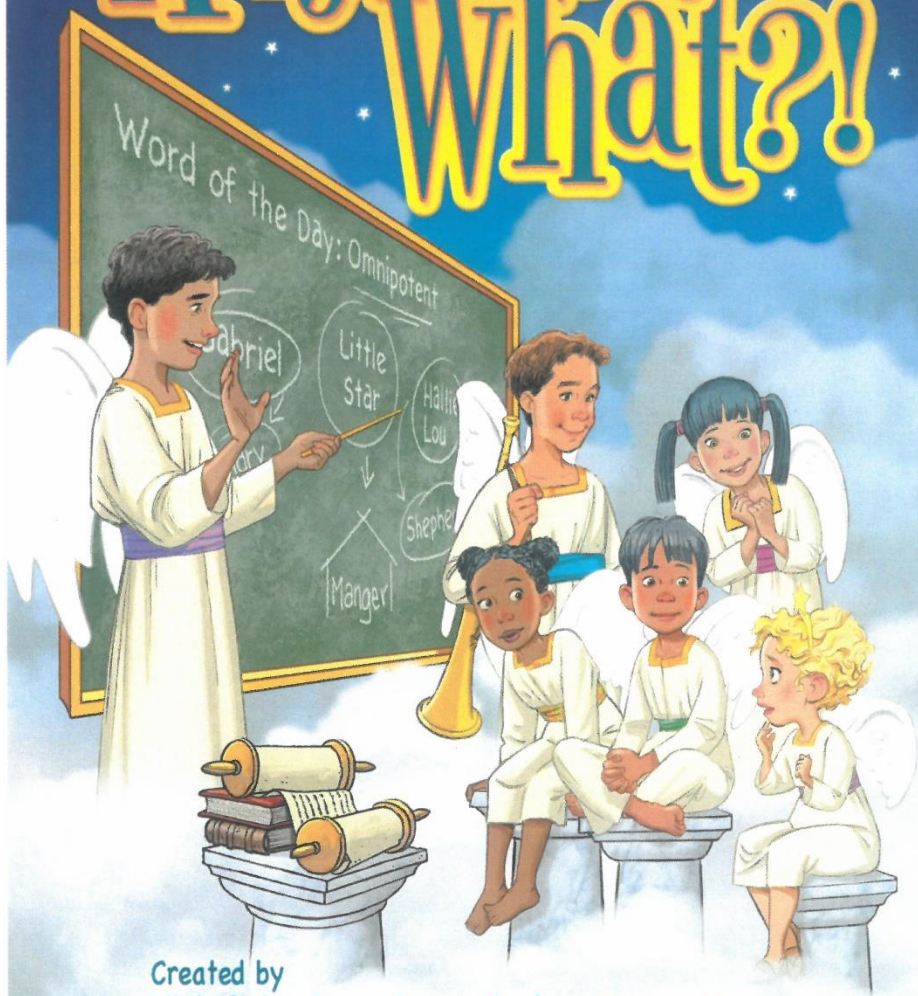


# Angels say What?!



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**GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP**

Prelude: "Noel en Trio et en Dialogue"  
 "Noel sur les jeux d'anche"

Louis-Claude Daquin  
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Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: "Gloria"

Cynthia Dobrinski

Procession of Light and Word

Lighting the candle of JOY

Lucy Molenbeek

Leader: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.

People: **Alleluia! Jesus is coming.**

Hymn: "Make Way"

(Congregation will join the choir for the refrain and stanzas 2-4.)

Make way, make way, for Christ the king in splen - dor ar - rives.  
 He comes the bro - ken hearts to heal, the pris - oners to free.  
 And those who mourn with heav - y hearts, who weep and sigh;  
 We call you now to wor - ship him as Lord of all,

Fling wide the gates and wel - come him in - to your lives.  
 The deaf shall hear, the lame shall dance, the blind shall see.  
 with laugh - ter, joy, and roy - al crown he'll beau - ti - fy.  
 to have no gods be - fore him; their thrones must fall.

*Choir*  
 Make way, make way, for the King of kings.

*Congregation*  
 Make way, make way, for the King of kings.

*Choir*  
 Make way, make way! And let his king - dom in.

*Congregation*  
 Make way, make way! And let his king - dom in.

