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# **“Peter said to him, ‘Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; get up and make your bed!’” – Acts 9:34**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**\* Please stand in body or in spirit**

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**Ten o'clock**

**May 11, 2025**

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## **GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP**

Prelude: “At the Lamb’s High Feast”

Anne Krentz Organ; Terry Osman

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: “I Worship You, O God”

Text: Psalm 30, vers. James Seldon

Music: Norman L. Warren

I worship you, O God, for you have raised me up;

I cried to you for help, and you restored my life.

You brought me back from death and saved me from the grave.

My mourning you have turned to dancing and to joy;

my sadness you dispelled as gladness filled my soul.

And so I'll sing your praise, my God, through all my days.

\* Opening Hymns: “I Know that My Redeemer Lives”

“Because He Lives”

**#193:1,3,6,7**

**#361**

\* God's Greeting

## **WE CONFESS OUR SIN**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**All: Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave,  
you shattered the power of sin and death.**

**We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear,  
bound by the ways that lead to death.**

**We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn;**

**We are deaf to the cries of the oppressed,  
and indifferent to calls for peace;**

**we despise the weak, and abuse the earth you made.**

**Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power  
to change our lives and make us new,  
that we may know the joy of life abundant  
given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.**

Hymn of Confession: “Hear Our Prayer, O Lord”

**#884**

Assurance of Pardon

Ordination and Installation of Tom Prince as Deacon

\* Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles’ Creed

front cover of hymnal

\* Song of Response: “Gloria Patri”

**#961**

(children may come forward)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,  
as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen, amen.**

## **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: “Lift Up Your Hearts unto the Lord”

**#844:1-5**

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Acts 9:32-43

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Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon: **GET UP**

Prayer of Application

## CHRIST WELCOMES US TO THE TABLE

### The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts!

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: With joy we praise you, gracious God,  
for you have created heaven and earth,  
made us in your image, and kept covenant with us—  
even when we fell into sin.  
We give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
whose coming opened to us the way of salvation  
and whose triumphant return we eagerly await.  
Therefore, we join our voices  
with all the saints and angels and the whole creation  
to proclaim the glory of your name.

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest!**

Leader: You are holy, O God of majesty,  
and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.  
You sent him into this world  
to satisfy the longings of your people for a Savior,  
to bring freedom to the captives of sin,  
and to establish justice for the oppressed.  
He came among us as one of us,  
taking the lot of the poor, sharing human suffering.  
We rejoice that in his death and rising again,  
you set before us the sure promise of new life,  
the certain hope of a heavenly home  
where we will sit at table with Christ, our host.

Therefore, we proclaim our faith as signed and sealed in this sacrament:

**All: Christ has died!  
Christ is risen!  
Christ will come again!**

Leader: Lord, our God, send your Holy Spirit so that this bread and cup may be for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. May we and all your saints be united with Christ and remain faithful in hope and love. Gather your whole church, O Lord, into the glory of your kingdom.

\* Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.

**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.")*

Institution and Invitation

Distribution Anthem: "Do This in Remembrance of Me"

Text: I Corinthians 11

Music: Larry Visser

On the night he was betrayed, Christ took bread  
and, when he gave thanks, he broke it and said,  
"This is my body, which is for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper Christ took the cup,  
the new covenant in his blood; he poured it and said,  
"This is my blood, poured out for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me."

Prayer

**WE RESPOND IN GRATITUDE**

\* Hymn of Response: "In Christ Alone"

**#770:1-4**

\* Invitation to Offering: Ron Rozema

\* Offertory Prayer for Mission Outreach

Deacon: God, your generosity to us is abundant and gracious.  
Everything we have comes from you.

**All: Receive our gifts of our time, our selves, and our possessions.  
Help us to grow in gratitude and joy as we follow Jesus. Amen**

\* Benediction

\* Doxology: "To God Be the Glory"

**#956**

**To God be the glory, to God be the glory,**

**To God be the glory for the things he has done!**

**With his blood he has saved me; with his power he has raised me.**

**To God be the glory for the things he has done!**

**Amen.**

\* Postlude: "Voluntary in G Minor"

Thomas Roseingrave

Liturgist: Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys

Preaching Pastor: Rev. Brad Zwiers

Organist and Choir Director: Kenneth Bos

Pianist: Lisa Meyer

Ministry of Music: Sanctuary Choir

Scripture Reader: Karl VanHarn

Audio/Video: Don Buist, Steve Triezenberg

## **Calvin Church Announcements for May 11, 2025**

### **WORSHIP Today, 10 AM**

*Morning worship:* We celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, and Rev. Brad Zwiers preaches from Acts 9:32-43, "Get Up." The Sanctuary Choir leads us in music.

