



March 19, 2023

**“For the Son of Man came not to be served but to
serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”
– Mark 10:45**

Fourth Sunday in Lent

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

Liturgists: Pastoral Intern Kelsey Bruinwood and Rev. Brad Zwiers

Preaching Pastor: Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys

Ministry of Music: Sanctuary Choir and Allegro Ringers

Director: Stephanie Wiltse

Organist and Choir Director: Kenneth Bos

Accompanist: Lisa Meyer

Scripture Reader: Steve Triezenberg

Audio/Video: Graham Rayburn, Brian Netz

Ten o'clock

March 19, 2023

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Prelude: Three Preludes on “Dear Lord and Father of Mankind”

Robert A. Hobby; Marilyn Biery; Robert J. Powell

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: “What Wondrous Love Is This” [#164]

arr. Jason W. King

* Opening Hymns: “Now with Joyful Exultation”
“Amid the Thronging Worshipers”

#512:1-3

#511:1-3

* God’s Greeting

WE CONFESS OUR SIN

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Leader: Righteous God,

in Christ you became sin for us.

You took what we are so that we might become what you are.

But we confess that often we ignore our sin.

We confess that we too often do not confess.

We keep silent about the sin that clings to us.

**All: Forgive us, Lord. In Christ take away our iniquity.
May we confess our sins, that we might then rejoice
and be glad in you and in your righteousness.
In Christ, Amen.**

Anthem of Confession: “Dear Lord and Father of Mankind”

Text: John G. Whittier

Music: C. Hubert H. Parry

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish ways;
re clothe us in our rightful mind, in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper reverence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard beside the Syrian sea
the gracious calling of the Lord, let us, like them, without a word,
rise up and follow thee.

Drop thy still dews of quietness, till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire thy coolness and thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; speak through the earthquake,
wind, and fire,
O still, small voice of calm.

* Assurance of Pardon

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

* Song of Response: “Glory Be to the Father” **#961**
(Children may come forward during this hymn.)

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: “Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley”

arr. Jason W. Krug

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: "Be Thou My Vision"

#859:1,2,4

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Mark 10:35-45

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Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: **WHAT IS IT YOU WANT?**

Prayer Response: Psalm 131

Leader: O LORD, my heart is not lifted up, my eyes are not raised too high;
I do not occupy myself with things too great
and too marvelous for me.

**All: But I have calmed and quieted my soul,
like a weaned child with its mother;
my soul is like the weaned child that is with me.
O Israel, hope in the LORD
from this time on and forevermore.**

WE RESPOND IN GRATITUDE

* Hymn of Response: "May the Mind of Christ, My Savior"

#334:1-3

* Offertory Prayer for Ministry Fund: Kim Wierenga

* Benediction

* Doxology: "May the Mind of Christ, My Savior"

#334:4,5

**May the love of Jesus fill me as the waters fill the sea.
Him exalting, self-abasing: this is victory.**

**May we run the race before us, strong and brave to face the foe,
looking only unto Jesus as we onward go. Amen.**

* Postlude: "Toccata Breve"

Neil Harmon

Calvin CRC Announcements for March 19, 2023

WORSHIP Today, March 19, Fourth Sunday of Lent, 10 AM and 5 PM

Morning worship: Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys preaches from Mark 10:35-45, “What Is It You Want?” The Sanctuary Choir and Allegro Ringers lead us in ministry of music.

Evening Worship: We will celebrate the sacrament of the Lord’s Supper, and Rev. Lisa Meyer will preach from Isaiah 42:14-21.

WORSHIP Next Sunday, March 26, Fifth Sunday of Lent, 10 AM

Morning worship: Rev. Brad Zwiers will preach from 1 Corinthians 3:21—4:7, and we will celebrate the sacrament of baptism for Emilia, Luke, and Joel Schipper, children of Lisa and Dale Schipper. The children’s choirs and bell choirs will lead us in music, and the offering will be for Community Care.

CHURCH FAMILY

Thank you, Calvin Church family, for the gifts, cards, prayers, and support throughout Lee’s birth, time in the NICU, and adjusting to life at home. We appreciate all of you!

Tabitha, Cade, and Lee Young

Ruth Lobbes (district 2) has returned home under hospice care. Please pray for Ruth and Ken as they navigate this difficult moment. May God be near to both of them in a special way.

Kyle Visker (district 5) underwent surgery on March 15 to remove the tumor on his pituitary gland that is causing Cushing’s disease. Please pray for Kyle, Corey, their children, and Kyle’s doctors during this time.

Lori Feenstra (district 7) had surgery for breast cancer on March 17. Please pray for full healing for Lori.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

THE COVENANT AND CHERUB CHOIRS will be finishing their season on Sunday, March 26, with the traditional singing of “Look at the World.” Parents of choristers and former choristers are invited to join us for this anthem. Parents will rehearse with the choirs at 9:00 AM on Sunday morning, March 26. All former choristers may join us after the last hymn that morning. See you all there!

