



**New Years Eve Sunday December 31 - Pastor Harold Kouwenberg**

*\*Rise in body or in spirit*

Gathering

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Gathering Prayer for Worship**

**\* Singing: O Come All Ye Faithful - LUYH 76**

**\*Call to Worship**

God is here! The Messiah has come!  
We open our eyes to see him and lift our hearts to worship him.  
We have come to exalt the name of Jesus, our Savior and King, and to bring glory to God the Father.  
In our worship we demonstrate the mind of Christ  
in declaring to God that he is the supreme authority in our lives.  
We bow before him in submission to our Lord and King.  
Come, worship the Lord!

**\*God's Greeting:**

The LORD your God is with you,  
he is mighty to save.  
He will take great delight in you,  
he will quiet you with his love,  
he will rejoice over you with singing.  
—Zephaniah 3:17, NIV

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

**\*Singing: Once in Royal David's City - LUYH 87**

**Children's Time:**

*Prayer of Invocation (especially mindful of children)*

He came as a baby in a manger.  
**O come, let us adore him.**  
He came in a lowly stable.  
**O come, let us adore him.**  
Shepherds brought their worship.  
**O come, let us adore him.**  
Angels sang his praise.  
**O come, let us adore him.**  
Magi brought their gifts.  
**O come, let us adore him.**  
What shall we do?  
**O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord! Amen.**



**Confession and Assurance**

**Prayer of Confession:**

O God, we need Christ to renew our commitment.  
We confess that our lack of faith has made us fearful.  
May your angels sing again to us of peace for body and soul.  
We acknowledge that we have foolishly let our desires lead us astray.  
May your star once more set our course firmly in your direction.  
We have turned our faith into a lifeless ritual.  
May your manger call us again to expressions of love and devotion.  
We have carefully kept our gifts and have not freely given our goods and our hearts to you.  
May the Magi show us the spirit of giving.  
Lord, may your Spirit linger in our hearts and bring renewal in our lives.  
Amen.

**\* Singing Angels from the Realms of Glory - LUYH 81**

Proclamation of the word

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Matthew 2: 1-8 & Micah 5: 1-5

Song of Thanksgiving

**\*Singing: Jesus, the Light of the World - LUYH 100**

Congregational Prayer (elder)

Offerings: First: Good Neighbours Food Bank in Embrun

Second: Calvary Church (our ministry)

**\*Sending**

God and Father of Jesus,  
you have sent your Son to be our Savior:  
our light in the midst of darkness,  
our hope in the face of threats,  
our peace amid turmoil.  
In your Word [and sacrament]  
we have seen him  
and know that your promises are true.  
Send us forth from this assembly  
to live in hope and peace,  
until we gather again [at his table].  
This we ask in the name of Jesus, the Lord. Amen.



**\*Singing: Dona Nobis Pacem - LUYH 93**

**\*God's Parting Blessing**

The joy of the angels,  
the eagerness of the shepherds,  
the perseverance of the Magi,  
the obedience of Joseph and Mary,  
and the peace of the Christ child be yours this Christmas season.  
And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be upon you and remain with you always.  
Amen.

**Do you like singing?** JOIN US! at the OTTAWA CARLETON MALE CHOIR Wednesdays 7:30 - 9:30 @ CALVIN Christian Reformed Church, 1475 Merivale Road, Ottawa.  
 Start Date is January 10, 2024. NO AUDITIONS, Musical skills of ALL levels. Henk: 613 293 9046 or Christine: [chrisadmiral@gmail.com](mailto:chrisadmiral@gmail.com)

**Ottawa 67's game:** The **Cadets of the Golden Triangle**, of which our club is a member, are inviting everyone to the Ottawa 67's hockey game on Saturday, January 27 at 3:00 pm at TD Place.  
 Please let **Fred Vedder** ([fkvedder@rogers.com](mailto:fkvedder@rogers.com)) know by January 03 how many tickets you would like. Cost per ticket is \$20.00.

**World Renew**

Giving Thanks at Christmas - Thank you for sharing God's love through the World Renew Gift Catalogue during Advent. Your donation of a chicken, water filter, or goat can be a miracle for people who are facing poverty, hunger, and injustice today. It's not too late if you want to give in the New Year! Go to [worldrenew.ca/gifts](http://worldrenew.ca/gifts) or call 1-888-975-3769. Thank you!

CALVARY'S CALENDAR		
<b>TODAY</b>	<b>NEW YEARS EAVE</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>
<b>MONDAY JANUARY 1</b>	<b>NEW YEARS DAY</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>
<b>SUNDAY JANUARY 7</b>	<b>WORSHIP SERVICE COMMUNION</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>
<b>SUNDAY JANUARY 14</b>	<b>WORSHIP SERVICE</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>

	DECEMBER 31	JANUARY 1	JANUARY 7	JANUARY 14
<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP</b>	<b>NEW YWARS MORNING</b>	<b>SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP</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>PASTOR HAROLD KOUWENBERG</b>
<b>OFFIC./ELDER</b>	<b>HYUNG</b>	<b>HYUNG</b>	<b>CATHY</b>	<b>JAKE</b>
<b>DEACON</b>	<b>YOLANDI</b>	<b>YOLANDI</b>	<b>RACHELLE</b>	<b>GLENDEN</b>
<b>OFFERING</b>	<b>GOOD NEIGHBORS FOOD BANK</b>		<b>YOUTH UNLIMITED</b>	<b>REFRAME MINISTRIES</b>
<b>2ND OFFERING</b>	<b>EMBRUN</b> <b>CALVARY C.R.C.</b>	<b>HARVEST HOUSE</b>	<b>(THEREFORE GO)</b> <b>CALVARY C.R.C.</b>	<b>CALVARY CHURCH</b>
<b>JUNIOR SUNDAY SCHOOL</b>	<b>MELISSA/EVELYN</b>	<b>NO SUNDAY SCHOOL</b>	<b>DENISE / LAUREN</b>	<b>NANCY / CHLOE</b>
<b>NURSERY</b>	<b>ALICE P./DENISE F.</b>		<b>STEPH H. / ALEX M.</b>	<b>BOB P. / LEAH H.</b>
<b>COFFEE CLEANUP</b>	<b>BART &amp; ANTJE RIJKE</b>	<b>DON &amp; ANITA HERWEYER</b>	<b>JOHN &amp; SARAH COOK BEN</b>	<b>LARRY &amp; EVELINA &amp; JESSICA</b>
<b>GREETERS</b>	<b>G&amp;R HIEMSTRA</b>	<b>HOOPLE FAMILY</b>	<b>GRAHAM &amp; LAURIE</b>	<b>H BRUNEKREEFT</b>

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

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