



**January 28, 2024**

**“Do not let the downtrodden be put to shame;  
let the poor and needy praise your name.”  
– Psalm 74:21**

**Ordinary Time**

Liturgist: Rev. Brad Zwiers  
Preacher: Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys  
Ministry of Music: Covenant Choir and Junior Bells  
Covenant Choir Directors: Amy Netz and Maria VandenBosch  
Accompanist: Nancy Triezenberg  
Junior Bells Director: Melanie Tolsma  
Organist: Kenneth Bos  
Scripture Reader: Irene Konyndyk  
Audio/Video: Don Buist, Sarah Frisch

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**Ten o'clock**

**January 28, 2024**

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**GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP**

Prelude: “Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” Gordon Young; Paul Manz  
“Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus” Arr. Susan Berry and Janet Van Valey

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: “Welcome Song” Text and Music: Toni Sullivan  
*Refrain*

Come in, come in, you are welcome here.  
Come in, come in, you need not fear.  
Come in, come in, children of God,  
you are welcome, you are welcome here.

Our doors are open to all, to the young and the old, big and small.  
We all are connected by God’s loving care. This is the love that we share.

We all are children of God. We’re a family of people who care.  
One body, one spirit, one hope and one Lord:  
these are the things that we share.

\* Opening Hymns: “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”  
“Ten Thousand Reasons”

**#581:1-3**

**#559:1-3**

\* God’s Greeting

## WE CONFESS OUR SIN

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**All: Lord, you are a God who keeps promises.  
In our prayers and songs we say  
that we want to be Christians,  
but then we forget our promises.  
Our actions do not match up with our words.  
We say mean things to other people,  
we hurt their feelings,  
we think of ourselves first,  
and, worst of all, we ignore you.  
Lord, forgive us and hear our prayer  
for Jesus' sake. Amen.**

Handbell Response: "Hear Our Prayer, O Lord"

Arr. Susan Berry and Janet Van Valey

\* Assurance of Pardon

\* Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

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\* Song of Response: "Glory Be to the Father"

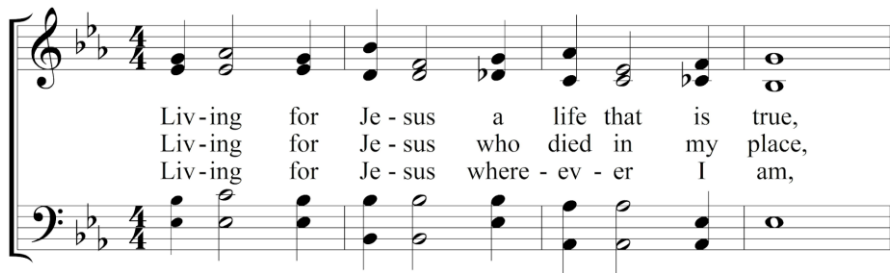
**#961**

(Children may come forward during this hymn.)


# Hymn of Dedication: "Living for Jesus"

(Cadets and GEMS will sing the first stanza.

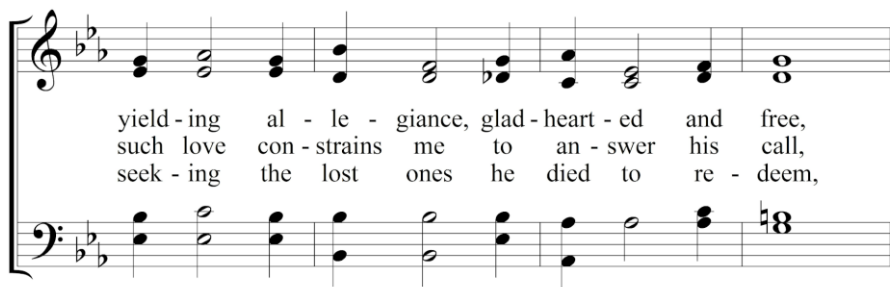
The congregation will join on the second and third stanzas)



Living for Je - sus a life that is true,  
Living for Je - sus who died in my place,  
Living for Je - sus where - ev - er I am,



