

Welcome to  
Calvin Presbyterian Church

*J*esus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit." (John 3:5)



*April 29, 2018*  
*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter*  
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*As the prelude begins, you are invited to enter into quiet, and allow the music to help prepare you for worship.*

*(\* = Please stand if you are able)*

Prelude

\* Chorus "*Yesterday, today and tomorrow*"

Welcome

Blessing Song "*May the Lord, mighty Lord*"

The Life and Work of the Church

\* Call to Worship

Leader: We gather with joy, for Easter continues.

**People: Like crocuses breaking through the thawing earth, resurrection power breaks into our world in surprising ways.**

Leader: Like the vine that upholds the blossoms and fruit, God's word upholds the church.

**People: Like a gardener, God tends all creation.**

Leader: Let us worship God who makes all things new.

Golden Verse: "Make disciples of all nations." ~ Matthew 28:18

\* Hymn #431 "*Jesus, where'er Thy people meet*" (vv. 1-3)

Offering

>> *Presentation of gifts, tithes and offering during the singing of the hymn*

\* Prayer of Dedication

**Today we honour You, Lord, with our faithful tithes and offerings. We lay these gifts before You, humble tokens of our love, a public display of affection for our King of kings. Amen**

Prayer of Adoration and Confession (Contemporary Version)

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours now and forever. Amen**

Assurance of Pardon

\* Hymn #639 "*We are marching*" (3 times)

Baptism – Goi Gony Pidor

*"Apostle's Creed"*

Hymn #619 "*The Lord bless you/Aaronic blessing*"

Right Hand of Fellowship

Children's Time

Choir Anthem "*Christ is all*"

Dave & Jean Perry

Scriptures

- John 3:1-12

Congregational Response

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**Response: Thanks be to God.**

- \* Hymn #776 "*Jesus, life of all the world*" (vv. 1-4)

Prayer of Understanding

**Holy God, from age to age You have blessed Your people with wisdom. I am coming seeking learning and insight from Your scriptures. Let Your Spirit guide and inspire me so I might hear and see You in the words I read and hear this day. Amen**

Golden Verse - Matthew 28:18

Sermon "Professing Christians"

- \* Hymn #571 "*Lord, I want to be a Christian*" (vv. 1-4)

Prayers of the People

Golden Verse - Matthew 28:18

- \* Hymn #775 "*Sent forth by Your blessing*" (vv. 1-2)

\* Benediction

- \* Song of Blessing: #260 "*Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord*" (vv. 1, 4)

Postlude

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Thanks to:

scripture reader – Elaine Bower  
greeters – Sheena Curwood & Aileen Isaac  
coffee hour hosts – Carol Gallacher & Eleanor McCabe

All are welcome for Coffee Hour  
in Calvin Hall following the service.

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**NOTICES FOR  
CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
April 29, 2018**

Good morning to all who are worshipping with us today. If you are visiting, please make yourself known to us. We encourage you to fill out one of the visitor envelopes in the pew and give it to an usher or put it in the offering plate. Nursery care is provided for young children.

Rev. Frank Szatmari is willing to visit with those who need pastoral support. Please call Rev. Frank for appointment request at 226-647-4705.

Next Week: "Professing Christians – Part 2"

**CALVIN CALENDAR**

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| Sun. Apr. 29 | - Prayer Group, 9:15 a.m., Lounge<br>- Worship Service, 10:15 a.m., Sanctuary<br>- Jr. Choir Practice, 11:15 a.m., Sanctuary<br>- Ecumenical Hymn Sing, 6:30 p.m., Sanctuary |
| Wed. May 2   | - Worship Team, 10:30 a.m., Conestoga Lodge<br>- Seniors Exercise Program, 1 p.m., Hall<br>- Session Meeting, 7 p.m., Lounge   |
| Thurs. May 3 | - Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m.,<br>Sanctuary  |
| Sat. May 5   | - Dianne & The Cavaliers Dinner & Dance, 5:30 p.m., Hall   |
| Sun. May 6   | - Prayer Group, 9:15 a.m., Lounge<br>- <b>Special Service, 10:15 a.m., Hall</b><br>- Jr. Choir Practice, 11:15 a.m., Sanctuary<br>- Prayer for Toronto, 7 p.m., Sanctuary    |

**"Sing to the Lord: Ecumenical Hymn Sing"** - Sunday April 29 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Calvin Presbyterian Church. Gather for an hour of singing Christian hymns old and new alongside our sisters and brothers of the Forest Hill churches. This will end with a vigil for the van attack victims in Toronto. All are welcome.

**Dianne & The Cavaliers** – Join us for dinner, country music, and a dance on Saturday May 5 in Calvin Hall. Doors open at 5 p.m., dinner is at 5:30 p.m. and music starts at 6:30 p.m. There will also be a silent auction - items would be appreciated. Tickets \$20 – available after the service or contact Betsy Dickie at 519-744-6633.

**Flag Initiative** - At Calvin Church, we have members from many different countries. Flags from the congregation's birth countries are hanging above the front doors to celebrate the multicultural background of the congregation. If you don't see your flag represented and would like it to be included, please contact Michael Turman by the end of April.

## **YOUTH EVENTS**

**Youth event today after worship!** Ages 12-25 welcome as we eat pizza and enjoy some time with the PYPS.

**PYPS May Camp weekend retreat** is coming up on May 18-21 at Camp Kintail. If you would like to attend, please register online at [www.swopyps.ca/events](http://www.swopyps.ca/events). Register before May 1 for \$95 or after that for \$105. When you register, please let Michael Turman and Ray Tomchick know if you need help to arrange rides or if you can offer a ride to others.

