

2020	MAR 1	MAR 8	MAR 15
WORSHIP LEADER	PASTOR PIET	PASTOR PIET	PASTOR BRYAN
OFFIC. ELDER	SARAH	PETER	ALLAN
DEACON	SAM	MARTIN	LISA
1ST OFFERING 2ND OFFERING	CENTER FOR PUBLIC DIALOGUE CALVARY CRC	CANADIAN FOODGRAINS BANK CALVARY CRC	CALVIN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY CALVARY CRC
SOUND	GEORGE	GLEDEN	JACOB
PROJECTION	HUB	RYAN	LES
GREETERS	ALICE & BOB P	JOHN & SARAH	CAROL & LES
NURSERY	KEES R ALICE P DENISE F	TRUDY M BOB P ELIZABETH R	MARNIE R LISA D CHLOE M
SUNDAY SCHOOL	MELISSA F & KATIE F	KRISTINE R & JACOB F	KELLY H & KATIE R
COFFEE CLEANUP	ANNA & RAY C HEATHER R RICHARD & KERRY W	FRED & KATHRYN V GERRY & RITA H	CATHY & JOHN V SHELDON & EDDA L BARBARA W & ARIJIT B

CALVARY CALENDAR		
SUNDAY, MAR 1	10:00 AM	MORNING WORSHIP
MONDAY, MAR 2	6:30 PM	GEMS / CADETS
TUESDAY, MAR 3	7:30 PM	ADMIN TEAM MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAR 4	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM	MEN'S BOWLING (MCARTHUR LANES) HANDS ON
THURSDAY, MAR 5	7:30 PM	YOUTH GROUP
SATURDAY, MAR 7	EVENING	SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER
SUNDAY, MAR 8	10:00 AM	MORNING WORSHIP

Announcements are due **Wednesdays by 6 pm**. Send to: bulletin@calvarycrc.ca

CALVARY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:00 AM
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CALVARY
 Christian Reformed Church - Ottawa
 Pastor Pieter Heerema - Sunday, March 1, 2020
www.calvarycrc.ca

Order of Worship — 10:00 AM
PASTOR PIETER HEEREMA

**please stand in body or in spirit*

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Prayer

***Singing:** Be Still, for the Presence

LUYH 532

**Call to Worship*

God calls us to worship during this season of Lent.

We worship Jesus Christ, the beloved Son of God,

who came from the Father and was anointed with the power of the Holy Spirit.

God loves us and anoints us too.

Let us praise God for his great gifts to us in Christ, his Son.

**God's Greeting*

"Grace and peace....

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

***Singing:** How Great Is Our God

LUYH 574

Children's Time

(3-8 yr. olds leave for Church School)

Confession and Assurance

Prayer of Confession

Singing: Mark How the Lamb of God's Self-Offering

LUYH 113:3

Assurance of Pardon

Hear these words of salvation from 1 Peter 3:

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. Christ, the Son of God, has saved us from all our sins.

Thanks be to God!

***Singing:** Faith Begins by Letting Go

LUYH 852

Word of God

Prayer

Scripture: Mark 1: 1-15

Message: "You Are My Son"

Thanksgiving

***Singing:** How Great Thou Art

LUYH 553

(9-14 yr. olds leave for Church School)

Congregational Prayer

Offerings: First: The Office of Public Dialogue

Second: Calvary Church (our ministry)

Sending

Live a Life Worthy of Your Calling

LUYH 937

***Singing:** To God Be the Glory

LUYH 956

*God's Parting Blessing

Amen.

*Time of Silent Thanksgiving

LUYH = Lift Up Your Hearts (red hymnal)

Welcome to Calvary Church

We hope your time with us will be a blessing to you. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask those seated next to you for help. If you would like a visit with the pastor, please contact him (see the bulletin for contact information).

Nursery is provided during worship: the nursery is located directly behind the sanctuary.

Church School: Children and youth worship with the congregation until it is their time to go to church school. Departure times are announced during worship and are also printed in the order of worship in the bulletin.

Lent: "The death and resurrection of Jesus Christ are at the heart of the Christian gospel, and Good Friday and Easter are two of the most significant celebrations of the Christian year. Lent is a season of preparation and repentance during which we anticipate Good Friday and Easter.... Lent invites us to make our hearts ready for remembering Jesus' passion and celebrating Jesus' resurrection." (Worship Sourcebook, p.551). This year our worship committee has chosen selections from the series "Who is Jesus? Who is Christ" (by Scott Hoezee and Carrie Steenwyk in Reformed Worship 90) for our Lenten worship services.

