

CALVARY

United Methodist Church



FOURTH WEEK OF ADVENT



How does a
weary world
rejoice? *We sing stories
of hope*

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You are God's beloved. *You* are welcome here.



WELCOME TO CALVARY



OUR WELCOME STATEMENT

Calvary United Methodist Church believes that all means all. We open our hearts, our minds, and our doors to all our neighbors. We gladly invite into our shared life all persons who seek a community of support where they can grow in God's grace. Regardless of your race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, ability, relationship status, or background — **you are God's beloved, and you are welcome here.**

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

If 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 better. If you are in need of a large print bible or hymnal, please see any greeter for help.

FAMILIES WITH BABIES OR YOUNG CHILDREN

We welcome all of God's children into our worship services, including infants and toddlers. If you would like to use it, we have a Family Area in the rear left of the Sanctuary with rocking chairs and toys.

LOCATION OF BATHROOMS

From the front exits of the sanctuary outside the right doorway, an accessible restroom and baby changing table are available on this level. From the front exits of the sanctuary outside the left side, restrooms are located down the stairs. An elevator is located thru the sanctuary outside the right and to the back.

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

Emma H. (Joan Sturtz's granddaughter)
The Family of Dan & Holly Pultz due to his sudden passing
The Family of Mary Callison (Mary passed away recently)
Marcia Webb (dear friend of Mark Snyder)
Charles Foreman (Claudia's husband)
Mayernik daughters & grandfather
Joyce & Ray Zimmerman (sister of Yvonne Hudson)
Linda Trautman
Megan MacDonald
Cel Thomas, John Rosella, Darlene Lesure (friends of Fred Ruddock)
Venus' family
Michelle (Venus' friend)

ONGOING CONCERNS

Joan Sturtz
Judy Melvin
Sara Belohavek
Paul Brucker
Jacqueline Melvin-Cannon (Judy Melvin's sister)
Rev. Tom Funk
Martha Helmreich
Tom Smith
Dan Souza

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.

ORDER OF WORSHIP



PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP †* Liturgist — Shelley Rohrer

Leader: How does a weary world rejoice?

All: We sing songs of hope.

Leader: We allow hope to change us, to strengthen us.

All: We tell the stories of what could be.

Leader: We listen for God's word.

All: We resist the temptation to give up or give in.

Leader: We remember Mary's song.

All: We gather for worship.

Leader: We hope.

All: We hope. Against all odds, we hope.

Leader: Friends, this is the day that the Lord is still making. Let us worship holy God.

HYMN OF PRAISE †* "Once in Royal David's City" — #250 UMH

COMMUNITY GREETINGS †

SONG OF PRAISE †* "Emmanuel, Emmanuel" — #204 UMH (Two Times)

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, His name is called Emmanuel.

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

CANDLE LIGHTING LITURGY †*

Leader: How does a weary world practice love?

All: By sending cards, and picking up the phone.

Leader: By practicing empathy, and assuming the best in others. By learning people's stories and finding common ground.

All: By advocating for justice, and saving a place at the table.

Leader: There are a million ways to practice love. So today we light the candle of love as a reminder and a charge.

All: With God's help, may we bring love into a weary world. Amen.

WORDS OF THE PROPHET * Isaiah 61:10-62:3 NRSV

10 I will greatly rejoice in the Lord; my whole being shall exult in my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

- 11 For as the earth brings forth its shoots and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations.
- 1 For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn and her salvation like a burning torch.
- 2 The nations shall see your vindication and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give.
- 3 You shall be a beautiful crown in the hand of the Lord and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

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 * "Love Came Down at Christmas" — #242 UMH

CALL TO CONFESSION *

Leader: Family of faith, we all know that a small group of convicted people can change the world. That's how it's always been. People like Mary, people like Zechariah, people like John the Baptist. And yet, we rarely feel like we can be one of those people. We downplay our ability to make a difference. We choose pessimism over optimism. We sweep hope under the rug for the sake of realism. We forget the words to Mary's song. Fortunately for us, our God carries enough hope and grace for all of us. So let us go to God in prayer. Let us speak the truth of our lives, and let that honesty change us. Friends, let us pray:

