



**Sunday, July 23/2023 - Pastor Harold Kouwenberg**

*\*Rise in body or in spirit*

*Gathering*

Welcome and Announcements  
Gathering Prayer for Worship

**\*Singing: In the Name of God the Father**

*\*Call to Worship*

Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD;  
let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.  
**Let us come before him with thanksgiving  
and extol him with music and song.** -Psalm 95:1-2, NIV

*\*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: Living Hope** (Phil Wickham)

*Children's Time*

**Singing: Awesome God**

**MP 161**

(Children leave for Summer Sunday School)

*Confession and Assurance*

Call to Confession:

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,  
whose sin is covered.  
Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity,  
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.  
While I kept silence, my body wasted away  
through my groaning all day long.  
For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;  
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.  
Then I acknowledged my sin to you,  
and I did not hide my iniquity;  
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"  
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.  
Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you. —from Psalm 32:1-6, NRSV



Prayer of Confession:

O God, you have shown us the way of life  
through your Son, Jesus Christ.  
We confess with shame our slowness to learn of him,  
our failure to follow him, and our reluctance to bear the cross.  
**Have mercy on us, Lord, and forgive us.**  
We confess the poverty of our worship,  
our neglect of fellowship and of the means of grace,  
our hesitating witness for Christ,  
our evasion of responsibilities in our service,  
our imperfect stewardship of your gifts.  
**Have mercy on us, Lord, and forgive us. Amen.**

**Singing: I Lift My Eyes Up**

**LUYH 652**

*Assurance of Pardon*

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity  
and passing over the transgression  
of the remnant of your possession?  
He does not retain his anger forever,  
because he delights in showing clemency.  
He will again have compassion upon us;  
he will tread our iniquities under foot.  
You will cast all our sins  
into the depths of the sea.  
You will show faithfulness to Jacob  
and unswerving loyalty to Abraham,  
as you have sworn to our ancestors  
from the days of old. -Micah 7:18-20, NRSV

**\*Singing: Great is Thy Faithfulness**

**LUYH 348**

*Proclamation of the Word*

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Psalm 95: 1-7a, Ephesians 5: 19-20, Revelations 7:9-12

Message: Creating Community – "Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs – The Ministry of Music

*Thanksgiving*

**\*Singing: Ancient Words**

**LUYH 762**

Congregational Prayer

Offerings: First: Teen Challenge Canada

Second: Calvary Church (our ministry)

*Sending:*

Go in peace, in the knowledge of God's power.

Go in confidence, in the knowledge of God's strength.

Go in joy, in the knowledge of God's love.

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

**LUYH 956**

*\*God's Parting Blessing*

The LORD bless you and keep you;

the LORD make his face to shine upon you

and be gracious to you;

the LORD turn his face toward you

and give you peace. —Numbers 6:24-26, NIV

**Amen.**



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. This morning we welcome **Pastor Harold Kouwenberg** to our pulpit.

A warm welcome to our visitors.

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

**CHURCH FAMILY:** Our condolences go out to **Nel van B.**'s family. Nel passed away on July 14th and her funeral was last Friday. May her family be comforted knowing she went home to be with our Lord and Saviour.

**Eric de k.** is doing very well following some time in the hospital a number of months ago. His prognosis has improved considerably since he returned home. Eric would love to hear from you with a phone call or visit!

Please let your Elder know if you have any updates or prayer requests you would like to share with the congregation.

**Last chance to fill out survey!**

Procrastinators, now is your time to shine! This is it ... the last week to fill out the Calvary CRC survey.

**The survey closes this Friday, July 28.** We have heard from 80 people so far. Don't miss out on your chance to share your views.

For the non-procrastinators, thank you for responding, but we still need your help! Please talk to your friends and family, those you sit beside in church and the ones you used to sit beside, and encourage them to take the time to answer 10 short survey questions: <https://forms.gle/eRDLCfzZcKshanP37>

By using this survey platform, all responses are anonymous. We encourage each member of your household to answer the survey.

**If you prefer to fill out a paper copy, the survey will also be available on the table in the Fellowship Hall along with a box to leave completed surveys. For those unable to travel to church, a paper copy can be dropped off by contacting your elder or deacon.**

If you have any concerns or questions about this survey, please reach out to your elder or another member of Council.

**~ Council**

**SERMON NOTES:**

How do you thank God for the music in your life and in worship services?

Look at each of the following passages and write down your impressions of the way God is worshipped.

Psalm 8

Psalm 92: 1-5

Psalm 81: 1-5

I Chronicles 25: 1 & 6-8 Revelation 19: 4-9

How would you like to see new forms of music employed at Calvary?

**WORSHIP  
& SONG**

## OUR OFFERINGS:

### TODAY - Teen Challenge Canada



In 1958, Pastor David Wilkerson reached out to troubled street youth in New York City. Teen Challenge was created to meet the needs of these youths. This is how the ministry of Teen Challenge began and has spread literally around the world.

Today, Teen Challenge is a non-profit, interdenominational, faith-based program operating in 82 countries, with over 1,100 autonomous locations internationally, and continues to grow at a dramatic pace worldwide. Originally located in Hamilton, Ontario, Teen Challenge London was established in 1991 when a nursing home set on 46 acres in London became available. Teen Challenge purchased the property, converted it to a farm and relocated its residential program to the new site.

