunday of each month) | Following Church | Fellowship Hall**

**Main Contact: Mike Schnitgen (412-231-2007 or calvarypgh@gmail.com)**

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

## WEEKLY

### SUNDAY MORNING CAFE

**Weekly | 10:00-11:00 AM | Chapel**

Please help yourself to coffee and tea at our kitchenette area in the chapel.

### A TIME FOR FELLOWSHIP

**Sundays | Following Church | Fellowship Hall**

**Main Contact: Mike Schnitgen (412-231-2007 or calvarypgh@gmail.com)**

Volunteers are needed for preparation, service and clean-up, and sponsors can support meals with donations—\$50 for weekly meals or \$100 for the monthly community luncheon.

## JOIN A FELLOWSHIP TEAM!



We are looking for teams of 2-3 people to help prepare easy, delicious meals for our fellowship time.



No culinary experience? No problem! We are also looking for people to help with clean-up.



It's a great opportunity to serve and connect with others in a meaningful way.

**INTERESTED? See Mike Schnitgen  
or contact the church office directly.**



# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## SAVE THE DATE: CELEBRATION FOR ALEATA WEIS' RETIREMENT

We are excited to announce a special celebration honoring Aleata Weis as she retires! Aleata's long devotion, dedication and faithful service to Calvary have touched countless lives, and it's time to celebrate her ministry and legacy in a meaningful way. The celebration is tentatively planned for late April. More details on the exact date, time and ways to participate will be shared soon. Join us as we give thanks for Aleata's remarkable contributions and send her into retirement with joy, gratitude and love.

## INTRODUCING OUR NEW MONTHLY NEWSLETTER!

**Main Contact:** Karen Ferguson (724-448-1429 or karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com)

We've made some exciting changes! Our bulletin has been shortened to make it easier to read each week, and we've brought back the newsletter in a new monthly format to share more in-depth ministry updates. Here's what's included:

### BULLETIN CONTENT

Shorter bulletins reduce repetition, help you find information quickly, and cut down on paper. Here's what you'll now find in our weekly bulletin:

- Welcome Message
- Weekly Schedule
- Order of Celebration
- Prayer Concerns
- Important announcements or items that didn't make it into the newsletter

### NEWSLETTER HIGHLIGHTS

For a deeper look at Calvary's ministries, pick up our new monthly newsletter:

- Includes more in-depth ministry updates
- Features a **monthly calendar insert** for an at-a-glance view of everything happening in our church community
- Available in the welcome areas

### SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Leaders, here's how to get your events and announcements included:

- Send schedules, events and announcements to the office by the 15th of each month
- Include date, time, location and a brief description to ensure items are included in the following newsletter

Thank you for your patience as we continue to evolve our communications process at Calvary. Your engagement and feedback help us improve how we share information and keep everyone connected to the life of our church community.



# OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH AHPS

## ALLEGHENY HISTORIC PRESERVATION SOCIETY

### WHAT IS AHPS – AND WHAT DOES IT HAVE TO DO WITH CALVARY?

More than 30 years ago, Calvary was close to closing—its roof and windows leaked, the Sanctuary was unheated and closed, and there was no pastor. The Rev. Bob Richards stepped in as a volunteer minister, and neighbors formed the Allegheny Historic Preservation Society (AHPS), a nonprofit created to secure grant funding to save the church building. Since then, AHPS has raised over \$3 million to restore and improve Calvary, including repairs to the slate roof, restoration of the Tiffany windows, installation of an elevator, reopening of the sanctuary and restoration of the organ—helping position Calvary for a renewed future! Together, with this unique partnership between Calvary and AHPS, who knows what wonderful things God has in store for our church?

### WHY JOIN AHPS?

We have inherited a treasure: our church. And the work isn't finished. With new projects like upgrading our bathrooms, AHPS continues to play a vital role in keeping Calvary beautiful, safe and accessible. Membership shows foundations and funders that these projects are supported by the whole community. That's why your participation matters. Membership forms are available in the narthex and chapel, or checks may be made payable to AHPS and placed in the offering baskets.

### MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

- Individual: \$20
- Household: \$35
- Patron: \$100 (Patrons are recognized in every concert program throughout the season)

### MORE WAYS TO SUPPORT

- Attend concerts and events! These gatherings bring new people into our sanctuary, inspire generosity and celebrate the beauty of Calvary.
- Share your talents! If you have experience with grants, fundraising or creative program ideas, AHPS would love your input.

### MEETINGS

**Mondays (1st Monday of each month) | 6:30 PM | Chapel**

Meetings are limited to members only.

### CONTACT US

**Main Contact:** Margee Bilyak (ahps.calvaryumc@gmail.com)

**Website:** [ahps-pgh.org](http://ahps-pgh.org)

# ALLEGHENY HISTORIC PRESERVATION SOCIETY'S TIFFANY CONCERT SERIES



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*Sunday, March 22 at 4:00 p.m.*

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# FAMILY CORNER

## UPCOMING EVENTS



### EASTER EGG HUNT



Sat, March 21  
1-3 pm

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### FAMILY GAME DAY



Sun, April 26  
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All are invited to bring their favorite board games to share and play with others.

