

ORDER OF SERVICE

Sunday, October 2, 2022 • 10:00 AM



PRAYER OF PREPARATION

God of love, as in Jesus Christ You gave Yourself to us, so may we give ourselves to You.
Reveal Yourself to us that we might praise You. Speak Your truth to us that we might follow You.
May Your Spirit grant us the grace to worship You today. Amen.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Neil Trainer

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 95:1-3 NIV)

Dave Randles

One: O come, let us sing to the LORD;

All: **Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!**

One: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving,

All: **And make a joyful noise to the LORD with songs of praise!**

One: For the LORD is a great God.

All: **Our God is a great King above all gods!**

HYMN #150, v. 1-3: "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Emily Mitchell

God of all grace,

**we, who own more than we use, proclaim more than we experience,
and request more than we need, come asking your forgiveness.**

**We seek your salvation, then act like we save ourselves. We beg your forgiveness, then repeat
our errors. We experience your grace, then act defeated. We rely on your power, but only in
hard times. We have become confused and misguided.**

Forgive our every defection.

**Bring us to an unbroken commitment that we may grow in grace through Jesus Christ,
in whose name we pray. (silence for reflection)**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

PASSING THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

DOXOLOGY

BLESSING OF CHILDREN AND DISMISSAL TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Emily Mitchell

OFFERTORY MUSIC: "Arabesque" by Debussy

Catherine Baker

SCRIPTURE PRESENTATION: Ephesians 2:1-10

Dave Randles

SERMON: "Alive with Christ"

Neil Trainer

HYMN #101, v. 1-4: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

PASTORAL PRAYER

Linda Erickson

HYMN # 466, v. 1-4: "O, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

BENEDICTION

Finance Team Update

We are now two months into our new fiscal year. How are Calvin's finances are doing? In short, things are great! Contributions were lighter than anticipated for July and August, but donations are often less during the summer months so it is not a great cause for concern at this point. Facilities revenue was also a bit down, but this is easily explained by the fact that it was summer (and also our Hospitality & Facilities Director was away for most of the month of August). Otherwise, operating expenses are very close to what we budgeted and expected. Here's a quick look at some figures:

- General Fund Contributions, July-August – \$78,240 (we budgeted for \$90,000)
- Facilities Revenue, July-August – \$2,348 (we'd hoped for \$6,000)
- Other Revenue, July-August – \$3,000
- TOTAL Operations Revenue, July-August – \$85,589
- Total Expenses, July-August – \$106,736 (giving to missions: \$12,375)
- Net Revenue, as of 8/31/2022 – \$(23,148)
- Total Assets, as of 8/31/2022 – \$830,138

Thanks to all of you for your continued support of the mission and ministries of Calvin church! Next month you will receive a quarterly contribution statement towards the middle of the month. If you have any financial questions or concerns, reach out to either [Dan Coppin](#), head of the Finance Team, or to [Kirsty Haining](#), our Support Ministries Director.

Messy Church is This Week!

// Invite your neighbors!



Below is a repeat from the Stories of Faith column from the Friday, September 2nd email.

Securing a Relationship with Christ

// by Mike Bowerman

Years ago I attended a Basic Youth Conflicts conference at the Seattle Center Arena at the invitation of a close friend, and it was here that I first accepted Christ. The direction we got at the conclusion of the conference was to **seek out a church** where our newfound relationship with Christ could be nurtured to grow. Within a month I found myself at Greenlake Presbyterian Church and through the worship services I began to learn the lessons that the Bible had for me. (Interestingly, that particular church just north of Woodland Park to the west of Aurora Avenue was known for the large iron bible it displayed on its outside wall.)

Once there, all those attending were encouraged to **get involved in a small group**. The neighborhood group I was assigned to included some in my demographic (singles in their 20s), parents with young families, and grandparents. In this group we shared life, explored the Bible or a Christian book together, learned from each other's life experiences, prayed for each other, and made friendships that still endure.

Lastly, one person set aside time to **be my close friend** and to mentor me in a Paul/Timothy relationship. The success of my

relationship with Christ was so important to him so he invested some of his valuable time to meet with me regularly.

For me, all of these things helped to build a lasting Christian faith. It worked for me: be actively involved with a Christ-centered church, a small group, and a close friend.

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." – Acts 2:42



Happy Birthday!

Cindy Darling	Oct. 02
Meggan McCaslin	Oct. 02
Gloria Strand.....	Oct. 04
Jim Guest	Oct. 05
Victor Meniz	Oct. 07
Starlight Meniz	Oct. 09
Joe Scudder	Oct. 09
Julia Terman	Oct. 10
Lara Dean.....	Oct. 13
Dimitry Zissermann.....	Oct. 14



Upcoming Events

WOW Group, 2 pm.....	Oct. 03
LIFE Group, 6:30 pm.....	Oct. 03
Ladies' Lunch, 11:30 am at <i>The Potlatch Bistro</i> in Edmonds.....	Oct. 04
Zoom Men's Bible Study, 7:30 am.....	Oct. 05
Open hours, 10 am.....	Oct. 05
Prayer Zoom, 12 pm	Oct. 05
Messy Church, 5:30 pm in the Activity Center	Oct. 05
Young Adults Alpha Group meets at the Bowermans' house, 6:30 pm.....	Oct. 05
Harambee	Oct. 08
<i>Get Connected</i> New Members Class, 9 am.....	Oct. 15
<i>No Homeless Kids</i> Fall Luncheon (Vision House fundraiser)	Oct. 25
Trunk or Treat, 6 pm	Oct. 31