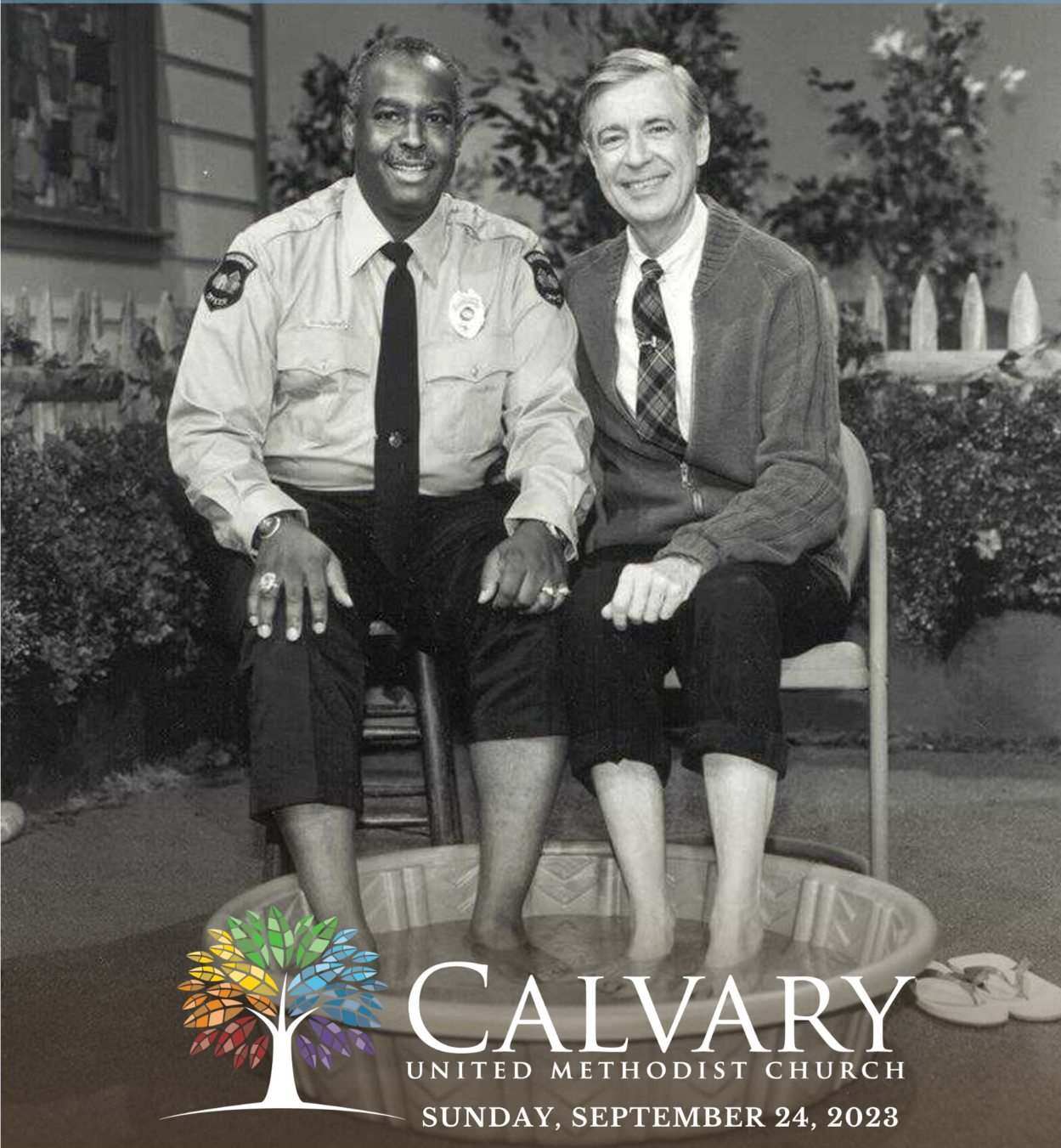


“There are many ways to say I love you.”



CALVARY

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

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.

Location of Bathrooms

From the front exits of the Sanctuary outside the right doorway, a handicapped accessible restroom and baby changing table are available on this level. From the front exits of the Sanctuary outside the left side exit, restrooms are located down the stairs.

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

DO NOT BE ANXIOUS ABOUT ANYTHING,
BUT IN EVERYTHING, BY PRAYER
AND PETITION, WITH THANKSGIVING,
PRESENT YOUR REQUESTS TO GOD.

