

ORDER OF SERVICE

April 26, 2026 • 10:00 AM



PRAYER OF PREPARATION

O Lord, at your invitation we come into your holy presence. Give us unclouded vision as we gaze upon you in worship. Grant us sober judgment as we consider our lives and faith. Transform us this morning through the touch of your Spirit. Amen.

PRELUDE "God So Loved the World"

Shelley Ockwell, *piano*

WELCOME

Neil Trainer

CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 91:1–4, 14–15 NLT*

Tim Julius

One: Those who live in the shelter of the Most High will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty. This I declare about the LORD:

All: **He alone is my refuge, my place of safety; he is my God, and I trust him.**

One: For he will rescue you from every trap and protect you from deadly disease. He will cover you with his feathers. He will shelter you with his wings.

All: **His faithful promises are your armor and protection.**

One: The LORD says, "I will rescue those who love me. I will protect those who trust in my name.

All: **When they call on me, I will answer; I will be with them in trouble."**

SONGS OF PRAISE "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" and "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Norm Underland

God of transforming grace: As we turn to you, may we experience the renewal that comes with your forgiveness of our sin.

Forgive us when we allow our circumstances to confuse our identity as your children.

Forgive us when we refuse to act obediently to your life-giving commands.

Forgive us when our fears prevent us from trusting your promises for us.

And forgive us when we fail to allow the power of your Spirit to strengthen and change our lives.

O Lord, as we worship you this day, refocus of our hearts and minds so that we might see and know the wonder of your grace and forgiveness.

This we ask in the strong name of Christ, our Savior. (*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

DOXOLOGY

CHILDREN'S BLESSING AND DISMISSAL TO SUNDAY LIFT

Chris Jackson

MISSIONAL MOMENT Byron & Inez Ahina

OFFERING "My Shepherd Became a Lamb"

Calvin Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 23:13–39 NIV

Tim Julius

SERMON "Warning!"

Neil Trainer

SONG OF RESPONSE "Be Thou My Vision"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Norm Underland

SONG OF SENDING "Take My Life" #391, vv. 1, 4–6

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Easter Song"

Shelley Ockwell, *organ*

Congregational News

// Dottie Roat dies at age 97

Dorothy "Dottie" Roat, dear friend to many at Calvin, died on April 15 at the age of 97. A long-time Cristwood resident until February, Dottie attended services at Calvin and regularly attended our monthly Cristwood communion gathering. Please keep Dottie's children and extended family in your prayers. Details for Dottie's memorial service – which will likely be held at Cristwood Park – are coming soon.

Walk for Water Is In Two Weeks

Sign up to walk or to donate here: <https://www.pathfrompoverty.org/upcoming-events>. There are brochures in the foyer with detailed instructions if you should need them.

Recap of Monday's Community Advocacy Dinner

// by Norm Underland

We had approximately 36 people at our Community Advocacy Dinner on Monday, and enjoyed some tasty lasagna, garlic bread, and salad. Did I mention freshly baked chocolate chip cookies? Those in attendance shared some highlights from the past six dinners. Then we got to dream a little about what future dinners might look like. Fraud protection, cyber security, and multi-ethnic events were suggested as possible topics to bring to Calvin in the fall.

If you didn't attend on Monday but have ideas for future topics, please let me – [Norm](#) – know. I would also love to create a team

of people to help plan and execute these dinners. Contact me if you would like to participate, or if you have questions.

March Finance Summary

// Another good month for Calvin's General Fund

There is only good news to report for March 2026! Our General Fund continues to do well. Facilities revenue continues to be strong. We are very near our targets for contributions and operating expenses. We are not only on track for our budget this fiscal year, but we are once again ahead of the budget with a positive net revenue in our General Fund. As mentioned last month, this is especially gratifying for a budget year that we anticipated would be running a deficit all year long.

// Here are the numbers for July 2025 – March 2026

- General Fund Contributions: \$497,196 – 98% of target income;
- Facilities Revenue: \$79,743 – a strong and reliable income source;
- Other Revenue: \$37,547;
- Total Operations Revenue: \$614,486;
- Total Expenses: \$601,519 – giving to missions: \$56,619;
- GF Net Revenue: \$12,996 – positive net revenue!!; and
- Total Assets: \$1,013,186.

We have just started budget season at Calvin. Please pray for wisdom and discernment for all who are involved in the budget process. We do want to fully fund our ministries,

mission partners, and personnel, but we also want to be responsive to how the Spirit is moving here at Calvin. Where do we need to expand, and where do we need to prune? Pray that we might listen in humility to God's direction for Calvin's future.

First quarter contribution statements were mailed yesterday, so if do not receive yours within the next few days, be sure to contact Kirsty. If you have any questions or concerns, reach out to [Kirsty](#), or to [Dan Coppin](#).

Calling All Multilingual Speakers

// Readers needed for Pentecost Sunday on May 24

If you are fairly fluent in a language other than English and willing to read a few simple lines on Pentecost Sunday, please contact [Jonna](#).



Happy Birthday!

Marcus White Apr 27
Inez Ahina Apr 29
Lance Neubauer May 03
Eric Johnson May 05
Barbara Kline May 06
Janet Peterson May 06



Upcoming Events

Communion & First Fruits
Sunday (collecting applesauce cups and SpaghettiOs) May 03
Vision House Luncheon,
12-1 pm at the Meydenbauer
Center in Bellevue May 05
Choir rehearsal, 7:15 pm ... May 06
Walk for Water (Path From
Poverty), 10 am at Shoreline
Christian School May 09
Messy Church, 5:30 pm May 13
Community Advocacy
Dinner, 6 pm May 18