



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

August 9, 2015

Sunday Worship 10:00 AM & 5:00 PM

Welcome to Calvin Church

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 growth in this season of the church year.
- 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 prior to the morning worship.
- Children's Bulletins are in the holder in the narthex.

Fellowship and Information:

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

Church office hours: 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM, Monday—Thursday

Bulletin deadline: Wednesday Noon

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**“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God,
who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.**

Revelation 1:8

The Season of Ordinary Time

Ten o'clock

August 9, 2015

Prelude: Preludes on “Holy, Holy, Holy” [#538]

Allen George Biester; Austin C. Lovelace; Harald Rohlig; Dennis Janzer

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: “People, Clap Your Hands”

Geneva, 1551

People, clap your hands, shout with cries of joy!

For the Lord most high, king of all the earth,

Rules in every land with a mighty hand.

Our inheritance is his gift of love.

Lord of lord's is he; his the victory!

We shall reign with him through eternity.

* A Call to Worship and Greeting:

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* Opening Hymns:

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

#538:1-4

“Lord Most High” (Men start, Women echo)

#593

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

Call to Confession:

Our sworn enemies – the world, our own flesh, and the devil –
are not always obvious opponents. They are shifty prowlers, usually
hidden and wickedly crafty. So may we be wise to their schemes but
mostly alert to God's grace.

Prayer of Confession (based on Peter 5:7-10)

Precious Savior, may we cast all our anxiety on you,
because you care for us. Keep us grounded and alert, for like a roaring
lion our adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to
devour. May we resist him, and be steadfast in our faith. Yet as we have
failed along the way, we are not without hope. As we confess our sins to
you, you have promised that by your grace for sinners, that in Christ, you
will restore, support, strengthen, and establish us. Hear us now and we
plead for forgiveness for our sins: *silent prayers of confession*.
In the precious name of Christ we come to you, Amen.

Hymn of Assurance: “How Blest Are They Whose Trespass”

#669:1

* Affirmation of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 56
What do you believe concerning “the forgiveness of sins?”

**I believe that God,
because of Christ’s satisfaction,
will no longer remember
any of my sins
or my sinful nature
which I need to struggle against all my life.**

**Rather, by grace
God grants me the righteousness of Christ
to free me forever from judgment.**

PRAISE AND PRAYER

* Song of Response: “How Great Is the Love of the Father” #683:1-3
(Kindergarten—4th grade children may come forward during the singing of this song.)

Message for Children

Anthem: “At the Name of Jesus” [#220:1,3,4,6] Dr. Ralph Vaughan Williams

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

PREPARATION AND PROCLAMATION

* Hymn of Preparation: “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” #56:1-4

Presentation of Offerings and Passing of Friendship Pads

Mission Report and Offertory Prayer

Offering: Mission Outreach

Offertory: “The King Shall Come when Morning Dawns” [#476]

Wilbur Held; David N. Johnson

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Revelation 1:1-8

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Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: **Revelation: What Can We Expect?**

Prayer of Application

* Hymn of Response: “To God Be the Glory”

#604:1-2

* Benediction

* Doxology: “To God Be the Glory”

#604:3

**Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer and higher and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.**

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**Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory; great things he has done.
Amen.**

* Postlude: “Preludium e Fuga in C Minor”

Jan Zach

Preacher: Rev. Douglas MacLeod
Organist: Kenneth Bos
Ministry of Music: Chuck Witteveen

Five o'clock

August 9, 2015

Prelude: “German Dances”

Franz Schubert

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Call to Worship: “I Will Lift Mine Eyes”

Antonin Dvořák

I will lift mine eyes up to the mountains whence cometh my help.
My help cometh from God who hath made the earth and the heavens.
He will not suffer thy feet to be moved nor thy steps to stumble.
He that keepeth thee will not slumber.
Behold, the keeper of Israel is he that slumbers not nor sleeps.

* God's Greeting

* Opening Hymn: “I Will Sing of My Redeemer”

#568:1-4

Revised Common Lectionary reading: Psalm 130

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Anthem: "Turn Thee to Me"

Antonin Dvořák

Turn thee to me and have mercy, for I am desolate and sore distressed.
Great, great are the sorrows of my heart;
Bring me out of my distress, bring me out of my distress.
Oh be merciful, look on my sorrow,
See mine affliction and forgive me all my wickedness.
Oh, keep my soul in safety and deliver me.
Let me never be confounded for my hope is in thee,
For my hope is in thee, in thee.

