

Welcome to
Calvin Presbyterian Church
"Renew, Rebuild & Reach Out"

I arise today
Through God's strength to pilot me:
God's might to uphold me,
God's wisdom to guide me,
God's eye to look before me,
God's ear to hear me,
God's word to speak for me,
God's hand to guard me,
God's way to lie before me,
God's shield to protect me,
God's host to save me
From snares of devils,
From temptations of vices,
From everyone who shall wish me ill,
Afar and anear,
Alone and in multitude.
- From "St. Patrick's Breastplate"



Second Sunday in Lent
March 17, 2019

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 "*The power of the cross*" (vv. 1-4)

Welcome

The Life and Work of the Church

* Call to Worship (see PWS&D Second Sunday in Lent insert)

Reader: During this season of Lent, let us repair the breach, and heal what is afflicted.

Unison: Like a hen who gathers her chicks, let us shelter the weak and nurse the sick.

Reader: We are called to repair the breach, to bring wholeness to the heart, mind, body, and soul.

All: So let us serve the One who restores the lame, cares for the wounded, helps the hurt and gathers us close. Let us worship God.

Written by the Rev. Janet Ryu-Chan Produced by Presbyterian World Service & Development

Golden Verse: Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God." ~ Luke 9:62

* Hymn #461 "*Be thou my vision*" (vv. 1-5)

Offering

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

* Prayer of Dedication

In glad thanksgiving for all that we have received, we offer back to you now a portion of the bounty of our living, O God. Take these gifts and bless them – and us - for the building up of your kingdom. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen

Prayer of Adoration and Confession (Traditional Version)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

* Hymn "*Lord, I lift your name on high*" (sing twice)

Children's Time

Anthem "*Christ is all*"

Dave and Jean Perry

Scriptures

- Revelation 21:1-4
- Luke 9:51-62

Congregational Response

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

- * Hymn #508 *"Your word, O God, awoke the uncreated"*
(vv. 1-4 - tune "O Danny boy")

Prayer of Understanding

God of light and wisdom, faith is a gift from you. As your Word is read and proclaimed in the presence of your people, may we hear it anew and find our faith enriched. Amen

Golden Verse - Luke 9:62

Sermon "The Focussed Life"

- * Hymn #680 *"Christ, of all my hopes the ground"* (vv. 1-4)

Prayers of the People

Golden Verse - Luke 9:62

- * Hymn #778 *"Lord, you give the great commission"* (vv. 1-2,5)

* Benediction

- * Song of Blessing: # 196 *"Throughout these Lenten days and nights"* (v. 2)

Postlude

Thanks to:
guest minister – Rev. Frank De Vries
scripture reader – Temitope Sennaike
greeters – Marlene Thompson & Betty Jane Rose

**NOTICES FOR
CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
March 17, 2019**

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

Rev. Dr. Frank Szatmari and your elders are willing to visit with those who need pastoral support. Please call Rev. Frank for appointment request at 226-647-4705.

Join us for communion services at Calvin – first Sunday of February, June, October and December plus Maundy Thursday and Easter.

CALVIN CALENDAR

Sunday Mar. 17	- Prayer Group, 9:15 a.m., Lounge - All Ages Praise Chorus, 9:45 a.m., Sanctuary - Worship Service, 10:15 a.m., Sanctuary - Lunch Fundraiser, 11:30 a.m., Hall
Monday Mar. 18	- Ladies Fellowship, 10 a.m., Lounge
Tuesday Mar. 19	- ALPHA Program, 12 p.m., Lounge
Wed. Mar. 20	- Board of Managers & Session Meeting, 7 p.m., Lounge - Calvin Stampers, 7 p.m., Classroom 2
Thursday Mar. 21	- Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary
Friday Mar. 22	- Seniors Event, 1:30 p.m., Hall - Badminton, 7 p.m., Hall
Sunday Mar. 24	- Prayer Group, 9:15 a.m., Lounge - All Ages Praise Chorus, 9:45 a.m., Sanctuary - Worship Service, 10:15 a.m., Sanctuary

This morning we welcome the Rev. Frank de Vries. He is a retired Presbyterian Minister. He last served in the Niagara Presbytery. He and his wife Aartje moved to Waterloo in 2018. They have 5 married children and 18 grandchildren.

Rev. Frank Szatmari had throat surgery on Wednesday March 13. While he is off work, Rev. Bob Duncanson will be available for pastoral care concerns 519-745-2142.

Youth Fundraising Lunch - Today after the worship service in Calvin Hall. Chili and macaroni & cheese will be available. Money raised will go towards the next Ray of Hope dinner.

Social Butterflies: We had a delicious lunch at Laurentian Zehrs this week. On Monday, March 18, they will be making Shrimp and Spinach Quiche. Check the bulletin board for details or call Wendy 226-868-0329. Hope to see you there!

Ladies Fellowship will meet Monday March 18 at 10 a.m. in the Lounge.

