



**SUNDAY, May 14/2023**  
**Guest Pastor Jack Van de Hoef - Bethel C.R.C., Brockville**

*\*Rise in body or in spirit*

*Gathering*

Welcome and Announcements  
Gathering Prayer for Worship

**\*Singing: Speak, O Lord**

**LUYH 755**

*\*Call to Worship:*

Almighty God,  
as we prepare to worship today,  
we ask that you will stretch our imaginations  
to sense the majesty and mystery of your ascension.  
Help us perceive how Jesus' presence in heaven  
can give us confidence in our praying  
and hope for the future.  
Through Jesus, our Lord. **Amen.**

*\*God's Greeting:*

Our Lord has called us to worship and now greets us.  
May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen —2 Corinthians 13:13, NIV

**\*Singing: Crown Him with Many Crowns**

**LUYH 223**

*Children's Time*

Children's Message by **Pastor Jack**

**Singing: He's Got the Whole World in His Hands**

(Children ages 4-7 leave for Church School)

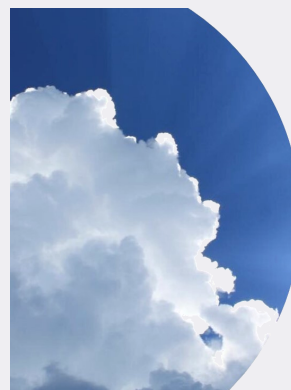
*Confession and Assurance*

Prayer of Confession:

Almighty God,  
you have raised Jesus from death to life  
and crowned him Lord of all.  
We confess that we have not bowed before him  
or acknowledged his rule in our lives.  
We have gone along with the ways of the world  
and failed to give him glory.  
Forgive us  
and raise us from sin,  
that we may be your faithful people,  
obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who rules the world  
and is head of the church, his body. **Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon:

Hear the good news of the gospel:  
God, who is rich in mercy,  
out of the great love with which he loved us  
even when we were dead through our trespasses,  
made us alive together with Christ—  
by grace you have been saved—  
and raised us up with him and seated us with him  
in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,  
so that in the ages to come he might show  
the immeasurable riches of his grace  
in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.  
In Christ, by God's grace, we are saved.  
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow! —based on Ephesians 2:4-7, NRSV



*Acts 1:11*

“Men of Galilee,” they said,  
“why are you standing here  
staring into heaven? Jesus  
has been taken from you into  
heaven, but someday he will  
return from heaven in the  
same way you saw him go!”

**\*Singing: In Christ Alone**

**LUYH 770**

The Heidelberg Catechism:

Q. A. #46

Q. What do you mean by saying, "He ascended to heaven"?

**A. That Christ, while his disciples watched, was lifted up from the earth to heaven and will be there for our good until he comes again to judge the living and the dead.**

Q. A. #49

Q. How does Christ's ascension to heaven benefit us?

**A. First, he pleads our cause in heaven in the presence of his Father. Second, we have our own flesh—a guarantee that Christ our head will take us, his members, to himself in heaven. Third, he sends his Spirit to us on earth as a further guarantee. By the Spirit's power we make the goal of our lives, not earthly things, but the things above where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand.**

**Singing: He Is Lord**

**LUYH 227**

*Proclamation of the Word*

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Acts 1:1-11, Colossians 3:1-4

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Message: Work on Earth from Heaven's Perspective

*Thanksgiving*

**\*Singing: Jesus is Lord**

**LUYH 226**

(Children ages 8-11 leave for Church School)

Congregational Prayer

Offerings: First: St. Mary's Home

Second: Calvary Church (our ministry)

*Sending:*

Why do you stand looking up toward heaven?

This Jesus will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.

**Alleluia!**

Go and make disciples of all nations, says the Lord;

I am with you always,  
to the end of time.

**Alleluia!**—based on Matthew 28:19-20; Acts 1:11

**\*Singing: We Receive Your Blessing**

**LUYH 947**

\*God's Parting Blessing

May the love of the cross,  
the power of the resurrection,  
and the presence of the living Lord  
be with you always.

