



MAY YOUR UNFAILING  
*love* REST UPON US,  
O LORD, EVEN AS WE  
PUT OUR HOPE IN YOU.

—PSALM 33:22

**January 14, 2024**

# **“Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us, even as we hope in you.” Psalm 33:22**

## **Ordinary Time**

Liturgist: Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys  
Preacher: Rev. Brad Zwiers  
Organist and Choir Director: Kenneth Bos  
Ministry of Music: Sanctuary Choir  
Pianist: Lisa Meyer  
Scripture Reader: Steve Triezenberg  
Audio/Video: Graham Rayburn, Sarah Frisch

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**Ten o'clock**

**January 14, 2024**

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## **GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP**

Prelude: “Voluntary in A Minor”  
“Voluntary in D Major”

John Stanley  
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Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: “In the Stillness of This Hour”

Text and music: Danile Charles Damon

In the stillness of this hour, drawn again by grace,  
God of mercy, God of love, here we seek your face.  
We have wandered lost and lonely, living out our days  
but your spirit calls us back, bids us pray and praise.

In the stillness of this hour, help us hear your voice.  
As we lean your law of love, teach us to rejoice.  
We have wasted time and treasure in our wanton ways.  
but your Spirit call us back, bids us pray and praise.

\* Opening Hymns: “Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”  
“Jesus, the Light of the World”

**#109:1,2,4**  
**#100:1-2**

\* God’s Greeting

## WE CONFESS OUR SIN

Call to Confession (from 1 John 1:5-7)

Leader: This is the message we have heard  
from him and proclaim to you,  
that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all.

**All: If we say that we have fellowship with him  
while we are walking in darkness,  
we lie and do not do what is true;  
but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light,  
we have fellowship with one another,  
and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.**

Prayer of Confession

Hymn of Confession: “God, Be Merciful to Me”

**#623:1-2**

\* Assurance of Pardon

\* God’s Guide to Grateful Living (based on Matthew 22:37-40)

Leader: What is the great and first commandment?

**All: Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your  
soul and with all your mind.**

What is the second commandment like it?

**Love your neighbor as yourself.**

What does this mean?

**Love is the fulfilling of the law.**

To what does this call us?

**To a life of faith working through love.**

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

(Children may come forward during this hymn.)

**#961**

## 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: "Wait on the Lord"

Text and music: Willis L. Barnett

The Lord is good unto them that wait for him,  
to the soul that seeks his will.  
The Lord is good unto them that wait for him.  
They that wait patiently shall find peace.

Wait, I say, on the Lord.  
Believe his holy word.  
Wait, I say, on the Lord.  
He shall strengthen thy heart.  
He will comfort thee.

The Lord will not cast us off forever.  
When we sin he shows compassion.  
Let us search our souls and change the way we live.  
They that wait patiently shall find peace.  
They that wait on the Lord God will renew their strength.  
They shall soar like angels with wings.  
They shall run and never become weary.  
They that wait patiently shall find peace.

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

**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 Love of God, How Strong and True"

**#583:1,4,7**

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Psalm 33

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Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon: **ORIENTATION**

Prayer of Application

## WE RESPOND IN GRATITUDE

\* Hymn of Response: "Rejoice, You Righteous, in the Lord"

**#22:1-3**

\* 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: "Praise and Thanksgiving"

**#873:1,3**

**Praise and thanksgiving let everyone bring  
unto our Father for every good thing.  
All together, joyfully sing!**

**May we go out from here sharing God's love.  
Help us in coming days our faith to prove.  
All together, joyfully sing! Amen.**

\* Postlude: "Rejoice, You Righteous, in the Lord" [#22]

Frank Stoldt

### **Calvin CRC Announcements for January 14, 2024**

#### **WORSHIP Today, 10 AM and 6 PM**

*Morning worship:* Rev. Brad Zwiers preaches from Psalm 33, and the Sanctuary Choir leads us in ministry of music. The offering is for Mission Outreach.

*Evening worship:* A community-wide worship service will be held at **6:00 PM** at Grand Rapids Christian's DeVos Center for Arts and Worship in honor of the life and legacy of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Our good friend Rev. Dwight Gutridge (pastor of St. Luke AME Zion Church) will be the keynote speaker.

#### **WORSHIP Next Sunday, January 21**

*Morning worship:* Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys will preach from Psalm 74 and the Sanctuary Choir will lead us in ministry of music. The offering will be for the Ministry Fund.

### **Sermon Series:** The Psalms as the Anatomy of the Soul

John Calvin called the Psalms “the anatomy of the soul,” because they give expression to every part of our human existence. More recent scholars have put the Psalms into three rough categories for three parts of our human experience with God. Our lives are lived in the movement from one category to another. In this Epiphany season, we’ll hear one Psalm from each of the three categories. See the handout in your church mailbox.

