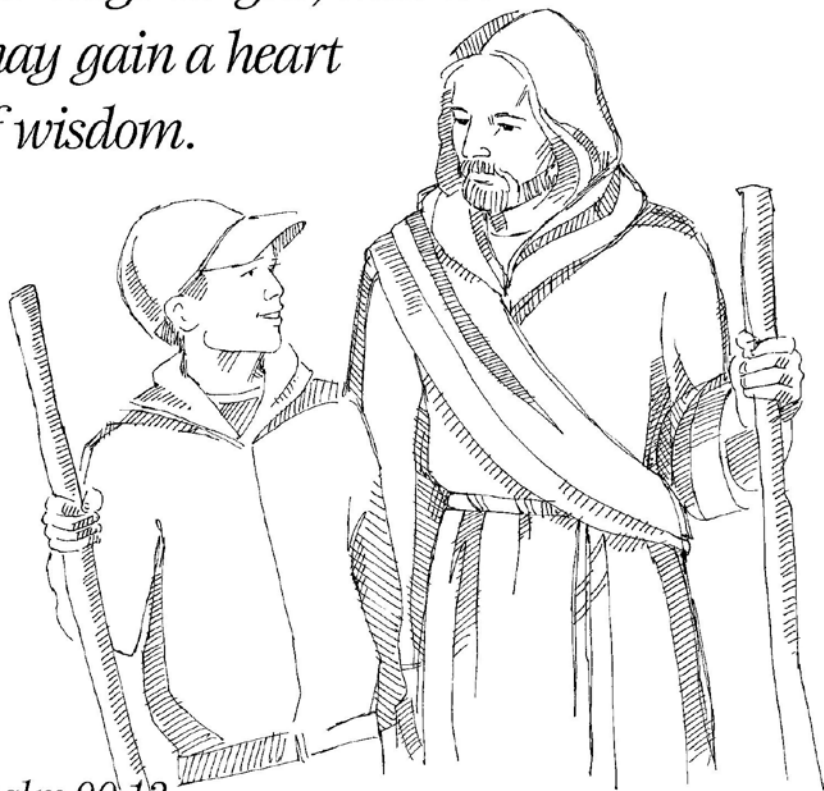


*Teach us to number
our days aright, that we
may gain a heart
of wisdom.*



Psalm 90:12

Calvary United Methodist Church
Mohnton, PA

Sunday, September 30th, 2018

19th Sunday after Pentecost
UMH = United Methodist Hymnal
TFWS = The Faith We Sing Hymnal

September 30th, 2018
9:00AM
* = Please stand if able

Lay Worship Leader – Deb Bierly

~ **GATHERING** ~

PRELUDE: *My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker* -arr. Jacob B. Weber

ENTRANCE OF THE LIGHT -Lilly DeLoretta

SILENT MANNA QUOTE

*Is God vengeful, demanding a death for a death?
Or is God compassionate, luring souls into love
so great that no one can be considered an enemy?*

~Sister Helen Prejean

WELCOME & MISSION MINUTE

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: If it had not been God who was on our side,

People: the troubles of our world would have swallowed us whole.

Leader: If it had not been God who was on our side,

People: the sorrows of our times would have swept us away.

Leader: Are any among us suffering?

People: Come and pray.

Leader: Are any among us cheerful?

People: Come sing songs of praise.

Leader: Are any among us sick?

People: Come and ask for healing.

Leader: Our help is in our God,

People: the One who made heaven and earth.

Leader: Call upon God, creator and rescuer.

*OPENING HYMN: *God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale* -122 UMH
(Stanzas 1, 3 & 6)

*UNISON OPENING PRAYER

**Mighty God, you spoke to your people in the pillar of cloud
as they walked together in the wilderness.**

**Speak to us through your Word today, that we may hear you calling us
out of the wilderness places in our lives**

and into new places you have promised to show us.

In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

(Please be seated.)

ANTHEM: *Look to the Rose*

-Joseph M. Martin

~ PRAYERS & GIFTS ~

PRAYER HYMN: *Dear Jesus in Whose Life I See*

-468 UMH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
& THE LORD'S PRAYER (using "debts" and "debtors")

OFFERTORY INVITATION

THE GIVING OF OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

Offertory: *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

Lilly DeLoretta, sax solo

*The Doxology

-95 UMH

*OFFERING DEDICATION

(Please be seated.)

PREPARATION HYMN: *Holy Spirit, Come, Confirm Us*

-331 UMH

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 10:16 (NRSV)

See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves.

