

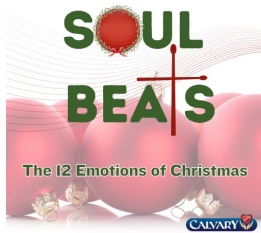
Soul Beats

Thursday, December 11th at 6 PM
The 12 Emotions of Christmas

Inspired by cardio drumming, scripture references to worship that involves moving our bodies, and a deep desire to engage with the heartbeat of God, we are excited to gather for a unique worship experience.

You do not need to sign up for this event and it is a fully accessible opportunity for all ages and ability levels.

Join us for some Christmas fun as we consider the 12 Emotions of Christmas through song and interactive activities.



Vacation Bible School 2026

Vacation Bible School will be held July 13th—17th. Join us for Rainforest Falls where we will explore what it means to be rooted in relationship with God, our creator and a safe place in life's storms!



Winter Church Camp

Wesley Forest
Wacky Winter Weekend
January 16th (6 PM) – 18th (1 PM)

Come and explore the fun and wonder of Wesley Forest in the wintertime! This weekend holds all the wacky camp activities we love sprinkled with some winter magic! Join the leaders of the Wacky Week summer program, as we smile, laugh and warm up with messy games, silly music, and crazy Bible studies! Celebrate Saturday night with a GLOW party! Come join in the wintertime fun!



Grades: Current 1st-6th Graders
Cost: \$158 (Early Bird by December 1st is \$138) Remember that Calvary will pay 50% of the cost with additional Scholarship Monies available!

To register: Visit the camping website www.suscrm.org and click on Register Online.

Questions? Reach out to Kelley in the church office.

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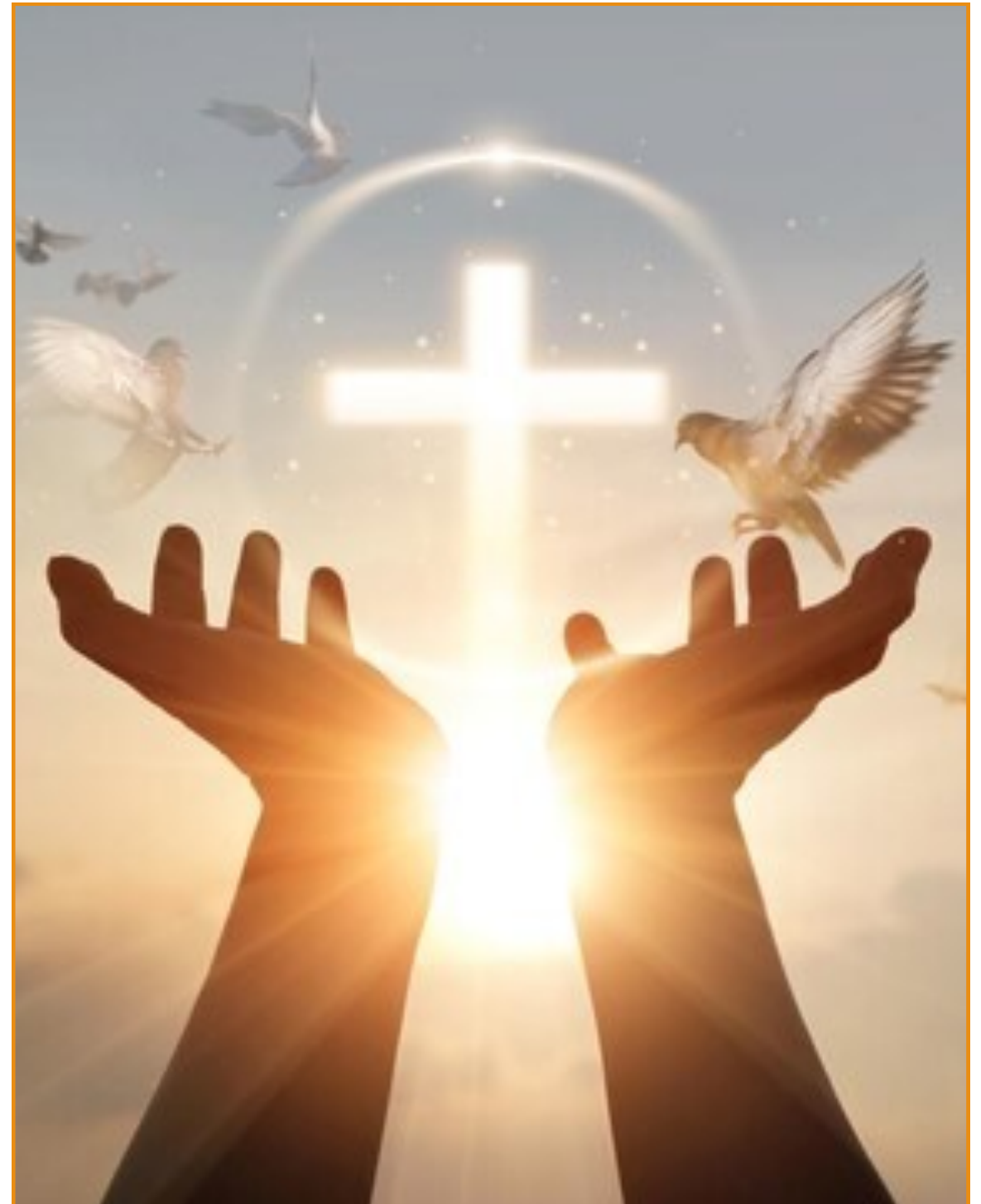
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WELCOME

