

Welcome to
Calvin Presbyterian Church



March 25, 2018
Palm Sunday - Intergenerational Worship
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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: Hymn #213 "*Hosanna*" (2x)

Welcome

The Life and Work of the Church

* Call to Worship (PWS&D Palm Sunday insert)

One: We live in the midst of chaos and still give thanks to God who is good.

All: God's love will always be there for us.

One: We live with the promise that, as God has blessed us, God will continue to bless us.

All: God's love will always be there for us.

One: We join in the great "Hosannas" of all the saints, knowing and believing that God will act to save us.

All: God's love will always be there for us.

One: The One rejected as worthless has become our salvation.

All: God's love will always be there for us.

One: Let us pray.

All: Loving God, we praise you that with humility Christ emptied himself for us. We marvel at the faithfulness with which he continued on the way to Jerusalem. He did not allow anyone or anything to block his way. With that same determination we follow him through Holy Week and we seek your presence through the dark days of remembrance, reflection and repentance. We cry out with our "Hosannas," believing and knowing that Jesus is our Lord. We praise and adore you, O God, in and through Jesus Christ. Amen.

(Note – Offering will be collected later in the service today with the help of our youth)

Golden Verse: "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord."

- John 12:13

* Children's Processional & Hymn #214 "*All glory, laud and honour*" (vv. 1-4)

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 "*The King of glory comes*" (vv. 1-5)

Children's Time – Anna Muir from PWS&D

Jr. Choir "*Jesus bids us shine*"

Scriptures

- Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
- John 12:12-16

Congregational Response

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

Sr. Choir Anthem "*Lift up your heads*"

Jody W. Lindh

* Hymn 218 "*Hosanna, loud hosanna*" (vv. 1-3)

Offering

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

* Prayer of Dedication

Heavenly Father, we give You an offering today of our money, our time, and our talents. May they be used as a great blessing to many. Amen

Prayer of Understanding

Holy God, let me hear Your good news again with fresh and expectant ears. Amen

Golden Verse - John 12:13

Presentation – "Planting Seeds Of Hope Through PWS&D"

* Solo "*My tribute*"

Andrae Crouch

Soloist – Olivia Dodge

Prayers of the People

Golden Verse - John 3:17

* Hymn #217 "*Ride on, ride on in majesty*" (vv. 1-3)

* Benediction

* Song of Blessing: Hymn #196 "*Throughout these Lenten days and nights*" (v. 1)

Postlude

Thanks to:

guest speaker – Anna Muir

scripture readers – Nyasunday and Beceada Peter

greeters – Phil von Farra and Bonnie Street

coffee hour hosts – Myrna McNeill

soloist – Olivia Dodge

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

NOTICES FOR CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH March 25, 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: Easter Sunday "He Lives!"

CALVIN CALENDAR	
Sun. Mar. 25	- Prayer Group, 9:15 a.m., Lounge - Intergenerational Worship Service, 10:15 a.m., Sanctuary (Palm Sunday) - Easter Egg Party, 11:30 a.m., Hall
Tues. Mar. 27	- Lent Evening, 6:30 p.m., Narthex
Wed. Mar. 28	- Seniors Exercise Program, 1 p.m., Hall
Thurs. Mar. 29	- Maundy Thursday Service, 7 p.m., Sanctuary - Choir Practice, 8:00 p.m., Sanctuary
Fri. Mar. 30	- Good Friday Service, 10:15 a.m., Sanctuary
Sun. Apr. 1	- Prayer Group, 9:15 a.m., Lounge - Easter Sunday Worship Service, 10:15 a.m., Sanctuary

This morning we welcome **guest speaker Anna Muir**, Communications Assistant at PWS&D. Anna has worked in the communications department at Presbyterian World Service & Development for the last three years, administering tasks in fundraising, print and digital resource production, and community engagement. She has a BA in English literature from the University of Ottawa as well as a certificate in corporate communications and public relations from Centennial College in Toronto. She also volunteers as a writer for the Jane Goodall Institute of Canada.

Easter Hunt - TODAY. All children are invited to a party after worship from 11:30 a.m.- 1 p.m. Included will be a hotdog lunch, Easter egg hunt and craft.

Lent Evening – All ages gathering in the Narthex on Tuesday March 27, 6:30-7:30 p.m., for a time of devotions, singing, and snack.

Holy Week Services

- Thursday March 29 – Maundy Thursday Service with Communion, 7 p.m.
- Friday March 30 – Good Friday Service, 10:15 a.m.
- Sunday April 1– Easter Sunday Service with Communion, 10:15 a.m.

Would you like to contribute to **Easter Flowers** in memory of a loved one? Let Myrna McNeill (519-745-3528) or Betsy Dickie (519-744-6633) know.

