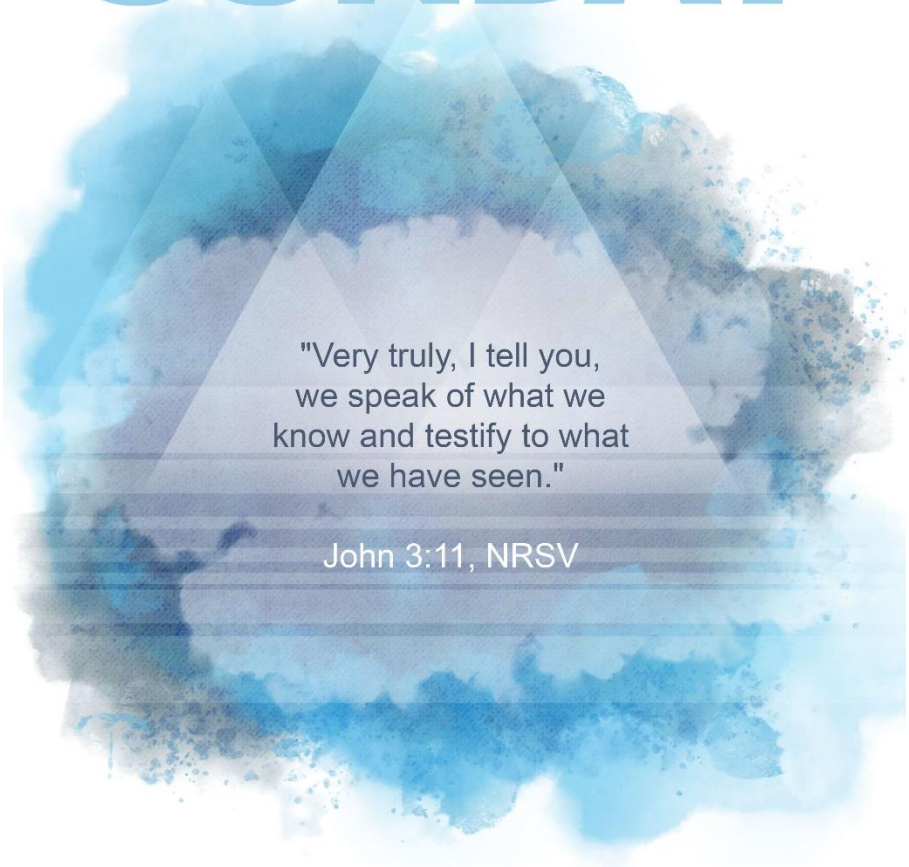


Trinity SUNDAY



"Very truly, I tell you,
we speak of what we
know and testify to what
we have seen."

John 3:11, NRSV

May 26, 2024

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.” - John 3:16

Trinity Sunday

Ten o'clock

May 26, 2024

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Prelude: “Holy, Holy, Holy”

H. Hopson, P. Lehenbauer, M. Burkhardt

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: “Introit Prayer”

Trudi Huizenga

Holy Father, Loving Savior, Blessed Spirit; hear us.

Be among us. Lead and guide us. May we ever feel Thee near us.

Bless our worship; keep your promise, as your children, feed us.

Through your Word and Spirit’s presence, oh refresh us for your service.

Amen.

* Opening Hymns: “Holy God, We Praise Your Name”
“To God Be the Glory”

#540:1-3

#604:1-3

* God’s Greeting

WE CONFESS OUR SIN

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

Leader: Eternal and merciful God,

you have loved us with a love beyond our understanding,

and you have set us on paths of righteousness for your name’s sake.

Yet we have strayed from your way;

we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,

through what we have done and what we have left undone.

As we remember the lavish gift of your grace, O God,

we praise you and give you thanks that you forgive us yet again.

**All: Grant us now, we pray, the grace to die daily to sin,
and to rise daily to new life in Christ,
who lives and reigns with you,
and in whose strong name we pray. Amen.**

* Assurance of Pardon

* Hymn of Assurance: “Blessed Assurance: Jesus Is Mine”

#363:1,3

* Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles’ Creed

(front cover of hymnal)

* Song of Response: “Glory Be to the Father”

#961

(children may come forward)

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Message for Children

Blessing for Children

Leader: People of God, what is your prayer for these children?

All: The Lord be with you.

Children: And also with you.

