

Calvary United Methodist Church

Offering Christ Today - Discovering a

Passion for Excellence *in Evangelizing*

December 14, 2025

Third Sunday of Advent

9:00 a.m. Worship – Live Streaming

Prelude Dr. Keith Burdette

Lighting of the Candles.....Acolytes

Call to Worship..... Chancel Choir

Welcome/Announcements/Opening Prayer..... Rev. Steven B. Hamrick

Lighting of the Advent Candle.....Les & Karen Facemyer

Advent Hymn....”O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” Verse 6.....UMH 211

*Worship in Song”Hark! the Herald Angels Sing”.....UMH 240

*Moment of Fellowship – Greet those around you

Scripture ReadingIsaiah 35:1-10.....Cummings Family

Choral Anthem.....Chancel Choir
“Christmas Calls Us”

Children’s Time.....Pastor Steve Hamrick
(The entire service is being livestreamed on social media)

Prayers of the People/Lord’s Prayer.....Cummings Family

Affirmation of Faith The Apostles’ Creed UMH 881

Worship in Giving Tithes and Offerings..... Rev. Steven B. Hamrick

*Doxology.....UMH 95

Second ScriptureMatthew 11:2-11

Sermon.....Rev. Steven B. Hamrick
“The Work of the Messiah”

*Hymn of Invitation.....”The First Noel”.....UMH 245

*Extinguishing of the Candles.....Acolytes

*Dismissal and Blessing..... Rev. Steven B. Hamrick

*Postlude..... Dr. Keith Burdette

*Please rise in body, mind, or spirit

Note: Junior church in the Voyagers Sunday school room for 1st thru 5th grades after children’s time.
(Please turn off your cell phone. Thanks)

Pastor.....Rev. Steven B. Hamrick

Worship Leader..... Cummings Family

Organist.....Sherry Poole

Pianist..... Dr. Keith Burdette

Acolytes.....Ashlyn & Sophia Wolford

Junior Church.....Kara Greathouse

Children's Time.....Pastor Steve

Nursery.....Megan Geyer & Adelyn Groves

Sound.....Jeremy Rhodes

Live Streaming.....Stephanie DeWees

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IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

First Aid kits are in the kitchen and the library

An AED is under the podium closest to the organ

***Pew cards available for alternate offering.**

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.

**DECEMBER 21st – ONE COMBINED MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10AM
for the Choir Christmas Cantata**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP AND SERVICE

Today	
9:00 am	Traditional Worship – Livestream & In Person
10:00 am	Sunday school for all ages
11:00 am	Blended worship
5:30 pm	Church-wide Christmas Dinner
<u>Monday</u>	<u>Dec 15, 2025</u>
8:00am – 12:00pm	Church office hours
7:00 pm	Women’s Bible Study
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Dec 16, 2025</u>
8:00am – 12:00pm	Church office hours
9:00am – 10:00am	Pastor @ The Grind
9:30 am	Tai Chi for adults
4:00 pm-6:00 pm	ADK
6:00 pm	Jackson County Children’s Choir
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Dec 17, 2025</u>
8:00am – 12:00pm	Church office hours
9:00am – 10:00am	Pastor @ The Grind
11:00am	Bible Study – cancelled this week (join us at 6pm)
1:00 pm-3:00 pm	Prayers & Squares
6:00pm	Bible Study
6:30 pm	Chancel Choir Practice
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Dec 18, 2025</u>
7:30am – 8:30am	Pastor @ The Grind
8:00am – 12:00pm	Church office Hours
9:00 am-11:00 am	Food Pantry
<u>Friday</u>	<u>Dec 19, 2025</u>
8:00am – 12:00pm	Church office Hours
Pastor’s day off	
11:00 a.m.	Tai Chi Youth
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Dec 20, 2025</u>
7:00 a.m.	Men’s Devotion Group
	Adopt a Family Distribution
6:00 p.m.	Live Nativity
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Dec 21, 2025</u>

10:00 am	Combined Service – Cantata
6:00pm	Youth Program

ONLINE GIVING

Please use this barcode for your online giving through your credit or debit card or your bank account number. This can be a one-time or recurring transaction. You can also choose to pay the fee or have the church pay the fee.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT
For the week ended December 7, 2025

Traditional Worship @ 9am	163
Sunday School @ 10am	108
Blended worship @ 11am	21

General Fund offering

Giving last week	<u>\$ 5,028.00</u>
Delayed online Giving	
Y-T-D Budget	<u>\$ 284,444.00</u>
Y-T-D Giving	<u>\$ 290,229.68</u>
Total Budget for 2025	<u>\$ 314,721.00</u>
Giving to all designated funds last week (except the building fund)	<u>\$ 1,205.00</u>
Kroger – June 2025 to August 2025	\$289.52

