

Calvary United Methodist Church
519 Pottsville Street, Wiconisco
22nd Sunday after Pentecost
October 25, 2026– 10:30 AM



**Please stand, if able*

UMH = United Methodist Hymnal

TFWS = The Faith We Sing

GATHERING

Welcome, Joys, and Concerns

***The Peace** (Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.)

“The Family of God” See Back of Hymnal

Prelude

Worship begins with the ringing of the bell, the lighting of the candles and the piano prelude. Please use this time to help you reflect on the different ways in which the Spirit has moved throughout history and within your own life.

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Blessed and Righteous God,
your truths and grace are revealed to us
as we search your Holy Word.

People: We come today, to listen to the Word of the Lord.

Leader: Gracious God, you help us to know you through
your Holy Word, which guides and blesses us.

People: We come today, to worship the Lord our God.

Leader: Holy God, we gather to worship and praise you,
to learn from your Word in fellowship with others.

**People: We come today, to praise the Lord our God.
Amen**

***Opening Hymn** “Thy Word Is a Lamp” UMH No. 601

***Invocation**

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

Old Testament Lesson Deuteronomy 30:15-20
(Pew Bible Page 320)

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*”Doxology”

UMH No. 95

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn “Make Me A channel of Your Peace” TFWS No. 2171

***Gospel Lesson** Matthew 22:34-40 (Pew Bible Page 1535)

Leader: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

People: Thanks Be to God!

Hymn “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian” UMH No. 402

Sermon “Choose Life”

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer UMH No. 895

SENDING FORTH

***Hymn** “Blessed Assurance” UMH No. 369

Benediction

*** Choral Benediction** “May You Run and Not be Weary”
TFWS No. 2281

***Postlude**

Worship Leaders

Annette Shutt, Pastor

Susan Clough, Lay Leader

Michael Calnon, Minister of Music

Greeters

Today
Deb Stiely

Next Week
Judy Snyder

Remember in Your Prayers: Janet Minnich, Pat Hoke, Catherine Lower, Donette Coleman, Charlotte Miller, Jim Smeltz, Mike Ressler, Ron Zerby, Brantley Enders, Shirley Alvord, Grant Miller, Victor Miller, Carol Miller, Den and Kathy Miller.

Pantry item: WV Pantry item for the month of October is tissues. Christ Open Market needs are cereal, canned fruit, canned meats, snacks and juice.

Halloween Candy: We are currently collecting candy for Wiconisco Treat or Treat candy bags. Thank you.

World Hunger Spaghetti Dinner: Saturday, October 31, 4:00PM – 6:00PM. \$12.00/Platter \$5.00 children 4-10. See Shirley Alvord, 453-7267 for tickets.

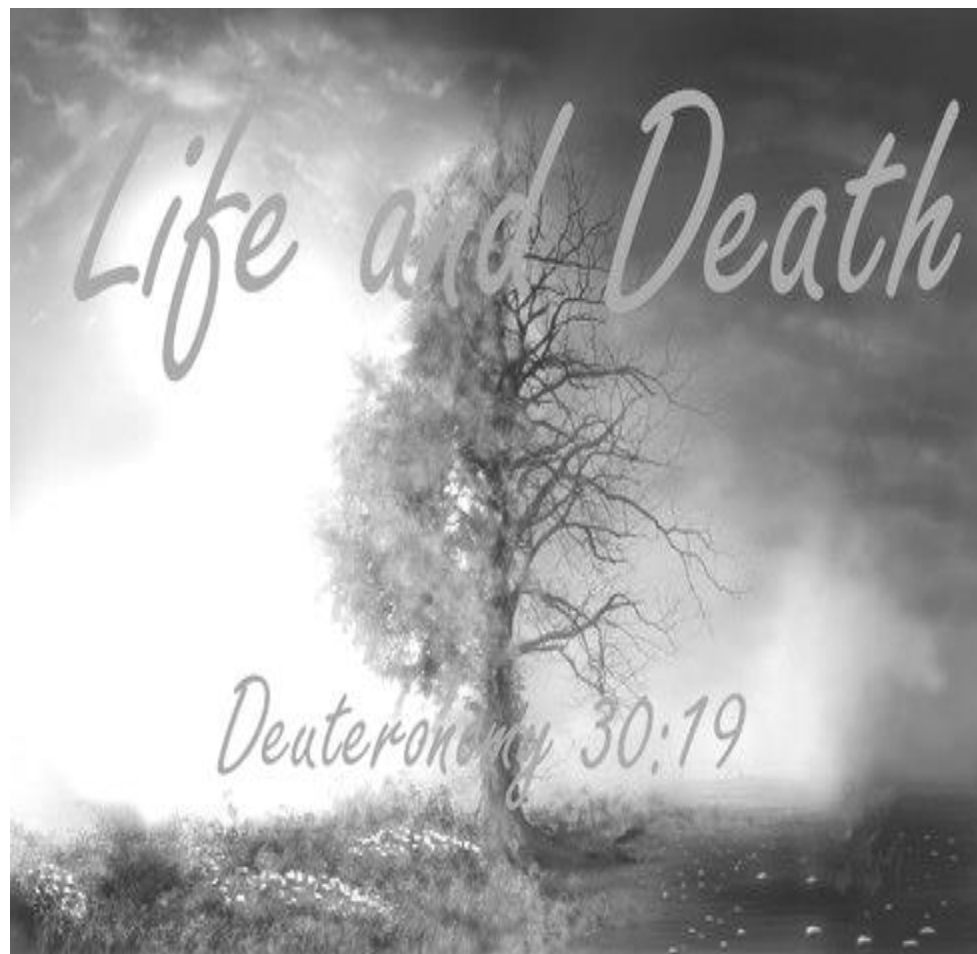
Bible Study: The “I Am: I Am Statements of Jesus” Bible Study on Wednesday, October 28 @ 9:30AM. Please read chapters 5 and 6.

UMC confirmation program for 6th-12th grade students at Calvary UMC and Christ UMC: Confirmation is a program for students in grades 6th-12th who wish to be confirmed in the United Methodist Church. Confirmation is a reaffirmation of the vows that were made at our baptism to accept Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior. We are also planning a pre-confirmation class for 4-5 graders. If you would like for more information, please reach out to Pastor Annette for more information.

Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes are due by Nov. 15th. Papers are available in Narthex (see insert).

Women's Ecumenical Prayer Breakfast: November 10, 2026 @ 8:45AM, Wiconisco Firehouse. The cost of the breakfast is \$10.00. Please RSVP to Janet Watkins.

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