

# Ministry Staff

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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; Philippians 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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*- To Know Christ and To Make Him Known -*



# Calvary

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Thank you for worshipping here today!

December 11, 2016

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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.

**Welcome** to Calvary UMC. If you are a first time guest, please complete the Connection Card and **drop it off at the Information Center for a free gift and information packet.**

We invite you to join us again.

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# Service Schedule

Our nursery is staffed and available during Sunday services for children ages birth to 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** “How Great is Our God” ~Screen  
“Majesty” ~Screen  
“O Come All Ye Faithful” (Chorus only)~Screen  
“Great Are You Lord” ~Screen

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.

**Ministry in Music** “Christmas Medley” (9:00)

**Welcome**

**Scripture** Luke 2:8-20

**Message** “Will I Seize the Moment?” ~ Pastor Dave Motta

**Offering** “Go Tell it on the Mountain’ ~ Hymn

**Benediction**

Calvary is equipped with a hearing assistance system.  
Please ask for a receiver from our ushers.

# Weekly Events

## Sunday, December 11

**9:00 AM** Worship ~ Sanctuary  
**10:30 AM** Worship ~ Sanctuary  
**12:30 PM** First African Church Service ~ Upper Room  
**6:30 PM** Precepts Study of Ephesians ~ 101

## Monday, December 12

**6:45-9:30 PM** Bible Study Fellowship (Men’s Community Study)

## Tuesday, December 13

**8:30 AM** YMCA ~ Foyer  
**NOON** Prayer ~ Sanctuary  
**1:00 PM** Staff Meeting ~ 101  
**2:30 PM** YMCA ~ Foyer  
**6:30 PM** Church Council ~ 101  
**7:00 PM** United Methodist Women ~ 115

## Wednesday, December 14

**10:00 AM** First African UMC Prayer ~ 105  
**6:30 PM** Children’s Ministry ~ Various Rooms  
**6:30 PM** Youth ~ Upper Room  
**6:30 PM** No Regrets Men’s Study ~ 103  
**6:30 PM** Entrusted Women’s Study ~ 102  
**7:30 PM** Calvary Choir ~ 106  
**8:30 PM** Men’s Chorus ~ 106

## Thursday, December 15

**5:30 PM** YMCA Christmas Program and Meal ~ Foyer/Gym/Sanctuary

## Friday, December 16

**6:00 AM** Men’s Advance ~ Foyer  
**9:00 AM** Entrusted Women’s Study ~ Various Rooms  
**4:30 PM** First African Church Children’s Meal ~ Foyer, Kitchen  
**5:30 PM** First African Church Children’s Program ~ Upper Room  
**6:30 PM** Connectors Christmas Potluck ~ Foyer/Kitchen

## Saturday, December 17

**6:00-9:30 AM** Bible Study Fellowship Leaders ~ Upper Room, 200, 201  
**8:00 AM** Prayer ~ 105  
**9:00 AM** Upward Sports Coach Training ~ 102  
**9:00 AM** Auto Angels ~ Garage  
**10:00 AM** First African Church Music ~ Upper Room  
**2:00 PM** First African Wedding ~ Sanctuary

## Sunday, December 18

**9:00 AM** Worship ~ Sanctuary  
**10:30 AM** Worship ~ Sanctuary  
**12:00 PM** Charge Conference ~ Foyer  
**12:30 PM** First African Church Service ~ Upper Room  
**6:30 PM** Precepts Study of Ephesians ~ 101

# Outreach

Calvary has supported the Grenz family who serve in China for the past five years through the outreach of the month. They will be traveling back to the States over Christmas and we would like to bless them with some of their needs. Items they could use:

- construction paper
- elmers liquid glue
- glue sticks
- kids movies (DVD format)
- girl's socks and tights (4T&6T)
- stride rite gift card(s) (special socks and supportive, quality shoes are needed for Zadok)
- washable paint
- watercolors
- finger paint
- sweatshirts (boys 4T, girls 4T&6T)
- pajamas (spring and winter sets boy 4T and girls 4T & 6T)
- gift cards for gas, food, and miscellaneous while they are traveling

Questions contact Zach or Mary Leibel 701-371-9772 or [mleibel@me.com](mailto:mleibel@me.com)

# Sermon Notes

## Will I Seize the Moment?

Luke 2:8-20

“The Shepherds”

The Shepherds seized the moment = 8 observations.