Anthem: "Prepare the Way of the Lord"  
Prepare the way of the Lord.  
Light the candle, watch and pray,  
The Child of Joy will come to save.

Becki Slagle Mayo

Advent Reading and Prayer

Luke Spoelma, Charles Molenbeek

Anthem: "Let Every Heart Prepare a Throne"

Mark Patterson

(Congregation will join the choir for the final stanza.)

Let every heart prepare a throne for soon the Child of Light will come.

Let every voice prepare a song to welcome Christ the Promised One.

Let every hand reach out with love to greet this gift from God above.

Make ready now, the Savior comes, the Prince of Peace, the Promised One.

So, let the flame of Advent glow, each candle shines that all may know

The hope we need, so long foretold will soon be here for us to hold.



Let ev-ery heart pre-pare a throne for soon the



Child of Light will come. Let ev-ery voice pre-pare a



song to wel-come Christ the Prom - ised One.

From: *Let Every Heart Prepare a Throne* (CGA1320)

Text: Quoting from the first stanza of *Hark, the Glad Sound*, Phillip Doddridge, 1702-1751.

Music: Mark Patterson

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\* Opening Hymn: "Angels, from the Realms of Glory"

**#81:1-4**

\* God's Greeting

## WE CONFESS OUR SIN

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

\* Processional Hymn: "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"

**#80:1-3**



The angel said to Joseph, “Don’t worry about a thing;  
This holy child I speak of, is God’s great offering.  
The savior of the world, born for you and me;  
The hope we’re longing for, just you wait and see!”

## Scene 2

“Gloria”

Robertson, Clark, Wells

*Refrain*

Gloria, the Lord has come! Praise to the Anointed One!

Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o’er the plains;  
And the mountains in reply echoing their joyous strains!

Come to Bethlehem and see, he who makes the angels sing;  
Come adore on bended knee, Christ the Lord the newborn King!

TLC Angels: “Gloria in Excelsis Deo”

“Away in a Manger”

“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”

## Scene 3

“His Name Is Jesus”

Soloists: Allory Netz, Kate Rayburn

Shepherds come from far and wide,  
Wise men kneel down at his side;  
They all adore the holy babe.

They ask his name and heaven’s angels bow down to say. Call him:

*Refrain*

Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, our Hope is here;  
Prince of Peace has come to us, this gift is miraculous.  
Behold the child, his name is Jesus.

Whispers of the Father’s love, he’s the King God promised us;  
This is the one he sent to save. We praise his name!  
Let all the earth rejoice and proclaim! Singing:

## Scene 4

“Can’t Sing Loud Enough!”

Robertson, Clark, Wells

This is the day we will always remember,  
We celebrate the newborn Savior;

Over mountains, on the hills and everywhere,  
We are the ones, the first to share!

*Refrain*

Hallelujah! Jesus has come!

What a beautiful thing that love has done for us!

Hallelujah! Glorious One!

We lift him up and we can't sing loud enough!

God loved us so that he sent his salvation,

Now we can know his only son!

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!

Peace on earth, and mercy mild God and sinners reconciled."

Joyful, all ye nations, rise; join the triumph of the skies.

With angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem."

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

**WE RESPOND IN GRATITUDE**

\* Hymn of Response: "Angels We Have Heard on High"

**#82:1-3**

Presentation of Offerings and Passing of Friendship Pads

Offertory Prayer: Gord Vandenberg

Offering for the Ministry Fund

Offertory: "Were You There on That Christmas Night?"

arr Martha Lynn Thompson

**GOD SENDS US INTO THE WORLD**

\* Benediction

\* Doxology: "Angels, from the Realms of Glory"

**#81:5**

\* Postlude: "Noel Suisse"

Louis-Claude Daquin

Liturgists: Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys, Rev. Brad Zwierns

