



# Pentecost Sunday

Church office hours: 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM, Monday—Thursday  
Bulletin deadline: Wednesday Noon  
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# **“All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, ‘What does this mean?’” ~Acts 2:12**

**Ordinary Time**

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**Ten o'clock**

**June 8, 2025**

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## **GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP**

Prelude: “Holy Spirit, Light Divine”

Joseph Clokey; Raymond H. Haan; John Leavitt

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: “Be Thou with Me”

Text: Mack Harrell

Music: J.S. Bach

Be Thou with me, dear Lord and Father,  
my life and soul dost thou restore.  
Oh, how blest are we, thy children,  
when in thy spirit living, moving,  
thy power to prove forever more!

\* Opening Hymns: “Spirit Working in Creation”

**#235:1-3**

“Wind Who Makes All Winds that Blow”

**#239:1-3**

\* God’s Greeting

## **WE CONFESS OUR SIN**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession: (from the worship sourcebook)

Leader: Gracious God, who pours out freely the gift of your Holy Spirit:  
we confess before you and to each other  
that we have failed to recognize this most precious gift.  
We have been satisfied with ordinary things,  
suspicious of unfamiliar things, and blind to spiritual things.

**All: Cleanse us, O God, with your celestial fire.**

**Burn away our presumptuous self-sufficiency,  
and open us in faith to receive the renewing touch of your hand.  
Amen.**

\* Assurance of Pardon

\* Hymn of Assurance: “Not What My Hands Have Done”

#624:1-3

\* Affirmation of Faith: The Nicene Creed

back cover of hymnal

\* Song of Response: “Glory Be to the Father”

#961

(Children may come forward during this hymn.)

**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?

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

Children: And also with you.

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

Anthem: “If God Be for Us, Who Can Be Against Us” from “Messiah”

Music: G. F. Handel, Text: Romans 8:31,33,34.

If God be for us who can be against us?

Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God’s elect?

It is God that justifieth.

Who is he that condemneth? If is Christ that died, ye rather,

that is risen again, who is at the right hand of God,

who makes intercession for us.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession, concluding with the Lord’s Prayer

**All: Our Father in heaven,**

**hallowed be your name.**

**Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.**

**Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.**

**Amen.**

\* Hymn of Preparation: “O Word of God Incarnate”

#757:1-2

Prayer for Illumination

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon: **WHAT DOES PENTECOST MEAN?**

Prayer of Application

## **WE RESPOND IN GRATITUDE**

\* Hymn of Response: "Spirit of Gentleness"

**#238:1-4**

\* Invitation to Offering: Elly Nyhof

\* Offertory Prayer for the Ministry Fund

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: "We Receive Your Blessing" (sing once)

**#947**

**We receive your blessing; we receive your grae,  
as we walk in the light shining from your face.  
May the peace that you give change the way that we live.  
We receive your blessing as we leave this place.  
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise him, all creatures here below.  
Praise him above, you heavenly hosts.  
Praise Father, Son, and praise the Holy Ghost.  
We receive your blessing as we leave this place. Amen.**

\* Postlude: "Postlude for Whitsunday"

Eric H. Thiman

Liturgist: Rev. Kelly Buist

Preaching Pastor: Rev. Karl Van Harn

Organist: Kenneth Bos

Ministry of Music: Kathleen Veenstra Pool

Scripture Reader: Suzi Steketee

Audio/Video: Graham Rayburn, Arc Frisch

Dutch benediction: Elly Nyhof

Kinyarwanda benediction: Justine Ruvuna

Tsuva'di benediction: Jan Dykgraaf

ZwaTiv benediction: Dave Dykgraaf

American Sign Language benediction: Lisa Meyer

## ***Calvin Church Announcements for June 8, 2025***

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

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*Morning worship:* On this Pentecost Sunday, Rev. Karl Van Harn preaches from Acts 2:1-21, "What Does Pentecost Mean?" We welcome Kathleen Veenstra Pool to lead us in music.

### **WORSHIP Next Sunday, June 15**

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*Morning worship:* We will welcome Rev. David Kromminga as he preaches from Matthew 8:1-17, "A Spectacular Healing". We will also welcome Bill Bokhout to lead us in ministry of music. The offering will be for Missions.

**Staff Notes:** Pastor Rebecca is on vacation June 4-17. Pastor Brad will be in New Mexico with the CYG June 7-13.

### **COUNCIL NEWS**

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There is a "Coffee with the Council President" TODAY, at 11:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall to keep our congregation informed on next steps and for our elders and deacons to hear questions and comments.

The Council has scheduled a brief **Congregational Meeting** after the worship service on Sunday, June 22. The sole purpose of this meeting is to approve a change in our Articles of Incorporation. It is a legal requirement that when a church changes its denominational affiliation new Articles of Incorporation must be filed with the State of Michigan. The only substantial changes in the new Articles of Incorporation pertain to the deletion of references to the CRCNA. Any change in Articles of Incorporation must be approved by a 2/3rds majority of the congregation. The proposed Articles of Incorporation are posted for your preview on the Bulletin Board in the Atrium. Copies are also available on TRIP table in the Narthex or ask for an emailed copy from the church office. If you have any questions, please contact Philip De Jonge or Peter Kok.

