

ORDER OF SERVICE

September 28, 2025 • 10:00 am



PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Holy and loving God, as we worship you today, we long for your Spirit to both comfort and challenge us; to help us become more holy and more loving. In a world that does not understand repentance, we pray for new understanding, humility, patience, and discipline that will help us die to sin and live for Jesus. Amen.

PRELUDE "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

Shelley Ockwell, organ

WELCOME

Neil Trainer

CALL TO WORSHIP from Hebrews 12:2; Colossians 1:19–20 NIV

Gretchen Scheumann

One: Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith,

All: **who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame,**

One: and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

All: **For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him,**

One: and through him to reconcile to himself all things,
whether things on earth or things in heaven,

All: **by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.**

SONGS OF PRAISE "Crown Him with Many Crowns" #151, vv. 1–4
"What Wondrous Love Is This" #85, vv. 1–3

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Jonna Reeder

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 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.

And hear now our silent prayers as we continue to seek your grace.

(silence for personal prayer and confession)

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

DOXOLOGY

CHILDREN'S BLESSING AND DISMISSAL TO SUNDAY LIFT

Chris Jackson

MISSIONAL MOMENT Missions Fest Seattle 2025

OFFERING "All Things New"

The Ockwell Family

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 16:21–28 NLT

Gretchen Scheumann

SERMON "Cross Purposes"

Neil Trainer

SONG OF RESPONSE "I Surrender All (All to Jesus)"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Jonna Reeder

SONG OF SENDING "The Wonderful Cross"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Hallelujah! What a Savior!"

The Ockwell Family

Trunk or Treat Is Coming Soon!

// by Norm Underland

The calendar tells us the first day of fall was just this past Monday, and the weather seems to echo that reality. I don't know about you, but autumn is probably my favorite time of year. Crisp mornings give way to warm afternoons and pleasant evenings where you can still be outside in the late-day sun without overheating. I could go on and on, but I should probably get to the point: Fall is here, and that means Halloween, and Calvin's annual Trunk-or-Treat celebration, are coming soon!

// Dust off your favorite chili recipes

The chili cookoff is back! Trunk or Treat guests can join us in the warmth of the Fellowship Hall for a taste of each kind of chili and/or a bowl of their favorite. Calvin has lots of crockpots, so you can come early and keep your chili warm for the contest. Norm will be in the lobby this Sunday with sign-up sheets for both chili chefs and trunk hosts.

// Bring in your candy donations

It is time for our annual Trunk-or-Treat candy drive! Last year we had hundreds of families come through our parking lot, despite the rain. Even with all the bags of candy that were brought in, Christi had to purchase more so we wouldn't run out. Since we are bringing back the chili cook-off this year, we can expect double- to triple- the amount of visitors. This means we will *also* need double- to triple- the amount of candy! Please bring your bags of individually-wrapped

candy to the church from now until Halloween night. Donations can be placed behind the Welcome Desk.

Brown Bag Lunches Resume in October

// Join us for Conversation and Connection

In preparation for Trunk or Treat, Norm is bringing back the *Conversation and Connection* lunches, so we can brush up on our relationship-building skills before welcoming our Shoreline neighbors into the building for cider and chili. Our meetings will take place every Sunday in October, right after our morning service in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your lunch and your willingness to ask good questions and listen well.

Bridge Disability Ministries

// How to get involved

Bridge Ministries and Calvin have been in partnership for over 20 years. Now that Bridge has been highlighted during Calvin's worship service and in print for the month of September, you may be wondering how you can get involved.. Here are a few ideas to consider:

- Do you have unused durable medical equipment? If so, donate it to Bridge and we'll see that someone in need gets it.
- Become a Bridge volunteer. A number of people from Calvin have volunteered at Bridge in a variety of capacities. Join us!
- Serve at our Sunday Evening Celebration event at Calvin this Sunday evening from 4 to 6 pm.

- Donate to Bridge by donating to Calvin and noting "Bridge Ministries" on your payment or by visiting www.bridgemin.org.

Contact [Dan Coppin](#), Bridge Treasurer, for more information.



Happy Birthday!

Jerry Erickson.....	Today!
Kirsty Haining	Today!
Nader Atia Ishak.....	Sep 30
Nancy Kyser.....	Oct 01
David Peck.....	Oct 01
Meggan Daetwiler	Oct 02
Cindy Darling	Oct 02
Laurel Underwood	Oct 03
Gloria Strand.....	Oct 04
Victor Meniz	Oct 07
Starlight Meniz	Oct 09
Joe Scudder.....	Oct 09
Sharon Wuerl	Oct 09
Julia Chapin.....	Oct 10



Upcoming Events

Rhythms of Grace	Today!
Bridge Ministries	
Celebration, 4 pm.....	Tonight!
Communion & First Fruits	
Sunday (collecting peach cups & 16-oz jars peanut butter)	Oct 05
Conversation & Connection	
Lunch, 11:30 am	Oct 05
Theology on Tap at Hemlock Pub for Young Adults, 6:30 pm ...	Oct 06
Messy Church, 5:30 pm.....	Oct 08
Missions Fest	Oct 10 & 11
Choir rehearsal, 7:15 pm	Oct 15
Community Dinner, 6 pm...	Oct 20
Trunk or Treat, 6 pm	Oct 31

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