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August 2025

Calvary United Methodist Church
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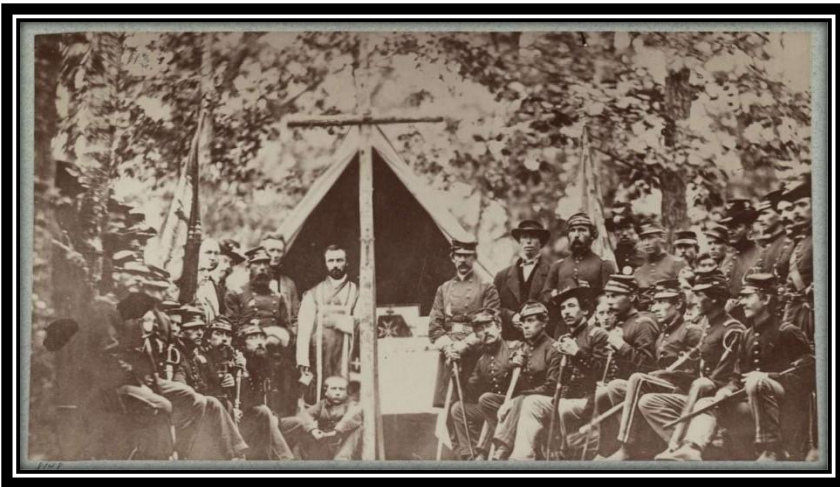
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Regular Office Hours: Tuesday/Wednesday 8:00 AM-4:00 PM
Friday 8:00 AM-Noon

Mission Statement

**To Make Followers of Jesus Christ by Sharing God's Love
Through Worship, Learning and Service**



CIVIL WAR DIVINE SERVICE and WELCOME PICNIC

On Sunday, September 7, 2025, Pastor Nancy, acting as a Civil War chaplain, will present her authentic Civil War Divine Service at one combined worship service at 9:30 a.m. You will be invited to imagine you are a Civil War soldier in camp in 1863. The service will include hymns, prayers, and a sermon similar to what soldiers would have experienced from their chaplains. We hope to have some special 19th century music, too!

The service will be followed by a welcome picnic (outdoors, weather permitting) for Pastor Nancy. Watch for more information about the picnic and how you can help.

Feel free to invite your friends and neighbors to this special service and picnic!



If at any time during the week you, a member of your family, a congregational member, or someone becomes a patient in a medical facility or are recuperating at home and would welcome a pastoral visit from Pastor Nancy, please contact the church (churchofficecumc@gmail.com/ 717.352.3715) or the pastor (hale1961@gmail.com/ 607.316.6134 - texts preferred) so that a visit may be arranged.

Thank you for letting us know!



Back to School Prayer

Father God,

As another school year begins, we come before you with hearts full of hope and anticipation. We lift up all the students in our community to your loving care.

Lord, we ask for your guidance and wisdom to be with them in their studies.

Bless their minds with understanding, creativity, and a thirst for knowledge. Help them overcome challenges and obstacles they may face in their educational journey.

We pray for their teachers and mentors, that they may be sources of inspiration and knowledge, guiding these students on the path of learning and growth.

Lord, grant these students the strength to face each day with enthusiasm and the courage to persevere in their efforts. May they make new friends, cherish old ones, and find joy in the classroom.

We also ask for your protection over them, keeping them safe in the travels to and from school.

Lord, as they embark on this new school year, we pray that they may not only gain knowledge but also grow in character, kindness, and empathy.

May they be a light of positivity and goodness in their school and communities.

In Jesus' name, we pray.

Amen

June 2025 Income and Expenses



Income: \$15,841.89

**Expenses:
\$19,623.93**

HELLO
my name is

Harriet

Thank you for wearing name tags during the month of July. It is helpful for Pastor Nancy to learn your names. It can be daunting to walk into a room where everyone knows you, but you look at 50 people and have no idea who they are. Hope this has helped you learn names also.

We also faced new challenges. Pastor Nancy, David Shearer and Joan Broomall stepped in to add their musical talents.

Our Hospitality table and greeters provided a special welcome to all. Thank you to Phil Broomall, Randy Burns, Sandy Haney, Linda Hartman, Roger Haufe, Deb Johnson, Art and Mary Jane Jones, Kathy Mellott, Joanne Miller, Barb Park, Rich and Lyn Pottinger, and Sue Willsie.

Thank you, all.

