

# CALVARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

301 ROWE BOULEVARD – ANNAPOLIS, MD – WWW.CALUMC.ORG MAY 5, 2024 – 10:00 A.M.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER & THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

## GATHERING

**PRELUDE** 

Betsy Lord, organist

I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ

J.S. Bach

THE GREETING & INVOCATION

Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

**People:** God's steadfast love endures forever. (Psalm 107:1)

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Stephany Clothier, liturgist

Liturgist: Sing to our God a new song.

People: God has done marvelous things!

Make a joyful noise to the Lord!

Break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Let the sea roar and all that fills it.

All: Let the world and its people sing together for joy!

Let us worship God!

## PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

\*OPENING HYMN

UMH 139

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

## \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and loving God, we have not loved you or each other with our whole hearts. Forgive us, we pray, and lead us toward wholeness, that we may be filled with your peace and joy. In Jesus, our risen Lord and Savior's name, we pray... (all confess sins in silence)

### \*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Hear the Good News! Christ died for us while we were yet sinners.

That proves God's love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: Glory to God! Amen.

\*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

† All may be seated.

#### THE NEWS TO KNOW

Children and youth are invited to remain in worship with their parents to receive Holy Communion.

Activity bags for children are available from the ushers.

A nursery is available for infants through 4 years old in Room 205 with certified and compassionate staff.

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

ANTHEM Calvary Choir

Sing to the Lord, Rejoice!

G.P. Telemann, arr. Hal H. Hopson

## OLD TESTAMENT READING - EXODUS 33:12-16 (NRSV)

Moses said to the LORD, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' Now if I have found favor in your sight, please show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider, too, that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not bring us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I, and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth."

# NEW TESTAMENT READING - Acts 10:44-48 (NRSV)

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So, he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

# \*GOSPEL READING - John 15:9-17 (NRSV)

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing, but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

† All may be seated.

Liturgist: The Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Sarah B. Dorrance

Welcome to the Family - Now What?

\*HYMN OF REFLECTION

UMH 393

Spirit of the Living God

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

**INVITATION** 

## \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.
Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

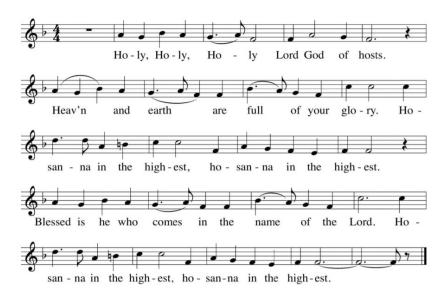
People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you God Almighty, creator of heaven and earth... and join their unending hymn *singing*:

### \*SANCTUS



Holy are you, and blessed... as we proclaim the mystery of faith. Singing:

## \*MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



Pour out your Holy Spirit... All honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever, *singing*:

## \*THE GREAT AMEN



### THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray...

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.

Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power, and the Glory forever. Amen.

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

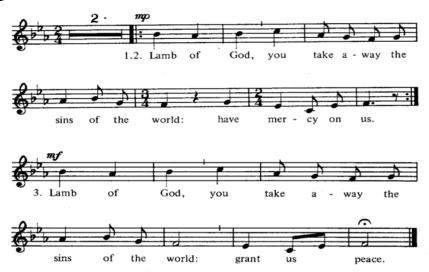
Pastor: These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

#### GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

As directed by the ushers, come forward up the center aisle to receive the bread and cup by intinction: partly dip the bread into the cup and receive both elements together. Gluten-free bread with a separate chalice is available upon request. If you prefer to receive from where you are seated, share with an usher and you will be served. Appropriate responses after receiving this gracious gift could include: "Thanks be to God"; "Lord, have mercy"; "Amen." Return to your seat along the side aisles.

## THE AGNUS DEL



## COMMUNION MUSIC

Be Thou My Vision

O Bread of Life from Heaven

Betsy Lord, *organ* arr. Dale Wood arr. Raymond H. Haan

## \*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

#### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

All are invited to give of their morning offerings online at CALUMC.org, in the collection black box in the Narthex, Venmo (@calvaryumcannapolis) or US Postal Service to support the work of Calvary United Methodist Church sharing God's love with the world.

#### \*Offertory Prayer

Generous and loving God, we dedicate to your service the work of our hands, the earnings of our time and efforts, and our vision for the future. May faith sustain us as we offer our best to you in in praise, thanksgiving, and joyous dedication. We seek to work for the reign of your truth in Jesus Christ. May our offering bear fruit in the lives of all who are helped by it. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

\*Doxology **UMH 94** 

# SENDING FORTH

\*CLOSING HYMN UMH 399

Take My Life and Let It Be

## \*The Blessing & Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. (Numbers 6:24-26)

Healey Willan

POSTLUDE

Betsy Lord, organist Postlude in D

The altar flowers this morning are given in loving memory of mother Trent's May 30, 1923 birthday. Love, Janet Shaffron.