MESSAGE: *Serpentine Wisdom*

~SENDING FORTH~

*CLOSING HYMN: *Help Us Accept Each Other*

-560 UMH

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: *Les Carillons*

-Johann Philipp Kirnberger

TODAY AT CALVARY

- **LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNALS, AS WELL AS HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE.** Please feel free to request any of these items from an usher.
- **SAFE SANCTUARY:** Calvary UMC participates in a Safe Sanctuary environment to ensure a secure and nurturing place for all children and volunteers. Parents are asked to escort children/youth as they leave the sanctuary.
- **THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are presented by Gwen Alsedek to the glory of God!

30 – Norm Metz, Jr.
 30 – Matt Doran
 01 – Caitlin O'Hare
 01 – Meagan O'Hare
 01 – Marlene Burkard
 02 – Tyler Brumbach

CELEBRATING



03 – Jerry Kinsel
 04 – Ruth Burkhart
 05 – Jason Castetter
 05 – Roslyn Coutz
 07 – Jody Wagner

CHURCH NEWS

- **KINGDOM KIDS** – Rehearsals begin THIS Wednesday, October 3rd at 6:30PM.
- **OUR NURSERY ATTENDANTS TODAY** are Laura Conlin & Jen Wocklish.
- **IT'S STILL NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN THE ADULT CHOIR:** You're missing the fun! Plenty of seats! You need only the breath that God has given you. We will do the rest at practice!
- **HARDCOPIES OF THE OCTOBER NEWSLETTER** are available on the table outside the church office in the Gathering Area.
- **WE ARE HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE THE BIRTH OF ARIELLA ALEXANDRIA WEITZEL**, born on Monday, September 24th at 7:09PM to Richie and Jenn Weitzel, and sister of Cynthianna and Alethea. Ariella was 8lbs. 7ozs & 21-1/4". Mom and baby are doing well.
- **SPECIAL DONATIONS REQUESTED:** Linda Ebersole is seeking donations to our Music Ministries Fund for special musical events at Calvary during 2018-2019. Donations checks may be made payable to: *Calvary UMC w/ "Music Ministries Fund 328"* written in the memo section. Please place your special gift in the offering plate or mail it to the church office.

• **FINANCIAL UPDATE – Giving Through Week 38**

Current Year thru	09/23/2018	Last Year thru	09/17/2017
Received	\$226,111	Received	\$227,675
Annual Budget Need	\$340,929	Actual Given	\$349,213
%Rec'd to Date	66.3%	%Rec'd to Date	68.2%

NEW TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY

To facilitate the transportation needs of Calvary members who either don't drive or are not comfortable driving during inclement weather/evening hours, a list of volunteer drivers has been given to Angie Juckem. She will be the contact point for anyone needing a ride to church for Sunday worship or for any ministry event. If you would like a ride, please call Angie (in advance) at 610-927-8233. She will provide you with the contact information of the volunteer living closest to you. Those requesting a ride must then make the final arrangements for pick-up/drop-off.



Calvary Connection Night starting THIS Wednesday, October 3rd! Hope to see YOU!

In an effort to keep building on “Better Together” at Calvary, we’re introducing an all-ages church night on Wednesdays from 6-7:30PM. This will be a mid-week opportunity for EVERYONE to be nurtured and spiritually fed: nursery-PreK; K-5th grade (Kingdom Kids); 5th-12th grade (Youth Group) and adults (Bible Studies and topical study/discussions)

FINDING A WAY FORWARD

As promised, over the next several months a variety of learning opportunities & discussion forums (see below) will be offered regarding the LGBTQ issue and the upcoming Special General Conference in Feb. 2019 when representative delegates will discuss and vote upon the various plans offered as a way for our United Methodist denomination to “move forward”.

We hope that many members of Calvary will come to these sessions, inviting everyone to participate in respectful and open dialog. **And since these sessions are scheduled immediately following our morning worship services, please feel free to bring a bag lunch and/or snacks/drink and partake of them at any time.**

Sunday, October 14th from 12:30-2PM

Conversations from the Heart – A forum setting in the Youth room or Social Hall, depending upon number of persons in attendance. Pastor Scott will begin with prayer and the sharing of Calvary’s Covenant. Then, three personal stories/experiences regarding LGBTQ will be presented, followed by Q&A for clarifications/comments. Finally, we will break into small groups for more intimate discussion of two thought provoking questions. Those attending will also be asked to write down any other questions/concerns they may have for following sessions.



Sunday, November 11th from 12:30-2PM

Sunday, December 9th from 12:30-2PM

Sunday, January 13th from 12:30-2PM

Sunday, February 10th from 12:30-2PM (alternative inclement weather date)

Immediate need at
Calvary UMC:
CHILDCARE!

Can You
Step In?