* Hymn of Preparation: "Just As I Am, Without One Plea"

#627:1-4

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Genesis 15:7-21

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Reader: This is the Word of the Lord,

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: **It All Depends on God**

Prayer of Application

* Hymn of Response: "Not What My Hands Have Done"

#624:1-3

* Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed

Evening Prayer and Offertory Prayer

Presentation of Offerings

Offering for Global Gifts

Offertory: "Just As I Am" [#627]

Aaron David Miller

* Benediction

* Doxology: "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

#572:1,4

**Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation,
The God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation.
My soul with comfort rich he fills, and every grief he gently stills:
To God all praise and glory!**

**We sought the Lord in our distress; O God, in mercy hear us.
Our Savior saw our helplessness and came with peace to cheer us.
For this we thank and praise the Lord, who is by one and all adored:
To God all praise and glory! Amen.**

* Postlude: "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" [#572]

Gail Wasson

Preaching Pastor: Rev. Douglas MacLeod

Pianist: Kenneth Bos

Ministry of Music: Trudi Huizenga

Calvin CRC Announcements for August 9, 2015

WORSHIP Today, August 9

Morning Worship: Rev. MacLeod begins a series from the book of Revelation asking "What Can We Expect?" based on Revelation 1:1-8. We welcome soloist Chuck Witteveen, a member of the *Grand Rapids Choir of Men and Boys* since 2003. Our offerings are for Mission Outreach.

Evening Worship: "It All Depends on God" is Rev. MacLeod's message from Genesis 15:7-21. Trudi Huizinga is our soloist. Our offerings are for Global Gifts.

WORSHIP Next Sunday, August 16

Morning Worship: Rev. MacLeod will preach from Revelation 1:9-20, "Welcome to the Real World." The Sherman Street Quartet will join us and our offerings will be for Ministry Fund.

Evening Worship: Genesis 16 Our worship will begin with congregational selections for a hymnsing. The story in Genesis 16 mirrors Genesis 3 and Rev. MacLeod will unpack this interesting story in a message titled "Waiting on God."

Our offerings will be for The Micah Center.

STAFF NOTES: Pastor Rebecca is on vacation and returns this coming weekend. Char Bulthuis is on vacation this week. While Kim Fredricks is on vacation for the next two weeks Cindy Lanning Burch will be filling in.

PREACHING SCHEDULE

August 23	AM	Rev. Jordan Heys	John 6:56-69
	PM	Rev. MacLeod	Genesis 17
August 30	AM	Rev. MacLeod	Revelation 2:1-7
	PM	Rev. MacLeod	Genesis 18:1-15
September 6	AM	Rev. MacLeod	Revelation 12:10-11, Romans 8:1 Communion
	PM	Combined Service at Plymouth CRC	

CHURCH FAMILY

Congratulations to **Lisa Tiejema and Dale Schipper** who were united in marriage at Calvin Church, yesterday. May God bless their union!

Chase Burghgraef (district #6) made very good progress this week following last week's car accident. After vertebrae and jaw surgeries he was moved to Mary Free Bed hospital on Wednesday, August 5 for therapies.

Pastor Bob Koornneef (district #5) appreciates the many cards and visits as he continues his healing time for a broken pelvis. He welcomes your call before you visit: 974-5763, he is in room #122 at Heather Hills.

Bob Schoone-Jongen (district #4) was released from the hospital on Wednesday, August 5.

Ed Walhout is scheduled for hip replacement surgery tomorrow, August 10.

Gert Bokhout (district #6) was expecting to have a cardiac stent put in place this past Monday but the heart catheterization revealed more blockages such that she'll need to have by-pass surgery which will be scheduled in a few weeks.

The flowers in the sanctuary today are placed in honor of **Gordon and Sylvia Bordewyk's** 65th wedding anniversary with love by their children.

