

# CALVARY

United Methodist Church

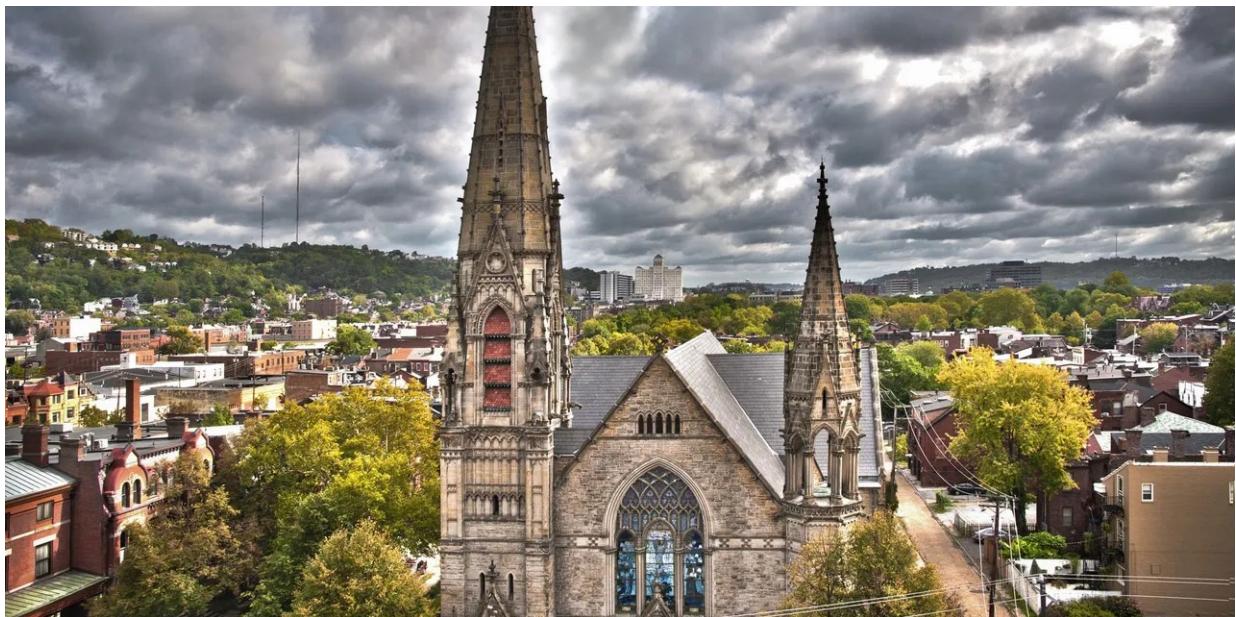


**NOV**

**23<sup>RD</sup>**

**2025**

*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 left, restrooms are located down the stairs, and (3) 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

Tim Napieralski

Joe Grzybowski – friend of Judy Melvin

Jacinto Alvarado – friend of Judy Melvin

Renee – friend of Mark Snyder

### CONTINUING CONCERNS

Paul Brucker

Jeanne Dithomas

Kyle Giest

Susan Gilliland

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



## PRELUDE

## CHORAL INTROIT

### CALL TO WORSHIP †\*

Leader: The world is filled with the glory of God, and we say,

People: **Thank you!**

Leader: The hills and valleys are filled with color, and we say,

People: **Thank you!**

Leader: The vines and trees are filled with fruit, and we say,

People: **Thank you!**

Leader: Our tables are overflowing with food, and we say,

People: **Thank you!**

Leader: Our life is filled with love of family and friends, and we say,

People: **Thank you!**

Leader: We fill this house of God with our voices, saying,

People: **Thank you!**

Leader: May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable to you, O God, as we enter into this service of thanksgiving and praise.

### HYMN OF PRAISE †\* . . . . . "Come, Ye Thankful People Come" – #694 UMH

### OPENING PRAYER †\*

God of Grace, you have gifted us with a world of abundance; a land of plenty; a country where all can have enough. We come before you this day to thank you for this prosperity and to repent from our apparent inability to share this wealth. God, we declare our own complicity in systems that sustain some of us, while forsaking many others. And we come before you to seek your forgiveness, even as we pray for your justice. Righteous God, you hear the cry of the poor. Be with us this day Lord. Hear our prayers. Touch our hearts that we may be faithful witnesses and effective voices for justice. God of mercy, hear our prayer. Amen.

### WORDS OF WELCOME

### COMMUNITY GREETINGS †

### GATHERING SONG OF PRAISE †\* . . . . . "Give Thanks" – Words to Follow

Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy one,  
Give thanks because He's given, Jesus Christ His Son.