### **WORSHIP Next Sunday, May 18**

*Morning worship:* Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys will preach from Psalm 148, "All Praise." We will recognize our youth and education ministry leaders, and commission faith friend pairings for this coming year. Second graders who are finishing their time in Worship Center will receive Bibles as a gift, and several of our members will celebrate their Professions of Faith: Jenna Buist, Lane Molenbeek, Hannah Triezenberg, Kate Triezenberg, Aubrey Visker, Lydia Visker, and Abram Veldkamp. The offering will be for the Ministry Fund.

### **COUNCIL NEWS**

The first quarter 2025 financial summary is available on the Member Portal of the website.

**At the Council meeting** last Tuesday, May 6, the elders and deacons elected the following officers for the new Council term: President (Philip De Jonge), Vice President and Chair of the Elders (Rick Feenstra), Clerk (Bob Schoone-Jongen), Treasurer (Cindy Brink), Deacon Chair (Marissa Dierlam), and Deacon Vice Chair (Dan Hubka). The officers of Council, together with Pastors Rebecca and Brad, serve as the members of the Executive Committee.

**Classis Grand Rapids East** will meet this Thursday, May 15, 4:00 PM at Eastern Avenue Church. Calvin Church delegates are Minister Brad Zwiers, Elder LeRoy Stegink, and Deacon Jan Wilkins. This meeting will include the disaffiliation of ten congregations, including Calvin Church, from the Christian Reformed Church. Pray for the Holy Spirit's work to be evident to all present at this meeting.

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

**MAKING ROOM:** Join a book discussion of *Making Room: Recovering Hospitality as a Christian Tradition* by Christine Pohl. We will meet at 5 PM on Sundays May 11, May 18, and June 1. You can join for one, two, or all three weeks. Sign up at the table in the Narthex, where copies of the book are also available for \$20 payable to Calvin Church. Would you like to host one of the gatherings? Contact Pastor Rebecca. Tonight's gathering will be at Pastor Rebecca's house.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** We will meet this Wednesday, May 14, 1:30-3:00 PM, in room 1. We will discuss week six: Ephesians 4:1-16. Contact Pastor Rebecca with questions.

**NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN-UP:** Spring Clean Up at Carlton Lofts, supportive housing in the former Fulton Manor. Friday, May 16 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 AM Sign up here! <https://givepul.se/rn6yjq>  
Address: 1450 Fulton Street East. Details: Join us for a rewarding volunteer activity at Carlton Lofts as we welcome the spring season! This is a wonderful opportunity to give back to the community, enjoy the fresh air, and make new friends. Whether you have a green thumb or just want to lend a helping hand, your participation will make a significant difference. All necessary tools and supplies will be provided. Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a pair of gloves if you have them. Activities Include: Leaf Raking: Help us clear the fallen leaves to make the grounds look neat and tidy. Weeding: Assist in removing weeds to ensure our gardens and green spaces thrive. General Yard Clean-Up: Participate in various tasks to spruce up the outdoor areas, making them more enjoyable for everyone.

### **REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**The Choral Scholars concert:** Saturday, May 17, 7:00 PM at Central Reformed Church, 20 College Ave NE. As a continuation of the theme of our Advent concert, "O Emmanuel," The Choral Scholars (of which Pastor Rebecca is a member) invite you to a concert celebrating the many ways that we experience "God With Us." Featuring choral works by Elgar, Part, Lauridsen, and Byrd, we hope you will join us for an evening of song illuminating God's presence in creation, Christ, each other, and music.

# CALENDAR

	<i><b>Today, Sunday, May 11</b></i>
9:40a	Nursery Lead: Cindy Brink
	Nursery Volunteers: Cindy Burch, Kate Triezenberg
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Kristy Ippel
	Coffee Servers: Paul Bulthuis, Judy Alphenaar
11:20a	Worship and Wonder in Room 9
12:00p	St. Luke A.M.E. Zion Church meets in the Sanctuary
	Calvin host for St. Luke: Cindy Brink
	<i><b>Monday, May 12</b></i>
6:00p	AA meeting in Room 16
	<i><b>Tuesday, May 13</b></i>
9:00a	Family Assistance
6:00p	AA meeting in Room 16
	<i><b>Wednesday, May 14</b></i>
1:30p	Women's Bible Study in Room 1
6:00p	AA meeting in Room 16
7:00p	Sanctuary Choir rehearsal in the Balcony
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	<i><b>Thursday, May 15</b></i>
9:00a	Family Assistance
6:00p	AA meeting in Room 16
	<i><b>Friday, May 16</b></i>
6:00p	AA meeting in Room 16
	<i><b>Saturday, May 17</b></i>
9:00a	WMDA meet in Room 1
	<i><b>Next Sunday, May 18</b></i>
9:40a	Nursery Lead: Gwen Overbeek
	Nursery Volunteers: Beth Veldkamp, Claire Veldkamp
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Suzi Steketee
	Coffee Servers: Bob and Beth Schoone-Jongen
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