



**March 3, 2019**

**“Then from the cloud came a voice that said,  
‘This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!’”  
Luke 9:35**

**Transfiguration Sunday**

This morning we celebrate the Lord’s Supper; a gracious gift that God provides to Christ’s body, the church. All who have been baptized into Christ, and who desire to honor him with grateful and obedient living, are invited to participate in this sacrament discerning that this bread and cup are signs and seals of God’s love for us and that we who participate are members of Christ’s body.

*We serve gluten-free bread and non-alcoholic grape juice.*

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**Ten o’clock**

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**GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP**

Prelude: “Christ, We Climb with You the Mountain” [#131] Benjamin Culli

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: “Worship Prayer” Trudi Huisman Huizenga

We come before you, O Lord, to bless and praise and worship you,  
To hear your Word proclaimed. Lord, strengthen us to serve you.  
O hear us, Holy Lord.

We come before you, O Lord, to meet you at your holy feast,  
To know through bread and wine the joy of sin forgiven.  
We praise your love and grace.

\* Opening Hymns: “All Creatures of Our God and King”  
“You Are Mine”

**#551:1-3**

**#430:1-3**

\* God’s Greeting

**WE CONFESS OUR SIN**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Now the Lord is the Spirit,  
and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.  
**And all of us, with unveiled faces,  
seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror,  
are being transformed into the same image  
from one degree of glory to another,  
for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.  
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and transformed!**

\* Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed front cover of hymnal

\* Song of Response: "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" #772:1,2,4

**GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD**

Message for Children

Blessing for Children

Leader: People of God, what is your prayer for these children?

**Congregation: The Lord be with you.**

Children: And also with you.

**Congregation: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

\* Hymn of Preparation: "Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory" #133:1-3

Presentation of Offerings and Passing of Friendship Pads

Offertory Prayer: Sam Poortenga

Offering for Global Gifts

Offertory: "Gift of Finest Wheat" [#815]

Charles Callahan

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Luke 9:28-36 page 843

Sermon: **MISSION NOT-YET-ACCOMPLISHED**

Prayer of Application

**CHRIST WELCOMES US TO THE TABLE**

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving #810

\* Passing of the Peace

Thanks be to God: Christ makes us one.

The peace of Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

*(God has given us his peace, and we are invited to offer that peace to one another. Many people do this by shaking hands, but if for any reason you would rather not shake hands, you are encouraged to pass the peace with a smile and a nod, as you say, "The peace of Christ be with you.")*

Distribution Anthems: "O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts" Arr. Robert J. Powell

O Jesus, joy of loving hearts, the fount of life and our true light,

We seek the peace your love imparts and stand rejoicing in your sight.

*Refrain*

O Jesus, ever with us stay; make all our moments calm and bright;

O chase the night of sin away, shed over the world your holy light.

We taste in you our living bread, and long to feast upon you still;

We drink of you the fountain head, our thirsting souls to quench and fill.

For you our restless spirits yearn where e'er our changing lot is cast;

Glad when your presence we discern, blest, when our faith can hold you fast.

"Thee We Adore"

T. Frederick H. Candlyn

Thee we adore, O Savior, thee,

Who in thy sacrament art pleased to be;

Both flesh and spirit in thy presence fail.

Yet here thy presence we devoutly hail.

O blest memorial of our dying Lord,

Who living bread to us doth here afford!

O may our souls forever feed on thee,

And thou, O Christ, forever precious be.

Fountain of goodness, Jesu, Lord and God,

Cleanse us, unclean, in thy most cleansing flood;

Increase our faith and love, that we may know

The hope and peace which from thy presence flow.

O Christ, whom now beneath a sign we see,

May what we thirst for soon our portion be,

To gaze on thee in heaven and see thy face,

The vision of thy glory and thy grace.

Prayer after Communion

**#810**

## WE RESPOND IN GRATITUDE

\* Hymn of Response: “O Come, My Soul, Sing Praise to God”  
(An offering is received for Benevolence.)

