### Impressions from previous Calvin Labor Day Retreats

"To get away for a weekend to one of my favorite places on earth and get to bask in God's glory in creation. The retreat is a great balance of earning, group time and opportunities for fun activities. It brought much joy to everyone!"

"I loved it last year and of course wanted to attend! It was wonderful! It deepened my faith and appreciation for our members. What a relaxing get-away!"

'We wanted to increase our relationships with our Calvin friends – I felt freer to be me and closer to our Calvin friends. We enjoyed each other's lives. We laughed together and took time to play. Church needs to be more than just bible studies—we need time to pray and to play!'

"We missed last year and heard so many good things about it! We wanted to build closer friendships. This weekend exceeded my expectations. It was wonderful to get to know people in our church better. Great worship and also beaucoup fun!!" – Dennis Ostgard

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Calvin Church 4th Annual Labor Day Weekend Retreat! September 2 –5, 2016

## Liminal Spaces ::

Life's in-between times and God's plan to use ordinary transitions for extraordinary transformation



Jon DeWaal :: speaker Seth Thomas :: worship Hannah Snelling :: youth Joy Wendling :: children

Forming Community, Transforming Lives, Reforming Our World

2016 LABOR DAY RETREAT Tall Timber Ranch, near Leavenworth

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### Why? Now What?

Most of us consider transitions to be, at best, a nuisance and at worst, a place to get out of as quickly as possible. Any answer, even if it is a wrong one, feels better than standing for any length of time in the middle waiting with no answers. To discover treasures – such as a calling, purpose, hope and a future – requires transition. Without transitions—the liminal spaces of life—we would not be transformed into who God desires us to become.

- What if we could turn surprises into something we seize instead of push away?
- What if, despite being painful, we turned the unforeseen into opportunity?
- How might transition transform us individually, and as a community, to further build God's Kinadom?

We will explore these questions and more during our retreat time together....

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#### Paddle a Canoe

- Stretch out with a good Read
- Get at latté at Plain Hardware
- Work up a sweat and Hike to an amazing viewpoint
- Go for a Mountain Bike ride
  - Fly over the trees on the Zip Line
- Take a workshop on Art Journaling
- Pull up an Adirondack chair and Visit with a friend
- Challenge a friend to Ping-Pong
- Work a Puzzle
  - Gather a group to play a **Board Game**
  - Rock the Climbing Wall

### WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Friday Evening | Arrive & Registration No dinner served; on your own
Saturday & Sunday Breakfast
Worship Together & Morning Sessions Lunch
Free-Time Activities Dinner
Worship Together & Evening Session Fellowship
Monday
Morning Wrap-up & Worship Amazing Closing Brunch
11 am—Head home



- Soar on the Giant Swing
- Walk the Prayer Labyrinth
- Window Shop in Leavenworth
- Participate in a Cooking workshop
- Play in the water at Lake Wenatchee
- Plan a white water Raft expedition
- Do a Craft
- Go for a Stroll
- Bring your **Camera** and photograph the incredible scenery
- Throw a Frisbee or a Football
- Take a Nap
- Enjoy the guided Nature Trail
- Throw stones and dip your toe in the White River

How will you spend FREE TIME?

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### FUN FOR ALL!



#### ABOUT OUR SPEAKER| Jon DeWaal

Jon came to the Pacific NW from Grand Rapids, MI, in 2003 to attend Mars Hill Graduate School (now The Seattle School of Theology & Psychology) and received his Master of Divinity degree.

*Liminal spaces*, the big transitional moments, are the profound opportunities of life in which to better locate ourselves and God. Jon started Liminal Space because he is deeply passionate and committed to the work of providing faithful guidance to those going through major transitions in life. He is married to Annie, and they have three children, Grant (8), Jude (5) and Levi (22 mo).

#### WORSHIP | Seth Thomas

A musician, pastor-in-training, graduate student, husband and father, Seth attended Calvin before attending Western Washington University. He currently serves as Ministry Associate at Birchwood Presbyterian in Bellingham

where he leads worship and works with young families. He is pursuing an MDiv degree at The Seattle School of Theology & Psychology and lives in Bellingham with his wife, Stacy, and son, Asher.