Biennial Memorial Service - An opportunity to commemorate loved ones on Sunday April 8 at 3:00 p.m. (service to be held in the sanctuary). Anyone wishing to have a loved one's name mentioned during the service may add it to a list which is available in the Narthex or contact Aileen Isaac (519-696-3075). If you would like to have a picture of a loved one displayed in the Narthex, please provide it in a stand-up frame. A time of fellowship and refreshments will follow the service. Sponsored by the Pastoral Care Committee.

"An Evening of Light Piano Music" performed by Michel Allard – Saturday April 14, 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary. 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.

Spring Garage Sale – Start saving your treasures now! Board of Managers will hold their annual spring garage sale on Friday April 27 6-8 p.m. and Saturday April 28 8-11:30 a.m. Drop off items at the church starting April 22. For large items, contact any Board of Managers member.

Dianne & The Cavaliers – Join us for dinner, country music, and a dance on Saturday May 5 in Calvin Hall. There will also be a silent auction - items would be appreciated. Tickets available soon.

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.

Announcing **Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus** Vacation Bible School. Mark your calendars! This exciting desert island Bible adventure happens August 20-24. Volunteers are needed for stations and many roles. Please see job descriptions posted in the Narthex and sign up today! Registration will start at the end of April.

<p>Damar Security Passcards are effective as of February 19. Those who have old passcards from All-Protect as asked to return them to Phil von Farra.</p>
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Grocery Card Program – Calvin Church earns 5% on the Sobeys and Zehrs grocery cards that are sold. Sobeys cards can also be used at FreshCo while Zehrs cards are also good at The Superstore and No-Frills. Grocery cards are available to purchase after services.

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

Kai the Barbarian: The George Leslie Mackay Story – *George Leslie Mackay, the "Black-Bearded Barbarian", was the first Canadian Presbyterian missionary in northern Taiwan (1871-1901). Dedicating his life to providing medical and dental support, as well as sharing God's word, Mackay is an inspiration to the missions movement and remains a national hero in Taiwan.* The play will be presented on March 29-31 at 7:30 p.m. + March 31 at 2 p.m. at Embro Town Hall (135 Huron Street, Embro). Tickets: \$20 general admission - call 519-475-4201 or go to ticketscene.ca. Supported by a grant from The Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Menno Singers Concert – Come Light and Life Eternal: a concert of a capella and reformation music. Today, 3 p.m. at St. John the Evangelist Church (23 Water St. N., Kitchener). Tickets: \$20 adults/ \$5 students - available from choir members, at the door or online www.mennosingers.com

Living Easter Today: The Call to Grace, Greatness & Glory! is a musical sermon, which will be presented today, 7 p.m. at Gale Presbyterian Church, Elmira with Canada's Singing Priest, The Rev. Mark Curtis. In word, song and spectacular videos, this musical sermon introduces us to a newer understanding of Jesus' passion, death and resurrection for today's discipleship, empowering your faith with a greater desire to love the Lord through joyful and meaningful service to others. Free Will Offering.

Anderson Gospel Sings Presents **Tribute Quartet and Rescue Junction** in Concert – Good Friday, March 30 at 7 p.m. at Community Christian Reformed Church (1275 Bleams Rd., Kitchener). Advance Tickets \$25 at Gospel Lighthouse Bookstore or \$30 at the door.

The Renaissance Singers in Concert: Past and Present – Sunday Apr. 8, 3 p.m., Waterloo North Mennonite Church (100 Benjamin Rd., Waterloo). Tickets: adult \$20/senior \$15/student \$10/child \$5 – available at renaissancesingers.ca or call 519-635-1079.

Ontario Christian Gleaners Fundraising Dinner - Friday April 20, doors open at 6:00 p.m. and dinner served at 6:30 p.m. at Waterloo Region Police Association, (1128 Rife Road, Cambridge). Join us in an evening of thankfulness and praise with a full buffet dinner and dessert, video and missions presentations. Tickets: \$30/person. To order your tickets: online at www.OntarioGleaners.org (click on What's Happening) or by phone (519) 624 -8245 (order your tickets by April 5). As ticket prices cover the cost of the dinner, an opportunity will be given to donate financially to the Gleaners.

Mission Moment: Equipping congregations through webinars - Are you interested in learning about digital giving? Church renewal? Sharing your congregation's story in inspiring ways? Moving forward with your church's vision? The PCC's webinars provide online learning opportunities that equip congregations on topics relating to leadership, renewal and stewardship. Each webinar is free, made possible by gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing*. It's easy to register and participate. Each webinar is recorded and posted online for viewing at any time. To find out about upcoming webinars, visit presbyterian.ca/webinar-wednesday.

Presbyterians Sharing funds learning opportunities

Stewardship Moment - Gratitude may move us to give, but giving may also lead us to a deeper sense of gratitude.

Mary Jo Leddy (1946), Radical Gratitude

Please notify the office by phone, 519-744-4061 or email 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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