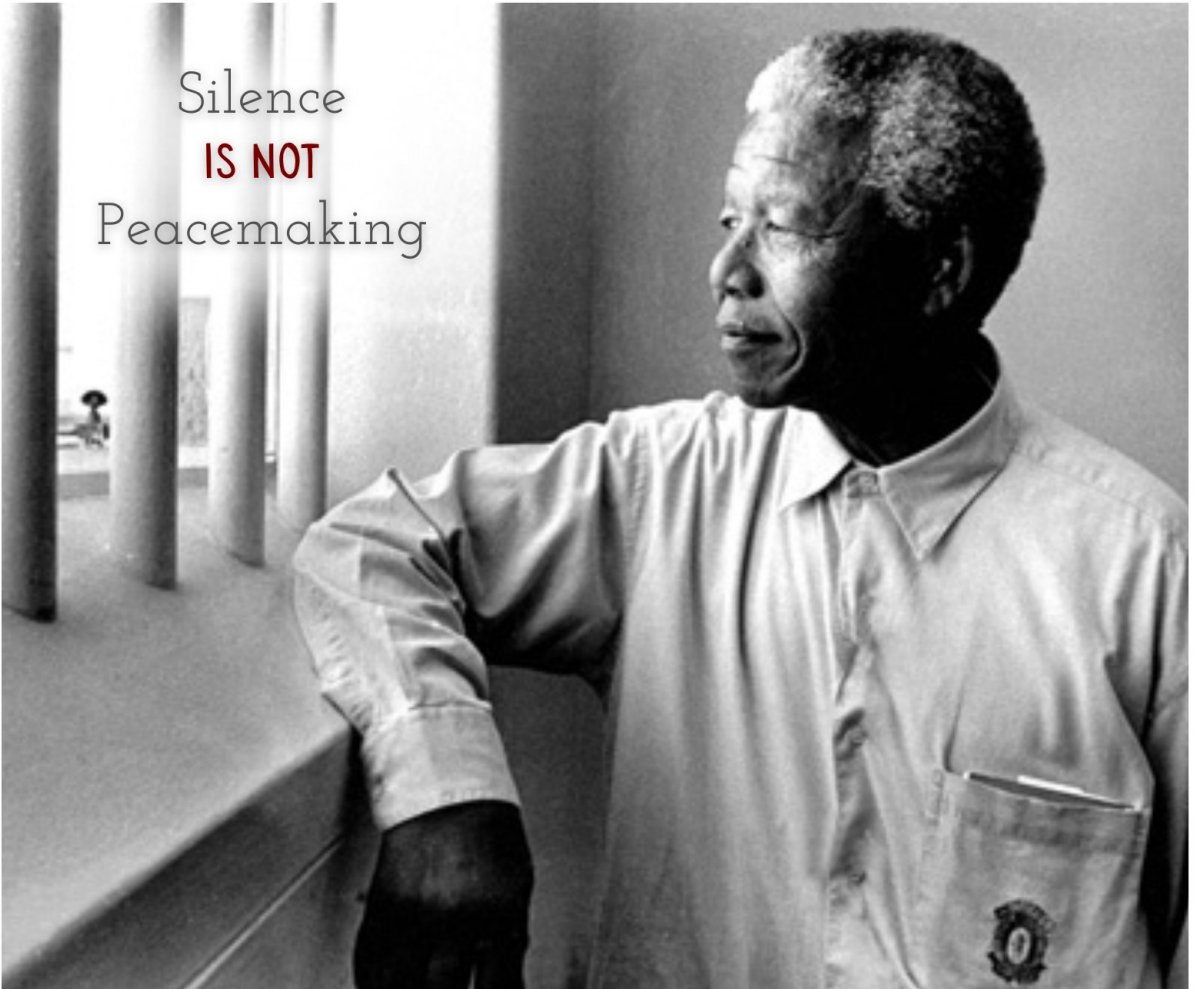


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You are God's beloved. *You* are welcome here.



WELCOME TO CALVARY



OUR WELCOME STATEMENT

Calvary United Methodist Church believes that all means all.