PHILIPPIANS 4:6

Immediate Needs

Judy Melvin
Paul & Georgia Brucker
Brian (partner of David Grinnell)
Roy (fiancé of Venus)
Della Barr (daughter of Megan and the
sister of Linda MacDonald)
Linda Trautman
Rev. Howard Cherry (a dear friend of Rev.
Beth)
Emma H. (Joan Sturtz's granddaughter)
Bill (Debbie Neuherz's brother)
Samantha T. (Niece of Bing & Mary Ewalt)
Megan MacDonald
Cel Thomas, John Rosella, Darlene Lesure
(friends of Fred Ruddock)

Ongoing Prayer Concerns

Randy & Danny
Sara Belohavek
Paul Brucker
Mary Callison
Jacqueline Melvin-Cannon (Judy Melvin's
sister)
Rev. Tom Funk
Martha Helmreich
Tom Smith
Dan Souza
Christine Thomas

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.

You can also 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.

If you would like a card or email sent from the church to let people know we are praying for them, please give us an address or email.

PLEASE NOTE — Prayer concerns will be published for 4 weeks unless otherwise instructed.

Mr. Rogers Sermon Series



WEEK 1 - SEPTEMBER 10

“Won’t you be My Neighbor?”

1 John 4:7-21



WEEK 2 - SEPTEMBER 17

“It is you, I like!”

Psalms 139:6-16



WEEK 3 - SEPTEMBER 24

**“There are many ways to
say I love you!”**

Luke 12:6-7, 22-24



CALVARY'S FAMILY CORNER

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**SEP
24**

FALL KICKOFF ICE CREAM SOCIAL

FOLLOWING MORNING WORSHIP

Join us for a Community Lunch and Ice Cream Social as we kick off Fall! We will also be making Blessing Bags.



**OCT
28**

FAMILY FALL FEST

2:00-4:00PM

We will have crafts, pumpkin painting, and games, and possibly Trunk-or-Treat depending on the number of cars that sign up. More details to come!

**DEC
02**

PARENTS NIGHT OUT

6:00-9:00PM

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



WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY

Choir Rehearsal

10:00-10:45am in the Calvary UMC Sanctuary

Love Singing? Thinking About Joining The Choir?... Now is the perfect time to give it a try! No audition required! All are welcome! Please join us for singing, fellowship, and shenanigans!

Sunday School

10:00-10:45am in the Presbytery (Across the street from Calvary UMC)

Calvary offers two Sunday School Classes: (1) Ages 3-10, (2) Ages 11-15. Please meet up in the chapel and everyone will walk across the street together.

Adult Sunday School

10:00-10:45am in the Calvary UMC Parlor

This group is led by Rev. Chad Bodgewic. All are welcome!

Communion — First Sunday of Each Month

During Morning Worship in the Calvary UMC Sanctuary

On the first Sunday of each month, all are invited to the table of our Lord. The bread that we shared is gluten free that all might freely participate.

“Change Matters” Special Offering — First Sunday of Each Month

During Morning Worship in the Calvary UMC Sanctuary

During worship, our children will collect "change" because when there is lots of change together, we can make a difference. These gifts will be used to help the Women United in Faith to purchase food for Daily Bread.

A Time for Fellowship

Following Morning Worship in the Calvary UMC Chapel

Please join us for a time of fellowship around the tables in the chapel following morning worship. You can sign up to serve or clean up on the bulletin board in the chapel.

Community Lunch Following Morning Worship — Last Sunday of Each Month

Following Morning Worship in the Calvary UMC Fellowship Hall

Starting Sunday, September 24th, Calvary will begin having a Community Lunch the last Sunday of each month. This will be an expansion on our normally scheduled Fellowship time following morning worship. The luncheons will be held in the fellowship hall rather than the chapel. Please join us as we begin this new monthly tradition of fellowship and welcoming our neighbors!

AA (Northside Sunday Nighters)

8:00pm in the Calvary UMC Fellowship Hall

AA meetings are designed to help you on your road to recovery — designed to help you get sober and remain sober.

WEEKLY CALENDAR, CONT...

MONDAY

Sleeping Bag Group

6:30pm in the Calvary UMC Fellowship Hall

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. Questions? Please contact Terri Howell at trr_howell@yahoo.com or call 412-482-2211 with any questions.

