



1 W. Wyomissing Ave., Mohnton, PA 19540

Nov. 23rd, 2025 – Nov. 30th, 2025

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*Connect with God.
Connect with each other.
Connect with the community.*

Calendar of Events Nov. 23rd – Nov. 30th

Office hours: Monday, Wednesday - Friday 7:30-1:30
Tuesday 9-3

ACTIVITIES NEXT WEEK AND BEYOND

NOV. 23, TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE @ 10:30AM

9:15 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL - ALL AGES

10:30 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP ~THANKSGIVING SERVICE~

NOV. 23 – COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE @ 4PM AT ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

NOV. 24 – GREENING OF THE CHURCH DECORATING (CONTACT SARA ERB FOR MORE INFO)

NOV. 25 – WEEKLY PRAYER GROUP @ 9AM AT CALVARY UMC

NOV. 26 – 8 PM COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING WORSHIP @ ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

NOV. 27 – THANKSGIVING ~CALVARY UMC CLOSED~

NOV. 28 – CALVARY UMC CLOSED

NOV. 30, TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE @ 10:30AM

9:15 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL - ALL AGES

10:30 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP ~FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT~

LOOKING AHEAD – NOVEMBER WORSHIP SERIES

NOV. 23 IN WHAT WAYS HAS GOD SURPASSED YOUR EXPECTATION AND PROVIDED WITH ABUNDANCE?

NOV. 30 HOW CAN WE HAVE HOPE IN A SEASON OF UNANSWERED PRAYER? HOW DO THE PROMISES OF GOD HELP US CONTINUE TO MOVE FORWARD EVEN WHEN THINGS DO NOT WORK AS WE WISH FOR THEM?



**All members are invited to attend
the Special Charge Conference:**

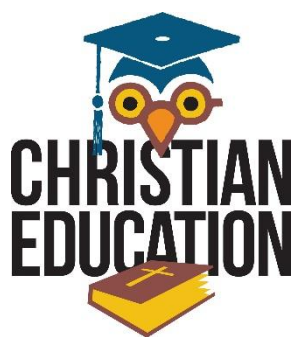
Calvary United Methodist Church (Mohnton) will hold a **Special Charge Conference on Monday, December 1**, at 7:00 PM during the regularly scheduled Church Council meeting

ADVENT READINGS

**“Let’s Talk About It”
Advent Study
Using Adam
Hamilton’s “Faithful”
Tuesdays & Thursdays
@ 10:30AM and 6PM**

- Dec. 2
- Dec. 4
- Dec. 9
- Dec. 11
- Dec. 16
- Dec. 18
- Dec. 23

For more information
about either bible study
group, please contact
Pastor Nova at
novavillavi@gmail.com



Sunday, Nov. 23

Thanksgiving service
No youth or kids club

Sunday, Nov. 30

Thanksgiving Break
No youth or kids club

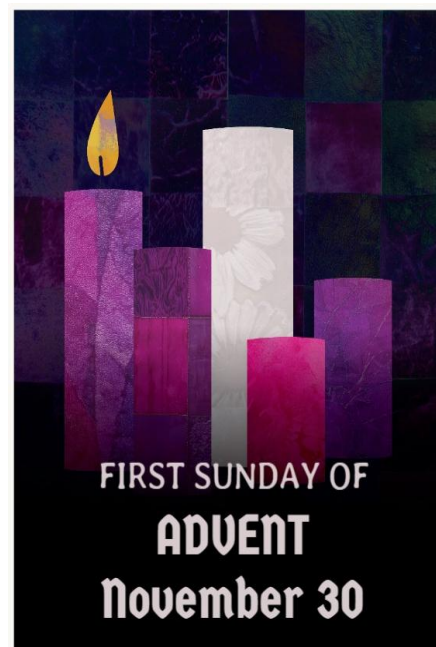
Recreational Bowling!



Please join us for our non-competitive bowling group each Tuesday of the week at Berks Lanes. Practice begins at 6:20PM.