ALPHA Program – 12-1:30 p.m. in the Lounge, Tuesdays January 15-April 16. This course allows you the opportunity to draw closer to God and to strengthen your faith. You are invited to bring your lunch. There is a second ALPHA Program offered at 1061 Queens Blvd., Kitchener, in the meeting room, 2:30-4 p.m. on the same dates. Rev. Frank will be running both programs.

Calvin Stampers will meet on Wednesday March 20, 7-9 p.m. in the Classroom 2. You'll make 6 cards and donate 3 to the church Pastoral Care Committee. The group is for people of all ages and levels of ability, even if you've never stamped before. New members welcome! There is no cost but please RSVP to Margaret Woods at margaretwoods777@rogers.com by Monday March 18.

Calvin Seniors - You are invited to come out to another Seniors Event, sponsored by the Pastoral Care committee, on Friday March 22, from 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m. in Calvin Hall. Join us to celebrate St. Patrick's Day and the beginning of Spring. Hope to see you there.

Spring CLARION - Deadline for the next CLARION Newsletter is Sunday March 24. Please send all articles to clarion@calvinchurch.ca. Mary Hetherington has resigned from the position of newsletter editor. Thanks, Mary, for all your work on the Clarion over the past year!!

Hearing Concerns / Issues: Based on a previously raised issue, the Board of Managers has been working to identify, understand and remedy any hearing concerns among the congregation during our Church services. There are a number of possible solutions, but we require a better understanding of the underlying concerns. Therefore, we would ask anyone who has hearing issues during our services to advise David Duncan in person, via email: dunc5@rogers.com or phone (519) 747-8027. Thank you in advance for any assistance on this matter.

Spring Garage Sale – Start saving your treasures now! Board of Managers will hold their annual spring garage sale on Friday April 26 6-8 p.m. and Saturday April 27 8-11:30 a.m. Drop off items at the church starting April 22.

What is Mental Health and Why Does it Matter? Presenter: Rebecca Pister, Canadian Mental Health Association. Monday March 25 at 7 p.m. Hosted by Forest Hill United Church (121 Westmount Rd. East, Kitchener).

Submit Children's Artwork for Consideration in the 2020 Presbyterian Church in Canada Wall Calendar! Help celebrate the creativity and talent of PCC kids! We're looking for high-resolution photos/scans of children's drawings and paintings of your church, church events, worship, etc. New Deadline: March 22, 2019. Original artwork

may be mailed to: Communications Office, 50 Wynford Dr, Toronto, ON M3C 1J7 or upload your photo at <https://form.jotform.com/81644816201957>. For more information, contact the PCC Communications Office at 1-800-619-7301 or communications@presbyterian.ca.

The Spring 2019 issue of **Presbyterian Connection** has arrived! Presbyterian Connection newspaper is a Christian publication from The Presbyterian Church in Canada that aims to connect Presbyterians from across the country. The Connection shares stories, news and information in an easy-to-read format. Content includes photos of our churches in action, stories of renewal, interviews, mission and ministry updates, and more. The newspaper is educational, informative and fun! You can pick up a copy on the Narthex table or subscribe for free home delivery at presbyterian.ca/connection

Ontario Christian Gleaners Fundraising Dinner – Friday April 12 at Waterloo Region Police Association (1128 Rife Rd., Cambridge). Doors open at 6 p.m.; dinner at 6:30 p.m. Tickets \$30 each – order by April 1 at ontariogleaners.org (click on What's Happening) or 519-624-8245. As ticket prices cover the cost of the dinner, an opportunity will be given to donate financially to The Gleaners.

Children & Worship: Basic Training – Saturday March 30 and Saturday June 1, 9:15 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at Church of the Epiphany, Woodstock. *Children and Worship* is a unique and innovative way to worship with children. This approach involves children in a multi-sensory way so they can experience Bible stories plus the wonder and mystery of God. A program of The Presbyterian Church in Canada, Reformed Church in America and Christian Reformed Church. See bulletin board beside kitchen for details. Registration cost: \$135 per person. Register by March 22. For more information, email epiphanych@exexculink.com or contact (519) 537-3921.

Urgent Appeal from PWS&D - Recent extensive flooding in Malawi has led to widespread damage and destruction in southern Malawi. Dozens of people have died and hundreds have been injured. Many homes have been damaged or destroyed forcing thousands of people to be displaced. Water sources have been contaminated and water-borne diseases, as well as cholera and malaria outbreaks, are posing serious health risks. The PCC's mission staff in Malawi, the Rev. Dr. Blair and Vivian Bertrand, report that: "Close to half a million people live in compromised housing, many with contaminated water and without adequate food. The population of Malawi is incredibly young: 46% of the population is under 15, so that half a million includes about 200,000 children." Food security, nutrition, psychosocial support, water and sanitation are the priority areas of need. The PCC is accepting donations through Presbyterian World Service & Development to help our partners and victims of the flooding recover from this emergency situation. Donate today and designate your gift "**Malawi Flood Relief**", and please keep the victims of the flooding in your prayers.

Statement of Purpose

We at Calvin are loving followers of Jesus Christ whose teachings include love, joy, hope, as well as diversity, inclusiveness, compassion, and service to others.

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

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