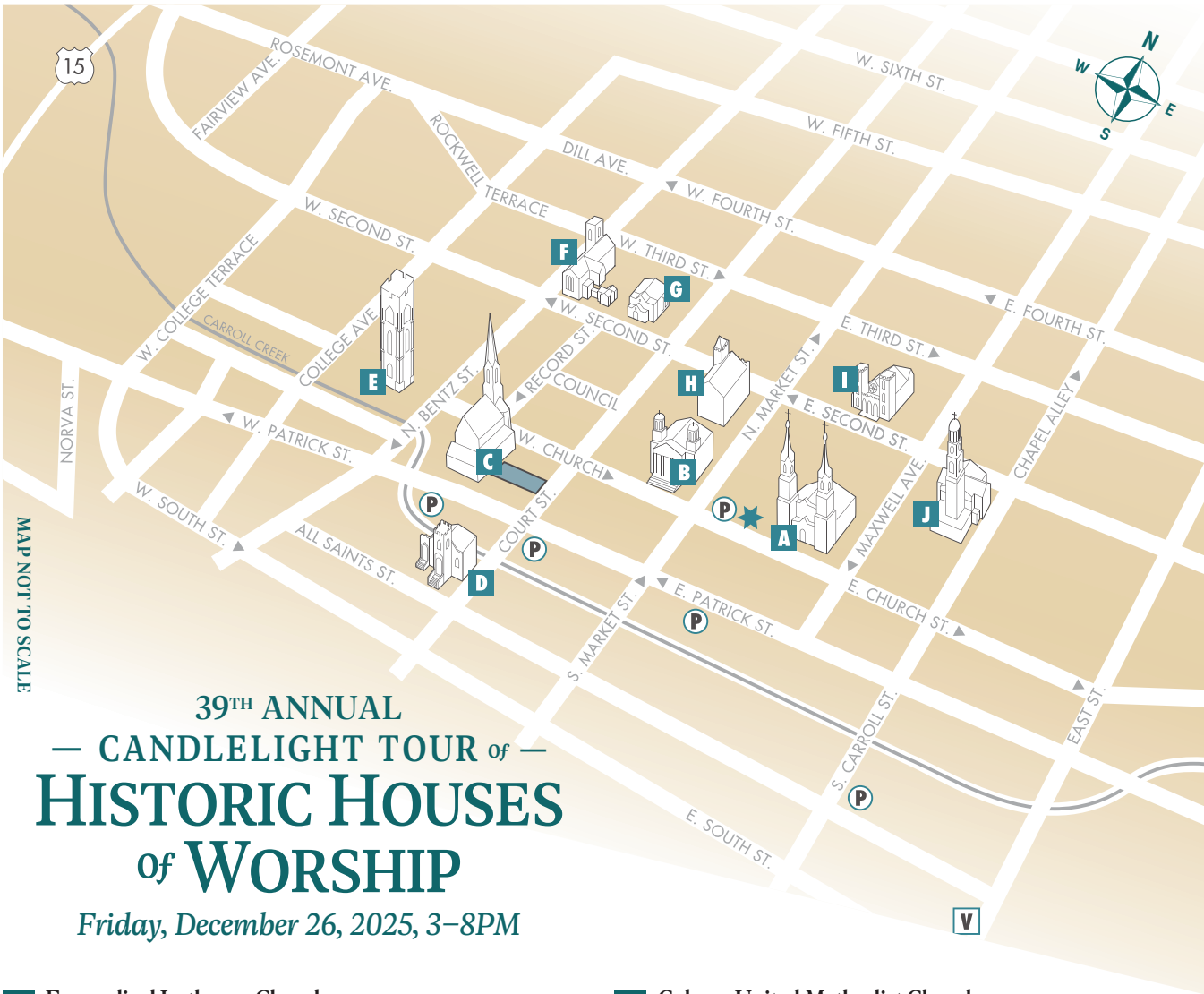


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Frederick Visitor Center, 151 S. East Street
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Open until 8PM to assist you.
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Handicap accessible location
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Parking: Garages \$1/hour, meters free after 5PM
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Hospitality room and refreshments
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Active congregations during the Civil War

BROCHURES AVAILABLE AT:
Frederick Visitor Center, 151 S. East Street, 9AM–5PM (except Thanksgiving and Christmas), participating worship sites, local Roy Rogers Restaurants and sponsor locations. Also at Church Tour Information Center on December 26, 2025, 3–8PM.



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J

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Hospitality Centers

All Saints Episcopal Church • Evangelical Lutheran Church • St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church
Special thanks to the Roy Rogers Restaurants for donating coffee and hot chocolate for this evening.

