

Welcome to  
Calvin Presbyterian Church



*March 5 2017  
First 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

Welcome

Opportunities for Ministry

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

Reader: The Lenten journey has begun.

**All: Lent's questions confront us.**

Reader: Where will the road take us?

**All: What kind of people will we be?**

Reader: Will we have the courage to withstand temptation?

**All: Will we trust in God's faithfulness as we travel through the wilderness?**

Reader: The quest will test us and try us.

**All: We pray that Jesus will be our guide.**

Reader: Let us pray. God of the wilderness: We experience your call compelling us to join the Lenten journey. We hear your voice inviting us into the wilderness where the journey begins. We know that the wilderness is a frightening place, a place where we need courage and your grace.

**All: Stay with us as we face our own demons. Stay with us as we listen for your voice. Stay with us as we seek to live our life in the image of Christ. Amen**

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Golden Verse: *"Away with you, Satan!"* ~ Matthew 4:10

\* Hymn #240 *"Rock of ages"* (vv. 1-3)

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

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

Assurance of Pardon

Choir Anthem *"Didn't my Lord deliver Daniel?"*

arr. Lloyd Larson

\* Hymn #645 *"Follow me, the Master said"* (vv. 1,2,4)

Children's Time

Scriptures

Psalm 32

Matthew 4:1-11

Congregational Response

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

**Response: Thanks be to God.**

\* Hymn #201 *"We come to ask your forgiveness"* (vv. 1,2)

Prayer of Understanding

**The fear and knowledge of you is the beginning of wisdom. Help us quiet the inner noise so we may be fully present to you and hear your life-giving word for us this day. Amen.**

Golden Verse - Matthew 4:10

Sermon "Overcoming the Temptations"

\* Hymn #746 "*What a friend we have in Jesus*" (v. 1-3)

> *Offering will be collected during the singing of the hymn*

\* Prayer of Dedication

**Our gifts we offer, O God, not out of duty or obligation, but out of a deep longing to be part of your salvation. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Golden Verse - Matthew 4:10

\* Benediction

\* Hymn "*Heaven is singing for joy*"

Postlude

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Thanks to:

greeters – Deb Curtis & Bonnie Street  
scripture reader – Judy Ebenhoeh

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

**NOTICES FOR  
CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
March 5, 2017**

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.

Next Week: "Transformed by Jesus"

<b>CALVIN CALENDAR</b>	
Sun. Mar. 5	- Prayer Group, 9:15 a.m., Lounge - Worship Service, 10:15 a.m., Sanctuary - Junior Choir Practice, 11:30 a.m., Sanctuary
Tues. Mar. 7	- Encounter, 12 p.m., Lounge
Wed. Mar. 8	- Seniors Exercise Program, 1:30 p.m., Hall - Calvin Stampers, 7 p.m., Lounge
Thurs. Mar. 9	- Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary
Fri. Mar. 10	- Movie Night, 6:30 p.m., Narthex/Lounge - Badminton, 7 p.m., Hall
Sun. Mar. 12	- Prayer Group, 9:15 a.m., Lounge - Worship Service, 10:15 a.m., Sanctuary

**Junior Choir rehearsal** start today, following the service in the sanctuary. Children in Gr.1-6 are welcome to come. The choir will be singing on Palm Sunday (April 9).

**Calvin Stampers** – Wednesday Mar. 8, 7-9 p.m. in the Lounge. The cost is \$10 - 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! Please RSVP to Margaret Woods at [margaretwoods777@rogers.com](mailto:margaretwoods777@rogers.com) by Monday Mar. 6.

**Calvin Movie Night** - Friday March 10. Presenting the film: Woodlawn. Popcorn, pizza and drinks provided at 6 p.m. with the show starting at 6:30 p.m. Please sign up on the form in the narthex so that Sheena will know how much pizza to order. Free-will donations will be accepted. Woodlawn is set in 1973, and is about a High School Football team that dedicates themselves to love and unity in a school filled with racism and hate. Woodlawn is rated PG. Come and join us for this spiritually uplifting film!

**Anxiety and Depression Workshop** – Stress, anxiety and depression affect millions of Canadians. Michael Glugosh is the Managing Director of the Mountainview Clinic for Stress and Anxiety and has been helping people overcome their struggles with stress, anxiety and depression for 23 years. Since 1993, Michael has presented over 1800

seminars and has counselled hundreds of people struggling with anxiety and depression. Michael will be teaching the life changing skills of cognitive behavioural therapy on Monday March 13 at 7 p.m. at Calvin Church. Contact Michael Turman for more information.

**Calvin Ladies' Fellowship** - On Monday March 20 at 9:30 am, a small group will meet in the Calvin kitchen to assemble Touch Quilt kits as a donation to the Alzheimer Society of Waterloo Wellington. Touch Quilts help to quiet restless hands and provide comfort to those in care. Each kit contains 36 fabric squares, a sew-on label and instructions (provided by the A.Soc). NO SEWING IS INVOLVED in assembling a kit of squares.