And now, let the weak say I am strong. Let the poor say I am rich.  
Because of what, the Lord has done for us. Give thanks.

**Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy one,  
Give thanks because He's given, Jesus Christ His Son.**

**And now, let the weak say I am strong. Let the poor say I am rich.  
Because of what, the Lord has done for us. Give thanks.**

**PSALTER LESSON** \* . . . . . Psalm 100 NRSV

- 1 Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
- 2 Serve the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.
- 3 Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
- 4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him; bless his name.
- 5 For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever and his faithfulness to all generations.

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** \* . . . . . "We Gather Together" – #131 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.**

**UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH** . . . . . World Thank Offering

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

**GOSPEL LESSON** †\* . . . . . Matthew 5:10-12 NRSV

- 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.**

*Order of Worship continued on following page.*

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

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**SERMON** . . . . . "The Grateful Heart" – 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** †★ . . . . . "Now Thank We All Our God" – #102 UMH

### BENEDICTION †

### POSTLUDE †

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

## A Time for Fellowship

Please join us around the tables in the chapel behind the sanctuary following morning worship for refreshments.

See announcement in the GET CONNECTED section on how you can get involved in our fellowship time at Calvary!





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# Handel's MESSIAH

## *Sing-Along*

### **Sing, Celebrate and Share the Story**

13th Annual Handel's Messiah Sing-Along  
December 13 & December 14, 2025, at 4:00 PM

#### **Dear Calvary Family,**

For 13 wonderful years, our Messiah Sing-Along has brought our family, friends and neighbors together to celebrate the season with music, joy and community spirit. Each year, this beloved tradition comes to life **because of you—your voices, your presence, your generosity and your love for our church family.** Together, we:

- Share the joy of family-friendly holiday music with our Northside and North Shore neighbors
- Support local outreach ministries like the Northside Common Ministries Food Pantry
- Provide free or reduced-cost admission to children, neighborhood schools, military service members, veterans, and first responders

This year's concert is especially meaningful as it **connects our Music Ministry with Calvary's Revive & Renew campaign**—a \$1 million effort to revitalize our space into a more welcoming, functional, and inspiring place for everyone who comes through our doors. Planned updates, including first-floor restroom renovations, will enhance hospitality and accessibility for all.

Every gift—large or small—helps write the next chapter in Calvary's story. If you or your business would like to support this year's concert, please pick up a complete **Sponsorship and Program Ad form** at one of the Welcome Tables and join us in **helping it grow and inspire our community.**

Your generosity brings neighbors together in song, strengthens community ties, and ensures this cherished tradition continues—while supporting the long-term impact of our capital campaign. **Thank you, Calvary family, for all the ways you give, serve, sing and share God's love throughout the year.**

**With love and appreciation,**  
Brian Burns, Music Director

# THIS WEEK AT CALVARY



## SUN A TIME FOR FELLOWSHIP

NOV 23 During Following Worship (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall

**AA (ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS) – NORTHSIDE SUNDAY NIGHTERS**  
8:00 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall

## MON SLEEPING BAG MINISTRY

NOV 24 6:00 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall

## TUES CHOIR REHEARSAL

NOV 25 6:00 – 7:15 PM (Weekly) | Choir Loft

**NA (NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS) – MANCHESTER**

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

**MESSIAH FESTIVAL CHOIR REHEARSAL**

7:30 – 9:00 PM (Weekly) | Sanctuary

## THURS THANKSGIVING DINNER

NOV 27 3:00 PM | Parsonage

## SAT NORTHVIEW HEIGHTS FOOD DISTRIBUTION

NOV 29 9:00 – 10:30 AM (Monthly) | Northview Heights



United  
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in Faith

## ASSEMBLY 2026

May 15-17, 2026  
Indianapolis, Indiana

[uwfaith.org/assembly](http://uwfaith.org/assembly)

**Dream it!  
Believe it!  
Do it!**

**SUN**  
**NOV 30**

**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) | Choir Loft

**“CHANGE MATTERS” SPECIAL OFFERING**  
During Worship (Monthly) | Sanctuary

**COMMUNITY LUNCH**  
Following Worship (Monthly) | Fellowship Hall

**AA (ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS) – NORTHSIDE SUNDAY NIGHTERS**  
8:00 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall

# COMMUNITY LUNCH

LAST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall following morning worship. This is an expansion on our normally scheduled fellowship time.

The Fellowship Hall is located downstairs. You can use the stairs or take the elevator.



# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



## EVENTS

### CLEANING DAY & HANGING OF THE GREENS

TBD | TBD | Calvary

Please join us as we decorate the church for the Advent and Christmas season! All are welcome to stay and get Christmassy – there are jobs for everyone, and we have a task that suits your particular talents! With the renovations nearly complete, Calvary is stepping into an exciting new chapter, and we can't wait to celebrate the season in our refreshed and renewed spaces. But first – we need your help! Along with decorating, **we'll be giving the church a good clean after construction in preparation for all the joyful December activities. There may be three inches of dust on everything – in the best possible "new-update" way – and many hands will make the transformation shine.** We need all hands on deck to help Calvary sparkle this season and to step boldly into the future these amazing updates make possible! Be on the lookout for an email or a bulletin announcement with the specific day and time. Thank you for helping bring this exciting season to life!

### OLD ALLEGHENY VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS HOUSE TOUR

**Friday, December 5 | 5:00 – 8:00 PM | Calvary**

**Saturday, December 6 | 10:00 AM – 8:00 PM | Calvary**

**WHAT IS NEEDED:** Volunteers are needed to help in kitchen, sell food, help with sales tables, handing out postcards for tours, setup and cleanup. We also need people to bake cookies prior to the House Tours.

**WHO TO CONTACT/QUESTIONS:** Please see or contact Kim Butler (412-638-7773 / [kimabutler4@gmail.com](mailto:kimabutler4@gmail.com)) if you are able to assist in any way. Time slots are only two hours.

### 12TH ANNUAL HANDEL'S MESSIAH SING-ALONG CONCERT SERIES

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

**WHAT IS NEEDED:** The following is needed for EACH concert: 6 - Box Office, 4 - Parking Attendants, 6 - Ushers. We also need people to bake cookies prior to the concerts.

**WHO TO CONTACT/QUESTIONS:** Please contact Brian Burns (724-388-3246 / [bsburns77@aol.com](mailto:bsburns77@aol.com)) or Karen Ferguson (724-448-1429 / [karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com](mailto:karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com)) if you are able to help. There is also a sign-up sheet in the chapel.

### CHRISTMAS EVE

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

**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. We also need people to bake cookies prior to the services.

**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 will need cookies for the House Tours, Messiah Concerts, and Christmas Eve... **That's A LOT of cookies!** A sign-up sheet is posted in the chapel. You can also contact Brian Burns (724-388-3246 / [bsburns77@aol.com](mailto:bsburns77@aol.com)) or Karen Ferguson (724-448-1429 / [karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com](mailto:karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com)).

## WORSHIP COORDINATOR (LAY MINISTRY VOLUNTEER ROLE)

Do you love helping worship feel welcoming, organized and Spirit-filled? The Worship Coordinator supports our Pastor, Lay Leader and ministry teams to ensure each service runs smoothly and every volunteer feels supported.

### What You'll Do:

- Recruit and encourage volunteers for roles like greeters, liturgists, acolytes, projectionists and communion servers.
- Create and share the worship volunteer schedule.
- Be the friendly point of contact for swaps and open spots.
- On Sundays, "float" to make sure everyone has what they need.
- Help organize extra volunteers for special services.

### Who You Are:

You love God and people, communicate well, and enjoy helping things flow smoothly. You see potential in others, value inclusion and can roll with surprises when they come.

**Time Commitment:** About 3-5 hours a week, mostly on Sunday mornings.

When worship is welcoming and well-prepared, people experience God's presence—and that's what this ministry is all about.

**Interested?** Contact Kenny Elliott, Lay Leader ([kenelliott76@gmail.com](mailto:kenelliott76@gmail.com) / 724-531-4625) or reach out to the church office to learn more!

# WORSHIP LEADER ASSIGNMENTS

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

**Lay Liturgist:** Jan Meyers

**Welcome Team:** Fred Ruddock, Jane Skerl, Doug Lucas, Megan McDonald

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

**Slide Projectionist:** Patty Bogdewic

**Children's Message:** Kenny Elliott

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30

**Lay Liturgist:** John Parroccini

**Welcome Team:** Fred Ruddock, Doug Lucas, David Rizzo, Megan McDonald

**Acolytes:** Destin Cobb, Gwen Cobb, Zay Burns-Elliott

**Slide Projectionist:** Linda McDonald

**Children's Message:** Brian or Shelley Rohrer - TBD

# SMALL GROUPS



## WEEKLY

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

**Sundays (Beginning December 7) | 10:00 – 10:45 AM | Parsonage**

Join Rev. Myles Bradley for Jesus 101, an engaging study exploring the life and teachings of Jesus. The class will meet on December 7 and 14, and 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>

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

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

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 study will take a fresh look at the 6 clobber passages that have traditionally been used by the church to condemn Homosexuality. We want to understand what these actually do and do not say about the LGBTQIA+ community.

