



Full
to the
Brim

*Even the
stones cry
out*

CALVARY

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2022

WELCOME TO CALVARY

YOU ARE GOD'S
BELOVED,
AND YOU ARE
WELCOME HERE.



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.***

Welcome to Calvary!

If you are a first time guest, thank you for visiting Calvary! We would invite you to check out our Welcome Tables for more information about who we are. We would also ask you to fill out a "GET CONNECTED" card in the back of the pews so we can get to know you. If you are in need of a large print bible or hymnal, please see any greeter for help.

Families with Babies or Young Children

Families with babies or young children? We have a family area in the sanctuary with rocking chairs and toys so your family can participate in the service.

How Do I Get Involved?

There are many ways you can become involved at Calvary United Methodist Church. If you have been promising yourself to join a small group experience for not just a continuing learning opportunity but also to meet new friends, please fill out a "Get Involved" card in the back of the pews. You can also email CalvaryPgh@gmail.com or visit our website at CalvaryPgh.com for information about the many ministries available. If you are ready to serve or just want to connect and grow, there are plenty of opportunities for you to use your gifts and talents.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Heartfelt Thanks

Thank you church family for your care and concern in the passing of my parents. The cards, gifts and prayers were very much appreciated and a testament to the love in this congregation. Blessings, Kim Butler

Immediate Needs

Passing of Mark Rehn's sister

Friend of Mark Snyder — cancer has returned

Susan Laczko — recovering from knee replacement

Kathleen (friend of Brittany) — broken hip and surgery

Jeanne Di Thomas (friend of Jane Skerl) — surgery, chemotherapy

Carl (Kenny Elliott's cousin) — in hospital, multiple issues

Dave Tinker — mother's health, medical staff

Kim Ferguson (Karen Ferguson's sister) — cardiac issues

Joshua (Brian Burns' cousin's son) — brain tumor

Shelly (Christine Thomas' daughter) — car accident

Christine Thomas — new treatment for leg

Jane Wederich (Ellen Homitsky's aunt) — heart problems

Danny (Bova's cousin) — continued recovery with lungs

Lisa Ferguson — father in hospice

Kathy (Christine Thomas's sister) — recovering from stroke

Kate (Christine Thomas's niece) — needs a kidney

Ongoing Prayer Concerns

Joan Sturtz — caring for Bill

Ron and Sally Westerman

Randy & Danny — bone marrow transplant

Dan Souza — cancer

Tom Smith — cancer

Paul Brucker — ongoing health struggles

How Can We Pray For You?

If you have a prayer request or a joy that you would like to be lifted up, you can either fill out the "PRAYER REQUEST" card in the back of the pews and place it in the offering plate, or contact the church office directly at 412-231-2007, or you can complete the new "Prayer Request Form" on the Calvary website at calvaryppgh.com/contact/prayer-request.php. The information on this form goes directly to the clergy of Calvary UMC. We treat these concerns in a private and confidential manner (unless otherwise directed), respecting the privacy of individuals as the requestor directs us.

NEW PASTOR APPOINTED

New Pastor Appointed for Calvary United Methodist Church

Dear Church Family,

July 1, 2022 will be a time of transition for Calvary United Methodist Church. Reverend Larry Homitsky will begin his retirement from the ministry and Reverend Kelly Smith will assume the lead pastor role at the Monroeville United Methodist Church.

To prepare for the future of Calvary, the Staff Parish Relations Committee, the Chair of Church Council and our Lay Leader have been meeting with the District Superintendent. A full-time pastor was requested. Through prayer and discernment, the District Superintendent, Cabinet and Bishop made a pastoral appointment for Calvary and on Friday, March 18, 2022, the District Superintendent introduced the newly appointed pastor to the Staff Parish Relations Committee, the Chair of Church Council and our Lay Leader. Our new pastor is Rev. Shane Siciliano. The announcement was made to the congregation on Sunday, March 20th. **Shane will join Calvary on July 1, 2022.** To get to know our new pastor, a bio is provided below.

Please keep Calvary in your prayers as we move through this time of transition.

