



**WORD**  
OF *God*

Calvary United Methodist Church  
Mohnton, PA

Sunday, April 7th, 2019

5th Sunday in Lent

April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019

UMH = United Methodist Hymnal

9:00AM

TFWS = The Faith We Sing Hymnal

\* = Please stand if able

Lay Worship Leader – Kay Wadsworth

~ **GATHERING** ~

PRELUDE: *Holy, Holy, Holy*

-arr. David A. deSilva

ENTRANCE OF THE LIGHT

-James Burkard

SILENT MANNA

*Your religion is not the church you belong to,  
but the cosmos you live inside of.*

~G.K. Chesterton

WELCOME

\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness and water the desert.

**People: Help us to recognize your hand working miracles beyond our imagining.**

Leader: Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing,

**People: so that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love for all,**

**All: and its presence in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

\*OPENING HYMN: *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

-126 UMH

OPENING UNISON PRAYER

**Lent's days are winding down, Merciful God, and we are no closer to having contrite hearts. Our small complaints still loom large, and we don't hurry to show mercy, or rush to be kind.**

**The old habits of Fat Tuesday are still alluring, and we resist the emptiness of the desert that reveals you – the places where you make yourself known to us, where you wait in the quiet for us to be ready, still feel alien.**

**Yet, Loving God, we come to you, trying to lose our lives for the life you offer, seeking the wisdom of our brother Jesus, hoping to be blown open by the Spirit. Bring us fully into your Lenten presence. Amen.**

(Please be seated.)

~ PRAYERS AND GIFTS ~

ANTHEM: *Surely the Presence of God is in This Place* -arr. Lloyd Larson

PRAYER HYMN: *We Meet You, O Christ* -257 UMH  
(To the tune of *O Worship the King*, #73 UMH)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY INVITATION

THE GIVING OF OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

Offertory: *Allegro* from Sonata for Saxophone and Piano -Bernard Heiden  
Josh Fratis and Linda Ebersole

\*The Doxology -95 UMH

OFFERING DEDICATION

(Please be seated.)

HYMN OF PREPARATION: *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart* -500 UMH

SCRIPTURES: Romans 8:31-32, 35-39 (NRSV) & Luke 17:20-21 (GNT)

MESSAGE: *A Fish Looking for Water*

COMMUNION

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors) -896 UMH  
Receiving Cup and Loaf

~SENDING FORTH~

\*CLOSING HYMN: *Rejoice, the Lord is King* (Stanzas 1, 3 & 4) -715 UMH

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE: *Great is thy Faithfulness* -arr. Ryan Meyer



## 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.

07 – Samuel Scalise

07 – Gwen Alsedek

08 – Hunter Martin

09 – McKenna Clausman



BIRTHDAYS  
THIS WEEK

10 – Nadine Jensen

11 – Gene East

12 – Mary Wooddell

14 – Evan Bvrne

- **NURSERY ATTENDANTS:** 9AM – Joann Werner; 10:30AM – Jen Raszkievicz & Ashley Feiler
- **SAFE SANCTUARY & CHRISTIAN ED. LEADERSHIP TRAINING SESSIONS:** If you currently volunteer in any capacity wherein you are around/interact with children or youth, please plan to attend an annual training session on either Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> @ 12:15PM or Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30PM. A sign-up sheet is in the Gathering area, or you may call or text Richie Weitzel at 717-376-5780 to register.
- **HARD COPIES OF THE APRIL NEWSLETTER** are available on the table outside the church office in the Gathering Area.



- **ON PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup>,** Calvary will again be hosting a Community & Congregational Dinner on from 4-7PM in our Social Hall. Mark your calendars now! If you'd like to help set-up, cook, serve, do dishes, clean up, etc. Please contact Darlene Vernon @ 610-733-7978 (call or text).

- **THE ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY** are sponsored by Bob and Darla Wagner in joyful celebration of their 53<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary. Praise God!

## THIS WEEK AT CALVARY

|                   |  |  |
|-------------------|--|--|
| <b>TODAY</b>      | 9:00AM   | CE for Youth and Adults/Prayer Room  |
|                   | 9:00AM   | Traditional Worship w/Nursery  |
|                   | 10:15AM  | Short Council Mtg./Chapel  |
|                   | 10:30AM  | CE For all Ages  |
|                   | 10:30AM  | Praise Service w/Nursery   |
|                   | 12:15PM  | GSM Planning Meeting   |
| <b>MON 04/08</b>  | 6:00PM   | GS Troop 198/Social Hall   |
| <b>TUES 04/09</b> | 8:00AM   | All-Church Breakfast @ The Deluxe  |
|                   | 6:15PM   | Bowling  |
| <b>WEDS 04/10</b> | 8:00AM   | Prayer Group   |
|                   | 10:00AM  | WVP Chapel Time/Sanctuary  |
|                   | 6:00PM   | CALVARY CONNECTIONS  |
|                   | [Classes meet following our time of song together at 6:00PM in the Social Hall.] |  |
|                   | 6:20PM   | Kingdom Kids/Youth Group/Bible Study   |
|                   | 7:40PM   | Senior Choir   |
| <b>THU 04/11</b>  | 9:30AM   | Bible Study/Chapel   |
| <b>FRI 04/12</b>  | 9:00AM   | Mifflin Food Ministry Donations Due  |
| <b>SAT 04/13</b>  | 9:00AM   | Mifflin Food Ministry Easter Distribution<br>Volunteers needed from 8:30AM-11:30AM |



The GSM Foundation will be selling sub tickets on Sunday, April 28th (pick-up on Sunday, May 5th) in the Gathering Area before and between services. The cost is \$7/sub. Choose from turkey, ham and Italian (tomatoes and onions will be separately packaged "on the side"). Proceeds from the sale will be used to help fund the operating expenses at the Good Shepherd Mission in Puttur, India. As always, thanks for your support and appetites!

