

# CALVARY

United Methodist Church



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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

Rev. David Eichelberger and family –  
David's aunt, Cathrine Dittmar,  
passed away on December 8.

Tim Napieralski

Joe Grzybowski – friend of Judy Melvin

### CONTINUING CONCERNS

Renee – friend of Mark Snyder

Paul Brucker

Jeanne Dithomas

Kyle Giest

Susan Cilliland

Terri Jagielski

Martha Helmreich

Judy Melvin

Sheila Molyneaux

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](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



## PRELUDER

## CHORAL INTROIT

## CALL TO WORSHIP †\*

Leader: Here in worship –

People: **we pray together,**

Leader: we stand together,

People: **we sing together,**

Leader: we listen together.

People: **Here in worship – we are not alone.**

Leader: So when life gives you reason to grieve, to fear, or to worry, remember this moment.

People: **We are not alone.**

Leader: Let us worship our with-us God.

## HYMN OF PRAISE †\* . . . . . "Hail to the Lord's Anointed" – #203 UMH

## OPENING PRAYER †\*

Immanuel, we turned off alarm clocks. We poured cups of coffee. We slipped shoes onto our feet and combed back fly-away hairs. We traveled to this room and settled into this space, all in hopes of drawing closer to you. So as we hear your Word read aloud, help us to feel your presence in our midst. For we are reaching out our hands. We are reaching out our hearts. Speak to us now. With hope we pray, Amen.

## WORDS OF WELCOME

## COMMUNITY GREETINGS †

## GATHERING SONG OF PRAISE †\* . . . . . "Emmanuel" – #204 UMH

Emmanuel, Emmanuel. His name is called Emmanuel.

God with us, revealed in us, His name is called Emmanuel.

## OLD TESTAMENT LESSON \* . . . . . Isaiah 41:5-10 NRSV

- 5 The coastlands have seen and are afraid; the ends of the earth tremble; they have drawn near and come.
- 6 Each one helps the other, saying to one another, "Take courage!"
- 7 The artisan encourages the goldsmith, and the one who smooths with the hammer encourages the one who strikes the anvil, saying of the soldering, "It is good," and they fasten it with nails so that it cannot be moved.
- 8 But you, Israel, my servant, Jacob, whom I have chosen, the offspring of Abraham, my friend;
- 9 you whom I took from the ends of the earth and called from its farthest corners, saying to you, "You are my servant; I have chosen you and not cast you off";
- 10 do not fear, for I am with you; do not be afraid, for I am your God; I will strengthen you; I will help you; I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

## LIGHTING THE FOURTH ADVENT CANDLE

## SHARING PRAYER CONCERNS

**HYMN OF PRAYER** \* . . . . "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" – #211 UMH (Verses 1,5,6,7)  
*You are welcome to come forward to the altar for prayer.*

## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION \*

**Leader:** When you were afraid, did I stay by your side? Did I offer my hand, or did I leave you alone?

**People:** When you were afraid, did I choose solidarity? Did I see your fear, or did I only see mine? Friend, none of us are perfect. We all make mistakes. Fortunately, God offers grace, and we do too.

Leader: So take a deep breath, and let's start again.

**People:** Thank you. Your mercy is a gift.

**Leader:** Now we must ask – when you were afraid, did we stay by your side? Did we offer our hands, or did we leave you alone?

**People: When you were afraid, did we choose solidarity? Did we see your fear? Or did we only see ours?**

**Leader:** Friends, none of us are perfect. We all make mistakes. Fortunately, God offers grace. So take a deep breath, and let's start again.

**People:** Thank you. Your mercy is a gift. We accept your grace and would love to start again.

Leader: May it be so, with God's help.

**People:** Alleluia, Amen.

## 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.**

**GOSPEL LESSON**  **Matthew 1:18-25 NRSV**

18 Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be pregnant from the Holy Spirit.

19 Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to divorce her quietly.

