

ORDER OF SERVICE

April 30, 2023 • 10:00 AM



PRAYER OF PREPARATION

In this time of worship, O God, may we be cut to the heart by Your truth, turned in our hearts from our sin, and opened in our hearts to presence of Your Holy Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Christ, Amen.

PRELUDE

INTROIT "In the Cross of Christ I Glory" arr. Anna Laura Page

Chancel Bell Choir

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Neil Trainer

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 105:1-3 NRSV)

David Randles

One: O give thanks to the LORD, call on His name,

All: **Make known His deeds among the peoples.**

One: Sing to Him, sing praises to Him;

All: **Tell of all His wonderful works.**

One: Glory in His holy name;

All: **Let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!**

SONGS OF PRAISE "Rejoice, the Lord Is King" and "Here's My Heart"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Emily Mitchell

Eternal God: You created us to worship You alone, to respond to Your transforming love by giving freely of ourselves. Yet we hold back. We fail to give You our undivided attention. We guard our hearts and withhold our love. We serve ourselves and our interests more than You and Your kingdom. Forgive us, O Lord, for being passive in our worship and thoughtless in our praise. And refocus and redeem our lives as we silently confess our sin to You now.

(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

OFFERING "Day by Day" arr. Anna Laura Page

Chancel Bell Choir

SCRIPTURE READING 1 Samuel 16:1-13

David Randles

SERMON "Heart of the Matter"

Neil Trainer

SONG OF RESPONSE "Change My Heart, Oh God"

PASTORAL PRAYER

Linda Erickson

SONG OF SENDING "Have Thine Own Way"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Join Us for Messy Church

// Wednesday, May 3 from 5:30 to 7 pm

All are welcome to attend May's Messy Church in the Activity Center. The focus this month will be "Love Your World," in keeping with the themes of Earth Day and Psalm 8. There will be a warm welcome; a relaxed, 'messy' time to explore the biblical theme through creative and fun activities; a short celebration time involving story, prayer, and songs; and a sit-down shared meal in the Fellowship Hall.

Invite your friends, neighbors, coworkers, and relatives!

Walk for Water is Almost Here!

// Register now! The walk is Saturday, May 13, at 10 am

Calvin's Team for the 15th Annual *Walk for Water* is now forming. Join the team and support our mission partner, Path from Poverty.

In rural Kenya, women and girls spend hours each day walking for water. Their journeys are dangerous and exhausting, and the water they collect is muddy, salty, and disease-ridden. As Kenya enters its fourth year of drought, women and girls are walking even farther for water – sacrificing time that could be spent on education, income generation, and child-rearing. Funds we raise will purchase 10,000-liter rainwater catchment tanks and allow the women to replace their "walk" with more productive activities.

You can register to walk with us or to donate in support of the team by visiting pfpwalk.org

and choosing "Join" or "Donate." Scroll down until you see Team Calvin. The \$50 registration fee includes a T-shirt, although those who register at this point may not receive their souvenir shirts until after the walk.

This year's route will begin at Richmond Beach Saltwater Park, at the intersection of NW 190th Street and 20th Avenue North. The route is level, paved, and kid/dog friendly, with options for longer or shorter routes. There is both street parking and a parking lot. We also will have a shuttle from Calvin (if you choose this option please meet in the front Calvin parking lot at 9:30 am).

Vision House Fundraiser

Register by May 3rd to attend the luncheon at the Meydenbauer Center in Bellevue on Monday, May 8. There is no cost to register or attend, but donations will be solicited. Register at visionhouse.org.

March 2023 Finance Summary

// Calvin Church finances remain healthy

We continue to be in a sound financial position. Due to your generosity, for the first time this fiscal year we have actually exceeded the budget! Facilities revenue continues to be strong, while expenses remain less than anticipated.

We are entering into a new budget season where Session and staff put together a plan for the coming fiscal year. Please pray for wisdom and insight as we discern how God would have us allocate Calvin's funds.

First quarter contribution statements were mailed out last week. If you did not receive your statement, or if you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Kirsty or to Dan Coppin, head of the Finance Team.

Thank you for your continued support of the mission and ministries of Calvin Church!

Get Connected Class

// Saturday, May 20, 9 am to 12:30 pm

- New to Calvin Church?
- Curious about our congregation?
- Interested in becoming a member?

If you've been participating regularly in Calvin's worship and ministry, God has a purpose and a reason for you to be with us. Join Pastor Neil for our *Get Connected* New Members Class. RSVP to Pastor Neil.

The Church Directory is Here!

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Happy Birthday!

Brianne McCaslinApril 30
Georgina Afrane May 01
Lance Neubauer May 03
Eric Johnson..... May 05
Barbara Kline May 06
Janet Peterson May 06



Upcoming Events

The Sanctuary CourseApril 30
Messy Church..... May 03
Choir Rehearsal..... May 03
First Fruits Collection..... May 07
Vision House Luncheon ... May 08
Walk for Water..... May 13
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