

TODAY

Sunday, December 1

8:45 AM—Pre-Service Prayer (Prayer Rm)  
9:00 AM—Worship  
10:30 AM—ABFs, YBF, Sunday School

THIS WEEK

Wednesday, December 4

6:40 PM—Awana\*  
6:40 PM—Youth Group\*  
7:00 PM—Prayer Meeting\*

Thursday, December 5

7:00 PM—Choir Rehearsal (Aud)

Saturday, December 7

7:00 AM—Men’s Prayer Group (Prayer Room)

Sunday, December 8

8:45 AM—Pre-Service Prayer (Prayer Rm)  
9:00 AM—Worship & Communion  
10:30 AM—ABFs, YBF, Sunday School  
11:40 AM—Handbell Rehearsal (Rm 22)  
6:00 PM—One A-Chord Concert\*

\*See inside pages for more details

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CMBC Bible Memorization December 2024

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above,  
coming down from the Father of lights,  
with whom there is no variation  
or shadow due to change.

James 1:17

The Weekly

December 1, 2024

**Pre-Service Advent Reflections:** This year we invite and encourage our CMBC family to reflect on the scriptures appearing on the screen in the sanctuary prior to the start of service. These scriptures carry themes present in today’s service and throughout the Christmas season.

Welcome!  
If you’re a guest today...

We’d like to meet you! Please stop by the Info Desk in the lobby so we can personally welcome you.

Please fill out the communication form and place it in the offering box.

Wireless internet password: cmbcguest



CALVARY MONUMENT BIBLE CHURCH  
LOVING, LIVING, LEADING FOR GOD’S GLORY

ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME

WORSHIP IN MUSIC — WORSHIP TEAM

PRAYER — LES HOUCK, ELDER

“AN ADVENT Credo” — CHOIR

Children in grades 1-3 are dismissed for Junior Church

MESSAGE — PASTOR CHRIS LENHART  
A FAITH THAT WORKS  
“PRAYERFUL” (JAMES 5:13-20)

WORSHIP IN MUSIC — WORSHIP TEAM

OFFERING (MINISTRIES FUND)  
Please place your tithes & offerings in the boxes at the doors as you leave. See back page for info about giving from home.



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Growing in a greater love for God and a greater love for each other.

## ADULTS & GENERAL INFO

**December Memory Verse:** James 1:17 (ESV)  
*Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.*

**There's an ABF for you! Current topics & locations:**

- Various Topics (Lefever Hall B)
- Traveling Light (Multi-Purpose Rm)
- Sermon & Current Events (Prayer Rm)
- Lessons from Biblical Figures (Lefever Hall A)
- Appearances of Christ in the O.T. (Rm 24A)
- The Mediterranean Sea Rules (Rm 23 - for women)

**Prayer Meeting - Online and in the Building**  
**Wednesdays, 7:00 PM**

Join us in the building or use the link to join on Zoom:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89198667797>  
Meeting ID: 891 9866 7797

**UPprayer**

**Monday, Dec. 9, 7:00 PM at the Rishels' home**

This monthly prayer gathering focused on **Unreached** peoples and **Persecuted** brothers and sisters started in May 2019, and we now extend the invitation to our larger church body to join together as we grow in prayer for God's people around the world. Come and pray on the 2nd Monday of each month!

**BASIS (Brothers And Sisters In Support) Meeting**

**Tuesday, Dec. 10, 7:00 PM at the Steinmans' home**

BASIS is a ministry that exists to encourage parents & their families on their grief journey, immediately and long term. BASIS meets on 2nd Tuesdays at the home of Dan & Phyllis Steinman. Please contact Dan or Phyllis with questions.

**2025 Youth Bible Quizzing will soon begin**

Bible Quizzing is fun and rewarding and available to anyone from 8th grade to age 20. Matches are on eight consecutive Sunday evenings beginning Jan. 19, followed by two exciting tournaments. Practices are every Thursday evening and Sunday afternoon beginning in early January. If you are interested or if you have any questions, please contact Darrell Rishel. Quizzing will be on Luke 16-24 and Acts 1-9. The sign-up deadline is Dec. 15.

