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# Core Values

1. **Christ-Centered Ministry:** John 17:3; Colossians 1:18
2. **Authority of Scripture:** 2 Timothy 3:16, 17; 1 Peter 1:25; Matthew 4:4; Hebrews 4:12; Psalm 119
3. **Lost People Matter:** Luke 15; Matthew 28:18-20; Revelation 5; Matthew 25:31-46; Acts 10
4. **Foundation of Prayer:** Psalm 127; Philipians 4:4-7; 1 Thessalonians 5:17; James 5
5. **Ministry Team Approach:** Ecclesiastes 4:12; Proverbs 27:17; Romans 12:1; 1 Corinthians 12
6. **Leader as Role Model, Recruiter, Equipper:** Ephesians 4:11-13; Luke 10; 1 Timothy 3; Titus 1

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# Calvary

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*To Know Christ and To Make Him Known*

Thank you for worshipping here today!

November 26, 2017

Calvary cares about **you** because **you matter to God!**

Our desire is to be a Christ-centered, family-oriented, word-sharing, life-changing, need-meeting, world-touching body of believers.

We exist to **KNOW Christ and TO MAKE HIM KNOWN** through:

**EVANGELIZING** the Lost of the Community,

**EXPERIENCING** the Lord in Worship,

**ENCOURAGING** the Fellowship of Believers,

**EDUCATING** the Faithful in Christ, and

**EQUIPPING** our Leaders for Ministry.



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# Service Schedule

Our nursery is staffed and available during Sunday services for children ages birth through 3 years. Please remember that children must be dropped off and picked up by an adult in the south Childcare wing. The Cry Room in the back of the Sanctuary is a quiet place for a parent to take an infant or toddler (through age two) and still be able to listen to the service.

## Order of Worship

**Praise Team** “Wonderful Words of Life”  
“Shout to the Lord”  
“Holy Spirit You are Welcome Here”

Lyrics for all songs and hymns will be projected on the screen. You may also use the black “Praise Songs” binder or the Hymnal—both are located in the pew racks along with Bibles for your reference.

## Welcome

**Scripture** Hebrews 10:19-25; Ps 95:1-7; Luke 12:8-10

**Message** “The Promise of our Presence”

~ Pastor Dave Motta

**Offering Special Music by Mark & Kay Forkner**

“Now Thank We All Our God”

## Benediction

# Outreach - Update

## PINK HOUSE - August Outreach

During a Friday night meal in October I scanned the living room and sat down on the only open chair in the room. I happened to sit down next to Kadir\* who seemed especially contemplative that evening. When I asked Kadir what he was thinking about, he started talking without hesitation, “Katie, I have three questions for you...” The first two questions led to good conversation and then Kadir stated “I have a final question for you... Katie, why do you exist here on earth?” For a second the depth of his question took me by surprise and then I couldn’t help but smile as I begin to talk about God and the hope and purpose He has given me. We had a really good conversation that night and Kadir has since been connected with an American Friendship Family who is continuing spiritual conversations with him.

On another Friday night a Chinese student stopped me in the kitchen. She was very excited to tell me about her American Friendship Family whom she has gotten to know over the past 2 years. “They helped me move and invited me to eat at their home. They have never forced me to talk about God but after seeing how they live, I have become curious and want to know why this family is different.” Sheila\* has been exploring who Jesus is and has many questions. I met with her and she wanted to know “Why do you follow Jesus?” “Is it required to fold your hands to pray?” “Why did God put the bad tree in that garden?” She also has great insights, she commented that Buddha figured out different rules for how to be a good person, but that God tells us to worship the Creator of the rules, not a person that He created. Sheila says she is not ready to read the Bible yet but is eagerly reading the book The Stranger on the Road to Emmaus and says she wants to follow Jesus!

These two stories are just a glimpse of the exciting conversations we get to have with our friends as we continue to love them and do life with them. Thank you for making it financially possible for us to share a meal with our friends on Friday nights! We estimate that one Friday night in October we had 170 students stop by! We humbly ask that you continue to partner with us regarding the following prayer requests:

\*For wisdom and discernment for placing more students in Friendship Families

\*Remaining Fall Semester Friday Night Meals (Dec 1<sup>st</sup>, Dec 8<sup>th</sup>, Dec 15<sup>th</sup>)

\*Friendsgiving on November 25<sup>th</sup>

\*For consistent help at the greeting table in the garage on Friday nights

\*That more followers of Jesus would build friendships with international students

For questions regarding the Pink House ministry, Sunny & Katie can be reached at [sunny.katie.m@gmail.com](mailto:sunny.katie.m@gmail.com) \*Names may have been changed

# Weekly Events

## Sunday, November 26

- 9:00 AM Worship ~ *Sanctuary*
- 9:00 AM Children's Sunday School ~ 114
- 9:00 AM Youth Sunday School ~ *Upper Room (208)*
- 9:00 AM Various Studies for Adults ~ *See Information Center for details*
- 10:30 AM Worship ~ *Sanctuary*
- 11:45 PM Decorating the Sanctuary for Christmas ~ *Sanctuary*
- 12:30 PM First African Church Service ~ *Upper Room (208)*

