

# CALVARY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH



3782 Russell Road, Ottawa - www.calvarycrc.ca

#### Lord's Supper Sunday, October 22/2023 - Pastor Harold Kouwenberg

PLEASE NOTE: Children and their families are invited to sit at the front of the church to observe the celebration of the Lord's Supper up close. \*Rise in body or in spirit

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements Gathering Prayer \*Singing: Lord Most High **Because He Lives** 

#### **LUYH 593 LUYH 361**

#### Call to Worship

Let us worship the eternal God, The source of love and life, who creates us. Let us worship Jesus Christ, The risen one who lives among us. Let us worship the Spirit, The Holy fire, who renews us To the one true God be praise In all times and places, Through the grace of Jesus Christ

#### 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: I've Found a Friend O Such a Friend

#### Confession

Loving Father we confess that Sometimes we think we can do things all by ourselves And sometimes we are worried about things. We forget that you give us everything we have And that you make us who we are. Please forgive us for thinking about ourselves first Please forgive us for not trusting you to take care of us. Thank you for always loving us Even when we forget that we need you. In Jesus' name. Amen

#### Assurance of Pardon

The Lord is merciful and gracious, Slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. As a father has compassion for his children, So the Lord has compassion for those who fear him. For he knows how we were made; He remembers that we are dust. But the steadfast love of the Lord Is from everlasting to everlasting And his righteousness to children's children, To those who keep his covenant And remember to do his commandments. - Psalm 103 8 13-14 17-18 NRSV

Children's time

Singing: I will make you fishers of men

(Children ages 4-7 leave for Church School)

# Proclamation of the Word

Prayer of Illumination Scriptures: Exodus 3:1-14 & 4:10-12 Mark 10: 17- 30 Message "HOLY GROUND"



(to tune CONSTANCE PH 182)

## Response to the Word \*Singing: O Master Let Me Walk with Thee

(Children ages 8-11 leave for Church School)

Congregational Prayer Offerings: First: Faith Formations Ministries Second Calvary Church C.R.C.

## Singing: Behold the Lamb

# The Lord's Supper

## God's Parting Blessing

Now to him who by the power at work in us Is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen

# \*Singing: I Will Be There (Sela)

## Benediction

May the love of Jesus Christ bring us wholeness, the grace of God the Father grant us peace, the breath of Holy Spirit instil passion and the unity between them give us strength for this and every day. 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. Pastor Harold Kouwenberg will be leading us in worship this morning. We extend a special welcome to all visitors. May your time with us be a blessing to you. 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.

HOLY COMMUNION: This morning we plan to celebrate the Lord's Supper. The Bible teaches that partaking of Communion is a blessing, provided we carefully prepare our hearts. In order to do that you are asked to affirm before God the following statements:

I am a repentant sinner, trusting in Jesus Christ alone for my salvation.

I have a sincere commitment to live for Jesus.

I am a member in good standing of a Christian church.

#### If these statements are true for you, please celebrate Communion with us.

**Pastor Harold** can be reached either by telephoning the church at 613 870-4377 or by email at pastor@calvary.ca Normally Harold takes Fridays as his day off but in an emergency CALL anyway.

## CHURCH FAMILY

**Willy van de V.** left the hospital last Friday and will be staying at the HUNT CLUB MANOR to recover of the fall she made that broke her left arm and her right hand.

Willy's address is:

Hunt Club Manor, 1351 Hunt Club Road, Ottawa, K1V 1A6. Telephone: 613-733 4776 and ask for room 308. **Cobie**'s friend **Leo** received thankful news from the doctor that no cancer was found.

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

#### Council needs your help!

We are looking for volunteers knowledgeable in human resources and/or legal topics, willing to provide advice and guidance on an as-needed basis for matters that have a HR/legal component. An example of such would be any time Calvary hires a new employee. If you can help us with this, forward your name to the chair of council, Cathy, or send an email to office@calvarycrc.ca. Thank you, - Admin Team

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..





**LUYH 325** 

**LUYH 840** 

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**COFFEE/TEA SOCIAL** at the church Tuesday from 10:00AM – 12:00. Let's just sit around and have a good time together, play a game, or place a few pieces in a puzzle. All are invited to attend.

CADETS CADETS AND GEMS: will meet Monday @ 6:30PM GEMÍS

MEN's BOWLING: Thursday morning 9:30 - 11 AM

# 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.

The Faith Formation Committee will be hosting a Welcoming Workshop in November for any families interested in learning more and to prepare those children wishing to participate in the Lord's Supper. Please let **Stephanie H.** know if you are interested in attending this workshop. It will be held in November on a Sunday after church. The exact date will be determined based on participants' availability. stephaniehoople@gmail.com

# Church Directory - Last chance to update your information for our new church directory TODAY!

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 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 Lesage at 613-596-0099 or berthalesage@gmail.com.

# **OUR OFFERINGS:**

## **TODAY** - Faith Formation Ministries

Faith Formation Ministries has joined with eight other Christian Reformed ministries to better equip and encourage congregations. Our new name is Thrive. In coming together, we hope to provide churches with one-stop access to support resources that are fully integrated, and responsive to the changing needs of local congregations.