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION *

All: Holy God, more days than not, hope feels like the rain. We try to hold onto it with cupped hands, but eventually, it slips right on through. Forgive us for holding hope so loosely. Forgive us for allowing the realities of today to define tomorrow. We know that this world needs people of hope, so today we pray: turn us into those people. Teach us how to sing Mary's song of hope for the world. With open hearts we pray, amen.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS *

Leader: Body of Christ, no matter how many times we let hope slip through our fingers, we still belong to God. So hear and repeat these words after me: I am God's beloved.

All: I am God's beloved.

Leader: I am forgiven.

All: I am forgiven.

Leader: I am blessed and sent to serve.

All: I am blessed and sent to serve.

Leader: This is the good news of the Gospel. This is a hope we can hang our hats on.

All: Thanks be to God for God's unending love. Amen.

Order of Worship continued on following page.

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

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.

ANTHEM. Calvary Renewal Choir

GOSPEL LESSON +* Luke 1:26-38; 46b-55 NRSV

- 26 In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth,
- 27 to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary.
- 28 And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you."
- 29 But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be.
- 30 The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God.
- 31 And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus.
- 32 He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David.
- 33 He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."
- 34 Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?"
- 35 The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God.
- 36 And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren.
- 37 For nothing will be impossible with God."
- 38 Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.
- 46 "My soul magnifies the Lord,
- 47 and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
- 48 for he has looked with favor on the lowly state of his servant. Surely from now on all generations will call me blessed,
- 49 for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name;
- 50 indeed, his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.
- 51 He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
- 52 He has brought down the powerful from their thrones and lifted up the lowly;
- 53 he has filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away empty.

54 He has come to the aid of his child Israel, in remembrance of his mercy,
55 according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his
descendants forever."

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "A Song of Hope" — Rev. Beth L. Nelson

HYMN * "Lift Every Voice and Sing" — #519 UMH

WORDS OF COMMUNITY LIFE

CALL TO GIVE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

DOXOLOGY †* Tune of "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

OFFERING PRAYER †

CLOSING HYMN †* "There's a Song in the Air" — #249 UMH

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH †*

We believe that hope can change the world. We believe that God uses ordinary people, like an unwed teenage mother, for extraordinary good. And we believe that each of these ordinary people can make a difference. We know that grief, fear, and suffering abound. We know that suffering quells joy and makes it harder to hope. But we choose hope anyway. In the face of hardship, we hope together. We hope with God. We hope for a better world. This is our song. We believe; help our unbelief. In Christ's name we pray, amen.

BENEDICTION †

POSTLUDE †

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THIS WEEK AT CALVARY



SUN

DEC 24

A TIME FOR FELLOWSHIP

Following Worship (Weekly) | Chapel

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

4:00 PM & 7:00 PM | Calvary

AA (ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS) NORTHSIDE SUNDAY NIGHTERS

8:00 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall

TUES

DEC 26

EXERCISE CLASS FOR ALL AGES

9:00 AM (Weekly) | Chapel

NA (NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS)

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

THURS

DEC 28

EXERCISE CLASS FOR ALL AGES

9:00 AM (Weekly) | Chapel

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

10:00 – 11:00 AM (Weekly) | Parlor

HAND BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL

6:00 – 7:30 PM | Music Office (Upstairs in the Chapel)

OPEN SANCTUARY

6:00 – 8:00 PM (Weekly) | Sanctuary

SUN

DEC 31

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 – 10:45 AM (Weekly) | Parlor

COMMUNITY LUNCH

Following Worship (Monthly) | Fellowship Hall

AA (ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS) NORTHSIDE SUNDAY NIGHTERS

8:00 PM (Weekly) | Fellowship Hall



FAMILY CORNER

WINTER SCHEDULE

PARENTS NIGHT OUT

Saturday, December 2

6:00 - 9:00 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.



MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, January 19

6:30 - 9:00 PM

Movie and movie snacks will be provided.

PARENTS NIGHT OUT

**Saturday,
February 10**

6:00 - 9:00 PM

Dinner and snacks will be provided.

MORE INFO

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How does a weary world rejoice?

AS ADVENT COMES AGAIN TO A WEARY WORLD, WE ASK... “HOW DOES A WEARY WORLD REJOICE?”

Christ was born into a weary world. King Herod ruled the land with a legacy of ruthlessness. The Romans treated the people of Israel with contempt, imposing harsh taxes and land seizures that forced many into subsistence farming. Poverty and destitution were pervasive. And yet, Christ was born, bringing good news of great joy for all people.

As Advent comes again to a weary world, we ask, “*How does a weary world rejoice?*” From the opening chapters of Luke’s Gospel, we have found a few answers: we acknowledge our weariness, we find joy in connection, we allow ourselves to be amazed, we sing stories of hope, we make room, we root ourselves in ritual, and most importantly, we trust our belovedness. In the parallel birth stories of Jesus and John, joy arrives—despite trepidation, fear, or grief. In these stories, we find rhythms for rejoicing. As we move through our series, we hope to create space for acknowledging the weariness of our world while celebrating God’s closeness with great joy.

And so, this Advent, we will hold space for our weariness and our joy. We will seek a “thrill of hope” in our hurting world. We will welcome joy—even if, like the prophet Isaiah, we cry out for comfort (Isaiah 40:1). In this weary world, may we find many ways to rejoice.

Devotional Booklets for this series are available as well as Advent Calendars for both adults and children. Please visit the Welcome Tables over the coming weeks to pick up your materials.

OUR JOURNEY OVER THE NEXT FOUR WEEKS

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (12/3) — WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR WEARINESS

Luke 1:1-23 (Zechariah & Elizabeth are promised a child) & Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

As Advent begins, we start by acknowledging the weariness, grief, rage, and hopelessness we carry—and we also affirm that we are made for joy. We start the season with Zechariah and Elizabeth; they have battled infertility and have lived many years. Perhaps they feel the weight of hopes and dreams unattained. The angel comes to Zechariah with a promise of good news, but Zechariah can't fully receive it. Sometimes weariness can harden us and prevent us from living fully. Let us acknowledge the ways we, too, are hardened by disbelief. Like the psalmist, let us ask, "how long?" and plead for restoration.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (12/10) — WE FIND JOY IN CONNECTION

Luke 1:24-45 (Gabriel visits Mary; Mary goes to Elizabeth) & Isaiah 40:1-11

In community, our joy expands. When we can't rejoice, we can carry each other's joy. That is what Elizabeth and Mary do for each other. The good news begins to take shape in Elizabeth's womb, but scripture tells us that she stays secluded, hiding her pregnancy from others—that is, until Mary arrives at her door, also pregnant. Perhaps Mary's arrival is the inbreaking that changes everything for Elizabeth, for in that moment, her child leaps in her womb and she is filled with the Spirit. She can't help but to rejoice. Her joy is contagious and wraps around Mary like a hug. Through the prophet Isaiah, we hear God speak tender words of comfort; this is the comfort we can give to and receive from each other during this season.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (12/17) — WE ALLOW OURSELVES TO BE AMAZED

Luke 1:57-66 (The birth of John) & Psalm 126

After Elizabeth gives birth, her neighbors and family celebrate with her. When it comes time to name the child, Zechariah affirms the name given by the angel and by Elizabeth. In that moment of affirming the promise, Zechariah's speech is restored. Everyone is filled with awe. How often do you allow yourself to be amazed? Wonder is all around us—can we recognize it? As we learn how to rejoice in a weary world, can we live in a way that allows amazement and wonder to surprise us often? In Psalm 126, those who expect to reap tears are granted a surprise: shouts of joy. Amazement is a balm for the weary.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (12/24) — WE SING STORIES OF HOPE