## Monday, November 27

- 6:45 PM Men's Bible Study Fellowship ~ *Church Building*

## Tuesday, November 28

- 10:00 AM Men's Bible Study Fellowship Satellite ~ 102, 105
- 12:00 PM Prayer ~ 105
- 1:00 PM Staff Meeting ~ 101
- 6:00-8:00 PM Upward Evaluations ~ Foyer and Gym

## Wednesday, November 29

- 10:00 AM First African UMC Prayer ~ 105
- 6:30 PM AWANA ~ 110, 101, 113, 114, 115, gym, cry room
- 6:30 PM Women's Bible Study ~ 102
- 6:30 PM Youth Ministry ~ *Upper Room, 200, 201 202, 203*
- 7:30 PM Choir ~ 106 (*Choir Room*)
- 8:30 PM Men's Chorus ~ 106 (*Choir Room*)

## Thursday, November 30

## Friday, December 1

- 6:00 AM Men's Advance & Breakfast ~ *Kitchen, Foyer, 101*
- 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study ~ *Foyer & 102*

## Saturday, December 2

- 6:30 AM BSF Leaders Meeting ~ 114, 115, *Kitchen*
- 8:00 AM Prayer ~ *Prayer Room 105*
- 8:30 AM Upward Evaluations ~ *Gym*
- 10:00 AM First African Church Music ~ *Upper Room (208)*

## Sunday, December 3

- 9:00 AM Worship ~ *Sanctuary*
- 9:00 AM Various Studies for Adults ~ *See Information Center for details*
- 10:30 AM Worship ~ *Sanctuary*
- 12:30 PM First African Church Service ~ *Upper Room (208) and Foyer*

# Sermon Notes

## “THE PROMISE OF YOUR PRESENCE”

Hebrews 10:19-25; Ps 95:1-7; Luke 12:8-10

I will uphold the church by my presence because:

1. God commanded it. Exodus 20:8, 9
  - ~ Psalm 8:1, 3, 4
  - ~ Psalm 122:1
  - ~ John 14:26
  - ~ Hebrews 10:25
2. Jesus incarnated it with His presence.
  - ~ Matthew 18:19, 20
3. It is the initiating place of the believer's faith.
  - ~ Romans 10:9, 10
  - ~ Mark 8:38
  - ~ Luke 12:8

Half of life is showing up!

# Announcements

## TODAY AND LOOKING AHEAD

**Ushers for December 3, 9:00** - Tom & Melinda Freier, Kerry & Julie Briss, Pete & Marcene Fendt **10:30** - Lavelle Family, Todd & Ben Stugelmayer

**There will be NO CHILDRENS or YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL** this morning. Class will resume next Sunday, December 3rd.  
Happy Thanksgiving!

**YUM! First Wednesday December 6th** we will have hot roast beef sandwiches. Your help would be greatly appreciated. Setup and serve from 4:30 to 6:00 or serve and cleanup from 6 until we're done. Please sign up at the Information Center whether it's to eat, bring dessert or help us.

**Christmas Decorating TODAY** after the 10:30 service, we need some helping hands to bring our Advent wreath, Christmas trees and banners out of storage down to the sanctuary. If you can stay for a short time to help, please meet upstairs at the large storage closet immediately after the worship service. Thank you!



**If you signed up for Advent-in-a-Box**, you may pick it up in Room 114 after either worship service today.

**The Men's Breakfast Speaker on December 1st** will be Pastor Dave Motta. He will share stories of God's faithfulness in his life. Bring a friend and join the men for breakfast and fellowship.

**We pray weekly for your requests!** If you have a prayer request or know anyone needing prayer, please fill out the ivory colored prayer request on the Calvary Connection card found in your bulletin.

# Announcements

## LOOKING AHEAD

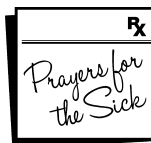
**Thank you Calvary!** One hundred thirty three (133) Christmas Shoeboxes were delivered from our church this week!

**Cookies by the Pound** Do you love Christmas cookies but don't enjoy baking them? Stop by Calvary on Saturday, December 9 starting at 9:00 am to purchase some Christmas cookies. Mix and match your favorites, baked specially by the UMW Dorcas Circle. All proceeds go towards our United Methodist Women missions. If you are interested in baking, please drop off your baked goods in the church kitchen on Friday, December 8 by noon. Please contact Linda Faiman at (701) 277-7210 with any questions.

**The New Life Center** is accepting donations for Christmas gifts for the men that are staying at the shelter. Items must be NEW and un-wrapped. Donations may include: stocking caps, gloves, mittens, socks, coats, scarves, thermal underwear, (medium-x-large), long & short sleeved t-shirts, sweat shirts & pants, and long sleeved shirts. Please leave your gifts in the cart across from the kitchen near the gym. Gifts will be picked up the morning of December 20th. Please contact Dee Moser with questions at 701-306-6114.

**Welcome** to Calvary UMC. If you are a first time guest, please complete the Connection Card found in your bulletin.

**We invite you to join us again.**



**Health Concerns:** Wayne Schumacher, Jacque Uistad, Luella Carlson, Emma Streyle, Benadene Snyder, Glen Lysne, Barbara Olson, Roger Kalinowski, Joan Meidinger, and Al & Ruth Tollefson.