

ORDER OF SERVICE

February 2, 2025 • 10:00 AM



PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty God, teach us in this moment of worship how to receive your blessings. Grant to us a hunger and a thirst for your righteousness so that we might be filled. Allow us to be merciful to others so we might receive your mercy. Teach us how to be poor in spirit so we might receive your kingdom. Purify our hearts that we might see you. Amen.

PRELUDE "Dona Nobis Pacem"

String Ensemble

WELCOME

Neil Trainer

CALL TO WORSHIP from Ephesians 1:3–6 NLT

One: All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ.

All: **Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes.**

One: God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure.

All: **So we praise God for the glorious grace he has poured out on us who belong to his dear Son.**

SONGS OF PRAISE "This Is Amazing Grace" & "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!" #145, vv. 1–4

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and generous God, we worship today, rich in blessing, yet often believing that we merit all we enjoy.

Forgive us, our God, for our ingratitude that takes credit ourselves for what is a gift from you.

Forgive us for being too quickly self-satisfied, and too often looking past those you call us to serve.

Forgive us for offering token gestures to the hungry in our world, and feeling we have done enough.

Forgive us for clinging to our own possessions rather than holding tightly only to you.

Empower us to forgive others as you have forgiven us, through Jesus Christ in whose name we pray.

(silence for personal prayer and 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

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

DOXOLOGY

BLESSING & DISMISSAL TO SUNDAY LIFT

OFFERING "Blessed Are They"

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 4:23–5:12

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Blessed Are You"

Neil Trainer

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace (Prayer of St. Francis)"

PASTORAL PRAYER

Linda Erickson

SONG OF SENDING "Live Into Hope" #332, vv. 1–4

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

String Ensemble

Happy Groundhog Day!

// Is spring on its way?

According to tradition, if a groundhog (or Punxsutawney Phil in Pennsylvania) sees his shadow today, we have six more weeks of winter. If not, spring is near. Let's pray for spring!

An Enjoyable Lunch with Eleanor

// Big smiles at Ladies' Tea

Over 60 women participated in the Ladies Tea on Saturday, January 25, enjoying food, fellowship and a special performance by guest entertainer Debbie Dimitre. A great time was had by all!

Celebration of Life for Peter Green

// Saturday, February 8

Peter Green, husband of Judy Runions Green, and cousin of Dick Scheumann, died peacefully on Sunday, November 17 in Connecticut. Peter and Judy were married at Calvin in 2021. They split their time between Judy's home in Shoreline and Peter's home in Waterford, Connecticut. Peter was active at Calvin, serving on the Finance Team.

There will be a Celebration of Life service for Peter on Saturday, February 9 at 2 pm in Calvin's Sanctuary, followed by a reception. All are welcome. The service will also be livestreamed.

Memorial Service for Elaine Leslie

// February 15 at Cristwood Park

Elaine Leslie, former member (and former elder and deacon) of

Calvin Presbyterian Church, died on January 1, 2025 at the age of 97. There will be a memorial service held for her on Saturday, February 15 at 1 pm in the Cristwood Park Activity Center in Shoreline.

Please pray for her daughters, Robin and Christy, her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and others who mourn her loss.

Messy Church is February 12

// Including an ordination service for Linda Erickson

Mark your calendars for Messy Church on February 12. We'll start at the usual time: 5:30 pm in the Activity Center. At 6 pm, there will be an ordination service for Linda Erickson in the Sanctuary. Everyone is invited to participate. Linda's service will also be livestreamed.

Legacy Giving

// A few thoughts from the Stewardship Team

Did you know...?

- You don't have to be wealthy to bless the church with a gift in your will. Small amounts can be put to good use right away, or invested so they grow in the years to come.
- A Harvard study showed that giving is contagious. It found that acts of altruism can spread by three degrees – from person to person to person. That means one generous act from you can influence dozens or even hundreds of people.
- A will is one of the simplest things you can do to make a

positive impact on the future. Including a gift to the church in your will can make a lasting difference in our church family and our community.

During last Sunday's worship service, Calvin's two-minute legacy giving video was shown. If you would like to review it again, you can find the link on Calvin's website by going to the Planned Giving page, or by scanning the QR code below:



Questions? Contact [Barbara Rood](#) or [Dan Coppin](#).



Happy Birthday!

- Allan Bodine Today!
- Kaylee Logan..... Today!
- David Gow..... Feb 04
- Benjie Parrilla Feb 04
- Byron Ahina Feb 05
- Gloria Smith..... Feb 06
- Cynthia Thompson..... Feb 06
- Alan Roberts..... Feb 08
- Dave Randles..... Feb 10
- Vicki Nelson..... Feb 11
- Mike Boweman..... Feb 12
- Lora Parrilla Feb 12
- Scott Christie..... Feb 15
- Isaiah Lono Feb 15
- Lisa McCaslin..... Feb 16



Upcoming Events

- The Sanctuary Course* Today!
- Peter Green Svc, 2 pm Feb 08
- Messy Church, 5:30 pm, with Ordination Service for Linda Erickson, 6 pm Feb 12
- Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 pm.... Feb 12
- Elaine Leslie Svc, 1 pm..... Feb 15



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