

CALVARY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH 3782 Russell Road, Ottawa - www.calvarycrc.ca

Sunday, August 27/2023 - Pastor Harold Kouwenberg

Gathering Welcome and Announcements (elder) Gathering Prayer for Worship (elder) ***Singing: Gather Us In**

LUYH 529 vs 1,2,4

* Call to Worship

There is none like you, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours. All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. For you are great and do wondrous things, you alone are God. —from Psalm 86:8-10, NRSV

*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: Lord Most High

LUYH 593

Children's Time Singing: I am the way, the Truth, and the Life

(Children leave for Junior Sunday School)

Confession and Assurance Call to Confession:

In spite of God's love for us and gift of love to us, we often act in destructive and hateful ways. close our hearts to God and disobey God's law. Together let us confess our sin.

Prayer of Confession:

Lord, you said, "If you love me, you will obey what I command." Forgive us our lukewarm love and our disobedience. Lord, you said, "You may ask for anything in my name." Forgive us when we think we need to solve our own problems. Lord, you said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." We confess that our lives are often consumed by worry and anxiety. Lord, you said, "If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit." Forgive us our barren lives, Lord. Lord, you said, "You must testify, for you have been with me." We confess, Lord, that we have been too often silent. Lord, you said, "Love each other as I have loved you." In this and in so many other ways, we confess our failures and shortcomings. Amen.

Singing: Your Mercy Flows

LUYH 700

Assurance of Pardon:

In Christ we have the forgiveness of sins and the riches of God's grace. This grace was given to us: to preach to the nations the unsearchable riches of Christ, and to make plain to everyone the administration of this mystery, which for ages past was kept hidden in God, who created all things. **Thanks be to God.**

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love.

1 CORINTHIANS 13:13

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*Singing: Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone) LUYH 693

Proclamation of the Word Prayer of Illumination Scripture: Ephesians 5: 15-21, 1 Thessalonians 5: 11-23 Message: Watch Your Step!

Thanksgiving *Singing: Thy Word

MP 234

Congregational Prayer (elder) First: Ministry Shares Offerings: Second: Calvary Church (our ministry)

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: We Receive Your Blessing **LUYH 947**

*God's Parting Blessing

Sending:

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. Amen. – Numbers 6:24-26, NIV



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. We extend a special welcome to all visitors.

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

CHURCH FAMILY

Larry and **Evelina J.** would like to thank everyone for their kind words and cards.

Larry is now home and recovering nicely.

We pray for healing for **Piet H.** who remains in hospital suffering with pneumonia.

It seems that the virus connected with the pneumonia, is a stubborn one. Piet is now on different antibiotics and will remain incubated and sedated for another 2 to 3 days (as in update of Thursday evening). He is improving but the progress is slow. **Trudy**, and all the family, covet your prayers and patiently wait for healing.

We continue to pray for **Tena D.** as she gets accustomed to her new living arrangements.

We pray for those in need of care and for those who provide care. May God grant each person what they need. We thank the Lord for the blessing of our online worship service.

Let us **remember** each other in prayer.

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

CELEBRATIONS!

It is with warmest congratulations that we celebrate the **60th Wedding Anniversary** of Larry & Evelina J. on Thursday, August 31/23. God has been good!

A Very Happy Anniversary to Jean & Jacky L. who will be celebrating 50 years of Wedded Bliss on Friday, September 01/23.

We give thanks to the Lord for his blessings on our Church Family.

MINISTRY TO SEAFARERS - SEAWAY BIKE TOUR - SATURDAY SEPT 9, 2021.



An **EASTERN ONTARIO TEAM** is participating in the Seaway Bike Tour in Old Montreal to raise funds e for the Ministry to Seafarers. The 12, 25, 50 and 100 kms tours run along the Seaway from the Seafarer's Centre Old Montreal to Îles-de-Boucherville National Park and include a free lunch and

several ferry rides. Non-cyclists can also sign up by choosing the pedestrian option to enjoy the scenery and lovely hiking trails. This is a fun event held in a picturesque area. Expected participants will be from 6 to over 80 years old.

EASTERN ONTARIO TEAM's goal is to raise \$4,000 and you can sponsor the TEAM directly at: https:// www.zeffy.com/en-CA/team/e3b798d8-a296-4cf5-ba14-915949869749

To sign up as a rider **by August 31**, sponsor other bikers or see the routes go to; <u>https://</u> www.ministrytoseafarers.org/seaway-bike-tour-2023/#routes. For more information, contact Patricia Sarazen at info@ministrytoseafarers.org or Cell: 438-887-7251 (call or text)



Please pray for: Ottawa Campus Chaplaincy, Chaplain Ryan Farrell.

OUR OFFERINGS:

TODAY - 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.

September 03 - Deacon's Benevolence Fund

The purpose of the benevolence fund is to provide assistance to individuals or families in the church or in the surrounding community who have experienced a personal financial or physical need. The fund is managed by the deacons and is maintained by having collections during the year.