20 But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.

21 She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.”

*Order of Worship continued on following page.*

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

22 All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:  
23 "Look, the virgin shall become pregnant and give birth to a son, and they shall  
name him Emmanuel," which means, "God is with us."  
24 When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him;  
he took her as his wife  
25 but had no marital relations with her until she had given birth to a son, and he  
named him Jesus.

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** . . . . . "When you're afraid, give me your hand." – Rev. Beth L. Nelson

## 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** †\* . . . . . "Tell Out, My Soul" – #200 UMH

### BENEDICTION †

In a fearful world, may you look for God's spirit. May you reach for each other's hands.  
May you choose courage whenever you can. And in all things, may you remember that  
good news is louder than fear. In the name of the one who calls, the one who sends,  
and the one who journeys with – go in peace and *be not afraid*. Amen.

### POSTLUDE †

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

# THE LONGEST NIGHT

*A Service of Comfort & Hope*

The "Blue Christmas" service on the Winter Solstice offers a gentle, welcoming space to honor grief and quiet struggles during Advent, with care, comfort, and hope for healing. All are welcome.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21 | 7 PM | CALVARY UMC

# THIS WEEK AT CALVARY



**SUN**

**DEC 21**

## **PARSONAGE CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE**

Immediately After Worship | Parsonage

## **PARENTS' DAY OUT**

1:00 – 4:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

## **THE LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE – A SERVICE OF COMFORT & HOPE**

7:00 PM | Calvary UMC

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

8:00 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall

**MON**

**DEC 22**

## **SLEEPING BAG MINISTRY**

6:00 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall

**TUES**

**DEC 23**

## **CHOIR REHEARSAL**

6:00 – 7:00 PM (Weekly) | Choir Loft

## **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

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## **CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES**

4:00 & 7:00 PM | Calvary UMC

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## **SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS – “LESSONS FROM THE CAROLS”**

10:00 AM Breakfast & 11:00 AM Worship | Chapel

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

During Worship (Monthly) | Chapel

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

8:00 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall

# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



## EVENTS

### CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

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

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

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### COOKIE MAKERS NEEDED

We still need some cookies for Christmas Eve. A sign-up sheet is posted in the chapel.

### WORSHIP COORDINATOR (LAY MINISTRY VOLUNTEER ROLE)

The Worship Coordinator is a lay volunteer who supports the Pastor, Lay Leader and ministry teams to ensure worship services are welcoming, organized and run smoothly. This role involves recruiting, scheduling, and encouraging worship volunteers, serving as the main point of contact for schedule changes, providing support during Sunday services and helping organize volunteers for special services. The ideal person loves God and people, communicates well, values inclusion and can adapt when plans change. The time commitment is about 3-5 hours per week, primarily on Sunday mornings!

## WORSHIP LEADER ASSIGNMENTS

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

**Lay Liturgist:** Tim Napieralski

**Welcome Team:** Fred Ruddock, Megan McDonald, Patty Bogdewic

**Acolytes:** Gwen Cobb, Destin Cobb, James Mickens

**Slide Projectionist:** Linda McDonald

**Children's Message:** Kenny Elliott

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28

**Lay Liturgist:** Anne Christianson

**Welcome Team:** Jane Skerl, Fred Ruddock, Carl Traud

**Acolytes:** Gwen Cobb, Zay Burns-Elliott, James Mickens

**Slide Projectionist:** Kenny Elliott

**Children's Message:** Patty Bogdewic

# SMALL GROUPS



## WEEKLY

### **JESUS 101 – NEW BIBLE STUDY LED BY REV. MYLES BRADLEY**

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

Join Rev. Myles Bradley for Jesus 101, an engaging study exploring the life and teachings of Jesus. The class will resume after the holidays on January 4, 11 and 18. All are welcome!

