

## Family Promise

The United Women in Faith and Calvary's Mission Committee are overseeing our Family Promise partnership with Charlton UMC, but we are asking all Calvary members, friends, choirs, YAH Club, Youth, and Church Committees



to provide prepared meals. You will cover the cost of the meals so we suggest you work in a team. As donations are received, there will be reimbursement as necessary.

Family Promise of Harrisburg Capital Region, located in Camp Hill, is a non-profit organization that helps **families** experiencing housing instability and homelessness stay together by providing temporary shelter, resources, and support to help them regain stability and secure long-term housing. They utilize a network of local faith communities, volunteers, and professional staff. Calvary provided meals to Charlton UMC for the families, the week of December 7, 2025.

We are now looking for meal provid-

ers on: February 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, and 13<sup>th</sup>. Christ ELC provides the Tuesday meals. The meals are to be delivered to Charlton by 6:30 PM ready to eat, no drinks or desserts are necessary.

Please contact Susie Grubb at 717-512-5618 or [grubbycdhs@yahoo.com](mailto:grubbycdhs@yahoo.com), as soon as possible to take part in this worthwhile mission project.

Additional dates in 2026 are the weeks of May 10<sup>th</sup>, August 9<sup>th</sup>, and November 15<sup>th</sup>. If it is not possible to provide a meal in February but you could another month, reach out to Susie. If you would like to donate to Family Promise, write a check out to Calvary UMC, and put in the comment section "Family Promise."

## Book Club

The Book Club at Calvary is meeting on the third Tuesday every other month, starting on January 20th at 1 PM. We will meet in Room 121. Our first book is one that has been banned from some school libraries- *The Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas. All are welcome! Sign up outside The Square.

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~ Gathering in Word and Spirit ~

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus  
O Spirit of the Living God

Lemmel/Mier  
#539 UMH

\*HYMN

\*PRAYER of PRAISE

\*GLORIA PATRI

\*THE INVITATION, CONFESSiON, & PARDON

ONE: Christ our Lord invites to His Table all who love Him, who earnestly confess their sin, and seek to live in peace with God and one another. Therefore, as a community of faith, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

MANY: Lord Jesus, you are the way of peace. Come into the brokenness of our lives and land with your healing love. Help us to bow before you in true repentance, and to one another in real forgiveness. By the fire of your Holy Spirit, melt our hard hearts and consume the pride and prejudice separating us. Fill us with your perfect love, which casts out fear. Bind us together in the witness of your love around the world, and in our neighborhood, as we come to your Table.

~ All pray in silent confession ~

ONE: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were still sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

MANY: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

\*PASSING of the PEACE

Please be mindful of people's boundaries as you share God's love.  
Please be seated as we sing the refrain to, "Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus."

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, Look full in His wonderful face,  
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim  
In the light of His glory and grace.

PRAYER for ILLUMINATION

Rev. Randall G. Bennett, Jr.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 3:7-22 (NIV)

John said to the crowds coming out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce fruit in keeping with repentance. And do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham. The ax is already at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire." "What should we do then?" the crowd asked. John answered, "Anyone who has two shirts should share with the one who has none, and anyone who has food should do the same." Even tax collectors came to be baptized. "Teacher," they asked, "what should we do?" "Don't collect any more than you are required to," he told them. Then some soldiers asked him, "And what should we do?" He replied, "Don't extort money and



don't accuse people falsely—be content with your pay." The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Messiah. John answered them all, "I baptize you with water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire." And with many other words John exhorted the people and proclaimed the good news to them. But when John rebuked Herod the tetrarch because of his marriage to Herodias, his brother's wife, and all the other evil things he had done, Herod added this to them all: He locked John up in prison. When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

ANTHEM

Chancel Choir (8:30 AM)

Spirit Song

Wimber/Fettke

Anne Witmer & Deb Benedict, duet (11 AM)

SERMON

Pastor Deb Port

"What Shall We Do?"

PRAYERS of THE PEOPLE

~ Celebrating at the Table ~

PRESENTATION OF OUR LIVES, TITHES, and OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Jesus, Name Above All Names with O, How I Love Jesus Hayes

#94 UMH

\*DOXOLOGY

\*PRAYER of DEDICATION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

RECEIVING the BREAD and CUP

All are welcome. Communion will be served from the chancel.

All elements are gluten free.

PRAYER of THANKSGIVING

~ Going Forth in Mission ~

\*HYMN

As a Fire Is Meant for Burning

#2237 TFWS

\*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE Shalom to You

#666 UMH

\*POSTLUDE

Hope Eternal

Broughton

\*Please stand as you are able.