September 10 - Community Christian School Community Christian School is a private/independent, interdenominational, K–8 elementary school, Community located in Metcalfe - Ottawa, Ontario and has been educating students since 1980. At every level from Kindergarten to Grade 8, enrolment at Community Christian School means a strong academic education, and a solid foundation for life.

In a world that is constantly changing, students at Community Christian School (CCS) learn from a basis of unchanging principles that reinforce Christian character. For more information visit the website at

<u>http://www.communitychristianschool.ca/</u> or send an email to info@communitychristianschool.ca.

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September 24 - Safe Church Ministry

Safe Church Ministry equips congregations in abuse awareness, prevention, and response. We help build communities where the value of each person is honored; where people are free to worship and grow free from abuse; and where abuse has occurred, the response is compassion and justice that foster healing. Safe Church Ministry is blessed by three kinds of financial support: CRC ministry shares, designated church offerings, and generous gifts from people like you. Thank You!

World Renew - Pray for People Impacted by Wildfires in Canada - In the last week, wildfires have forced thou-sands of people from their homes in Kelowna, British Columbia and Yellowknife, the capital of Canada's Northwest Territories (NWT) and residents of the First Nations communities of N'Dilo and Dettah. World Renew Disaster Response Services is currently monitoring the situation and response. Please pray for people who are affected by these fires and other fires that have ravaged the Canadian landscape this year: pray for the safety of families evacuating danger zones; pray for those affected by smoke inhalation; pray for weary people trying to stay safe. Pray too for military personnel and emergency crews working to stop the fires; pray for wisdom and swift action among authorities and leaders in the worst fire season on record in Canada. To help World Renew respond to disasters like this, please go to worldrenew.ca/drs to support our Disaster Response Services programs.

Teens! Make a Difference in Your Community - The Youth Justice Project equips youth to identify an injustice in their community and share ways they hope to address it. Approved applicants receive grant money (up to \$6000), coaching, and support. This youth initiative is funded by NewGround (a program of Diaconal Ministries Canada). Get your youth group together NOW and start planning! Find out more here: diaconalministries.com/newground/new-ground-youth-justice-project/

Kids Corner: Encouragement: Bless Others - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. What does "blessing others" look like? We can bless others with our words, our actions, and our attitude. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net like the Kids in Action video "Bookmarks for Peace"

Looking for a Home to Rent:

My name is **Marc Mulder**, I am a new medical doctor, moving to Ottawa to complete my medical residency train-



ing. I am married, we have three young children and a dog. We are currently looking for a suitable home for us.

We are looking for a townhouse or house with three bedrooms and a fenced yard, and we are open to most areas in the Ottawa community.

If you know someone who has a property that fits those parameters and is looking for new tenants, please kindly get in contact with **Mark M.** at 613.880.1791. Thank you very much!

Love your neighbour as yourself?

Lord, can I really do this in the world we live in today?

There is so much jealously and hate that gets in the way.

Love your neighbour as yourself?

Dear God, it seems like such a simple thing to do.

Why then is it so hard for me to simply obey you?

Love your neighbour as yourself?

OK Lord, I will try to do this tomorrow or some other day.

You know, I hardly see my neighbours; perhaps they moved away!

Love your neighbour as yourself?

OK Lord, I will give it a try today and I'll see if I am right or wrong.

Praise God! They were very nice and I am so happy that we got along.

Love your neighbour as yourself?

I got more than one neighbour and they need all some help; this I can tell.

I'll do my part here Lord and perhaps I will meet others that need you as well.

Praise The Lord Jesus Christ! Amen



Love Thy Neighbour

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Russell United Church Women Fundraiser - Used Book- and Trunk Sale

Saturday, September 16th. 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. 38 Mill Street, Russell. **This is a one-day sale! Book Sale:** There will be books available for purchase in the Upper Hall of the church.

Come out and browse around. *Here's how the trunk sale works*: \$20 gets you a parking space on our church lot. Open your trunk and sell your items. Book early to ensure your parking space. A limited number of tables are available if needed. To book a spot please call **Lynn.** *Home:* 613-445-2844 *Cell:* 873-288-2443

2023 - 10:00 AM	AUGUST 27	SEPTEMBER 03	SEPTEMBER 10
TODAY	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP
WORSHIP LEADER	PASTOR HAROLD KOUWENBERG	PASTOR HAROLD KOUWENBERG	CLASSICAL
OFFIC./ELDER	HYUNG	JESSICA	JAKE
DEACON	YOLANDI	RACHELLE	GLENDEN
OFFERING 2ND OFFERING	MINISTRY SHARES CALVARY C.R.C.	DEACON'S BENEVOLENCE FUND CALVARY C.R.C.	COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL CALVARY C.R.C.
NURSERY	DENISE FERREIRA/MICHELLE FEKKES	NO NURSERY	MICHELLE FEKKES/ALEX MCWILIAMS
COFFEE CLEANUP	GERRY & RITA HIEMSTRA	JOHN & CATHY VEDDER	ROEL & PAT STAAL
GREETERS	B. & S. VEDDER	LINDA MALLETTE	JOHN & SARAH COOK

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

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