Observation No 1. Find out what God is doing in your neighborhood. Luke 2:8

Observation No 2. Special moments should initiate a healthy sense of fear. Luke 2:9,10

Observation No 3. God will make clear His guidance when the moment comes. Luke 2:11-14

Observation No 4. Once you know - you better go ! Luke 2:15

Observation No 5. Once you go - you'll know ! Luke 2:16

Observation No 6. Once you know - you'll want to tell others. Luke 2:17

Observation No 7. Once you hear - you'll want to think about it. Luke 2:18,19

Observation No 8. Once you meet Jesus - your life will be changed. Luke 2:20

Carpe Diem!

# Announcements

## TODAY AND LOOKING AHEAD

**As the end of the year approaches** you are invited to be part of a church-wide appreciation gift to Pastor Dave, Bob, Blake, Greta, and Beth. Monetary gifts of gratitude should be clearly marked, “**Staff Appreciation Gift,**” and, if they are in the form of a check, they should be made out to Calvary United Methodist Church. Your gift may be placed in the offering baskets or given to Tim Kerr or Jen Sahr. **Please submit your gift by TODAY Sunday, December 11th .**

**December 15th** We will be providing a meal for our YMCA Childcare families before their Christmas program. We need your help in the kitchen and with setting tables up and taking them down afterward. We'll serve from 5:00 until 6:15. Please call or text Sheila at 701-799-4188 if you're able to help. Thank you.

**Christmas Caroling** for all ages will be December 18th. Meet at the church at 3:00 and bring a plate of goodies. Contact Jaque Ulstad for information.

**December 31** is the last day for 2016 donations. Have your gifts to the office by December 31st at noon for 2016 giving statement credit.

We are looking for help with the coffee bar on Sunday December 25th. Contact Dawn Kerr if you can help. 701-793-9186.

**GriefShare** Your Journey from Mourning to Joy is starting Saturday, January 2, 2017 at 9:30-11:30am. GriefShare is a 13-week seminar/support group for people grieving the death of someone close. Sign-up at the Welcome Center or by contacting the church office at 701-232-5650. For further information contact Karen Fleming at 701-232-0596.

**Health Concerns:** Gerry Sieler, Barbara Olson, Luella Carlson, Ruth Tollefson, Roger Kalinowski, and Joan Meidinger.

# Announcements

## LOOKING AHEAD

**Staying Connected** Pot Luck. Join us December 16 at 6:30 pm for a night of fun, visiting and carol singing. Wear festive attire—dressy or even ugly sweaters! Contact Sandy Wendel for more information.

Calvary serves at Church United Homeless Shelter December 23. WE are looking for individuals who will help us with playing the piano and other instruments and help us sing Christmas carols during our cooking & serving time., 4:00-7:00pm. We also need help in the kitchen as well. Please sign up at the Welcome Center and thank you for sharing the holidays with the homeless shelter residents.

**Communion Care** Help is needed to clean up after the 10:30 service on communion Sundays. We have two teams but need three so each team would only need to work four Sundays during the year. Responsibilities are to empty and throw away cups and wafers, wipe trays and roll communion table behind the sanctuary. Please contact Mary Motta (232-1435 or [mottafam2@hotmail.com](mailto:mottafam2@hotmail.com)) if you would be willing to join this ministry.

**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, mitten, socks, coats, scarves, thermal underwear, (medium-x-large), 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 16th. Please contact Dee Moser with questions at 701-306-6114.

### Two Christmas Eve services:

4:00- The ABC's of Christmas (with glo-sticks) and  
6:00- Traditional candlelight service.

Regular services at 9:00 and 10:30 will be held **Christmas Day.**