

Welcome to
Calvin Presbyterian Church

The **KEY** to
prayer
is to
PRACTICE.



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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 *"Here I am to worship"*

Welcome

The Life and Work of the Church

* Call to Worship

Leader: Shout with joy to God

People: all the earth.

Leader: Sing to the glory of his name.

People: Offer him praise and glory.

Leader: Praise be to God who has not rejected my prayers

People: or withheld his love from me.

Golden Verse: "Delight yourself in the LORD and he will give you the desires of your heart."
(Psalm 37:4)

* Hymn #39 *"God of mercy, God of grace"* (vv. 1-3)

Offering

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

* Prayer of Dedication

We come to you, O Lord, who are the source of all our comfort and consolation, to offer to you from what we have. You have loved us deeply. Help us in return to offer ourselves along with these gifts so that we may love you deeply as well. In Jesus' name. 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 *"Come let us worship and bow down"* (2x)

Children's Time

Anthem *"Sanctuary"*

John Thompson & Randy Scruggs

Scriptures

- Psalm 65
- Matthew 6:5-15

Congregational Response

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

* Hymn #451 "*Dear Father, Lord of humankind*" (vv. 1-2,5-6)

Prayer of Understanding

May your Holy Spirit be upon and with us that, as a body of your church, we may learn your comfort and share it with one another. Wipe our tears away and replace them with the sunshine of your love. Amen

Golden Verse - Psalm 37:4

Sermon "The Comfort of Prayer"

* Hymn #349 "*My hope is built on nothing less*" (vv. 1-4)

Prayers of the People

Golden Verse - Psalm 37:4

* Hymn #449 "*Lord, listen to your children praying*" (3x)

* Benediction

* Song of Blessing: #755 "*Go ye, go ye into the world*" (vv. 1-3)

Postlude

Thanks to:
scripture reader – Betty Jane Rose
greeters – Rob Johnston and Mary Hetherington
guest minister – Rev. Bob Duncanson

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

NOTICES FOR CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH September 16, 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.

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

CALVIN CALENDAR	
Sun. Sept. 16	- Prayer Group, 9:15 a.m., Lounge - Worship Service, 10:15 a.m., Sanctuary
Wed. Sept. 19	- Calvin Stampers, 7 p.m., Lounge - Christian Ed. Meeting, 7 p.m., Classroom 2
Thurs. Sept. 20	- Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m., Sanctuary
Fri. Sept. 21	- Garage Sale, 6-8 p.m., Hall
Sat. Sept. 22	- Garage Sale, 8-11:30 a.m., Hall
Sun. Sept. 23	- Prayer Group, 9:15 a.m., Lounge - Worship Service, 10:15 a.m., Sanctuary - All Ages Praise Band, 11:30 a.m., Classroom

Minister's Intermission – Rev. Frank Szatmari is off until September 25. Ministers in the Presbyterian Church are encouraged to take an Intermission as a time of rest and reflection. Intermission is a full-time experience and is for 10 weeks. There is to be a five year period of employment in the denomination before an intermission may be granted. Twelve months prior to the anticipated start of the Intermission, a proposal must be submitted and approved by Session and Presbytery. Full stipend and benefits will be maintained during the Intermission including the person's contributions to all benefit plans. Pulpit supply is the responsibility of the minister. Rev. Szatmari's request for an Intermission was approved and we encouraged him to take this time away. Please pray for our minister and for this opportunity that he may return to us recharged and refreshed. Rev. Bob Duncanson is available for pastoral care during this time.

Habitat for Humanity – We will again be sponsoring the local Habitat for Humanity build with a financial donation for snack. Please consider supporting this worthwhile cause with a contribution in your envelope marked 'Habitat for Humanity' by TODAY.

Calvin Stampers will meet on Wednesday September 19, 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 September 17.



Fall Garage Sale – Friday Sept. 21 > 6-8 p.m. and Saturday Sept. 22 > 8-11:30 a.m. Drop off items at the church this week. Due to not having access to a pickup truck, the Board is limited with what we can pick up. For a pickup, please contact Phil von Farra at 519-635-8849 or speak to a Board member.

We respectfully ask that no donations of electronics or computer components be brought to the church because they do not sell and end up costing the church money for disposal. We will be setting up for the garage sale on Thursday Sept. 20. This would be an ideal time to drop off your donation and lend us a helping hand. Volunteers to operate the garage sale are always welcome – sign up in the Narthex.