UMH=UM Hymnal (red)

TFWS=The Faith We Sing (black)



**The prayer of faith will save the sick. The Lord will raise them up. Pray for one another, so that you may be healed.**  
James 5:15-16

## Calvary's Prayer Ministry

**Calvary LAMS (Limited Activity Members):** Dona Hoover, Jean Murphy, Arlene Little, Lois Hartman, Marcia Oster, Dottie Gilloway, Ruth Schaadt, Laura Goodhart, Jan Crouse, Bill & Vi Stiffler, Joann Rohland, Carol Bettinger, Paul Danko, Bill Morris, Harold McNaughton, Pat Rowe, Pat Hartranft, Bill & Liz Payne, Marilyn Archibald, Barbara Fritz, Priscilla Secord, Sandra Beck, Glenn Reed, Maxine Swink, Janice Wragg, Mary Louise Keiper, Mary & DeRay Wagner, Rick Martin

**Prayer Concerns:** Bryce Leidich, Lorraine Brosius, Scott & Tracy Wagner, Joanne Paladino, Ginny Coy, John Oster, Brandan & Kelly Mehaffie, Rebecca Jacobs & Family, Roger Cooper, Mary Wagner, Charley Cover, Dave & Carol Mehaffie, Henry Reinsborough, Deanne & Keith Armstrong, Cole Sullivan, Kimberly Moyer, Gene Baldwin, Tom Worthington, Charlie Sullivan, Christopher Castellani, Dan Sheehan, Tom Fealtman, Amy Stoner, Donna Pope, Phil Womer, Mary Dietrich, Sandra Frantz, Sarah Colding, David & Pat Ster, R.S. Garner, Susie Grubb, Kathy Herring, DeeDee Sakson, Cindy Wertz, Larry Wright, Cindy Evans, Anthony Myers, Carl "Marty" Pattison, Winifred Sersch, Jean McClure, Sharon Etter, Douglas Walt, David Walt, Thomas Kough, Larry Solt, Judi Kochik, Don Ott, Eric Scheib, Lance Leidich, Fay Shiffert, Cody Leisey, Ron Wenrich, Tony Myers, Marty Brightbill, Shirley Baddorf, Mickey & Pixie Haist, Kerry Butz, Merrian Glover, Ed West, JoAnne Konick-McMahan, Livi McAnnaneny, Doris Gough, Sarah & Brandon, Ethan Kough, Janet Hoke, Colleen Hoke, Sherry Krebs, Alan Colbert, Juan Camacho, Tom Fogle, Billie, Dan, Matt Hocker, Pam Blai Weeks, Joe Bowers, Gerst Buyer, Family of Trooper Earl Page, Judy Lehn, Kathy Hoover, Sue Akins, Charlotte Cornelius, Sharon Wiles, Joanne Stong, Sue Oswald, Anna Updyke, Tim Delp, Ronny Trimmer, Nick Bartholomeo, Sandie Bartholomeo, Jack Fouse, Lance Freeman, Lori McHugh, Jane Taylor, Isla Packer, Josh & Sarah Packer, Lavunda Nau, Krista Mogonyi, Linda Reid, Joseph Genco, Spencer Griggs\*, Lyndsi Werner, Karen Greene, Frank Gates\*, Lyndsi Werner\*, Wendi Hummel\*, Lia Sisak\*, Jack Curry\*

**Serving in Armed Forces:** Andrew Hoffman, Jake Smuda, Aaron Lytle, Anthony Oswandel, Patrick McCarthy, James Simmons, Clay Burnette, Holly Dively, James Forsyth, Steven Novosel, Curtis Fetterhoff, Jackson Robinette, Joseph Swift, Zachary Curtis, Ian Turner, Haden Wagner, Evan Funk

\* indicates a prayer concern added or changed this week. Prayer cards can be found in the pew racks. Please complete a card and place in the offering plate. You may also email prayer concerns to [office@calvaryunitedmethodist.org](mailto:office@calvaryunitedmethodist.org) or call 717-545-0021. A new list is compiled at the beginning of each month.

# CALVARY CALENDAR

### Sunday, January 11th

Sacrament of Holy Communion  
8:30 AM ..... Worship Service  
9:45 AM ..... Sunday School  
11:00 AM ..... Worship Service  
5:55 PM ..... Private Event  
.....(Fellowship Hall)

### Monday, January 12th

4:00 PM ..... Cupboard at Calvary  
..... Committee Meeting  
6:30 PM ..... Book Study Group  
6:30 PM ..... Men's Pick Up  
..... Basketball (age 25 & up)  
7:00 PM ..... Bells of Calvary

### Tuesday, January 13th

9:00 AM ..... Threads of Love  
12:30 PM ..... Young at Heart Club  
6:00 PM ..... Amateur Pickleball  
6:00 PM ..... Dartball

### Wednesday, January 14th

10:00 AM .. Women's Bible Study  
10:00 AM ..... Quilters  
11:30 AM ..... Prayer & Devotions  
5:00 PM ..... Children's Choir  
5:30 PM ..... Youth Group  
7:00 PM ..... Chancel Choir