### JUST FOR THE KIDS | Joy Wendling

A former Children's and Youth Ministries Director at Westminster Presbyterian in Anacortes, Joy now spends her days playing, learning, and growing with toddlers and preschoolers in her Christian home



noolers in her Christian home childcare center, Little Fishies Daycare. They explore the love of God and the world He created through outdoor time, books, Bible stories, music, art, and play. Joy spends evenings and weekends in Fuller Seminary's Master's program in Youth, Family, and Culture. The Wendling family is

excited to be back for their 4th retreat with Calvin!

### TALL TIMBER FEATURES

### WONDERFUL MEALS

One thing is for sure—at camp we eat well!

Your registration includes all meals on Saturday and Sunday and a fabulous Brunch on Monday before we head back down the mountain.



No dinner is served Friday evening, so you'll want to make arrangements for that on your own before you arrive.

You can help make Cheesy Buns. Yum, yum!

### PERSONAL CHALLENGES

Giant Swing and Zip Line (volunteers needed) Climbing Wall

PLACES TO EXPLORE

Labyrinth Walk White River Lake Wenatchee



has spent 14 years working in youth ministry and served as Calvin's Interim Outreach Ministries Director in 2014-15. She loves teaching and preaching,



passionate about having fun and is intensely competitive when it comes to board games. She has an MDiv from Fuller Seminary Northwest and currently serves with **GO on the mission** in Silverdale, WA.

especially with teenagers. She is also

### **REGISTRATION INFORMATION**



The entire Calvin community is invited to join us for a time of relationship and renewal. Set aside this special weekend as an opportunity to fellowship with friends, commune with God, play, rest and revel in the beauty of the Leavenworth area.

### LODGING

Part of the fun of Camp is getting to know our Calvin Family better. Accommodations are designed to be shared by couples, families and friends. When you register, be sure to **let us know who you'd like to room with!** Your group will be placed in either a Camper Cabin or a Lodge Room.

• **Camper Cabins** of various sizes. Many cabins have bathrooms. Other guests use a modern, centrally located bathhouse.

• Lodge Rooms Modern lodges. Guests sleep in rooms with double beds, bunk beds and use shared full bathrooms.

• **RV Campsite** Tall Timber offers 12 sites with hook-ups for electricity and water.

**COST** Don't let finances hold you back! **Scholarships** available.

**EARLY-BIRD** | Before July 4 Adult \$150; Youth (age 5-17) \$125, Child (age 0-4) free

GENERAL REGISTRATION Adult \$195; Youth (ages5-17) \$150; Child (age 0-4) \$50

**TRANSPORTATION** Carpools available upon request. **REGISTRATION FORM** 

#### Registration also available online at www.calvinpc.org!

Adult Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone\_\_\_\_\_

Email\_\_\_\_\_

Children & Youth—Please list Names and Ages

#### EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION | Before July 4

# Adult	x \$150 = \$
# Youth (5-17)	x \$125 = \$
# Child (0-4)	x free = \$ 0

#### **GENERAL REGISTRATION** | After July 4

# Adult	x \$195 = \$
# Youth (5-17)	× \$150= \$
# Child (0-4)	× \$ 50 = \$

#### **REGISTRATION OPTIONS**

□ I will be using a TTR RV Campsite

□ Partial Retreat (list days you will be attending)

□ I will be staying off-site at: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **PAYMENT METHOD**

Check enclosed with Deposit (\$25 per person)

 $\Box$  Check enclosed with Full Payment \_\_\_\_

 $\Box$  I would like to request scholarship assistance.

\*To pay with credit card, register online at www.calvinpc.org.

#### **OTHER INFORMATION**

 Roommate Request \_\_\_\_\_\_

 Food Allergies \_\_\_\_\_\_

 I would like to Carpool I can provide a ride