Blessings, Kim Butler (Chair, Staff Parish Relations)



Rev. Shane Siciliano

Shane was born and raised in Southwest Florida, but he has lived in Western Pennsylvania for most of his life. Shane attained his bachelor's degree and Master of Social Work at the University of Pittsburgh, specializing in community organizing and social administration, before graduating from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary.

Shane worked to collaborate with others in Downtown Pittsburgh when the only homeless shelter for youth closed. He helped establish a new base of operations at the Gay & Lesbian Community Center to provide these youth with housing, employment, and educational services. As a social worker, Shane worked in McKeesport running HIV/AIDS projects.

Shane has served as pastor of Point UMC and Alum Bank UMC. He is the current vice chair of the Commission on Archives and History. Shane promotes the sacraments and Kingdom-building and works hard to foster the full inclusion of all people in the church. His three biggest passions for outreach ministry currently are serving as a camp counselor, helping at-risk families, and organizing collaborations.

Shane visits his family in Central PA. He enjoys Marvel movies, tabletop games, and exercise competitions with his best friend. Shane's friends are his family, too, sharing visits and vacations. Shane has traveled to many states and countries including mission trips to Mississippi, South Africa, and Lesotho. He believes that we are all meant to be part of a team, joining to build up God's Kingdom here on earth.



Full to the Brim — An Expansive Lent

The origins of Lent were that one was to leave their old life behind to fast and prepare to be baptized into a new way of living. In essence, this was a practice of stepping away from corrupt power, scarcity mentality, and empty rituals in order to live a more expansive and full life of faith. And so, our Lenten theme, *Full to the Brim*, is an invitation—into a radically different Lent, into a full life. It's an invitation to be authentically who you are, to counter scarcity and injustice at every turn, to pour out even more grace wherever it is needed. When we allow ourselves to be filled to the brim with God's lavish love, that love spills over. It reaches beyond ourselves; like water, it rushes and flows, touching everything in its path.

The scriptures for this Lenten season are filled with parables and promises of God's abundant and expansive grace. Jesus as a mother hen, a prodigal son welcomed home, a fig tree nurtured with care and hope, precious oil poured out lovingly and freely, stones shouting out with praise—these sacred texts are brimming with a gospel of grace. We've done nothing to deserve or earn this grace, and yet, like water, it spills over.

Full to the Brim reminds us to live fully—as we pursue justice and hope, or express grief and gratitude. If love is our beginning, how can we live our lives led by love's promises? And so, this Lent, let us trust—fully—that we belong to God. Let us increase our capacity to receive and give grace. Let us discover the expansive life God dreams for us.

Calvary has special resources—a themed devotional booklet and prayer cards—to guide us into a deeper, shared experience of what Lent is and can be for us and our world. Devotional booklets and packets of prayer cards will be available at Calvary throughout Lent. Please call the church office at 412-231-2007 if you would like us to send them electronically or by mail.

THE BELL RESTORATION AND CARILLON PROJECT

BRINGING MUSIC TO NORTH SIDE NEIGHBORHOODS






THE FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN: HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT THIS PROJECT

The total cost of the bell's restoration and automation and the addition of the digital carillon is \$26,000. Nearly \$14,000 – just over one half of the cost – has been raised so far.

THE FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN GOAL IS \$12,000

THE CAMPAIGN WILL RUN THROUGH PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2022

Gifts can be made the following ways:

-  Sending a check payable to Calvary UMC with the memo Bell Project to Calvary United Methodist Church, 971 Beech Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15233
-  Credit card on Calvary's online giving page, calvaryppgh.com and clicking on the , or visiting our Facebook Fundraiser at www.facebook.com/calvaryumcpittsburgh.
-  Cash gifts can be presented during the Sunday offering. Please indicate Bell Project with your gift.
-  Call the Church Office at 412-231-2007 to make arrangements or talk about other ways to give.

You can make a gift in memory or in honor of a loved one. All contributions are tax-deductible. All supporters will be invited to the official dedication and their names and tributes/memorials will be listed in the dedication program. If you have questions, please contact Brian Burns, Music Director, at 724-388-3246.

