



CALVARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

301 ROWE BOULEVARD – ANNAPOLIS, MD – WWW.CALUMC.ORG

OCTOBER 15, 2023 – 10:00 A.M.

LAITY SUNDAY

GATHERING

PRELUDE

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands

arr. Charles Callahan

Betsy Lord, *organist*

THE GREETING & INVOCATION

Mark Eldridge

Leader: The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer,

**People: my God, my rock in whom I take refuge, my shield,
and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. (Psalm 18:2)**

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Tracy Tischer, *liturgist*

Liturgist: When the shouts of anger and hostility pound upon our ears...

People: Quiet our hearts, O God, to hear your voice.

When the arrogance of the world and the carelessness of people threaten to destroy your creation...

Help us to be strong in our service of hope and peace.

All: O God, hear our voices and our prayers. Be with us as we come to you. Let us worship God!

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

*OPENING HYMN

UMH 160

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

*MORNING PRAYER

Open our hearts and our spirits to hear your healing words of peace and love, O God. Help us be the people of service and justice that you have called us to be. Make us ready to heal rather than harm; to serve rather than sever. Give us hearts of joy and justice, for we offer this prayer in Jesus' name. Amen. † *All may be seated.*

THE NEWS TO KNOW

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO CHILDREN Nancy Mills, *Interim Dir. of Discipleship*

All children are invited to come forward. Children, third grade and older, with their parents, will come forward to receive a Bible. Afterwards, all children are dismissed to Sunday School in Room 214/216 with Ms. Kathryn where parents may pick them up after worship.

Congregation to children: **We rejoice in this step in your journey with God. We pray God will guide you, your family, and us as you use this Holy Bible in your home, in your church, school classes, and in our worship. We will learn together and grow in our love for God's Word.**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

ANTHEM

Listen with Your Heart

by Brad Nix

Calvary Choir

*NEW TESTAMENT READING - PHILIPPIANS 4:1-9 (NRSV)

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my coworkers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

Liturgist: The Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God.

† *All may be seated.*

MESSAGE

Experiencing God

Julie Taylor
Don Ogburn
Martha Strong

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

TFWS 2128

Come and Find the Quiet Center

PASTORAL PRAYER *with* THE LORD'S PRAYER

Jane Frantzich

**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.**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Mike Roblyer

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

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

**Creator God, you are our provider. We offer all that we have and all that we are to
you, because we belong to you. Bless these gifts, tithes and offerings. Empower us,
your church, through the works of your Holy Spirit to reflect your light and love
with all who need to know it so. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.**

SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN

TFWS 2197

Lord of All Hopefulness

*THE BLESSING & BENEDICTION

Renee Nosko

**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)

POSTLUDE

William Selby

Voluntary in A Major

Betsy Lord, *organist*

*The altar flowers are in loving memory of our grandson, Jamie Marx.
Love Spike & Barbara Muller*

Calvary UMC

Scan the link & 'Check-in'
so we know you worshiped with us.



SCAN ME



If you would like to order flowers in honor or memory of a loved one,
please contact Tracy Leahy at tracyleahy1@gmail.com or
sign up via sign up genius QR Code in the image to the left.