All are invited, regardless of experience. Balls and shoes available! \$16 for 3 games

You may join us anytime for 2 hours of social engagement! For any questions, call or text Bruce Morton at 484-794-0744



23 – Michael Wahl
1050 Palisades Drive
Leesport, PA 19533

24 – John Maniaci
9 Bancroft terrace
Shillington, PA 19607

24 – Owen Tomczak
323 Summit St
West Reading, PA 19611

26 – Joyce Wills
135 Hartz Store Rd
Mohnton, PA 19540

27 – Jed Calata
1109 E Lilac lane
Fox Point, WI 53217

30 – Diane Anderson
35 Stewart Ave
Sinking Spring, PA 19608

Calvary Christmas Card EXCHANGE

- Calvary will continue our tradition of exchanging Christmas cards among our LOCAL church members and friends. (In the past, many cards have NOT been picked up; therefore, we ask that cards NOT be left at church for out-of-town members.)
- Bruce Morton will set up a drop-off/pick-up table in the narthex after Thanksgiving.
- Please alphabetize your cards.
- Cards addressed to local shut-ins will be delivered by a member of Calvary, but if you have time to hand deliver shut-in cards, you are encouraged and welcomed to do so.





November 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Daylight Savings time ends tomorrow!
2 Theme: Letter: M, m Number: 10	3 World Recreation Day Special Indoor activities	4 	5	6	7	8
9 Theme: Letter: Review Number: Review	10 	11 Veteran's Day Students will be making Thank You cards for VFW	12 Today is the deadline to sign-up for All-day care the week of 11/24-11/26	13 	14	15
16 Theme: Letter: Review Number: Review	17	18 Chapel Time 11-11:15	19	20 Classroom Feast at AM snack time	21 Group Feast at AM Snack time	22
23 <u>There is No Charge for this week UNLESS you are signed up for care.</u>	24 No 9-12 classes All day and School age students must sign up for care if needed.	25	26	27 No Classes, Happy Thanksgiving!	28	29 
30	SAVE THE DATE: Week of 12/1-12/5 we will be having our Christmas shop fund raiser. (see newsletter for details) Tuesday 12/9 6:00 PM Preschool & Pre-k student will have their Christmas program. More info soon!					



REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

A Reverse Advent Calendar is where you pick up one item a day to donate to the FOOD MIINSTRY and put it in a box. Most Advent Calendars are comprised of a series of doors or windows to open once per day, revealing a small chocolate, a picture, or a little gift for each day. The Reverse Advent Calendar turns this tradition around. Instead of receiving a gift, you participate by donating and "Giving" an item each day to the food bank. These calendars were marketed to assist children in counting down the days until Christmas. Thank you for opening your heart and giving to families in need in your local community.

December 1 – Box of Cereal	December 14 – Instant potatoes
December 2 – Peanut Butter	December 14 – Can of Mixed Veggies
December 3 – Canned Yams	December 16 – Can of peas
December 4 – Spaghetti Sauce	December 17 – Can of carrots
December 5 – Tuna Fish	December 18 – Can of green beans
December 6 – 100 % juice 64 oz. container	December 19 – Can of kidney beans
December 7 – Can of soup	December 20 – Can of baked beans
December 8 – Can of pineapple	December 21 – Canned chicken breasts
December 9 – Applesauce	December 22 – Canned salmon
December 10 – Can of peaches	December 23 – Can of diced tomatoes
December 11 – Can of ravioli	December 24 - Spam
December 12 – Mac and cheese	
December 13 – Can of mandarin oranges	

**THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING AND BEING A PART OF THIS
PROJECT TO HELP BRIGHTEN SOMEONE ELSE'S CHRISTMAS THIS
HOLIDAY SEASON**

Special Christmas Gifts

A variety of gifts may be given in honor of or in memory of loved ones. Please indicate your choice(s) below. **All gifts must be received by Wednesday, December 17th.** Checks may be made payable to "Calvary UMC" with the *gift designation in the memo section*.

The dedications will be printed in the *Calvary Connection* edition just prior to Christmas Eve.

_____ A Poinsettia to adorn the sanctuary (\$12 each)

_____ GSM Medical Camps (\$10) _____ Safe Berks (formerly Berks Women in Crisis) (\$10)

_____ Mifflin Community Food Ministry (\$10) To help defray extra expenses at Christmas.

NAME: _____ Env. # _____
(if applicable)

IN HONOR OF _____

IN MEMORY OF: _____

Please mail your donation and dedication(s) to:
Calvary UMC, Attn: Special Christmas Gift, 1 West Wyomissing Ave., Mohnton, PA 19540

The Wyomissing Band, Inc.
Presents a free
Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 14, 2025
3 - 4:30 p.m.

