



Sunday, November 19/2023 - Pastor Harold Kouwenberg

**Rise in body or in spirit*

Welcome and Announcements
Gathering Prayer

***Singing: Gather Us In**

LUYH 529

Call to Worship

Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.

The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.

We desire to live in God's house
and to seek God in his holy temple.

**We have come with shouts of joy,
to sing and to make music to the Lord.**

Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

Teach us your ways and make straight our paths

in this hour of worship and always. —based on Psalm 27; John 4:23

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: Meekness and Majesty**

LUYH 157

Confession

In repentance and rest is your salvation,
in quietness and trust is your strength,
but you would have none of it.

Yet the LORD longs to be gracious to you;
he rises to show you compassion.

For the LORD is God of justice.

Blessed are all who wait for him! —Isaiah 30:15, 18, NIV

Assurance of Pardon

Here are words you may trust,
words that merit full acceptance:

Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

To all who confess their sins and resolve to lead a new life,
he says, "Your sins are forgiven."

He also says, "Follow me."

Now to the one who rules all worlds,
immortal, invisible, the only God,

be honor and glory forever and ever. —based on 1 Timothy 1:15, 17

***Singing: Take, O Take Me as I Am**

LUYH 741



Children's time

Singing: Jesus Loves Me

LUYH 709

(Children ages 4-7 leave for Church School)

Proclamation of the Word

Prayer of Illumination

Scriptures: John 10: 1-18

Psalm 23

Message: **"His Master's Voice"**

Response to the Word

***Singing: Holy, Holy, Holy**

LUYH 538

(Children ages 8-11 leave for Church School)

Congregational Prayer
Offerings: First: Chaplaincy & Care Ministry
Second: Calvary Church C.R.C.

***Singing: In Christ Alone**

LUYH 770

Sending

God has shown you what is good.
And what does the Lord require of you?
To act justly and to love mercy
and to walk humbly with your God. —from Micah 6:8, NIV

***Singing: God Be with You till We Meet Again**

LUYH 943

Benediction

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

G O D
be with you
TILL WE MEET
AGAIN

LUYH = Lift Up Your Hearts (red hymnal)

WELCOME to Calvary Church. **Pastor Harold Kouwenberg** will be leading us in worship.
As we give praise to our Living Lord, may we be blessed in our worship and fellowship.
Please join the congregation for 'coffee' fellowship after church this morning, in the church hall.

CHURCH FAMILY

Each one of us experiences life in all its joys, concerns, and sorrows. Let us remember each other, say hello, make a phone call, send a card, or make a visit. We ask the Lord that he brings healing and strength to all with health concerns. Let us remember each other in prayer.

Congregational Meeting

Our fall congregational meeting will be held next Sunday, November 26, after the service in the fellowship hall. Council will present the budget for approval and give an information session on the implications of the Synodical decision regarding the Human Sexuality Report. This will include a summary of the church survey that was taken last summer regarding church attendance. Printed copies of the agenda and budget will be available. A light finger food lunch will be held following the meeting.

Please sign up for your choice of the following foods to bring: cheese platter (cut up ready to serve), crackers, fruit tray (or whole ready to eat fruits), vegetable tray, sandwiches or buns (egg, meat or cheese), cookies, squares (plated and ready to serve), chips or other snack type foods.

We hope to see all members there, if able. Non-members are welcome to attend! *Respectfully, Council*

Employment Opportunity for you!

Council has created a new paid part-time position (15-20 hours per week) to help with the administrative tasks of Calvary to keep everything running efficiently. The new **Office Administrator** will be the first point of contact for Calvary Christian Reformed Church. Duties will include a variety of office support tasks. The successful candidate will be able to work independently under the direction of the Pastor. Additional required skills include attention to detail, discretion on sensitive and confidential matters as well as effective communication skills, both written and verbal. The Office Administrator will work a minimum of 2 days per week at the church and the remaining hours may be completed at home/remotely with a flexible schedule. Some after-hours/short notice tasks may be required. If this is an opportunity you are interested in, a detailed job description is available in the fellowship hall. Additionally, it will be emailed to the congregation. To apply, please email a cover letter and résumé to office@calvarycrc.ca with attention to **Kyle H.**, clerk of Council. Deadline to apply is **November 30, 2023**.

