



Church office hours: 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM, Monday—Thursday
Bulletin deadline: Wednesday Noon
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“Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.”

- 1 Samuel 3:9

Ordinary Time

This morning, we celebrate the Lord’s Supper, a gracious gift that God provides to Christ’s body, the church. All who have been baptized into Christ and who desire to honor him with grateful and obedient living are invited to participate in this sacrament, discerning that this bread and cup are signs and seals of God’s love for us and that we who participate are members of Christ’s body.

We serve gluten-free bread and non-alcoholic grape juice.

Liturgist: Rev. Brad Zwiers

Preacher: Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys

Ministry of Music: Carol DeJonge

Organist: Kenneth Bos

Scripture Reader: Irene Konyndyk

Ten o’clock

June 2, 2024

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Prelude: Three Preludes on “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus” [#831]

Robert Lind; Raymond H. Haan; David Cherwien

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: “Prayer”

Text: Gellert, 18th cent.

Music: Ludwig van Beethoven, arr. K. Lee Scott.

O Lord, your goodness reaches far, as high as clouds are soaring.

Your tender mercies crown our days, our lives with peace restoring.

Lord God, our rock, our fortress strong, to you our love,

our prayers belong as now we kneel before you.

* Opening Hymns: “Amid the Thronging Worshipers”

#511:1-3

“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”

#831:1,2,4

* God’s Greeting

WE CONFESS OUR SIN

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Leader: Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you.
We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy.
We have not loved you with a pure heart,
nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves.
We have not done justice, loved kindness,
or walked humbly with you, our God.
Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness.
In your great compassion,
cleanse us from our sin.

**All: Create in us a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within us.
Do not cast us from your presence,
or take your Holy Spirit from us.
Restore to us the joy of your salvation
and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

* Assurance of Pardon

* Hymn of Assurance: "Beneath the Cross"

#825:1,3

* Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

front cover of hymnal

* Song of Response: "Glory Be to the Father"

#961

(Children may come forward during this hymn.)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, amen.**

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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

* Hymn of Preparation: “Lord, Speak to Me that I May Speak”

#754:1,4,5

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-20

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Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: **LISTENING AND SEEING CLEARLY**

Prayer of Application

CHRIST WELCOMES US TO THE TABLE

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

With joy we praise you, gracious God,
for you have created heaven and earth,
made us in your image, and kept covenant with us –
even when we fell into sin.

We give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord,
who by his life, death, and resurrection
opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore, we join our voices
with all the saints and angels and the whole creation
to proclaim the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!**

Most righteous God,
we remember in this supper
the perfect sacrifice offered once on the cross
by our Lord Jesus Christ
for the sin of the whole world.

Therefore we proclaim our faith
as signed and sealed in this sacrament:

**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Send your Holy Spirit upon us, we pray,
that the bread which we break
and the cup which we bless
may be to us the communion of the body and blood of Christ.
Grant that, being joined together in him,
we may attain to the unity of the faith
and grow up in all things into Christ our Lord.

And as this grain has been gathered from many fields into one loaf,
and these grapes from many hills into one cup,
grant, O Lord, that your whole church
soon be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.
Even so, come Lord Jesus!

* Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

(God has given us his peace, and we are invited to offer that peace to one another. Many people do this by shaking hands, but if for any reason you would rather not shake hands, you are encouraged to pass the peace with a smile and a nod, as you say, "The peace of Christ be with you.")

Institution and Invitation

Distribution Anthems:

"Let Us Break Bread Together" [#837] Michael Larkin; Anne Krentz Organ

"Et exsultavit" (from *Magnificat*) Text: Luke 1:47

Music: Johann Sebastian Bach

Et exsultavit spiritus meus in Deo salutari meo.

My spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

Prayer

WE RESPOND IN GRATITUDE

* Hymn of Response: "Here I Am, Lord"

#869:1-3

* Invitation to Offering: Cindy Brink

* Offertory Prayer for Benevolence

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: “God, the Father of Your People”

#927:1-2

**God, the Father of your people, you have called us to be one;
grant us grace to walk together in the joy of Christ, your Son.
Challenged by your Word and Spirit,
blest with gifts from heaven above,
as one body we will serve you and bear witness to your love.**

**May the grace of Christ, our Savior, and the Father’s boundless love,
with the Holy Spirit’s favor, rest upon us from above.**

**May we now remain in union with each other and the Lord,
and possess, in sweet communion, joys that earth cannot afford.
Amen.**

* Postlude: “Canzona after Communion”

Girolamo Frescobaldi

Calvin CRC Announcements for June 2, 2024

WORSHIP Today, 10 AM

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 begins this series by preaching from 1 Samuel 3:1-20, “Listening and Seeing Clearly.” We celebrate the sacrament of the Lord’s Supper. Our own Carol DeJonge leads us in ministry of music.

WORSHIP Next Sunday, June 9

Morning worship: Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys will continue our summer series and preach from 1 Samuel 8:1-22, “Gotta Serve Somebody.” Helen VanWyck will lead us in ministry of music, and the offering will be for Mission Outreach.

COUNCIL NEWS

Today, 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

Dear friends of Calvin Church. Thank you for the love shown to us after Judy's car accident. Calvin Church were the heart, hands, and feet of Christ, expressed through calls, cards, texts, visits, and meals. We feel the power of prayer and ask for continued prayer for healing of Judy's lumbar vertebrae compression fracture and for the successful treatment of her heart arrhythmia. *Art and Judy Jongsma*

MEETINGS, ACTIVITIES, AND EVENTS

Calvin Church Book Club will meet Monday, June 3, at 3:00 PM to discuss the book *Fallen* by Kate Burkholder. At this meeting we'll discuss books for next year and your input is needed.

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.

LANDSCAPING IDEAS: Are you curious about native plants? Would you like to transform your yard but aren't quite sure how to go about it? My Open Yards was created for you as it allows you to visit others who will explain how they got started and show you their yards. Calvin Church is involved and will be telling others about how we got started with our native gardens. Visit their website: <https://myopenyards.org/> or Calvin's listing as well: <https://myopenyards.org/product/calvin-crc/>

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.

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!

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 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.”

HOLLYHOCK LANE PARADE: Show support for our Calvin Church neighborhood by joining our group participating in the Hollyhock Lane parade! The parade starts on Thursday, July 4, at 8:30 AM. A couple of classic cars will be the “float,” and you’re welcome to gather for coffee and pastries at 939 Giddings at 7:30 AM or meet us by the cars at Calvin and Alexander at 8:00 AM. If you aren’t able to walk/bike/roll in the parade, you can participate by donating candy or by sponsoring the expense of some red Calvin Church t-shirts for some of the parade walkers to wear - contact Pastor Rebecca about this option.

CALENDAR

	<i>Today, 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
	<i>Monday, June 3</i>
3:00p	Book Club meets in the Lounge
6:30p	Sacred Grounds meeting in the Atrium
	<i>Tuesday, June 4</i>
9:00a	Family Assistance summer hours begin (T and Th 9a-12p)
6:00p	Executive committee meeting in the Conference Room
7:30p	Elders meeting in the Atrium
	<i>Thursday, June 6</i>
9:00a	Family Assistance
	<i>Next Sunday, June 9</i>
9:40a	Nursery Lead: Suzi Stekete
	Nursery Volunteers: Gwen Hendrikse, Jenna Buist
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Judy Stoner
	Coffee Servers: Rick and Lori Feenstra
12:00p	St. Luke A.M.E. Zion Church meets in the Sanctuary
	Calvin host for St. Luke: Don Trap