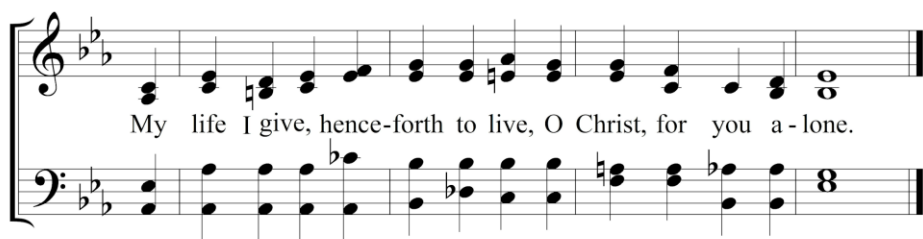
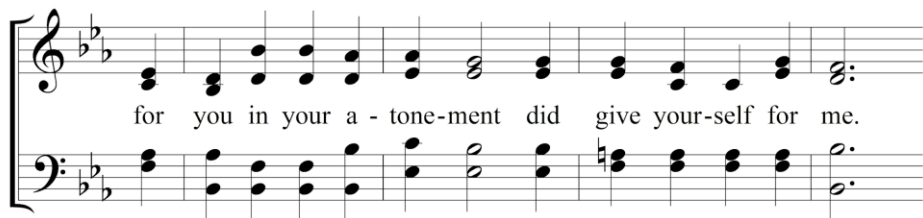
striv - ing to please him in all that I do,  
bear - ing on Cal - vary my sin and dis - grace;  
do - ing each du - ty in his ho - ly name,



yield - ing al - le - giance, glad - heart - ed and free,  
such love con - strains me to an - swer his call,  
seek - ing the lost ones he died to re - deem,



this is the path - way of bless - ing for me.  
fol - low his lead - ing, and give him my all.  
bring - ing the wea - ry to find rest in him.



## GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH HIS WORD

Children's Message: based on Matthew 14

Jesus: Kyle Heys

Narrators: Leanne and Annalise Hendrikse, KaraMarie Lizewski,  
Abram Veldkamp

Disciples: Nate Meyer, Claire Veldkamp, and Lydia Meyer

Anthem: "More Than Enough"

Lynn Shaw Bailey, Becki Slagle Mayo

Soloists: Hannah Triezenberg, Lane Molenbeek

People followed Jesus from the shores of Galilee,  
hoping he would heal the sick and help the blind to see.  
Numbering five thousand men, plus women, children, too.  
In a far, deserted place, he taught them what is true.

### *Refrain*

Jesus gives us more than enough, more than enough.  
Jesus provides us with more than enough. More than enough . . .  
We may not see the how or when, the who, the what, the why,  
but in our time of greatest need, Jesus will provide.

As the day grew later, his disciples came to say;  
“There is not enough to eat, Lord, send the crowds away.  
We have only two small fish and five small loaves of bread.  
Tell the multitude to go and feed themselves instead.”

Jesus looked toward heaven, as he blessed the fish and bread.  
Breaking up the fish and loaves, the multitude was fed.  
In the end, twelve basketsful of fish and bread remained.  
Jesus did a miracle! His followers proclaimed:

### 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.**

### 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: “God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength”

**#432:1,2,5**

### Prayer for Illumination

### Scripture Reading: Psalm 74

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Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

### Sermon: **DISORIENTATION**

### Prayer of Application

## WE RESPOND IN GRATITUDE

\* Hymn of Response: “He Leadeth Me”

**#440:1,2,4**

\* Invitation to Offering: Ed Tolsma

\* Offertory Prayer for Community Care

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”

**#947**

**We receive your blessing; we receive your grace,  
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,  
Raise him, all creatures here below.  
Praise him above, you heavenly hosts.  
Praise Father, Son, and praise the Holy Ghost. (repeat)**

Ending: **We receive your blessing as we leave this place. Amen.**

\* Postlude: “A Trumpet Galliard”

Samuel Scheidt

## **Calvin CRC Announcements for January 28, 2024**

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

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*Morning worship:* Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys preaches from Psalm 74. The Covenant Choir and Junior Bells lead us in ministry of music, and we celebrate our GEMS and Cadets children's ministries.

### **WORSHIP Next Sunday, February 4**

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*Morning worship:* Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys will preach from Psalm 147, "New Orientation," and we will celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The Sanctuary Choir will lead us in ministry of music, and the offering will be for Benevolence.

#### **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 but note that we have postponed each sermon by one week due to the weather cancellation last Sunday.

**Staff Notes:** The secretary will be on vacation from January 29-February 8. Melanie Tolsma and Cindy Lanning Burch will be filling in.

### **COUNCIL NEWS**

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Thank you for your generous gifts to the ministry fund! In 2023 our giving/income was greater than our expenses! Details of the end-of-year results can be found in the "Members" section of our website.