Zion E.C. Church
Church and Summit Streets
Mohnton, PA 19540

**Welcome
Winter**



ARE YOU LONELY, SAD, OR DISCONNECTED DURING THIS HOLIDAY SEASON?
WE SEE YOU AND WANT TO SUPPORT YOU.

A Blue Christmas

LESSONS OF
HOPE AND HEALING
A CHARLIE BROWN CHRISTMAS
DECEMBER 14 AT 3 PM

LINCOLN PARK COMMUNITY CHURCH
1 CARLISLE AVE
LINCOLN PARK, PA 19609

Service led by Minister Brenda Wallace
Licensed Clinical Psychologist

A time to reflect, sing, recenter and renew your joy.

BRING A PHOTO OR MOMENTO IN MEMORY OF
YOUR LOVED ONE OR SITUATION.

ALL ARE WELCOME!
LITE REFRESHMENTS SERVED.



**SANTA CLAUS
IS COMING TO MOHNTON!
SATURDAY
DECEMBER 6th**

After Santa's fire truck ride through Mohnton, he will head to the Mohnton playground for the annual holiday tree lighting. Santa will arrive about 6:00 pm. The Christmas Committee is also looking for candy or a monetary donation for the children.

Please join us! The tree lighting will begin with the singing of Christmas songs. Children are welcome to visit with Santa and share their Christmas wishes. *Complimentary hot chocolate will be served by the Mohnton Lions Club.*



Educate • Advocate • End Abuse

Toll Free Hotline: 844-789-SAFE Text SAFE BERKS to 20121

First, I need to apologize for any confusion about the Purple Ribbon Campaign in October. There was information in the Calvary Connection about buying ribbons but I was unable to coordinate with the youth group to make them available to the congregation. Being miles away in North Carolina during that time, I dropped the ball. Thankfully, Pastor Nova has picked up the ball in the form of a generous donation to SAFE BERKS on behalf of our congregation.

In other news, many of you may remember Mindy McIntosh as the Director of Development at SAFE BERKS. As of November 6, she has accepted the same title at Berks Encore. In her place, Dimitrios Aletras will carry on the crucial work of bringing awareness to the community. As a congregation we will continue to provide support.

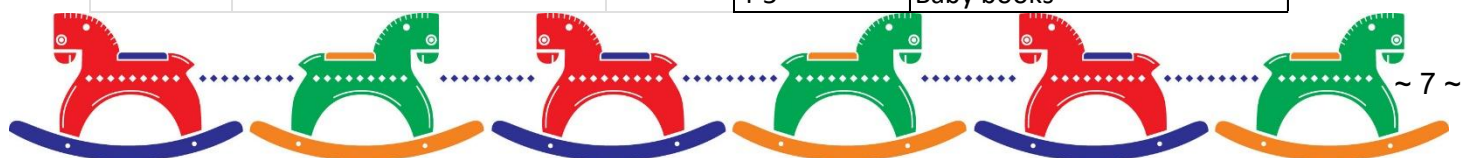
One of the ways we do that is through donations of pillows, bed sheets and disposable diapers. I am grateful for those who have continued to drop off these items. There will be a more extensive list of gifts needed for Christmas. As soon as I receive this information from SAFE BERKS, it will be included in the newsletter. Everything that we do is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your support.

Diane Anderson

Calvary Care Early Learning Center does one fundraiser a year which is our Christmas shop! This year we need over 270 items to meet the needs of our little shoppers. We sell items from \$2.00-\$10.00, so we ask that you do not spend more than \$15 on any one item. With your donations, we hope to have a successful fundraiser this year. Please refer to the Giving Tree in the narthex for more info on how to donate! Thank you for your support!



