

CALVARY CROSS ROADS

October 10, 2019

Worship This Sunday: October 13, 2019

Sermon Series: Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity

Sermon Title: Wisdom and Finance

Rev. Sarah Schlieckert, Pastor



Proverbs 21:1-6, 20-21

Luke 15:11-32

UMW TALENT SHOW



LIVE AND SILENT AUCTION

Saturday, October 12th - 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

UMW Fall Auction and Talent Show

There will be both silent and live auction items. More than 30 amazing items have been donated - gift baskets for all occasions, restaurant gift cards, movie and theater gift certificates, and much more. And, from some of the very talented members of our congregation, there are a variety of beautiful handcrafted items!

Something for everyone on your Christmas list!

Also, enjoy some wonderful musical and comedic performances. And, during intermission there will be plenty of snacks for you to enjoy while you get one final chance to bid on items at the silent auction.

All money raised will support Calvary's mission to feed the hungry.

Please invite your family and friends to attend and support this very important event.

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Mark Your Calendar

October 11 - Our Place Waldorf Friday Night Community Meal

October 12 - **UMW TALENT SHOW AND AUCTION**

October 13 - Sunday School, Worship Service, Our Place Waldorf Sunday Night Community Meal

October 14 - Friendship Club - dominoes

October 15 - AA Meeting, Bishop Easterling's Day - meeting with Laity (Journey of Faith)

October 16 - Quilters Guild, 12-Step Program

October 18 - Our Place Waldorf Friday Night Community Meal

October 19 - Christ Foundation Youth Group

October 20 - Sunday School, Worship Service, Our Place Waldorf Sunday Night Community Meal

CUMC message board and upcoming events



This past Sunday we celebrated Pastor Appreciation Sunday. We are so blessed to have Pastor Sarah, Chris, Anna and Mary as part of our Calvary family.



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Please mark your calendar for the following district and conference events:

Bishop Easterling's Day on the Washington East District - Tuesday, October 15th - 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at Journey of Faith, Waldorf.

Installation of the new District Superintendent, Rev. Dr. Johnsie Cogman - Sunday, October 27th - 3:00 p.m. at Westphalia UMC, Upper Marlboro.

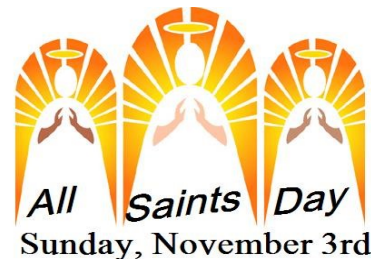


CLEAN-UP DAY: The Trustees will be here on **Saturday, October 26th at 8:00 a.m.** - please plan to come out and help. They will have a dumpster on-site so the basement and attic of the Parish House can be cleaned out. There will also be plenty of yard cleanup work of the church grounds.

The **UMW FALL RETREAT** has been rescheduled as a one-day retreat at Stacy Feldman's house.. It will be held **Saturday, October 26th, 9:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.** If you have never attended a retreat with UMW, we have lots of fellowship, food and fun. We will be studying "*The Secret of the Seven Pillars*" from the Book of Proverbs. All women are invited to attend.

If you are interested in attending please contact

*Stacy Feldman at 301-807-1861 or
jfeld0928@md.metrocast.net.*



In the great tradition of the church, this is the day we set aside to worship God as we remember those who have died in the faith. We will observe the occasion at our Morning Worship Service, November 3rd at 10:00 a.m.

If you have a family member who passed away since last All Saints Day, we would be honored to have you attend the service. The service will include prayers, reading the names of the honored deceased, a sermon for All Saints' and Holy Communion. As a part of the service, we will be lighting a candle as each person is named and remembered. We invite you to light a candle for your loved one. If you plan to attend the service, please contact the church office at (301) 645-5247 or calvumc@calvumc.org to let us know so we can plan accordingly.



The **UMW Chili Cook-off** will be **Sunday, November 10th** immediately following Worship Service. We hope you will plan to enter your favorite chili in the competition and especially plan to participate in the tasting of the chili to determine the winner.

For more information, contact the church office.

All monies will go to support the Calvary ministries to feed those in need in our community.

Pastor Sarah's Reflection

A couple weekends ago, our United Methodist Men hosted another successful yard sale. This event, which happens twice a year, is a wonderful opportunity to not only make money for needs and ministries in our congregation and community, but it is also a chance for us to get to meet some of our neighbors!

At this most recent yard sale, along with a few other changes (moving the hot dog stand location, focusing on renting yard sale spaces instead of selling items ourselves) one thing we tried was providing an activity table for children.

In the now three yard sales I've been here at Calvary for, I've noticed some children, though not a flood of them. If my own experience having my girls at the yard sale is any indication, this is likely a wise move on the part of parents who know that children at a yard sale means more stuff coming home! That said, many of the children I did see at the yard sale did happen to come by our activity table to pick up a treat, color on one of the Bible study coloring pages we had, or pick up a little trinket like a bottle of bubbles.

We are located in a community here in Waldorf that lacks a clear downtown or single gathering area. Most of our local residents commute (many long distances and in the early morning hours and late in the evening, no less!). One of the greatest challenges I have perceived since arriving at Calvary is finding meaningful ways to connect with people in our community.

Though I have spent my entire ministry serving DC commuter communities, the realities of this identity is strongest here than anywhere I've served. Indeed, the great familiarity I've encouraged while sharing with people about the idea for our new ID ministry has garnered a great deal of familiarity with Foundry UMC, which is located in DC. Newer residents are as likely to be able to offer a shared knowledge of location or lifestyle in DC as they are the same in Charles County.

