

Calvary United Methodist Church



Sunday Beyond

prayers, presence, gifts, service & witness

Give Thanks
WITH A
Grateful heart

COLOSSIANS 3:14-15

November 2018

Congregation Meeting with Safe Church Committee: Come and meet your Safe Church Committee on November 18th in the Chapel after each service! The Committee is hosting a Listening Session for the congregation. We are interested in hearing your ideas on building safety. We also want to provide answers to questions that you might have on the purpose and efforts of the Safe Church Committee. As the Committee moves forward, your input will be of great help in planning and implementation. Thank you for considering this opportunity to share your ideas. We look forward to working with you! If you cannot attend and have questions please feel free to contact Terri Giambarresi at QuiltinTerri@gmail.com

Hear Heirs of Joy at Lorien November 18th: Heirs of Joy will be singing at Lorien Assisted Living on Nov. 18 @ 1:30 p.m.



It's Time to Order Poinsettias: Donate flowers in memory of someone or to express your love and appreciation. Each plant is \$10 and you may take your poinsettias home after all services are over on Christmas Eve. Pick up an order form outside the Sanctuary on the table today! Orders due Sunday, December 2.

Mark Your Calendar—Caroling

December 9th: We will travel to Lorien Retirement home to carol to the residents on Sunday, December 9th from 6 until 8 pm. This event is open to all!



Mark Your Calendar—Christmas Cantata Sunday will be

December 16th: On Sunday, December 16, 2018 the Calvary Adult Choir, Calvary Youth Choir and Calvary Singers will perform at our 9:20 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services. Plan to attend and invite friends-Easy Outreach!



Upcoming Trustee Work Days: November 17th from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. we will be painting. No work day in December. Contact Jason Shipley at shipwrecks11@yahoo.com for more information.

Needed: a Volunteer to Coordinate our Church Nursery:

Duties include supporting our regular nursery workers, creating a pool of qualified substitutes, and helping SPRC ensure we are meeting Safe Sanctuary requirements in the nursery. If interested, please contact Lisa D'Amato at 240-672-1144 or damato.lisa@yahoo.com

Join the Choir this Christmas: The Bible says to raise a joyful noise unto the Lord and the Calvary choir is just the place to do it! You can temporarily join us for just for the holiday season or stay for next year as well. Now is an ideal time since the choir has just started learning the music for Christmas. So join in and see what you can add to the choir. Besides, you get a better view from the choir loft. Contact Joseph Choi at Joseph@calvary-mtairy.org for more information.

Looking for Advent Readers: Each Sunday in Advent, beginning December 2nd and ending December 24, a family, group or individual will read scripture and light the Advent candles. All readings will be provided in advance. If you would like to participate, please contact Keith or Sarah Field and indicate what date and service you are available. 301-363-3593.

Cup of Joe Efforts: Unfortunately, we did not receive the necessary volunteer support to pull off a Cup of Joe (Daily Free Hot Coffee & Hot Chocolate) this year during Advent. Instead, we are going to request that we rally around our December 1st event which is the town Santa Parade when we will open our doors and serve Free Hot Chocolate and Cookies to the community! Last year we had nearly 400 people come through our doors after the parade, so we will need A LOT of help!

Caring for Others: We are very excited to share that Katherine Peterson has found the one thing she is being called to here at Calvary and it is VISITATION. Katherine is volunteering to use her experience, compassion, and professional expertise to lead a visitation ministry here at Calvary! We are looking for volunteers who have the passion, the time, and the calling to join her. Visitation is a ministry of accompaniment and will include opportunities to visit our Calvary members on a regular basis at Lorien, go on hospital visits, call on our members who are shut-ins, and help to take our members to doctor visits. This can be a short-term or long-term commitment depending on your availability. On Sunday, November 18th from 2:00-3:00 p.m. in Room 110, Katherine Peterson and Kathy Barna will be holding an informational/training session for anyone who is interested. If you have questions or would like to RSVP, you can contact Katherine Peterson at 240-422-1285 or at greenie005@hotmail.com.

Church Decorating! Please join us in a simplistic, meaningful Christmas church decoration event on Fri., Nov. 30 at 5:00 pm and possibly again Sat., Dec. 1 at 9:00 am. If interested please contact Pat and Kim Murphy. (murphyfamily86@comcast.net or 301-502-3787) Thanks.



I Love a Christmas Parade and a Party!

