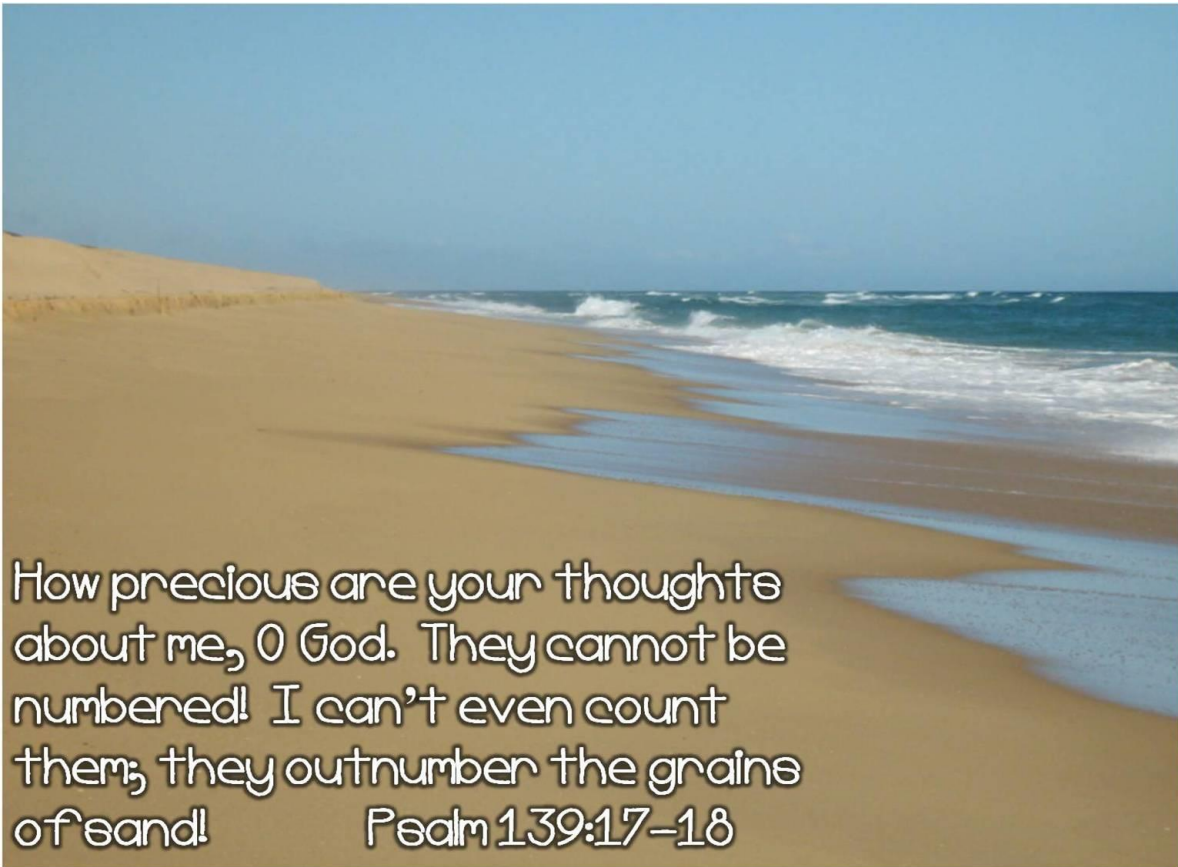


Welcome to Calvin Presbyterian Church



How precious are your thoughts
about me, O God. They cannot be
numbered! I can't even count
them; they outnumber the grains
of sand! Psalm 139:17-18

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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: Lord, I am home, in Your lovely house.

People: I relax my tense shoulders; I shake out my tired arms. Breathe deeply; breathe deeper still.

Leader: Lord, help me to relax in Your presence.

People: My thoughts settle in this place; I am fully present here.

Leader: I know I am welcomed here with all that I carry.

People: Lord, I bring into Your presence my struggles and success, my joy and my fear, my faith and my doubt, my culture, my sensitivity, my whole self.

Leader: I am here to soak in the presence of God.

People: I am here to listen to the word of God, and to be filled with the Spirit of God.

All: WE are here to worship.

Golden Verse: *"Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."* (Mark 14:38)

* Hymn #240 *"Rock of ages, cleft for me"* (vv. 1-3)

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

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

Assurance of Pardon

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

Children's Time

Scriptures

- Psalm 84:1-7
- Matthew 14:13-23

Congregational Response

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

* Hymn *"Change my heart, oh God"*

Prayer of Understanding

Lord Jesus Christ, I humbly pray that, as I listen to Your message, You will change me until my spirit shall be more like Yours. Amen

Golden Verse - Mark 14:38

Sermon "The Importance of Silence"

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

Offering

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

* Prayer of Dedication

**We dedicate these offerings, God, for the work of the church; and we ask
You to use all that we have, and all that we are, in Your service. Amen**

Prayers of the People

Golden Verse - Mark 14:38

* Hymn #133 "*Go tell it on the mountain*" (vv. 1-3)

* Benediction

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

Postlude

Thanks to:
scripture reader – Elaine Bower
greeters – Marion Reid and Aileen Isaac

**NOTICES FOR
CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
September 3, 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.