All: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Anthem: “O Jesus So Gentle, Jesus So Sweet”

Samuel Scheidt

O Jesus so gentle, Jesus so sweet, thy Father’s task didst thou complete.

From heaven high and kingly crown to lowly man thou camest down.

O Jesus o Jesus so gentle, Jesus so sweet.

O Jesus so gentle, Jesus so sweet. thy Father’s wrath for us didst meet.

For all our sins hast thou atoned, the Father’s love for us hast won.

O Jesus so gentle, Jesus so sweet.

O Jesus so gentle, Jesus so sweet, grant that we see thy love so great.

All that we have belongs to thee; thou hast redeemed us, set us free.

O Jesus so gentle, Jesus so sweet.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession, concluding with the Lord’s Prayer

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever

Amen.

* Hymn of Preparation “Father, Long Before Creation”

#687:1-3

Prayer for Illumination

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: **FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD**

Prayer of Application

WE RESPOND IN GRATITUDE

* Hymn of Response: "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

#351:1,3,4

* Invitation to Offering: Cindy Lanning Burch

* Offertory Prayer for Community Care

Deacon: God, your generosity to us is abundant and gracious.
Everything we have comes from you.

**All: Receive our gifts of our time, our selves, and our possessions.
Help us to grow in gratitude and joy as we follow Jesus.
Amen.**

* Benediction

* Doxology: "Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

#540:4

**Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit,
Three we name you, though in essence only one;
Undivided God we claim you, and, adoring,
Bend the knee while we own the mystery.
Amen.**

* Postlude: "Christ is Our Cornerstone"

H. Willan

Liturgist: Dan Bode

Preaching Pastor: Rev. Brad Zwiers

Organist: Linda Fridsma

Ministry of Music: Trudi Huizenga

Scripture Reader: Steve Triezenberg

Audio/Video: Don Buist, Sarah Frisch

Calvin CRC Announcements for May 26, 2024

WORSHIP Today, 10 AM

Morning worship: Rev. Brad Zwiers preaches from John 3:1-17, and our own Trudi Huizinga leads us in ministry of music.

WORSHIP Next Sunday, June 2

Morning worship: In many of our summer worship services, we will hear stories from the early monarchy of Israel and consider what they tell us about God's promises to us today. Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys will begin this series by preaching from 1 Samuel 3:1-20, "Listening and Seeing Clearly." We will celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Our own Carol DeJonge will lead us in ministry of music, and the offering will be for Benevolence.

Staff notes: Pastor Rebecca will be on vacation May 23-28.

COUNCIL NEWS

Our new council met for its initial meeting last Tuesday night. We began with a pizza meal. Pastors Rebecca and Brad led the elders and deacons in a team building exercise and meditative devotions based on Romans 8. The office-bearers approved a document of seven "Council Intentions" for communication with the congregation at an informational meeting scheduled for June 2 after the morning worship service. The council also approved a new welcome statement for our website and decided to post future council meeting minutes on the password-protected section of the website.

On Sunday, June 2, you are invited to "Coffee with the Council President." After morning worship, anyone interested may gather in the lounge for an informal presentation of what is currently on the council's agenda and a time for questions. Council President Philip DeJonge will lead, together with pastors and other council members. Your council is glad to lead among you and appreciates opportunities like this to be in communication with you.

CHURCH FAMILY

85+ YEAR OLD BIRTHDAYS:

6/6 Marilyn Bratt (91) and Marcia Brouwer (89)	
6/23 Ann Boermans (94)	6/24 Warren Boer (86)
6/26 Fran Hamstra (88)	6/27 Jean VerHulst (92)

COLLEGE AND CAREER AGE BIRTHDAY: 6/29 Tyler Stafford (23)

Thank you so much, dear Calvin Church friends, for your many expressions of concern and for your prayers following my recent surgery. Every one of them was meaningful to us, and we are so grateful to be a part of this loving and caring community.

Ken & Fay Bos

Bob De Vries (district 3) experienced complications following his watchman procedure last week. He was hospitalized May 17 and had thoracic surgery on May 20 to relieve pressure from fluid around his heart. Pray for peace for Bob and Jan and their family.

Pat Keyser (district 4) has returned home following a hospital stay due to complications from diverticulitis and a knee injury. Please pray for strength in her recovery.