Harriet Schurman, Co-Chair of Hospitality



Because no one is available to provide access as an administrator to our original Facebook Page, I have set up a new one. You can find it on Facebook by searching for "Calvary United Methodist Church Fayetteville," or go to www.facebook.com/calvaryumcfayetteville.

We need a couple of volunteers to serve as administrators who can help manage the page (I am the main administrator). If you are on Facebook and would like to help in this way, please let me know!

And speaking of Facebook, it is my policy not to accept friend requests from parishioners on my personal Facebook page. Please don't take this personally! My page is my "safe space," separate from my church work, in which I connect with family and friends far and wide. I will connect with our church people through the church Facebook Page.

Please like and follow our church's new page!

Thank you!

Pastor Nancy

THANK YOU to those of you who are completing cards for front line nursing home staff. I have processed the completed cards. As of 7/14, there are 52 Birthday cards and 63 Thinking of You/Thank You cards ready for distribution! We will continue to honor staff through the end of August.

On August 31 we will begin signing Christmas, birthday and thinking of you cards again.

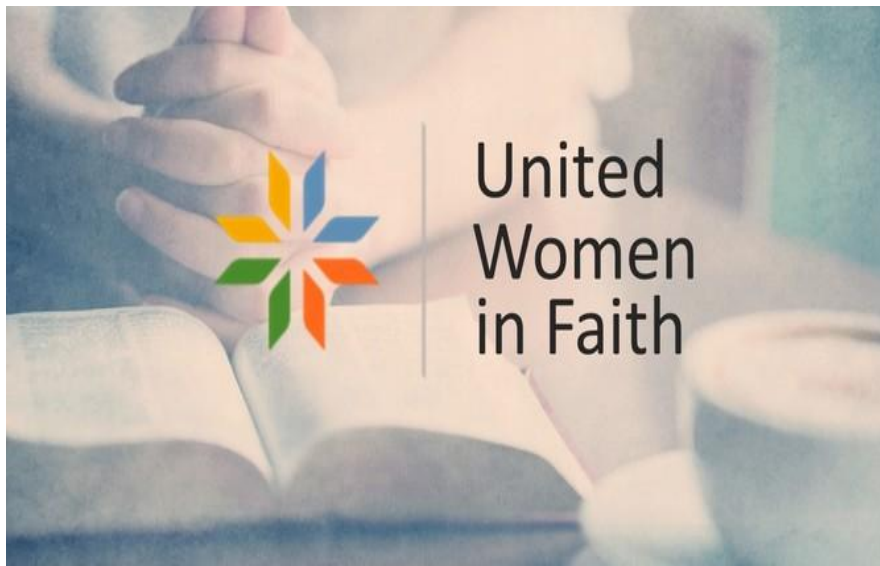


I am still collecting new cards of any category. I spoke with Maggie Lloyd (co-owner of Noah's House and Gracie's Place). They can use cards and calendars for their residents.

Reminder: If it comes in the mail as a free gift and you don't want it, bring the cards/items to Calvary! Between Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes, the halfway houses and nursing homes, it will all get redistributed!!!

Thank you again for your gift of community outreach!

Susan Snyder
717-261-6819



Please bring your filled graduation baskets to our August 13th picnic AS WELL AS a 12-pack of yellow school pencils and 3-pack of the rectangular pink erasers. If you want, you can bring extra of the pencils and erasers.

Thanks, ladies!

