

# CALVARY

*United Methodist Church*



## Know your position!



**SEP**

**21<sup>ST</sup>**

**2025**

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



# WELCOME TO CALVARY

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## OUR WELCOME STATEMENT

**Calvary United Methodist Church believes that all means all.**

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

## GETTING TO KNOW YOU

If you're visiting us for the first time, thank you for joining us! We'd love to get to know you better – please stop by our Welcome Tables to learn more about who we are. 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 let one of our greeters know – we're happy to help!

## FAMILIES WITH BABIES OR YOUNG CHILDREN

We welcome all of God's children into our worship services – including infants and toddlers. If you'd find it helpful, there's a Family Area located in the rear left of the sanctuary, equipped with rocking chairs and toys to help keep little ones comfortable.

## RESTROOMS & ACCESSIBILITY

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 left, restrooms are located down the stairs, and (3) an elevator is available by exiting through the right side of the sanctuary and heading toward the back.

# PRAYER CONCERNS

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**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

Fiona McGrath and family in the passing of her brother

John Stavish and Kerry Wetmore, friends of Callie Buzard

Bobby Buckner, friend of Brian B.

Susan D. friend of Terry J.

Rachel Merkel, daughter of Rev. David Eichelberger

Rev. Deborah Ackley-Killian

Nancy Richards

### CONTINUING CONCERNS

Paul Brucker

Jeanne Dithomas

Susan Gilliland

Martha Helmreich

Sheila Molyneaux

Marcia Webb, friend of Mark S.

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](http://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

## CHORAL INTROIT

## CALL TO WORSHIP †★

Leader: My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast!

**People: I will sing and make melody. Awake my soul!**

Leader: I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the people!

**People: And I will sing praises to you among the nations!**

Leader: For your steadfast love is higher than the heavens, and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

**People: Be exalted, O God above the heavens and let your glory be over all the earth.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE †★ . . . . . "Many Gifts, One Spirit" — #114 UMH

## OPENING PRAYER †★

Merciful God, as we seek to know your ways, may we be more ready to receive the gifts of others than to trumpet the gifts we have received. Lay your call to Christian unity on our hearts, as we listen to your precepts and seek to live them each day. Enable us to do our part in your wonderful plan for our lives. As the heavens proclaim your praise, and the day and the night reveal your truth, open our hearts to You and those who need Your care. Amen .

## WORDS OF WELCOME

## COMMUNITY GREETINGS †

## GATHERING SONG OF PRAISE †★ . . . . . "O God Beyond All Praising" — #2009 TFWS

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today  
and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;  
for we can only wonder at every gift you send,  
at blessings without number and mercies without end:  
we lift our hearts before you, and wait upon your word,  
we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

## EPISTLE LESSON ★ . . . . . 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 NRSV

- 4 Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit,
- 5 and there are varieties of services but the same Lord,
- 6 and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone.
- 7 To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.
- 8 To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit,

- 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit,  
10 to another the working of powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the  
discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the  
interpretation of tongues.  
11 All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one  
individually just as the Spirit chooses.

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## SHARING PRAYER CONCERNS

**HYMN OF PRAYER** ★ . . . . . "Be Still, My Soul" — #534 UMH  
*You are welcome to come forward to the altar for prayer.*

## PASTORAL PRAYER

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** ★ . . . . . #895 UMH  
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will  
be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us  
our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into  
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and  
the glory forever. Amen.**

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

**GOSPEL LESSON** †★ . . . . . Matthew 10:1-14 NRSV

- 1 Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean  
spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness.  
2 These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and  
his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee and his brother John;  
3 Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of  
Alphaeus and Thaddaeus;  
4 Simon the Cananaean and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.  
5 These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Do not take a road  
leading to gentiles, and do not enter a Samaritan town,  
6 but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. 7 As you go, proclaim the good  
news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.'  
8 Cure the sick; raise the dead; cleanse those with a skin disease; cast out demons.  
You received without payment; give without payment.  
9 Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts,  
10 no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff, for laborers deserve  
their food.  
11 Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until  
you leave.



- 12 As you enter the house, greet it.
- 13 If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it, but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you.
- 14 If anyone will not welcome you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town.