We hope you'll give your best gift, of any size, so you feel a sense of joy and pride in hearing the bells as you walk through the neighborhood – knowing that you brought real music into the daily life of community residents and visitors. Thank you for giving so generously.

Calvary United Methodist Church has stood as a beacon of hope, light, and faithfulness on Pittsburgh's North Side since 1895. The building and congregation have undergone much renewal and development over the past few decades – most notably the restoration of the church's breath-taking Tiffany windows – and there is still work to be completed.

One current project is the restoration of our church bell and the addition of a carillon. Our original bell is in the church's highest tower on Allegheny Avenue and has rarely rung in over 30 years.

We hope to offer the pleasant bell tones once again to the Allegheny West and Manchester neighborhoods and possibly beyond. The digital carillon will ring through the streets with songs of the seasons lending a small-town feel to the busy North Side neighborhoods.

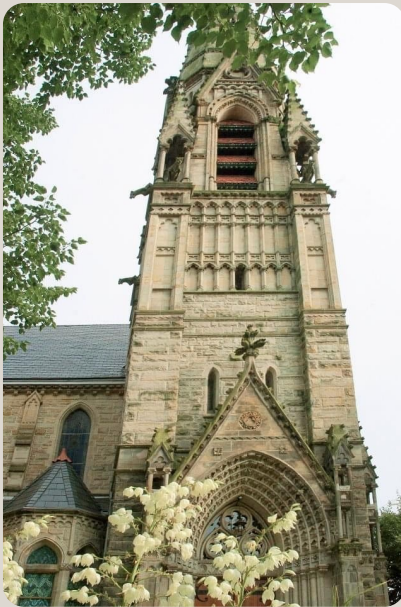
AN ACCOUNT OF HOW OUR BELL CAME TO BE

David Grinnell, Chair of the Calvary United Methodist Church Council & Coordinator of Archives and Manuscripts, University of Pittsburgh Library System

“There are so many stories to be told about the people who contributed to the heritage of Calvary Church that we could fill many volumes about their faith, commitment, service, gifts, and witness. The bell that has sat silently in the north tower at Calvary is one great example.

On Wednesday, January 10, 1940, the bell was dedicated during a service at 8:00pm that evening. When it arrived, it had already been a beacon for the faithful for a half century. It came to Calvary following the merger of the former Buena Vista Street Methodist Church [Mexican War Streets].

The bell was originally a gift from the Rev. James Jackson McIlyar (1816-1907), pastor of Buena Vista Church (and its predecessor congregation the South Common’s Church) when that congregation built its new church in 1886.



The bell was cast by one of Pittsburgh’s most famous manufacturers, the Fulton Bell and Brass Foundry, which also made the massive Pittsburgh Fire Bell that hangs in the Great Hall at the Heinz History Center today.

Rev. McIlyar would become an outspoken champion for steel workers during the Homestead Steel Strike of 1892 with his sermons and writings being published in newspapers around the globe. His accounts are still referenced today on that historic event in our region.

On hand for the dedication of the bell’s installation at Calvary was Rev. McIlyar’s grandson, Dr. M. H. Lichliter, a third-generation minister of the Gospel who served Methodist and Congregational churches throughout the Midwest.

Isn’t it time to let the McIlyar Bell ring out God’s praise and call the faithful, those in need, and all

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COVID-19 Guidelines at Calvary

Masks or cloth face coverings are to be worn at all times inside the Church buildings. Mask or face covering must be covering both your mouth and nose. Every other pew is available for seating. Please space out seating to ensure individuals or families are at least 6 feet apart from anyone outside of their household.

Calvary's Bell Restoration and Carillon Project — UPDATE

Great news! Plans are finalized! Pending no surprises....the bells will ring on Easter! If you would like to donate to this wonderful project, please see the information at the front of today's bulletin.

Children's Bibles Have Arrived

Our Children's Bible Sponsorship Drive was a complete success! The bibles were delivered last week and an impressive 73 bibles were purchased for Calvary's children. We are now about to fill our pews with Children's Bibles as a way of acknowledging the children in our presence and inviting them to engage with the Bible as we do.