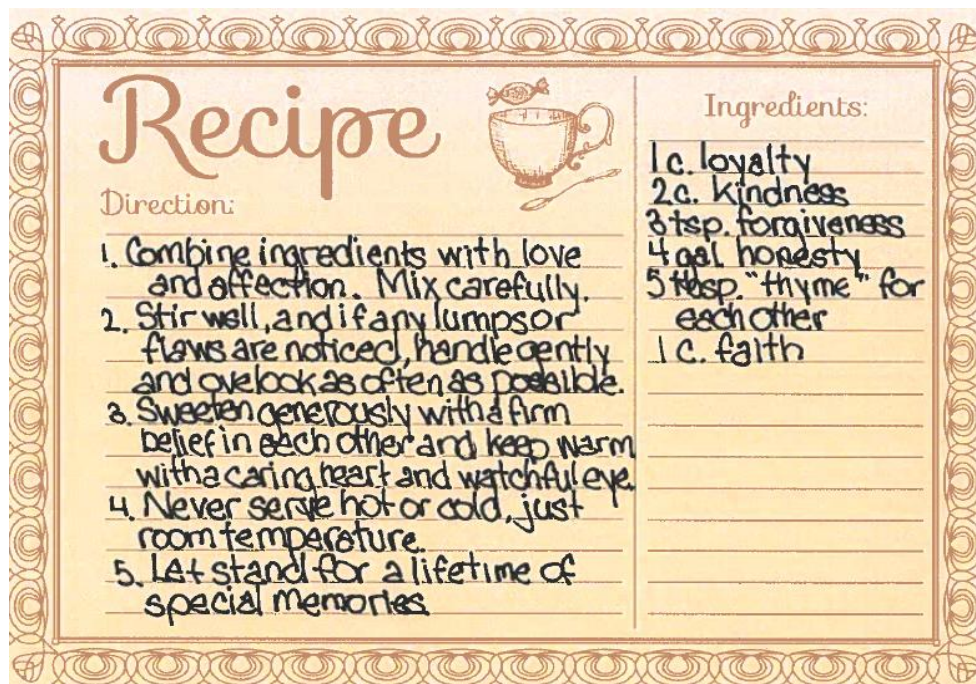
Renae Crittenden
President, UWF

Upcoming August Committee Meetings

Monday, August 18	Board of Trustees @ 7:00 PM
Tuesday, August 26	Committee on Finance @ 6:00 PM
Tuesday, August 26	Administrative Council @ 7:00 PM



There Will Be ONE SERVICE Held on Sunday, August 31, 2025, Beginning at 9:30 AM. Sara Nelson Will Be the Speaker at the Service as Pastor Nancy Will Be on Vacation.





Dear Friends,

Thank you.

Because of your generosity, our response to the devastating flooding in Kerrville, Texas, is already in motion. Supplies are packed. Trucks are moving. Families will soon receive the help they need - because you showed up.

Photos are below of how your help is being mobilized.

Here's the impact of your support:

Nearly 2,000 Menstrual Hygiene Kits are packed and on their way.

1,000 Cleaning Buckets are heading to families beginning the long, difficult task of rebuilding.

Additional items - including requested medical equipment and mobility aids like crutches, walkers, and canes, are being sent as well.

Every single one of these items was made possible by you and we are deeply grateful. But the work isn't over. And with hurricane season just beginning, we must be prepared to respond again - quickly, compassionately and completely.

You can continue to help in three meaningful ways:

Donate Supplies

Hygiene Kits, Cleaning Buckets, and other essentials can be delivered to Mission Central or shipped directly through our Amazon wish list.

Give Financially

Your gift allows us to respond with speed and precision. Every dollar helps meet a specific need. Give to Disaster Relief.

Share This Message

The more people who know, the more we can do - together. Please forward this to your network, congregation, or community group.

We've seen what can happen when people come together in faith and compassion. Your response to this disaster proves it once again.

Thank you for being part of this mission. Because of you, help is on the way.

With gratitude,

Lisa Landis Fickes

Director of Development & Communications

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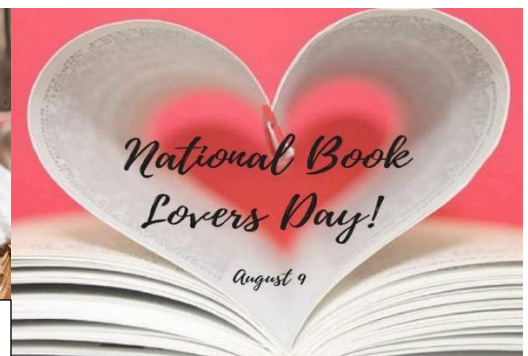
Summer Sun Safety Month is observed as a reminder to keep yourself safe and healthy in the sun during the summer. Sunlight is essential for your body to produce vitamin D. But, too much of it can cause harmful effects to your skin and eyes. Excessive exposure to ultraviolet (U.V.) light causes most skin cancers. It can also lead to cataracts and eye cancer. So, precautions are necessary to reduce the risk of getting skin or eye diseases while you're having fun in the summer.

The U.V. rays are reportedly at their strongest between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Protection from U.V. rays is necessary, especially during the summer. To protect your skin, it's better to put on a broad-spectrum sunscreen with a sun protection factor (S.P.F.) value of 30 or higher and reapply it every two hours or every one hour if you are swimming. You may also consider wearing a wide-brimmed hat, a long-sleeved shirt, and long pants or skirts to cover your body as much as possible. Also, you can bring an umbrella if you see fit.