CALVIN CALENDAR	
Sun. Sept. 3	- Prayer Group, 9:15 a.m., Lounge - Worship Service, 10:15 a.m., Sanctuary
Wed. Sept. 6	- Seniors Exercise Program, 1:00 p.m., Hall (NOTE TIME CHANGE) - Session Meeting, 7 p.m., Lounge
Fri. Sept. 8	- Badminton, 7 p.m., Hall
Sun. Sept. 10	- Prayer Group, 9:15 a.m., Lounge - Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary - Sunday School teacher meeting, 11:30 a.m., Classroom 1

No Coffee Hour today. Please take a moment to greet your neighbours following the service.

Minister's Vacation – Rev. Frank Szatmari will be on vacation September 7-27. Rev. Bob Duncanson is available for pastoral care during this time (phone 519-745-2142).

Sunday September 10 – Commissioning of Christian Education leaders and presentation of Bibles for Gr. 4 students during the service. Sunday School teacher training is in the first classroom following worship.

Golf Tournament - The 2017 Bill Artindale Memorial Golf Tournament will be Sunday September 10 at Grand Valley Golf and Country Club. Sign up sheet in Narthex. If you are able to provide a prize for the tournament or would like further information on the event, contact Dave McLelland at 519-743-6126.

Regular Programs Returning in September

- **Seniors Exercise** is every Wednesday at 1:00 p.m., (NOTE TIME CHANGE) starting again on September 6. This is a free, fun, gentle exercise program for seniors (55+) led by certified instructors. Feel free to join at any time.
- **Friday Night Badminton** will resume on September 8, 7-9 p.m., in Calvin Hall. This is a group for all ages that gathers to play badminton every week. Fun for everyone! Bring your own racquet or equipment supplied.

- **Calvin Stampers** will meet on Wednesday September 13 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 11.
- **Men's Breakfast** – Saturday September 16, 8 a.m. at Calvin Church. Come for food and fellowship.
- **Choir Practice** resumes on Thursday September 21 at 7:30 p.m. New members welcome!

Corn Roast – Corn, hotdogs, ice cream and beverages after the worship service on Sunday September 17. Free will donation. Bring a lawn chair. Sign up on the sheet in the Narthex if you can attend so the planning committee knows how many to expect. Everyone welcome!

Country & Western Concert– Saturday Sept. 23. Lunch at 12:30 p.m., concert at 2 p.m. Tickets: \$25. For tickets or silent auction donations, contact Betsy Dickie 519-744-6633.

Fall Garage Sale – Start saving your treasures now! The next garage sale will be on Friday September 29 6-8 p.m. and Saturday September 30 8-11:30 a.m. Drop off items at the church starting September 24.

Event Planning at Calvin Church – We have a very busy building these days with our own programs and rental groups sharing the facilities. Did you know that we have two community choirs that practice here weekly, The Beautiful Church congregation plus SoccerTots, Tai Chi, Al Anon and occasionally other groups that rent? There is a calendar kept on the office computer for where and when space has been booked – sometimes months in advance. At the very beginning of the event planning process, please check with Margaret in the office so we can work together to accommodate everyone.

Calling all musicians! Calvin is starting a musical leadership team to bring out musical talents and practice musical leadership in worship. We will practice once a week to learn songs, and lead music once a month. Any instruments and vocalists are welcome to join! If you are interested or know someone who might be, please contact Michael Turman: michael.turman@calvinchurch.ca. Our first meeting will be on September 24 in the Lounge after the worship service.

Help is Needed – Anan Dubek's car is broken. She cannot travel with her family to our church services and her family is paralyzed without a car. We would like to ask our members to make a special donation ASAP. (Note that these funds will go directly to Anan and you will not receive an income tax receipt for this money.)



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. Mark your regular offering envelope "Canadian Foodgrains Bank". \$605 has been donated as of August 27.

Have Trouble Hearing the Service While Seated in the Sanctuary? The Board of Managers is aware that some members of the congregation experience some difficulties hearing the service. We are developing options to help solve this problem. We hope to be able to try several different options this fall. We will try to provide as much notice as we can, in the hopes that these members will stay after the service and help us evaluate these options. We look forward to your help in ensuring that you can hear the worship service. We will provide more information in the fall.

We have a new company monitoring the **security system**. Those who have keys and a passcard will be receiving a new passcard soon with the updated information. Contact Phil von Farra if you have any questions or concerns.

Waterloo-Wellington Presbytery Update – As of September 1, 2017, Wilma Welsh has retired as Clerk of Presbytery. The Rev. Darrell Clarke of Doon Presbyterian Church will be taking on this responsibility.

Mission Moment: September 8 is International Literacy Day

In Guatemala, the Francisco Coll School sits on a landfill site surrounded by shelters built by families trying to make ends meet by collecting trash. With the support of Presbyterian World Service & Development, Francisco Coll is providing vulnerable boys and girls with a proper education in a safe environment. Maria Herrera, a student at Francisco Coll, dreams of graduating from university and becoming an administrator. Her mother doesn't have a reliable income, but with support from PWS&D, she can continue going to the school she loves. In a letter thanking PWS&D for its support she says, "I ask God that every day you have good health and blessings and that you continue to be able to help adolescents achieve their dreams and goals, like me."

The Fall issue of the Calvin Clarion is out!! Check your email or pick up a print copy from the Narthex.

Calvin's Benevolent Fund is used to help those in our church and the community who need assistance. Consider making a donation to the Benevolent Fund today. Thanks for your support!

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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