PRELUDE *Come, Let Us Sing And Give Thanks* Nordmeyer
Combined Chancel and Children's Choirs

***HYMN** *Crown Him with Many Crowns* #327 UMH

***PRAYER *of* PRAISE** Pastor Deb Port

***PASSING of the PEACE**
Please be mindful of people's boundaries as you share God's love.

HYMN *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* #140 UMH
(verse 1 & refrain only)

A MOMENT *for* MISSION

United Women *in* Faith
Mary Alice Dumbauld (8:30 AM)
Susan Grubb (11 AM)

PRAYER *for* ILLUMINATION Ed Port (8:30 AM)
Kyle Shrauder (11 AM)

SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 (NRSV)

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

ANTHEM *Thankful* Schram
Children's Choir

SERMON *“We Hope...”*
Mourning to Morning: Loss, Grief, and the Hope of Christ
 Rev. Randall G. Bennett, Jr.

**SUNDAY,
NOVEMBER 23,
2025**

THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PRAYERS *of* THE PEOPLE Pastor Deb Port

~ Celebrating at the Table ~

PRESENTATION OF OUR LIVES, TITHES, *and* OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *I Will Live My Thanks* Martin and Schram
Chancel Choir

***DOXOLOGY** #94 UMH

***PRAYER *of* DEDICATION** Pastor Deb Port

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

~ *Going Forth in Mission* ~

***HYMN** *Come, Ye Thankful People , Come* #694 UMH
*Anyone with a United Women in Faith World Thank Offering is invited to
bring it forward and place in the basket during the singing of this hymn.*

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE**
Shalom to You #666 UMH

***POSTLUDE** *Praise!* Martin

*Please stand as you are able.

UMH=UM Hymnal (red) TFWS=The Faith We Sing (black)

The Altar Flowers are presented:

In Honor of Ellen on her birthday by Dennis DeStefano.
In Honor of Pastor Randy, Pastor Doug, and Pastor Deb by Pam Daiber.



The prayer of faith will save the sick. The Lord will raise them up. Pray for one another, so that you may be healed.
James 5:15-16

Calvary's Prayer Ministry

In Mourning: The Family of Bob Santos.
Paul Danko on the passing of his wife, Dottie Danko.

Calvary LAMS (Limited Activity Members): Dona Hoover, Jean Murphy, Arlene Little, Lois Hartman, Marcia Oster, Dottie Gilloway, Ruth Schaadt, Laura Goodhart, Jan Crouse, Bill & Vi Stiffler, Joann Rohland, Carol Bettinger, Paul Danko, Bill Morris, Harold McNaughton, Pat Rowe, Pat Hartranft, Bill & Liz Payne, Marilyn Archibald, Barbara Fritz, Priscilla Secord, Sandra Beck, Glenn Reed, Maxine Swink, Janice Wragg, Mary Louise Keiper

