ORDER OF SERVICE

September 15, 2024 • 10:00 AM



PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Gracious God, hear our prayers for the light to come into our lives and into the world. May your Word illumine our way. Weave your people into a beautiful tapestry that glows with your love. Amen.

PRELUDE "The Lord Is My Light"

Jonna Reeder, organ

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Emily Mitchell

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 27:1, 14 & Psalm 36:7, 9

Gretchen Scheumann

One: The LORD is my light and my salvation — whom shall I fear?

All: The LORD is the stronghold of my life — of whom shall I be afraid? One: Wait for the LORD; be strong and take heart and wait for the LORD.

All: How priceless is your unfailing love, O God!

People take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

One: For with you is the fountain of life.

All: In your light, we see light.

SONGS OF PRAISE "Immortal Invisible, God Only Wise" #263 and "Here I Am to Worship"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Emily Mitchell

Eternal God, we confess that often we have failed to lead lives worthy of you, Lord.

We have not done your will:

We have rebelled against your love;

And we have not heard the cry of the needy.

Forgive us, we pray, and free us for fruitful service in the kingdom of your beloved Son. 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.

DOXOLOGY

BLESSING & DISMISSAL TO SUNDAY LIFT

Emily Mitchell

MINISTRY MOMENT Bridge Disability Ministries

Dan Coppin and Brenne Schario

OFFERING "Rondo" W. A. Mozart

Art Nelson, trumpet Gretchen Scheumann

SCRIPTURE READING Colossians 1:9-14 NRSV

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Walking in the Light"

Linda Erickson

SONG OF RESPONSE "You Are My All in All"

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 "Christ Is Alive" #108, vv. 1-3, 5

BENEDICTION Linda Erickson

POSTLUDE "God of Grace and God of Glory"

Jonna Reeder, organ

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Welcome, Heather!

// New Communications Assistant

This week we welcome Heather Andrews as our new Communications Assistant. Heather has experience as an administrative assistant and is excited to join the staff team. She's been homeschooling her two boys, ages 14 and 11, for the past four years. She also plans events for their co-op and updates their website. In her free time, she loves reading, walking, having tea with friends, and exploring new places.

Heather has been married to Nate for 19 years. They live in the Maple Leaf neighborhood in Seattle and attend Grace Church Seattle.

Heather will be at Calvin throughout the week, but you can stop by and introduce yourself to her on Thursday afternoons.

Salmon Bake & Annual Meeting

// Thank you to those who volunteered or donated!

Due to everyone who graciously donated their time or funds for the salmon, our annual meeting and salmon bake was a huge success! We hope you enjoyed hearing about what Calvin is doing in our community.

September Mission Focus: Bridge Disability Ministries

// by Dan Coppin, Board Chair

Bridge Disabilities Ministries and Calvin have partnered in serving those living with disabilities for nearly 30 years.

Bridge fulfills its mission to the developmentally and physically

disabled through three ministries: First, we are a bridge to physical access in the world. We accept donations of new and used durable medical equipment (wheelchairs, scooters, walkers, canes, etc.), refurbish them, and then give them away to those in need. Our Medical Equipment Ministry gave away over \$4 million in durable medical equipment to over 2,000 individuals last year.

Second, we are a bridge to protection to those who need a legal guardian to represent them in areas of finance, health care, and shelter. Our Guardianship Ministry now serves over 45 individuals with developmental disabilities. Many of the people we serve have little family support and few financial resources.

Third, we are a **bridge to inclusion** and belonging in area churches and faith communities. Our **Spiritual Connections Ministry** connects hundreds of people with disabilities to local churches.

// Bridge Ministries Celebration: Sunday, September 29, 4-6 pm

Calvin has been a welcoming congregation for those with disabilities for years. On Sunday, September 29, Calvin will host a Sunday Evening Celebration, a time of fellowship, food and fun that connects our congregants with people Bridge serves. Please email Dan Coppin or call him at (206) 542-6247 if you'd like to volunteer for this event.

Bridge Disability Ministries thanks Calvin for its support over so many years and looks forward to many more years of partnering with Calvin in serving and embracing people living with disabilities.

// How Can You Participate in Bridge's Ministries?

- 1. Do you need durable medical equipment? If so, we'd be happy to provide it.
- 2. Do you have unused durable medical equipment? If so, you can donate it to Bridge and we will see that someone in need gets it.
- 3. Become a Bridge volunteer. A number of people from Calvin have volunteered at Bridge in a variety of capacities. Join us!
- 4. Help out at our Sunday Evening Celebration event on September 29.
- 5. Donate to Bridge through Calvin by noting "Bridge Ministries" on your payment, or go to bridgemin.org.



Happy Birthday!

Sande Gillette	Sep 19
lan Scott	Sep 24
Wayne Clugston	Sep 27
Rick Jackson	Sep 27
Jerry Erickson	Sep 28
Kirsty Haining	Sep 28



Upcoming Events

Choir Rehearsal, 7 pmSep	18
All About Palliative and Hospice Care, 11:30 amSep	22
Bridge Ministries	20
Celebration, 4 pmSep	29
Harambee, 6 pm at the Edmonds Yacht ClubOct	05
Path From Poverty forum,	06
after the service Oct	
Messy Church, 5:30 pm Oct	09

