



# Weekly Preview

March 6, 2017

## PASTOR'S PONDERINGS

### When the Church Speaks What does it mean and what can we do? A Look at our Social Principles

Since its first Social Creed in 1908 the Methodist Church has taken positions on social and political issues relevant to the current time. These positions are grounded in our faith and rooted in scripture. Our current Social Principles cover a variety of subjects including food safety, bullying, pornography, rights of immigrants, mental health, poverty, graft and corruption, the death penalty, war and peace and much more. Our series on the Social Principles will scratch the surface of these topics while also delving deeper into the values system and dialogue that leads to the development of these principles for our global church.

In our first session we will explore **The Natural World**. Our Social Principles tell us that *"All creation is the Lord's, and we are responsible for the ways in which we use and abuse it. Economic, political, social, and technological developments have increased our human numbers, and lengthened and enriched our lives. However, these developments have led to regional defoliation, dramatic extinction of species, massive human suffering, overpopulation, and misuse and overconsumption of natural and nonrenewable resources, particularly by industrialized societies. This continued course of action jeopardizes the natural heritage that God has entrusted to all generations."*

"Water, air, soil, minerals, energy resources, plants, animal life, and space are to be valued and conserved because they are God's creation and not solely because they are useful to human beings."

Categories for Social Principles: Natural World include:

Water, Air, Soil, Minerals, Plants tells us that: *"We support and encourage social policies that serve to reduce and control the creation of industrial byproducts and waste; facilitate the safe processing and disposal of toxic and nuclear waste and move toward the elimination of both; encourage reduction of municipal waste; provide for appropriate recycling and disposal of municipal waste; and assist the cleanup of polluted air, water, and soil."*

Energy Resources Utilization tells us that: *"The whole earth is God's good creation and as such has inherent value. We are aware that the current utilization of energy resources threatens this creation at its very foundation. As members of The United Methodist Church we are committed to approaching creation, energy production, and especially creation's resources in a responsible, careful and economic way."*

Animal Life tells us that: *"We support regulations that protect and conserve the life and health of animals, including those ensuring the humane treatment of pets, domesticated animals, animals used in research, wildlife, and the painless slaughtering of meat animals, fish, and fowl."*

You can read further about the Social Principles: Natural World at <http://www.umc.org/what-we-believe/the-natural-world>.

The 2017 Lenten series will be held Wednesday evening, beginning with a community meal at 6:00 p.m., followed by devotion scriptures, prayers and songs.

The study will begin at 7:00 p.m. Activities for children will be provided. We hope you will join us.

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**Sunday, March 12**

Second Sunday in Lent Riddles in the Dark  
 Rev. Larsen preaching John 3:1-17  
 The Gospel readings in Lent this year all come from the Gospel of John. Each week we find a different figure in conversation with Jesus, learning who he is and what it means to follow him. On the second Sunday of Lent, it is Nicodemus, a leader in the Jewish community, who seeks Jesus out at night. He leaves more puzzled than he came.

**Sunday, March 19**

Third Sunday in Lent Witness at the Well  
 Rev. Larsen preaching John 4:5-42  
 On the third Sunday in Lent, Jesus speaks with a woman who comes to the village well in the middle of the day to draw water. After this encounter, the woman tells others about Jesus and many in that city believed in him because of her testimony.

Check out our sermons on our website: [CLICK HERE](#)

**GROW**

Current Bible Studies

**Calvary Campus**

**Pastor's Bible Study**- Tuesday at 10:00 in the Library  
**Joyce Dixon's Bible Study** – 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of the month at 9:30 a.m.

**Covenant Bible Study** – Wednesday 10:00 a.m.

**Men's Bible Study**: Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm

**Centennial Campus**

**Deacon Julie's Bible Study Saturday's at 2:30 p.m.**

**LEAD****Weekly:**

Puppeteering [CLICK HERE](#)  
 Acolyte Coordinator [office@calvaryumc.org](mailto:office@calvaryumc.org)  
 Acolyte (NEW) [CLICK HERE](#)  
 Lay Reader [CLICK HERE](#)  
 Usher [office@calvaryumc.org](mailto:office@calvaryumc.org)  
 Greeter [office@calvaryumc.org](mailto:office@calvaryumc.org)  
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 Nursery Volunteer [cindywilson@calvaryumc.org](mailto:cindywilson@calvaryumc.org)  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Adult at Children's Church [CLICK HERE](#)  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Adult at VOP [CLICK HERE](#)  
 Children's Sermon [CLICK HERE](#)

**The Week Ahead****Monday, March 6**

7:00 p.m. SPRC

**Tuesday, March 7**

9:30 a.m. Joyce Dixon's Bible Study  
 10:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study  
 12:30 p.m. UMW Executive Meeting  
 1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting  
 7:00 p.m. Joyful Noise  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Street & Hope Board  
 7:30 p.m. Gospel Choir