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

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

If this is your first time with us, welcome! We're so glad you're here. We'd love to get to know you better, so please stop by the Welcome Areas to learn more about our church family. You'll also find a Get Connected card in the back of the pews – feel free to fill one out so we can stay in touch. If you need a large-print Bible or hymnal, just ask one of our friendly greeters – we're happy to help.

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.

LOCATION OF RESTROOMS

From the front exits of the sanctuary: (1) to the right, you'll find an accessible restroom and a baby changing table on the same level; (2) to the right and to the back, you will find women's and men's restrooms; (3) to the left, restrooms are located down the stairs, or an elevator is available by exiting the right side of the sanctuary and heading toward the back of the building.

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

PRAYER CONCERNS

IMMEDIATE PRAYER CONCERNS

Aleata Weis
Joe Grzybowski — friend of Judy Melvin
George Stowell
Janice Walsh and Family — her father
passed away
Sandy — sister of David Eichelberger
Bobby Buckner
Cel Thomas — friend of Fred R.

CONTINUING CONCERNS

Paul Brucker
Jeanne Dithomas
Kyle Giest
Terri Jagielski
Martha Helmreich
Judy Melvin
Sheila Molyneaux
Renee — friend of Mark Snyder
Marcia Webb — friend of Mark Snyder
Venus W.
Joyce Zimmerman — sister of Yvonne
Hudson

SHARING PRAYER REQUESTS & JOYS

If you have a prayer request or a joy to share, you have a few options:

- Fill out a Prayer Request card located in the back of the pews and place it in the offering plate.
- Contact the church office directly at 412-231-2007.
- Submit a request online at **calvarypgh.com/contact**.

We treat all prayer concerns confidentially, unless you indicate otherwise.

Prayer concerns remain on our list for four weeks. Each week, the oldest requests are removed as others move up.

If you'd like us to send a card or email to let someone know we're praying for them, please include their mailing address or email.

ORDER OF WORSHIP



PRELUDE "2 Settings of Evening and Morning" — John Eggert, Kevin Hildebrand

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP †★

Leader: What does the Lord require of us?
People: To do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.
Leader: With what shall we come before the Lord?
People: With speech that is gentle, and words that build up.
Leader: How shall we live our faith?
People: With actions that bring peace and works that lift up the lowly.
Leader: Come and worship God in spirit and in truth.

HYMN OF PRAISE †★. "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" — #126 UMH

OPENING PRAYER †★

When we feel beaten down by the world, Merciful One, free us from sorrow and grief. When we are wounded by careless words, help us refrain from lashing out in our suffering and hurting the ones we love. Fill us with a that we may walk humbly in your ways and be a blessing to everyone we meet. Amen.

WORDS OF WELCOME †

COMMUNITY GREETINGS †

GATHERING SONG OF PRAISE †★

You are my destiny living inside of me. Now that you set me free, I hunger for You. Jesus, Savior, my heart is Yours, Lord. Pour out your mercy; come and fill this place.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ★ Micah 6:1-8 NRSV

- 1 Hear what the Lord says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice.
- 2 Hear, you mountains, the case of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth, for the Lord has a case against his people, and he will contend with Israel.
- 3 "O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me!
- 4 For I brought you up from the land of Egypt and redeemed you from the house of slavery, and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam.
- 5 O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord."

- 6 "With what shall I come before the Lord and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old?
- 7 Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?"
- 8 He has told you, O mortal, what is good, and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God?

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

All: Thanks be to God.