Calvary's Communication Guidelines

Have something to share with Calvary or the surrounding community? Please see Calvary's Communication Guidelines which are located on the inside back cover of the bulletin each Sunday. See Calvary's Directory of Communications, Karen Ferguson, with any questions. You can reach her at either 724-448-1429 or karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com.

Calvary United Methodist Women — Plant Sale

Our Annual Plant Sale is in full bloom now through April 18. The plants will be delivered this year on Thursday May 26, 2022 and can be picked up on both Thursday, May 26 and Friday, May 27 from 1:00pm to 6:00pm. Flyers are available now at the Allegheny Avenue entrance. For questions, contact Kim Butler at kimabutler4@gmail.com or Linda Ehrlich at laehrlich927@aol.com.



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Sunday Fellowship

Fellowship before and after worship service has returned to Calvary, and we welcome and need your participation. The main purpose is to gather together, so we want to keep the refreshments simple. Here are some particulars and how you can help.

Coffee and sweets will be set up in the chapel from 10:15am to 11:00am and after worship every Sunday. The coffee will be started for you by 9:00am. Volunteers will need to arrive at church with the goodies in time to set up the table by 10:15am. Coffee, tea, cups, napkins, sugar, creamer, serving plates, tongs, gloves will be available in the chapel kitchen. After worship, supervise the table and clean up when fellowship is over (a list of tasks will be provided).

We want to stick to basic snacks, so please choose things that don't require utensils. Sweets are great, but you might want to think about cheese and crackers, fruit, wrapped or bagged treats, etc. **Remember — KEEP IT SIMPLE.**



How Can I Help?

- Sign up to be a host on a Sunday. Purchase the food, arrive by 10:00am to set up, monitor the table, and clean up. A great idea would be to find a partner and be a team.
- You can help with set up and clean up, but have the food purchased for you.
- You can make a donation to help off-set the cost of the refreshments.
- You can donate the food or be reimbursed for your purchase. We will let you know how to submit receipts.
- You may have other ideas about how you can help. We are interested in any and all suggestions to keep this fellowship time going.

If you would like to be on the Fellowship Team, make a donation, or have questions, please get in touch with Linda Ehrlich at either laehrlich927@aol.com or 412-512-7246.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship †* Lay Leader — Mark Rehn

One: It is holy to gather.

All: **It is holy to sing.**

One: It is holy to be generous, to throw our coats on the road.

All: **It is holy to celebrate justice when we see it.**

One: It is holy to shout, “Hosanna!”

All: **It is holy to remember.**

One: It is holy to gather.

All: **It is holy to sing.**

One: Here and now, let us do all of these things.

Opening Hymn †* “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” — #278 UMH

Opening Prayer Lay Leader — Mark Rehn

One: Holy God, sometimes life feels like a parade rushing by us as we stand on the sidelines and try not to miss it! There are hundreds of things that catch our eye, but the thing we fear missing the most is you. So slow down the speed on this parade. Paint the colors of this world a little brighter. And dance through the words in our scripture passage until it is almost impossible for us to miss you there. God we are here. We are trying to pay attention. Gratefully we pray, amen.

Community Greetings

Scripture * Luke 19:28-40 NRSV

28 After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. 29 When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, 30 saying, “Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. 31 If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it.’” 32 So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. 33 As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?” 34 They said, “The Lord needs it.” 35 Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. 36 As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. 37 As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen,

ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

38 saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" 39 Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." 40 He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out."

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Reflection Rev. Larry Homitsky

Special Music The Renewal Choir

Call to Confession *

One: The word 'hosanna' is often sung with joy and glee on this day. We process in, we wave palm branches, and it feels like a celebration. But the truth is, the word 'hosanna' actually means, "save us." The people along that parade route so many years ago were crying out to Jesus for help, because they knew—this world is not as it should be. There is still too much hurt here. They were crying, "Save us!" In the prayer of confession, we have our own hosanna moment, because we cry out to God, admitting the ways in which we have fallen short, and we ask for God's saving hand. So friends, let us pray together, for there is still too much hurt here.