Mail Slots: Please check and empty your mail slot regularly. Anyone wanting a mailbox is asked to contact Kathryn Vedder.

Church Family: Let each of us be mindful of those with special needs in health, family, finances, education and in other parts of daily life.

Let us be in prayer for those who experience sadness, depression, and loneliness. May we also continue to pray for those in need of care and for those who provide care.

May God grant each of us what we need.

Let us also remember to pray for our world, for our government, for our leaders. Our world is full of stress and suffering and in need of salvation. Pray that the nations will seek Christ.

Worship Schedule:

Today: Pastor Piet, first Sunday in Lent

March 8: Pastor Piet, second Sunday in Lent

March 15: Pastor Bryan, third Sunday in Lent, Holy Communion

March 22: Pastor Piet, fourth Sunday in Lent

March 29: Pastor Piet, fifth Sunday in Lent

Classis Prayer Request: Please pray for God's blessing on the Classis meeting, March 6-7 at our church.

Canadian Foodgrains Bank: Next week Sunday, your offering will be gratefully collected for Canadian Foodgrains Bank - A Christian Response to Hunger. Please see the notice in your church mail slot for information on how your gifts are used.

Our Offerings

Today — Center for Public Dialogue (Ottawa)-Justice and Hope for all Canadians — We are Reformed Christians who believe that every person is created in the image of Creator God. From this foundation, we work to promote the flourishing of all people through constructive dialogue and advocacy in Canada. We believe that God calls all Canadians to be engaged citizens and to stand with vulnerable and marginalized people in our communities as allies.

As Christian citizens, we work toward a just world in which structures and institutions give every person the opportunity to thrive. It's our goal to present a positive voice of faith in Canadian public life, and to live out justice, hope, and reconciliation in advocacy and citizenship.

Mar. 8 — Canadian Foodgrains Bank — Our vision is a world without hunger. Our mission is to working to end global hunger. We partner with Canadian churches and church-based agencies working to end global hunger.

Mar. 15 — Calvin Theological Seminary

Mission Trip Fundraisers: A team made up of members of our youth group and the congregation are going on a mission trip this year to **Swansboro, North Carolina during March Break.**

Swansboro is a small community with more than 300 homes still damaged by the effects of Hurricane Florence in 2018.

We would love to have your financial support to help cover the costs of our trip. Please come out to our **Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser on Mar. 7** for a special evening of fun and fellowship.

You will be served and entertained by members of our team and youth group. Reserve your spot by purchasing your "rented chair" seat at our tables: tickets are \$2 each. Dinner will be a "free will offering," and we will also have a dessert auction.

This should be a great evening you won't want to miss. Bring your friends, family, and neighbours to help support our trip. If you can't make it to our dinner, please remember us in your prayers as we plan, raise money, travel, and work on this upcoming mission trip.

Additionally, team members are **selling ballots for a draw** for three beautiful handmade items now on display in the fellowship hall:

1st prize: Quilt, 70"x78"

2nd prize: Table runner, 21"x70"

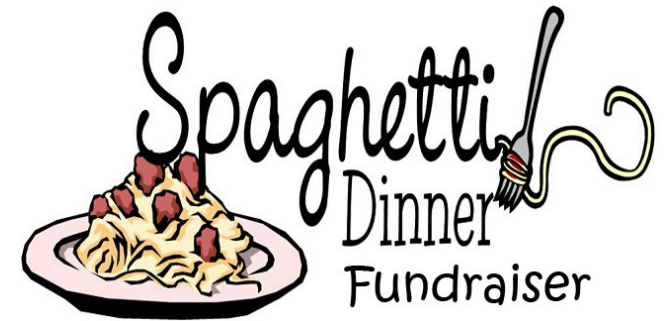
3rd prize: Set of 6 placemats

Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$20. All prizes are donated items, meaning 100% of all money collected will go to the mission trip. The draw will be held at our Spaghetti Fundraiser Dinner.

We need ALL your prayers as we do this work for our neighbours and our Lord. Thank you!

Admin Team Meeting: Tuesday, March 3, 7:30 pm. Please let the chair know if you cannot attend.