TUESDAY

Exercise Class For All Ages

9:00am in the Calvary UMC Chapel

The program is targeted to "older adults", but great for people of all ages. This group meets on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

Choir Rehearsal

6:00-7:30pm in the Calvary UMC Sanctuary

Love Singing? Thinking About Joining The Choir?... Now is the perfect time to give it a try! No audition required! All are welcome! Please join us for singing, fellowship, and shenanigans!

Messiah Festival Choir Rehearsal

THIS GROUP WILL BEGIN MEETING ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3RD

7:30-9:00pm in the Calvary UMC Sanctuary

You don't have to be a member of Calvary to sing in the Messiah Choir. It's always a fun time, and no auditions are required. All voice parts are needed.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study Led by Rev. Myles Bradley

6:30pm in the Calvary UMC Chapel

"*Father Abraham*" will be the topic of this six-week study as we review the story in Genesis of the father of the Jewish people and the three faiths that are shared by his descendants.

Everyone is invited to share in exploring the roots of our faith.

THURSDAY

Exercise Class For All Ages

9:00am in the Calvary UMC Chapel

This group meets on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

Women's Bible Study

10:00-11:00am in the Calvary UMC Parlor

This study will be: "*Living Beyond Yourself: Exploring the Fruit of the Spirit*" by Beth Moore. Beth Moore has an excitement and an exuberance for the Gospel and will involve you on an adventure into discovery and growth in the Spirit of the Lord.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship †* Liturgist — Emma Hricsina

Leader: There are many ways to say I love you.

All: There are many ways to say I care about you.

Leader: Many ways, many ways, many ways to say I love you.

Leader: There's the singing way to say I love you.

All: There's the singing something someone really likes to hear.

Leader: The singing way, the singing way, the singing way to say I love you.

Leader: There are many ways to say I love you.

All: Just by being there when things are sad and scary.

Leader: Just by being there, being there.

All: Being there to say I love you.

Leader: Cleaning up a room can say I love you. Hanging up a coat before you're asked to.

All: Drawing special pictures for the holidays and making plays.

Leader: You'll find many ways to say I love you. You'll find many ways to understand what love is.

All: Many ways, many ways, many ways to say I love you.

Hymn of Praise †* "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" — #139 UMH

Unison Prayer †*

Gracious and loving God, you love us in so many ways. We enjoy the beauty of your creation as the seasons are changing. We enjoy the gift of fellowship and community here at church. We are blessed by goodness and kindness and love in our everyday lives. Challenge us to share that love with others across the world, across our street and across the pews. Amen.

Community Greetings †

Song of Praise †* "Won't You Be My Neighbor?" — From Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood

It's a beautiful day in this neighborhood

A beautiful day for a neighbor

Would you be mine?

Could you be mine?

It's a neighborly day in this beautywood

A neighborly day for a beauty

Would you be mine?

Could you be mine?

ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

*I have always wanted to have a neighbor just like you
I've always wanted to live in a neighborhood with you*

*So let's make the most of this beautiful day
Since we're together, we might as well say
Would you be mine?*

Could you be mine? Won't you be my neighbor?

Won't you please...Won't you please...

Please won't you be my neighbor?

Children's Message Megan Bova & Brittany Bova-Mickens

Psalter Lesson * Psalm 95:1-7 NRSV

- ¹ O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
- ² Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
- ³ For the Lord is a great God and a great King above all gods.
- ⁴ In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.
- ⁵ The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his hands have formed.
- ⁶ O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
- ⁷ For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.
O that today you would listen to his voice!

Leader: The word of God, written by the people of God, for the people of God.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem "Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God" — The Renewal Choir

Sharing Prayer Concerns

Hymn of Prayer * "I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry" — #2051 TFWS

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.

ORDER OF WORSHIP, CONT...

Gospel Lesson †* Luke 12:6-7, 22-24 NRSV

- ⁶ Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten in God’s sight.
⁷ But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.
²² He said to his disciples, “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear.
²³ For life is more than food and the body more than clothing.
²⁴ Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds!