Prayer of Confession *

One God of street parades and hosannas,

All: **we know that you are counting on us to speak out against oppression,**

One: to speak up for love and to speak hope to fear,

All: **but so often we are silent.**

One: We worry that we'll say the wrong thing,

All: **so we don't say anything at all.**

One: We worry that we'll offend,

All: **so we keep our convictions to ourselves.**

One: We worry that we'll speak up and won't be heard,

All: **so we stay silent.**

One: And meanwhile, the parade marches on.

All: **Unravel our fears. Spark conviction in us. Give us the courage to yell, "Hosanna!"**

One: Gratefully we pray, amen.

Order of Worship continued on following page

** Words are listed on screen / † Please stand as you are able*

ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

Words of Forgiveness *

One: Friends, even when we are silent, even when we are scared, even when we miss the moment, even when we choose to speak and say the wrong thing—we belong to God. There is nothing said or unsaid, done or undone that can undo that, so rest in this good news:

All: **We are forgiven. We are known. We belong to God, every day and always. Amen.**

Prayer Concerns

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.

Message for the Young Hearted

Prayer Hymn †* "All Who Love and Serve Your City" — #433 UMH

Scripture * Luke 19:28, 37-38, 41-42 NRSV

28 After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

37 As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, 38 saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!"

41 As he came near and saw the city, he wept over it, 42 saying, "If you, even you, had only recognized on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes.

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Reflection "Let There Be Peace" — Rev. Kelly Smith

Invitation to Offering

ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

Doxology †* “Bless Thou the Gifts” — #587 UMH

Bless thou the gifts our hands have brought; bless thou the work our hearts have planned. Ours is the faith, the will, the thought; the rest, O God, is in thy hand.

Offering Prayer †* Lay Leader — Mark Rehn

Closing Hymn †* “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” — #280 UMH

Affirmation of Faith †* Lay Leader — Mark Rehn

One: Go to the village ahead of you, and you will find a colt tied there. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, say, “The Lord needs it.”

All: **We believe in a God of surprises. We believe in a God with a sense of humor. We believe that there are things we may never understand, but we believe that even in the mystery, God is there.**

One: They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt, and put Jesus on it. As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road.

All: **We believe in giving what we have. We believe that actions of generosity change us. We dare to believe that these small acts can change the world.**

One: The whole crowd of disciples began joyfully praising God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen.

All: **We believe in a God who is a miracle-maker. We believe in a God of good news. We believe this good news is so good that we cannot help but sing.**

One: Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples!”

All: **We believe there will be forces that try to silence what is just, good, hopeful, and generous. We do not believe those voices will have the last word.**

One: “I tell you,” Jesus replied, “if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.”

All: **We believe, at the end of the day, love will find a way. We believe. Help our unbelief. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.**

Benediction †*

Postlude †*

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAYS

Children's Sunday School

Time / Location: 10:00-10:45am / Presbytery (Across the street from Calvary)

Description: Calvary offers two Sunday School Classes: (1) Ages 3-10, (2) Ages 11-15.

Coffee Fellowship

Time / Location: 10:00-11:00am / Calvary Chapel

Description: Fellowship is back! Come early, get a drink and a treat, and meet other members and visitors.

Morning Worship

Time / Location: 11:00am / Calvary Sanctuary

Description: Communion is served the first Sunday of each month. All persons are welcome at Calvary's table.

Fellowship Following Morning Worship

Time / Location: Following morning worship / Calvary Chapel

Description: Fellowship is back! Come to the chapel following morning worship for fellowship. A light array of foods and beverages will be served. Come and join us as we get back into the swing of things at Calvary.

MONDAYS

Sleeping Bag Group

Time / Location: 6:30pm / Calvary UMC Fellowship Hall

Description: The sleeping bags are made from recycled materials, packed with personal items such as toothpaste, shampoo, hats, and gloves then distributed to nearby homeless shelters. There is plenty to do. No sewing experience needed. Please consider joining us on Monday evenings. Questions? Please contact Terri Howell at trr_howell@yahoo.com or call 412-482-2211 with any questions.