SHARING PRAYER CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

ANTHEM Renewal Choir

GOSPEL LESSON †★ Matthew 5:1-12 NRSV

- 1 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him.
- 2 And he began to speak and taught them, saying:
- 3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- 4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
- 5 "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
- 6 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
- 7 "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
- 8 "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
- 9 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
- 10 "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- 11 "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.
- 12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

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

All: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON "Silence is not Peacemaking" — Rev. Beth L. Nelson

HYMN OF PREPARATION ★ . . . "For the Bread Which You Have Broken" — #614 UMH

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, almighty God, creator of heaven and earth. You took the dust of the earth and breathed your life into it, making humankind in your image. Because of this act of creation and your breath that lives in our spirits, everyone is of sacred worth. Yet, from the very beginning of time, we have sought to tarnish that image. We have not seen each other with your eyes. We have not loved each other with your heart. When we have treated your sacred creation as unworthy, we not only severe our relationship with them, but also with you. Yet, you continued to be faithful in loving us. Faithful in sending your prophets throughout the ages to call us to repentance. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

People: 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: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. When we continued to worship our personal idols instead of you, you sent Jesus to teach us love you with all we have and all we are, not just giving you a portion of our hearts, but instead inviting you to come in and completely transform us. When we continued to harm one another, out of a desire to make ourselves appear more righteous, you sent us Jesus to teach us to sit and break bread together and love our neighbors as ourselves.

And when we continued to choose fear instead of faith, hatred instead of love, Jesus went to the cross to show us what love ultimately looks like, laying down your life for even those who do not love you in return. But that wasn't the end of the story. Three days later, Jesus rose from the grave to say that our hatred, our lack of love, does not have the final word. God's Kingdom will triumph.

On this day, we remember this gift of transforming love as we share together in this holy meal and tell its story anew- that on that night long ago, when Jesus gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take and eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "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."

And so, in remembrance of these, your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we come together as your people, your Church, and offer our very selves into your hands in praise and thanksgiving, as a holy and living sacrifice, only made possible because of Christ's great sacrifice for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

Leader: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us anew this day, and on the bread and the cup. May they stand as tangible symbols for us of the love and new life you offer to us as you call us to a life of radical grace. Bind us together, Lord, not despite our differences but through them, as you weave us together as the beautiful body of Christ. May we joyfully serve beside our brothers and sisters in a way that reclaims the sacred worth and the breath of God that resides in us, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast all together at that great heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever. And now with the confidence of being a child of God, we pray together:

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.

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

OFFERTORY "Improvisation on Crimond" — Brian Burns

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 †★ "The Lord of the Dance" — #261 UMH

BENEDICTION †

POSTLUDE † "Toccatina" — R.M. Stults

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

THIS WEEK AT CALVARY



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1

- **Communion** | During Worship | Sanctuary
- **A Time for Fellowship** | Following Worship | Fellowship Hall
- **Worship Meeting (Everyone Welcome)** | 12:15 PM | Parlor
- **AA (Alcoholics Anonymous)** | 8:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2

- **Sleeping Bag Ministry** | 6:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

- **Exercise Class** | 9:00 AM | Chapel
- **Choir Rehearsal** | 6:00–7:00 PM | Choir Loft
- **Hand Bell Rehearsal** | 7:00–8:00 PM | Music Office
- **NA (Narcotics Anonymous)** | 7:00–8:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

- **Iron City Squares** | 7:00–9:15 PM | Fellowship Hall

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5

- **Exercise Class for All Ages** | 9:00 AM | Chapel
- **Women's Bible Study** | 10:00–11:30 AM | Parlor
- **Learn to Knit & Fiber Arts Fellowship** | 11:30 AM–12:30 PM | Chapel
- **Open Sanctuary** | 6:00–8:00 PM | Sanctuary

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7

- **Parents' Night Out** | 6:00–9:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

- **Super "Souper" Bowl Sunday**
- **Opening Gathering** | 9:45–10:00 AM | Chapel
- **Jesus 101 – Bible Study led by Rev. Myles Bradley** | 10:00–10:45 AM | Chapel
- **Sunday School – K–3rd, 4th–6th** | 10:00 – 10:45 AM | Fellowship Hall
- **Sunday School – 7th–12th** | 10:00 – 10:45 AM | Christian Education Office
- **Choir Rehearsal** | 10:00 – 10:45 AM | Choir Loft
- **A Time for Fellowship** | Following Worship | Fellowship Hall
- **AA (Alcoholics Anonymous)** | 8:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

THANK YOU

Thank you to all who helped make worship meaningful today through the gift of their time and the sharing of their spiritual gifts. Your presence and participation strengthen our community and enrich our worship.