Leader: The word of God, written by the people of God, for the people of God.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon “There are Many Ways to Say I Love You!” — 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 †* “Love Divine, All Love’s Excelling” — #384 UMH

Benediction †

Postlude †

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

BEGINNING TODAY

COMMUNITY LUNCH

LAST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

CALVARY UMC FELLOWSHIP HALL



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Community Lunch & Fall Kickoff Ice Cream Social with a Family Volunteer Activity **Sunday, September 24th following morning worship in the Calvary UMC Fellowship Hall**

Join us for a Community Lunch and Ice Cream Social as we kick off Fall in Methodist style—with food! We will also be making Blessing Bags with the children.

BELLE VOCI PRESENTS **STILL I RISE**

24 SEPT 3PM | 971 Beech Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15233

Debuting Lorraine Milovac, Artistic Director

DO THE THING YOU THINK
YOU CANNOT DO.

Eleanor Roosevelt



Belle Voci
CONNECTING SONG
AND COMMUNITY

Belle Voci Presents "Still I Rise"

A Free RAD Days Concert

Sunday, September 24th at 3:00pm in the Calvary UMC Sanctuary

Belle Voci is thrilled to announce a free public performance of "Still I Rise" - a collection of music celebrating hope, courage, and strength.

The group has captivated us in the past with other multi-media performances such as "Anne Frank - A Living Voice", "Signal Songs of the Underground Railroad", and the "Suffrage Cantata" where WTAE's Chandi Chapman narrated an intense yet hopeful recounting of the historic suffrage movement from its beginning through the 1920 ratification of the 19th amendment.

CPR & AED Instruction and Training

Monday, September 25th at 6:30pm in the Calvary UMC Chapel

Any one in the congregation is invited to attend along with members of the Welcome Team and Safety & Security Task Force.

World Communion Sunday — "Breads from Around the World!"

Sunday, October 1st during Fellowship in the Calvary UMC Chapel

Please join us during our normal Fellowship Time following morning worship as we continue our celebration of World Communion Sunday with a sampling of breads from around the world! Included with this "Bread Bar" aka "Carb City" we will also enjoy an array of spreads, jellies, and jams. YUM!!!

Northview Heights Food (NVH) Distribution

Saturday October 7th from 9:00-10:30am at Northview Heights

Two Additional Dates: Saturday, November 4th and December 2nd

Many thanks to everyone who has participated in the distribution of fresh produce to residents of NVH. All participants have found it to be a rewarding experience, and we would love to have some new volunteers as well. Six volunteers are needed for each date. There is a sign-up sheet in the chapel, and a written description of the work. Please feel free to contact Stacey Chervon (stc38@pitt.edu) or Linda Ehrlich (laehrllich927@aol.com) for any questions.

UPCOMING EVENTS, CONT...

Tiffany Concert Series — Chamber Orchestra of Pittsburgh

Saturday, October 7th from 7:30-9:30pm in the Calvary UMC Sanctuary

Tickets (Purchase at Door) — Students \$10 / General \$30 / Children 12 & under are free

The program will include Claude Debussy's landmark work Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun, "Messages" by contemporary composer Trevor Weston, and Dmitri Shostakovich's Chamber Symphony, Op. 73a.

Church Council Meeting

Thursday, October 19th from 6:30-8:00pm in the Calvary UMC Chapel

All committee chairs are asked to have their reports ready.

Family Fall Fest — A Children's Ministry Event

Saturday, October 28th from 2:00-4:00pm at Calvary UMC

We will have crafts, pumpkin painting, and games, and possibly Trunk-or-Treat depending on the number of cars that sign up. More details to come!

Parents Night Out — A Children's Ministry Event

Saturday, December 2nd from 6:00-9:00pm in the Calvary UMC Chapel

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 details to come!

Old Allegheny Victorian Christmas House Tour

Friday, December 8th from 5:00pm-8:00pm at Calvary UMC

Saturday, December 9th from 10:00am-8:00pm at Calvary UMC

Please mark your calendars. December is always a busy month here at Calvary. Before you know it we will be looking for volunteers to help out at the many events that Calvary offers to the public during the Advent and Christmas seasons.