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HISTORIC HOUSES OF WORSHIP TOUR

A Evangelical Lutheran Church 31 E. Church Street

Evangelical Lutheran Church, initially organized in 1738 in northern Frederick County, moved to Frederick in 1746, building a log church adjacent to the current church at 31 East Church Street. Construction of a stone church started in 1752, but wasn't completed until 1762 due to the French and Indian War. The present building with its twin towers was constructed in 1854 in Gothic Revival style; portions of the 1762 stone church are still visible on the Northeast side of the building. The west tower supports two bells made in England in 1771; they are still used today. From September 1862 to January 1863, the church became a temporary military hospital following the Civil War battles of South Mountain and Antietam. The church is home of one of the largest organs in Frederick County, containing almost 3000 pipes. twinspires.org

- ❖ Evangelical Bells (3–4PM)
- ❖ ELC Praise Team (4–5PM)
- ❖ Seasonal Music (5–6PM)
- ❖ Frederick Flute Choir (6–7PM)
- ❖ ELC Choir and Carols (7–8PM)



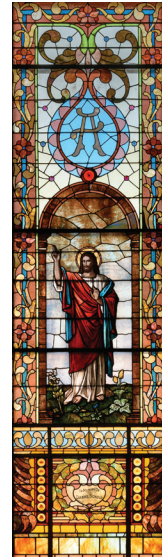
B Evangelical Reformed United Church of Christ 15 W. Church Street

This 1848 church was built when the congregation outgrew the older stone chapel across the street. It is Greek Revival in design, crowned by twin cupolas. The large auditorium was transformed a century ago when the church evolved from “low church” (pulpit-centered) to “high church” (altar-centered). The pews still display the brass numbered plates from the days when the church was supported by “pew rent.” Although Barbara Fritchie was an active member, her pew was removed in renovations.

erucc.org

All levels of the church are accessible via elevator, which can be located at the Church St. entrance, between the church and Parish House.

- ❖ Evangelical Reformed United Church of Christ Musicians (3–8PM)
- ❖ Putz Nativity Demonstrations on the hour



C All Saints Episcopal Church 106 W. Church Street

All Saints Parish was founded in 1742 by an act of the Provincial government of Maryland in order to facilitate the spread of the Church of England in western Maryland. The first church was on East All Saints Street. The growing congregation built a new church on North Court Street in 1813. This structure is now the Parish Hall. In 1854, Richard Upjohn, America's foremost church architect, was commissioned to build the present sanctuary. Listed among the famous churches in America, it represents classic Gothic Revival architecture and features a distinctive ceiling and four different styles of stained glass artistry. allsaintsmd.org

Handicap entrance is in the garden. When facing the church, take the walkway on the right. Once in the garden, use the doors on the left and take the elevator to the 3rd floor to enter the church (or follow signs).

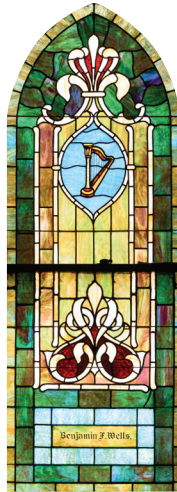
- ❖ Seasonal Music (3–4PM)
- ❖ All Saints Episcopal Church Choir & All Saints Ringers (4–5PM)
- ❖ Anna Smith, harp (5–6PM)
- ❖ Joybells (6–7PM)
- ❖ Seasonal Music (7–8PM)



D Asbury United Methodist Church W. All Saints & Court Streets

Frederick's African American community worshiped with members of the “Old Hill Church” congregation (located where 35 E. All Saints Street now stands) since 1818. By 1864, the community came into full possession of that facility. In 1912, the current lot was purchased, and by 1921, the present building was completed. In 1968, the church became Asbury United Methodist Church. Asbury is distinguished by its original beautiful stained glass windows, which were memorial and honorary gifts from members and friends. Asbury has always been a church of the community. asburyumcfmd.org

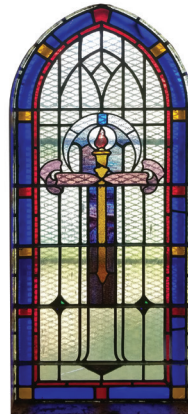
- ❖ Seasonal Music: Choral Singing



E Joseph Dill Baker Carillon Baker Park

Joseph Dill Baker (1854–1938) was known as “Frederick's first citizen” for his many contributions. This 70-foot granite bell tower was erected in 1941 in his memory. It now houses 49 carillon bells, ranging from 22–3,500 pounds, which are still played weekly on Sundays 12:30–1PM. A brass bas-relief dedication plaque honoring Baker is located on the base of the tower.

