

ORDER OF SERVICE

March 10, 2024 • 10:00 AM



PRAYER OF PREPARATION

To you, O Lord, we lift our voices in praise for you have given us life.
Through you, O Christ, we offer our lives as witnesses to the grace of God.
In you, O Holy Spirit, we worship the Triune God, ever one and ever three, from ages unto ages.
Amen.

WELCOME & GREETING

Neil Trainer

SONGS OF PRAISE "Your Grace Is Enough" and "Breathe"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Emily Mitchell

**Gracious God, you alone are the giver of all life,
both physical and spiritual.
From you alone we receive nourishment to satisfy our hunger,
and the drink to quench our eternal thirst.
Forgive us, O Lord, when we spend money for what is not bread
and labor for what does not satisfy.
Let us hear your words of instruction.
Call us again to be nourished by the bread of heaven
and to be satisfied at the springs of eternal life.
This we ask through Jesus Christ, who is the true Bread of Life.**
(silence for personal prayer)

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

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN & DISMISSAL TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

OFFERING

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 16:1–18, 31

Rebecca McAndrew

SERMON "Witness God's Provision"

Neil Trainer

SONG OF RESPONSE "Goodness of God"

PASTORAL PRAYER

Emily Mitchell

SONG OF SENDING "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

BENEDICTION



Congregational Meeting Today

// *Elect new officers after worship*

Please see the separate handout with brief bios on our nominees.

Volunteers Needed for Our Easter Egg Hunt

// *Saturday, March 30, at 10 am at Hillwood Park (across the street from Calvin)*

There are many opportunities to help out for our Easter Egg Hunt coming up on March 30th, the day before Easter. This is a neighborhood outreach event, and a chance to tell the true story of Easter to many.

Please use the sign-up sheet in the foyer. Otherwise, to volunteer, please call or email [Carol Jean Chandler](mailto:Carol.Jean.Chandler@calvincpc.org). Donations of individually-wrapped candy is also needed. These can be dropped off at the church office. Thank you!

Help Beautify the Sanctuary for Easter

// *Donate for Easter Flowers by Palm Sunday*

This year, rather than buying Easter lilies (which cause allergic reactions for a number of people in our community), the Deacons are going to purchase bouquets of fresh flowers from our local florist, Stadium Flowers. If you make a donation towards purchasing the flowers, your name and the names of those you want to honor or remember will be listed in a special Easter Sunday bulletin insert.

When filling out your donation form, please be sure to indicate

if the flowers are to be dedicated "in honor" or "in memory" of a loved one. There are printed forms available at the Welcome Desk (and, if you prefer, you may also fill out an electronic form linked in the Friday email).

Place the completed paperwork with your check noting "Easter Flowers" on the memo line in Kirsty Haining's church mailbox or in the lock box behind the Welcome Desk.

One Great Hour of Sharing

// *Special Lenten and Easter donations to the PC(USA)*

For 75 years, Presbyterians have supported people in need through *One Great Hour of Sharing*. These funds are divided among three programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Self-Development of People, and Presbyterian Hunger Program. There are brochures with more information on the table at the back of the Sanctuary, and additional brochures at the Welcome Desk.

Financial gifts may be made online or by using the special giving envelopes in the pew racks. If writing a check, please make it payable to Calvin Presbyterian Church and note "OGHS" on the memo line.

Thank You for Your Generosity!

We had another successful "First Fruits" collection for the first Sunday in March: thanks to your generosity, the deacons received 252 cups of peaches, 4 cans of chili, 7 cups and cans of fruit, and 74 jars of peanut butter, plus two large packages

of diapers. We are so grateful for your ongoing commitment to feeding our hungry neighbors!

Submit a Prayer Concern

// *Use the pew cards in the Sanctuary, or share a concern electronically*

Praying for one another is one of the ways we can support each other in the body of Christ. At Calvin, there are several ways to submit prayer requests. You can email prayer@calvincpc.org with your concerns. You can use the button for "Prayer Requests" linked at the bottom of the Friday newsletter or on our website's main page to submit a prayer request. And now you can also use the prayer request card that is in the pews in our sanctuary.



Happy Birthday!

- Rob Kline.....Mar. 10
- Karen NovstrupMar. 10
- Jean Johnson.....Mar. 13
- Roryk Juengel.....Mar. 19



Upcoming Events

- Congregational Mtg Today!
- Choir Rehearsal, 7 pmMar. 13
- Get Connected* New Members Class, 9 am.....Mar. 16
- Sheila Belcher Memorial Service, 2 pm.....Mar. 16
- Palm Sunday, 10 amMar. 24
- Maudy Thursday, 7 pm at Maplewood PC.....Mar. 28
- Good Friday, 7 pm.....Mar. 29
- Easter Egg Hunt, 10 am...Mar. 30
- Easter Sunrise Service, 6:15 am at the Edmonds Marina BeachMar. 31
- Easter, 10 amMar. 31
- Easter Monday *office closed*. Apr. 01
- Messy Church, 5:30 pm.... Apr. 03

Nominees for Leadership at Calvin 10 March 2024

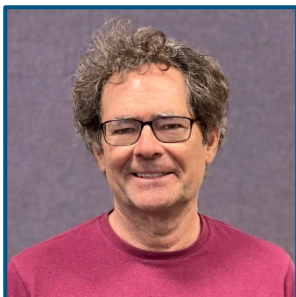
Please be sure to stay for a few minutes after worship today for a congregational meeting. At this time we will vote on nominees to serve as elders, deacons, and the 2024 Nominating Committee. You can attend the congregational meeting in-person in the Sanctuary, or via a [Zoom link](#).