TODAY'S PARTICIPANTS

Lay Liturgist: Nancy Richards

Welcome Team: Mary Emili, Doug Lucas, Fred Ruddock

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

Slide Projectionist: Linda McDonald

Children's Message: Shelly Rohrer

LOOKING AHEAD — SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Lay Liturgist: John Parroccini

Welcome Team: JoEllen Parker, David Rizzo, Fred Ruddock

Acolytes: James Mickens, Gwen Cobb, Roman Smith

Slide Projectionist: Patty Bogdewic

Children's Message: Linda McDonald

SUPER "SOUPER" BOWL SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 8

Celebrate Super Bowl Sunday by bringing **cans of soup** to support our food pantry partners. All donations help neighbors in need, and we'll enjoy soup together during after-church fellowship.

Our goal is **60 pounds (90 cans)** of soup in honor of Super Bowl LX (60).

Monetary gifts are also welcome, labeled "Food Pantry Donation," or online at calvarypgh.com/give.



LENTEN JOURNEY



A MESSAGE FROM CALVARY UMC

For the first time in nearly 20 years, all of our Lenten worship 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.

EVENTS

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER

Tuesday, February 17 | 5:00–7:30 PM | Fellowship Hall

Suggested Donation: \$10 Adults, \$5 Kids 12 & under, Toddlers are FREE

Enjoy an all-you-can-eat meal with options like traditional pancakes or waffles, topped with strawberry or blueberry, or go wild with whipped cream and chocolate chips. The dinner also includes sausage links and drinks, with takeout available.

ASH WEDNESDAY - ASHES TO GO

Wednesday, February 18 | 11:30 AM–1:30 PM | Allegheny Avenue in front of Calvary

Pastors will offer ashes to pedestrians and drivers outside the church during lunch hour.

TRADITIONAL ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

Wednesday, February 18 | 7:00 PM | Chapel

A meaningful service with the imposition of ashes. Open to everyone, this service marks the start of Lent, a time for reflection, forgiveness and renewal.

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

Celebrate Easter at dawn with a beautiful view of Pittsburgh. A cherished community tradition continuing 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.

SMALL GROUPS



WEEKLY

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY LED BY REV. CHENDA LEE

Sundays beginning February 22 | 10:00–10:45 AM | Chapel

Contact: 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.

JESUS 101 — BIBLE STUDY LED BY REV. MYLES BRADLEY

Sundays | 10:00–10:45 AM | Chapel

Contact: Rev. Myles Bradley (ogremtb@aol.com)

Join Rev. Myles Bradley for *Jesus 101*, an engaging study exploring the life and teachings of Jesus. All are welcome!

Session 4	February 1	Twenty Centuries of Jesus
Session 5	February 8	Beyond Belief
Session 6	February 15	Jesus Christ Superstar

EXERCISE CLASS FOR ALL AGES

Tuesdays & Thursdays | 9:00 AM | Chapel

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

Using chairs and light equipment, participants follow the *Grow Young Fitness* series, making the class accessible for all abilities. They enjoy a 50 minute workout focused on movement and core strength in a fun judgment free environment. Classes meet weekly and are free and open to everyone. Just bring sneakers a water bottle and a friend or neighbor and join in the fun.

IRON CITY SQUARES — LGBTQIA+ SQUARE DANCE CLUB

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

Contact: Blaine Knupp (724-464-4324)

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays | 10:00–11:30 AM | Parlor

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 & FIBER ARTS FELLOWSHIP

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

Contact: Mary Emili (parkside704@yahoo.com)

Join instructor Mary Emili in a relaxed, welcoming setting to learn to knit; supplies are provided and all ages are welcome. Sessions last about one hour and repeat weekly at the same time and place. You're also invited to bring your own knitting, crochet, needlework or hand-sewing project to share fellowship and creativity with others.