**Wednesday, March 8**

5:00 p.m. Community Meal at Centennial  
 6:00 p.m. Dinner/Lenten Study

**Thursday, March 9**

12:00 p.m. Lenten Recital Series  
 1:00 p.m. Mary Martha Circle  
 6:30 p.m. Guitar Ensemble  
 7:15 p.m. Cathedral Choir

**Friday, March 10**

6:30 p.m. Children's Movie Night  
 Exploring the Bible

**Saturday, March 11**

7:30 a.m. UMM Breakfast Meeting  
 5:15 pm. Service at Centennial

**Next Sunday, March 12****DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS**

8:30 a.m. Worship  
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages  
 11:00 a.m. Worship  
 12:30 p.m. Bells for Jesus  
 1:00 p.m. Sonshine Choir  
 4:30 p.m. Voices of Praise  
 5:30 p.m. Essential Beliefs Class  
 5:30 p.m. Youth Group

**SERVE****Outreach Opportunities**

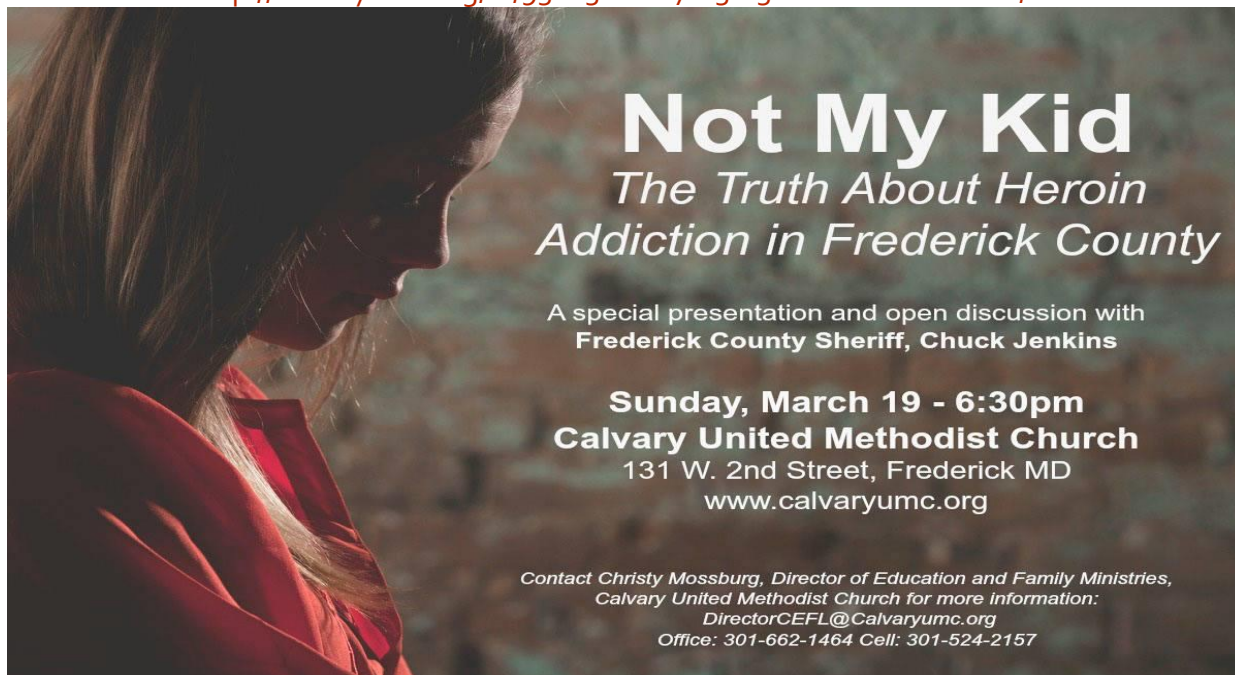
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and Hope (1X per month on Wednesday) [CLICK HERE](#)
- Calvary at the Soup Kitchen (6 x per year) **Rescue Mission Meal** (1<sup>st</sup> Monday of Month)
- **Wheelbarrow Sunday**: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month bring your canned food items
- **The Lord's Laundry** [CLICK HERE to email](#)

Contact the Church Office at [office@calvaryumc.org](mailto:office@calvaryumc.org) or 301-662-1464 to learn more about these great opportunities at church and in the community.

