



CALVARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

NOVEMBER 12, 2023 – 10:00 A.M.

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GATHERING

PRELUDE

arr. Raymond H. Haan

“My Lord, What a Morning”, African American Spiritual

Betsy Lord, *organist*

THE GREETING & INVOCATION

Pastor: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

People: Worship the Lord with gladness. Come into God’s presence with singing. (Psalm 100:1-2)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Laurel Scott, *liturgist*

Liturgist: Come, however you are, and lay your burdens on the Lord-

People: burdens of fear and anger, of anxiety and uncertainty.

Come, however you are, and turn your heart to scripture’s mandate:

to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly.

Come, however you are, and remember the promises of God’s word:

that we shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

All: Come, however you are, no matter who you are, and no matter where you are, and let us gather together to lean on the everlasting arms of Jesus. Let us worship God!

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

*OPENING HYMN

UMH 540

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

*MORNING PRAYER

Through the week of stress and demands, we come to you this day, O Lord. Awaken us again to your comforting and loving presence in our lives. Help us to be open to the many ways in which you have called to us and sustained us. Make us ready to be of service to you. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

† *All may be seated.*

THE NEWS TO KNOW

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Nancy Mills, *Interim Dir. of Discipleship*

Children are invited to come forward for a special message. Afterwards, all children are dismissed to Sunday School in Room 214/216 with Ms. Kathryn where parents may pick them up after worship.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

ANTHEM

by Don Besig

Are You Ready to Meet Your Lord?

Calvary Choir

*GOSPEL READING - MATTHEW 25:1-13 (NRSV)

“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten young women took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ Then all those young women got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ But the wise replied, ‘No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for ourselves.’ And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet, and the door was shut. Later the other young women came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I do not know you.’ Keep awake, therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

Liturgist: The Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God.

† *All may be seated.*

Lighting Your Own Lamp

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

UMH 369

Blessed Assurance

PASTORAL PRAYER *with* THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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

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

Blessing upon blessing has been given to us, O Lord, from your great bounty. Now we return these gifts to you. Bless these gifts and the lives they represent. We wait in hope for the coming of your realm as we offer these gifts to further your kingdom on earth. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 94

SENDING FORTH

VETERANS MOMENT

*We honor the service, dedication, and valor of those who have served.
We are forever grateful for their sacrifice and loyalty to our nation.*

*CLOSING HYMN

UMH 696

America the Beautiful

*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)**

POSTLUDE

Flor Peeters

March

Betsy Lord, *organist*

*The altar flowers are in loving memory of Walter Warrick
Love his wife, Anne, and family.*

Calvary UMC

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



SCAN ME



Altar Flower
Dedications

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 signup genius QR Code in the image to the left.