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** . . . . . "Know your position!" — Rev. Beth L. Nelson

**HYMN OF PREPARATION \*** . . . . . "Child of Blessing, Child of Promise" — #611 UMH

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM \*** . . . . . Julian George Binger

Leader: Brothers and sisters in Christ: Through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's Holy Church. We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit. All this is God's good gift, offered to us without price.

Today we present Julian, son of Matthew and Shannon, brother of Christian godson of Melissa Binger and Natasha Herleman.

**HISTORIC QUESTIONS FOR THE PARENTS AND GODPARENTS**

**RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH \***

Leader: On behalf of the whole church, I ask you:  
Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sins?

**People: We do.**

Leader: Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?

**People: We do.**

Leader: Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the Church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?

**People: We do.**

Leader: Will you nurture Julian in Christ's holy Church, that by your teaching and example he may be guided to accept God's grace for himself, to profess his faith openly, and to lead a Christian life?

**People: We will.**

Leader: Family and friends, do you, as Christ's body, the church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Jesus Christ?

**People: We do.**

Leader: Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life, and include this family now before you in your care?

**People: With God's help, we will.**

**THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER \***

Leader: Eternal God, when nothing existed but chaos, you swept across the dark waters and brought forth light. In the fullness of time you sent Jesus, nurtured in the waters of the womb. He was baptized by John and by your Spirit. Jesus called the disciples and had them share in the baptism of his death and resurrection and to make disciples of all nations. Pour out your Holy Spirit on this water and on the one who receives it. May he be clothed in righteousness throughout his life until he shares in the final victory. In the name of the living Christ, we pray. Amen.

**BAPTISM AND BLESSING \***

Leader: Julian, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
Now it is our joy to welcome our new sister in Christ. Members of the household of God, I commend this child to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase his faith, confirm his hope, and perfect him in love. Congregation please respond:

People: **With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround this child with a community of love and forgiveness, that he may grow in service to others. We will pray for Julian , that he may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life.**  
**We give thanks for all that God has already given Julian, especially his parents, his big brother, extended family, and friends. We welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.**

**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 †★ . . . . . "Freely, Freely" — #389 UMH**

**BENEDICTION †**

**POSTLUDE †**

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# THIS WEEK AT CALVARY

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**SUN**  
**SEP 21**

## **A TIME FOR FELLOWSHIP**

Following Worship (Weekly) | Sanctuary

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

8:00 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall

**MON**  
**SEP 22**

## **SLEEPING BAG MINISTRY**

6:00 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall

**TUES**  
**SEP 23**

## **EXERCISE CLASS FOR ALL AGES**

9:00 – 10:00 AM (Weekly) | Chapel

## **CHOIR REHEARSAL**

6:00 – 7:00 PM (Weekly) | Sanctuary

## **HAND BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL**

7:00 – 8:00 PM (Weekly) | Music Office (Upstairs in Chapel)

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

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

**WED**  
**SEP 24**

## **UNCLOBBERED – BIBLE STUDY LED BY TIM NAPIERALSKI**

7:00 PM (Weekly) | Parsonage

**THURS**  
**SEP 25**

## **EXERCISE CLASS FOR ALL AGES**

9:00 – 10:00 AM (Weekly) | Chapel

## **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

10:00 – 11:30 AM (Weekly) | Parsonage

## **OPEN SANCTUARY**

6:00 – 8:00 PM (Weekly) | Sanctuary

**SAT**  
**SEP 27**

## **RUMMAGE SALE**

8:00 AM – 2:00 PM | Lawn

## **NORTHVIEW HEIGHTS FOOD DISTRIBUTION**

9:00 – 10:30 AM | Northview Heights



**SUN**  
**SEP 28**

**OPENING GATHERING**

9:45 AM (Weekly) | Parsonage

**UNCLOBBERED – BIBLE STUDY LED BY TIM NAPIERALSKI**

10:00 AM (Weekly) | Parsonage

**SUNDAY SCHOOL – K-3RD, 4TH-6TH**

10:00 – 10:45 AM (Weekly) | Presbytery

**SUNDAY SCHOOL – 7TH-12TH**

10:00 – 10:45 AM (Weekly) | Christian Education Office (Upstairs in Chapel)

**CHOIR REHEARSAL**

10:00 – 10:45 AM (Weekly) | Sanctuary

**“CHANGE MATTERS” SPECIAL OFFERING**

During Worship (Monthly) | Sanctuary

**CHARGE CONFERENCE TAILGATE**

Following Worship | Fellowship Hall

**CHARGE CONFERENCE**

Following Tailgate | Chapel

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

8:00 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall





**READY FOR SOME FOOTBALL?**

JOIN US FOR OUR

# FALL SERMON SERIES



CALVARY IS KICKING OFF THE FALL SEASON WITH A FRESH NEW FORMAT FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL & A NEW FALL SERMON SERIES!