### **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: December 8**

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**

**THIS CLASS IS CURRENTLY ON BREAK & WILL RESTART IN JANUARY**

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

The group uses the "Grow Young Fitness" program which is targeted to older adults, but great for people of all ages. Contact Linda Ehrlich (laehrlich927@aol.com) for additional information.

## **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**

**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.

## **JOIN A FELLOWSHIP TEAM!**



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



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



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



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

## WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE DO

*United Women in Faith works for justice through compassionate service and advocacy to change unfair policies and systems that harm women, children and youth - from racial and gender injustice to economic inequality, climate issues and more.*



**United  
Women  
In Faith**

*The symbol refers to our Christian roots. The multicolored pieces of the cross represent the diversity we aim for and the inward and outward reflection we engage in as women of faith. The typography is solid, modern, and bold showcasing our power to support the causes in which we invest.*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA DEDICATIONS

Calvary UMC is holding its annual Christmas Poinsettia Dedication. Poinsettias are \$10 each and will adorn the altar for the Christmas Eve Service; you may take yours home afterward. The deadline to place orders is Wednesday, December 10th. Please include payment with your order form, and make checks payable to "CUMC." Please look for the **insert in upcoming bulletins** to make your dedications. If you have any questions, please call the church office at 412-231-2007.

# MUSIC MINISTRY



## EVENTS

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

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

**Tickets—CalvaryPgh.com: \$20 General Admission, \$15 Students/Seniors, Free for Military, Veterans, Firefighters, Police and Children 10 years & under**

Now in its 13th year, this beloved Calvary tradition is a family-friendly, interactive concert that draws audiences from across the region.

## 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!

### MESSIAH CHOIR REHEARSAL

**Tuesdays | 7:30 – 9:00 PM | Sanctuary**

### HAND BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL

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

**Tuesdays (Jan – 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!

# SPECIAL EVENTS



## THANKSGIVING DINNER AT THE PARSONAGE

**Thursday, November 27 | 3:00 PM | Parsonage**

Rev. Beth is opening her home for a warm and welcoming Thanksgiving Dinner at the parsonage, and everyone is invited! If you'd enjoy good food, friendly company, and a relaxing holiday, please come join us. Appetizers and fellowship will begin at **3:00 PM**, followed by a **homestyle dinner at 4:00 PM**.

To help with planning this cozy sit-down meal, please **sign up on the clipboard on the piano in the chapel area**, and let us know about any **food allergies or dietary needs**. Come as you are—there will be plenty of food, laughter, and gratitude to share. **All are welcome!**

## UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH – ASSEMBLY 2026: DREAM IT! BELIEVE IT! DO IT!

**May 15-17, 2026 | Indianapolis, Indiana**

There has never been a more important moment for women of faith to gather, grow and rise together. Assembly 2026—our once-every-four-years gathering—is a transformative weekend designed to strengthen your spirit, deepen your faith, and connect you with an empowering sisterhood committed to making a real difference in the world.

**Registration is now open!**

Early Bird Pricing available through November 30, 2025

For more information or to register, visit [uわfaith.org/assembly](http://uわfaith.org/assembly).

All are invited—come be part of this uplifting and world-changing experience .

# FAMILY MINISTRY



## EVENTS

### PARENTS' DAY OUT

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

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.

## WEEKLY

### SUNDAY SCHOOL—K-3RD, 4TH-6TH,

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

Our Sunday School uses Cokesbury's FaithWeaver NOW series.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL—7TH-12TH

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

# MISSIONS & OUTREACH



## ANNOUNCEMENT

### 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](mailto: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

**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 ([laehrlich927@aol.com](mailto:laehrlich927@aol.com)) with any questions.

### “CHANGE MATTERS” SPECIAL OFFERING

**Sunday, November 30 (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, December 11 (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 / [ttr\\_howell@yahoo.com](mailto:ttr_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.

# 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

### COMMUNITY LUNCH

**Sunday, November 30 (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.

### COMMUNION

**Sunday, December 7 (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.

### NEW MEMBER GATHERING

**TBD (Normally 1st Sunday of each month) | Following Worship | TBD**  
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.

## 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

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### 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.



*You* ARE GOD'S BELOVED.

*You* ARE WELCOME HERE.



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