Teen Challenge Canada now has 9 locations across the country and your offering today will go to help the Eastern Ontario Men's Centre located in Renfrew. Additional information can be found on their website at <https://www.teenchallenge.ca/>.

### July 30 - 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.

### August 06 - Redeemer Christian High School

Redeemer Christian High School is an independent, faith-based school with a positive and supportive school culture. Since 1975, we've provided a quality, Christ-centred education to Ottawa area students in grades nine through twelve. Redeemer Christian High School offers a quality and integrated curriculum stressing a Christian/Biblical worldview in academic and applied high school courses as well as opportunities for both inter-school and intramural sports teams, specialized arts programs, enriching educational trips, and co-operative work experiences. For more information about RCHS visit the website at <https://rchs.on.ca/> or send an email to [in-fo@rchs.on.ca](mailto:info@rchs.on.ca).



### August 13 - Ottawa Innerscity Ministries (OIM)

We are a community working towards building a just society where people are valued, shown dignity and respect and are given opportunity to attain a higher quality of life. We are called to come alongside people experiencing poverty and homelessness, demonstrate the message of Christ in deed and word, show compassion, build self-esteem and empower individuals through a strength-based approach. Over the years, OIM has grown from a strictly 'charity' model of outreach to one focused on building a supportive community that encourages individuals to move onto the next level of development through a strength-based approach.

Each of our services and programs serve this purpose, beginning with street outreach and our drop-in services where we offer emergency provisions, build relationships and offer support where individuals are encouraged to build on their strengths and move towards greater autonomy and self-sufficiency.

Our goal is to demonstrate to the members of our community that every person has intrinsic value and has inner strengths, skills and talents that offer individuals hope for change.

Website: <https://www.ottawainnerscityministries.ca/>



**Please pray for: Immanuel C.R.C., Cornwall.**

### NEW TO THE CALVARY LIBRARY - COME CHECK US OUT!



- "The Question That Never Goes Away - Why" by Philip Yancey. *A short book to help us understand where God is during tragedies and why He allows them to happen.*
- "Psalms -my sentiments exactly" - Infuse Bible Studies - Faith Alive - *great material for small groups*
- "Amazing Grace" by Jonathan Kozol - *This book will help you understand what it means to grow up in poverty and racial isolation. This book deals honestly with despair and hope and shows the capacity of the very young to show love and have faith in decency to give hope.*
- "Romans Disarmed - Resisting Empire/Demanding Justice" by Sylvia Keesmaat and Brian J Walsh. *Using an artistic mix of story, poetry and imaginative discourse, these biblical scholars will stretch your mind as you try to imagine Paul's book to the Romans in today's world.*
- "Colossians Re-mixed - Subverting the Empire " Also by Brian J Walsh and Sylvia C Keesmat. *Also a creative book on what Paul would have to say to today's culture.*



### Kids Corner:

Trusting God - Check out this week's kids' devotion at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). In Genesis 22:1-13, God tested Abraham's trust in a major way. As Abraham followed God's command, he might have wondered what God was doing, but because Abraham knew who God was and how much God loved him and his family, he trusted God's plan. Check out all the great content at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net) like the Bible story podcast "God's Promise to Abraham."



## Apostles / Disciples

- Word list:
- PETER
  - ANDREW
  - JAMES
  - JOHN
  - PHILIP
  - BARTHOLOMEW
  - THOMAS
  - MATTHEW
  - JAMES
  - THADDAEUS
  - SIMON
  - JUDAS



A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining,  
 the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing, and  
 the lawn mower is broken. ~ James Dent



2023 - 10:00 AM	TODAY	JULY 30	AUGUST 06
<b>TODAY</b>	<b>SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP</b>	<b>SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP HOLY COMMUNION</b>	<b>SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP</b>
<b>WORSHIP LEADER</b>	<b>PASTOR HAROLD KOUWENBERG</b>	<b>PASTOR HAROLD KOUWENBERG</b>	<b>PASTOR HAROLD KOUWENBERG</b>
<b>OFFIC./ELDER</b>	<b>GRAHAM</b>	<b>PETER CATHY, HYUNG, ELCO</b>	<b>BERT</b>
<b>DEACON</b>	<b>RACHELLE</b>	<b>GLENDEN</b>	<b>CHRIS F.</b>
<b>OFFERING 2ND OFFERING</b>	<b>TEEN CHALLENGE CANADA CALVARY C.R.C.</b>	<b>MINISTRY SHARES CALVARY C.R.C.</b>	<b>REDEEMER CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL CALVARY C.R.C.</b>
<b>NURSERY</b>	<b>DANI R./CHLOE MCW.</b>	<b>STEPHANIE H.</b>	<b>TRUDY MCW./ANTJE R.</b>
<b>COFFEE CLEANUP</b>	<b>KEES &amp; KRISTEN R.</b>	<b>MARC &amp; SHARON I.</b>	<b>GEERT &amp; DANI R.</b>
<b>GREETERS</b>	<b>JESSICA J.</b>	<b>MONIQUE DE W.</b>	<b>LARRY &amp; EVELINA J.</b>

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

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