Another must-have for the summer is sunglasses. Sunglasses can serve as a fashion statement, but their main objective is to protect your eyes from U.V. radiation. They can also shield the sensitive skin around your eyes and reduce the risk of cataracts and eye cancer. You need to make sure that they block at least 99% of U.V.A. and U.V.B. rays. In addition to those protections, you need to make sure to stay hydrated because your body tends to lose fluids quickly in the sun. Now you can enjoy your summer at ease.



This August, observe National Eye Exam Month by learning about ways to keep your vision clear and healthy. As we age, getting a baseline eye exam can detect early signs of disease or damage to your eyes. Ophthalmologists recommend periodic eye exams every 2-4 years from the ages of 40 to 65, and every 1-2 years after the age of 65. While most symptoms are often disregarded, getting a simple checkup and following a doctor's orders can greatly lower risks of more severe and future damage, and you can continue to enjoy healthy vision.







Navajo Code Talkers and Their Unbreakable Code

(Left: Cpl. Henry Bake, Jr. and Pfc. George H. Kirk, Navajos serving in December 1943 with a Marine Corps signal unit, operate a portable radio set in a clearing that they have hacked in the dense jungle behind the front lines.)

In the heat of battle, it is of the utmost importance that messages are delivered and received as quickly as possible. It is even more crucial that these messages are encoded so the enemy does not know about plans in advance.

During World War II, the Marine Corps used one of the thousands of languages spoken in the world to create an unbreakable code: Navajo.

World War II wasn't the first time a Native American language was used to create a code.

During World War I, the Choctaw language was used in the transmission of secret tactical messages. It was instrumental in a successful surprise attack against the Germans.

Germany and Japan sent students to the United States after World War I to study Native American languages and cultures, such as Cherokee, Choctaw, and Comanche.

Because of this, many members of the U.S. military services were uneasy about continuing to use Code Talkers during World War II. They were afraid the code would be easily cracked, but that was before they learned about the complexity of Navajo.

In 1942, Philip Johnston was reading a newspaper article about an armored division in Louisiana that was attempting to come up with another code using Native American languages. Johnston knew the perfect Native American language to utilize in a new, unbreakable code.

As a child, Johnston spent most of his childhood on a Navajo reservation while his parents served there as missionaries. He grew up learning the Navajo language and customs.

Johnston became so fluent in the Navajo language that he was asked at age 9 to serve as an interpreter for a Navajo delegation sent to Washington, D.C., to lobby for Indian rights.

In spite of concerns about the security of a code based on a Native American language, the U.S. Marine Corps decided to give Johnston's idea a try. They approved a pilot project with 30 Navajos and allowed Johnston to enlist and participate in the program.

The first 29 recruited Navajos (one dropped out) arrived at Camp Elliott near San Diego in May 1942. One of the first tasks for these recruits was to develop a Navajo code.

The Navajo language seemed to be the perfect option as a code because it is not written and very few people who aren't of Navajo origin can speak it.

However, the Marine Corps took the code to the next level and made it virtually unbreakable by further encoding the language with word substitution.

During the course of the war, about 400 Navajos participated in the code talker program.

The Navajo recruits began developing the code by taking words from their language and applying to them to implements of war. For example, the names of different birds were used to stand for different kinds of planes.

The initial code consisted of 211 vocabulary terms, which expanded to 411 over the course of the war.

In addition, an alphabet system (see below) was also developed by the Code Talkers. It would be used to spell out some of the words not found in Navajo vocabulary.

The first letter of a Navajo word corresponded with one of the 26 letters in the English alphabet. Several different words were chosen to represent the more commonly used letters in order to make the code even more secure.

A skeptical lieutenant decided to test their skills and the code before trusting them to deliver actual combat messages.

The Code Talkers successfully translated, transmitted, and re-translated a test message in two and a half minutes. Without using the Navajo code, it could take hours for a soldier to complete the same task.

From then on, the Code Talkers were used in every major operation involving the Marines in the Pacific theater. Their primary job was to transmit tactical information over telephone and radio.

During the invasion of Iwo Jima, six Navajo Code Talkers were operating continuously. They sent more than 800 messages. All of the messages were transmitted without error.

The Navajo Code Talkers were treated with the utmost respect by their fellow marines. Major Howard Connor, who was the signal officer of the Navajos at Iwo Jima, said, "Were it not for the Navajos, the Marines would never have taken Iwo Jima."

Honors

The hard work of the Navajo Code Talkers was not recognized until after the declassification of the operation in 1968.