Below you'll find a brief glimpse at each of the nominees.
Many thanks to them for agreeing to serve Calvin in these important roles!

• • • Nominees for Elders • • •

For elders, the nominees are Mike Bowerman and Barbara Rood.

Elders will begin their service on July 1, and will typically serve a three-year term, concluding in June 2027.



Mike Bowerman has been a member at Calvin since 1997. He is an elder and serves on the Staff Development Team, not to mention numerous search committees for staff positions. Also, Mike and his wife Nancy are devoted supporters of the young

adults, hosting them in their home for dinner and fellowship each week. Since Mike is currently serving as an elder, it has been proposed that he add a one-year extension.



Barbara Rood has been a member of Calvin since 1981. She served as our congregation's Director of Administration and Communications for 22 years before retiring in 2018. She also has served as a deacon and as a board member at *Path from Poverty*.

• • • Nominees for Deacons • • •

For deacons, the nominees are Martha Hayden-Ledbetter, Linda Lord, Rebecca McAndrew, Jenny Strock, and Ruth Van Dyke. Deacons will begin their service on July 1, and will typically serve a three-year term, concluding in June 2027



Martha Hayden-Ledbetter started attending Calvin just before the pandemic and became a member in 2023. She has served the congregation and community through the Little Pantry, the Banner Committee, *Path from Poverty*, and Trunk or Treat. Martha has also previously served as

an elder and deacon at other congregations.



Rebecca McAndrew has been a member of Calvin since 2021. She has helped with reading Scripture during Sunday services. Before coming to Calvin, she had been an active participant in Bible Study Fellowship for 15 years.

Linda Lord has been a member of Calvin since 2001. She has previously served as a deacon and as an elder, and she has been a member of the Bell Choir for about 20 years.



Jenny Strock has been a member of Calvin since 1974. She is currently serving as co-moderator of the deacons. In her work as a deacon, she also is in charge of making sure that the Little Pantry is stocked each day,



(Jenny Strock, continued) and she is coordinator of memorials. It has been proposed that she add a one-year extension to her term on the deacons' board.



Ruth Van Dyke has been a member of Calvin for nearly 20 years. She has prior experience as a deacon and has served as kitchen coordinator. She currently volunteers as Calvin's librarian as well as with the Banner Team.

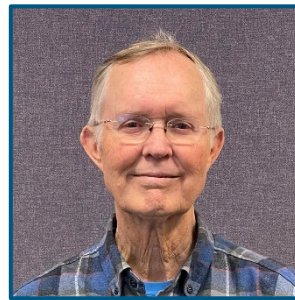
• • • Nominees for the Nominating Committee • • •

For the nominating committee, the nominees are Jan Christophersen, Janet Peterson, David Rood, and Polly Terman. Members of the nominating committee serve one-year terms, with their work beginning in September 2024 and concluding in early 2025.



Jan Christophersen has been a member of Calvin since 1992. She has previously served as a deacon. You have seen her regularly helping with music on Sundays, playing cello in the orchestra, and performing with the Bell Choir. She loves to sew, and she is especially grateful for the love

and support of the community at Calvin.



David Rood has been a member of Calvin since 1981. He has served as an elder and deacon, but he'll say that his true calling is serving as Calvin's Sunday morning coffee host. During the week, it is likely that you'll find David teaming up with Al Lutz to

help with maintenance and gardening.

Janet Peterson has been a member of Calvin since 2019 and is completing a three-year term as an elder in June. She has also put her great planning skills to use while organizing major Calvin events such as Trunk or Treat and the Easter Egg Hunt. You will also find her in the Bell Choir on Sunday mornings.



Polly Terman has been a member of Calvin since the mid-1990s. She has previously served several terms as a deacon. She is also the director of the Backpack Kids ministry, which serves three area schools by supplying food for children who might otherwise go hungry when they are not in school.



• • • Attend the Annual Congregational Meeting to Vote on These Nominees • • •

This year's meeting will take place after worship today. Please pray for all the nominees listed above, and for all the leadership at Calvin. You can attend the Congregational Meeting in-person in the Sanctuary, or online via a [Zoom meeting](#).

• • • With Gratitude • • •

This slate of nominees was recruited by the current nominating committee: Nancy Bowerman, Cindy Darling, Rick Jackson, Jean Johnson, Becky Logan, and Donna Miller-Parker. We are grateful for their hard work and service!