Bruce & June Klanderman (district #8) have moved to apartment #4024 in Raybrook Estates II, 2105 Raybrook SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49546.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK: 8/11 Miles Jansen (41)

PARTICIPATION/RELEASE FORMS: Each year, we need to have an updated 2015/2016 Participation/Release Form on record for families with children in the 2nd through 12th grades at Calvin CRC. Extra forms can be found at the Information Desk, or emailed to you. Please contact Char or Kim in the church office. Please complete and place the form in either Char's box or the Policy Box near the staff boxes by August 16. Thank you.

MEETINGS, ACTIVITIES, AND EVENTS

CALLING ALL SENIORS: Cool off in the air conditioned reserved room at The Omelette Shoppe in Breton Village at 8:30 tomorrow morning. You won't want to miss the fellowship and friendly conversation.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP meets this Wednesday, August 12, at 4:00 pm in the conference room to discuss future plans. Any one supporting somebody or personally dealing with cancer is welcome to join.

COURIER ARTICLES: Articles for September are due to Clare Walhout (clarewalhout@gmail.com) by Thursday, August 20.

CONNECTIONS CLUB: If you are between the ages of 25–45 and looking to make deeper connections with your fellow church members, please consider attending events of Connections Club. We will meet the 3rd Saturday evening of every month for an evening of kids-free activities. Our kick-off event will be Sunday, August 30 at Stanaback Park in Breton Woods starting at 3:00 PM. Kids are invited to this first event; just adults at future events. Snacks will be provided, just bring beverages for your family. Please RSVP to ytriezenberg@yahoo.com with the number of your family attending by Monday August 24. Any questions, please contact Yvonne Triezenberg.

VOLUNTEER RENEWAL FORMS: All persons who are involved in ministries at Calvin that involve children or youth are requested to complete a yearly Worker Renewal Form, which were placed in your boxes. If this is your first year volunteering at Calvin with children or youth, please complete a Youth Ministry Volunteer Application. To satisfy insurance requirements, each volunteer needs to complete a Youth Ministry Volunteer Application initially, then a Renewal Form each following year, as well as attend a Policy Review session every other year. If you do not volunteer in any of our child or youth ministries more than one hour per year, you may return the form to the Information Desk and we will recycle. Thank you, congregation, for

volunteering and for your promise to receive these children in love, pray for them, and help instruct them in the faith.

HEALTH SAFETY & ABUSE-PREVENTION POLICY REVIEW SESSIONS: Policy Review sessions will be held in September. Reviews also occur as a part of our parent meetings for our 78ERS and CYG programs. The Health, Safety and Abuse-Prevention Policy is available for your yearly review. Copies can be checked out from the Information Desk, as well as from the Office. Electronic copies are also available by contacting Char Bulthuis or Kim Fredricks, office secretary.

	<i>Today, Sunday, August 9</i>
9:40a	Atrium Greeters: Glenn & Nancy Triezenberg
	East Greeters: Gord & Jane VandenBerg
	Nursery Supervisors: Christine Coulter and Kim Wierenga
	Nursery Helpers: Curt & Gwen Overbeek, Olivia Prince, Sam Koeman
	Parking Attendant: Kyle Visker
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Simone Gibson
	Coffee Servers: Bulthuis and Rosema
11:30a	Worship Committee meeting
4:40p	Parking Attendant: Dwight Baker
	<i>Monday, August 10</i>
8:30a	Friendship Breakfast at the Omelette Shoppe
	<i>Tuesday, August 11</i>
9:30a	Family Assistance
5:30p	Community Living Experiment in rooms 9 & 16
7:30p	Executive Committee meeting
	<i>Wednesday, August 12</i>
1:00p	Global Gifts in the lounge
4:00p	Cancer Support Group in the conference room
7:00p	Classis Committee in room 1
	<i>Thursday, August 13</i>
9:30a	Family Assistance
	<i>Next Sunday, August 16</i>
9:30a	Prayer Time
9:40a	Atrium Greeters: Jim & Maria VandenBosch
	East Greeters: Mark & Marlene Vanderhill
	Nursery Supervisors: Sarah Williamson and Melisa Hubka
	Nursery Helpers: Rob & Susan Stafford
	Tyler Stafford
	Parking Attendant: Mark Vanderhill
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