We are opening up nursery/childcare on **Sundays at 9:00AM and Wednesdays (starting 10/3) from 6:00 – 7:30PM.** Our kids are our future, but they are also our present, and it takes more than parents to raise and teach kids – it takes a village! Let the little children come to Jesus by your enthusiastic willingness to invest in their lives! *Contact Richie Weitzel 717-376-5780 for more information or sign up on the table outside the church office in the Gathering Area to help.*



Announcements & Upcoming Events:

Starting this Wednesday, **Oct 3rd**, we will move Youth Group time to **6-7:30PM** to align with our "*Calvary Connection Night.*"

5th Graders are welcome!



All members of our Calvary family are invited to the wedding celebration of Ollie Baker & Joy Ruth on Saturday, Oct. 13th at 1PM in our sanctuary. A light reception and greeting time will follow in the Social Hall. Your RSVP would be appreciated, but not required. (Joy Ruth, 610-914-1167).



COME JOIN US!

**Sunday Mornings at 9:00AM AND
10:30AM**

**Christian Education for Adults & Youth in
Prayer Room**

Same class taught at both times to accommodate all worshipers at Calvary UMC

TOPIC:

**Canon: Mining for the Word, w/ Eric
Elnes**

How did these 66 cultural history lessons, collections of poems, family genograms, allegorical stories, and community letters—all gathered from sources that stretch across time and place—become the Bible? Eric Elnes describes a process of canonization that is far messier, subjective, and ongoing than we might imagine. As Eric looks into the methodology used to extract sacred “gold” from the many, many streams of writing and thought that make up the history of our faith, we discover that the shifting and refining might not be complete. What work do we need to do as we seek to uncover the richness of the Bible?

PRAYER LIST

(Revised 9/28/2018)

SHIRLEY AYRTON
FRAN BIDDISH
LAURA BIERLY
MILADY BOGGS
DAVID BRILL
RUTH BURKHART
BRANDON BUTERBAUGH
KURT CLEMMENS
ANN COE
TREA VOR COMEAU
MICHELLE DANIELS
AMBER DAVIS
SEAN DIBIASI
SAM DOCK JR.
GLENNA ENSINGER
FRED FICHTHORN
NANCY FICHTHORN
AMELIA FORTUNATO
MARY FREY
HENRY FUNK
WHITNEY GEHMAN
FAM. OF SHIRLEY GIVLER
REV GLENN
ANITA GRAY
VERNON GRIFFIN
HEATHER

JAMES HEBRANK
DON & GLADYS HERBST
JESSEY HOMAN
HURRICANE VICTIMS
DANNY HUTZELL
NICHOLAS JORDAN
SCOTT K
TREVOR KEIFER
SHARON KING
GEORGE KISSINGER
DIANE KLINGER
STEVE LEO
DAVID LIEDEL
LIVING GRACE
LUTHERAN CHURCH
SUZY MANIACI
FAM. OF MELISSA MARTIN
NOAH MCKNIGHT
MARY MELCHER
JENNIFER MILLER
TIM MILLER
CHARLES MORGART
KERI MORTON
FAM. OF FRANK NAGLE

JEN NEWMAN'S FATHER
CHRIS NIELSEN
BLAINE PEARSON
JAVIER ROMERO
JILL SEGO
ALICE SHEPHERD
DAVE SIVERINAC
ROBIN SOMMERS
JASON STALNECKER
CARL STRICKHOUSER
DEAN & JANET TAIT
BETTIE TRUPE
AMIE WANNER
MAUREEN WELSH
BOB WERNER
PASTOR SCOTT &
LINDA WIDMER
PHYLLIS WINTZ
VINCENT ZAMPELLI
RAKO ZECH

First Week

Ruth Burkhart – Hip replacement surgery on 9/28

Madeline Coutz – Daughter of Jennifer Clements; recovering from successful knee surgery to repair her ACL

Byrl Himelberger – Brother-in-law of Ollie Baker; starting of chemo for recurrence of bladder cancer after 20 yrs. of remission

Second Week

Pat Jones – Friend of Marianna Wolfe; in Rgd. ICU following back surgery; in severe pain

FALL OUTGROWN SALE

October 4th, 5th & 6th, 2018

We are requesting good, clean, seasonal clothing, household items, and usable toys. Items may be stacked **BEHIND THE ORANGE TAPE** on the stage; and **PLEASE be mindful of the music equipment** that's there and used for Youth Group.

HELP WANTED: Because We Are STILL Better Together!

This is a major undertaking, and we will need many helping hands at the times shown below. Remember that no donation of time is too small. Please complete the form below and return it as soon as possible. Men, women, and youth are welcome to participate!

