

Welcome to Calvin Presbyterian Church



*March 4, 2018
Third Sunday in Lent
Calvin Presbyterian Church
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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 "*Worthy is the Lamb*"

**Worthy is the Lamb that was slain,
Worthy is the Lamb that was slain,
Worthy is the Lamb that was slain,
To receive: power and riches and wisdom and strength,
Honour and glory and blessing!
Worthy is the Lamb,
Worthy is the Lamb,
Worthy is the Lamb that was slain,
Worthy is the Lamb!**

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Welcome

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

**May the Lord, Mighty Lord,
Bless and keep you forever.
Grant you peace, perfect peace,
Courage in every endeavour.
Lift your eyes and you'll see His face,
And His grace will lead you.
May the Lord, Mighty Lord,
Bless and keep you forever.**

The Life and Work of the Church

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

One: We live in the knowledge that God satisfies our souls thirst with refreshing water.

All: God's steadfast love is better than life.

One: We live with the assurance that those who destroy will never triumph.

All: God's steadfast love is better than life.

One: Our souls are satisfied as with a rich feast and so we sing for joy in the shadow of God's wings.

All: God's steadfast love is better than life.

One: God is our God and we have seen God's power and glory; we know God's salvation.

All: God's steadfast love is better than life.

One: Let us pray.

All: Loving and Gracious God, we continue our Lenten journey of personal reflection and repentance. We do so with joy and hope for we know that Your mercy is always close to us. When we call You, You hear. You provide fine food to fill our hunger and refreshing waters to quench our thirst. In Jesus Christ You span the distance between Your thoughts and our thoughts, between Your ways and our ways. We praise and adore You, O God, in and through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Golden Verse: *"Zeal for your house will consume me."* John 2:17b

* Hymn #483 *"Glorious things of thee are spoken"* (vv. 1-4)

Offering

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

* Prayer of Dedication

Dear Lord, Creator of all things, everything on earth is Yours. We have nothing that can make You richer, for it all comes from You in the first place. But what we have, we bring. Receive and bless these gifts for Your holy work, and bless those who offer them to You. Amen

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Hymn #831 *"The Lord's Prayer"*

Assurance of Pardon

* Hymn #475 *"I am the church! You are the church!"* (vv. 1-4)

Children's Time

Choir Anthem *"We are often tossed and driv'n"*

Charles A. Tindley

Scriptures

- Exodus 20:1-17
- John 2:13-22

Congregational Response

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

* Hymn #480 *"In Christ there is no east or west"* (vv. 1-4)

Prayer of Understanding

In the law and the prophets, I receive Your wisdom and, in Jesus Christ, I have received the full extent of Your love. Open my heart and mind to what You want to have me hear and learn. Amen

Golden Verse - John 2:17b

Sermon "The Purpose of the Church - 2"

* Hymn #472 *"We are God's people"* (vv. 1-4)

Prayers of the People

Golden Verse - John 2:17b

* Hymn #487 *"Onward, Christian soldiers"* (vv. 1-3)

* Benediction

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

Postlude

Thanks to:
scripture reader – Judy Ebenhoeh
greeters –Sheena Curwood & Joe Tomchick
coffee hour host – Myrna McNeill

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

NOTICES FOR CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH March 4, 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: "The Purpose of the Cross"

CALVIN CALENDAR	
Sun. Mar. 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prayer Group, 9:15 a.m., Lounge - Worship Service, 10:15 a.m., Sanctuary - Jr. Choir Practice, 11:15 a.m., Sanctuary
Tues. Mar. 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Encounter, 12 p.m., Lounge
Wed. Mar. 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Worship Team, 10:30 a.m., Conestoga Lodge - Seniors Exercise Program, 1 p.m., Hall - Session Meeting, 7 p.m., Lounge
Thurs. Mar. 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary
Fri. Mar. 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Family Games Night, 5:30 p.m., Narthex - Badminton, 7 p.m., Hall
Sun. Mar. 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prayer Group, 9:15 a.m., Lounge - Worship Service, 10:15 a.m., Sanctuary - Jr. Choir Practice, 11:15 a.m., Sanctuary

Jr. Choir Rehearsal for 8-13 year old boys and girls following the service this morning. Sessions run approx. 30 minutes.