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**

Diaconal Ministries Canada

Annual General Meeting - The Annual General Meeting of Diaconal Ministries Canada is open to ALL who are interested in diaconal work in Canada. This year's AGM will be held via ZOOM on Thursday, November 23, 2023, at 8:00pm EST (5pm PST, 6pm MST, 7pm CST, 9pm AST, 9:30pm NST). We'll review the mission and mandate of Diaconal Ministries and share about how we work with deacons and churches across Canada to impact communities with Christ's love. A time for questions and open discussion is also included. Visit our website to view all meeting materials and to register! <https://diaconalministries.com/agm/>

Please Pray for: Hebron Community C.R.C., Renfrew, Pastor Dan Meinema

OUR OFFERINGS:

TODAY - Chaplaincy & Care Ministry - *Chaplaincy Sunday*.

Chaplains are specialized ministers and pastors that serve in institutional settings. They are called to be a light in the darkness, to bring Christ's grace, peace, and healing to those who need it the most. Thrive's chaplaincy program endorses, trains, advocates and provides care for chaplains.

Learn more and find resources to share at crcna.org/churchyear

November 26: 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.

December 03 -

December 10 - **Calvary C.R.C. Budget**

Please shop for Montreal Seafarers:

Approximately 90% of our goods come to us by ship. Ironically, the seafarers who work on these ships are some of the ones who can least afford these goods. **The Deacons** are asking the congregation to once again contribute to



Christmas parcels for the Ministry to Seafarers (M2S) in Montreal. M2S runs this Christmas parcel campaign in the hopes of giving each seafarer who visits the Port of Montreal a small gift as a tangible expression of God's love for them and a means of celebrating God's greatest gift, Jesus Christ.

Deadline to bring back to church: Sunday, December 03. Please leave in foyer at top of stairs.

Ministry to Seafarers: Guidelines for Filling a Bag

1. Fill a bag (15"x12") suitable for a **male**. It is better to have a small full bag than a half empty big bag. Use the rule of 4 categories: toiletries, warm clothing, snacks and a play/leisure/special item.
2. Enclose a **greeting card**/personal note and your name (and email address if you're comfortable doing so). Some of those who receive these gifts like to acknowledge them.
3. Parcel contents **DO'S**:

- TOILETRIES: Ex. toothbrush/toothpaste, razor/shaving cream, soap/shampoo
- WARM CLOTHING: Ex. Toque, gloves, socks, scarf
- SNACKS: Ex. Candy, chocolate, nuts, cookies
- PLAY/LEISURE/GIFT: Ex. Headlamp/flashlight, calendar, "Bicycle" playing cards, Canada souvenir such as magnet or keychain, sudoku.

Parcel contents DON'Ts: Don't include heavily scented items such as Irish Spring soap, office supplies, cleaning/products, used items or unpackaged items such as a toothbrush, loose candy or home baking. Please don't make a bag for female seafarers, there are very few of them, and M2S has a budget to create parcels specifically for them.

M2S also accepts gently used coats and warm sweaters of all sizes for men.

Thank you for preparing this parcel like you were giving it as a gift to someone you personally know and love. You can also make a virtual donation towards the Christmas Parcel Campaign (<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/the-ministry-to-seafarers-of-the-christian-reformed-church/>) and M2S will shop, pack and deliver your parcel. A donation of \$25 equals one gift. Remember to include a personal note with your donation to be added to your parcel. **The Deacons**



Our **BAZAAR** will be held

Saturday, December 09, from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM



We hope to serve **oliebollen, appelflappen, and lunch**, sell baked goods, sell crafts, sell new and used goods, have raffles for gift baskets, a silent auction and some guessing jars. For the **children** there will be games to play, and crafts to do.

The committee is looking for volunteers:

- ◇ to **make and donate crafts**
- ◇ to **bake**
- ◇ to **set up Friday 10-2** -to **work** a various stations -**Saturday 9-2** -for **clean up Saturday 1:30-3.**

We will have sign up sheets available, or you can call or text us.

We are also looking for donations:

- ⇒ for a **silent auction**.
- ⇒ for the **white elephant sale...new or used in good condition**, items that would make good, small or medium gifts, Christmas decorations, toys, household items, etc.

