

CALVARY CROSS ROADS

October 2020

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2021 STEWARDSHIP KICK-OFF

Greetings to Calvary Church Family Members and Friends - Welcome to our 2021 Stewardship Campaign when we are all encouraged to begin praying about how much financial support we pledge to provide to Calvary UMC next year.

Financial giving is not just "something we do every year" in October; it is the desire to share "sacrificially" in the same spirit Christ Jesus gave his love for us by going to Calvary on our behalf. More importantly, our hearts should skip several

beats that we have reached a level in our relationship with Christ that we cherish this moment to share our resources with others.

Our financial support helps to meet our monetary obligations for utilities, mortgage, insurance, supplies, and salaries to enjoy a sacred space for worship, fellowship, and service for others. Our church building is our sacred space where we meet to sing, pray, study, and share our love for God with uplifted hearts that beat joyfully as one. Equally important are the various ways we help our brothers and sisters who struggle physically, mentally, financially, and spiritually. Our financial pledge supports others who have so much less than we enjoy. In Matthew 25:40 Jesus stated that "... just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." We recently renewed our Shepherd's Table ministry to support Our Place Waldorf by hosting meals for families in need. We have partnered with Christ Foundation to provide school supplies and a monthly drive-thru food drive for families in the Waldorf community. Further, we have purchased new blankets for our homeless sisters and brothers who live in the woods near the church. And, as we can imagine, there is still so much more we can do together!

Please pray daily about your 2021 financial pledge to support Calvary UMC's ongoing presence and service to our brothers and sisters in the Waldorf community. After praying, please complete and return the pledge form (located on the following page) to the church office. You can mail your pledge form to the church address or send an email response to the church office before October 31, 2020.

The second Sunday in November will be our Consecration Sunday.

May Jesus Christ continue to guide our willingness to serve and share the Good News of the Gospel within and beyond the Waldorf community.

Shalom~~~ - Pastor Loretta & Finance Committee Members

CALVARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2021 Financial Pledge of Support

TOGETHER WE CAN DO & SERVE MORE

Name

Telephone

Address

Email

City

State

Zip

I/We pledge to give \$_____ in 2021 to support Calvary UMC's mission and purpose as disciples for Jesus Christ. In addition to our financial commitment, we further pledge to share our gifts, talents and presence in support of events and ministries.

Signature

Date



Our Family Fun and Games Fellowship is planned for Sunday, November 15th at 3:00 p.m. Pastor Loretta is working to streamline the games. So make sure to grab a snack and join us for a grand ole' good time!

Information to Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/94535472426>

Meeting ID: 945 3547 2426

Dial in number: 1 301 715 8592

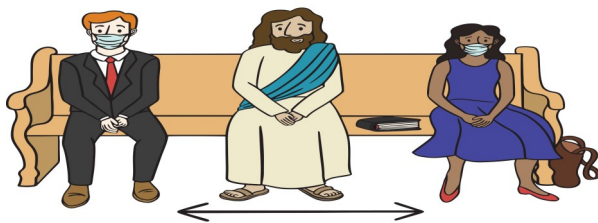


Calvary will hold a trial period for in-person Worship Services the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays in November. Virtual (Zoom) Services will also continue.

During the in-person services, the only space in the church for gathering will be the Sanctuary. Plans are being made for persons to enter and exit through the Narthex. Upon entering the building you will be greeted by an usher who will provide you with a mask before leading or directing you to your seat.

Social distancing and Charles County Health Department guidelines will be followed.

LEAVE ROOM FOR JESUS



Please sit 6 ft. apart

CUMC 2020 CHURCH CONFERENCE



This year, Calvary's Church Conference will be virtual. Our Church Conference will be held Saturday, November 21, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.

Everyone must register in order to attend the virtual church conference. So, if you are a church leader or a member of Calvary and you wish to participate, below is the meeting registration link. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the Zoom meeting.

Let us know if you have any questions.

<https://bwcumc.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJYkdu2qqj4vGdHsSeACnuZGWFpOT5HS8sZP>

CUMC October Financial Update

September 2020 Income: \$11,409.35

September 2020 Expenses: \$7,928.06

If you have any questions, please speak with any member of the committee. Most importantly, however, would be any feedback in terms of the information you find helpful and that which you don't, we can't make this reporting better without your feedback.

Your 2020 Finance Committee Members:

Pastor Johnson, Keith Akins, Allen Bender, Norma Bradbury, Stacy Feldman, Jim Quade, Mary Lee Quade

CHILDRENS CORNER

Please name three **Fruits of the Spirit?**

Hint: Read Galatians 5:22-23

Please name two **Be-At-Ti-Tudes?**

Hint: Read Matthew 5:8-9

Pastor Loretta's Message

GREETINGS CALVARY FAMILY & FRIENDS,

Every day comes with new opportunities to do a self-inventory and embrace better ways to serve as ambassadors for Jesus Christ. There were a few things that some of us had planned to do yesterday or last week, but for whatever reason, time just slipped away. Several tomorrows rolled in, and here we are in the third week of September, and some of those "few things" are still calling our name as we ponder with others about "where did the time go" and "I still have so much on my plate." When the disciples asked Jesus to teach them how to pray, they experienced time slipping away. Yet, they reflected on the many lives Jesus had touched daily, how often he preached daily in the synagogues, temples, and by the seaside, and even daily spent quality time with them. At some point, the disciples must have recognized that the times Jesus slipped away to pray must be the key to being able to do so much each day. The Gospel of Luke 11:1 tells us, "*One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray..."*" And, so, Jesus shared with them how to take time daily to pray long enough to hear from God rather than just quickly say thanks for what God had already done. We, too, must daily remember and practice to go alone to a quiet place where we allow sufficient time to shut out the chatter that so often clogs our spiritual ears from hearing what God is saying. Oh, do not for a moment fail to thank God for the victories and joys and to petition God to heal our family members and friends! But after we have had our say, then we must remain quiet and still long enough for God to speak to us! The disciples and each of us will eventually discover how real prayer clears the mind, opens the heart, and guides the spirit to both hear and do as "*thus saith the Lord*" each day. The writer of "*One Day At a Time Sweet Jesus*" must have discovered the power of real prayer and shares the same with all of us!

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



Tuesday 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

cUMC message board

United Methodist Women

The UMW will be starting the study "It's Not Supposed to be this Way" by Lysa Terkeurst during our monthly Saturday meetings beginning in November. All women of the church are invited to join us the second Saturday of the month at 9:00 am. If you would like to participate but do not have a book, please let Amy Doner know, she has a few extra copies. If you do not receive UMW emails, please contact Amy for the Zoom link.

Sunday Worship Services

Please join Pastor Loretta each Sunday morning for worship services and stay after the service for fellowship time with Pastor Loretta and your Calvary Family.

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://zoom.us/j/96334508826>

Meeting ID: 963 3450 8826
 Phone Number: 1-301-715-8592

Everyone is encouraged to invite someone to join us for worship on Sundays at 10 AM by visiting us on the Web... www.calvumc.org



Rachel	Christmas	4
Thomas	Doner	19
Amy	Doner	19
Russell	Milheim	19
Rebecca	Morris	22
Jim	Quade	26
Betty	Sellner	27
Ronald	Auth	30

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Marion Schreiber	Martha Anderson
Sara Wilson	Myrtle & Everett Currie
Edsel Bradbury	Allen Bender
Lewie (Norma's nephew)	Ron Auth
Ramona Black	
Marlene Phillip's sister Suzy	
Janet Talbert's sister Margie and brother-in-law Don	