MEETINGS, ACTIVITIES, AND EVENTS

FELLOWSHIP HOUR is on Monday, March 20. All are welcome to join Calvin Church retirees for a time of coffee, games, and fellowship. Stop by the Atrium anytime between 1-3 PM; we’d love to see you!

Festival Choir is not just for Christmastime! This season our Festival Choir will participate in a Tenebrae Service on Maundy Thursday, April 6, as well as in our Easter morning service on April 9. We will rehearse on three Wednesday evenings (March 22 and 29 and April 5) at 7:00 PM. Please consider singing with the choir for all or some of these rehearsals and for our Holy Week services.

SAVE THE DATE: A Spring fellowship luncheon will be held at Calvin Church on Sunday, April 23, immediately following the morning worship service. Members of all ages are invited to attend. Watch for a flyer in your mailbox on Easter Sunday with more details. Mark your calendars now for this upcoming time of fellowship.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: All women are invited to a time of fellowship and studying God's Word together. We will meet on Wednesday afternoons: March 29, April 12, 19, 26, May 3, and 10. We begin at 2:30 and wrap up by 4:00. This spring we'll be diving into Psalms and our habits of prayer through a study on praying the Psalms. Sign up at the table in the Narthex or let Pastor Kelsey (kbru207@calvinseminary.edu) know if you need a study guide or have questions.

TEA SETS: Our church owns a collection of retired tea sets, and these dishes are available to our members on a first-come, first-served basis. Teapots and cups are displayed in the case by the Nursery and in the Conference Room by the offices. Wrapping supplies are in the bins under the table. Dishes remaining after April 1 will be donated to Breton Woods.

In the **DISPLAY CASE** is a sampling of teapots that were used when Calvin Church had tea parties. These get-togethers were organized and hosted by Fran Baker for the women and girls of the church.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENT

Classis Grand Rapids East, as founding member of Together West Michigan is inviting you to attend the annual Delegate Assembly, rescheduled for April 15. We will be receiving an in-depth look at the recommendations being formed from the five research teams: housing, childcare, immigration/refugee care, community safety, and mental health access. A link to further details is on the Calvin Church website at the bottom of the homepage. The gathering will be on Saturday, April 15, 10:00-11:30 AM, at First Community AME Church, 500 James Street SE. You are welcome whether you have been to a TWM event before or not.

CALENDAR

	<i>Today, Sunday, March 19</i>
9:40a	Nursery Lead: Leanne Hendrikse
	Nursery Volunteers: Christine Coulter, Annaliese Hendrikse
	Nursery Alternate Volunteer: Laura Prince
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Doris Ridders
	Coffee Servers: Bob and Beth Schoone-Jongen
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: Bruce Tiejema
5:00p	Worship Service
6:30p	CYG Bible Study in the Catacomb
	<i>Monday, March 20</i>
1:00p	Fellowship Hour in the Atrium
	<i>Tuesday, March 21</i>
9:00a	Family Assistance
6:30p	Deacons meet in the Atrium
7:30p	Council meets in the Atrium
	<i>Wednesday, March 22</i>
5:30p	Junior Bells rehearsal in the Bell Room
6:00p	Allegro Ringers rehearsal in the Bell Room
6:15p	Cherub Choir and Covenant Choir rehearsal in Room 9
7:00p	Sanctuary Choir rehearsal in the Balcony
	<i>Thursday, March 23</i>
9:00a	Family Assistance
7:00p	Classis East Racial Justice Team meeting in the Conference Room
	<i>Next Sunday, March 26</i>
9:40a	Nursery Lead: Tom Hendrikse
	Nursery Volunteers: Kathy Van Oss, Lydia Tolsma
	Nursery Alternate Volunteer: Tamara Baker
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Anjean Stegink
	Coffee Servers: Mark and Julie DeKoster
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	Calvin host for St. Luke: Art Jongsma
3:30p	CYG activity
5:00p	Book Group: <i>I'm Still Here</i> meets in the Atrium



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Welcome to Calvin Church

In Worship:

- Our worship proceeds unannounced and follows the printed liturgy.
- Reprint and streaming licenses are One License A-730126, CCLI#2532147, and CSPL#175060.
- The black dominating our Lenten banner symbolizes the death of our Lord, the red expresses Christ's suffering, and 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 "Sun of Righteousness" gives new life to his own.
- 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 in the nursery prior to the morning worship.
- K-2nd: 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.

Fellowship and Information:

- Everyone is invited to the Fellowship Hall for refreshments following the morning service.
- "Like" us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/CalvinChristianReformedChurch
- Subscribe to our YouTube channel:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCblmHBbe8AIzEyQxUM1VjA>

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

Bulletin deadline: Wednesday Noon

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