As you can see, we need your help whether it's one item, one hour of your time, or showing up to enjoy.

If you need supplies or materials for crafts please let us know. We have some in the basement.

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

FRIENDSHIP CLUB AT CALVIN C.R.C.

What can I say about Friendship Club? It's all about its name – yet so much more.

Friendship Club was created for people with disabilities, and some very fortunate non-disabled people, to get together to worship, pray, fellowship, and spend time together in God's word. It's a community. Friendship Club is one of those amazing places where we find out what it **really** is to be the Body.

The **whole** Body!

As you may know, most people with cognitive and developmental disabilities do not attend church regularly. It can be difficult. It may be overwhelming with the sounds, smells, and visual stimulation. It may be hard to follow the "rules" and "routines" of a Sunday morning service. Who knows? It might even be difficult for other people who don't understand autism or Down Syndrome, and who may question whether they have a place on Sunday morning. It happens.

Friendship Club is different. That's why it's wonderful. Every part of the body – hands feet, eyes, ears, fingernails, and bellybuttons – are together.

Sometimes the challenging thing about Friendship Club is how to make it happen in a comfortable, accommodating, and safe way. In order to make Friendship Club at Calvin C.R.C. the amazing place it is, we need to welcome more body parts – especially some hands, feet, ears, and hearts - who are willing to share their gifts. Do you like to lend a helping hand? Cook or serve snacks? Are you artsy and like to do crafts? Do you have a heart to chat with people and learn about their lives?

Friendship Club would LOVE to meet you.

Get an early start on your Christmas baking!

Christmas Bake Sale on Saturday, November 25th from 9am to noon at St. Andrew's & St. Paul's (Russell) United Church (38 Mill Street, Russell). Cookies, cakes, frozen soups and more!

Kids Corner: Daily Gratitude - Check out this week's kids' devotion at www.kidscorner.net. Take a moment to try this exercise: In five seconds, name five things that you are thankful for. Ready? Three... two... one... go! This week's devotion is about being thankful. Why be thankful? Because it helps us to see God at work in our lives every day. Gratitude gives joy to both God and us! Check out all the great content at kidscorner.net like the KC's Liz and Friends Podcast "Attitude of Gratitude."

Christmas Concert
"Hear the Joyful Sound"
OTTAWA CARLETON MALE CHOIR
 Friday, December 08/2023 at 7:30 PM
 Woodroffe United Church 207 Woodroffe Avenue, Ottawa
 With Special Guests:
Atlantic Voices & Capital City Trombone Quartet
 Pauline Van Der Roest-Mezzo Soprano - Brent Ferguson-Trumpet
 Tickets \$20.00—Available from Choir Members & at the Door
 Part of the proceeds to The Salvation Army of Canada
 For Information call 613-293-9046 - <https://ottawacarletonmalechoir.com>

CALVARY'S CALENDAR		
TODAY	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP	10:00 AM
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20	CADETS & GEMS	6:30 PM
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23	MEN'S BOWLING	9:30-11:00 AM
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE	10:00 AM
	CONGREGATIONAL MEETING	AFTER AM WORSHIP SERVICE

	TODAY	NOVEMBER 26	DECEMBER 03
10:00 AM	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP	SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP
WORSHIP LEADER	PASTOR HAROLD KOUWENBERG	PASTOR HAROLD KOUWENBERG	PASTOR HAROLD KOUWENBERG
OFFIC./ELDER	BERT	ELCO CATHY, JAKE, ELCO	PETER
DEACON	YOLANDI	RACHELLE	GLENDEEN
OFFERING 2ND OFFERING	CHAPLAINCY & CARE MINISTRY CALVARY C.R.C.	MINISTRY SHARES CALVARY C.R.C.	CALVARY C.R.C.
JUNIOR SUNDAY SCHOOL NURSERY	NANCY/LAUREN STEPH H./ABBY D.	MELISSA/EVELYN BARB A./LEAH F.	DENISE/CHLOE BOB P./ALEX MCW.
COFFEE CLEANUP	ALLAN & MANJA G.	HARRY & MARNIE R.	HENRY & CORA S.
GREETERS	MICHELLE F. & FAMILY	JAKE & MARIANNE V.	BERT & SHIRLEY V.

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

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