**Help Provide a Meal at The Point**

The Point is a Christian youth center which ministers to youth in the Parkesburg area. We would love your help in providing a meal for these students on Thursday, Dec 12. You can donate food or to help prepare and serve the meal. Sign up here: <https://tinyurl.com/3y5dc4ja>  
Contact Heather Ensslen at [HRENsslen@gmail.com](mailto:HRENsslen@gmail.com) with questions.

## CHURCH BUSINESS

**REPORT FOR THE WEEK OF 11/24/24**

In-Person Worship Service Attendance	338
ABF, YBF, Sunday School Attendance	222
Service Livestream views	68

**Offering Report (Global Ministries Fund)**

Checks, cash & online giving: \$20,445.92

**FAMILY NEWS**

**Thank You** for your prayers, cards and words of encouragement.  
—Dan Bailey

## Christmas Events & Services

**Join the 1st Annual CMBC Christmas Card Challenge**

Bless the congregation and round out your Christmas card list! There are around 50 names on the CMBC Care List – congregants who are homebound, recovering from surgeries, dealing with ongoing medical concerns, or are widows or widowers – and we'd like to help you bless them with a simple Christmas card! Contact the office (717-442-8161, [cmbc@calvarymonument.org](mailto:cmbc@calvarymonument.org)) to let us know how many cards you'd like to send out. If you have 15 cards, we'll give you 15 names (rotating through the list).

**One A-Chord Choral Concert**

**Sunday, Dec. 8, 6:00 PM**

Members of ONE A-CHORD, a Christian community choir from Lancaster County, desire to see believers come together in prayer and worship for the advancement of God's Kingdom. They participate each year in Lancaster's National Day Of Prayer Celebration. The concert will include both non-seasonal worship songs and Christmas music. There is no admission charge but a free-will offering will be received.

**Poinsettia Memorial**

On Dec. 22, we would like to decorate the platform with poinsettias given in memory of or in honor of family members or friends. If you would like to purchase a poinsettia to place on the platform, please fill out the form (available on the bulletin board in the hallway), enclose the completed form & your payment (cash/check) in an envelope, and place it in the offering box or the office drop box. There is also an online order form and payment option on our website. Orders must be received in the church office by **TODAY, Dec. 1 at Noon**. Following the service on Dec. 22, you may take your poinsettia home to enjoy for the holiday season!

**Christmas Scavenger Hunt**

**Sunday, Dec. 15, 1:30-5:00 PM**

The CMBC Fellowship Team invites everyone to a FREE scavenger hunt and caroling. Please see the insert for details, and visit the table in the lobby to sign up. Don't miss out on this fun event!

**Save the Date: Christmas Celebration Service**

**Sunday, Dec. 22, 9:00 AM**

In the building & livestreamed.

**Save the Date: Christmas Eve Service**

**Tuesday, Dec. 24, 7:00 PM**

Come at 6:30 to enjoy live music & refreshments. Service is in the building only (no livestream).



**Awana**

**Wednesdays, 6:40-8:15 PM**

**12/4: Neon Night** - Wear your bright, fluorescent colors tonight! Enjoy a special glowing game time!



**Join the Awana Team!**

Interested in serving in Awana? We have many ways for you to be involved. Please contact Michael and Heather Ensslen at [awana@calvarymonument.org](mailto:awana@calvarymonument.org) for more information.

## CMBC YOUTH

**YBF (Youth Bible Fellowship) for grades 7-12**

**Sundays, 10:30 AM, Youth Room**

**Youth Group for grades 7-12**

**Wednesdays, 6:40-8:15 PM, Youth Room**

**December Schedule**

12/14: Open Gym Night (Christmas Character Night)  
6-8 PM @ CMBC

12/18: Christmas Party 6:30-8:30 PM @ CMBC

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

**Singled Out Gathering**

**Tuesday, Dec. 10, 11:15 AM, CMBC**

Singled Out, a ministry for widows, will have their Christmas gathering at CMBC. Please RSVP on the communication form or call the church office by Monday, Dec. 2 if you are planning to attend.

**SAVE THE DATE!**

The 2025 Women's Retreat will be March 7 & 8 at Tel Hai Camp and Retreat Center. Stay tuned for more information and sign-ups coming in January!

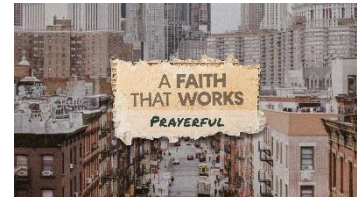


## James: A Faith that Works

# Prayerful

James 5:13-20

Pastor Chris Lenhart - 12/1/24



### Opening Thought Questions:

What is our faithful response to facing the trials, tests, and temptations of daily life?

