

Welcome to
Calvin Presbyterian Church



October 22, 2017
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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

The Life and Work of the Church

* Call to Worship

Leader: The LORD reigns;

People: let the nations tremble!

Leader: He sits enthroned between the cherubim;

People: let the earth shake!

Leader: Great is the LORD in Zion;

People: He is exalted over all the nations.

Leader: Exalt the LORD our God;

People: and worship at His holy mountain.

All: For the LORD our God is holy!

(from Psalm 99)

Golden Verse: "For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and not from yourselves, it is the gift of God."
(Ephesians 2:8)

* Hymn #15 "*The Lord's my light*"

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

Choir Anthem

* Hymn #347 "*There were ninety and nine*"

Children's Time

Scriptures

- Psalm 32:1-11
- Ephesians 2:1-10
- Luke 23:32-43

Congregational Response

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

* Hymn "*Come, Thou fount*"

Prayer of Understanding

O God, we seek to know more of Your love, mercy, and grace. We are not without merit and full of unrighteousness; yet You have loved us and have freely forgiven. Help us to know more of the riches of Your grace and experience it in our lives. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

Golden Verse - Ephesians 2:8

Sermon "Sola Gratia: By God's Grace Alone"

* Hymn #352 "*And can it be that I should gain*"

Offering

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

* Prayer of Dedication

We have received all things freely from You, O Lord, and in our weak way we freely give back to You so that Your Kingdom may prosper. Receive, we pray, our treasury, our talents, our time, our lives for the glory of Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayers of the People

Golden Verse - Ephesians 2:8

* Hymn #350 "*To God be the glory*"

* Benediction

* Song of Blessing #264 "*Sing amen*" (sing twice)

Postlude

Thanks to:
scripture reader – Stacey Hillis
greeters – Tom Daniells & Bonnie Street
guest musician – Michel Allard
guest minister – Rev. Bob Duncanson

NOTICES FOR CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH October 22, 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.

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: "Sola Fide – By Faith Alone!"

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

CALVIN CALENDAR	
Sun. Oct. 22	- Prayer Group, 9:15 a.m., Lounge - Worship Service 10:15 a.m., Sanctuary - PYROS Fundraiser BBQ, 11:30 a.m., Hall
Mon. Oct. 23	- Blood Donor Clinic, 2:30 p.m., Hall
Tues. Oct. 24	- Seniors' Tea, 2 p.m., Hall - NO ENCOUNTER THIS WEEK
Wed. Oct. 25	- Seniors Exercise Program, 1 p.m., Hall - Board of Managers, 7 p.m., Lounge
Thurs. Oct. 26	- Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary
Fri. Oct. 27	- Badminton, 7 p.m., Hall
Sun. Oct. 29	- Prayer Group, 9:15 a.m., Lounge - Worship Service 10:15 a.m., Sanctuary

Minister's Vacation – Rev. Frank Szatmari is on vacation October 19-25. Rev. Bob Duncanson is available for pastoral care during this time (phone 519-745-2142).

PYROS Fundraiser BBQ - TODAY after worship 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. The barbecue is back! Youth ages 12-22 are invited to arrive at 9:30 to help prepare and serve our meal. The whole congregation is invited to bring your appetite and a freewill offering in support of our youth group's fundraising efforts.

Fall Encounter –Join us for a Bible Study titled "Jesus' Letter to Seven Churches" based on Revelation, chapters 2 and 3. It takes place on Tuesday at 12 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Bring your own lunch for social time. There is an evening version of the study at 7 p.m. with closing at 8 p.m. All are welcome. NO ENCOUNTER OCT. 24.

- October 31 – Revelation 2:18-29 - The message to Thyatira
- November 7 – Revelation 3:1-6 - The message to Sardis
- November 14 – Revelation 3:7-13 - The message to Philadelphia
- November 21 – Revelation 3:14-22 - The message to Laodicea

PYPS Sr. Youth Retreat - October 27-29. Youth ages 14-25 are invited to Camp Kintail for the Presbyterian Young People's Society annual fall retreat. Please contact Michael Turman or Ray Tomchick if you are interested in attending; registration is online with Camp Kintail.

The Fall Tea for Calvin's Seniors is being held on Tuesday October 24 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. in Calvin Hall. RSVP to Aileen Isaac (519) 696-3075. Entertainment by Men's Chorus from St. Andrew's Church, Hespeler.

Calvin's Canada 150 - Queen Street Singers (an a cappella group of which Marilyn McCuaig is a part) will be putting on a fundraising concert for Calvin on Saturday, November 4 at 7 p.m. The concert will include songs written or arranged by Canadians or songs about Canada. If you attended the previous concert here by QSS, you will remember that it was a very pleasant evening. Please support Calvin by buying a ticket after church and by inviting friends and family to come as well. Tickets are \$15 each. There will be no charge for children. Help us try to sell 200 tickets for Calvin.