And the blessing of the eternal God,  
creator and sustainer,  
risen and ascended Lord and Savior,  
giver of holiness and love,  
be upon you now and evermore. **Amen.**

(Children ages 12-14 leave for catechism)



LUYH = Lift Up Your Hearts (red hymnal)  
PH = Psalter Hymnal (grey hymnal)  
MP = Maranatha Praise (red book)  
WS = Worship Sourcebook  
RW = Reformed Worship Magazine

**WELCOME** to Calvary Church on this Lord's Day.

This morning we welcome **Pastor Jack Van de Hoef of Bethel C.R.C. in Brockville** to our pulpit.

We extend a special welcome to all visitors. As we give praise to our Living Lord, may we be blessed in our time of worship and fellowship.

*Please* join the congregation for a time of 'coffee' fellowship after church this morning in the church hall.

**FROM COUNCIL**

**YOU ARE INVITED! Pray for the C.R.C. for 40 days, in preparation for Synod 2023,** with fellow members of Calvary. We will meet at the Prayer Room every Sunday morning from **9:30 to 9:50 AM** and will be doing the same till, up and including, Sunday, **June 11th**. Should there be more people than there is space in the Prayer Room, breakout groups will be assigned to the different Sunday school classes by the Elder in charge.

## CHURCH FAMILY

This past Wednesday, **Bep B.** came home from the hospital. The surgeons removed Bep's new metal hip with a temporary cement version, waiting for the infections to clear up. Bep is receiving daily homecare and will also have physio to help her walk again. A permanent new hip replacement will hopefully be done in 2 or 3 months. Please pray for **Bep & Henk** for healing and patience. Bep & Henk are very thankful for all the calls, cards and prayers they have received.

As we think of our congregation here at Calvary, let each of us be mindful of those with special needs in health, family, finances, education and in other parts of daily life. We continue to pray for those in need of care and for those who provide care. May God grant each person what they need.

**Please pray for God's blessings on:**

**ASCENSION DAY** (Thursday, May 18), **praise our Saviour on the throne.**



### OUR OFFERINGS:

**Today - St. Mary's Home** is an Ottawa-based social service agency that provides a full range of programs and services for young pregnant women, young moms and dads, and their infants and young children. St. Mary's Home has continuously and responsively served pregnant youth in Ottawa since 1933. Specialized residential and community support services are provided to marginalized young pregnant women (ages 12-25), young parents and their children. The approach is holistic, grounded in a strong commitment to strengthen and build upon the personal resilience of each individual.

St. Mary's Home is a not-for-profit charitable organization serving the Ottawa area and beyond. As the only Residential / Shelter program in Eastern Ontario for this population of interest, the Home accommodates 15 homeless young women and up to 15 newborn infants at a time. The Residence assists approximately 70 young mothers and their infants annually. Residential support continues from pregnancy until the infant is up to 8 months of age. (source: <https://stmaryshome.com/our-story/>) Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cXeRP5kuCAI>

Website: <https://stmaryshome.com/>



### May 21 - Reframe Ministries (Back to God) God's Story. Today's Media

Technology is the fastest, most cost-effective way to reach the most people at any given time. ReFrame Ministries believes everyone, everywhere should have access to the gospel in their own language. ReFrame Ministries has international ministries such as the Global Media Missions where people in at least 175 countries are hearing the Gospel. ReFrame Ministries also produces a family of six programs in the English language.

**Today:** a daily devotional that helps people refresh, refocus, and renew their faith.

**Family Fire:** An online community exploring what it means to be Holy Spirit led in our families, dating, marriages, sexuality, parenting, and in-law relationships.

**Groundwork:** A half-hour radio program and podcast that helps you build a biblical foundation for your life.

**Kid's Corner:** A website that helps kids find their place in God's story.

**Think Christian:** An online magazine where Christians bridge the perceived gap between faith and culture.

**Church Juice:** A website where church leaders can learn how to intentionally engage their congregations and communities in meaningful ways. Website: <https://reframeministries.org/>

### May 28 - Ministry Shares.

Ministry Shares are collected monthly to assist the work of the many ministries of the Christian Reformed Church. Ministries we support within our Eastern Canada Classis include GEMS Leadership, Safe Church Team, Youth Ministry Team, New Church Development, Campus Ministries in Halifax and Ottawa, Missions Scholarship Fund, Home Missions Fund plus the Seafarers Ministry in Montreal. Ministries we support in both Canada and the US include Calvin College and Seminary, Back to God, Home and World Missions, The Banner, Disability Concerns, Faith Formation, Social Justice, Pastor-Church Relations and many more. We thank you for contributing according to the gifts you have been given.