Organist: Kenneth Bos

Covenant and Cherub Choir Directors: Maria VandenBosch, Amy Netz

Joyringers Director: Melanie Tolsma

Ministry of Music: Joyringers and Children's Choirs

Choir Accompanist: Nancy Triezenberg

Hand Chimes: Annika Baker, Clara Tolsma, Lydia Tolsma

Instrumentalists: Julie Bowden, Sarah Colago, Ellen DeKoster, Corrin Meyer

Prelude: "Appalachian Christmas Carol" Mark Hayes; John Ness Beck

Welcome and Opening Prayer

\* God's Greeting

\* Opening Hymn: "Hark, the Glad Sound! The Savior Comes" #60:1-4

Hymnsing

Evening Canticle: Luke 1:46b-55 page 832

\* Hymn of Preparation: "Tell Out, My Soul" #364:1-4

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Matthew 11:2-11 page 792

Sermon: **A GREAT PROPHET OF LOWLINESS**

Prayer of Application

\* Hymn of Response: "Blessed Be the God of Israel" #67:1-3

\* Affirmation of Faith: The Nicene Creed back cover of hymnal

Evening Prayer and Offertory Prayer

Presentation of Offerings

Offerings for Community Care goals

Offertory: "Normandy Carol" Mark Hayes

\* Benediction

\* Doxology: "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #964

\* Postlude: "Carol of the Bells" Mark Hayes

Preaching Pastor: Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys

Pianist: Lisa Meyer

## Calvin CRC Announcements for December 15, 2019

### WORSHIP Today, 10 AM and 5 PM, Third Sunday of Advent

*Morning Worship:* Children from Calvin Church lead us in worship as they present the story of Christmas through a musical program, “Angels Say What?!”

*Evening Worship:* Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys preaches from Matthew 11:2-11, “A Great Prophet of Lowliness.”

**CHILDREN’S ADVENT BANNER** During Advent, the children are led to their own worship time with our Christ candle banner. The fabrics and colors remind us of “waiting” and “royalty” as we long for our Lord, the King of Kings. The Christ candle reminds us that Jesus is the Light of the world. Notice the light is going out in all directions—the Holy Spirit is active in each of us and throughout the entire world.

### WORSHIP Next Sunday, Fourth Sunday of Advent

*Morning worship:* Rev. Brad Zwiers will preach from Romans 1:1-7, “Advent Greeting.” The offering will be for Community Care goals.

*Evening worship:* The Festival Choir, Allegro Ringers, Joyringers, and Cherub and Covenant Choirs will lead us in a Candlelight Service of Lessons and Carols. The offering will be for Family Assistance.

### **Advent and Christmas worship schedule:**

December 25, Christmas Day:

10:00 AM: Pastor Rebecca preaches

December 29, 1st Sunday after Christmas:

AM: Pastor Rebecca preaches

No PM worship

December 31, New Year’s Eve:

7:00 PM: Pastor Brad preaches

### CHURCH FAMILY

**Al Bratt** (district 2) died on Wednesday, December 11. We pray for the Lord’s comfort for his wife Marilyn and his children and grandchildren, including Deb and Bruce Tiejema, Lisa and Dale Schipper (Emilia and Luke), Amy Tiejema, and Andrea Tiejema (district 1).

**Jane VanZytveld** (district 3) had a fall last week Sunday and broke her femur. She is at Raybrook for rehabilitation.



Thank you, Calvin Church, for your prayers and encouragement during our time of loss after the death of both our brother and grandfather. We are grateful to be supported by a community of resurrection hope.

*Love, Kyle Heys and Rebecca Jordan Heys, Jubilee and Lazarus*

Thank you for your prayers, visits, cards, and words of encouragement during my recent surgery and ongoing recovery.

*Rog Faber*

Blessings and Thanks for all the loving expressions of sympathy to our family with Tom's death. The caring shown to us was overwhelming and so appreciated. Tom often said he felt the prayers of the church and was very comforted by this.

*Sue Keegstra family*

## **CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES**

**TLC:** 2 - 4 year-olds Melanie Burghraef, Grace Poortenga, Grace Spoelma

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

**HOMEBOUND CARD BAGS:** A list of twenty-two homebound members is available at the table in the Narthex. Cards can be placed in the special bags until December 22.

**FAMILY SUPPER:** A light supper will be provided at church on December 18 for adults and their children, especially those involved in Wednesday evening programming. Vandenberg and Triezenberg will serve food from 5:00-6:30.