Mark your calendars: Sunday November 12, 3 p.m., for **Reformation 500 Service** at Calvin. All are invited to participate in this ecumenical service recognizing the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. Church members and clergy of numerous other local churches (Calvin Presbyterian, St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic, St. Stephen's Lutheran, St. George's Anglican, Highland Baptist, and Forest Hill United Churches) will be attending this exciting celebration. Following the service, a community meal in Calvin Hall will be served from 4:30-6 p.m. An historical exhibition will be on display, on tour from the Hungarian Consulate. The regular 10:15 a.m. worship service will be cancelled that day.

Ladies Fellowship Christmas Bazaar is being held on December 2. Handcrafted items for the bazaar will be greatly appreciated – talk to Eleanor McCabe at 519-743-8867.

FINANCIAL REPORT

We are now into October and the last quarter of the year. It is time to provide an update on our finances.

We are pleased to report that we are in relatively good shape. Revenues are about \$7,000 below budget. But, this is balanced by the fact that expenses are about \$7,000 under budget. So, we are close to where we want to be.

Now that we have entered the last quarter, we have launched Calvin Days. Calvin Days represents our year-end push to meet our financial obligations. It represents an opportunity to go the "extra mile" and help ensure that we meet our financial targets for 2017. This year we have budgeted \$17,500 for Calvin Days – a large amount, but only \$500 more than we took in during 2016. So, this number is very achievable.

We are seeking your support to meet our target for Calvin Days in 2017. If we meet our target, we will be able to reduce our debt by \$9,000. Debt elimination represents an important step on our path into the future. As always, thanks for your support!

The Board of Managers

Canadian Foodgrains Bank - The Missions and Stewardship Committee is again working to raise funds for this local growing project in cooperation with St. Andrew's Presbyterian in Molesworth. CFB has a funding agreement with the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) that provides 4:1 matching grants up to a maximum of \$25 million a year. Our goal is to raise at least \$2,500.00. Mark your regular offering envelope "Canadian Foodgrains Bank". \$2433.25 has been donated as of October 15.

College/University Students – The Pastoral Care Committee keeps in touch with the young people of the congregation when they are attending college and university. Please call Janice Mitchell (519) 632-8027 or the church office (519) 744-4061 if there are any post-secondary students in your household.

Menno Singers Concert: "Come Evening's Rest" - Saturday November 4 at 7:30 p.m., Rockway Mennonite Church (47 Onward Ave., Kitchener). Tickets: adults \$20, children & students \$5.

37th World Religions Conference (WRC) - Saturday November 4 at the Humanities Theatre, University of Waterloo. This year's theme is "My Faith and Canadian Values". Speakers represent Indigenous Spirituality, Christianity, Hinduism, Islam, Judaism, Sikhism, and Humanism. The event will also feature scripture recitations, exhibits from different faith groups, complimentary lunch, and a great atmosphere to discuss topics of importance to our society. The event is free and open to the public. Seating and free parking is limited. RSVP is advised. For more information, including the speaker profiles, event agenda and registration information, please visit www.worldreligionsconference.org

Join us for a wonderful **Women's Fall Weekend** on "Living a Life of Prayer" with speaker Mary Jane Bissett, November 10-12 at Crieff Hills Retreat and Conference Centre near Guelph. Come learn and share together about different forms of prayer and how to pray as a family. Retreat begins with Friday dinner and ends after Sunday lunch. Cost \$240 for double room, \$300 single and \$175 commuter. Limited spaces available for one day Saturday. www.crieffhills.com 1 800-884-1525.

Falls Prevention Series – Is your independence important to you? Are you worried about falls? Each free 6 week session you will work with a registered kinesiologist 3 days/week and learn some helpful tips on Living Well with Osteoporosis, Building Balance, Eating Well, Moving Better, and more. Locations: The Salvation Army Church (75 Tillsley Drive, Kitchener) every Mon., Tues. and Thurs. at 1:30 p.m.; Rockway Center (1405 King St. E., Kitchener) every Tues., Wed. & Fri. at 2 p.m. Registration required 519-772-8787. This is a program of Community Support Connections – Meals on Wheels and More.

Stewardship Moment - Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.
-1 Peter 4:10

Mission Moment: Thanks be to God!

Presbyterians Sharing supports the Rev. Dr. Paul McLean, a Bible translation consultant working in partnership with The Presbyterian Church in Taiwan and The Bible Society in Taiwan. In a recent blog post, Paul writes: "Maelaanenge ki Twaumase!" (Thanks be to God!) These words were repeated during the joyful 3-hour thanksgiving service for the publication of the Ngudradrekai Bible on July 11, 2017 at Kucapungane Presbyterian Church in the mountain foothills of southern Taiwan. Nearly 30 years after The Gospel first took root in Old Kucapungane village, Ngudradrekai people now have the complete Bible printed in their own mother language." The Rev Peter Bush, Moderator of the 2017 General Assembly, attended the celebration. He shares, "To read the Bible in one's mother language is to be affirmed culturally as a people having value and it is to be called to discipleship following Jesus Christ." *Presbyterians Sharing equips people to read the Bible in their own language.*

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.

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