Luke 1:46-55 (Magnificat) & Luke 1:67-80 (Zechariah's song)

As soon as Zechariah's voice returns, his first words are gratitude and blessing. He sings a story of praise for God's protection and promise, and then he showers a blessing on his newborn son. He sings a story of hope. After Elizabeth exclaims blessings upon Mary, Mary sings: "My soul magnifies God; my spirit rejoices in God." Mary sings about a God of liberation who pulls the powerful from their thrones and lifts up the lowly. Mary sings a story of hope, one in which justice and joy are interwoven. As we prepare to celebrate Christ's birth, may we also sing stories of hope, justice, and joy.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP SLIDES

We are looking for someone to take over the responsibility of the worship slides for Sunday mornings. A template would be provided for you and you would receive the Order of Worship and the lyrics to the music ahead of time. If you are familiar with Microsoft PowerPoint and are interested in learning more about this task, please contact the church office, Brian Burns (724-388-3246 / bsburns77@aol.com) or Karen Ferguson (724-448-1429 / karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com). Thank you so much!

LAY LEADERS AND LITURGISTS

Liturgists serve an important role in worship. They help lead the congregation in various parts of the worship service, including the Call to Worship and the reading of scripture. Please contact Kenny Elliott (724-531-4625 / kenelliott76@gmail.com) if you are interested.

TUTORS NEEDED

Want to make a difference? Join the fun and consider being a tutor at The Bridge Learning Hub (1500 Chicago St, Pittsburgh, PA 15214). One hour a week can help a child learn and grow. Interested? See Rev. Beth Nelson for more information.

READING MENTORS NEEDED

There is a need for reading mentors at Morrow Elementary School (1611 Davis Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15212). We are looking for weekly volunteers. Please see Rev. Beth Nelson or contact the church office for further information.



A Time for Fellowship

PLEASE JOIN US AROUND THE TABLES
IN THE CHAPEL BEHIND THE
SANCTUARY FOLLOWING MORNING
WORSHIP FOR REFRESHMENTS.

MUSIC MINISTRY



WEEKLY

CHOIR REHEARSAL

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

Tuesdays | 6:00 – 7:30 PM | Sanctuary

THERE WILL BE NO REHEARSAL ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26 OR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

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!

HAND BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL

Thursdays | 6:00 – 7:30 PM | Music Office (Upstairs in the Chapel)

No audition required and you do not have to be able to read music. All are welcome! Please reach out to Music Director Brian Burns (724-388-3246 / bsburns77@aol.com) with questions.

FAMILY MINISTRY



WEEKLY

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sundays | 10:00 – 10:45 AM | Presbytery (Across the street from Calvary)

THERE WILL BE NO SUNDAY SCHOOL ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

Calvary offers two Sunday School classes — ages 3 to 10, and ages 11 to 15. Please meet in the chapel and everyone walks across the street together.

EVENTS

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, January 19 | 6:30 – 9:00 PM | Chapel

Come and enjoy popcorn and movie snacks! Bring your favorite stuffed animal, blanky, and wear your favorite PJs as we watch a family friendly movie!

PARENTS NIGHT OUT

Saturday, February 10 | 6:00 – 9:00 PM | Chapel

Dinner, games, a movie, and crafts for kids of all ages! The best part about it is it's FREE!!

SMALL GROUPS



WEEKLY

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sundays | 10:00 – 10:45 AM | Parlor

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

AA (ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS) — NORTHSIDE SUNDAY NIGHTERS

Sundays | 8:00 PM | Fellowship Hall

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

NA (NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS)

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

Tuesdays & Thursdays | 9:00 AM | 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 (laehrlich927@aol.com).

