### **ORDER OF SERVICE**

Sunday, October 23, 2022 • 10:00 AM



PRAYER OF PREPARATION

O God, your constant love reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness extends to the skies. Who is like you, O God? Praise be to you forever. Amen.

PRELUDE Linda Clugston, Organ

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

**Neil Trainer** 

CALL TO WORSHIP

Janet Peterson

The eternal Father, who loved us and set us free from our sins, who loves us still with that love that will not let us go, and who will love us forever, calls us to worship and to remember the depth of his love for us in Christ. God seeks our love, so let us look to the Lord and his strength and seek his face always. Let us worship God now, in spirit and in truth!

SONGS OF PRAISE: "O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!" and "My Jesus, I Love Thee"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Janet Peterson

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you.

You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.

Have mercy on us, O Lord. Sanctify us; renew us; free us for joyful obedience.

Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. (silence for reflection)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

PASSING THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

CHORUS: "They'll Know We are Christians by Our Love"

BLESSING OF CHILDREN & DISMISSMAL TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

**Emily Mitchell** 

COMMISSIONING PRAYER FOR REV. MILAD NAKHLA

**Neil Trainer** 

SONG OF THE WORD: Is He Worthy?

SCRIPTURE PRESENTATION: Ephesians 3:14-21 NIV

Janet Peterson

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON: "Rooted and Established in Love"

Emily Mitchell

OFFERTORY MUSIC: "Take My Life and Let it Be"

String Ensemble

PASTORAL PRAYER Neil Trainer

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.

SONG OF SENDING: "Good, Good Father"

**BENEDICTION** 

POSTLUDE Linda Clugston, Organ



# The News in Brief

23 October 2022

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#### Today in Worship...

We are offering prayers of blessing and commissioning for Rev. Milad Nakhla. In November, Rev. Nakhla will begin service as the pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Farmington in Farmington, New Mexico.

#### **Finance Team Update**

The first quarter of our new fiscal year has passed. How are Calvin's finances are doing? Okay — but contributions are still lighter than hoped for at 83% of our budgeted costs. If you haven't fulfilled your pledge for 2022 yet, this would be a good time to send in some funds. If you haven't given anything to the church in recent months, consider making a donation today — even \$25 can make a difference.

We now have a way for you to directly support Messy Church via an option on our giving site (should you so choose). For those who have scheduled donations, remember to review your giving periodically to make sure it's as you intend.

Quarterly giving statements have been mailed out this past week; contact <u>Kirsty</u> at the church office if you don't get your letter soon. We thank all of you for your continued support of the mission and ministries of Calvin Church!

#### **Missions Fest Seattle**

// Annual conference is coming up on November 4th and 5th

Calvin has partnered with Missions Fest Seattle for a number of years. Missions Fest sponsors a free missions

conference every year at Westgate Chapel in Edmonds. The theme for this year's conference is persecution. Missionaries and Christians in third world countries have often had to contend with physical threats, violence, and other forms of persecution, but now we are seeing more persecution even here in the Pacific Northwest. Featured speakers at the conference will be Grace Jo, Paul Estabrooks, and Dr. Ben Sterciuc. Of course, the conference also features many seminars and exhibitors.

## Trunk or Treat: It's About More than Candy!

// Monday, October 31, 6-8 pm

Our vision for Calvin Church includes "forming community" by extending hospitality to our local community. We build friendships with our neighbors through a gracious welcome. That's why we host our annual Trunk or Treat!

Please join in on Halloween — it's a fun way to meet and interact with families in our area. We need your help with hosting trunks, setting up and cleaning up, directing traffic, and most of all creating a welcoming event where we seek to serve others and invite them back. If you cannot attend, consider donating a bag of individually-wrapped candy.

Most of all, pray for Trunk or Treat. Pray for fun, safety, no rain, and a good turnout. Pray also for divine appointments and relational connections with those families God would have our church family love and serve in Jesus' name.

#### **Can You Help Tall Timber?**

// by Christi Nixon

Calvin Church has had a longstanding relationship with Tall Timber Ranch in Plain, WA. Unfortunately, our ministry partner is struggling financially. The pandemic took a toll, and more recently Tall Timber had to cancel several camps because of access issues as Highway 2 has been closed off and on due to wildfires.

Both my kids spent their childhood going to summer and winter camps at Tall Timber. My son currently volunteers up at Tall Timber (he was on staff but he and several other staff members were laid off recently due to the current financial difficulties). At this time, the facilities department is unable to purchase working snow removal equipment, which could directly affect their ability to continue having winter camps.

Please keep Tall Timber in your prayers, and if you are able to, please donate. (To support the purchase of snow equipment, note "Tall Timber Facilities" on the memo line, or use the "other" section on Calvin's giving page so that you can include that memo.)

### **Happy Birthday!**

Laurel Baker	Oct. 23
Russell Janacek	Oct. 23
Jan Wilkins	Oct. 23
Roberta Gow	Oct. 25
Judy Runions Green	Oct. 27
Kurt Olden	Oct. 30
Faith Thurman	Oct. 31
Stephen Biney	Nov. 03
Carol Krauss	Nov 05