**HANDS ON CRAFT GROUP** has finished their meetings for the season. We look forward to seeing everyone again in September along with new ideas and show and tell that they may bring. Enjoy your summer! **Jess J.**

**Camp Adonai:** Summer is just around the corner. Camp Adonai is running from August 13 to 18 for junior week (ages 9 – 12) and August 19 to 26 for senior week (ages 13 – 15). Our fees are: Junior week \$270.00; senior week \$335.00. Please note after May 31<sup>st</sup>, there is a late registration fee of \$40.00 per camper. Application forms for campers and counsellors are available on our website at [campadonai.ca](http://campadonai.ca). If you are applying for a counsellor position, please reserve Saturday, June 3rd for counsellor training day.



**KIDS CORNER:** Mother's Words - Check out this week's kids' devotion at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). Proverbs 31 introduces a mother who also taught her son, King Lemuel, many lessons. No doubt she had to repeat them several times. He used her lessons throughout his reign as king. What can we learn from Lemuel's example?

*"He who lays up treasures on earth spends his life backing away from his treasures. To him, death is loss.*

*He who lays up treasures in heaven looks forward to eternity; he's moving daily toward his treasures. To him, death is gain." - Randy Alcorn*

Looking to play Trivia?

The Russell United Church is hosting a **Trivia Night** fundraiser event to help with the costs of replacing their furnace.

There are 4 tables still available to sell out the event.

**Cost:** \$10 per person, with 6 people per table/team.

**When:** June 3, 2023

**Where:** Upstairs at the Russell Arena (1084 Concession St)  
To register your team, or for more details, contact **Brenda Hoople** at 613-445-3074.

SPRING CONCERT *Primavera*

OTTAWA CARLETON MALE CHOIR

Friday, May 26/2023 @ 7:30 PM

City View United Church 6 Epworth Avenue, Nepean



With Special Guests: Mezzo Soprano - Michelle Dawson  
Violinist - Ghislain Granger  
CAPITAL CITY TROMBONE QUARTET

Tickets \$20.00—Available from Choir Members & at the Door  
ottawacarletonmalechoir.com or call 613-293-9046



To all the Mothers,  
Grandmothers,  
Aunts, Sisters  
and other women  
in our lives that care for  
us and love us  
unconditionally,  
*Happy Mother's Day!*



CALVARY CALENDAR MONDAY, MAY 15 - SUNDAY, MAY 21/2023		
THURSDAY, MAY 18	MEN'S BOWLING YOUTH GROUP <i>LAST MEETING FOR THIS SEASON</i>	9:30-11:30 AM 7:30 PM
SUNDAY, MAY 21	PRAYER TIME SYNOD 2023 WORSHIP SERVICE	9:30 AM - 9:50 AM 10:00 AM

2023 - 10:00 AM	TODAY	SUNDAY, MAY 21	SUNDAY, MAY 28
TODAY	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP	PENTECOST SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP
WORSHIP LEADER	PASTOR JACK VAN DE HOEF BETHEL C.R.C., BROCKVILLE	PREACHER YANICK BAUDEQUIN	CHAPLAIN RYAN FARRELL OTTAWA CAMPUS CHAPLAINCY(O.C.C.)
OFFIC./ ELDER	JAKE	ELCO	MAXIME ELCO, MAXIME, GRAHAM
DEACON	CHRIS F.	CORA	KYLE
OFFERING 2ND OFFERING	ST. MARY'S HOME CALVARY C.R.C.	REFRAME MINISTRIES CALVARY C.R.C.	MINISTRY SHARES CALVARY C.R.C.
NURSERY	TIM/LEAH H.	KATHRYN/DENISE	TRUDY/LEAH F.
COFFEE CLEANUP	HARRY & MARNIE R.	HENRY & CORA S.	MARSHA H. & MAX G.
GREETERS	MONIQUE DEW.	JAKE & MARIANNE V.	BERT AND SHIRLEY V.

Announcements are due Wednesdays by 6PM. Send to: [bulletin@calvarycrc.ca](mailto:bulletin@calvarycrc.ca)

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