

ORDER OF SERVICE

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WORDS OF WELCOME

If you are spiritually weary and in search of rest, if you are mourning and you long for comfort, if you are struggling and you desire victory, if you recognize that you are a sinner in need of a Savior, God welcomes you here in the name of Christ. Jesus stretches wide his arms, nail scars visible on his hands, and he stands ready to embrace you in his love.

WELCOME & GREETING

Emily Mitchell

RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING (based on Psalm 36)

Polly Terman

One: Your loyal love, LORD, extends to the skies; your faithfulness reaches the clouds.

All: **Your righteousness is like the strongest mountains; your justice is like the deepest sea.**

One: Your faithful love is priceless, God! Humanity finds refuge in the shadow of your wings.

All: **Let us feast on the bounty of God's house and drink from God's river of pure joy.**

One: Together let us worship God, our refuge and our strength!

SONG OF PRAISE "Here in This Place (Gather Us In)"

Jonna Reeder

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Norm Underland

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbor in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.

We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.

For the sake of your Son Jesus, who loved us and gave himself for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen. (silence for personal prayer and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

SONG OF PRAISE "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" v. 4

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN & DISMISSAL TO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Emily Mitchell

MINISTRY MOMENT Report from the Fellowship Community

Rick Jackson and Mike Bowerman

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 13:31–34 NLT and Mark 10:13–16 NIV

Polly Terman

SONG OF THE WORD "Children of the Heavenly Father"

SERMON "Sheltering and Nurturing God's Children" (based on Ephesians 1:3–23 MSG)

Emily Mitchell

OFFERING "Let Us Build a House (All Are Welcome)"

Jonna Reeder

PASTORAL PRAYER

Emily Mitchell

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 "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

BENEDICTION

Emily Mitchell

POSTLUDE "Here in This Place (Gather Us In)"

Jonna Reeder

Happy Memorial Day!

// Church office closed tomorrow

April Finance Summary

// Pray for wisdom and discernment in Calvin's budget process

We give thanks to God that contributions in April were stronger than in prior months, and we're grateful to those who have given generously. Overall, however, we are bringing in less income than we had projected we might for this fiscal year. As of the end of April, we are nearly \$50,000 short of what we anticipated receiving based on past giving. If income is down, this has an obvious impact on next year's budget.

Despite a dip in revenue, Calvin is still quite healthy financially. The goal is to be good stewards – we want to ensure that our choices this year will not leave us in a precarious situation five years down the line.

Please pray that the Holy Spirit will grace our leaders with both wisdom and faith as they make difficult funding choices in the coming weeks. Ideally, we hope not to cut any programming or to delay hiring personnel. So ask God to provide the resources needed to support Calvin's ministries, and prayerfully consider whether the Lord is leading you to increase your financial giving to Calvin. And, in all things, give thanks to God who has *always* been faithful in providing for our congregation's needs.

// Here are the numbers for July 2023 – April 2024

- General Fund Contributions: \$501,410 (our budget hoped for \$550,000);

- Facilities Revenue: \$68,259 (beating our budgeted \$58,300);
- Other Revenue: \$45,003;
- Total Operations Revenue: \$614,672;
- Total Expenses: \$639,661 (giving to missions \$72,204);
- Net Revenue: \$(24,989); and
- Total Assets: \$942,837.

As always, if you have any financial questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to [Kirsty](#) or to [Dan Coppin](#), head of the Finance Team.

Hosting the Northwest Coast Presbytery

// Wednesday, June 5 and Thursday, June 6

Calvin Church has the privilege and responsibility of hosting members of the Northwest Coast Presbytery for two days of workshops, meals, worship, and leadership meetings. This annual in-person gathering allows ruling elders from our congregations along with minister members of the presbytery to build community, learn together, and network and share resources for God's mission in our region.

This is also an opportunity for Calvin Church to share a gracious welcome and to showcase some of what God is doing in our midst. If you are able to be a part of a hospitality team, we need people to serve as hosts, greeters, and ushers during parts of each day. If you're available and interested in learning more, email Pastor Neil Trainer at neil@calvincpc.org.

The Northwest Coast Presbytery includes numerous Presbyterian Church (USA) congregations and new church expressions in the north Puget Sound region as well

as central Washington and southeast Alaska.

Strawberries & Sharing the Good News!

// Saturday, June 8, Richmond Beach Community Park

We are looking for at least four more volunteers to fill five hour-long shifts from 12–5 pm at the Calvin booth at the Richmond Beach Strawberry Festival.

Unable to attend or want to help in another way? We need donations of candy to hand out as prizes at our booth. You can bring candy to the church and leave it at the front desk any time before the event. Contact [Norm](#) to sign up or if you would like more information.



Happy Birthday!

Peter Weschler	May 27
Cade Jackson.....	June 01
George Bowman.....	June 02
Joyce Davenport	June 03
Alden Graebner.....	June 04
Eric Peterson	June 04
Jenny Strock.....	June 04
Ramona Durham	June 05
Mackenzie Bannister	June 06
Jordan Park	June 06
Rose Ann Scott.....	June 08
Barbara Biney	June 09
Jerry Brown	June 09



Upcoming Events

Messy Church.....	June 05
Strawberry Festival	June 08
Graduate Recognition	June 09



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