



Thanksgiving Sunday, October 08/2023 - Pastor Harold Kouwenberg

**Rise in body or in spirit*

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements
Gathering Prayer for Worship

***Singing: Come, Now is the Time to Worship**
Praise the Lord with the sound of Trumpet
Thank you, Lord, For Saving My Soul

LUYH 526 (LUYH= Lift Up Your Hearts (red hymnal))

Call to Worship

*Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!
Serve the Lord with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing!
Know that the Lord, he is God!
It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!
Give thanks to him; bless his name!
For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations. - Psalm 100*



God's Greeting

The Lord will keep you from all evil;
he will keep your life.
The Lord will keep
your going out and your coming in
from this time forth and forevermore. —Psalm 121:7-8

***Singing: Lord, I need you** (Matt Maher)

Children's time

***Singing: Jesus Loves Me**

(Children ages 4-7 leave for Church School)

Proclamation of the Word

Prayer of Illumination
Philippians 1: 3 -7
Acts 16: 11-15 & 25-34

***Singing: Ancient Words**

Message: BLESSED ASSURANCE

LUYH 762

***Song of Thanksgiving: Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine**

LUYH 363

(Children ages 8-11 leave for Church School)

Congregational Prayer

Offerings: First: Ottawa Christian School
Second: Calvary Church C.R.C.

Sending

I pray that out of his glorious riches (God) may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

(Ephesians 3: 16-19)

***Singing: My Jesus, I love Thee**

LUYH 365

God's Parting Blessing

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! **Amen.**

(Children ages 12-14 leave for Catechism)

WELCOME to Calvary Church. **Pastor Harold Kouwenberg** is leading us in worship this morning. We extend a special welcome to all visitors. May your time with us be a blessing to you. Please join the congregation for a time of 'coffee' fellowship after the service in the church hall. **Please see page 4 for our THANKSGIVING MONDAY ORDER OF WORSHIP.**

CHURCH FAMILY

We ask the Lord's blessing upon us, especially those of our family who have burdens of health and/or heart. May the Lord comfort all those who mourn. We give thanks for all those who have taken up the task of giving care to those in need. Please consider visiting or calling someone you haven't seen in a long time!

Offerings for September 2023 – Thankfully given and received for the ministries of Calvary C.R.C. and beyond.

Budget		Other Offerings	
Calvary Ministry	16,845	Benevolence	678
Year to Date	141,784	CEC - Safe Church Ministry	755
Budget 9 Months	171,540	Community Christian School	684
Budget +/-	<u>-29,756</u>	Mortgage Reduction	428
Ministry Shares	4,783	Resonate /Chann/Chhay	311
Year to Date	35,152		
Budget 9 Months	35,109		
Budget +/-	43		



Church Directory – It is time to update our church directory.

A paper copy of the directory is on a table in the fellowship hall. If you regularly attend Calvary Church or have any changes to make, please make them directly on this copy or on the sheets provided for additional information.

Please complete this by October 22.

- * Please check your listing to make sure it is accurate. *Give it a check mark to show you have reviewed it.*
- * If you attend Calvary and are not listed - please add your information. We would like to include you in the directory.
- * If you are expecting a change in address or phone number in the near future, now is the time to make the change.
- * Please add your e-mail address, if you wish.
- * Those 18 and over will be listed separately from their family.
- * Parents, please ensure that we have updated information for any children living away from home.
- * Those in charge of committees and programs, please make sure we have updated information.

Thanks to all for your help! If you have any questions or concerns please contact **Bertha L..**

The **GEMS** will be starting Monday Oct 16th at 6:30 pm at the church. This group is for girls 8-14 years old. For more information please contact **Samantha F..** We look forward to a new and exciting year!

The bus has been booked! The **FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE** is taking a trip by Coach bus to Westport on Tuesday, October 10, leaving the church at 10 am. Cost will be \$100 or less per person, depending on how many people sign up. The more people who sign on the cheaper it will be. Invite your friends, neighbours. Please let **Jackie** know if you plan to attend. Will be a lovely outing to see the fall colours and have a lunch at the Cove Inn, in Westport.

SEAFARERS GIFT BAG CRAFTING SATURDAY!!!

Please mark your calendar for **Saturday, November 04**, between 9 am and 12:00 noon.

We are looking for volunteers who can help make the gift bags or have suitable fabric or thread etc. We will need sewing machines, rotary cutters and mats or scissors! No sewing experience necessary! Just come out for fellowship, coffee and treats and help out a great cause!!

Please let **Jess J.** or **Linda M.** know you plan to come. We would love to see you there!

We hope to have our BAZAAR in November. But we need some help.

The committee is looking for **3** kinds of volunteers.

- Most important, some **volunteers to serve on the committee.**
- Volunteers to help set up on the Friday before and/or helping on Saturday from 9am-2pm.
- Volunteers to make crafts to sell. Some supplies are available in the basement, just ask the committee members to see what's available.

We are open to your ideas....Please contact **Jackie L., Jess J.** or **Trudy H..... Thank you.**





URGENT NEED FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS We are looking for a few more teachers to help teach Sunday school, specifically to the **8-11 year old age group**. Currently, we have only one teacher and will only be offering Sunday school every other week for this group of children. If you would like to help out, or for more information, please contact **Dani R.**

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY - Building and Grounds Committee

The Building and Grounds Committee is looking for a new chairperson. This committee is comprised of a few men who like to do the work but don't want to be responsible for incoming requests or reporting to Council:). It is typically a 3 year volunteer term but Council is willing to extend your term!

If you are an organized person who can keep these men on task, the job is yours!

A job description is available on request from Council.

*If you are interested, please contact **Joey R.** or **Cathy V.***



Please Give thanks for the Lord's blessings in our communities.