<b>Session 1</b>	<b>December 7</b>	<b>Put Christ Back in Christmas</b>
<b>Session 2</b>	<b>December 14</b>	<b>Jesus Is the Reason for the Season</b>
<b>Session 3</b>	<b>January 4</b>	<b>Come Thou Long-Expected Jesus</b>
<b>Session 4</b>	<b>January 11</b>	<b>Twenty Centuries of Jesus</b>
<b>Session 5</b>	<b>January 18</b>	<b>Beyond Belief</b>
<b>Session 6</b>	<b>January 25</b>	<b>Jesus Christ Superstar</b>

### **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: February 9**

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.

### **IRON CITY SQUARES – LGBTQIA+ SQUARE DANCE CLUB**

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

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

### **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

#### **THIS GROUP IS CURRENTLY ON BREAK UNTIL JANUARY 8, 2026**

**Thursdays (Beginning January 8, 2026) | 10:00 – 11:30 AM | Parlor**

Join us for our new study: "The Women of the Bible Speak – The Wisdom of 16 Women and Their Lessons for Today." This study will begin on **January 8, 2026**. All are welcome as we gather in community around God's Word. Books will be made available for a small purchase fee.

# GET CONNECTED



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SERVE, SHARE, AND CONNECT THROUGH FOOD & FELLOWSHIP

Sharing food together is an important way we build connections and continue fellowship after worship at Calvary. To keep this ministry going, we're seeking volunteers and sponsors for our food and fellowship times. Teams are forming to assist with preparation, serving and clean-up – each team will take responsibility for one Sunday a month. If you're interested in joining a team, please speak to Mike Schnitgen, our Food Ministry Coordinator.

To support this ministry financially, a donations box will be available each week – any amount is appreciated. There are also opportunities to sponsor: \$50 helps cover after-service refreshments, and \$100 supports our monthly luncheon. Please see Mike if you'd like to sponsor a Sunday. Balancing food income with expenses helps support a healthy budget for Calvary. Thank you for being part of this vital ministry!

## EVENTS

### COMMUNION

**Sunday, January 4 (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 share.

### CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

**Thursday, January 15 (3rd Thursday of each month) | 6:30 – 8:00 PM | Chapel**

There will not be meetings in July or December.

### COMMUNITY LUNCH

**Sunday, January 25 (Last Sunday of each month) | Following Worship | Fellowship Hall**

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

## WEEKLY

### A TIME FOR FELLOWSHIP

**Sundays | Following Worship | Fellowship Hall**

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.



# FAMILY CORNER

## WINTER SCHEDULE

### PARENTS DAY OUT

**Sunday, December 21**

**1:00 - 4:00 PM**

We will do Christmas activities, cookie decorating, crafts, games, and dinner.

This will give parents time to finish shopping and be able to wrap presents.

We will also have a Christmas Shop for kids to shop for parents.

### MORE INFO

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



### FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

**Friday, January 16**

**6:30 - 8:30 PM**

Movie and movie snacks will be provided.



### PARENTS NIGHT OUT

**Saturday, February 7**

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

FREE babysitting and dinner.



# MISSIONS & OUTREACH



## ANNOUNCEMENT

### WINTER CARE COLLECTIONS FOR OUR NEIGHBORS

Although Thanksgiving has passed, Calvary is continuing our food drive to support families in need throughout the season. Donations may be placed in the bins in the chapel and will be shared with local food banks and families in our community. The most needed items include **boxed milk** (especially for children), **pop-top canned goods such as soups, vegetables, tuna, and chicken, cooking oil, salt, pepper, spices, sugar, flour, baking mixes, tea bags, coffee, dishwashing detergent and feminine hygiene products.**

### FOOD COLLECTION CONTINUES

Calvary is currently collecting several needed items to support our community partners this season. We are gathering **gloves and hand warmers for Daily Bread**, as well as toothpaste and cloth grocery bags for Northside Common Ministries. All donations may be placed in the collection bin in the chapel. Thank you for helping us share warmth and care with our neighbors this winter!