## **WEEK 1 • SEPTEMBER 7**

Sermon: Are you ready for some football?



## **WEEK 2 • SEPTEMBER 14**

Sermon: Hail Mary!



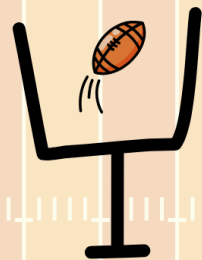
## **WEEK 3 • SEPTEMBER 21**

Sermon: Know your position!



## **WEEK 4 • SEPTEMBER 28**

Sermon: The Joy of the Game  
Charge Conference Sunday & Pregame Tailgate Party!!!



# SMALL GROUPS



## WEEKLY

### UNCLOBBERED – OUR NEW FALL BIBLE STUDY

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

**Wednesdays | 7:00 PM | Parsonage**

This fall, Calvary launches its new LGBTQIA+ ministry led by Tim Napieralski with a powerful two-part experience. We'll begin with a screening of *1946: The Mistranslation That Shifted Culture*, a groundbreaking documentary uncovering how a 1946 Bible mistranslation fueled anti-gay theology. Featuring newly discovered Yale archives, insights from scholars, and personal stories, the film challenges long-held assumptions and invites fresh understanding. Following the screening, we'll dive into *UnClobber* by Colby Martin. This thought-provoking study reexamines the six so-called "Clobber Passages" often used to exclude LGBTQIA+ people, revealing what Scripture truly says—and doesn't say—about homosexuality. Through open conversation, biblical exploration, and Martin's personal journey, we'll move from bad theology toward deeper faith, compassion, and welcome for all God's children. All are welcome!

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

**Sundays | 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.

### GA (GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS)

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

**Next Meeting: October 13**

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

### NA (NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS) — MANCHESTER

**Tuesdays | 7:00 – 8:00 PM | Fellowship Hall**

Every addict in the world has the chance to experience their message, and find the opportunity for a new way of life.

### EXERCISE CLASS FOR ALL AGES

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

The program is targeted to "older adults", but great for people of all ages.

### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

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

Join us for our new study: *Walking in the Dust of Rabbi Jesus* by Lois Tverberg. This engaging book brings the Bible to life by exploring the cultural context of Jesus' teachings. Together, we'll discover practical ways to live as His disciples and deepen our faith as we draw closer to God. Books are available. ALL women are welcome as we gather in community around God's Word at the parsonage during construction.

# MUSIC MINISTRY



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL FOR SINGERS!

#### 13TH ANNUAL HANDEL'S MESSIAH SING-ALONG CONCERT

**Sing with us this holiday season!** Join Calvary's Festival Choir for our 13th annual Messiah concert and be part of a joyful, welcoming community! Experience Handel's timeless masterpiece by candlelight and Calvary's stunning Tiffany stained glass. Sing alongside professional soloists and our orchestra, and lead the audience in eight festive sing-along choruses. No auditions needed, and singers of all voice parts and experience levels are welcome. **Rehearsals begin Tuesday, October 7, from 7:30–9:00 pm.** Celebrate the season, connect with fellow music lovers, and share your voice!

## EVENTS

#### 13TH ANNUAL HANDEL'S MESSIAH SING-ALONG CONCERT

**Saturday, December 13 & Sunday, December 14 | 4:00 PM | Calvary UMC**

**Tickets:** \$20 General Admission, \$15 Students/Seniors, Free for children 10 years & under. Celebrate the season with Handel's inspiring Messiah surrounded by the glow of candlelight and Calvary's magnificent Tiffany stained-glass masterpieces. Now in its 13th year, this beloved Calvary tradition is a family-friendly, interactive concert that draws audiences from across the region. Tickets go on sale October 1, 2025 at **CalvaryPgh.com**.

## WEEKLY

### CHOIR REHEARSAL

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

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

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. Contact Brian Burns at **bsburns77@aol.com** for more details.