The Mission Team is reaching outside of our doors and inviting the community in and we need your help! On Saturday, December 1st the town of Mt Airy will host a Tree-Lighting Event and a Santa Parade that ends right here in Calvary's parking lot. We'd like to be neighborly and invite our community in for a Free Hot Chocolate and Cookies Christmas Party. Last year when we did this we had about 400 people come through our doors between 6:30-8:30pm. We hope to also provide Christmas music in the sanctuary and a children's activity.

WE NEED A LOT OF HELP WITH THE FOLLOWING:

Donate Items

Please leave in the bin just outside the office door:

- Mini candy canes
- OREO brand cookies (for allergy reasons, please no other brands).
- Christmas cocktail napkins
- Hot Beverage Disposable Cups (NOT Styrofoam)
- Bags of Candy to be handed out from Calvary's Float in the parade

Donate Time

Please sign up on our website www.calvary-mtairy.org by going to the resources tab and clicking on "Christmas Parade Volunteers"

- Plenty of people to provide hospitality both inside and outside our building.
- Plenty of people to serve hot chocolate and cookies
- People to set up and clean up
- People to just come and smile and be the hands and feet of Jesus Christ!

Missions will provide Christmas giving opportunities in the December Sunday & Beyond

Youth Group

Sunday School - November 11th, 18th, and 25th

8:30 High School—with doughnuts

9:20 Mid-High

November 4th - Shopping at the Dollar Store

in Woodbine for elderly in the care of Department of Social Services and then eat dinner at McDonalds - Bring Money for Dinner

November 11th - Girls/Guys Lesson Night

November 18th - Annual Thanksgiving Dinner

Open to all current youth and counselors as well as all alumni youth and counselors

Camp Joy Fundraiser: Keep an eye out in the coming for the start of a T-Shirt Fundraiser for Camp Joy. The youth will be selling T-Shirts for the Christmas season to raise money for our summer mission camp. All proceeds will be used to cover the registration for campers and for work supplies while on site.



Children's Sunday School



FILL THE UNIT

NOVEMBER 18 TO DECEMBER 16

(No elementary classes
on December 2)

Preschool Leader and Helper

Art Leader

Cooking Helper

Games Leader

Science Leader

Unit 3: CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD

November 18 to December 16

No Sunday school for K-5 th on December 2
preschool classes will be in session on this date

Station	Room	11/18	11/25	12/9	12/16
ART	206	K-2	3-5	—	—
COOKING	Basement	3-5	K-2	—	—
GAMES	Auditorium	—	—	K-2	3-5
SCIENCE	205	—	—	3-5	K-2

BIBLE SUNDAY: We will be presenting gift Bibles to our third grade students on November 18 at the 9:20 service. Sign up online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0448a8ab2fa02-bible>. Please be sure to have submitted a 2018-2019 Sunday school registration before signing up.

Calvary Scrip Corner: The holidays are coming! Are you ready? If you are not aware, Calvary sells gift cards every Sunday between services to offset church debts. We purchase them at a discount and sell them at face value. The discount ranges from 1.5%-16% depending on the retailer.

Remember those small gifts for teachers, mail carriers, etc. and if your office distributes gift cards at holiday gatherings. We carry an inventory of area grocery, gas, home improvement, restaurant, and retail stores. We also can order a large variety from our vendor with a week's notice. A list of participating retailers is available at the Scrip table in the narthex.

If you prefer high tech, you can set up purchasing e-scrip cards that benefit Calvary from your smart phone. You can even purchase them for airline tickets! Please contact Dave Meadows at dnmeadows@aol.com for more information on e-scrip and Marianne Erickson at ericksonm@rcn.com for physical cards.

Also keep in mind that using our gift cards for your regular grocery shopping benefits Calvary with \$4-\$5 for every \$100 you spend! Thank you for your support. Scrip makes good cents for Calvary!



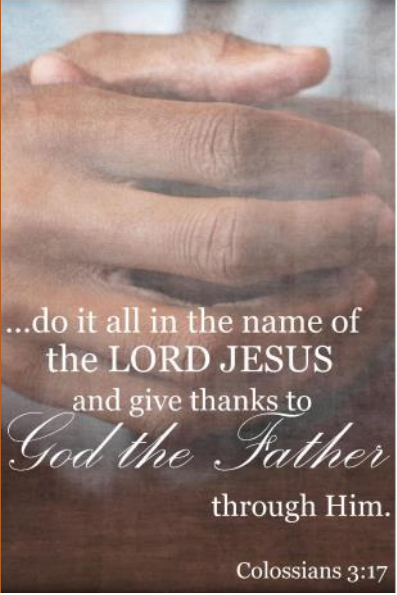
Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

— Colossians 3: 15-17

Calvary UMC
MORE
mid-week service

7 p.m. on November 14th and 28th

4 a.m. on November 23rd
for Upside Down Black Friday



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the LORD JESUS
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Colossians 3:17

Join us in November:

11/14 at 7 p.m.

