

ORDER OF SERVICE

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PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty God, your love is the foundation of our lives. Your mercy is the assurance of our forgiveness. Your Gospel is the hope of our world. Give us grace to praise you, not only with our words, but also with our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRELUDE "Dona Nobis Pacem"

Calvin Ensemble

WELCOME

Neil Trainer

CALL TO WORSHIP from Colossians 1:15–16, 3:1, 4 CEB

Linda Erickson

One: The Son is the image of the invisible God, the one who is first over all creation, because all things were created by him:

All: **Both in the heavens and on the earth, the things that are visible and the things that are invisible.**

One: Whether they are thrones or powers, or rulers or authorities, all things were created through him and for him.

All: **He existed before all things, and all things are held together in him.**

One: Therefore, if you were raised with Christ, look for the things that are above where Christ is sitting at God's right side.

All: **When Christ, who is your life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.**

SONGS OF PRAISE "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" #150, vv. 1–3

"Jesus, Name Above All Names" and "Praise the Name of Jesus"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Linda Erickson

Our Lord and our God: You are worthy of all praise, but our words and our lives fall short of giving you the glory you are due.

We fail to recognize your presence among us, and we place more faith in our own abilities than in your power and love.

We want to know you more, yet we allow our own cares and interests to divert our attention from you and your kingdom.

Forgive us, O Lord, and strengthen our faith.

Have mercy on us according to your unfailing love, as we silently confess our sin to you now.

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

Curtis White

MINISTRY MOMENT The Cornerstone Fund

Steve Froebe

OFFERING "Be Still, My Soul"

Calvin String Ensemble

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 1:1–6, 14–17 NIV

Linda Erickson

SERMON "The Gospel's Center: JESUS"

Neil Trainer

SONG OF RESPONSE "There Is a Redeemer"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Linda Erickson

SONG OF SENDING "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" #466, vv. 1–4

BENEDICTION

Three Cheers for Patrick Meagher!

// Getting to know our Director of Congregational Care a bit better

Patrick Meagher (pronounced "MAW-her") grew up mostly in the Pacific Northwest, his family settling in Bothell when he was 11. He attended Bothell High School, and went on to Evergreen State College. After graduating from college, Patrick met his wife, Jena, through a campus ministry group at the UW. Jena had also grown up in Bothell and attended Bothell High, but they didn't connect until years later. They got engaged in 2001 — in Zurich over lunch at a riverfront café, later attending a U2 concert that same evening.

Patrick and Jena have a 19-year-old daughter named Kloe, and a cuddly chihuahua mix named Pablo. They first met Kloe in 2014 after she had just turned 7, and adopted her a year later. Patrick's mother still lives in Bothell, and he has a brother and sister that also live in the area.

A self-confessed sports fan, Patrick enjoys baseball (and baseball cards!), football, and basketball, and more. He also loves music of all kinds, and developed — through Jena's influence — a deep appreciation for classic movies and movie history. He and his wife also enjoy traveling.

Patrick worked at Seattle's Union Gospel Mission Men's Shelter in Pioneer Square for six years. While there, Patrick experienced several different ministry opportunities — leading chapel services, overseeing medical respite care to homeless people, and serving as a counselor in the addiction recovery program. He says, "This period [in my life] provided me a great education in how the gospel can intervene and literally save people's lives."

After graduating seminary in 2006, Patrick became the Minister of

Outreach at Phinney Ridge Lutheran Church, where he worked for 19 years. He did community social work and visited the homebound within the context of a thriving congregation. It was a fruitful time of full-time ministry. While there, Patrick became a candidate for ordination, and in 2021 he was ordained into the Ministry of Word and Service as a Deacon in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA).

Patrick writes, "I'm overjoyed to discover even greater depths of God's call on my life as Director of Congregational Care here at Calvin."

Introducing the Cornerstone Fund

// by Barbara Rood

We've heard in recent months about the growing costs of maintaining Calvin's multipurpose facility. Session and the Cornerstone team are excited to preview the good news in worship today about our bold response to this need. *The Cornerstone Fund will be a new permanent, self-sustaining fund to maintain Calvin's building, grounds, and technology well into the future.*

More complete information will be presented at the Salmon Bake after worship on September 13. Everyone at Calvin can help build the Cornerstone Fund!

Pastor's Fireside Chats

// Starting this Sunday after worship

During our Sunday series "The Gospel," we will introduce and review life-changing topics like grace, redemption, and faith. If you wish to go deeper into the Gospel, Pastor Neil Trainer will be holding "Fireside Chats" in the Fireside Room after the worship service at 11:30 am throughout

the series. Bring your questions and curiosity for an unstructured conversation about "the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes."

Last Chance to Help Pastor Neil!

// Fill out his survey today

Tell us your thoughts about what the Gospel is and why it matters.



Happy Birthday!

Jeannie Peck.....	Aug 17
Pamela Turner.....	Aug 18
Barry Baker.....	Aug 20
Tyran Johnson.....	Aug 21
Ruth Van Dyke.....	Aug 23
Charles Ganda.....	Aug 24
Jennifer Miller.....	Aug 25
Sunny Coppin.....	Aug 27
Kaye Ostgard.....	Aug 27
Judie Hagen.....	Aug 28
Noah Park.....	Aug 28
David Baker.....	Aug 29
Cecilia Bumcrot.....	Aug 29
Sue Kropf.....	Aug 29
Barbara Rood.....	Aug 29
Greg Terman.....	Aug 29
Stephen Weschler.....	Aug 30



Upcoming Events

Pastor's Fireside Chat.....	Today!
Shoreline Adopt a Corner Presentation (helping immigrants), after worship ...	Aug 23
Pool Party	
Innis Arden, 12 to 1 pm	Aug 29
Bastian Baby Shower, 2:30 pm at Calvin.....	Aug 29
Appreciation for Norm.....	Aug 30
JMS applications due.....	Aug 31
Communion & First Fruits (collecting easy-open cans of chicken & Spaghetti-O's)	Sep 06
Messy Church, 5:30 pm.....	Sep 09
GriefShare, 10 am.....	Sep 12
Salmon Bake & Annual Meeting, after worship	Sep 13