### Thursday, January 15th

9:00 AM .... Easter Candy Making

### Friday, January 16th

9:00 AM .... Easter Candy Making

### Saturday, January 17th

9:00 AM .... Easter Candy Making

### Sunday, January 18th

8:30 AM ..... Worship Service  
9:45 AM ..... Sunday School  
11:00 AM ..... Worship Service  
5:55 PM ..... Private Event  
.....(Fellowship Hall)



## Last Week in Offering

### Offering 01/04/2026

General Fund Needed: \$18,610  
Received: \$22,176  
Building Fund Goal: \$962  
Received: \$1,096

### Attendance 01/04/2026

8:30 AM: 122  
11:00 AM: 123  
Sunday School: 66  
Online Worship: 117

## Cozy Soup Sunday

Sunday, January 25th

12:15 PM in Fellowship Hall

Nothing is better than a fellowship lunch of warm hearty soup on a wintry Sunday with family and friends. Plan to attend Calvary's "dish-to-pass" style event. No tickets are required—only a reservation to ensure an accurate head count. Sign up at the table in the hallway outside The Square by January 18th.

The simple menu features warm soups, bread, fruit, and beverages. Bring your own pot of soup to share with others. Not a soup chef? Join us anyway and enjoy the company of family and friends.

Lunch will be served at 12:15 PM. Lori and Tim Mader, with their daughter Carly, will be there to share information about their foundation, Carly's Hope, which offers financial assistance to families for adoption.

Sponsored by the UWF. Contact Sue Weikert (717-315-5441) or Romney Noone (717-652-2875) with questions.

## Vacation Bible School 2026

Vacation Bible School will be held July 13th—17th. Join us for Rainforest Falls, where we will explore what it means to be rooted in relationship with God, our creator and a safe place in life's storms!



## Livestreaming of Worship

In case you did not know, we are Livestreaming Worship. Please note that we reserve the right to record, videotape, and photograph our services. Your image may be used in print, broadcast, and/or on the internet. By attending our services, you agree to waive any rights or interest to control the use of your likeness in whichever media we may use. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

## New Member Class

Have you been attending worship at Calvary Church and are considering joining our congregation? Do you have questions about how our congregation operates, our relationship with the United Methodist denomination, and how you can become involved? Would you like to connect with others and form relationships? Pastor Deb will be teaching a 3-week Membership Interest Class on February 4th, 11th, and 25th from 6-7 PM. If you and/or your family are interested, please call or email the church office.



## Partnership Announcement

Calvary Kids Childcare Center is now a Community Aid Partner! When you make donations to Community Aid, please use Partner #50356 to support Calvary Kids! You may also place donations in the Drop Zone.



## Save The Date

**A Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper** will be held on Tuesday, February 17th with food being served from 5-6:30 PM. The Calvary Kids Childcare Center Board will be hosting the event! The menu will include pancakes, sausage, fruit, and drink.

Tickets are on sale today! Cost is: Age 11 and up \$10, ages 3-10 \$5 and age 2 and under is free. Gluten Free pancakes will be available upon request. We hope you will join us for this delicious meal!

## Young at Heart Club

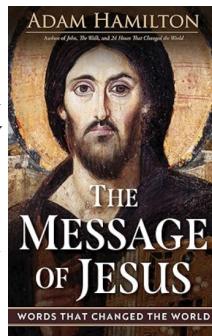
The first activity for the Young at Heart Club (YAH) for 2026 will be on Tuesday, January 13th at 12:30 PM. Join us for dessert and a Card Party! Maybe learn a new card game or play a familiar game. Not a Card Shark? We will also have Dominos available. If you have questions, please reach out to Mary Alice Dumbauld at [dumbaulds@comcast.net](mailto:dumbaulds@comcast.net) or text (267-264-2363). New faces are always welcome!



## Monday Night Book Study

Begins on January 12th at 6 PM (6 weeks)

We will explore the book *The Message of Jesus* by Adam Hamilton. A sign up sheet is available in The Square. Contact John Packer with questions at [jwpackercpa@comcast.net](mailto:jwpackercpa@comcast.net) or 717-576-5984.



## Widows Healing Heart Group

No matter how long you have been a widow, you have probably wondered if what you are feeling is "normal." Sometimes you just need to talk to someone who is going through a time that you are going through or have gone through. Maybe you just need to get out for a bit and be with people who need to get out too. On January 26th, we are going to have a get together for widows. It will be at 10 AM in The Square and we will have coffee or tea. Please think about some activities we can do together or in groups...at the church or out somewhere! Any idea is welcome! Questions? Contact Sue Zearing at 717-877-3416 or Sue Helsel at 252-862-5604.

## Valentine Bags for LAMs

The United Women of Faith are collecting items for Valentine/gift bags for our LAMs. Items that are needed will be small personal care items such as, tissues, hand lotion, small bottles of body wash, tooth brushes, tooth paste, chapstick, individual snack items (examples: crackers, chips, cookies, candies), also puzzle books, notepads, postal stamps, pens, pencils, and light weight gloves. Please place items in The Drop Zone by February 8th. If you have questions, please contact Bonnie Evans at 717-997-1747.