While our name may have changed, we're still as committed as ever to encourage and equip churches and individuals to practice lifelong faith and missional discipleship. We continue to listen, provide consulting and resources that fit your unique context, and we walk alongside you and your church as you encounter the challenges and opportunities of growing in resilient, intentional, holistic faith. Website: https://www.crcna.org/FaithFormation

## 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

November 05 - World Renew – World Hunger Did you know that the Bible refers to fish 74 times? Did you also know that children and families have been filling World Renew's orange **Peter Fish** banks with coins to help people in need for more than 20 years? World Renew invites you to join thousands of others in this year's World Hunger Campaign, called "Fish for Change". Through daily stories and activity suggestions that you can read around your own supper tables you will learn from Peter Fish and discover new ways to share your blessings with those in need. Then join us on November 5 for World Hunger Sunday. For more information, go to: www.worldrenew.ca/worldhunger

# November 12 - Ministry to Seafarers

Dedicated to enhancing the lives of seafarers, regardless of race, religion, gender or rank, through ship visiting, advocacy and hospitality; and showing Jesus' love by caring for their physical, emotional, spiritual and justice needs. Website: https://ministrytoseafarers.org/







WorldRenew

#### Council Report on the Church Survey and Human Sexuality Report

Thank you, to everyone (112) who shared their observations and feelings with Council in our recent survey. It has been quite clear that our congregation and our denomination have been wrestling with the report on Human Sexuality. It is also clear that we have divergent views contributing to a level of angst. We are saddened that some members are continuing to resign their membership in the C.R.C.. We also, each of us, know we are the undeserving recipients of God's grace, redeemed, but not perfect and we humbly acknowledge this important truth. Our leaders at Calvary accept that we are conflicted but not in conflict, we are troubled but not in trouble. Your Council wants to remind you that we are a "Reformed and Reforming" church and that we have not yet reached the conclusion of this story. We recognize the conversation will likely continue for a very long time. As a congregation, we need to remember how much love we share within this church family. We trust you will join the Council in our commitment to continue the dialogue, to humbly proceed with love and respect for one another, and to renounce any form of judgment. Each individual is precious to our fellowship and each voice is important. We want to continue to work together as a congregation and to wait patiently upon the Lord. God is good.

It was agreed that elders will be sensitive to the concerns raised by members within their ward and that they would welcome calls or requests for visits to discuss issues further. Council recognizes the need for a listening ear and for ongoing dialogue. **Respectfully from your Council** 

#### Please Pray for: FIRST C.R.C., Montreal, Pastor James Kralt

#### Will Planning 101



Would you prefer if the government and the courts decide how to divide your assets when you die?....or would you like to have a say?

Come join us at Community Christian School on November 08 at 7:00 pm. Learn why a Will is so important – as well as Power of Attorney documents - and so much more at the Will Planning 101 Seminar we are hosting along with our Foundation.

Register by November 06 by emailing <u>info@communitychristianschool.ca</u>. BONUS: A Delicious Desserts Social will be held during the event!

**KIDS CORNER:** God's Partnership Gives Us Hope - Check out this week's kids' devotion at <u>www.kidscorner.net</u>. We know that God is "always ready to help in times of trouble" (Psalm 46:1). This week's devotion is all about how God is willing to help you. He can work with you to help you and others. Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net like the Bible story podcast "The Story of the Prophets."

CALVARY'S CALENDAR				
MONDAY, OCTOBER 23 - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29/2023				
TODAY	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP - LORD'S SUPPER	10:00 AM		
LAST CHANCE TO UPDATE YOUR INFO FOR THE NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY				
MONDAY, OCTOBER 23	CADETS & GEMS	6:30 PM		
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26	MEN'S BOWLING	9:30-11:00 AM		
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE	10:00 AM		

2023 - 10:00 AM	TODAY	SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29	SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 05
TODAY	LORD'S SUPPER SUNDAY	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP
WORSHIP LEADER	PASTOR HAROLD KOUWENBERG	PASTOR HAROLD KOUWENBERG	PASTOR HAROLD KOUWENBERG
OFFIC./ELDER HOLY COMMUNION	KRISTY <i>JESSICA, KRISTY, HYUNG</i>	HYUNG	CATHY
DEACON	GLENDEN	CHRIS F.	CORA
OFFERING 2ND OFFERING	FAITH FORMATION MINISTRIES CALVARY C.R.C.	MINISTRY SHARES CALVARY C.R.C	WORLD RENEW (WORLD HUNGER) CALVARY C.R.C.
JUNIOR SUNDAY SCHOOL NURSERY	NANCY/CHLOE ALICE P./ALEX M.	MELISSA/EVELYN TRUDY M./LEAH H.	DENISE/LEAH F. MICHELLE F./CLAUDIA F.
COFFEE CLEANUP	GRAHAM & LAURIE J.	HUB & GRACE S.	JEAN & JACKIE L.
GREETERS	J. JOLDERSMA	MONIQUE DEW.	BOB & ALICE P.

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

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