

ORDER OF SERVICE

October 29, 2023 • 10:00 AM



PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty God, we pray for your blessing as we worship you. May the weary find rest, and the strong be renewed. May the doubting find faith, and the anxious be encouraged. May the aged find consolation and the young be inspired; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PRELUDE

Linda Clugston

WELCOME & GREETING

Neil Trainer

SONG OF PRAISE "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past" #210

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dave Randles

Eternal God:

You are always faithful, but we are often forgetful.

We fail to remember that our worship of You is to be at the center of our lives.

We take for granted the gift of fellowship with others who love You.

We discount the importance of growing in Christ's likeness.

And we neglect our responsibilities of serving Your people

and of sharing Your love with those who are lost and hurting.

Forgive us, O Lord,

and help us both to remember and receive anew Your mercy

as we silently confess our sin to You. (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 (from John 3:16-17)

One: For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son,
that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

All: **For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world,
but to save the world through him.**

One: Believe in the Good News of Jesus Christ.

All: **In Christ, we are saved and forgiven.**

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN & DISMISSAL TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

MISSIONAL MOMENT Missions Fest Seattle

Lyn Fouch

OFFERING

Linda Clugston & Sande Gillette

DOXOLOGY

SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 46:3-4

Dave Randles

SERMON "God in the Midst of Aging"

Neil Trainer

SONG OF RESPONSE "God of Our Life" #275

PASTORAL PRAYER

SONG OF SENDING "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #276

BENEDICTION

Congregational News

Barbara Dohner, active at Calvin since 2016, passed away on October 20th. She was 89. No service at Calvin is planned; a private burial will be held tomorrow. We hope to have an address for condolences to pass on to you later, and if we learn of a memorial service being held elsewhere we'll let you know that, too. Please be in prayer for her family members that the God of all comfort may give them peace during this time of sorrow.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last. I was dead and behold I am alive forever and ever; and I have the keys of Death and Hades. Because I live, you also will live."
— Revelation 21:6, 22:13, and 1:17-18; John 14:19

Trunk or Treat is on Tuesday!

// Invite friends and neighbors
Trunk or Treat is just a few days away, so now is the time to invite your friends and neighbors. Postcards with the event details are available at the Welcome Desk. Also, **more candy is needed**, so please consider supporting this event by donating bags of Halloween candy. Donations can be left behind the Welcome Desk.

Messy Church is on Wednesday!

// Join us November 1 from 5:30 to 7 pm
Messy Church is church, but not as you know it! People of all ages are invited to learn about and worship God through crafts, activities, playfulness,

music, and storytelling from the Bible, and then to share a meal around the table. Messy Church happens once a month in the Activity Center, and on November 1, we will be exploring the story of Hannah, underscoring the importance of being real with God in prayer.

Surviving the Holidays

// November 12 after worship
Surviving the Holidays is a two-hour, stand-alone event for those who find the holidays difficult. It will be held in the Fireside Room after church on Sunday, November 12. At the event, grieving people will hear practical suggestions on:

- How to prepare for and deal with emotional ambushes;
- What to do about family traditions and yearly events;
- How to handle invites and uncomfortable moments at social events;
- And more!

We will watch a brief video and have time for discussion, and there will be a survival guide to take home. Treats will be provided. The event is open to all, both men and women. To RSVP, contact [Katy Korpi](mailto:Katy.Korpi@calvincpc.org), (206) 890-8004.

Planned Giving

// A message from the Stewardship Team
Have you ever "paid it forward"? Bought coffee or paid the toll for the next person in line or given a gift to someone because someone had done the same for you? It feels good to take care of someone like that, right? A bequest is a simple,

beautiful way to pay it forward for the next generation and take care of them in lasting ways.

Cookie Sign-Up Sheet Today

We encourage you to continue developing relationships with each other over coffee after the service today. Note that this week, somewhere near the cookies and coffee, there will be a sign-up sheet for bringing cookies in the coming months. *Please consider signing up!*



Happy Birthday!

Coco Miller	Oct. 31
Faith Thurman	Oct. 31
Stephen Biney	Nov. 03
Linda Harrison	Nov. 06
Randy Stime	Nov. 07
Elinore Bisnett	Nov. 08
Jamie Kang	Nov. 08
Tim Purbaugh	Nov. 08
Marilyn Snow	Nov. 08
Marilyn Wirtz	Nov. 08
Dave Lauber	Nov. 08
Jeffrey Miller	Nov. 10
Doris Eaker	Nov. 11



Upcoming Events

Trunk or Treat, 6 pm	Oct. 31
GriefShare, 10 am	Nov. 01
Messy Church, 5:30 pm	Nov. 01
NO Choir Rehearsal	Nov. 01
Missions Fest	Nov. 03 & 04
First Fruits Sunday (collecting mandarin cups and ramen)	Nov. 05
Surviving the Holidays	Nov. 12
Thanksgiving Eve, 7 pm	Nov. 22



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