

CALVARY
CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH



PASTOR REBECCA BOKMA
SUNDAY NOVEMBER 24

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements
Gathering Prayer for Worship

* Rise in body or in spirit

***Singing: He is Exalted MP 111**
All Hail King Jesus MP 1

**Call to Worship*

Lift up your heads, O you gates;
 be lifted up, you ancient doors,
 that the King of glory may come in.
Who is this King of glory?
The LORD strong and mighty,
the LORD mighty in battle.
Lift up your heads, O you gates;
lift them up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
Who is he, this King of glory?
The LORD Almighty—
he is the King of glory.
—Psalm 24:7-10, NIV

**God's Greeting*

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
 and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
—2 Corinthians 13:13, NIV

***Singing: Awake My Soul (Resound)**

Children's Time

Children's Song: The B-I-B-L-E

Children ages 3-9 are now dismissed for Sunday School.

Time of Confession

The proof of God's amazing love is this:
While we were sinners, Christ died for us.
Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness,
so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.
Trusting in God's faithfulness and compassion,
let us confess our sin before God and one another.
—based on Romans 5:8; Hebrews 4:16, NRSV

Prayers of Confession

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry,
too real to hide, and too deep to undo.
Forgive what our lips tremble to name,
what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us
a consuming fire of judgment.
Set us free from a past that we cannot change;
open to us a future in which we can be changed;
and grant us grace
to grow more and more in your likeness and image;
through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. **Amen.**

Singing: Come to the Savoir Now LUYH 613

Assurance of Pardon

Through Jesus Christ, forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you.
In Christ we have redemption through his blood,
the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace.
—from Acts 13:38; Ephesians 1:7, NRSV

***Singing: In Christ Alone LUYH 770**

Proclamation of the Word

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Isaiah 40: 27-31 & Ephesians 1: 17-21

Message: On Wings Like Eagles

Song of Response

***Singing: On Eagles Wings** (Michael Joncas)

Congregational Prayer

Offerings: First: Ministry Shares

Second: Calvary C.R.C.

**Sending/Blessing*

Let us go forth into the world,
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
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

It's less than 2 weeks till our Bazaar Saturday Nov 30 from 9 to 1pm.

We are looking for volunteers. There are sign up sheets in the fellowship hall.

Volunteer to set up on Friday,

to work at a booth, or the kitchen for 1, 2, 3 or 4 hour shifts, or to clean up on Saturday.

We also need volunteers to make soup, to bake and of course donations of crafts, gifts, Christmas décor, toys, and gift baskets to raffle off.

Any questions you may call or email Jackie L., Jess J. or Trudy H.

COFFEE/TEA SOCIAL at the church Tuesday 10 – 12. Lets 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.** We will be collecting items for the gift basket for the Christmas Bazaar.

Ministry to Seafarers Christmas Parcels: Next Sunday, December 1 is the last chance to bring in your Christmas parcel for the Seafarers! The Deacons thank you in advance for your generosity and kindness in bringing the Joy of Christmas to those who are far from loved ones. There are lots of gift bags and toques by the mail slots and the list for your convenience.

Christmas Candlelight Service Friday, December 20, 2024 at 7:00 pm - right here at Calvary CRC
A service of Lessons and Carols followed by a time for fellowship and Christmas treats. You don't want to miss this! Invite your family and friends to this special evening.

Thursday Morning Bible Study: All are welcome. Coffee/tea should be ready by 10AM. We are pondering the words of Luke, this week we begin at Luke 6: 17. We are a very informal group. You are more than welcome if it works in your schedule this week.

Ottawa Carleton Male Choir: Friday December 13 2024 at 7:30 PM at Woodroffe United Church. Tickets \$20.00 Available from Henk Huizenga or at the door.

Every year the Synod of the CRCNA invites 7 young adults between the ages of 18-26 to participate in an advisory capacity in the decision making process. As someone who has served as a YA Rep twice (2019 and 2022), I can tell you it is a valuable experience for anyone who wants to learn more about our denomination and have their voice be heard at the synodical level. This year Synod is meeting in Ontario at Redeemer University from June 13-19. If you're interested in being a YA Rep or want to know more, send me an email at pastor@calvarycrc.ca - Pastor Rebecca

Our fall congregation meeting will be held after the church service on December 8 2024. Our fall congregation meeting will be held after the church service on December 8 2024. Bridge App is a new software application that provides households with an online directory of Calvary membership as well the ability to deposit from their I-phone.

There will be a Potluck Lunch alongside the Congregational meeting on December 8th. It is always amazing the lovely offerings that people bring to share as we enjoy a meal together! Please bring finger foods that are served cold and ready to put out on the buffet table. ie NOT soups or salads (Store bought foods are happily accepted) This is much easier to set out and for the clean up after. Thanks so much in advance!

Communion at Home. Pastor Rebecca, together with our Elders, is currently scheduling visits for at-home Communion. A wonderful opportunity for our members who are unable to attend worship services. Please contact your Elder if you or a family member would like to be included.

Free to Serve: Synod Decisions, Canadian Churches and Local Ministry: According to the Q+A that was sent from the CRC office, Synod made several major decisions that are having and will have profound impacts on CRC congregations' ministry. As a result of these, churches are experiencing concerns in recruiting office bearers; concerns in young persons' decisions to profess their faith, concerns of churches in our classes being put under limited suspension; high level decisions by the Canadian-minority Synod that have impacted the day-to-day functioning and hopes of many congregations in Canada.

Towards a Christian Reformed Church in Canada ([website https://www.towardcrrcanada.net/](https://www.towardcrrcanada.net/)) invites you to a conversation about these concerns: how do these changes impact us locally? Five

THIS WEEKS GROUP ACTIVITIES

| | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
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| 6:30pm Cadets | | | | | | |
| 6:30pm GEMS | | | | | | |
| | | 9:30am Hands On | 9:30am Bowling | | Bazaar set up | Bazaar |
| | | | 10am Thur. Morn. Bible Disc. | | | |

| | NOVEMBER 24 10:00 | DECENBER1 10:00 | DECEMBER 8 10:00 | DECEMBER 15 10:00 |
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| | SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP | SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP | SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP | SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP |
| WORSHIP LEADER | PASTOR HAROLD KOUWENBURG | PASTOR REBECCA BOKMA | PASTOR REBECCA BOKMA | PASTOR REBECCA BOKMA |
| OFFIC./ELDER | PETER | JENNIFER JENNIFER, ELCO, PETER | MANJA | KRISTY |
| DEACON | CHRIS | CORA | LINDA | YOLANDI |
| HALL MONITOR | ELCO | MANJA | PETER | CORA |
| OFFERING | MINISTRY SHARE | CALVARY CRC BUDGET | OTTAWA CAMPUS CHAPLAINCY | CROSSTOWN IMPACT |
| 2ND OFFERING | CALVARY CRC | | CALVARY CRC | CALVARY CRC |
| JUNIOR SUNDAY SCHOOL | DANI & JACK | MELISSA & LEAH | DANI & EVELYN | STEPHANIE & LUCY |
| NURSERY | BARB & QUADE | BOB & LEAH | LAURA M & LEAH | TRUDY & CONNOR |
| COFFEE CLEANUP | ALLAN & MANJA | HENRY & CORA | STEVE & SHELLY | MARSHA & MAX |
| GREETERS | JOHN & SARAH | GRACE | HOOPLE FAMILY | JAKE & MARIANNE |

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

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