### MESSIAH CHOIR REHEARSAL

**Tuesdays (Beginning October 7) | 7:30 – 9:00 PM | Sanctuary**

No auditions are needed, and singers of all voice parts and experience levels are welcome. Celebrate the season, connect with fellow music lovers, and share your voice! Contact Karen Ferguson at **karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com** for more details.

### HAND BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL

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

**Thursdays (Oct– Dec) | 6:00 – 7:00 PM | Music Office (Upstairs in Chapel)**

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. Come ring with us and share your love for music! Contact Brian Burns at **bsburns77@aol.com** for more details.



# Rummage Sale

COME  
TREASURE-  
HUNTING &  
SUPPORT  
CALVARY!

RAIN OR SHINE

**SAT, SEP 27**  
**8AM - 2PM**

CALVARY UMC LAWN

## DONATIONS

DROP OFF ITEMS  
SEPT. 22-25, 5-7 PM

## FOOD

BREAKFAST  
SANDWICHES &  
CHICKEN  
LUNCHES

## RESERVE A SPOT

\$10 PER SPACE  
\$10 PER TABLE



Food sales benefit the Revive & Renew Capital Campaign

# MISSIONS & OUTREACH



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALLING ALL BAKERS!

Daily Bread needs cookies! Please bring your baked goods and place them in the freezer in the Fellowship Hall kitchen. Questions? Contact Judy Flaherty (412-913-8250 / jakflaher1908@gmail.com).

### TOOTHPASTE & BAG COLLECTION CONTINUES

Northside Common Ministries has asked Calvary to continue collecting toothpaste – donations can be placed in the collection bin in the chapel. We're also still collecting cloth grocery bags.

## EVENTS

### NORTHVIEW HEIGHTS FOOD DISTRIBUTION

**Saturdays: September 27, November 1, November 29 | 9:00 – 10:30 AM**

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

There is a sign-up sheet in the chapel, and a written description of the work. Contact Linda Ehrlich at laehrlich927@aol.com with any questions.

### “CHANGE MATTERS” SPECIAL OFFERING

**Sunday, September 28 (Last Sunday of each month) | 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.

### CALVARY UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH — SERVING DAILY BREAD

**NOTICE: FOR OCTOBER ONLY, THE DATE IS MOVED UP ONE WEEK TO OCT 2**

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

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

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.

## WEEKLY

### SLEEPING BAG MINISTRY

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

This group makes sleeping bags from recycled materials, filled with personal care items, and delivers them to local homeless shelters. No sewing experience is required! We especially need sheets, curtains, coverlets, and tablecloths. Contact Terri Howell (412-482-2211 / trr\_howell@yahoo.com) for further details.

### 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.

# SPECIAL EVENTS

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## RUMMAGE SALE

**Saturday, September 27 | 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM | Lawn**

Join us for Calvary's community rummage sale – RAIN OR SHINE!

- **Donations:** Items may be dropped off at the church September 22–25, from 5–7 PM. (Call the church office if you need a different time.)
- **Reserve a Spot:** Want to sell your own items? Spots are \$10 each. Tables are available for an additional \$10.
- **Food:** Enjoy breakfast sandwiches in the morning and chicken lunches at midday. All food proceeds benefit the Revive & Renew Capital Campaign.

Mark your calendars and come treasure-hunting while supporting Calvary!

## HEARTS & PAWS: NORTH SIDE BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

**Sunday, October 5 | 12:30 – 1:30 PM | Lawn**

Join Calvary UMC, the Humane Animal Rescue and the GBU Northside Neighborhood for a community event celebrating the animals we love and the neighbors we cherish! Enjoy a Blessing of the Animals, pet-friendly activities, a photo area, and opportunities to support local animal welfare. All are welcome – whether you bring a pet, are considering adoption, or just want to connect with neighbors!

## SILENT READING & PUZZLE NIGHT

**Monday, October 28 | 6:30 – 8:30 PM | Parsonage**

Looking for a cozy night out? Bring the book you're reading and join other book lovers for an evening of quiet reading, conversation, and puzzles! Enjoy light refreshments and introductions, then settle into peaceful silent reading. A separate space will be available for jigsaw puzzle-building, and we'll wrap up the night with more refreshments. Cost is \$10 per person, with all proceeds supporting Calvary's Capital Campaign.