### KICKOFF TO SUMMER COOKOUT



Sun, May 17  
5-7 pm



Join us at Calvary for a Summer Cookout with food, fun and fellowship.

### DAILY BREAD PICNIC



Sun, July 12  
Time TBA

All are welcome to help serve up this picnic-style lunch at Daily Bread



### MORE INFO

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



At Calvary, leadership is shared, Spirit-led, and rooted in love for our community. Whether you feel called to serve on a ministry team, help shape decisions or offer your unique gifts, there's a place for you to lead and grow.

## LAY LEADERSHIP (NOMINATIONS)

Discerns, develops and nominates members for leadership roles within the church.

**Main Contacts:** Kenny Elliott & Aleata Weis (Lay Leaders) and Rev. Beth L. Nelson (Chair)

## TRUSTEES

Oversee and care for church property to keep facilities safe, functional and welcoming.

**Chair:** Brian Burns (724-388-3246 or [bsburns77@aol.com](mailto:bsburns77@aol.com))

## STAFF/PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE (SPRC)

Supports and evaluates staff and strengthens communication.

**Chair:** Renny Clark ([clark@pitt.edu](mailto:clark@pitt.edu))

## FINANCE

Manages financial resources, prepares budget and promotes responsible stewardship.

**Co-Chairs:** Chris Sweeney ([sweeneyxxiv@gmail.com](mailto:sweeneyxxiv@gmail.com)) & Rick Sustakoski ([rick.sustakoski@gmail.com](mailto:rick.sustakoski@gmail.com))

## ADULT FELLOWSHIP

Offers gatherings and events that build connection, spiritual growth and community.

**Chair:** Nancy Richards ([calvarypgh@gmail.com](mailto:calvarypgh@gmail.com))

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Provides faith formation opportunities for younger members to deepen discipleship.

**Co-Chairs:** Megan Bova (412-715-4946) & Brittany Bova-Mickens (412-715-4947)

## QUEER MINISTRY

An affirming ministry where all are embraced, celebrated and thriving together in love.

**Main Contact:** Tim Napieralski ([sashanapieralski@outlook.com](mailto:sashanapieralski@outlook.com))

## MISSIONS

Leads outreach and service efforts locally and beyond.

**Chair:** Patty Bogdewic ([patriciabogdewic@gmail.com](mailto:patriciabogdewic@gmail.com))

## WORSHIP

Plans and supports meaningful worship experiences.

**Chair:** Rev. Beth L. Nelson (412-398-7894 or [revbeth@calvarypgh.com](mailto:revbeth@calvarypgh.com))

## ARCHIVES & HISTORY

Preserves and shares Calvary's history and legacy.

**Chair:** David Grinnell ([grinnell@pitt.edu](mailto:grinnell@pitt.edu))

## CALVARY UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH (CUWF)

Connects Calvary with the ministries and mission efforts of United Women in Faith.

**Chair:** Joan Bradley ([calvarypgh@gmail.com](mailto:calvarypgh@gmail.com))



## CALVARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**Address:** 971 Beech Avenue, Northside, Pittsburgh, PA 15233

**Phone:** 412-231-2007

**Email:** calvarypgh@gmail.com

**Website:** calvarypgh.com

### OFFICE HOURS

**Monday:** 9:00 AM–Noon

**Tuesday:** 9:00 AM–3:00 PM

**Thursday:** 9:00 AM–3:00 PM

## PASTOR

**Rev. Beth L. Nelson** (412-398-7894 or revbeth@calvarypgh.com)

## CHURCH STAFF

**Music Ministry:** Brian Burns (724-388-3246 or bsburns77@aol.com)

**Office Administrator:** Mary Emili (412-231-2007 or calvarypgh@gmail.com)

### Family Ministry & Education

**Megan Bova** (412-715-4946 or mbova@calvarypgh.com)

**Brittany Bova-Mickens** (412-715-4947 or bbova@calvarypgh.com)

**Communications:** Karen Ferguson (724-448-1429 or karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com)

**Lay Leader:** Ken Elliott (724-513-4625 or kenelliott76@gmail.com)

**Treasurer:** Georgia Brucker

**Assistant Facilities Manager:** Susan Derouin

**Facilities Manager/Wedding Coordinator:** Aleata Weis

**Queer Ministry Coordinator:** Tim Napieralski

**Social Media Coordinator:** Judith Melvin

**Worship Tech Coordinator:** Aiden Weis

**Food Ministry Coordinator:** Michael Schnitgen

## SOCIAL MEDIA – BE PART OF OUR COMMUNITY. FOLLOW US!

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**YouTube:** Calvary UMC Pittsburgh PA

**Instagram:** calvaryumc\_pittsburgh

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