**Panel Discussion:** As our denomination and congregation continue to have conversations about sexual ethics and the church, we have committed ourselves to continued learning. This past fall, we held discussions about the book *Two Views on Homosexuality, the Bible, and the Church*. Recognizing that this is not just an academic discussion but a lived reality for many of us, we will continue our learning with a panel discussion on **Saturday, February 3 at 10:30 AM**. A panel of three who identify as LGBTQ and have connections to Calvin Church will share about their own experience and respond to questions. We hear their stories in a posture of hospitality and humble learning. The discussion will be followed by refreshments and continued fellowship. If you have questions that you would like the panel to consider addressing, you may email them to [bzwiers@calvincrc.org](mailto:bzwiers@calvincrc.org) or [rjordanheys@calvincrc.org](mailto:rjordanheys@calvincrc.org) by Wednesday, January 31.



**MEMBERSHIP NEWS:** At their request, the Elders removed from our active membership lists the names of Sophia Bryson Crouch and Chad and Jenna Jansen and their children Ella, Liam, and Miles, because of their active participation in churches that do not maintain membership records. We pray for God’s blessing on each of them as they use their gifts in service to God’s kingdom in new communities.

**CHURCH FAMILY**

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<b>85+ YEAR OLD BIRTHDAYS:</b>	2/14 Ruth Westrate (86)
2/15 Gordon Kamps (91)	2/18 Marlene Oosterhouse (89)

**COLLEGE AND CAREER AGE BIRTHDAYS:**

2/3 Isaac Hubka (19)	2/27 Henry TerBeek (19)
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**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**

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<b>FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS:</b>	2/19 Lydia & Aubrey Visker (14)
2/24 Josh Buist (13)	2/28 Natalie Poortenga (18)
2/28 Joel Schipper (2)	

This morning we are highlighting the Cadet and GEMS programs of Calvin Church. This group of children meets twice a month on Wednesday evenings, and today they will be leading the congregation in the traditional Cadet hymn, “Living for Jesus.” We are grateful for the faithful leaders of these groups: John Hendrikse, Kyle Heys, Leanne Hendrikse, and Kara Lizewski. Thank you for teaching our children how to live for Jesus.

**MEETINGS, ACTIVITIES, AND EVENTS**

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**MOVIE NIGHT:** Grandpa Joe in *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* says, "I've heard tell that what you imagine sometimes comes true." That is the case for Movie Night planning so far. A big "Thank You!" to all who helped with preparations. And many more words of gratitude to those who are donating items! (If you haven't already brought them in, please drop them off by tomorrow.) There are a few more ways to be involved. First, plan on coming on February 2 (6:00 PM). You can RSVP on the Information table. Second, you can help spread the word. This fun, multi-age event is open to everyone. Finally, some costs like licensing fees are incurred when doing an event like this. Monetary donations by check or cash can be left in the office, designated for Movie Night.

**FAMILY PROMISE/IHN SUPPORT:** Saturday, February 24.

Calvin Church partners with Grace Episcopal Church to support families who are temporarily homeless while they are assisted by Family Promise/IHN to secure a more permanent residence. We are committed to hosting families in the Grace facility from 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM on Saturday, February 24. If you are willing to assist for a couple hours on that date, please contact Don Trap at [djtrap46@gmail.com](mailto:djtrap46@gmail.com) or 616-916-7867.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Please reserve Sunday, February 25 for a luncheon hosted by the deacons. Look for sign-up details to come in the coming weeks.

**MISSING:** One 8-foot white plastic church table went missing a few months ago. If you borrowed it, could you please return it. No questions asked.

# CALENDAR

	<i><b>Today, Sunday, January 28</b></i>
9:40a	Nursery Lead: Rachel Rayburn
	Nursery Volunteers: Laura Prince, Kate Rayburn
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Mary Brummel
	Coffee Servers: Mark and Julie DeKoster
11:20a	Worship and Wonder in Room 9
11:30a	Catechism in the Catacomb
12:00p	St. Luke A.M.E. Zion Church meets in the Sanctuary
	Calvin host for St. Luke: LeRoy Stegink
3:30p	CYG activity
	<i><b>Tuesday, January 30</b></i>
9:00a	Family Assistance
	<i><b>Wednesday, January 31</b></i>
5:45p	Allegro Ringers rehearsal in the Bell Room
6:00p	Joyringers 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><b>Thursday, February 1</b></i>
9:00a	Family Assistance
	<i><b>Friday, February 2</b></i>
6:00p	Movie Night in the Fellowship Hall
	<i><b>Saturday, February 3</b></i>
10:30a	Learning Together: LGBTQ Panel in the Fellowship Hall
	<i><b>Next Sunday, February 4</b></i>
9:40a	Nursery Lead: Tom Hendrikse
	Nursery Volunteers: Kathy Cok, Olivia Coulter
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Kristy Ippel
	Coffee Servers: Rick and Lori Feenstra
11:20a	Worship and Wonder in Room 9
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## **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.
- The Prayer of Confession 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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