

# ORDER OF SERVICE

November 17, 2024 • 10:00 AM



## PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Today in our worship we long for a glimpse of your glory, seen perfectly in Christ, our Lord.  
As we worship, may we gain new insight about the mystery and wonder of your love.  
And may we sense new ways to mirror that love in our world, through Christ, our Lord.  
Amen.

## GATHERING

INTROIT "Oh, How He Loves You and Me" *arr. Kevin McChesney* Chancel Bell Choir

WELCOME Neil Trainer

SONGS OF PRAISE "Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery"  
"Jesus at the Center" Worship Band

## PRAYERS OF PRAISE AND CONFESSION

SONG OF ASSURANCE "You Are My King (Amazing Love)"

BLESSING & DISMISSAL TO SUNDAY LIFT Emily Mitchell

MINISTRY MOMENT Calvin Session Update Carol Jean Chandler and Greg Terman

OFFERING "This Day of Gladness" *Susan E. Geschke* Chancel Bell Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Colossians 4:2–6 Kaye Ostgard

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Before Others with Christ" Neil Trainer

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Kaye Ostgard

Thanksgiving: **We give thanks to you, O Lord.**

Petition: **We lift this prayer to you, O Lord.**

## DOXOLOGY

SONG OF SENDING "O, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

BENEDICTION Neil Trainer

## POSTLUDE



## Thanksgiving Eve Service

// Wednesday, Nov. 27 at 7 pm

Four local churches – Calvin Presbyterian Church, St. Luke Catholic Church, Richmond Beach Congregational Church, and First Lutheran Richmond Beach – will come together to once again hold our annual Thanksgiving Eve service. This year the service will be held at Richmond Beach Congregational Church at 1512 NW 195th Street in Shoreline; (206) 542-7477.

## God Will Supply

// Financial stewardship for 2025

Followers of Jesus have always given their money in support of shared ministries. The Apostle Paul, for example, was supported in his missionary work by the Philippian Christians when they sent financial gifts with their friend Epaphroditus. Paul wrote back:

*"I have received full payment, and more. I am well supplied, having received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent, a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God. And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:18-19 ESV)."*

Notice this basic principle: Even as we give financially in support of our church's work, God will supply our needs because his generosity exceeds our own. What's more, our monetary gifts are offerings that please God to no end.

Last week, packets were mailed out for "God Will Supply..." – our stewardship emphasis for 2025. (If you did not receive one,

copies are available at the welcome desk.) Please review it and prayerfully seek what the Lord may ask of you next year regarding your stewardship of the financial resources God has entrusted to you.

In addition, please consider making a legacy gift to Calvin Church if you haven't already done so. Planned giving strategies might include bequests, endowments, trusts, or beneficiary designations for retirement accounts or insurance policies. Such gifts ensure our ministries continue to thrive not only during our lifetimes but well beyond. For more information, use the QR code below to visit our new legacy giving site:



We would appreciate receiving completed stewardship commitment cards by Sunday, December 1; however, you may return them to the church office at any time.

*Thank you for being a means through which God supplies the needs of our congregation!*

## Advent and Christmas Carol Suggestions

// Give us your requests!

Pick up an index card today from the usher or from the kiosk at the back of the Sanctuary. Be sure to write down your favorite Advent or Christmas Carols, or Christmas-themed contemporary songs, for the five Sundays of December 2024. Put your card

into the offering plate or email your ideas to [music@calvincpc.org](mailto:music@calvincpc.org). We can't promise to include every song in 2024, but we do want to hear from you!

## Northwest Neighbors Network Forum

// Today after the service

Rick Canning from the Northwest Neighbors Network (NNN) joins us today for the next forum in our *Practical Help for Living and Dying Well* series. Meet us in the Fireside Room at 11:30 am. This forum is free and open to all. Treats will be provided.



## Happy Birthday!

William Cogo .....	Nov 18
Nancy Repp .....	Nov 18
Mel Chandler .....	Nov 20
Kari DeLoma-Cogo .....	Nov 20
Phyllis Terman.....	Nov 22
Rachel Clement .....	Nov 24
Nisha Parrilla .....	Nov 26
Gretchen Scheumann .....	Nov 28
Becky Cass .....	Nov 28
Barbara Janacek .....	Dec 01



## Upcoming Events

Sunday forum, 11:30 am ....	Today!
Choir rehearsal, 7:15 pm ...	Nov 20
Thanksgiving Eve Service, Richmond Beach Congregational Church, 7 pm .....	Nov 27
Church Office closed for Thanksgiving .....	Nov 28-29
Church Decorating, 9 am...	Nov 29
Mark Cook Memorial, Whidbey Island, 1 pm.....	Nov 30
First Sunday of Advent; Communion and First Fruits Sunday (collecting canned chicken & Spaghetti-O's) .....	Dec 01
Messy Church, 5:30 pm.....	Dec 11
Longest Night Svc, 7 pm ...	Dec 15
Paper Bag Pageant.....	Dec 22