Refugee Sponsorship – In 2008, we began the process of co-sponsoring the Engeda family – Seyum and Alem and their children. Their son Filmon is 17 years old and Ruta and Marta are 15 year old twin girls. This Eritrean family has been living in the Republic of Sudan. We finally received approval for them to come to Canada and they will arrive in Toronto on September 17. They will be living temporarily in Kitchener with Alem’s sister and her husband (Mussie & Genet) who are the co-sponsors. Mussie and Genet will help them obtain employment and eventually housing. If anyone has furniture or household items that you would be willing to donate to this family, please let me know. They were only able to bring a few things with them from Sudan. The family is very grateful for all that Calvin has done to help with their sponsorship.



Queen Street Singers (QSS) will be having their 3rd fundraiser concert for Calvin on Saturday, October 20 at 7 p.m. The title of the show is “100 Years of Broadway”. Tickets: \$15 – for sale in the Narthex following the service.

The Fall Tea for Calvin's Seniors is being held on Tuesday October 23 from 2-4 p.m. in Calvin Hall. Be sure to pick up your invitation from your church mailbox. RSVP by Tuesday Oct. 9 to Aileen Isaac (519) 696-3075.



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. The Canadian Foodgrains Bank is a partnership of fifteen Canadian Christian Church Denominations and church based agencies (including Presbyterian World Service & Development) that works to end hunger in developing countries. The Bank, which is a registered charity, collects grain and cash donations to procure and supply food. It also engages in educational activities related to hunger and food security. 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 by October 7. Mark your regular

offering envelope "Canadian Foodgrains Bank". As of September 9, \$1,965 has been donated.

New Music Group at Calvin – Observing the enthusiasm and participation of volunteers and young people during the daily opening segment of Calvin's Vacation Bible School has motivated me to form a new music group. The "All Ages Praise Team" will begin meeting on Sunday Sept. 23 at 11:30 a.m. for a 20 minute session. Anyone aged 8 or older is invited to come and join us whenever they can. We'll begin by singing familiar contemporary choruses accompanied by guitar, ukulele, piano, drums and an assortment of percussion instruments, and see where that takes us. This group will add a new dynamic to our worship service and, hopefully, inspire in us a greater joy and understanding of our faith.

Music Requests – Please take a moment to have a look at the clipboard in the Narthex offering you an opportunity to help select music for our services. You may indicate a favourite hymn or other piece of music you would like played or sung. I hope to be able to incorporate your selection in an upcoming service.

On Sunday September 23 from noon to 3 p.m., the Community of Christ Church (414 Fischer-Hallman Road) is holding a **Community BBQ / Fun-fair / Fundraiser** for the Snack Program at Forest Hill Public School. All are welcome!

The Foodbank of Waterloo Region Harvest Food Drive - Visit on September 29 from 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at Sobeys Ira Needles and Sobeys Bridgeport and help increase the amount of fresh food available to the community! The Harvest Food Drive is a one-day event where the community can donate newly purchased fresh fruit and vegetables to The Food Bank. Great items to donate are: carrots, potatoes, sweet potatoes, apples, oranges, and zucchini, just to name a few! The goal of the Harvest Food Drive is to provide healthier and more nutritional food choices to our agency and community partners. In 2017, 35% of all food we distributed was fresh, and we are working hard to provide more fresh food to those in need in our community.

Join **Ride for Refuge** and help Supportive Housing of Waterloo provide new affordable housing at 402 Erb St. W. Waterloo to help alleviate homelessness in our community. Bike, walk, skateboard or dance the route - starts from Koinonia Christian Fellowship (850 Sawmill Road, Bloomingdale) on Saturday Sept. 29 - registration 8 a.m. To register or sponsor, visit supportivehousingofwaterloo.org. Your support can help put a roof over someone's head and hope for a better future.

Canadian Society of Presbyterian History: Annual Conference at Knox College, University of Toronto - Saturday Sept. 29 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Anyone interested in Presbyterian history is welcome to become a member. Not sure about membership? Watch for free via livestream. This year's topics include: the Rev. John J. A. Proudfoot of London, Ont. teaching preaching in a time and place of change (Ontario in the 1880s and 1890s); Principal Rev. Dr. Donald Harvey MacVicar, preaching in the same time period at Presbyterian College, Montreal; Lucy Maud Montgomery and her

perspective on Church Union; and the architecture of the Reformed Church. For more details, see: www.csph.ca; email secretary@csph.ca; or phone: Ian Mason, Secretary (519-864-1119)

Housecleaning? Please remember to donate your old eye glasses, used stamps, pop can tabs, and outer milk bags to the boxes in the Narthex. These items are gratefully repurposed. Thank you.

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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