Please bring with you:

- New WASHABLE fabric scraps that are large enough to cut into 6" quilt squares. If the fabric is likely to shrink on washing, please pre-wash and iron it. We need a variety of colours and especially a number of TEXTURES -- for instance: cotton, fleece, corduroy, twill, flannelette, washable knits, novelty blends, fun furs, lining fabric. We need fabric suitable for both ladies and men!
- Fabric shears (ensure they are marked with your name or initials)

Our kits will then be passed over to the Alzheimer Society for distribution to volunteers who will finish them. Whether you can come on the 20<sup>th</sup> or not, if anyone would like to take a kit of 36 squares home afterwards to add a backing and complete the machine stitching and tied knots, please let us know and we'll set it aside for you. The finished touch quilts can go back to the Alzheimer Society or be distributed within our Calvin circle of family and friends. If you have further questions or would like to donate fabric, please contact Margaret Gadsby (519) 219-2030 or Betsy Dickie (519) 744-6633.

**Men's Breakfast** – All men are welcome for food and fellowship on Saturday March 18, 8 a.m., at Calvin Church.



**PYROS Youth Group** - Sunday March 19, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Attention youth between grade 6 and 12. Come hang out in the youth lounge! Get to know the new program coordinator, talk about our lives, play some games and spend some quality time with scripture. There will be pizza! Talk to Michael Turman for more information.

**Alpha at Calvin** – March 21 – June 6 Calvin will be hosting our second Alpha program. Our Spring Session will have a time of fellowship starting at 6:30 p.m. with coffee and dessert followed by the videos and discussion. Registration will be limited to 20 people. A signup sheet will be available in the Narthex in February. Some of you have asked how you can financially support the Alpha program. A donation of as little as \$5.00 over and above your regular offering helps to cover expenses. We would gratefully receive cash donations or grocery gift cards. If you would like to volunteer to help with the setup of chairs and tables, please speak to Bonnie Street or Joachim Wuest.

This year's **Vacation Bible School**, "Hero Central", is coming up August 21-25, 2017. Mark your calendars and support this valuable, fun and lively outreach to our families and those in the community by contributing your talents. Please speak to Catherine Jepson or Michael Turman.

The Spring issue of the **Calvin Clarion** is out!! Check your email or church mailbox for your copy. Additional copies are available in the Narthex.

**Women's Sacred Circle** – Would you like to meet together with other women to share, discuss and explore the spiritual journey once a month over the rest of the year? The basis of our exploration will be the book "The Feminine Face of God". The first meeting will be held on Monday March 6, 7-8:30 p.m. at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Kitchener.

**Staff Applications Due** for Camp Little Dragon summer day camp which runs out of St Georges Anglican Church on Fischer Hallman Rd., Kitchener. They are currently hiring camp counsellors over the age of 16 for this summer. Required - a cover letter, resume and the application which can also be found on the drop down for either Co-director or counsellor. For information, [www.stgeorgesofforesthill.com/?page\\_id=2847](http://www.stgeorgesofforesthill.com/?page_id=2847) Deadline is March 12.

The Presbyterian Church in Canada national office is excited to launch **PCConnection newspaper** this spring, a fun and informative newspaper that will help connect Presbyterians from coast to coast. This free Christian publication will keep you inspired, demonstrating our faith in action. Please subscribe by going to the national church website at [presbyterian.ca/pccconnection-subscribe](http://presbyterian.ca/pccconnection-subscribe) or call Calvin Church office.

**Gleaners Fundraising Dinner** - Friday April 21, Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and Dinner served at 6:30 p.m. at Waterloo Region Police Association, (1128 Rife Road, Cambridge). Enjoy updates from around the world and a full dinner and dessert Tickets: \$28/person or \$220/table of 8, \$275/table of 10. To order your tickets: Online at [www.OntarioGleaners.org](http://www.OntarioGleaners.org) (click on What's Happening) or By Phone (519) 624 -8245 (Order your tickets by April 6). As ticket prices cover the cost of the dinner, an opportunity will be given to donate financially to the Gleaners. Corporate sponsors for this event are also needed. Please call the Gleaners office or email Elaine [gleanerspromo@gmail.com](mailto:gleanerspromo@gmail.com) for more information.

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

Deeba teaches chemistry at a high school in Afghanistan, where cultural barriers frequently limit opportunities for women and prevent them from entering the workforce. While she has the support of her family, Deeba experienced challenges as a woman working outside the home. One challenge was the lack of training she received in educational methods, making it difficult to teach her lessons. Thanks to a Presbyterian World Service & Development program that supports training for teachers in Afghanistan,

Deeba is participating in workshops to help her improve the quality of lessons for her students. Because of this program, she is inspiring students to reach their full potential and setting examples for women. "I can feel the respect for myself in my students' eyes."

*PWS&D supports equal opportunities for women*

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.

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