



April 21, 2024

**“We know love by this,
that he laid down his life for us.”
– 1 John 3:16**

Eastertide

Ten o'clock

April 21, 2024

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Prelude: Four Preludes on “All Things Bright and Beautiful” [#20]
Dennis Janzer; Marilyn Biery; Timothy Albrecht; Kevin J. Sadowski

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: “Not for Tongues of Heaven’s Angels” [#307]
Roy Hopp; arr. Kenneth Bos

* Opening Hymns: “For the Beauty of the Earth” **#19:1,3,4**
“All Things Bright and Beautiful” **#20:1-4**

* God’s Greeting

WE CONFESS OUR SIN

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Leader: Our Father, forgive us for thinking small thoughts of you
and for ignoring your immensity and greatness.

Lord Jesus, forgive us when we forget that you rule
both the nations and our lives.

Holy Spirit, we offend you in minimizing your power
and squandering your gifts.

**All: We confess that our blindness to your glory, O triune God,
has resulted in shallow confession,
tepid conviction, and only mild repentance.
Have mercy upon us. In Jesus’ name. Amen.**

Song of Confession: “Kyrie” (“Lord, Have Mercy”) arr. Cathy Moglebust

* Assurance of Pardon

* Reading of the Law

* 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.)

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: "Amen Siakudumisa" [#921]

arr. Cathy Moklebust

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: "Jesus Calls Us, O'er the Tumult"

#121:1,3,4,5

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: 1 John 3:11-24

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Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: **LOVE ONE ANOTHER**

Prayer of Application

WE RESPOND IN GRATITUDE

* Hymn of Response: “Not for Tongues of Heaven’s Angels”

#307:1-4

* Invitation to Offering: Bob Houskamp

* Offertory Prayer for the Ministry Fund

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: “They’ll Know We Are Christians”

#256:1,4

**We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord, (x2)
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored.
And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
Yes, they’ll know we are Christians by our love.**

**All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus, his only son,
and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us all one.
And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
Yes, they’ll know we are Christians by our love.
Amen**

* Postlude: “Toccata in D Minor”

Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck

Liturgists: Pastoral Intern Evie Dykhouse and Rev. Brad Zwiers

Preacher: Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys

Ministry of Music: Allegro Ringers

Allegro Ringers Director: Stephanie Wiltse

Percussionist: Amy Netz

Organist: Kenneth Bos

Percussionists: Allory, Molly, and Amy Netz

Scripture Reader: Suzi Steketee

Audio/Video: Graham Rayburn, Brian Netz

Calvin CRC Announcements for April 21, 2024

WORSHIP Today, 10 AM

Morning worship: Rev. Rebecca Jordan Heys preaches from 1 John 3:11-24, and the Allegro Ringers lead us in music.

WORSHIP Next Sunday, April 28

Morning worship: Rev. Brad Zwiers will preach from 1 John 4:7-21, and the Calvin Church Orchestra will help lead us in worship. The offering will be for Community Care.

COUNCIL NEWS

Dear Members of Calvin CRC,
Please stay after the morning service for a brief congregational meeting to approve the new elders and deacons for next year. Here are the names of those willing to serve:

Elders: Cindy Lanning Burch (serving for one year after having served as deacon for the last three), Ron Rozema, Don Trap, and Mark Vanderhill.

Deacons: Kris Bergh, Bob Houskamp (extending his three-year service), Dan Hubka, Elly Nyhof, Joanne Rozema, and Jan Wilkins.

Our thanks to those who have responded to the call to serve!

On behalf of the Council, Donna Houskamp, Chair

CHURCH FAMILY

CAN YOU SPARE A CAR? Eric Ruvuna, a new member of Calvin Church, has temporary need of a car that seats six. Are you currently able to loan a car or van? If so, or for more information, contact Rosemary Stevenson.

Rich Santer (district 1) has been diagnosed with stage 1 lung cancer. He is making plans to receive radiation treatment. Please pray for healing, and for Rich and Ruth during this treatment.

MEETINGS, ACTIVITIES, AND EVENTS

PASTA PARTY WRAP UP: What a great night at church on Wednesday! The Pasta Party was another fantastic community event. We packaged 400 supper bags for KFB and served over 150 for supper including at least 50 neighbors. Calvin Church is a generous congregation and a strong supporter of our community events. Huge thank you to everyone who donated food, money, or time. We couldn't do these without our volunteers, but I want to highlight Sue Keegstra who made all the pasta and the amazing youth who volunteered as servers. Our next event is July 17. Put it on your calendar now. If you want to help plan, contact Jan Wilkins.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: We will meet this Wednesday, April 24, from 2:30-4:00 PM in Room 1. Contact Pastor Rebecca with any questions.

From the Christian Schools Committee: In an effort to make Christian school education an affordable opportunity for all member families, this congregation provides K-12 tuition assistance. The tuition support request form for the upcoming school year is now available. Forms are due back to Lisa by April 28. If you have questions, need a form, or would like to know more, please contact Lisa TerBeek.

INSTRUMENTALISTS: Please join us for the Calvin Church Orchestra on April 28. We would love to make a joyful noise together with you!! Let Amy Netz know if you are able to play - amy.netz@gmail.com.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

Classis-wide Pentecost Worship Service: Over the past months, as the churches of Classis GRE have been discerning their relationships to the denomination and to each other, there have been opportunities for the members of Classis GRE to gather for communal prayer via Zoom. As we've moved through the themes of LAMENT, SURRENDER, and RESURRECTION, we've been able to celebrate our life together, seek the Spirit's leading, and surrender our hurts, fears, and desires to God's will. **We now look forward to gathering in person on May 19, 6:00 PM at the Calvin University Chapel, to worship, pray, and gather at the Lord's Table.** Everyone is welcome! Various pastors will guide us through prayer and communion, and we will pray over our classis delegates to synod. (Those who are interested in being part of a combined choir should plan to attend a rehearsal at 4:00 on May 19; please reach out to Chan Gyu Jang, director of music at Woodlawn CRC (music@woodlawncrc.org) to RSVP or request more information.)

CALENDAR

	<i>Today, Sunday, April 21</i>
9:40a	Nursery Lead: Gwen Overbeek
	Nursery Volunteers: Erin Hubka, Hazel Nunn
11:15a	Library Volunteer: Mary Brummel
	Coffee Servers: Mark and Julie DeKoster
11:20a	Worship and Wonder in Room 9
	Catechism
	Congregational Meeting in the Fellowship Hall
12:00p	St. Luke A.M.E. Zion Church meets in the Sanctuary
	Calvin host for St. Luke: Rick Feenstra
3:30p	CYG activity
	<i>Tuesday, April 23</i>
9:00a	Family Assistance
	<i>Wednesday, April 24</i>
2:30p	Women's Bible Study in Room 1
7:00p	Sanctuary Choir rehearsal in the Balcony
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	<i>Thursday, April 25</i>
9:00a	Family Assistance
	<i>Next Sunday, April 28</i>
9:40a	Nursery Lead: Kim Wierenga
	Nursery Volunteers: Sue Keegstra, Lane Molenbeek
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Growing in DiscipleshipTransformed 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 adapted from *The Worship Sourcebook*.
- As the empty tomb revealed to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary that Christ had won for us the victory over death, so the bursting life-form radiates from a void to symbolize the dynamic and everlasting life of the redeemed. The metallic stitchery and satin trapunto express the concept of glory. The white background, which symbolizes purity, is borrowed from our medieval art heritage.
- 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: www.youtube.com/@CalvinCRC/streams

Church office hours: 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM, Monday—Thursday
Bulletin deadline: Wednesday Noon
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