OUR OFFERINGS:

TODAY - Ottawa Christian School



Ottawa Christian School is an interdenominational Christian school that seeks to provide students with a Christ-centered elementary education. We aim to educate children in a vibrant and creative environment, equipping them for a life of faithful Christian discipleship and service. Ottawa Christian School is affiliated with Edvance and Christian Schools International. For more information about OCS, visit the website at <https://ocschool.org/>, or send an email to frontoffice@OCSchool.org. Website: <https://ocschool.org/>

October 09 - Ottawa Food Bank



The Ottawa Food Bank provides fresh and non-perishable food, as well as supplies such as diapers, toiletries, and cleaning supplies to its network of over 100 emergency food programs across the city. With our main goal being to provide emergency food relief to people in need in our city, we are also working towards doing food banking better and making change. Website: <https://www.ottawafoodbank.ca/>

October 15 - Disability Concerns

Following God's call to mutual love and service, Disability Concerns collaborates with churches and partner organizations to break individual and systemic barriers that keep people with disabilities from full participation—so that churches truly reflect the body of Christ where everybody belongs and everybody serves.

Disability Concerns strives to promote and foster relationships, communities, and societies where everybody belongs and everybody serves by assisting churches, agencies, institutions, and leadership within the Reformed Church in America and the Christian Reformed Church in North America:

- * To think and act in keeping with the biblical call regarding people with disabilities
- * To break barriers of communication, architecture, and attitude
- * To establish ministries with, for, and by people with disabilities and their families.

Website: <https://www.crna.org/disability>

October 29 - 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

CAMP ADONAI We want to thank God for blessing Camp Adonai in August 2023 by providing us with **Pastors Sid and Joe**, the director, cooks, co-ordinators, counsellors, nurses, facility personnel, and last but very importantly our campers. If you are planning to attend Camp Adonai for 2024, our dates are August 11 to 16 for junior week and August 17 to 24 for senior week.

KIDS CORNER: God's Presence Gives Us Hope - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. Sometimes, life isn't easy. This week's devotion is all about how wonderful it is to know that God is there in good times and bad times. He is with you and he loves you. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net like the Kids in Action video "Wherever You Go."

World Renew

Giving Thanks with our Offerings - As we give thanks to God this weekend, we are grateful for mothers in the village of Ka Chi in Laos who are receiving medical support through World Renew from community health volunteers for prenatal check-ups, nutritional training, and preventative care. With your support, more families will be able to participate in the Free A Family® program and receive the training and tools they need to journey away from poverty. For more information, visit worldrenew.ca/FreeAFamily.

Gratitude turns what we have into enough (Melody Beattie)

**CALVARY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
THANKSGIVING MONDAY, OCTOBER 09, 2023 - PASTOR HAROLD KOUWENBERG**

Gathering

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Gathering Prayer for Worship

***Singing: All are Welcome** **LUYH 269**
Awake My Soul (Resound)

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

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and
the Lord Jesus Christ." (Rom. 1:7)

***Singing: Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart**
LUYH 358

A Thanksgiving Litany based on 1 Chronicles 16:8-36

***Singing: Let all things now living** **LUYH 5**

Children's Time

Singing: The Butterfly Song

Proclamation of the Word

Scripture: Luke 17: 11-19

Psalm 95

Prayer of Illumination

Message: "AN ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE"

***Singing: Now Thank We All Our God**

LUYH 543

Congregational Prayer

Offerings: First: Ottawa Food Bank

Second: Calvary Church C.R.C.

Choir: I Love the Lord, He Heard My Prayer

(LUYH 439)

***Singing: Bless His Holy Name**


MP 76

God's Parting Blessing

As you prepare to go from this place, Give Thanks.
Give thanks for the harvest. Give thanks for the
blessing of faith, family, food, and freedom. Give
thanks for the gifts we give and the ones we re-
ceive. Give thanks for God the Creator, Son, and
Holy Spirit.

Amen.

CALVARY'S CALENDAR MONDAY, OCTOBER 09 - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15 /2023		
MONDAY, OCTOBER 09	THANKSGIVING WORSHIP SERVICE	10:00 AM
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10	FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE TRIP TO WESTPORT	BUS LEAVES THE CHURCH AT 10:00 AM
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12	MEN'S BOWLING	9:30-11:00 AM
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15	SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE	10:00 AM

2023 - 10:00 AM	TODAY	THANKSGIVING MONDAY	SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15	SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22
TODAY	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP	THANKSGIVING SERVICE	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP
WORSHIP LEADER	PASTOR HAROLD KOUWENBERG	PASTOR HAROLD KOUWENBERG	PASTOR HAROLD KOUWENBERG	PASTOR HAROLD KOUWENBERG
OFFIC./ELDER HOLY COMMUNION	GRAHAM		JESSICA	KRISTY JESSICA, KRISTY, HYUNG
DEACON	YOLANDI		RACHELLE	GLENDEEN
OFFERING 2ND OFFERING	OTTAWA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL CALVARY C.R.C.	OTTAWA FOOD BANK CALVARY C.R.C.	DISABILITY CONCERNS CALVARY C.R.C.	FAITH FORMATION MINISTRIES CALVARY C.R.C.
JUNIOR SUNDAY SCHOOL NURSERY	MEGAN/EVELYN BOB P./DENISE F.		DENISE/CHASE KATHRYN V./LEAH F.	NANCY/CHLOE ALICE P./ALEX M.
COFFEE CLEANUP	JOEY & SYLVIA R.		TIM F. & GLENDEEN B.	GRAHAM & LAURIE J.
GREETERS	GRAHAM AND LAURIE J.		HENK B.	JESSICA J.

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

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