Encounter Bible Study – Tuesday March 6 will be the final session for the winter. Bring your lunch for 12 p.m. and join in the discussion on 1 Corinthians 13.

Please help us save on postage by picking up your **Tax Receipt** from your church mailbox.

Family Games' Night - Friday March 9: 5:30-8:30 p.m. Get your March Break started right at Calvin! Bring your favourite friend(s), pizza toppings and board games. We will make pizza in the kitchen, followed by food, games and fellowship in the Narthex. Folks of every age welcome. Please RSVP to the church office or talk to Michael Turman.

Spring Forward – Remember to set your clocks ahead next weekend!

Men's Breakfast – Saturday March 17, 8 a.m. at Calvin Presbyterian Church. Come for food and fellowship. Men of all ages are welcome!

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.

March 18: **PYROS Youth fundraising barbecue** after service. Bring your appetite and a contribution for the cause we will be supporting.

Lent Evening – All ages gathering in the Narthex on Tuesday March 20 and 27, 6:30-7:30 p.m., for a time of devotions, singing, and snack.

Calvin Stampers will meet on Wednesday March 21, 7-9 p.m. in the Lounge. 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 19.

Easter (Egg) Party - Sunday March 25 after Intergenerational Worship, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. in Calvin Hall. Includes hot dog lunch. Children of all ages welcome. Sign up in the Narthex or contact michael.turman@calvinchurch.ca

Holy Week Services

- Sunday March 25 – Palm Sunday Intergenerational Worship Service, 10:15 a.m.
- 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.

Announcing **Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus** Vacation Bible School. Mark your calendars! This exciting desert island Bible adventure happens August 20-24. Watch for more to come!

HELP WANTED – We are looking for someone to take on the role of Editor for the Calvin Clarion. This individual will work with the Office Administrator on our quarterly newsletter by gathering, selecting and proofreading materials. If you are interested or if you have questions about the role, please call Margaret Woods at the church (519-744-4061).

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.

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.

Coffee Hour Hosts Needed - Do you enjoy coffee and cookies after church? If so, please thank Myrna McNeill for her faithful service preparing hot drinks, setting out snacks, and cleaning up every week. We are looking for others to share this responsibility and training will be provided. Please sign up in the Narthex.

There is important information to share with the congregation as follow up from the Annual Meeting and a notice from the Presbyterian Church in Canada. It was sent out by email on Tuesday to all those on the congregation email list. Those not on the email list should be sure to pick up a print copy from their church mailboxes.

Little Dragon Day Camp is accepting applications for 2 co-directors and 5 counsellors for their non-profit day camp run at St. George's of Forest Hill Anglican Church (321 Fischer-Hallman Road, Kitchener). Application information can be found at www.stgeorgesofforesthill.com. Deadline is Sunday March 11. More details are available on the bulletin board near the kitchen.

Allison Lupton in concert with Kyle Waymouth, Peter Jellard, and Emilyn Stam – Friday March 16, 7:30 p.m. at Central Presbyterian Church (7 Queen's Square, Cambridge). Tickets: adults \$20; seniors/students \$15 – available at the church office and at the door. Proceeds to Cambridge Self Help Food Bank and Trinity Community Table.

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 21-24 and 29-31 at 7:30 p.m. + March 25 and 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.

Mission Moment - International Women's Day (March 8)

As we celebrate the achievements of women this International Women's Day, let us also reflect on the need to continue working for futures of hope and opportunity for women and girls around the world. In many countries, women do not have access to education or fair credit. They don't have control over decisions made about their health and well-being. Too often, this inequality prevents women from making a positive difference in their lives and empowering their families and communities. PWS&D is helping women claim their rights, access vital healthcare, learn about nutrition, develop vocational skills and achieve economic independence. Women's empowerment is critical to challenging poverty and building a more sustainable world.

PWS&D empowers women and girls

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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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