## PRAYER LIST

(Revised 4/11/2019)

|                        |                      |                      |
|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| SHIRLEY AYRTON         | DON & GLADYS HERBST  | CHRIS NIELSEN        |
| MARTY BEDINGFIELD      | BYRL HIMELBERGER     | BLAINE PEARSON       |
| DORIS BENTZ            | DAVE & LIZ HOFFMAN   | LORI REARS           |
| JAN BERTOLET           | JESSEY HOMAN         | SANDY & TRAVIS REESE |
| FRAN BIDDISH           | FAM. OF PETE HOMRICH | STEVE RENTSCHLER     |
| KEN BRICE              | DANNY HUTZELL        | JAVIER ROMERO        |
| RICK BRUETSCH          | JARED                | FAM. OF LESTER ROSS  |
| RUTH BURKHART          | JESSICA              | JILL SEGRO           |
| TONI CALATA            | PAT JONES            | DARRYL SIMMONS       |
| CRYSTAL CHIARELLI      | NICHOLAS JORDAN      | BONNIE SLONAKER      |
| TREAVOR COMEAU         | TREVOR KEIFER        | JASON STALNECKER     |
| CHRIS D.               | FAM. OF MADALYN KELL | BOB STEFFEY          |
| MICHELLE DANIELS       | SHARON KING          | LIZ STRANG           |
| TOM DAVIES             | GEORGE KISSINGER     | LINDSEY SWARTZ       |
| AMBER DAVIS            | DIANE KLINGER        | DEAN & JANET TAIT    |
| FAM. OF MARIE DEMARZIO | DENNIS LEHMAN        | DANIELLE TILLMAN     |
| SEAN DIBIASI           | DAVID LIEDEL         | MICHELLE TOMCZAK     |
| SAM DOCK JR.           | SUZU MANIACI         | MARSHA ULRICH        |
| THOMAS FITZPATRICK     | FRED, PATTI & MAX    | DARLA WAGNER         |
| AMELIA FORTUNATO       | MANUEL               | WEBER FAMILY         |
| MARY FREY              | RODNEY MARKULICS     | MAUREEN WELSH        |
| HENRY FUNK             | NOAH MCKNIGHT        | BOB WERNER           |
| ELLEN GARCZNSKI        | MONICA MCWILLIAMS    | PHYLLIS WINTZ        |
| WHITNEY GEHMAN         | NORM METZ            | SUE YODER            |
| REV RONALD GLENN       | JENNIFER MILLER      | JOHN YUDT            |
| VERNON GRIFFIN         | CHARLES & LINDA      | DOMINIC ZAMPELLI     |
| JAMES HEBRANK          | MORGART              |                      |
|                        | KERI MORTON          |                      |

### First Week

*Michelle Daniels* – Surgery has been postponed due to having the flu  
*Valerie Lynn* – Sister of Michelle Daniels; advanced arthritis, very painful  
*Bob Wagner* – Knee replacement surgery on 4/9

### Second Week

*Fam. of John Frankhouser* – Husband of Janice and former member of Calvary UMC, passed away on 3/22

## ONGOING LENTEN STUDIES

**Wednesdays** through April 24<sup>th</sup> @ 6:20 in the **Youth Room**, featuring a combined youth/adult study on the *Parables of Jesus*. Study Led by Jenn and Richie Weitzel

**Sundays** through April 14<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 and 10:30 in the **Prayer Room**, featuring a study on the *Passion of Jesus*. Study led by Richie Weitzel (9:00) and Deb Bierly (10:30).



**E A S T E R**  
Special Gifts

**IN CELEBRATION OF EASTER A VARIETY OF GIFTS** may be given in honor of or in memory of loved ones. Please indicate your choice(s) below. Checks may be made payable to: **“Calvary UMC”** with the gift designation in the memo section.

I / We would like to contribute the following as an Easter gift:

(Indicate the number in the blank)

\_\_\_\_\_ An Easter Lily to adorn the Resurrection Garden (\$10 ea.)

\_\_\_\_\_ Support the Mifflin Community Food Ministry (\$10 ea.)

\_\_\_\_\_ UMCOR World-Wide Relief Efforts (\$10 ea.)

\_\_\_\_\_ A gift for the Pastor’s Contingency Fund (\$10 ea.)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print clearly.)

IN HONOR OF: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

IN MEMORY OF: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE PLACE YOUR COMPLETED FORM & DONATION IN  
JANET DEARSTYNE’S CHURCH MAILBOX (A10)  
OR MAIL IT TO HER ATTENTION AT:  
1 W. Wyomissing Ave., Mohnton, PA 19540  
ON OR BEFORE SUNDAY, APRIL 14TH.**

Please, **DO NOT** place your form & donation in the offering plate.



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Kelli Ernst, Wyomissing Valley Preschool Director

Jim Adams, Organist Emeritus

Jim Hartman, Financial Secretary

Laura Conlin, Church Treasurer

The Congregation, the arms & legs of the Risen Christ