

CALVARY

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



There is more than Enough!

Sunday, August 2, 2026

Worshipping God Together

WELCOME TO CALVARY



OUR WELCOME STATEMENT

Calvary United Methodist Church believes that all means all. We open our hearts, our minds and our doors to all our neighbors. We gladly invite into our shared life all persons who seek a community of support where they can grow in God's grace. Regardless of your race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, ability, relationship status or background—**you are God's beloved, and you are welcome here.**

NEW TO CALVARY?

If you're new to Calvary, you're invited to visit the Welcome Areas to learn more about the church—pick up the monthly newsletter, and fill out a Get Connected card found in the pews. Large-print Bibles and hymnals are available upon request. Our monthly newsletter includes ministry updates, upcoming events, small group opportunities and a monthly calendar insert outlining all activities and gatherings.

FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

Children are always welcome. A Family Area is available at the back left of the sanctuary, with rocking chairs and toys for your little ones.

RESTROOMS

From the front exits of the sanctuary, restrooms are available to the right, including an accessible restroom with a baby changing table; additional men's and women's restrooms are located at the back of the chapel to the right, and downstairs to the left, with elevator access from the right side of the sanctuary.

PRAYER CONCERNS



IMMEDIATE PRAYER CONCERNS

Rev Jorinda Bullit on the death of her brother
Janice & Roy Engelman
Tim Napieralski
Paul W. – friend of Mary Emili
Family and Friends of Charles Moore
The Onda family
Joe and Bunny Blackman
Zev Kahn
Christine Siewers
Corrine Houser
George Janocsko
Barbara Wood – friend of Marirose

CONTINUING CONCERNS

Paul Brucker
Bobby Buckner and his family
Jeanne Dithomas
Terri Jagielski
Martha Helmreich
Judy Melvin
Al Meyers
Sheila Molyneux
Marcia Webb – friend of Mark Snyder
Aleata Weis
Venus W.
Joyce Zimmerman – sister of Yvonne Hudson

SHARING PRAYER REQUESTS & JOYS

Share prayer requests or joys by filling out a pew card, calling the church office, or submitting the form online at calvarypgh.com/contact.

THIS WEEK AT CALVARY



SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

- **A Service of Celebration—Sunday Morning Worship** | 11:00 AM | Calvary UMC
- **Picnic Celebration for Aleata Weis** | Following Worship | Fellowship Hall
- **AA (Alcoholics Anonymous)** | 8:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

MONDAY, AUGUST 3

- **Back to Life NA (Narcotics Anonymous)** | 7:00–8:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4

- **Exercise Class for All Ages** | 9:00-10:00 AM | Chapel
- **NA (Narcotics Anonymous)** | 7:00–8:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5

- **“Hey, Neighbors!” Summer Cookouts** | 6:00–8:00 PM | Calvary UMC Back Parking Lot
- **Iron City Squares** | 7:00–9:15 PM | Fellowship Hall

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6

- **Exercise Class for All Ages** | 9:00-10:00 AM | Chapel

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

- **Calvary Cafe** | 9:30–11:00 AM | Chapel
- **A Service of Celebration—Sunday Morning Worship** | 11:00 AM | Calvary UMC
- **AA (Alcoholics Anonymous)** | 8:00 PM | Fellowship Hall



PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP + *

Leader: My people are hungry.
People: There are too many to feed.
Leader: Give them something to eat.
People: We have only five loaves and two fish.
Leader: You have everything you need.
People: It would take a miracle.
Leader: With God, all things are possible.
People: In Christ, new hope has dawned.

HYMN OF PRAISE + * "When Morning Gilds the Skies" — #185 UMH

UNISON PRAYER + *

God of mystery and power, you call us home amid our fear and doubt. When we are hungry and weary, we yearn to be filled and revived. When our faith wavers, we long to forsake our clever schemes and find shelter in your ways. When faced with those in need, we dream of doing the impossible for you are with us and work through us. Stay with us when we have need of you, O God, and bless us in our struggles, that we might be a blessing for others. Amen.

WORDS OF WELCOME +

COMMUNITY GREETINGS +

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PSALTER LESSON * Psalm 17:1-7, 15 NRSV

- 1 Hear a just cause, O Lord; attend to my cry; give ear to my prayer from lips free of deceit.
 - 2 From you let my vindication come; let your eyes see the right.
 - 3 If you try my heart, if you visit me by night, if you test me, you will find no wickedness in me; my mouth does not transgress.
 - 4 As for what others do, by the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent.
 - 5 My steps have held fast to your paths; my feet have not slipped.
 - 6 I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God; incline your ear to me; hear my words.
 - 7 Wondrously show your steadfast love, O savior of those who seek refuge from their adversaries at your right hand.
 - 15 As for me, I shall behold your face in righteousness; when I awake I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.
- 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

GOSPEL LESSON + * Matthew 14:13-21 NRSV

- 13 Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns.
- 14 When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick.