- ❖ City Carillonneur John Widmann will play half hour recital/tours on the City carillon of 49 bells at 3PM, 4PM and 5PM

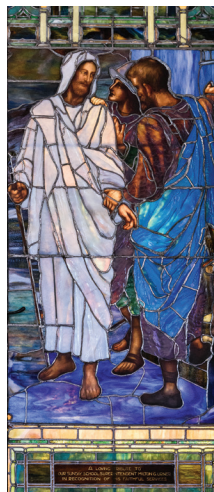


F Calvary United Methodist Church N. Bentz & W. 2nd Streets

Calvary United Methodist Church has served the Frederick community since 1770. Built in 1929, this modern Gothic Revival style church is patterned after European cathedrals. It features a beautifully carved wooden screen (“reredos”) behind the altar which depicts the “Tree of Life” symbolizing the words of Jesus, “I am the vine, you are the branches.” Intertwined are shields on which are carved the symbols of the Apostles of Christ. A new pipe organ was installed in 2024 built by Cornel Zimmer with four manuals and 46 ranks and white oak casework. calvaryumc.org

Restrooms and Handicap Entrance are accessible via our entrance on North Bentz Street.

- ❖ Calvary UMC's Joyful Noise Handbell Choir (3–3:30PM)
- ❖ Frederick Children's Chorus (3:30–4PM)
- ❖ Brenda Weiser, Interim Director of Music Ministries and Organist, Calvary UMC (4–4:30PM)
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- ❖ Adam Scott Graham, organist (6:30–7PM)
- ❖ Kaitlyn Quigley, soloist (7–7:30PM)
- ❖ Brenda Weiser, organist (7:30–8PM)



G Frederick Presbyterian Church 115 W. 2nd Street

The original church was built in 1780 at the corner of Bentz and Fourth Streets. The present church on West 2nd Street was completed in 1825 and served as a hospital where President Lincoln visited the wounded from nearby battles during the Civil War. Featured in the sanctuary are a Möller Pipe Organ, dating from 1897, banners of the Presbyterian faith and Roman arch stained glass windows. frederickpresbyterian.org

Handicap access through Heritage Hall, entrance between church and manse.

- ❖ Young Pianists of Frederick (3–3:30PM)
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H Centennial Memorial United Methodist Church 8 W. 2nd Street

Founded in 1873 on East Third Street, the present sanctuary was built in 1900. The congregation took the name “Centennial Memorial” as part of the celebration of the founding of the United Brethren In Christ denomination in 1800, on Rocky Springs Road. The Church is distinguished by its Victorian Gothic design, Möller organ and stained glass windows. The congregation became United Methodist due to the merger in 1968. The year 2025 is the 125th anniversary of present buildings. centennial-umc.org

- ❖ Seasonal holiday music, organ, piano and solos (3–5:45PM)
- ❖ Kecia Deroly & Musical Guests (5:45–6:30PM)
- ❖ One God One Voice (6:30–7:15PM)
- ❖ The Catoctones (7:20–8:00PM)



I Grace United Church of Christ 25 E. 2nd Street

Founded in 1898 as a daughter congregation of the Evangelical Reformed Church, Grace Church features Gothic arches and battlemented towers. The Victorian Gothic edifice was dedicated in 1903. J.B. Hankinson of Newark, N.J., Tiffany's general foreman, created the art glass windows and was proud of the rose window, with its Gothic tracery and variegated colors. The sanctuary boasts wooden beams and carved quatrefoils. grucc.com

Sanctuary, fellowship hall, and restrooms are handicap accessible via right side entrance of the church building.

- ❖ Nathan Strite, organ (3–3:30PM)
- ❖ Christmas Carol Sing-along (3:30PM–4PM)
- ❖ Soloists/ensembles led by Terry Sparks (4–5PM)
- ❖ One God ~ One Voice Choir (5–6PM)
- ❖ Justin Furnia, piano (6–7PM)
- ❖ Nathan Strite, organ (7–8PM)



J St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church 118 E. 2nd Street

Catholics first gathered for Mass on East 2nd Street in 1763 in a two-story house with a chapel. The first actual church was built in 1800 by Fr. John Dubois, SS. The current church was completed and on April 26, 1837, was the first Catholic Church in the United States to be consecrated. Father John McElroy, S.J. was the pastor. The Spire, which is the highest point in the city, is topped with a gold-leaf dome and cross and was restored in 2019. The Greek Revival Style church houses the masterpieces “The Crucifixion,” (Pietro Gugliardi) behind the altar, and “The Ascension,” (Baraldi) ceiling in the center crossing. In the early 1900s, panels behind the organ in the choir loft were removed during the restoration of the church, exposing several poems and signatures. It seems, because of the height of its windows, St. John's may have detained Confederate soldiers during the Civil War. stjohn-frederick.org

Front doors are wheelchair accessible (no steps); ramps on side of church from handicap parking.

- ❖ Dr. Bill Powell, organ (3–4PM)
- ❖ Dr. Bill Powell and Dr. Nae Pearson-piano duets (4–4:30PM)
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