**Office Administrator transition:** After 13 years of wonderful service to Calvin Church, our office administrator Kim Fredricks plans to retire in August. We will have opportunities to recognize and thank her in the coming weeks. Meanwhile, we begin the search for her successor. Please share the following job posting widely:

Calvin Church ([calvincrc.org](http://calvincrc.org), 700 Ethel Ave SE) seeks a part-time Office Administrator. This is an excellent opportunity to support a warm and neighborhood-focused church in their mission, and to join a collaborative and supportive staff team. The office administrator will work 26 hours a week in the areas of reception, records keeping, publishing, schedule coordination, and general office support. Please send a resume and cover letter to [office@calvincrc.org](mailto:office@calvincrc.org). Applications received by June 23 will be given priority.

## **CHURCH FAMILY**

**Ruth Kamminga** and her extended family would like to express their deep appreciation for all the love and concern shown to Ruth and Tom at the time of Tom's illness and passing. We are comforted that Tom is with his Lord and Savior.

*Kamminga family*

## **CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES**

**The CYG** is headed to Rehoboth, New Mexico this summer! From June 7-June 13 we'll be helping to lead a youth camp associated with Rehoboth Christian School. Please pray for the Holy Spirit to guide our trip. Here are the trip participants: Andrew Brink, Jacob Brink, Jenna Buist, Hosanna Ippel, Kate Rayburn, Kate Triezenberg, Owen VanderWerf, Aubrey Visker, Lydia Visker, Erin Hubka, Corey Visker, and Brad Zwiers.

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

**SUMMER HOURS:** From June 16–August 21 the office will close at 3:00 PM.

**ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO MEET THE NEIGHBORS** is coming this summer. Mark your calendar for Wednesday, July 10 (5-7 PM). Summer Splash will have good food, fun games, and a chance to make connections with our Calvin Church neighbors.

**SUMMER CHOIR:** Please save the date of July 27 for our annual Summer Choir! This year's music will be accessible for singers of all ages, and we invite children, young adults, and older folk to help create an intergenerational choir for a beautiful and worshipful time of making music together. We will meet at 9:00 AM in the balcony to prepare our pieces for the 10:00 AM service on this date.

## **REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Area Churches and the LEMA Institute would like to invite you to the **ALL Nations Pentecost Sunday Service** to be held at Calvin University Chapel, Grand Rapids TODAY at 6:00 PM. On this Pentecost Sunday, we celebrate our unity as one family of God and our shared mission as the church empowered by the Holy Spirit to spread the gospel to ALL Nations. All are welcome.

**Edwin de Jong's photojournalism retrospective, *Imago Dei***, will open with a public reception, 2-5 PM, Saturday, June 14, at Monroe Community Church, 1020 Monroe Ave NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503. This solo exhibition features Ed's 1980s and 1990s photojournalistic reporting from more than 30 countries, primarily for Christian Reformed World Missions, CRWRC, and *The Banner*. The exhibition runs June 16 through August 28, 2025, Monday-Thursday, 9 AM – 3 PM, and 5-8 PM on June 19, July 17, August 21.  
[www.facebook.com/share/169V4ht1rB](https://www.facebook.com/share/169V4ht1rB).

# CALENDAR

	<i><b>Today, Sunday, June 8</b></i>
9:40a	Nursery Lead: Gwen Overbeek
	Nursery Volunteers: Rosmary Stevenson, Jeremiah Lizewski
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Judy Stoner
	Coffee Servers: Gord and Jane VandenBerg
11:30a	Coffee with the Council President in the Fellowship Hall
12:00p	St. Luke A.M.E. Zion Church meets in the Sanctuary
6:00p	All Nations Pentecost Service at Calvin University Chapel
	<i><b>Monday, June 9</b></i>
6:00p	AA meeting in Room 16
	<i><b>Tuesday, June 10</b></i>
9:00a	Family Assistance
6:00p	AA meeting in Room 16
6:00p	Executive Committee meets in the Conference Room
7:30p	Elders meet in the Atrium
	<i><b>Wednesday, June 11</b></i>
6:00p	AA meeting in Room 16
	<i><b>Thursday, June 12</b></i>
9:00a	Family Assistance
6:00p	AA meeting in Room 16
	<i><b>Friday, June 13</b></i>
6:00p	AA meeting in Room 16
	<i><b>Next Sunday, June 15</b></i>
9:40a	Nursery Lead: Kathy Cok
	Nursery Volunteers: Tom Prince, Alison Coulter
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Mary Calsbeek
	Coffee Servers: Don and Karen Trap
11:30a	Meet the Missionaries; David Kromminga and Mary Buyten in Room 1
12:00p	St. Luke A.M.E. Zion Church meets in the Sanctuary



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

### **Welcome to Calvin Church**

#### **In Worship:**

- Our worship proceeds unannounced and follows the printed liturgy.
- All are welcome! Everyone—regardless of age, race, ethnicity, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, or gender identity—is welcome to participate fully in every aspect of our church life.
- Reprint and streaming licenses are One License A-730126, CCLI#2532147, and CSPL#175060.
- The symbols of the dove and flames on the Pentecost banner convey the coming of the Holy Spirit. The shimmering effect suggests the presence and action of the Holy Spirit.
- Large-print resources are available at the Information Desk.
- Our facility is equipped with the Loop hearing system.



#### **For Children:**

- Infant and toddler nurseries are available.
- 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.
- “Like” us on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/CalvinChristianReformedChurch](http://www.facebook.com/CalvinChristianReformedChurch)
- Subscribe to our YouTube channel: [youtube.com/@calvincrc/streams](http://youtube.com/@calvincrc/streams)

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