MISSIONS & OUTREACH



ANNOUNCEMENT

WINTER CARE & FOOD COLLECTIONS FOR OUR NEIGHBORS

Contact: Kathy Wagner (kbwagner47@gmail.com)

Help Calvary support local families this winter! Drop donations in the chapel bin for food banks and community ministries. Needed items include boxed milk, pop-top canned goods, cooking oil, sugar, flour and 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

SUPER “SOUPER” BOWL SUNDAY

Sunday, February 8 | Following Worship | Fellowship Hall

Contact: Ken Elliott (724-513-4625 or kenelliott76@gmail.com)

Join us for Super “Souper” Bowl Sunday on Super Bowl Sunday, February 8! We invite everyone to bring cans of soup to church to support our food pantry partners. All cans collected will be donated to help neighbors in need. We will also enjoy soup as our snack during after church fellowship, a fun and meaningful way to celebrate together. Our goal is to collect at least 60 pounds (90 cans) of soup to celebrate Super Bowl LX (60). If you are unable to bring cans, you can still participate by placing a monetary donation in the collection plate using one of our envelopes and labeling it “Food Pantry Donation,” or by giving online at calvarypgh.com/give (memo: Food Pantry Donation). Let’s make Super Bowl Sunday truly Souper by serving others!

CALVARY UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH — SERVING DAILY BREAD

Thursday, February 12 (2nd Thursday monthly) | 11:00 AM–12:00 PM

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

Contact: Joan Bradley (ogremtb@aol.com)

Calvary United Women in Faith organizes the meal preparation for Daily Bread, a ministry that provides meals three times a week to those who are unhoused or underemployed.

NORTHVIEW HEIGHTS FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Saturdays: February 14, March 21 | 9:00–10:30 AM

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

Contact: Linda Ehrlich (laehrich927@aol.com)

RSVP: Sign-up sheet in chapel

“CHANGE MATTERS” SPECIAL OFFERING

Sunday, February 22 (Last Sunday monthly) | During Worship | Sanctuary

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

WEEKLY

SLEEPING BAG MINISTRY

Mondays | 6:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

Contact: Terri Howell (412-482-2211 or trr_howell@yahoo.com)

This group makes sleeping bags from recycled materials with personal care items for local homeless shelters. Sheets, curtains, coverlets, and tablecloths are especially welcome.

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.

MUSIC MINISTRY



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

Contact: Brian Burns (bsburns77@aol.com)

All singers are welcome! No experience or auditions needed! Join our supportive group and share your love of music.

HAND BELL REHEARSAL

Tuesdays (Jan – May, Sep) | 7:00–8:00 PM | Music Office

Thursdays (Oct– Dec) | 6:00–7:00 PM | Music Office

Contact: Brian Burns (bsburns77@aol.com)

No audition or music-reading skills needed! All are welcome to join this joyful musical ministry.



EVENTS

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Saturday, February 7 | 6:00–9:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

Free childcare, dinner, snacks, movie, games and crafts for kids of all ages!

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.

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) or Brittany Bova-Mickens (412-715-4947 or 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.

FAMILY CORNER

UPCOMING EVENTS



PARENTS NIGHT OUT



Sat, Feb 7 • 6-9 pm

FREE CHILDCARE, dinner, snacks, movie, games and crafts for kids of all ages!



EASTER EGG HUNT



Sat, Mar 21 • 1-3 pm

All are invited for an egg hunt at 1:15 PM with games, crafts and a light snack.



FAMILY GAME DAY



Sun, Apr 26 • 1-3 pm

All are invited to bring their favorite board games to share and play with others.



KICKOFF TO SUMMER COOKOUT



Sun, May 17 • 1-3 pm

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

MORE INFO

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

GET CONNECTED



EVENTS

COMMUNION

Sunday, February 1 (1st Sunday monthly) | 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 share.

WORSHIP MEETING — ALL INVITED

Sunday, February 1 | 12:15 PM | Parlor

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

A worship meeting will be held for the Worship Committee and anyone interested in worship at Calvary. All are welcome to attend and participate.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, February 19 (3rd Thursday monthly) | 6:30–8:00 PM | Chapel

Contacts: Ken Elliott, Co-President (724-513-4625 or kenelliott76@gmail.com) or Jan Myers, Co-President (ajmeyers1237@comcast.net)

There will not be meetings in July or December.