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays | 10:00 – 11:00 AM | Parlor

Join us as we study "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. *John 14 tells us that God gives us the Holy Spirit to be in us – Christ in us, the hope of glory.*

MISSIONS & OUTREACH



WEEKLY

OPEN SANCTUARY

Thursdays | 6:00 – 8:00 PM | Calvary

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.

EVENTS

“CHANGE MATTERS” SPECIAL OFFERING

Sunday, January 7 (1st Sunday each month) | During Worship | Sanctuary

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

DAILY BREAD — UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH (UWF)

Thursday, January 11 (2nd Thursday each month) | 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 616 W North Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15212

The United Women in Faith (UWF) organizes the meal being prepared for the Daily Bread which serves meals three times a week to those without a home or who are under-employed. **They are currently in need of cookie makers.** See Joan Bradley if you would like to get involved.

NORTHVIEW HEIGHTS FOOD (NVH) DISTRIBUTION

Saturday, February 3, 2024 & Saturday, March 9, 2024 | 9:00 – 10:30 AM | Northview Heights

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 (laehrich927@aol.com) for any questions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NORTHSIDE COMMON MINISTRIES CONTINUES TO NEED TOOTHPASTE

TOOTHPASTE continues to be a weekly need at the pantry. Jana Thompson, 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!



CALVARY

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

JOIN US SUNDAYS AS WE CELEBRATE ADVENT

10:00 AM — Sunday School
11:00 AM — Worship

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICES

4:00 PM — Child Friendly with Carols
7:00 PM — Music | 7:30 PM — Service

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

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

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

Refreshments to follow each service in the chapel.

SPECIAL EVENTS



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Child Friendly Service (Candlelight and Carols) | 4:00 PM | Calvary

Candlelight Service | 7:00 PM Music & 7:30 PM Service | Calvary

You are invited to discover a more meaningful holiday season by celebrating Christmas Eve at Calvary. The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated at each service. Our communion table is open to everyone. Refreshments to follow each service in the chapel. Refreshments to follow each service in the chapel behind the sanctuary.

AHPS TIFFANY CONCERT — CHAMBER ORCHESTRA OF PITTSBURGH

Sunday, February 11 | 3:00 PM | Calvary

AHPS TIFFANY CONCERT — PITTSBURGH YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Sunday, April 21 | 4:00 PM | Calvary

GET CONNECTED



EVENTS

COMMUNITY LUNCH

Sunday, December 31 (Last Sunday of each month) | Following Worship | Fellowship Hall

This is an expansion on our normally scheduled Fellowship time following morning worship.

COMMUNION

Sunday, January 7 (First 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 partake.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

Church Council Meetings will begin again in January 2024. Date TBD.



*thank
you*

A BIG THANK YOU TO
EVERYONE WHO VOLUNTEERED
AT THE ALLEGHENY WEST
VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS HOUSE
TOUR. WE WERE SO PLEASED TO
SEE THAT SO MANY CALVARY
FOLKS CAME OUT AND LENT A
HAND OVER THE WEEKEND.

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



CALVARY'S ENTIRE CHURCH CALENDAR IS NOW ON THE WEBSITE!

If you prefer to see a month at a time, or a week at a time, you now have the ability to do so on the Calvary website. You can go there directly at calvarypgh.com/news-and-events/calendar.php. Or, you can go to our main website — CalvaryPgh.com and select the Calendar icon in the middle banner. Finally, you can also scroll down on the main page and choose the calendar icon from the image buttons. Please enjoy this new feature!

HAVE SOMETHING TO SHARE?

If you have an announcement that you would like to be placed in the bulletin, website, Facebook, etc., please email Karen Ferguson (karen.ferguson.15202@gmail.com).

Announcements for the bulletin must be submitted by noon on Wednesday for inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin. Please include the following information:

- Title/subject of announcement
- Content
- How long it should be advertised
- Where you want it publicized

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You ARE WELCOME HERE.



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ONLINE GIVING

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