### Patient Prayer (13-16)

Prayer reminds us of essential truths related to the common Christian life...

1. God is \_\_\_\_\_ us and \_\_\_\_\_ in our lives.
2. God \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
3. God gifts us with the Christian \_\_\_\_\_ to share in our seasons.
4. God is able to \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.

How God uses prayer within the congregation...

1. To \_\_\_\_\_ of the overall state of our congregation. Who is suffering, rejoicing, sick, or wandering?
2. To \_\_\_\_\_ to draw hope and comfort from. (God, one another)

Takeaways from Susan's personal testimony....

### Persistent Prayer (17-18)

Considerations from Elijah's faithful witness:

Spiritual Formation Activity: Read and reflect on 1 Kings 17-18

### Redemptive Redirection (19-20)

James: A Faith that works is...

1:1-11 Joyful 12-18 Enduring 19-27 Alive

2:1-13 14-26

3:1-12 13-18

4:1-10 11-17

5:1-6 Generous 7-12 Patient 13-20 Prayerful

### Next Week: The Perfect Gift: Waiting (Psalm 2)

### Further Study

Matthew 5-7

James 1:5  
Phil. 1:3-4

1 Kings 17-18  
1 Kgs. 18:36-37

Gal. 6:1-10

Follow along with today's sermon using your smartphone. Download the "CMBC" app (search for "Calvary Monument" in your app store) and click on "Sundays" at the bottom of the screen.

<p style="text-align: center;">James: A Faith that Works</p> <h2 style="text-align: center;">Prayerful</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">Next Steps: Home-Group Study and/or Personal Discipleship Guide</p>	<p>James 5:13-20</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Get together as a family or with a friend or group of friends this week!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Start with <u>Prayer</u> -ask Jesus to guide our time together. Go over prayer requests together.</p> <p><b><u>Read the Text</u></b> – James 5:13-20</p> <p><b><u>Questions for Reflection &amp; Discussion:</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What are the conditions and seasons that James identifies as opportunities to pray (13-14)? How does James suggest that prayer raises awareness in the congregation of others who are in need? (13-16)</li> <li>2. In what ways does prayer help those who are a part of the church stay humble and practice dependence on the Lord and one another? How does prayer invite vulnerability and openness in the Christian community? (13-16)</li> <li>3. Share with your group or write in your journal about one of your own experiences with the power and effectiveness of prayer.</li> <li>4. Reflect on Elijah’s narrative from 1 Kings 17-18. How did Elijah demonstrate fervent prayer in these two chapters? In what ways does James intend for Elijah’s example to be an encouragement to us?</li> <li>5. Verses 19-20 conclude this chapter and are the parting words of his entire letter. How are these words connected and relevant to both the near (chapter 5) and broad (chapters 1-4) context of James?</li> </ol> <p><b><u>Questions guiding Spiritual Formation &amp; Application:</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How does this text invite us to grow in a greater love for God?</li> <li>2. What lessons within this text move us towards growing in our love for one another?</li> <li>3. What principles could be applied to our family life, careers, communities, or congregational life?</li> <li>4. Consider how Jesus could use our application of the principles in this text to draw those that do not know him, unto himself?</li> <li>5. Who is currently in our lives that needs an invitation to meet Jesus or be part of a kind and gracious Christian community?</li> </ol>	<p><b><u>Further Study</u></b></p> <p>Matthew 5-7 James 1:5 Phil. 1:3-4 1 Kings 17-18 1 Kgs. 18:36-37 Gal. 6:1-10</p> <p><b><u>Prayer Requests</u></b></p> <p>Family</p> <p>Church</p> <p>Community</p> <p>Career/Friends</p> <p>Other</p>

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1:30-5:00 PM**

**Arrive in the lobby prior to 1:30 PM to receive your  
hunt pack. Points are based per item checked off.**

**Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place !**

**Following the hunt, all are welcomed back  
for refreshments of hot chocolate, apple cider,  
cookies, and candy canes!**

**Please note that this is a driving scavenger hunt, and  
groups and drivers should be arranged ahead of time.  
Register your group at the sign-up table in the lobby by  
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