## SPA DAY: SEE YOURSELF. BE YOURSELF. LOVE YOURSELF.

**Date TBD | Time TBD | Hugh Lane Wellness Foundation**

A day of self-care, affirmation, and joy for our LGBTQIA+ community. All are welcome! Whether you're exploring your gender, in transition, or simply want a safe space to be yourself, Spa Day will offer:

- Gender-affirming haircuts from stylists who understand and celebrate you
- Makeup lessons tailored to your unique expression
- Nail care to help you feel polished and confident

This is more than a spa day – it's a chance to be seen and supported just as you are. Come experience care, connection, and celebration in a loving, inclusive space. Stay tuned for details!



Come and join other book lovers for an evening of...  
**reading our own book!!!**



# SILENT BOOKS & PUZZLES

**October 28 | 6:30-8:30 PM**



**Calvary UMC Parsonage**

939 Beech Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15233

Parking Behind the Church, next to the entrance on  
Douton Way. The house is in the parking lot.



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**6:30-7:00 PM** Light refreshments & Introductions

**7:00-8:15 PM**

Silent Reading Time in a quiet setting. Jigsaw  
Puzzle Building will take place in a separate  
area of the home, so as not to disturb readers.

**8:15-8:30 PM**

Wrap-up



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**Fee - \$10**

Purchase tickets in advance at [CalvaryPgh.com](http://CalvaryPgh.com)  
All Proceeds Benefit Calvary's Capital Campaign





## EVENTS

### COMMUNITY LUNCH

**Sunday, September 28 (Last Sunday of each month) | Following Worship Fellowship Hall**

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

### CHARGE CONFERENCE

**Sunday, September 28 | Following Worship | Chapel**

Join us for a post-game celebration! The Steelers play at 9 AM in Ireland, and we'll celebrate a festive finale to our Fall Football Series, featuring food, fellowship, and fun. The event will conclude with our Charge Conference, where we'll discuss the year ahead for Calvary – everyone is invited to join the conversation!

### COMMUNION

**Sunday, October 5 (1st Sunday of each month) | During Worship | Sanctuary**

All are invited to the table of our Lord. You do not need to be a member of Calvary or any church to participate. The bread that we share is gluten free so that all may partake.

### NEW MEMBER GATHERING

**Sunday, October 5 (1st Sunday of each month) | Following Worship | Parlor**

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

### CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

**Thursday, October 16 (3rd Thursday of each month) | 6:30 – 8:00 PM | Chapel**

There will not be a meeting in December.



## EVENTS

### PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

**Friday, October 24 | 6:00 – 9:00 PM | Fellowship Hall**

Take a well-deserved break while we care for your little ones! Calvary is offering a night of free babysitting and dinner for children, giving parents a chance to relax and recharge. Kids will enjoy an evening of food, games, and activities.

### PARENTS' DAY OUT

**Sunday, December 21 | 1:00 – 4:00 PM | Fellowship Hall**

Enjoy a daytime outing while we care for your little ones! Calvary is offering free babysitting and lunch for children, giving parents a chance to relax, finish last-minute Christmas shopping, or wrap presents. Kids will enjoy food, games, and a Santa Shop to pick out gifts for family and friends.

### FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

**Friday, January 16 | 6:00 – 8:30 PM | Chapel**

Bring the whole family for a cozy night at Calvary's Family Movie Night! Snuggle up in your favorite pajamas and enjoy a fun-filled evening together. We'll provide classic movie snacks—think popcorn, candy, and drinks—while we watch a family-friendly movie. It's the perfect way to relax and connect with your church community.

### PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

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

Enjoy a worry-free evening while we look after your little ones! Calvary is hosting a free night of childcare and dinner for kids—giving parents time to unwind and recharge. Children will have a blast with a fun-filled evening of food, games, and activities.

## WEEKLY

### SUNDAY SCHOOL—K-3RD, 4TH-6TH,

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

Our Sunday School is divided into K-3rd, 4th-6th, and 7th-12th grades for age-appropriate learning, using Cokesbury's FaithWeaver NOW series.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL—7TH-12TH

**Sundays | 10:00 – 10:45 AM | Christian Education Office (Upstairs in Chapel)**

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# HEARTS & PAWS BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5 • 12:30 – 1:30 PM**

Calvary Lawn (Beech Avenue)



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**PHOTO OPS**

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ANIMAL WELFARE**

**ACTIVITIES  
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**Support Humane  
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