Thank you for worshipping with us today! To keep up with CALUMC events, services, and more, visit calumc.org, find us on Facebook, and/or YouTube. You may also sign up for our weekly e-News by completing the Connection Card in the pews, on calumc.org, or by contacting the Church Office at <a href="mailto:office@calumc.org">office@calumc.org</a> or (410) 268-1776.

To notify clergy of a pastoral care concern, such as a birth, hospitalization, or death, please contact Julie at <a href="mailto:community@calumc.org">community@calumc.org</a> or complete our Online Connection Card at CALUMC.org.

#### <u>Announcements</u>

Parents/Grandparents - this is your friendly reminder that there will be no Children's Sunday School OR Middle/High School Sunday School the first Sunday of every month so that families can receive Communion together. There are kids activity bags available to be used during worship for those who need it. Contact Nancy Mills at discipleship@calumc.org for more information.





#### Grief Support Group

The Grief Support Group will meet **May 7, 2024 at 7:00PM in the Parlor**. If you know a friend or relative that has experienced a loss, please suggest they consider joining the support group. If you have any questions, please contact Suzanne Drury at suzanne41.sd@gmail.com or Bill Thompson at bcthompson@verizon.net.

### Aid Requested following Key Bridge Collapse

The Baltimore-Washington Conference is an active member of Maryland Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD). The church's assistance has been requested to support the 136 foreign nationals residing on the seven ships in the Port of Baltimore following the collapse of the Key Bridge. Most of the individuals on the ships are non-English speaking. The individuals are able to come ashore during the day but cannot "reside" on U.S. soil. They must return to the ship each night.



#### Requested Items include:

- · Restaurant gift cards (\$25) Starbucks, Royal Farms, Ledo Pizza, Subway, McDonalds, Dunkin Donuts Smart Trips Cards (\$25) trips to/in and around DC.
  - · Visa gift cards (\$25)
  - · Movie gift cards Harbor East Cinema and/or Imax @ MD Science Center
    - · Aquarium Day Pass
      - · Granola Bars
    - · Individually packaged sandwich crackers
    - · Individually packaged dried fruit and/or nut pouches
      - Decks of playing cards

Drop off your donations at Julie Taylor's office or Calvary's front office by May 12.



## Backpack Buddies - food needed

Last day of school for AACPS is June 11, 2024. Don't miss your chance to help keep the children at Mills Parole Elementary School from being hungry on the weekends. **Updated specific food items needed are: Shelf-stable milk and microwaveable dinners.** Your support of this ministry is greatly appreciated. Contact Barbara Jedrey for more information at <a href="mailto:jeds13@aol.com">jeds13@aol.com</a>.



#### **Stewardship Corner**

Have you included Calvary UMC in your will? Have you prepared or updated your will? "Later" can be too late. Don't delay having your will drawn. Make sure your estate plans are in place so that your wishes will be carried out to benefit your family - and your church. - By Rev. Dr. Bob Ireland

#### **1st Quarter Financial Report**

At the end of the 1st quarter of the budget year, our gifts totaled \$247,441. This compares with \$192,015 for the same period last year. The difference in large part is due to the most generous gift in honor of the memory of a church member. According to the Treasurer's report, budgeted operating expenses for the same period totaled \$228,526.



Last Sunday, we welcomed new members, Leigh McGuire, Chelsea Gifford, and Marcy Wilson, prayed farewell over Claudette Cozad as she moves to be with her daughter in Florida, and enjoyed the Children of Calvary and our own, Betty Hepler, who taught us to Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, and Compost! Praise be to God!







#### Connect with our staff!

Rev. Linda W. Motter, Pastor
Gaby Garzon, Director of Music
Dave Rainey, Handbell Director
Betsy Lord, Interim Organist
Melissa Flaherty, Director of Children/Family Ministries & Children's Choir
Malcolm McFadden, Audio Visual Technician
Nancy Mills, Director of Discipleship
Julie Taylor, Community Outreach & Congregational Care
Dr. Joseph Gryder, Dir of Youth Ministries
Kathryn Longabaugh, Children's Assistant
Karen Schnell, Church Administrator
Sara DeVane, Director of Communication
Paula Hansborough, Treasurer
Claire Zarrilli, Dir of Calvary Center School

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