Time commitments are needed as follows:



Sun., Sept. 30th	Noon	Set Up Tables
Mon., Oct. 1st	9AM-9PM	Sorting
Tues., Oct. 2nd	9AM-9PM	Sorting
Wed., Oct. 3rd	9AM-till ??	Sorting
Thurs., Oct. 4th	9 AM - 3 PM & 5 PM - 8 PM	
Fri., Oct. 5th	9 AM - 3 PM	
Sat., Oct. 6th	9 AM - 11 AM	
	11AM - Pack up/Clean up; volunteers needed, especially men with trucks!	

DETACH HERE

2018 Fall Outgrown Sale

Name: _____

Phone Number _____ Email: _____

Date(s) and Time(s) available to work: _____

PLEASE PLACE THIS IN THE OUTGROWN SALE MAILBOX [D11].

If you have any questions, contact Joy Ruth (610-796-0876;
mummumjoy@gmail.com).

THIS BUSY WEEK AT CALVARY

TODAY	9:00AM 9:00AM 10:30AM 10:30AM 12:00PM	CE for Youth and Adults/Prayer Room Traditional Worship w/Nursery CE For all Ages Praise Service w/ Nursery VOLUNTEERS needed to set up the Tables & racks for the Outgrown Sale
MON 10/01	9:00AM 7:00PM	Outgrown Sale Sorting Church Council
TUES 10/02	9:00AM 2:00PM	Outgrown Sale Sorting Golf @ Broad Run
WEDS 10/03	8:00AM 9:00AM 10:00AM 6:00PM 6:30PM 7:30PM	Prayer Group Outgrown Sale Sorting WVP Chapel/Sanctuary Calvary Mid-Week Connection Begins Nursery/Kingdom Kids/Youth Group & Adult Bible Study Senior Choir Rehearsal
THURS 10/04	9:00AM-3PM 9:30PM 5 – 8PM	OUTGROWN SALE/Social Hall Bible Study/Chapel OUTGROWN SALE/Social Hall
FRI 10/05	9:00AM-3PM	OUTGROWN SALE/Social Hall
SAT 10/06	9 – 11AM 9:00AM 11:00AM	OUTGROWN BAG SALE Calvary's Annual Charge Conference @ West Lawn UMC OUTGROWN SALE CLEAN-UP Many volunteers & men w/ trucks needed!



ATTENTION BOWLERS! Yes, we are ready to begin another year of casual bowling at Berks Lanes, Sinking Springs **ALL** skill levels are invited.

Every Tuesday starting October 9th thru May, join us a 6:15PM for 3 games, and Calvary comradery. Free lessons and advice! All are welcome and bring a friend. If interested, contact Bruce Morton @ 484-794-0744 or bkmmem@comcast.net.



World Communion Sunday

Observed on the first Sunday in October (this year, Oct. 7th), this day calls the Church to be the universal, inclusive Church. The day was first observed by Presbyterians in 1936, adopted by the Federal Council of Churches in 1940, and shortly thereafter observed in Methodist and Evangelical United Brethren churches.

Around the globe, countless gifted and qualified people face financial obstacles that hinder them from preparing for the vocation God has given them, especially youth and young adults. For ethnic students who will be the first generation in their families to attend college, or for those people of color who haven't historically had access to resources that make higher education possible, the road toward education has often been unwieldy. What would it look like if the church today imitated Jesus' affirmation of the full dignity and God-given potential of all women and men—especially those who've historically been assigned to the world's margins? On World Communion Sunday your giving helps to provide scholarships for national and international graduate students whom God has gifted to learn and to serve.

Equipping Disciples Like Mary Grace to Serve in Jesus' Name

As a small child Mary Grace Galapon labored as a housemaid in exchange for food and clothing. Yet, allowed to attend church, she found hope. As a member of The United Methodist Church, your giving on World Communion Sunday has allowed this deaconess, of the Mindanao Philippines Annual Conference, to pursue an education that is now changing her community as she works to eliminate poverty. Mary Grace's work, and the impact of hundreds more like her, are possible because you give.

Will You Equip World-Changers?

Will you give generously on World Communion Sunday to make education and vocational impact possible for more students, like Mary Grace? Will you equip gifted and qualified students from around the globe to become the world-changers God created them to be?

Nelson Mandela said, "Education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world." And because the people of The United Methodist Church believe that all of God's children have been created and gifted to build the kingdom Jesus ushered in, we're resourcing them to do just that. Because of your giving on World Communion Sunday, the most powerful tool to change the world is in more hands.

Special Offering envelopes will be provided in the bulletins on Oct. 7th.



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of the Risen Christ