COMMUNITY LUNCH

Sunday, February 22 (Last Sunday monthly) | Following Worship | Fellowship Hall

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

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 | Fellowship Hall

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

Please join us around the tables in the fellowship hall following morning worship for refreshments and fellowship. Please use the stairs on the Beech Avenue side or the elevator in the back of the chapel.

Sharing food helps us connect and continue fellowship after worship. Volunteers are needed to help prepare, serve and clean up, with teams serving one Sunday a month. Financial support is also welcome through weekly donations or sponsorships (\$50 for refreshments or \$100 for a monthly luncheon). If you're interested in volunteering or sponsoring, please see Mike Schnitgen.

SPECIAL EVENTS



GATHERING WITH BISHOP SANDRA STEINER-BALL CLERGY AND LAITY INVITED

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

Join Bishop Sandra Steiner-Ball for one of six gatherings across the WPA Conference. These meetings bring clergy and laity together to reflect, share updates, and explore how we continue moving forward as a people empowered by God's Spirit. Each gathering begins with scripture and spiritual centering, followed by updates on vision, Conference staffing and restructuring, and ongoing ministry and mission.

Attend the gathering and location that works best for you. Dates and times accommodate full-time laity and bi-vocational pastors:

- **Sunday, February 15 | 2:00-4:00 PM**
Grove City Grace UMC, 210 South Broad St, Grove City
- **Sunday, February 22 | 3:00-5:00 PM**
Trinity UMC Indiana, 398 Church St, Indiana
- **Saturday, March 14 | 3:00-5:00 PM**
Edinboro UMC, 113 High St, Edinboro
- **Sunday, March 15 | 3:00-5:00 PM**
Monroeville UMC, 219 Center Rd, Monroeville
- **Monday, March 16 | 6:30-8:30 PM**
Trinity UMC McMurray, 530 Center Church Rd, McMurray
- **Thursday, March 19 | 6:00-8:00 PM**
Warren Grace UMC, 501 Pennsylvania Ave East, Warren

Please register to help us prepare and communicate any schedule updates. Bishop Sandra looks forward to celebrating how God's power is at work among us as we Love Boldly, Serve Joyfully, and Lead Courageously.

VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER PRESENTED BY SBCOC: SINGLE BY CHOICE OR CHANCE

Saturday, February 14 | 6:00-8:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

Contact: Nancy Richards (revrfr@yahoo.com)

RSVP: Sign-up sheet in chapel

Feeling a little "solo" this Valentine's Day? Join SBCOC: Single By Choice or Chance for an evening of food, fun and fellowship. Bring a dish to share, whether a main, salad or dessert, and help create a delicious spread. Enjoy some games and silliness, but the focus is simple: good food and good company. Coffee, tea and water will be provided. Sign-up sheets are in the chapel so we can plan the menu and make sure everyone can join in. Let's make this Valentine's Day a celebration of friendship and fun!

GENDER DIVERSITY & PRONOUNS WORKSHOP

Sunday, February 15 | 12:30 PM | Chapel

Contact: Tim Napieralski (sashanapieralski@outlook.com)

Calvary is partnering with Hugh Lane for a workshop on gender diversity and pronouns. Join us to learn, grow, and help build a more inclusive and understanding community.

AHPS TIFFANY CONCERT SERIES

TOM ROBERTS: A CONCERT BY CANDLELIGHT

Sunday, February 15 | 5:00 PM | Calvary UMC

Contact: ahps-pgh.org

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

Charlie Chaplin Silent Film Night with internationally acclaimed pianist and composer Tom Roberts. Roberts will perform his original live score to a selection of Chaplin's classic silent films, including *The Rink*, *The Pawn Shop*, and *Kid Auto Race at Venice*, with a special encore of *One A.M.* Known for his mastery of early jazz and silent film accompaniment, Roberts brings a rich musical legacy to this family-friendly, accessible event.