Adult Female (Moms /Grandmoms/Aunts)		Adult Male (Dads /Granddads/Uncles)	
# Needed	Items suggestions	# Needed	Items suggestions
1-2	Cats	7-8	Outdoorsy things
2-3	Nails &/or hair items	5-6	Car's / car things
9-10	Coffee (box of k-cups / mugs)	7-8	Tools
9-10	Cooking / Baking	2-3	Golf
9-10	Reading	2-3	Grilling
12-13	Plants / flowers / Gardening	4-5	Fishing
5-6	Candles / wax warmers / wax melts	4-5	Hunting
3-4	Teacher items	4-5	Camping
6-7	Arts / crafts / scrapbooking	4-5	Eagles team stuff
1-2	Hummingbirds	4-5	Flyers team stuff
1-2	Butterflies	4-5	Phillies team stuff
1-2	Travel	5-6	Coffee (box of k-cups / mugs)
		2-3	Gloves
		2-3	Socks
Teen Female (Aunts/siblings/ cousins)		Teen Male (Uncles/siblings/ cousins)	
# Needed	Items suggestions	# Needed	Items suggestions
3-4	Skin care	2-3	Baseball
2-3	Nails &/or hair items	2-3	Soccer
2-3	Makeup / Makeup brush sets	2-3	Science
2-3	Volley Ball	2-3	Space
Female Child (Siblings/ cousins)		Male Child (Siblings/ cousins)	
# Needed	Items suggestions <u>Ages 3-10</u>	# Needed	Items suggestions <u>Ages 3-10</u>
5-6	Arts / Crafts / Coloring	2-3	Balls
3-4	Baby dolls	5-6	Cars
2-3	Bubbles	2-3	Superhero's
2-3	Paw Patrol items	5-6	Fidget toys
4-5	Blocks	2-3	Paw Patrol items
3-4	Disney Princess	2-3	Dinosaurs
		3-4	Drawing (drawing pad and pencil)
Female Infant/toddler (Siblings/ cousins)		Male Infant/toddler (Siblings/ cousins)	
# Needed	Items suggestions <u>Ages 0-3</u>	# Needed	Items suggestions <u>Ages 0-3</u>
4-5	Baby toy items	4-5	Baby toy items
4-5	Baby books	4-5	Baby books





Remember to Send Holiday Cheer & Love to:

Please send these 1st class or hand deliver; do not place these in the Christmas card exchange.

Marlene Burkard
2611 Cumberland Ave
Reading, PA 19606

Michelle Daniels
4106 Lynn Ave.
Reading, PA 19606

Rick Ehst
333 Pennwyn Place
Shillington, PA 19607

Ginny Epps
Berks Heim. Room A317
1011 Berks Rd.
Leesport, PA 19533

Joan Fisher
320 Gelsinger Road
Sinking Spring, PA 19608

Mark Gerhard
2269 Welsh Road
Mohnton, PA 19540

Ron & Dawn Fox
2139 Reading, Blvd.
West Lawn, PA 19609

Pegge Harshaw
Mifflin Court, Rm. 216
450 E. Philadelphia Ave.
Shillington, PA 19607

Suzie & John Maniaci
9 Bancroft Terrace
Shillington, PA 19607

Patti Manuel
851 N 20th St
Philadelphia, PA 19130

Doris McCleary
230 Hawthorne Ct., N.
Wyomissing, PA 19610

Doris Metz
% Darryl Metz
407 Valor Dr.
Lititz, PA 17543

Jerry Pawlick
1213 Liberty Ave
Kenhorst, PA 19607

Jack Price
3414 Poinciana Ave
Reading, PA

Janet Reppert
308 Maplewood Ave.
Mohnton, PA 19540

Joy Ruth
1435 Wyomissing Court
West Lawn, PA 19609

Joanne Schmidt
215 Ulrich Lane
Leesport, PA 19533

Bob Steffey, Jr.
4851 Perkiomen Ave
Lot 71
Reading, PA 19606

Lola Troutman
1 Summer Hill Drive
Sinking Spring, PA 19608

Sue Werner
Phoebe Berks Village Gardens
9 Heidelberg, Dr., Room 106
Wernersville, PA 19565

Jay Wonder
2000 Cambridge Drive
Apt 263
Wyomissing, PA 19610

Mary Wooddell
806 Lakeview Dr.
Mohnton, PA 19540

Jane Smith
36 Gale Road
Camp Hill, PA 17011