At the same time, both our congregation as well as the local area still includes many people who have deep roots in Charles County—people who remember the county before St. Charles was ever the flicker of an idea.

In my father's appointment in southern Baltimore City, where he served as the pastor at Brooklyn United Methodist Church, the community there had experienced a transition very common for urban churches: a community which had changed a great deal over the years and a congregation that often felt like it as just struggling to keep up. That congregation eventually dove headlong into feeding ministries and helping those new to the community, but they struggled to really connect and evolve as a congregation. Like many white churches in changing urban communities, their membership was increasingly made of up of people who moved out of the city but drove in for church.

It has been a long time since we had any significant residential area immediately near our church. Our situation is in many ways quite different than that of Brooklyn UMC in Baltimore was. But we face a similar challenge—that of finding ways to connect not with people who are like us, but with who makes up our community today. Sometimes that starts with making a bit more effort to connect with people at events

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we're already doing (like having a children's activity table at the yard sale), expanding our outreach not only in ways to give but also in ways we form relationships (like not just serving at the Friday and Sunday Our Place Waldorf meals but also attending to meet regular guests and volunteers), and finally, continuing to look for more ways to connect with our community.

As we move forward, I want to invite you to consider three next steps for you and our congregation:

1. Sign up (as a family, individual or group) to help provide meals on Fridays or Sundays.
2. Join me Sunday evenings to interact with folks during the OPW meal. It is my goal to be present for *at least* two Sunday evenings a month.
3. Share your ideas for other events or opportunities within the Charles County (and especially Waldorf) area to get to know our neighbors.

I share your commitment to feeding the emotional, spiritual and physical needs of our neighbors. But in order to do that well, we need to spend more time getting to know our neighbors. I challenge you to make at least one new commitment to do so (either from the list above or another idea you have) so that we as a congregation can more fully and authentically be in relationship with the neighbors God has placed around us.

Grace and Peace.

Pastor Sarah



NEIGHBORLY LOVE

Get to know our neighbors



Below is this week's "recipe to share". Please keep the recipes coming - we all like trying something new this time of the year! Submit your favorite recipe to calvumc@calvumc.org

My daughter, Erin, moved from Southern Maryland several years ago, but she never lost her taste for those Southern Maryland blue crabs or her favorite Maryland crab soup. So, after many trials and errors and searching restaurant recipes, online, she came up with her own recipe for Southern Maryland Crab Soup - I must say it has become my favorite. (she does have to leave out the lima beans when she makes it for her dad)

Hope you enjoy!

submitted by Kathie Auth

Erin's Southern Maryland Crab Soup

2 quarts water
2 quarts vegetable broth
2 teaspoons (heaping) Better than Bouillon – Chicken
2 teaspoons (heaping) Better than Bouillon – Beef
3 tablespoons seafood seasoning (I use Wye River, but Old Bay would work)
¼ cup Worcestershire sauce
4 bay leaves
1 ½ tablespoon stevia
Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper (to taste)
3 cans diced tomatoes
1 teaspoon hot sauce (I use Texas Pete)
1 ½ cups carrots
1 ½ cups celery
1 bag corn (frozen)
1 bag lima beans (frozen)
1 bag green beans (frozen)
1 medium yellow onion (chopped)
2 cups red potatoes (cubed)
2 pounds lump crabmeat



Bring water and vegetable broth to a boil on stove top.

Add chicken and beef Better than Bouillon, seafood seasoning, Worcestershire sauce, bay leaves, sugar, salt and pepper.

Transfer stock on the stove top to a slow cooker.

Add tomatoes, hot sauce, carrots, celery, corn, lima beans, green beans and onions. Bring to a low boil.

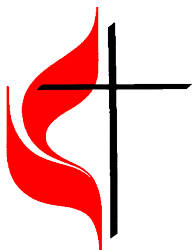
Add potatoes and crabmeat.

Cook in slow cooker on high for 1 hour. Cook at least another 2 hours in the slow cooker on low. (doesn't hurt to cook longer on low in the slow cooker)

Enjoy a taste of Southern Maryland!

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We seek to be a faithful congregation sharing Jesus Christ's love by feeding our neighbors physically, emotionally and spiritually.



Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

We're on the Web...
www.calvumc.org

Submit information to be included in the newsletter or suggestions to:
calvumc@calvumc.org

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BABY SHOWER FOR JESUS

Mark your calendar. On Sunday, **December 15th**, we will have a Baby Shower for Jesus following worship. This will be a very special Sunday, since this is also the day we have scheduled our children's pageant. What is a Baby Shower for Jesus? Well, it's a fun way to donate baby items to families in need. We will be sending items to the Catherine Foundation as well as Lifestyles, who both help families in our area. Needed items include diapers and wipes, though we will also accept new baby items of any kind, as well as gift cards. You can start now by picking up a package of diapers or wipes with your groceries, or looking for special sales on these. Let's see how many little ones we can bless this year! The Friendship Club will be coordinating the Baby Shower party, and will provide light refreshments and maybe a couple fun games! We will have special cards available for you to fill out to give to family or friends to note gifts given in their honor to the Baby Shower.



Marion Schreiber	Martha Anderson
Gordan Christmas	Linda Muller
Eddie Blandford	Tracy Steward
Peyton Greer	Bobby Vermillion
Celeste Flock	April Corrice
Bob Bushman	Joe Fitzpatrick
Linda Black	Flordeliza Azurin

To have names added to the prayer chain contact Pastor Sarah (pastor@calvumc.org) or Kathie Auth (calvumc@calvumc.org)