## EVENTS

### “CHANGE MATTERS” SPECIAL OFFERING

**Sunday, December 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

**Thursday, January 8 (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](mailto: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.

# MUSIC MINISTRY



## WEEKLY

### CHOIR REHEARSAL

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

**Tuesdays | 6:00 – 7:15 PM | Sanctuary**

No experience or audition needed! Come share your love of music!

### HAND BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL

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

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

All are welcome to join our handbell choir – no experience or audition needed!

# FAMILY MINISTRY



## EVENTS

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## 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)**

# SPECIAL EVENTS



## PARSONAGE CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

**Sunday, December 21 | Immediately After Worship | Parsonage**

All are warmly invited to stop by the parsonage for a festive Christmas Open House following the service. Come enjoy holiday treats, warm fellowship and the joy of the season together. We hope to see you there!

## THE LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE – A SERVICE OF COMFORT & HOPE

**Sunday, December 21 | 7:00 PM | Calvary UMC**

This gentle, reflective service – often known as a “Blue Christmas” service – is especially designed for those who find the holiday season difficult or heavy. Held on the Winter Solstice, the longest night of the year, this worship time acknowledges the personal losses and quiet struggles that can surface during Advent. Together, we will create a safe and compassionate space for those experiencing heartbreak, loneliness or weariness, while also offering a movement toward healing and hope. Rev. Karen Slusser, a mental health counselor and United Methodist pastor, will be our guest preacher, and Calvary’s Care Team will be present to support the service. All are welcome.

## CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

**Wednesday, December 24 | 4:00 PM & 7:00 PM | Calvary UMC**

You are warmly invited to celebrate a meaningful and joy-filled Christmas Eve at Calvary. Our 4:00 PM child-friendly service with carols offers a welcoming space for families, and our 7:30 PM Candlelight Service is preceded by beautiful choral and organ music beginning at 7:00 PM. Come let beloved carols, sacred scripture and the gentle glow of candlelight prepare your heart as we remember the birth of Jesus, our Savior. The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated at both services, and our communion table is open to everyone. Following each service, we hope you’ll stay for warm refreshments and cookies in the chapel as we continue the celebration together.

## SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS WORSHIP – “LESSONS FROM THE CAROLS”

**Sunday, December 28 | 10:00 AM Breakfast & 11:00 AM Worship | Chapel**

Join us for a festive morning as we celebrate the joy of Christmas together. Breakfast will be served in the chapel beginning at 10:00 AM, followed by worship at 11:00 AM also in the chapel. We will sing beloved carols and reflect on the message, “Lessons from the Carols!” All are welcome! Please note there will be no community lunch after worship. Feel free to wear your favorite Christmas attire as we continue the celebration.

## EPIPHANY SUNDAY

**Sunday, January 4 | 11:00 AM | Calvary UMC**

All are warmly invited to worship with us on Epiphany Sunday! This day celebrates Christ’s revelation to all nations, marked by the arrival of the Magi and their gifts. It reminds us of God’s love revealed to the world and the journey of all who seek hope and light.



**CALVARY**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**JOIN US SUNDAYS  
AS WE CELEBRATE ADVENT**

**10:00 AM — Sunday School**

**11:00 AM — Worship**

**CHRISTMAS EVE  
CANDLELIGHT SERVICES**

**4:00 PM — Child Friendly with Carols**

**7:00 PM — Music | 7:30 PM — Service**

You are invited to discover a more meaningful holiday season by celebrating Advent and Christmas at Calvary.

Let the words of beloved carols and scriptures set the foundation. Stirring choral and organ music will set the scene. The peaceful illumination of Advent builds to an unforgettable Christmas Eve Candlelight Service as both young and old remember the birth of Jesus, our Savior.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated at each service. Our communion table is open to everyone.

Refreshments to follow each service in the chapel.

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*You* ARE WELCOME HERE.



## CONTACT US

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

**Treasurer – Georgia Brucker**

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