

ORDER OF SERVICE

Sunday, October 30, 2022 • 10:00 AM



PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty God, as we come to worship You this day make us aware that Your love is not only for us, but for all people everywhere. Call us from isolation to community, from division to unity, from suspicion to trust. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

PRELUDE

Linda Clugston, *organ*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Neil Trainer

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 100)

Rick Jackson

One: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

All: **Serve the LORD with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs.**

One: Know that the LORD is God. It is He who made us, and we are His;

All: **We are His people, the sheep of His pasture.**

One: Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise;

All: **Give thanks to Him and praise His name.**

One: For the LORD is good and His love endures forever;

All: **His faithfulness continues through all generations.**

SONG OF PRAISE: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Emily Mitchell

Triune God, we praise you as the God of love and life. Though Jesus prayed that we would be one, we confess that we fail to live in unity with each other and with you.

We break our communion through hostile words and unkind actions.

We long for your Spirit to heal us and to correct us. We long for you to help us experience communion with you and with each other as we gather around your Word. Even now, dependent on your grace, we commit ourselves to live more fully in the unity you desire.

Through Christ, our Lord, we continue to 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 & DISMISSAL TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Emily Mitchell

MISSIONAL MOMENT: Missions Fest Seattle

Randy Stime

SONG OF THE WORD: "In Christ There Is No East or West"

SCRIPTURE PRESENTATION: Ephesians 4:1-16

Rick Jackson

SERMON: "Life in the Balance"

Neil Trainer

OFFERING: "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" – arr. Paul Haack Art Nelson, *trumpet* & Linda Clugston, *piano*

PASTORAL PRAYER

Emily Mitchell

SONG OF SENDING: "We Are Called to Be God's People"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Linda Clugston, *organ*

New Partnership with Medhane-Alem Evangelical Church!

// Begins Sunday, November 6

Calvin Church has long had a vision of "Forming Community" by extending hospitality to our neighbors through a gracious welcome to others who use our facility. Recently the elders on Session have prayerfully discerned that God is calling us to welcome members of Medhane-Alem Evangelical Church.

Located in Rainier Valley in Seattle, Medhane-Alem Evangelical Church has been proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ since 1985 with a particular ministry to immigrants from Ethiopia. Many members of their congregation now reside in the North Sound, and so they have been searching for a place to hold additional worship services, prayer meetings, and Bible studies. The Session has felt led by our Lord to offer them regular space with Calvin Church.

As the congregation begins to share space with us on Sunday, November 6, the elders invite you to extend a warm welcome. If you can, join us that afternoon in showing people around the building and begin to build relationships with our new friends. Medhane-Alem Evangelical Church's regular hours of worship and prayer will be Sundays 3-6 pm, Thursdays 5:30-8 pm, and Saturdays 8-11 am.

In the coming months, we will explore ways we might mutually engage in ministry in

our community. (Did you know that over 7% of Shoreline residents born outside the US hail from Ethiopia?) Please pray for God's blessing and leading as we seek to share the love of Christ together.

Congregational News

Carol Archer, wife of Jim Archer, passed away a few weeks ago at the age of 96. Please keep Jim, their son David, and other family members in your prayers. May the God of All Comfort be with them in their sorrow.

"We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living." – Romans 14:7-9

Trunk or Treat Is Tomorrow

// Rain or shine! Be in the parking lot from 6 to 8 pm

Please join in on Halloween and pray for Trunk or Treat. Pray for nice weather, safety, fun, and a good turnout. But pray also for divine appointments and relational connections with those families God would have our church family love and serve in Jesus' name.

Messy Church this Wednesday!

// Join us on November 2 at 5:30 pm in the Activity Center

At Messy Church, we are committed to facilitating a Christ-centered, hands-on and interactive faith experience that includes all ages learning and

growing together. We offer a variety of activities, and then there's a celebration time with music, story, and prayer, followed by supper together. Everyone is welcome!

Missions Fest Seattle Is Next Weekend

// Free conference on November 4th and 5th at Westgate Chapel in Edmonds

 **Happy Birthday!**

- Kurt Olden..... Oct. 30
- Faith Thurman..... Oct. 31
- Stephen Biney.....Nov. 03
- Carol Krauss.....Nov. 05
- Linda Harrison.....Nov. 06
- Randy StimeNov. 07
- Elinore BisnettNov. 08
- Jamie Kang.....Nov. 08
- Tim Purbaugh.....Nov. 08
- Marilyn Snow.....Nov. 08
- Marilyn Wirtz.....Nov. 08
- Dave Lauber.....Nov. 09
- Jeffrey MillerNov. 10
- Doris EakerNov. 11
- Jim Dickson.....Nov. 12

 **Upcoming Events**

- Zoom Women's LIFE
 - Group, 6 pm Oct. 30
- Wow Group, 2 pm..... Oct. 31
- Trunk or Treat, 6 pm Oct. 31
- Ladies' Lunch, 11:30 am
 - at *The Potlatch Bistro*
 - in Edmonds.....Nov. 01
- Zoom Men's Bible
 - Study, 7:30 am.....Nov. 02
- Open Hours, 10 amNov. 02
- Prayer Zoom, 12 pmNov. 02
- Messy Church, 5:30 pm.. Nov. 02
- Young Adults Alpha Group
 - meets at the Bowermans'
 - house, 6:30 pm.....Nov. 02
- Women's Study, 7 pmNov. 02