Prayer Concerns: Bryce Leidich, Lorraine Brosius, Scott & Tracy Wagner, Joanne Paladino, Ginny Coy, John Oster, Brandan & Kelly Mehaffie, Rebecca Jacobs & Family, Roger Cooper, John Ewell, Mary Wagner, Charley Cover, Dave & Carol Mehaffie, Henry Reinsborough, Deanne & Keith Armstrong, Cole Sullivan, Kimberly Moyer, Gene Baldwin, Tom Worthington, Charlie Sullivan, Christopher Castellani, Dan Sheehan, Tom Fealtman, Amy Stoner, Donna Pope, Phil Womer, Mary Dietrich, Sandra Frantz, Sarah Colding, David & Pat Ster, R.S. Garner, Susie Grubb, Kathy Herring, DeeDee Sakson, Cindy Wertz, Larry Wright, Cindy Evans, Ronin Trimmer, Shirley Dinini, Anthony Myers, Carl "Marty" Pattison, Richard Martin, Winifred Sersch, Jean McClure, Sharon Etter, Douglas Walt, David Walt, Thomas Kough, Kathy Oberdorff, Larry Solt, Judi Kochik, Don Ott, Eric Scheib, Lance Leidich, Fay Shiffert, Cody Leisey, Ron Wenrich, Tony Myers, Marty Brightbill, Shirley Baddorf, Billie, Pat & Tom, Mickey & Pixie Haist, Kerry Butz, Merrian Glover, Ed West, JoAnne Konick-McMahan, Livi McAnnaneny, Doris Gough, Sarah & Brandon, Ethan Kough, Janet Hoke, Colleen Hoke, Aimee Sims, Sherry Krebs, Sheri Rowe, Sara Stutzman, Alan Colbert, Juan Camacho, Tom Fogle, Billie, Dan, Matt Hocker, Pam Blai Weeks, Joe Bowers, Gerst Buyer, Family of Trooper Earl Page, Judy Lehn*, Kathy Hoover*, Sue Akins*, Charlotte Cornelius*, Sharon Wiles*, Joanne Stong*, Sue Oswald*

Serving in Armed Forces: Andrew Hoffman, Jake Smuda, Aaron Lytle, Anthony Oswandel, Patrick McCarthy, James Simmons, Clay Burnette, Holly Dively, James Forsyth, Steven Novosel, Curtis Fetterhoff, Jackson Robinette, Joseph Swift, Zachary Curtis, Ian Turner, Haden Wagner, Evan Funk

* indicates a prayer concern added or changed this week. Prayer cards can be found in the pew racks. Please complete a card and place in the offering plate. You may also email prayer concerns to office@calvaryunitedmethodist.org or call 717-545-0021. A new list is compiled at the beginning of each month.

CALVARY CALENDAR

Sunday, November 23rd

UWF World Thank Offering Sunday
8:30 AM Worship Service
9:45 AM Sunday School
..... (Preschool—Adult)
11:00 AM Worship Service

Monday, November 24th

12 Noon—2 PM Turkey
..... and Chicken Drop-Off
6:30 PM Men's Pick Up
..... Basketball (age 25 & up)
7:00 PM Bells of Calvary

Tuesday, November 25th

9:00 AM Threads of Love
4:00 PM Food Pantry
6:00 PM Dartball

Wednesday, November 26th

10:00 AM Quilters
11:30 AM No Prayer
..... & Devotions

Thursday, November 27th



Friday, November 28th

Church Office Closed
Calvary Kids Closed

Sunday, November 30th

First Sunday of Advent
8:30 AM Worship Service
9:45 AM Sunday School
..... (Preschool—Adult)
11:00 AM Worship Service

Monday, December 1st

6:30 PM Men's Pick Up
..... Basketball (age 25 & up)
7:00 PM Bells of Calvary



Last Week in Offering

Offering 11/16/2025

General Fund Needed: \$18,615
Received: \$8,665
Building Fund Goal: \$962
Received: \$1,405

Attendance 11/16/2025

8:30 AM: 133
11:00 AM: 141
Sunday School: 58
Online Worship: 111

Christmas at Calvary

Craft Show

Saturday, December 6th

9 AM—2 PM

Item donations will be accepted until TODAY! Items include: vintage items, jewelry, Christmas décor, hard back fiction and paperback books, Christmas books, CD's, DVDs, and children's books. Place all items in the Drop Zone. Contact Betty Albright with questions at 717-545-4009.