11th Annual Handel's Messiah Sing-Along Concert Series

Saturday, December 16th & Sunday, December 17th at 4:00pm Calvary UMC Sanctuary

Hallelujah! Tiffany meets Handel! Join us for Pittsburgh's holiday tradition! Sing a choral masterpiece surrounded by Tiffany masterpieces at the magnificently restored Calvary United Methodist Church in Pittsburgh's Northside. Our interactive, family-friendly concert features professional soloists, Chamber Orchestra, and Calvary Messiah Festival Choir. Tickets will be going on sale in just a few weeks. Further information to come soon about ticket pricing, and sponsorship and volunteer opportunities.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monthly Community Lunch

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Lay Leaders and Liturgists

Liturgists serve an important role in worship. Liturgists help lead the congregation in various parts of the worship service, including the recitation of the Call to Worship and the reading of scripture. This valuable service allows the congregation to take an active part in the worship service and it allows participants in worship to hear multiple voices speak from the pulpit. Please contact the church office if you are interested.

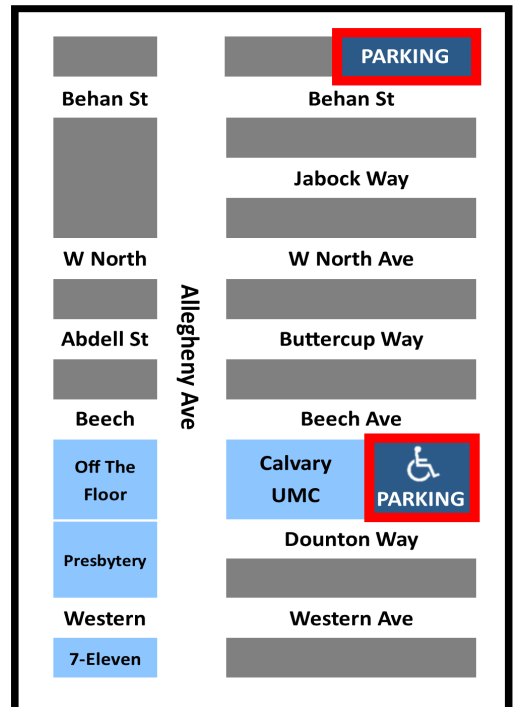
Northside Common Ministries Continues to Need Toothpaste

TOOTHPASTE continues to be a weekly need at the pantry. Jana, Director, would like Calvary to continue to collect it as she can then have it on the weekly grocery list available to the patrons. We continue to have a wonderful response from the generous hearts of our Calvary family! There are 2 collection bins—one at the Allegheny entrance and the other in the parlor/chapel. Cloth grocery bags also continue to be collected. Thank you! — The Missions Committee

Sunday 1:00pm Steeler Games

It's that time of year again! Please see the map that lists where to park on Steeler Sundays. Please note that you may get a parking ticket if you park on any other street. And, please do not pay to park in any of the parking lots charging money!

Special note about Handicap Parking: The map lists where the church's handicap parking is located in the lot behind the church. The church's handicap ramp is also located in this lot. We encourage people not to park in the rear parking lot to allow people with special needs to have those spaces.



ANNOUNCEMENTS, CONT...

Mission Committee Request

Dear Calvary Family — Please consider giving to UMCOR's Disaster Relief Fund. It is very simple. Put in "UMC Disaster Donations" and the donation page will pop up where you can give online. You can also give by calling the following phone number: 424-252-6008. Each of us are capable of giving a few dollars to this Maui disaster. God is counting on us to be His hands and His feet!

Fall 2023 Pittsburgh District Lay Servant Ministry School

The Fall 2023 Pittsburgh District Lay Servant Ministry School is pleased to be offering the classes listed below to help laity respond to their personal call in ministry and the life of the church. Each class is being held on different dates, allowing you to take more than one class if you wish. All classes, except From Your Heart to Theirs, has the option of attending in person, hybrid or online. There is a \$15 fee per class plus you need to purchase the class books. There are copies of the brochure on entrance tables.

The Book of Discipline (§251) urges Church Lay Leaders to become Certified Lay Servants.

- The BASIC Course - Saturdays, September 30 and October 14, 9am-2:30pm
- From Your Heart to Theirs: Delivering an Effective Sermon - Sundays, October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 2-4pm
- Leading Worship - Saturdays, October 28 and November 4 & 11, 2-5:30pm
- Fear of the Other – November 17, 6-9pm and November 18, 9am-5pm

Communications Update

If you have an announcement that you would like to be placed in the bulletin, website, Facebook, etc. Please email Karen Ferguson at karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com and include the following information: (1) title of announcement, (2) how long it should be advertised, (3) where you want the information to be publicized—bulletin, website, Facebook, etc., and (4) the content that you would like to be included.

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