

ORDER OF SERVICE

February 16, 2025 • 10:00 AM



PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty God, we pray for your blessing as we worship you. May the weary find rest, and the strong be renewed. May the doubting find faith, and the anxious be encouraged. May the tempted find help, and the sorrowful find comfort. May the aged find consolation and the young be inspired; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PRELUDE

Pietro Parrilla, *keyboard*

WELCOME

Neil Trainer

CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 34:1-3 NRSV*

Lee Simpkins

One: I will bless the LORD at all times;

All: **His praise shall continually be in my mouth.**

One: My soul makes its boast in the LORD;

All: **Let the humble hear and be glad.**

One: O magnify the LORD with me,

All: **And let us exalt his name together.**

SONGS OF PRAISE "Blessed Be Your Name" & "O Come to the Altar"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Emily Mitchell

Lord, we have sinned, without considering how much you love us.

You see our sins more clearly than we can ourselves.

**Lord, you know when we are indifferent to your Word in Scripture;
how often we forget to pray; the times we come unwillingly to worship;
and yet we turn to you when we are in trouble.**

Lord, you know when we are untruthful and when we think evil of others.

You see our anger and unfairness to our friends. You know how hard it is for us to forgive.

Forgive us and make us clean, so that we can obey your call to take up our cross and follow you.

Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, in whose name we continue to 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 AND DISMISSAL TO SUNDAY LIFT

MISSIONAL MOMENT *Path from Poverty*

Shyla Vadjinia

OFFERING "Just as I Am"

Jonna Reeder, *organ*

SCRIPTURE READING *Matthew 5:21-26 NIV*

Lee Simpkins

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "Surpassing Righteousness"

Neil Trainer

PASTORAL PRAYER

SONG OF SENDING "Goodness of God"

BENEDICTION

Happy Presidents' Day & George Washington's Birthday

// *The church office will be closed on Monday*

Congregational News

// *Remembering Anita Tanner*

Anita Tanner, member of Calvin since 1972, died on January 20 at the age of 101 years old.

A memorial service for Anita will be held at Cristwood Park's Activity Center at 2 pm on Saturday, March 1.

Please keep Anita's loved ones in your prayers.

Emergency Contact Initiative

// *Don't be a lost sheep!*

Calvin pastors and deacons aren't always aware of difficult situations that arise when you are unable to contact the church, such as an illness, hospitalization, or death. In such circumstances, it's possible for you to become "lost"!

Under privacy laws, hospitals and residential institutions *cannot* share with us your status or current location. Also, your loved ones may not yet be aware of your relationship to Calvin or your church's name. To resolve this issue, we are asking the congregation to:

- Provide your emergency contact, for staff and deacon use only; and
- Ask your emergency contact to notify the church office in the event of your hospitalization, illness, or death.

For the next two Sundays (today and February 23), Jean Johnson

and Ruth Van Dyke will be in the foyer before and after the service, seeking people to participate in our "Lost Sheep" Emergency Contact Initiative. If you are unable to join us in person during the next two Sundays, the deacons have committed to contacting the people on their care lists by phone, email, and personal visits to make our data collection more complete.

While your participation is optional, we hope you will enable us to better care for you by providing this information.

Last Week's Unique Messy Church Celebration

// *Congratulations to Reverend Linda Erickson*

Messy Church was unusual this past Wednesday, because we hosted Linda Erickson's ordination service as part of our worship together. Over 110 people joined us for this special evening.

A huge thank you to all the people behind the scenes who helped to make February's Messy Church happen!

March's Messy Middle Fat Tuesday Event

// *Join us for music and activities*

For next month's Messy Middle event and to recognize Fat Tuesday (the day before Ash Wednesday), Calvin will co-host brief concerts with the Seattle Children's Chorus groups that rehearse most Tuesday evenings at Calvin. We'll begin in the Fellowship Hall at 4:40 pm and end at 6:30 pm, with a time of

snacks, fellowship and activities between two mini-concerts.

You are welcome to attend part or all of this celebration of music as your schedule permits.

Please let us know by March 2 if you need a ride to or from the event by contacting [Jonna](#).

Path From Poverty Update

// *Today during the service*

Shyla Vadjinia, the Community Engagement Manager at Path From Poverty, will be giving a short presentation during the worship service.

If you'd like to donate, you can do so by indicating "Path From Poverty" in the memo line on your check or visiting the donation page on Calvin's website.



Happy Birthday!

Lisa McCaslin.....	Feb 16
Sharon Leitner.....	Feb 17
Brooke Sahlstrom.....	Feb 19
Emma McAndrew.....	Feb 22
Tom Phillips.....	Feb 25
Dolores Ohnstad.....	Feb 26
Kawika Ahina.....	Feb 28



Upcoming Events

<i>The Sanctuary Course</i>	Today!
Church office closed	
for Presidents Day.....	Feb 17
Choir rehearsal, 7:15 pm....	Feb 19
Messy Middle Fat Tuesday	
Event, 4:40 pm.....	Mar 04
Ash Wednesday Service,	
7 pm.....	Mar 05
Get Connected New Members	
Class, 11:30 am.....	Mar 09

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