WEEKLY CALENDAR, CONT...

TUESDAYS

Exercise Class For All Ages

Time / Location: 9:00am / Calvary UMC Chapel

Description: There is an exercise class that meets every Tuesday and Thursday at 9:00am in the Calvary Chapel. The group uses the program "Grow Young Fitness". The program is targeted to "older adults", but great for people of all ages. If you have any questions contact Linda Ehrlich at laehrlich927@aol.com.

Bible Study Led By Rev. Larry Homitsky and Rev. Kornelius Neal

Time / Location: 6:30pm / The Presbytery (across from Calvary UM Church)

Description: You are invited to our joint bible study with members of New Destiny CMEC Church. Our theme for the next several months is entitled, "What the Bible Says About the Important Issues of Our Time." Afterwards join us for snacks and fellowship at a local restaurant.

Renewal Choir Rehearsal

Time / Location: 6:00-7:30pm / Calvary UMC Sanctuary

Description: Love Singing? Thinking About Joining the Choir? Now is the perfect time to give it a try! No audition required! All are welcome! See Brian Burns for details. He is hoping to get back into the swing of things and possibly expand our numbers. The Renewal Choir sings traditional anthems at our Sunday morning service, special events, and observances. The group presents a wide variety of musical styles. Choir members actively participate in worship and may be found assisting during Communion, Advent, Lent, and special services.

Hand Bell Rehearsal

Time / Location: 7:30-8:30pm / Calvary UMC Upstairs Music Room

Description: Interested in joining? We are seeking new and energetic people willing to learn and participate. Please consider adding your talents to our group. No experience is necessary to join and it is probably easier to do than you think! See Brian Burns for details.

THURSDAYS

Exercise Class For All Ages

Time / Location: 9:00am / Calvary UMC Chapel

Description: There is an exercise class that meets every Tuesday and Thursday at 9:00am in the Calvary Chapel. The group uses the program "Grow Young Fitness". The program is targeted to "older adults", but great for people of all ages. If you have any questions contact Linda Ehrlich at laehrlich927@aol.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saving Lives, Keeping the Peace: A Forum on Policing and Social Justice

Date / Time / Location: Sunday, April 10 / 1:00pm-3:30pm / First UMC, Shadyside

Description: This event will be an opportunity for participants to explore how communities of faith can be supportive of the on-going, long-term efforts of organizations that have been working with law enforcement and local government to bring about changes for the common good. This gathering will be a space to listen, learn, ask questions, and identify how we can best do our part in this important work. We will explore how we can effectively work together in saving lives and keeping the peace as communities, communities of faith, faith-based organizations, and community-based organizations. Please see the flyer on the following page. Sponsoring organizations: The Alliance for Police Accountability, The Black Political Empowerment Project, The Pittsburgh District (United Methodist) Anti-Racism Team, The Quaker Working Group Against Racism

Maundy Thursday Service

Date / Time / Location: Thursday, April 14 / 7:30pm / Calvary UMC Sanctuary

Description: Come and remember together the last supper gathering of Jesus and his disciples, when he gave them the command, "Love one another as I have loved you." This reflective service, including Holy Communion, is co-hosted by Salem UMC, Wexford. Our communion is open to all persons—you don't have to be a member of our church or any church.

Good Friday Service

Date / Time / Location: Friday, April 15 / 7:30pm / Salem UMC (Wexford)

Description: Join us as Calvary and Salem United Methodist Churches gather to remember Christ's crucifixion—the ultimate expression of God's love and forgiveness as he extends new life and a new living relationship with him to every person. Salem UMC is located in Wexford at 350 Manor Rd, Wexford, PA 15090.

Easter Sunrise Service

Date / Time / Location: Sunday, April 17 / 7:00am / West End Overlook

Description: A community tradition, we greet the dawn and celebrate Easter over one of the most spectacular views of the city of Pittsburgh! Celebrate the resurrection of our Lord with our Easter Sunrise Service at the West End Overlook located on Marlow Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15205.