January 14: Psalm 33 – Orientation

January 21: Psalm 74 – Disorientation

January 28: Psalm 147 – New orientation

### **CHURCH FAMILY**

**WELCOMING A BABY GIRL:** Let’s celebrate the birth of a new covenant child: Zoe, born to Eric and Justine Ruvuna and welcomed by brothers Bright and Brandon. The family are from Rwanda and have been worshipping at Calvin Church since the summer. You are invited to place cards, small gifts, or baby items in the bassinet in the Narthex. The bassinet is there now and will be there until February 4. Please contact Pastor Rebecca or Maria VandenBosch with questions.

### **CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES**

Dear Parents, as a reminder, all ministry and education opportunities for your children are resuming this week. This includes TLC, Worship Center, Worship and Wonder, GEMS and Cadets, 78ers, Catechism, and CYG. If you have any questions about these groups please contact Erin Hubka at erin.hubka2600@gmail.com.

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

**SECRETARY SUBSTITUTE:** Looking for someone familiar with MS Office who would be interested in working in the church office when the secretary goes on vacation. A daily schedule and hourly compensation is available. Contact Kim Fredricks 616-451-8467.

**FELLOWSHIP HOUR:** Join us for coffee, cookies, puzzles, games, and conversation Monday, January 22 in the Atrium from 1-3 PM.

**Are you dreading the post-holiday letdown?** Looking for an outlet for your creative juices in the new year? Calvin Church is starting to plan a Neighborhood Movie Night for February 2, featuring the film “Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory.” Maybe you enjoy planning parties, creating large decorations and photo booth, or dressing up and appearing as a character from the movie – get in touch soon! Perhaps you could see yourself better as an onsite tech person, popcorn server, or set-up/clean-up crew member, you are needed too! Connect with Jan Wilkins (616-485-9550), Joanie Rosema (616-644-9405), or Jesslyn DeBoer (616-481-9944) to get in on the fun.

**COURIER ARTICLES:** Articles for the February *Courier* are due to Doris Ridders (drikkers@aol.com) by Monday, January 15.

## CALENDAR

|        |   |
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|        | <b><i>Today, Sunday, January 14</i></b>                           |
| 9:40a  | Nursery Lead: Gwen Hendrikse                                      |
|        | Nursery Volunteers: Lori Feenstra, Jenna Buist                    |
| 11:15a | Library Volunteer: Irene Konyndyk                                 |
|        | Coffee Servers: Don and Karen Trap                                |
| 11:20a | Worship and Wonder in Room 9                                      |
| 11:30a | Catechism   |
| 12:00p | St. Luke A.M.E. Zion Church meets in the Sanctuary                |
|        | Calvin host for St. Luke: Tom Hendrikse                           |
| 3:30p  | CYG activity  |
| 6:00p  | MLK, Jr. Day Worship Service at DeVos Center for Arts and Worhsip |
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|        | <b><i>Tuesday, January 16</i></b>                                 |
| 9:00a  | Family Assistance   |
| 6:30p  | Deacons meet in the Atrium  |
| 7:30p  | Council meets in the Atrium                                       |
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|        | <b><i>Wednesday, January 17</i></b>                               |
| 5:30p  | Junior Bells rehearsal in the Bell Room                           |
| 5:45p  | Allegro Ringers rehearsal in the Narthex                          |
| 6:15p  | Cherub Choir and Covenant Choir rehearsal in Room 9               |
| 7:00p  | Sanctuary Choir rehearsal in the Balcony                          |
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|        | <b><i>Thursday, January 18</i></b>                                |
| 9:00a  | Family Assistance   |
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|        | <b><i>Next Sunday, January 21</i></b>                             |
| 9:40a  | Nursery Lead: Amy Netz  |
|        | Nursery Volunteers: Jan Wilkins, Allory Netz                      |
| 11:15a | Library Volunteer: Norma Spears                                   |
|        | Coffee Servers: Mark and Wanda Sytsma                             |
| 11:20a | Worship and Wonder in Room 9                                      |
| 11:30a | Catechism   |
| 12:00p | St. Luke A.M.E. Zion Church meets in the Sanctuary                |
|        | Calvin host for St. Luke: Graham Rayburn                          |
| 6:30p  | CYG Bible Study   |



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

### **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.
- God's guide to grateful living is from *The Worship Sourcebook*.
- 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 spiritual growth during the season of the Lord's life and ministry.
- 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-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.

#### *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: [www.youtube.com/@CalvinCRC/streams](http://www.youtube.com/@CalvinCRC/streams)

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

Bulletin deadline: Wednesday Noon

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