



THIRD SUNDAY  
*In Lent*

**March 4, 2018**

**Worship Services: 10 AM and 5 PM**

# **“Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.” Psalm 19:14**

## **Third Sunday in Lent**

Preaching Pastor: The Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys  
Children’s Message: Mark Vanderhill  
Organist and Choir Director: Kenneth Bos  
Ministry of Music: Sanctuary Choir  
Soloists: Kathryn Becksvoort and Carmen Kruyf  
Accompanist: Lisa Meyer  
Scripture Reader: Allyson Koeman  
Lenten Readers: Bobby Houskamp, Erin Hubka

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**Ten o’clock**

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### **GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP**

Prelude: “Voluntary in A Minor” John Stanley  
“Voluntary in A Major” John Stanley

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: “God Is Here Today” C. Michael Hawn  
God is here today; as certain as the air I breathe,  
As certain as the morning sun that rises,  
As certain when I sing you’ll hear my song.

\* Opening Hymns: “The Heavens Declare Your Glory” #3:1-3  
“As the Deer” #503

\* God’s Greeting

### **WE CONFESS OUR SIN**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon #636 and #635

Lenten Hymn of Assurance: “Behold the Lamb of God” #110:1,14  
Verse 1: Choir, verses 6 & 7: Readers, Verse 14: Congregation

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

\* Song of Response: “O God, We Kneel Before Your Throne” #680:1-4  
(Children may come forward during the singing of this song.)

# 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.**

Anthem: "I Waited for the Lord"

Felix Mendelssohn

I waited for the Lord, he inclined unto me.

He heard my complaint.

O blest are they that hope and trust in the Lord.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

\* Hymn of Preparation: "God's Glory Fills the Heavens"

**#719:1,3**

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Proclamation: Psalm 19

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Sermon: **WORLD, WORD, AND YOU**

Prayer of Application

## WE RESPOND IN GRATITUDE

\* Hymn of Response: "For Freedom, Christ Has Set Us Free"

**#679:1-3**

Presentation of Offerings and Passing of Friendship Pads

Offertory Prayer: Cindy Brink

Offering for Inner City Christian Federation

Offertory: "Through Adam's Fall"

Gottfried August Homilius

\* Benediction

\* Doxology: "Now Blessed Be the Lord Our God"

**#953:1-2**

**Now blessed be the Lord our God, the God of Israel,**

**For he alone does wondrous works: his glorious deeds excel;**

**For he alone does wondrous works: his glorious deeds excel.**

**And blessed be his glorious name through all eternity;**

**The whole earth let his glory fill: Amen! so shall it be;**

**The whole earth let his glory fill: Amen! so shall it be.**

\* Postlude: "Psalm 19"

Benedetto Marcello

## Calvin CRC Announcements for March 4, 2018

### WORSHIP Today, 10 AM and 5 PM

*Morning Worship:* The Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys preaches from Psalm 19, and the Sanctuary Choir leads us in music.

The Worship Committee has been soliciting song suggestions from our young people to use in our worship services. This morning we will be singing #503, which was requested by Grace Poortenga.

*Evening Worship:* We celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, and the Rev. Laura Smit preaches from Ephesians 5.

### WORSHIP Next Sunday, March 11

*Morning worship:* The Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys will continue our series on the spiritual disciplines with a sermon from Matthew 6:16-18 on fasting. The offering will be for Mission Outreach.

*Evening worship:* We will celebrate and pray for our KidsHope USA ministry. Lisa Meyer will preach, and the Junior Bells will lead us in music. We'll have a time of refreshments and fellowship after worship, and we'll be joined by our friends from Fuller Ave CRC who share our KidsHope ministry at Campus Elementary School. The offering will be for Exalta Health Services.

### CHURCH FAMILY

The flowers in the sanctuary are in memory of Rev. William and Charlotte Muller who were long time missionaries in Brazil and for Elizabeth Muller, "Tante Lies" to us and many others. *Hans and Gert Bokhout*

The Boses and the Rayburns have traded houses! You can now find **Ken & Fay Bos** at 2037 Chesaning Drive SE while **Graham, Rachel, Kate, and Jack Rayburn** are at 1963 North Shiawassee Drive SE.

**John & June Primus** have a new email address: [june.primus@gmail.com](mailto:june.primus@gmail.com)

Our condolences to **Karen & Gord Bordewyk** (district 10). Karen's mother, Betty DeHaan, age 91, passed away peacefully on Monday, February 26.

We also extend our sympathy to **LeRoy and Anjean Stegink** (district 10) on the passing of LeRoy's mother, Evelyn Stegink, who was grandmother to **Gwen and Curt Overbeek** (district 10) and great grandmother to **Hannah and Nick**.

## **CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES**

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### **TLC and CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:**

2 - 4 year-olds "David & Goliath" Kim, Morgan

Kindergarten "Jesus the King"

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> grade "Parable of the Two Sons"

Worship Center children are encouraged to continue their giving for missions and to bring their offerings for Family Assistance each Sunday.

**CYG:** We meet tonight at 6:30 PM in the Catacomb.

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

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*Today*—**ADULT EDUCATION:** Homes Initiative

Presenter: Ryan VerWys CEO, President, Inner City Christian Federation

The presentation will explore the affordable housing crisis we are currently experiencing in Grand Rapids. You will learn how ICCF got started after the 1967 race riots, when racial discrimination, unfair lending practices, and laws prevented minorities from having adequate housing. For forty-four years, ICCF has provided affordable housing solutions and services for low to moderate income families and individuals.