Easter Celebration Service

Date / Time / Location: Sunday, April 17 / 11:00am / Calvary UMC Sanctuary

Description: Join us in our triumphal celebration of Christ's resurrection! Special music leads a traditional Easter service featuring Calvary's Festival Choir and South Hills Brass, and other musical guests.

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Support the Humanitarian Response in Ukraine

United Methodists and others wishing to provide humanitarian assistance to the Ukrainian people in the wake of the Russian invasion of their country may contribute to Advance #982450, UMCOR International Disaster Response and Recovery. This fund will provide direct assistance to those in Ukraine as well as assistance to Ukrainians fleeing to neighboring countries.



Gifts to support the people of Ukraine can be made in the following ways:

- Online at <https://umcmmission.org/advance-project/982450>
- By toll-free telephone: 888-252-6174
- By check made out to Global Ministries/UMCOR with “Advance #982450-Ukraine” written on the memo line, either mailed and addressed to Global Ministries/UMCOR, GPO, P.O. Box 9068, New York, NY, 10087-9068 or given at or through any United Methodist church

One hundred percent of all Advance contributions go to the designated cause.

The United Methodist community in Ukraine, though quite small, is actively engaged in assisting neighbors in need. Global Ministries is in touch with the church’s leadership as well as with church leaders in countries welcoming those who are fleeing from violence in Ukraine.



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COMMUNICATION GUIDELINES

HAVE SOMETHING TO SHARE?

There are a multitude of ways to get your news to the members of Calvary and the wider community: (1) weekly bulletin, (2) prayer list, (3) Sunday morning worship slides, (4) church calendar, (5) website, (6) Facebook, and (7) Email-Blast. Here are the guidelines for each:



1. **Weekly Bulletin:** Announcements or events for the bulletin must be submitted by noon on Wednesday for inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin. For announcements that you wish to have run more than once, please include the dates you'd like to have it run.
2. **Prayer List:** If you have a prayer request or a joy that you would like to be lifted up, you can either fill out the "PRAYER REQUEST" card in the back of the pews and place it in the offering plate, or contact the church office directly at 412-231-2007, or you can complete the new "Prayer Request Form" on the Calvary website at calvarypgh.com/contact/prayer-request.php. The information on this form goes directly to the clergy of Calvary UMC. We treat these concerns in a private and confidential manner (unless otherwise directed), respecting the privacy of individuals as the requestor directs us.
3. **Sunday Morning Worship Slides:** Announcements or events for the slides must be submitted by 12:00pm Thursday for inclusion in the following Sunday's slides.
4. **Church Calendar:** Please contact Kim Butler at the church office to check availability for the date and location of your meeting or event. Once the event is scheduled, she will inform Karen Ferguson to have it publicized on all requested medias.
5. **Website:** Changes, additions, edits, announcements, etc... for the website can be submitted at any time. Website changes will be made as soon as possible, but there may be up to 7 days between submission and execution, so please provide info as early as possible.
6. **Facebook:** Facebook posts can be submitted at any time. Posts or edits will be made as soon as possible, but there may be up to 24-48 hours between submission and execution, so please provide info as early as possible.
7. **E-blast (Email Blast):** If you have information that you would like to be emailed to our member distribution list, please send your request to Karen Ferguson. Announcements can be submitted at any time and will be made soon as possible, but there may be up to 24-48 hours between submission and distribution, so please provide info as early as possible. This information is distributed using the Church Software. There will be a training session this summer once the new pastor, Rev. Shane Siciliano, arrives at Calvary. We will schedule training for Church Council and Rev. Shane first then branch out to congregation members after that. Please stay tuned for updates.

All submissions are subject to editing, and pictures are encouraged wherever appropriate. Around major church holidays, the deadlines may change. To make a submission for any of the above (except the church calendar), or if you have any questions, contact Karen Ferguson via phone at 724-448-1429, email at karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com, or in person.

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AND YOU ARE WELCOME HERE.



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