President Ronald Reagan gave the Code Talkers a Certificate of Recognition and declared August 14 "Navajo Code Talkers Day" in 1982.

In 2000, President Bill Clinton signed a law which awarded the Congressional Gold Medal to the original 29 Code Talkers.

President George W. Bush presented the medals to the four surviving Code Talkers at a ceremony held in the Capitol Rotunda in Washington in July 2001.

<https://www.cia.gov/stories/story/navajo-code-talkers-and-the-unbreakable-code/#:~:text=In%201942,%20Philip%20Johnston>



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friends	classmates	recess	books	subjects	playground	principal
desk	chair	gym	music	library	cafeteria	buses

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“Hold on to instruction, do not let it go; guard it well, for it is your life.”
 Proverbs 4:13



Happy Birthday to you,
Happy Birthday to you,
Happy Birthday! God Bless You!
HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

AUGUST

2 – Michelle Martinez
3 – Nolan Dupont
5 – Nancy Camp
5 – Laurie Elliott
6 – Caroline Dupont
7 – Matthew Osman
9 – Pamela Bender
9 – Clayton Elbin
9 – Sandra McHugh
13 – Peggy Campbell
15 – Wesley Elmore
16 – Leon Weyant
19 – Donna Hayes
22 – Tia Nicola
24 – Barry Johnson
31 – Nelson Smith

SEPTEMBER

1 – Samantha Bradley
2 – Blair Burns
3 – Dottie Mason
3 – Jeffrey Walton
5 – Jeannie Cannistraci
8 – Kathy Mollett
9 – Mark Nicola
15 – Mary Jane Jones
16 – T. J. Park
17 – John Stiles
19 – Glenn Gaasche
20 – Kirsten Dupont
24 – Susan Snyder
25 – Charles Jones
25 – Kelsey McHugh
26 – Carol Seltzer
26 – Glenn Shope, Jr.
27 – Sandy Barnhart
29 – David Sauserman
30 – Grace Shea

Calvary United Methodist Church Homebound Mailing List

July 23, 2025

Lorne Bevis (NEW ADDRESS)

Forest Park Nursing and Rehabilitation 700 Walnut Bottom Road Carlisle, PA 17013

Daisy Cruz

6127 Greenbriar Drive Fayetteville, PA 17222

Joe Eckenrode

214 Joyce Drive Fayetteville, PA 17222

Paul and Pat Humpleby

Menno Haven/Manor Apt. 207 1425 Philadelphia Avenue Chambersburg, PA 17202

Jack Kane

222 Harvest Lane Chambersburg, PA 17201

Lenora Lininger

8969 Molly Pitcher Highway Greencastle, PA 17225

Ginny Olinger

The Inn at Luther Ridge 2735 Luther Ridge Chambersburg, PA 17202

Louanne Schellhase

Health Care Center/Martin House – Room 104 1000 Northfield Drive
Chambersburg, PA 17201

Dottie Shannon

The Shook Home 55 S. 2nd Street Chambersburg, PA 17201

Samuel and Frances Slaughter

5121 Briar Lane Chambersburg, PA 17201

Gary and Cheryl Statler

913 Knob Hill Road Fayetteville, PA 17222

Nancy Strosnider

Due to a transfer of residence, the church does not have an updated address.

Monica Wise

Paramount Senior Living/Room 106 Skilled Care 6375 Chambersburg Road
Fayetteville, PA 17222

August 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 8:00 AM Worship Service 8:45 AM Disciples in Training SS Class 9:00 AM Seekers SS Class 10:00 AM Worship Service	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 8:00 AM Worship Service 8:45 AM Disciples in Training SS Class 9:00 AM Seekers SS Class 10:00 AM Worship Service	11	12	13 United Women in Faith (UWF) Meeting 1:00 PM	14	15	16 American Red Cross Blood Drive at Hilltop Hall 9:00 AM-2:00 PM
17 8:00 AM Worship Service 8:45 AM Disciples in Training SS Class 9:00 AM Seekers SS Class 10:00 AM Worship Service	18 7:00 PM Board of Trustees Meeting	19	20	21	22	23
24 8:00 AM Worship Service 8:45 AM Disciples in Training SS Class 9:00 AM Seekers SS Class 10:00 AM Worship Service	25	26 6:00 PM Committee on Finance Meeting 7:00 PM Administrative Council Meeting	27	28	29	30
31 Pennies For Mission ONE WORSHIP SERVICE ONLY AT 9:30 AM with Sara Nelson						