Mark your calendars: our next **youth fundraising BBQ** will be on May 27.

Attention all young people 14-25: Have you ever gathered with Presbyterian youth from all over Canada to worship and praise together? **Canada Youth 2018 (CY2018)** is coming to St. Catharines July 2-9. "Stirred not shaken" is this year's theme. Join hundreds of youth, young adults and leaders for five days of soul-satisfying worship, unique expressions of faith in both large and small groups, unconventional keynotes and workshops, dynamic faith exploration and joyful celebration. If you are interested in attending this event that comes only every 2 years, register online at [presbyterian.ca/canada-youth-2018](http://presbyterian.ca/canada-youth-2018). Support to attend this conference is available from the congregation; please speak to Michael Turman or Catherine Jepson, chair of Christian Education, if you want to go.

**Next Sunday there will be a special informal service** at 10:15 a.m. in Calvin Hall. We will have a chance to discuss the sermon + to become more familiar with our revised mission, value and vision statements. There will be Sunday School and Nursery as usual.

**Prayer for Toronto** – Sunday May 6, 7 p.m. at Calvin Church in the sanctuary. Come join the churches of Forest Hill in prayer for the people of Toronto, for the victims of the van attack on April 23, for their families and for peace in our communities.

Mark your calendars - Monday May 7 for **Family Movie Night**. Film: "Courageous". Pizza at 6 p.m., showtime at 6:15 p.m. All are welcome!

**CLARION Newsletter** – Announcing Mary Hetherington as our new Clarion editor! Do you have something you want to see published in the next Clarion? The deadline is Sunday May 13. Please send all articles to [clarion@calvinchurch.ca](mailto:clarion@calvinchurch.ca).

**"An Evening of Light Piano Music" performed by Michel Allard** – Saturday May 26, 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary (postponed from April 14). The hour long programme will include selections from: Ragtime, Jazz, Broadway, Folk and Popular Song. All proceeds from a freewill donation will be given to The Working Centre, a non-profit organization in Waterloo Region. The Working Centre gives people access to tools to create their own work combined with continuous ways of learning and co-operating.

**Ray of Hope Community Meal** - Thursday May 31. We have the exciting opportunity to prepare and serve a meal at the Ray of Hope community kitchen, sharing with

members of the downtown community. For this, we require both cooks and servers. Please see information board in the Narthex if you are interested in this initiative supported by Mission & Stewardship.

Attention families of Calvin! Are you interested in **sending your kids to camp this summer**? Camperships are available to attend one of our Presbyterian Camps: Camp Kintail or Camp Cairn. Please see the brochure rack for information about camp sessions and registration; talk to Michael Turman for more information about applying for camperships.

**Coffee Hour Hosts and Scripture Readers Needed!** - Please sign up in the Narthex.

**Vacation Bible School 2018 Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus** - August 20-24, 9 to 11:45 a.m. at Calvin Presbyterian Church. Contact Michael Turman for more information.

Grand River Voices and the Guelph Symphony present "**Serenade to Music**" featuring the music of Vaughan Williams and George and Ira Gershwin - Thurs. May 3 at Wilmot Centre Missionary Church and Sat. May 5 at Benton Street Baptist Church at 7:30 p.m. Tickets available online at [grandrivervoices.ca](http://grandrivervoices.ca) for \$20.00. Children and students are free.

**Matinée Melodies** return! For 5 Wednesdays, May 2 through 30, Knox Presbyterian Church (20 Quebec Street, Guelph) is hosting FREE noon-hour recitals, from 12:15 to 12:45 p.m. Come and hear some of this area's finest singers: May 2 - Katherine Napiwotzki, soprano; May 9 - Kieran Kane, baritone; May 16 - University of Guelph voice department (students of Marion Samuel-Stevens).

**Rockway Entertainers** present "Happiness Is..." – Saturday May 5, 2 p.m., at Stanley Park Community Centre (505 Franklin St. N., Kitchener) + Saturday May 12 at 7 p.m. and Thursday May 17 at 2 p.m. at Rockway Centre (1405 King St. E., Kitchener). Get your \$7 tickets from a chorus member, Rockway Centre (519-741-2507) or online at [www.kitchener.ca/activenet](http://www.kitchener.ca/activenet).

**Menno Singers Concert** – Saturday May 5, 7:30 p.m. at St. Jacobs Mennonite Church (1310 King St. N., St. Jacobs). "Come Joy & Singing", a celebration of poetry, prayers, spirituals and gospel song, as chosen by the choristers. Tickets available from choir members, at the door, or online at [www.mennosingers.com](http://www.mennosingers.com). Adults \$20, students \$5.

Crieff Hills Retreat and Conference Centre welcomes you to join us Thursday, May 24 from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Topic for this **Manna Day** is "Faith, Technology and Responsible Automation: Faith and Work in an Age of Intelligent Machines." Guest speaker is Dr. Derek Schuurman, professor of computer science at Calvin College, Michigan. Please call ahead to register 1-800-884-1525. Cost for the day is \$25 (includes lunch). [www.crieffhills.com](http://www.crieffhills.com)

Please notify the office by phone, 519-744-4061 or email [calvin@calvinchurch.ca](mailto:calvin@calvinchurch.ca) if you learn of any sickness, shut in, new baby or any need within the congregation.

Announcements for the bulletin **must** be received by Margaret Woods in the office by 10 a.m. Thursday.

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