*Next Sunday*—**ADULT EDUCATION:** Germany's "Problem": Immigration, History, and Christian Responsibility. Presenter: Wally Bratt

Germany's recent elections have shown that a significant number of citizens apparently do not share Chancellor Angela Merkel's uniquely generous attitude toward immigrants, which the country has welcomed in unprecedented numbers. This presentation will attempt to delve into some of the historical roots of both Merkel's welcoming of foreigners and the electorate's apparent present skepticism as to her policy.

**COLLEGE LUNCH:** Julie and Bert Bowden are serving lunch at their home (2032 Lake Dr. SE) at 12:00 PM. We would love for all who are able and available to join.

**FISH FOR MY PEOPLE:** FISH day for Calvin Church is Thursday, March 8. Volunteer drivers can expect a call on March 7 if you are needed. With thanks.

**FAMILY SUPPER:** A light supper will be provided at church on March 7 for adults and their children, especially those involved in Wednesday evening programming. A donation from each family will cover the cost of the meal. Districts 1 and 2 will serve food from 5:00-6:30, and provide nursery care from 5:30-7:00.

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME:** Set your clocks forward one hour on Saturday so you won't miss our morning worship service on March 11!

**SOUP SUPPER:** CYG Soup Supper will be Wednesday, March 21. If you're willing and able to bring soup, we would deeply appreciate it. If you're interested in helping, please sign up at the TRIP table or send Bailey an email at calvinyouthline@calvincrc.org

**SAVE THE DATE:** Lenten Breakfast is March 28 at 9:30 AM (details to come). Once again we remember our Lord's journey to the cross and we do so in solemn reflection through fellowship, music and spoken word. Romans 3:25a, 26b “. . . God presented Jesus as the sacrifice for sin. People are made right with God when they believe that Jesus sacrificed his life, shedding his blood . . . he declares sinners to be right in his sight when they believe in Jesus.”

**COMMUNITY CARE/SOCIAL JUSTICE:** Do you have a passion for social justice issues? And a heart to “bring good news to the poor” and disenfranchised? Consider joining the Community Care/Social Justice committee. We meet once a month to focus on doing God's will in our broken world. Questions? Contact Bob DeVries, Donna Houskamp, Bobbie Talsma, Jim Grayson, Dave and Jan Dykgraaf, Joanie Rosema, Elaine VanKley, or Cindy Lanning Burch.

# CALENDAR

	<b><i>Today, Sunday, March 4, Third Sunday in Lent</i></b>
9:30a	Prayer Time (Prayer Room)
9:40a	Atrium Greeters: Dwight & Tammy Baker
	East Greeters: Rich & Fran Baker
	Nursery Supervisor: Rachel Rayburn
	Nursery Helpers: Wanda Sytsma, Kyle Heys Isaac Hubka, Annika Baker
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Simone Gibson
	Coffee Servers: Schoone-Jongen, Sytsma
11:20a	Church School
11:30a	Adult Education: Homes Initiative. Presenter: Ryan VerWys
12:00p	College Lunch at the Bowden's
6:30p	CYG in the Catacomb
	<b><i>Tuesday, March 6</i></b>
9:30a	Family Assistance
6:00p	Executive Committee meeting in the Conference Room
6:30p	Building and Grounds Committee meeting
7:30p	Elders meeting in Room 1
	<b><i>Wednesday, March 7</i></b>
5:00p	Family Supper in the Fellowship Hall
5:30p	Junior Bells
6:15p	Cherub Choir <i>and</i> Covenant Choir (Triezenberg) Allegro Ringers
7:00p	GEMS, Cadets, and 78ers
7:30p	Sanctuary Choir
	<b><i>Thursday, March 8</i></b>
9:00a	Take Charge meeting
9:30a	Family Assistance
6:30p	Eastown Basketball
	<b><i>Saturday, March 10</i></b>
10:00a	KidsHope USA Bowling Party
5:45p	Connections Club Outing
	<b><i>Next Sunday, March 11, Fourth Sunday in Lent</i></b>
9:30a	Prayer Time (Prayer Room)
9:40a	Atrium Greeters: Elaine Bardolph, Lorraine Warlick
	East Greeters: Warren & Joanne Boer
	Nursery Supervisor: Kim Wierenga
	Nursery Helpers: Dale & Joanie Rosema Carolyn Prince, Ella Jansen
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Ruth Kamps
	Coffee Servers: Feenstra, Jansen
11:20a	Church School
11:30a	Adult Education: Germany's "Problem": Immigration, History, and Christian Responsibility. Presenter: Wally Bratt
3:30p	Light of Christ Community meets in the Fellowship Hall



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

### **Welcome to Calvin Church**

#### **In Worship:**

- Our worship proceeds unannounced and follows the printed liturgy.
- The black dominating our Lenten banner symbolizes the death of our Lord. The red expresses Christ's suffering; the branch is a symbol of His crown of thorns. These symbols are not meant to be concerned only with death and suffering; the thorny branch is white and flowering to indicate that from suffering triumph will come, and the red orb symbolizes Christ's victory. Just as the sun illumines, quickens and comforts, so Christ as the "Son of Righteousness" gives new life to His own.
- 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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