“HEY NEIGHBOR!” WEDNESDAY DINNERS

Wednesdays beginning February 18 (Ash Wednesday) | 6:00-8:00 PM | Chapel

Contacts: Patty Bogdewic (patriciabogdewic@gmail.com) or Kenny Elliott (724-513-4625 or kenelliott76@gmail.com)

RSVP: Sign-up sheet in chapel

A watched pot never boils, especially without gas. And without ingredients? No soup. No meal. No gathering.

This Lent, Calvary is turning on the heat and stirring something new. *Soup and Community will be at the heart of our shared life* as we launch **Hey, Neighbor! Wednesday Dinners**.

From **Ash Wednesday, February 18 through April 1**, join us for seven Wednesday evenings of **free meals, fun activities and warm community**. These dinners are for neighbors as well as Calvary friends—anyone who wants to connect and belong is welcome.

This is about more than soup. It is about **connection, belonging and living out our mission**. Calvary boldly proclaims: *“You are God’s beloved and you are welcome here.”*

Even if only a few neighbors come, it will be worth it if we give our hearts, our hospitality and our love.

This Sunday we’ll share how you can help make this happen. The most important ingredient? You.

ALLEGHENY CITY SOCIETY BOOK CLUB DISCUSSION

BOOK: BILLY PORTER, UNPROTECTED (2021)

Wednesday, February 25 | 7:00 PM | Sanctuary

Contact: David Grinnell (grinnell@pitt.edu)

Join the Allegheny City Society (ACS) Book Club to discuss Billy Porter’s revealing memoir *Unprotected*. Discover the trials, triumphs and “angels” that shaped this Pittsburgh native into a star of stage and screen. Porter’s memoir is available on Amazon, at local bookstores and in your public library. Everyone is welcome!



YOU ARE THE INGREDIENT HELP MAKE HEY, NEIGHBOR! HAPPEN

FEBRUARY 1, 2026

By Kenny Elliott, Calvary Lay Leader

Great soup doesn't happen by accident. It takes ingredients. It takes hands. It takes heart.

The **Hey, Neighbor! Wednesday Dinners** will only happen if we show up together—serving, welcoming and building community side by side.

This Lent, **everyone is invited to be part of it:** families, individuals, small groups, ministry teams, committees—and even friends who don't attend Calvary but want to serve.

How It Works

Each Wednesday dinner has **two simple parts: the Meal** and **the Activity**. We're inviting small groups, committees, and ministry teams to host one dinner and/or one activity during Lent.

- **Hosting a meal** includes making soup, setting up, serving, cleaning up, and offering hospitality.
- **Leading an activity** means creating a fun, welcoming experience—trivia, games, crafts, or conversation starters.

Individuals and families are welcome to sign up for any role.

Ways Anyone Can Help

- Make soup
- Host the meal
- Lead or assist with an activity

No role is too small.

Last year's Lenten Lift reminded us how powerful it is to gather around a simple meal. Starting with something small can create meaningful connection and grow into something lasting. That's how Calvary's Messiah began—and now it's a cherished Pittsburgh holiday tradition for many neighbors.

That's our calling again.

This year, we want to reach beyond our walls—through social media, local outreach, and personal invitations—to let our wider community know that Calvary is here, and that **all truly means all**.

But the most powerful invitation? **Yours**.

Invite a neighbor. Invite a friend. Invite a coworker or family member.

Bring your unique flavor. Bring your time. Bring your heart.

Sign up to help. Sign up to serve. Sign up to make soup.

And let's get cooking!

**Allegheny Historic Preservation Society's
Tiffany Concert Series**

presents

**Chaplin by Candlelight
with the**

Music of Tom Roberts

Sunday, February 15 at 5:00



**Calvary United Methodist Church
971 Beech Avenue, Pittsburgh 15233**
calvarypgh.com

**Tickets purchased at the door by cash, check, or credit: Adults: \$25,
Seniors & Students: \$20, Children under 16: \$15**

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You ARE WELCOME HERE.



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