The United Women in Faith will again sponsor the **Cookies by the Dozen** table at Calvary Christmas. We would appreciate donations of your favorite Christmas cookies packaged by the dozen to sell that day. Donations may be dropped off on Friday, December 5th between 9 AM and 6 PM. Any questions, please call Sue Deitch at 717-652-4120.

Greenery is needed for our Christmas at Calvary arrangements. We are looking for: white pine, cypress, holly, arborvitae, boxwood, hemlock, and magnolia. Donations can be dropped off at church from December 1st—4th at the door along Constitution Avenue. If you have questions, please call Linda Hartman at 717-652-7672.

We will again have the **Candy Shoppe** available for your sweet beginnings to the holidays. A mini candy making session will be held Thursday, November 20th from 9 AM—1 PM. We will need candy artists, dippers, baggers, labelers and tote stockers. Call Karen Miller with questions at 717-439-0852.

Livestreaming of Worship

In case you did not know, we are Livestreaming Worship. Please note that we reserve the right to record, videotape, and photograph our services. Your image may be used in print, broadcast, and/or on the internet. By attending our services, you agree to waive any rights or interest to control the use of your likeness in whichever media we may use. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Cupboard at Calvary

Frozen Turkeys and Chickens will be accepted for donation on the following dates and times only:

Sunday November 23rd
during worship hours

November 24th
from 12 Noon—2 PM

We will have someone designated to accept these donations at these times and a freezer set up in Fellowship Hall. We also currently need canned yams/sweet potatoes, cereal, canned tuna, peanut butter, and canned soups.

Thank you to everyone who helped sort and weigh our Scouting for Food Event. We handled over 6,000 pounds of food items in under 3 hours!

Women's Retreat 2026

Save the date! October 9-11, 2026
Kennbrook Bible Camp & Retreat
Center
Lebanon, PA

Wednesday Morning Prayer

& Devotions

Did you know that YOU are being prayed for? Yes, each week a group of ladies (men are always welcome to join us!) gather for a time of worship with a devotional message to uplift us. Then we shift our focus to prayer for the many needs of our church family and our community. We use the Calvary prayer list (found in the weekly church bulletin) to pray for our Pastors, the church staff and volunteers, the Calvary Kids, their families and the staff that serve them; those members who are mourning; our Calvary LAMS and the volunteers that keep in touch with them; all the persons listed under the prayer concerns and those that serve our country as well as all of the community people who protect us on a daily basis. You can help, too, by using the prayer list to pray on a regular basis in the convenience of your home for all these prayer concerns.

We welcome new women and men to join us. Come as you are, as often as you can. God wants to hear our prayers.

When: Wednesday mornings from 11:30 AM—12 Noon (Not on 11/26)

Where: Church Chapel

Joy in Christ Sunday School

The Joy in Christ Sunday School Class will begin studying *Creed* by Adam Hamilton on November 30th. This book explores the Apostles' Creed. The class meets in Rooms 123-124. New faces are welcome to join us. Contact Linda Hoffman with questions at 717-599-0014.

Card Showers

Pat Hartranft turns 92 on December 16th. Cards can be mailed to: Pat Hartranft, Columbia Cottage, 1000 Alexandria Lane, Room 104, Harrisburg PA 17110.

Jean Murphy turns 89 on December 18th. Cards can be mailed to: Jean Murphy, 624 Wilhelm Road, Bldg. 1, Room 57A, Harrisburg, PA 17111.

Are you or a church family member celebrating a milestone birthday? Please let the church office know so we can include the birthday in a future newsletter.



World Thank Offering

Sunday, November 23rd

Thank offerings show gratitude for God's blessings and grace. It is the practice of setting coins or bills aside whenever we feel especially grateful for God's gifts in our lives. This tradition spans many generations of women and many Christian denominations. At Calvary, the Thank Offering will be received today. During the last hymn, participants are invited to bring their offering forward and place them in the basket in the front of the sanctuary. These funds support our missions in the United States and around the world.



United
Women
in Faith