**#672:1-5**

\* Benediction

\* Doxology: “This Little Light of Mine”

**#930:1**

**This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine;  
This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine;  
This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine,  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
Amen.**

\* Postlude: “Two Preludes in C”

Johann Sebastian Bach

Liturgists: Pastoral Intern Lynette van de Hoef and Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys

Preacher: Rev. Brad Zwierns

Organist: Kenneth Bos

Ministry of Music: Sanctuary Choir

Accompanist: Lisa Meyer

Scripture Proclamation Team: Jay Lindquist, Lisa Meyer, Grace Poortenga

### **Calvin CRC Announcements for March 3, 2019**

#### **WORSHIP Today, 10 AM and 5 PM**

*Morning worship:* On this Transfiguration Sunday, we celebrate the sacrament of the Lord’s Supper, and Rev. Brad Zwierns preaches from Luke 9:28-36, “Mission Not-Yet-Accomplished.” The offering is for Global Gifts.

Global Gifts is a world hunger project started by the Community Care/Social Justice Committee of Calvin Church in 1986. It is staffed by approximately 35 volunteers. Located at 2055 28<sup>th</sup> Street, SE, Global Gifts is a retail store that provides a market for artisans from over 40 developing countries. The products, from approximately 50 suppliers, are created under Fair Trade principles. Sales currently support approximately 100 families every year.

*Evening worship:* Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys preaches from Psalm 105, “Remember and Praise,” and the offering is for Wings of Mercy.

Wings of Mercy provides free air transportation to people with limited means who need treatment at distant medical facilities. Pilots volunteer their services and own their planes, but they appreciate financial assistance for the purchase of fuel. Terry Boer, who has ties to Calvin Church, serves as the Wings of Mercy board president.

## **WORSHIP Ash Wednesday, March 6**

We will hold an Ash Wednesday worship service at 7:00 PM, led by our Cherub and Covenant Choirs, with Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys giving a meditation from Isaiah 58:1-12. The offering will be for Home Repair Services.

Home Repair Services serves low-income homeowners in a variety of ways, including offering a wide variety of home repair and financial classes, loaning tools, and offering low-cost paint and building materials.

## **WORSHIP Next Sunday, March 10**

*Morning worship:* We will continue our series from the Heidelberg Catechism, and Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys will preach from Deuteronomy 5:6-21, “How Free People Live.” The offering will be for Mission Outreach.

*Evening worship:* Rev. Laura Smit will lead our time of worship. The offering will be for ACCESS of West Michigan.

The mission of ACCESS is to carry out the work of God by linking churches, individuals, and community resources to reduce hunger and poverty in Kent County. Examples of its programs are the Food Pantry Network, which is supported by the annual Hunger Walk, the Disaster Response Program, and poverty education, which makes the community aware of poverty and how best to respond.

## **CHURCH FAMILY**

**Jean Ryskamp** (district 1) has moved to:  
Haven Park Nursing Home room 210  
285 N. State St., Zeeland, MI 49464

**Jan Dykgraaf** (district 6) had a fall on Tuesday and had hip replacement surgery on Wednesday. Pray for healing and for patience.

## **CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES**

### **TLC and CHILDREN’S WORSHIP:**

2 - 4 year-olds	“The Unmerciful Servant”	Cheri, Tyler
K - 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	“Jesus and Zacchaeus”	

## **MEETINGS, ACTIVITIES, AND EVENTS**

*Today—ADULT EDUCATION:* Conflict as Opportunity: Learning the Colossian Way. Presenter: Chris DeVos, Manager of Church Partnerships and Care, Colossian Forum

Too often we struggle to find our way through complex issues and end up fighting with or splitting apart from each other. The church is as embattled as the culture around us. This presentation will explore a Christian practice called The Colossian Way, a Christian practice built for the complexity of current issues and the challenges of unity. Participants sample what it means to engage one another around our differences.