Sunday School Newsletter: [March 5](#)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**VBS TIME!** Summer is right around the corner! Now is a great time to reserve your space in Calvary's Vacation Bible School. <http://calvaryumc.org/.../930038-2017-03-03-vacation-bible-s.../>



**Not My Kid**  
*The Truth About Heroin  
Addiction in Frederick County*

A special presentation and open discussion with  
**Frederick County Sheriff, Chuck Jenkins**

**Sunday, March 19 - 6:30pm**  
**Calvary United Methodist Church**  
131 W. 2nd Street, Frederick MD  
[www.calvaryumc.org](http://www.calvaryumc.org)

Contact Christy Mossburg, Director of Education and Family Ministries,  
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### Sunday Morning Lenten Studies:

**Open View:** We are studying The Way by Adam Hamilton. The Open View class meets in the Activities Room (located in the basement of the Education Building) from 9:45-10:45 on Sunday mornings. Travel with Adam Hamilton as he retraces the life and ministry of Jesus Christ. Once again, Hamilton approaches his subject matter with thoughtfulness and wisdom, just as he did with Jesus' crucifixion in 24 Hours That Changed the World and with Jesus' birth in The Journey. Using historical information, archaeological data, and stories of the faith, Hamilton follows in the footsteps of Jesus from his baptism to the temptations to the heart of his ministry, including the people he loved, the parables he taught, the enemies he made, and the healing he brought.

**New Beginnings:** We would welcome anyone interested in joining our class for the Lenten Season. The six week study is called: Qualities of Discipleship study materials written by Marianne Blickenstaff. Our first session will be led by Ray Moreland. Handouts will be provided so all you have to do is join us on the 3rd floor of the Education bldg. in the children's choir room. If you have any questions please contact Bill Waskey at 240-490-1344 or email: [mbw21769@verizon.net](mailto:mbw21769@verizon.net).

**Easter Flowers:** Time to order your Easter lilies, daffodils or tulips. Click [HERE](#) for the form. [Or to pay on line, click here.](#)

**Gardening Committee Needs Your Help!** We take care of the front of the church year round! We need help sprucing up the flower beds: weeding, watering, planting thru the fall. If you are interested, contact Tom Mullineaux at (410) 775-7610.

**All 3rd, 4th and 5th graders are invited to Bible Exploration Night with Pastor Steve and Amy Stone on Friday, March 10 from 6:30-8:30.** Your child is invited to join us for a pizza dinner followed by Bible games and fun activities designed to help your child learn and understand more about their Bible. We're really excited about this new, annual event.

**Children's Movie Night** **Friday, March 10, 6:30-8:30** **MacLarry and the Stinky Cheese Battle**

Kids ages 4 through 5th grade are invited to join us for this. [Sign up here](#) if you plan to attend.

### Opportunities to GROW:

**Pastor's Bible Study** Led by Pastor Steve on Tuesdays from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the Library. They are studying the Book of Nehemiah. All are welcome!

**Joyce Dixon's Bible Study** This bible study meets the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of the month at 9:30 a.m. They are studying the Overview of the New Testament. All are welcome to attend.



Calvary United Methodist Church Presents.... **2017**  
**Lenten Recital Series**

Free and open to the public  
 Thursdays from 12:00 Noon to 12:30 p.m.

These 30-minute recitals offer a time for reflection, personal meditation, and relaxation while enjoying beautiful music from a variety of musical genres. The recitals feature Calvary's 38 rank Moller pipe organ, Steinway Concert D piano and a vast repertoire of sacred and secular works, including pieces familiar to many.

- March 2**     **Daniel Miller**, *Organist*  
 First Baptist Church, Winchester VA  
**Benjamin Curtis**, *baritone*
- March 9**     **Brenda J. Weiser**, *Director of Music & Organist*  
 Evangelical Lutheran Church, Frederick MD  
**Linda Coe**, *soprano*     **John Weiser**, *baritone*
- March 16**    **Miriam Meglan**, *Organist*  
 Frederick, Maryland
- March 23**    **Dr. Lawrence P. Schreiber**, *Minister of Music and Organist*  
 First Baptist Church, Washington DC
- March 30**    **Dr. Elizabeth Krouse**, *Organist*  
 Trinity United Methodist Church, Frederick MD
- April 6**     **Joche Wilmot**, *Director of Music Ministries & Organist*  
 Calvary United Methodist Church, Frederick MD  
**Polly Edmonds Baldrige**, *soprano; Director of Music and Arts*  
 Damascus United Methodist Church, Damascus MD

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For recital and concert information visit [www.calvaryumc.org/concerts](http://www.calvaryumc.org/concerts).

**When the Church Speaks**  
**What does it mean and what can we do?**  
**A Look at our Social Principles**

Join us each week for dinner at 6 pm followed by an interactive program for adults and a service learning opportunity for children from 7 to 8:30 p.m., Wednesday evenings during Lent.

**March 8:** Introduction to the Social *Principles* :Rev. Julie Wilson followed by the *Natural World* with Dave Herber

**March 15:** The Nurturing Community with Norma Hamilton

**March 22:** The Social Community with Jim Hamilton

**March 29:** The Economic community with Rev. Eliezer Valentin-Castanon from Trinity UMC

**April 5:** The Political and World Communities w/ Rev. Dr. Clayton Childers from the General Board of Church and Society