15 When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves."
16 Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat."
17 They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish."
18 And he said, "Bring them here to me."
19 Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds.
20 And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full.
21 And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.
Leader: The word of God, written by the people of God, for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "There is more than Enough!" — Rev. Beth L. Nelson

HYMN OF PREPARATION * "Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast" — #616 UMH

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION *

Leader: The crowds followed Jesus to a lonely, deserted place. They brought their hunger, their sickness, and their deep exhaustion.
People: We, too, come hungry to this table today. We bring our weary bodies and our restless hearts.
Leader: The disciples looked at the thousands of faces and saw an impossible problem. They cried out, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish!"
People: How often do we look at our own lives and say, "We do not have enough"?
Leader: But Jesus looked upon the crowd with deep, moving compassion. He told the disciples, "They do not need to go away; you give them something to eat."
People: He calls us now to sit together on the green grass. He welcomes us to a feast where no one is turned away.

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING *

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up to the Lord.
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Leader: God of the wilderness, you have always provided for your people. When we wandered hungry, you rained down manna from heaven. When we are convinced of our own scarcity, you surprise us with your boundless generosity. You do not look at what we lack; you see what we can become. On the hillside in Galilee, Jesus took the simple, meager gifts of a child—five barley loaves and two fish—and showed us the vastness of your Kingdom. .Therefore, with the thousands who sat on that hillside, and with all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: We remember that on that late afternoon, Jesus took the bread. He looked up to heaven, gave thanks, blessed it, and broke it. He gave it to his disciples, and the disciples gave it to the crowds. And everyone ate until they were completely satisfied. .We also remember that on the night he was betrayed, Jesus took bread again. He broke it, gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." Great is the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Leader: Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us gathered here, and upon these gifts of bread and cup.

People: May this bread be for us the Bread of Life. May this cup be for us the Cup of Salvation.

Leader: Miraculously multiply our small offerings today. Take our meager love, our small faith, and our ordinary lives. Bless us, break us, and use us to feed a hungry world. Make us one body, united in your love. Together, let us pray the prayer of our Lord:

People: 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.

Leader: The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ. The cup over which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

People: God of hopes and dreams, we are empty and long to be filled; we are hungry and long to be fed; we are lost and long to be found. Gather us in your love, and pick up the pieces of our lives, that nothing may be lost. Call us anew to eat our fill at Christ's table of the bread of life, the hope of the ages. There is enough. There is more than enough. As we come to the table, fill us once again. Amen.

All are welcome to receive the gift of Holy Communion. The bread we share is gluten-free so that all may participate. Please come forward at the direction of the ushers, take a piece of bread and dip it into the cup of grape juice.

WORDS OF COMMUNITY LIFE

CALL TO GIVE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

DOXOLOGY + * "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" — #94 UMH
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia!
Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

OFFERING PRAYER +

CLOSING HYMN + *. "Trust and Obey" — #467 UMH

STATEMENT OF FAITH FROM THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA + * #883 UMH

BENEDICTION +

POSTLUDE +

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UPCOMING EVENTS



“HEY, NEIGHBORS!” SUMMER COOKOUTS

Wednesdays—August 5 & 19 | 6:00–8:00 PM | Calvary UMC Back Parking Lot

Everyone is invited to our *“Hey, Neighbors!” Summer Cookouts!* Enjoy grilled favorites, yard games, fellowship, and—weather permitting—a cozy fire pit with roasted marshmallows and s'mores for dessert. Bring a friend and join us for four fun-filled evenings of food, laughter, and community! We're also looking for **3–4 volunteers for each cookout** to help with setup, serving, and cleanup. **Signup sheets are available in the Chapel.** Thank you for helping make these gatherings welcoming and enjoyable for everyone!

CHURCH COUNCIL — AUGUST MEETING

Thursday, August 13 | 6:00–8:00 PM | Calvary UMC Chapel

Please note: The Church Council's August meeting will be held one week earlier than usual, on Thursday, August 13, at 6:00 PM. Church Council meetings are typically held on the third Thursday of each month, but the August meeting has been moved up by one week. Additionally, because we have a great deal to discuss, the meeting time has been moved up to 6:00 PM. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

STEELERS SUNDAYS — 1 PM HOME GAMES

Please note that on the following Sundays, the Pittsburgh Steelers have 1:00 PM home games. As a result, our normal parking lots will not be available. We kindly ask everyone to use the Behan Lot for parking and reserve the accessible parking spaces in front of the church and in the back parking lot for those who need them most.

- September 13
- September 27
- October 11
- November 1
- December 20
- Saturday, December 26 / Sunday, December 27 (Date and time TBD)

Thank you for your cooperation and consideration of those with accessibility needs. Your assistance helps ensure that parking remains available for parishioners who require convenient access to the church.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS — UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH (UWF) RETREAT

Saturday, October 17 | 9:00 AM–12:00 PM | Calvary UMC Chapel

Join us for a morning of fellowship, reflection, inspiration and spiritual renewal. More details will be shared as the date approaches. We look forward to spending this special time together, so be sure to save the date!

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Monday: 9:00 AM – Noon

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