We will use imagery in our study of the scripture with music & sound.

11/21 There will be no midweek service since we'll be preparing for Upside Down Black Friday.

11/23 at 4:00 a.m. - Upside Down Black Friday

MORE is going to turn Black Friday Upside-down! Join us at 4:00 a.m. in the parking lot of Walmart to hand out coffee, hot chocolate and a smile! Let's share God's light on a "black" day!

11/28 at 7:00 p.m.

We will delve into Colossians 3:17 through our stories and spend time in fellowship reflecting on all that we have learned!

Upcoming for December: Be the Change!

Quarter Collection for Laundromat Outreach scheduled for December 22nd. Please bring your quarters to the MORE Services in November and December.

Dear Calvary Friends,

After almost 50 years of marriage Fred and I have learned to take most things in stride, but the last five or six weeks have been extra challenging. In the midst of all the challenges and resulting anxiety, you, our brothers and sisters in Christ, stepped in and said, “Don’t worry, we are here to help you. What do you need?” Rides to and from Georgetown? Lawn mowing? Some one to talk to? Prayers? Food? All we had to do was mention a need and someone was there, ready to help. My heart overflows with gratitude for ALL the people of CUMC because ALL of you cared. If I was ever doubtful of the power of prayer, those doubts have vanished. Your prayers and gifts of service have calmed us, eased and sustained us. It will be quite awhile before we are back to “normal”. Please know that you, our Calvary family, mean the world to us and are in our prayers daily. Calvary UMC is OUR church!

Your Brother and Sister in Christ,

Sally and Fred Baggier

*We always thank
GOD for all of you
and continually
mention you in
our prayers.*

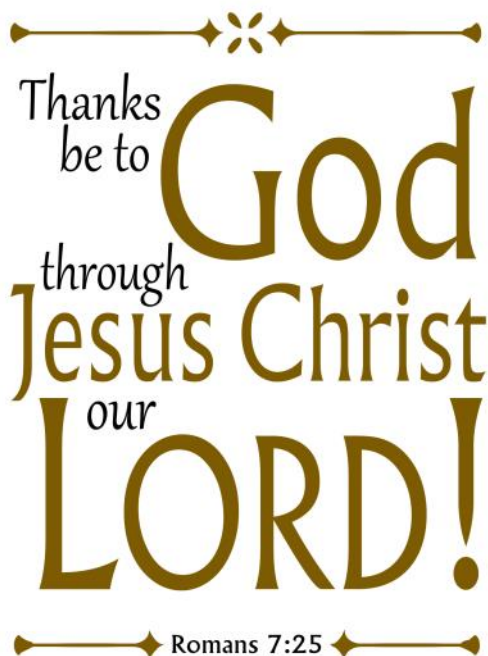
1 Thessalonians 1:2, NIV

Do you Have Good News to Share?

Praise the Lord!

Praising God manifests itself in a changed life! What evidence of changed lives do we see in our church and in our community?

Feel free to write your praises on a leaf and hang your leaf on the Tree Bulletin Board in the main stair well, so let's praise God for all that our Creator is doing in and through us!



ALTAR FLOWERS & HUNGER CANDLE: To order flowers (\$30 per arrangement) or to light the Hunger Candle (\$10) in honor or in memory of a loved one, sign up on the Calvary website (choose Order Altar Flowers or Light the Hunger Candle under “resources”) or call the Church Office.

If you know of someone in the congregation who is in the hospital, someone who has died, or a new baby who has been born, please let us know! Contact Kathy Barna at Kathy@calvary-mtairy.org or call Carmen at 301-829-0358

The Sunday & Beyond is now published monthly.

If you would like to have something relating to the ministries of Calvary put into next month’s Sunday and Beyond, please provide the information to Sara Robins by the Monday prior to the first Sunday of the month sara@calvary-mtairy.org. This means that anything you want included in December should be emailed to Sara by November 26th.



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