*Next Sunday*—**ADULT EDUCATION:** *Body and Soul: Insight from the Heidelberg Catechism – “The Grateful Life”* (Q & A 86-115). Facilitator: Rev. Brad Zwiers

We continue exploring the Heidelberg Catechism using the book *Body and Soul: Reclaiming the Heidelberg Catechism* with a short video and small group discussion. If you would like child care, contact Pastor Rebecca or Pastor Brad today. Copies of *Body and Soul* are available in the church office for \$15. The final date for this series is March 24 - Chapter 6, “Teach Us to Pray” (Q&A 116-129).

**FAMILY PROMISE:** Calvin Church will be hosting Family Promise families March 17-24. All help is appreciated. The sign-up board is near the kitchen.

**LENTEN PRAYERS:** You are invited to join a short time of evening prayer each Wednesday during Lent. We’ll gather from 7:00-7:30 PM in the Lounge on March 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10, and 17 to follow a liturgy of evening prayer together. Consider including this in your observance of the season of Lent this year, and invite friends to join. Contact Pastor Rebecca or Pastor Brad if you have questions.

**WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY:** Save the dates! We will plan to meet on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 on March 20, 27, April 10, May 1, 8, and 15. Contact Pastor Rebecca or Sharon Hecker with questions.

*In Worship:*

- Our worship proceeds unannounced and follows the printed liturgy.
- The Chancel banner expresses the Christian belief that in one God there are three divine persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The color green represents spiritual growth during the season of the Lord’s life and ministry.
- Large print resources are available at the Information Desk.
- Our facility is equipped with the Loop hearing system.



*For Children:*

- Ages 0-2: Infant and toddler nurseries are available.
- Preschool: The Little Children (TLC) gathers downstairs in room 19 prior to the morning worship.
- K-2<sup>nd</sup>: After the Children’s Message the Children’s Worship ministry meets downstairs in rooms 11 & 13 until the conclusion of worship. Parents meet their children there following the service.
- Busy Bags for young children are on the picket fence in the Atrium.
- Bulletins for older children are in the rack in the Narthex.

*Fellowship and Information:*

- Everyone is invited to the Fellowship Hall for refreshments following the morning service.
- All of our ministries are described in the colorful folders at the Information Desk near the nurseries.

# CALENDAR

<i>Today, Sunday, March 3</i>	
9:30a	Prayer Time (Prayer Room)
9:40a	Atrium Greeters: Mark & Julie DeKoster
	East Greeters: Steve & Ellen DeKoster
	Nursery Supervisor: Christine Coulter
	Nursery Helpers: Kara Lizewski, Cheri Swets Annika Baker, Isaac Hubka
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Barb Hoekwater
	Coffee Servers: DeKoster, Trap
11:20a	Church School
11:30a	Adult Education: Conflict as Opportunity: Learning the Colossian Way. Presenter: Chris DeVos
4:00p	Light of Christ Community meets in the Fellowship Hall
6:30p	CYG meets in the Catacomb
<i>Tuesday, March 5</i>	
9:30a	Family Assistance
6:00p	Executive Committee meets in the Conference Room
6:30p	Building & Grounds Committee meeting
7:30p	Elders meeting in Room 16
<i>Ash Wednesday, March 6</i>	
7:00p	Worship Service in the Sanctuary
<i>Thursday, March 7</i>	
9:00a	Take Charge meeting
9:30a	Family Assistance
6:30p	Eastown Basketball
<i>Saturday, March 9</i>	
10:00a	Family Assistance open for volunteers
<i>Next Sunday, March 10 Daylight Savings Time begins</i>	
9:30a	Prayer Time (Prayer Room)
9:40a	Atrium Greeters: Bert & Sally DeVries
	East Greeters: Nate & Marissa Dierlam
	Nursery Supervisor: Kim Wierenga
	Nursery Helpers: Mike & Lisa TerBeek Lydia Tolsma, Abby Lizewski
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Church office hours: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM, Monday—Thursday  
 Bulletin deadline: Wednesday Noon  
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