Sound System: Kevin C. has helped us run the church sound system for some years, but now has to resign from this position. Thank you, Kevin, for your capable assistance! The sound team is now looking for a person to replace Kevin. Any person interested should contact John Cook.



Election of Office Bearers

It is once again time to start the process to elect new office bearers.

As Reformed Christians “we believe that the ministers of the Word, elders, and deacons ought to be chosen to their offices by a legitimate election of the church, with prayer in the name of the Lord and in good order, as the Word of God teachers.” (Belgic Confession art. 31).

Some years ago, Calvary Church chose a process of “calling elders and deacons” that has served the congregation well. We begin by having the congregation nominate individuals to the office of elder and deacon. We then move through a process of nomination, ratification of nominees by the congregation, and finally the “drawing of the lot” from all those nominated to determine who is called to serve the congregation in Jesus’ name. This process reminds each of us of the importance of prayer in choosing and supporting elders and deacons.

Elders are called to the tasks of: faithfully providing and supervising worship services, providing and supervising regular celebration of the sacraments, providing Bible based guidance and counsel to the members, exercising Christian discipline (discipleship), stimulation Christian fellowship and service, leading and equipping members in sharing the Word with others.

Deacons lead the congregation in showing Christ’s mercy within and beyond the community of faith. They equip us to be good stewards of the riches which Jesus entrusts us. Tasks of the Deacons include: assessing needs, find from among us the resources to fill these needs, meeting physical needs, meeting the accompanying spiritual needs with encouraging words from Scripture, relieve those oppressed by injustice, training members in stewardly use of their possessions and in caring for God’s creation, and the gathering in and disbursing offerings.

In short, Jesus provides guidance and leadership in ministry through office bearers that work in Jesus’ name within the congregation. (Task descriptions taken from R. de Moor’s “Quest of Faith”)

This is the **procedure** that will be followed:

- On **March 15** during the morning service, congregation members will be asked to write down their nominations for elders and deacons. Forms will be provided. At the council meeting on March 24, a list of potential nominees will be drawn up using the lists prepared by the congregation. Members will be notified of their nomination and given time to consider the calling.
- On April 12 & 19 the list of potential nominees will be published in the bulletin.
- On April 26 during the morning service, members will be asked to ratify these names by a simple yes or no.

- On May 3 during the morning service, the names for elder and deacon will be drawn by the casting of lots and declared as being elected.
- The newly elected office bearers will be installed during a morning worship service in May or June.

If you are unable to attend the service on March 15 and wish to make nominations, absentee nominations can be forwarded to Marsha Hodges, clerk of council, or George Couperus, chair of council. Look for absentee nomination forms on the welcome table in the fellowship hall. You may also take a nomination form before March 15, fill it out at home, and submit it on March 15.

We ask that you remember the following guidelines when nominating:

- Only professing members may be nominated.
- Persons now serving in Council or whose term of office ended last year are not eligible. (Please check your church directory for the list of current council members.) Those whose office ended last year are: Steve Bakker, Jessica Joldersma, Beth Ripmeester, and Grace Stapper.
- Spouses may not serve as elders or deacons at the same time. Both spouses may be nominated, but in the casting of lots, the second name drawn will be disregarded and another name drawn.
- Any number of family members within primary or extended families may be nominated and elected.
- Members who serve on school boards are eligible for nomination.

We ask for your prayers and support during the election process.

Community Christian School in Metcalfe anticipates having a possible opening for a 65% teaching position at the Junior-Intermediate level, effective August 2020. We are looking for a relational teacher able to engage students in the classroom to further our mission, vision and core values. Please submit your letter of application with résumé, references, Statement of Faith, and Philosophy of Christian Education by March 20, 2020 to Rita Bergsma, Principal, Community Christian School, 2681 Glen Street, Metcalfe, ON K0A 2P0 rbergsma@communitychristianschool.ca.

Community Christian School in Metcalfe is again offering its popular **Ready, Set, Kindergarten! program**, a 4-week kindergarten-readiness program for children turning 4 in 2020. Through fun crafts, stories, songs, games, and learning activities, your child will develop the fine motor, literacy, and math readiness skills to prepare him or her for a SUPER start in kindergarten. Tuesdays 9:00 – 11:30 am, March 24 – April 14, Check out <http://www.communitychristianschool.ca/learning-links> for more