**FESTIVAL CHOIR:** We will meet in the balcony on Wednesday evenings, December 18, at 7:30 PM and on Saturday, December 21 at 10:30 AM to prepare for this year's Candlelight Service on December 22 at 5:00 PM. All interested singers are invited to join us—even if you cannot be at all of the rehearsals. Please talk to Ken Bos or any Sanctuary Choir member if you have questions.

**THE GIVING TREE:** KidsHope has a Christmas Tree with yellow stars hanging from its branches in the Atrium. Each star has a school supply item written on it. We would like you to take a star, purchase the item, bring it to church, and put it under the Giving Tree. Thank you!

**SEVERE WEATHER POLICY:** In case of severe weather and a need to cancel church activities during the week, the cancellation notice will be posted on News 8, WOOD-TV, [www.woodtv.com](http://www.woodtv.com), WOTV 4 and WXSP-TV by 3:00 PM. In addition, the church office will contact the choir directors or group leaders and notify them of the cancellation. If severe weather requires the cancellation of any worship service, notice will be posted at least one hour before the start of the scheduled service.


	<b><i>Today, Sunday, December 15, Third Sunday of Advent</i></b>
9:40a	Atrium Greeters: Mark & Wanda Sytsma
	East Greeters: Mike & Lisa TerBeek
	Nursery Supervisor: Christine Coulter
	Nursery Helpers: KaraMarie Lizewski, Karen Trap, Jacob Brink
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Lois Huisman
	Coffee Servers: Vanderhill, Burghgraef
11:30a	Colossian Way meets in the Conference Room
3:45p	Community Care/Social Justice Committee meets in the Lounge
6:30p	CYG Christmas Party at Lannings
	<b><i>Monday, December 16</i></b>
10-12p	Family Assistance
	<b><i>Tuesday, December 17</i></b>
9-3p	Family Assistance
	<b><i>Wednesday, December 18</i></b>
5:00p	Family Supper in the Fellowship Hall
5:30p	JoyRingers
6-8p	Family Assistance open for volunteers
6:15p	Cherub Choir <i>and</i> Covenant Choir (Coulter)
	Allegro Ringers
7:00p	GEMS and Cadets
7:30p	Festival Choir
	<b><i>Thursday, December 19</i></b>
9-3p	Family Assistance
	Wedding Reception set-up in the Fellowship Hall
	<b><i>Friday, December 20</i></b>
8:00a	Senior Men's Bible Study meets in the Atrium
	Wedding Reception in the Fellowship Hall
	<b><i>Saturday, December 21</i></b>
9:30a	Allegro Ringers practice
10:30a	Festival Choir practice
	<b><i>Next Sunday, December 22, Fourth Sunday of Advent</i></b>
9:30a	Prayer Time (Prayer Room)
9:40a	Atrium Greeters: Bruce & Deb Tiejema
	East Greeters: Ed & Melanie Tolsma
	Nursery Supervisor: Kim Wierenga
	Nursery Helpers: Kyle Heys, Merri Ezinga, Jacqueline Lanning
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Barb Hoekwater
	Coffee Servers: Rosema, Hubka
4:40p	Nursery: Kim Stapert, Kyle & Corey Visker, Henry TerBeek



**Growing in Discipleship ...  
...Transformed for Ministry**

**Welcome to Calvin Church**

*In Worship:*

- Our worship proceeds unannounced and follows the printed liturgy.
- Reprint and streaming licenses are One License A-730126 and CCLI#2532147.
- Our Advent banner visually proclaims the beginning of the liturgical year. Its design reflects a world awaiting the Messiah, with the circular form representing the familiar Scriptural metaphor—Light. Its implication is both past and present. As Israel did long ago, so are we to prepare ourselves and this world with steadfast minds and joyful hearts that he may return in the fullness of time.
- Large print resources are available at the Information Desk.
- Adult coloring pages are on the TRIP table in the Narthex.
- 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.
- Coloring pages and colored pencils are available at the table in the Narthex.

*Fellowship and Information:*

- Everyone is invited to the Fellowship Hall for refreshments following the morning service.
- "Like" us on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/CalvinChristianReformedChurch](http://www.facebook.com/CalvinChristianReformedChurch)
- All of our ministries are described in the colorful folders at the Information Desk near the nurseries.

Church office hours: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM, Monday—Thursday

Bulletin deadline: Wednesday Noon

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