Catherine VandeZande (district 6) passed away on Sunday, May 19. Her funeral was held on Friday, May 24.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

JUNE BIRTHDAY: 6/11 Luke Schipper (5)

MEETINGS, ACTIVITIES, AND EVENTS

CHURCH LIBRARY BOOK GIVEAWAY: The tables in the Narthex have a variety of books that have been gleaned from the church library. Please help yourself to as many as you want or donate some to a person who would enjoy them.

Calvin Church is going to the Whitecaps game! Game is Sunday, June 23 at 2 PM. Tickets are \$16/person (2 and under are free). Sign up at the information table or contact the office by June 2. Cash or check payable to Calvin CRC will secure your seat!

DO YOU DIG DIRT? Then join in sprucing up the church grounds while planting the Growing Together Native Garden on Thursday, June 13, 4:00-7:00 PM and Friday, June 14 from 4:00 PM to as long as needed. Any questions, call Cindy Burch.

Family Promise/IHN Support, Saturday, June 15: Calvin Church partners with Grace Episcopal Church to support families who are temporarily homeless while they are assisted by Family Promise/IHN to secure a more permanent residence. We are committed to hosting families in the Grace facility from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM on Saturday, June 15. If you are willing to assist for a couple hours on that date, please contact Don Trap at djtrap46@gmail.com or 616-916-7867.

READY BY FIVE: You have supported your Community Care & Social Justice Committee these past several months as it has worked collaboratively with other Together West Michigan church partners to get our Kent County Commissioners to renew the Ready By Five millage which supports services for families with children 0-5. We seek your help again. The renewal will be on the primary ballot on August 6, 2024. Please show your support for these needed services by signing our Ready By Five pledge card, which will be available from CC/SJ members in the atrium and fellowship hall, after the morning service.

DON'T RECYCLE THOSE PAPER TOWEL TUBES! The Community Cook-Out team is collecting clean, empty paper towel tubes for a kid's craft. Any that are not used afterwards, will be recycled for you.

SAVE THE DATE Our second annual Community Cookout will happen July 17 from 5:00-7:00 PM. Come for good food, fun "Summer Olympic" games, and great conversations! Throughout the past year, Calvin Church has hosted four gatherings for neighbors and members to meet each other. Each time we've been pleased to welcome 60-80 neighbors (some repeats and some new faces). The goal of Calvin becoming known as a safe and friendly neighbor with open doors and kind hospitality is being met. Through committed volunteers and generous donations this has been accomplished at no or very small cost every time. If you or your business would like to support continued engagement like this, checks can be made to Calvin Church and clearly marked "Community Event."

CALENDAR

	<i>Today, Sunday, May 26</i>
9:40a	Nursery Lead: Curt Overbeek
	Nursery Volunteers: Karen Trap, Abi Lizewski
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Lori Feenstra
	Coffee Servers: Mark and Wanda Sytsma
12:00p	St. Luke A.M.E. Zion Church meets in the Sanctuary
	Calvin host for St. Luke: Joanne Rozema
	<i>Monday, May 27</i>
	Office closed
	<i>Tuesday, May 28</i>
9:00a	Family Assistance
	<i>Thursday, May 29</i>
9:00a	Family Assistance
	<i>Next Sunday, June 2</i>
9:40a	Nursery Lead: Maria Knapper
	Nursery Volunteers: Merri Ezinga, Nora Nunn
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Anjean Stegink
	Coffee Servers: Dale and Joanie Rosema
11:30a	Coffee with the Council President in the Lounge
12:00p	St. Luke A.M.E. Zion Church meets in the Sanctuary
	Calvin host for St. Luke: Roger Konyndyk



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Welcome to Calvin Church

In Worship:

- Our worship proceeds unannounced and follows the printed liturgy.
- Reprint and streaming licenses are One License A-730126, CCLI#2532147, and CSPL#175060.
- This banner expresses the Christian belief that in one God there are three divine persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- Large-print resources are available at the Information Desk.
- Our facility is equipped with the Loop hearing system.



For Children:

- Ages 0-2: Infant and toddler nurseries are available.
- Busy Bags for young children are on the picket fence in the Atrium.
- Bulletins for older children are in the rack in the Narthex.

Fellowship and Information:

- Everyone is invited to the Fellowship Hall for refreshments following the morning service.
- “Like” us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/CalvinChristianReformedChurch
- Subscribe to our YouTube channel: www.youtube.com/@CalvinCRC/streams

Church office hours: 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM, Monday—Thursday
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