Building Fund

Refinanced Loan Total (June 02, 2021)	<u>\$ 573,552.24</u>
Principal Balance at the end of last month	\$ -0-
Payments this month:	
Principal	\$
Interest	<u>\$</u>
Additional Principal Payment	\$
Total monthly payment	\$
Donations this month	<u>\$ 2,405.00</u>

Rm 111 Study chosen by members
Various Christian writers w/discussion

Disciples
Rm 105

Older Adults

Larry Thompson

Dec 14 Christmas Dinner
Dec 20 Adopt a Family Distribution
Dec 20 Youth Live Nativity
Dec 21 Chancel Choir Cantata - Combined service at 10am
Dec 21 Youth Program
Dec 23 Christmas Caroling - gather at 5:30pm
Dec 24 Candlelight Communion Service - 7pm
Dec 25 Christmas Day - Office Closed
Dec 26 Office Closed
Dec 31 New Years Eve Game Night
Jan 1 New Year's Day - Office Closed
Jan 2 Office Closed

Stained Glass Windows - Restoration Project

54 ½ windows now adopted

1 ½ to go

On or about September 19, 2025, Calvary entered into a contract with Lynchburg Stained Glass to restore the windows in our sanctuary. The current anticipated schedule is that they will remove the windows with the sash sometime in late March 2026. They anticipate this project to take 4 – 6 months to complete. There are 56 windows. We will still accept any donations you want to make for the remaining windows.

Inclement Weather Policy

Policy for inclement weather: we will have Sunday morning worship in the sanctuary each week unless there is a state of emergency, and the roads are closed. I want to add, however, that you should exercise your own best judgment as to whether it is safe for you to travel and/or walk into the church building.

The new series of GriefShare begins Tuesday, January 6th at 6:30pm. Please invite anyone you know who is grieving the loss of a loved one.

ADOPT A FAMILY

It is that time of year to start collecting for Adopt A Family. We traditionally have given each family a food basket along with certain household items that cannot be purchased with an EBT card (this is the card that SNAP benefits are loaded). The Sunday School classes have been assigned certain items to

provide but we still need your help to allow us to make up nice baskets for our families. We have already had donations of laundry baskets and some other household items. Any help you can give us will be greatly appreciated. Also, you may make a monetary donation by placing in the church offering and indicate it is for the Adopt A Family or bring to the church office. We will then purchase the items that we need for each family if they have not already been donated. Thank you in advance for all you do! We are still gathering household products to give to each of the Adopt-A-Families for whom we are responsible. Here is the list of the items and how many we still need:

ITEMS NEEDED (as of December 11th)

Trash Bags.....26
Disinfectant Wipes.....18
Bath Towels.....47
Laundry Detergent.....14
Hairbrushes/combs.....38
Women's deodorant.....22
Men's Deodorant.....20
All Purpose Cleaner.....9
Blankets..... 5

Need items to the church by Sunday Dec 14

Christmas Caroling

December 23.

5:30pm

CALVARY UNITED METHODIST

100TH ANNIVERSARY COOKBOOK

Dear Friends,

Our church is creating a custom cookbook featuring favorite recipes from our members. These cookbooks will be professionally published and are sure to be a treasured keepsake for us all. Money raised will be used for updating our stained-glass windows and missions.

Please submit 3-5 (or more if you choose) of your favorite recipes so you can be represented in our cookbook. Many recipes from all members will ensure that our cookbook is a success. We are using Morris Press Cookbook's web site to easily submit recipes online. If you do not have Internet access, our committee can enter them for you. Submit hardcopies of your recipes to Karen Facemyer or email to kfacemyer@me.com

Please submit your recipes online by so we can meet our deadline of April 1st 2026. We are aiming to have the books ready to sell by Sept./Oct. to coordinate with the celebration of our 100th anniversary. We will be asking later how many you would like to order and the price in order to prepare the amount to order. They will make wonderful family keepsakes and Christmas gifts for 2026. Thank you!

To Submit Recipes Online:

- Go to www.typensave.com and click 'Login.'
- Enter the User Name: **kfacemyer**
- Enter the password: (**spatula449**) and click 'Submit.'
- Enter your name and click 'Continue.'
- Click 'Add Recipes' to begin adding your recipes.

Recipe Writing Tips:

- When adding recipes, review the "Tips" and use standard abbreviations.
- Only enter 1 ingredient per ingredient line.
- List ingredients in order of use in the ingredients list and directions.
- Include container sizes, e.g., (16-oz.) pkg., (24-oz.) can.
- Write directions in paragraph form, not in steps.
- Use names of ingredients in the directions, e.g., "Combine flour and sugar." DO NOT use statements like, "Combine first three ingredients."
- Include temperatures and cooking, chilling, baking, and/or freezing times.
- Additional comments about the recipe (history, nutritional data, suggested uses, etc.) are not allowed unless a "Recipe Note" field is visible. Enter extra recipe content in that field.