

Calvin Connection



October 2015

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World Communion Sunday, October 4th



For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. 1 Corinthians 11:26 (Greek translation)

Artwork by Kirsten Malcolm Berry, www.KirstenMalcolmBerry.com

We celebrate World Communion on Sunday, October 4th

The first Sunday in October is designated as World Communion Sunday. It was begun in a Presbyterian congregation in 1936 as a way to speak of our oneness in Christ with brothers and sisters around the world.

As we gather at your table from all over the world, O God, we pray that all those who come to you in the name of Christ might be one in Spirit. Knead us together in one loaf. Free us from jealousy and selfish ambition; unite us in mission and service to those in need everywhere. May we sow righteousness and harvest peace, through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.

[Prayer taken from *Flames of the Spirit*]



Photo taken on a ferry in Scotland from Iona to the Isle of Mull with part of my study group

Pastor Carol's Corner

Among the joys of my Sabbatical this summer were the opportunities to study with others at Iona Abbey in Scotland and at Ghost Ranch in northern New Mexico. I was reminded how great it is to take time away from our ordinary lives to study the Bible or a book relating to faith, to try new faith practices and be in prayer with other Christians.

I have for some time wanted to start a spirituality group at Calvin Church. With the urging of Miki Banavige I realize there is no time like the present! Would you like to explore your faith more deeply than we can do on Sunday mornings? Would you like to discover new ways to pray or meet God in your daily life?

We have talked about this for so long and finally went ahead and made some decisions to get a spirituality group started. Finding a time that works for any group is no small feat, even harder when you don't know who will be participating. We decided to try our first meeting on a Wednesday evening and those who gather can decide what is best for them going forward.

We also chose a book to begin our time together. We are going to read and discuss *The Faith Club: A Muslim, A Christian, A Jew – Three Women Search for Understanding* by Ranya Idliby, Suzanne Oliver, and Priscilla Warner. The book is in our church library, available through the Hennepin County Library system, or through any local or online bookstore. If participants have found a copy of the book by our first gathering that is great, although we will aim to have it read by our second gathering.

Finally, Miki helped choose a name, based on the imagery of our church's labyrinth. ***Walking the Faith*** is going to have its first meeting on **Wednesday, October 14th at 6:00PM** in the Fireside Room at church. If you are unable to be there but are interested in being a part of the group, please speak to either Miki or me. Bring a friend. Come and see what God is doing, exploring our faith with others.

Peace,

Carol



Rally Day Litany read by church members from five different generations - from left: Pam Vande Vegte, Harry Johnson, Ryan Bracken, Krista Berbig, Bella Coccoluto, and Pastor Carol Reed.

Greeter/Liturgist Schedule

October 4 - World Communion

Greeters - George Funk & Judy Rogosheske
 Liturgist - Judy Rogosheske

October 11

Greeters - The Berbig Family
 Liturgist - Krista Berbig

October 18

Greeters - Dave & Ann Shaughnessy
 Liturgist - Maighread Shaughnessy

October 25

Greeter - Pam Vande Vegte
 Liturgist - Pam Vande Vegte



On the left is Calvin's new choral accompanist, Taylor Burkhardt. On the right is our new choral scholar, Iris Kolodji. Welcome!



Fall Schedule

9:00am Adult Education, Fellowship Hall

9:30am Chancel choir practice, Choir Rehearsal Room

10:00am Worship

10:00am Sunday school (for the 1st Sunday of the month), all other Sundays the children will be in worship until the children's message

11:00am Coffee Fellowship in Fellowship Hall

Weekly Activities

Sunday

9:00am Adult Education
 9:30am Chancel choir rehearsal
 10:00am Worship/Sunday school
 11:00am Fellowship time

Tuesday

9:30am GIFT
 10:00am Exercise

Wednesday

6:00pm Handbell practice
 7:00pm Chancel choir practice

Monthly Activities

Men's Breakfast	1st Monday	8:00am
Crisis Nursery	1st Monday	3:30pm
Session Meeting	1st Monday	6:30pm
Loaves & Fishes	1st Tuesday	3:45pm
	(meets at River of Life Lutheran Church)	
Lunch Bunch	1st Wednesday	12:00pm
Confirmation	1st & 3rd Wednesdays	5:30pm
PW Meeting	2nd Monday	7:00pm
Ruth Circle	2nd Thursday	2:00pm
Mary & Martha Circle	4th Wednesday	9:30am



Mitch Nelson is Calvin's new seminary intern from United Theological Seminary. He grew up in southern MN, served in the U.S. Marines for four years, and worked in Denver, CO before landing in Rochester, MN. He graduated in 2014 from Crossroads College (in Rochester) with a BS in Ministry. He currently works and lives at United Seminary, where he is in his second year.

He will be working with the youth and doing various other pastoral duties. Welcome Mitch!

Upcoming CE Events



OCTOBER:

Wednesday, October 21st @ 6:30pm - Children's Choir (ages 4-12) practice

Sunday, October 25th @ 9:30am - Children's Choir practice

10:00am - Children sing during worship, "The Wedding Banquet"

11:00am - Trunk or Treat in the parking lot after church

11:30am - Family event at Luce Line Orchard (more information to follow)

NOVEMBER:

Friday, November 6th @ 6pm - Movie night (4th grade & under) "Bedknobs & Broomsticks". Pizza, beverages and popcorn will be provided. Look for a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Hall as the date approaches.

DECEMBER:

Sunday, December 13th @ 11:30am - Gingerbread house activity (more information to follow).

Sunday, December 20th - Children and Youth Christmas pageant. Stay tuned for rehearsal times, etc.



Confirmation class is beginning again! Mark your calendars for the first and third Wednesdays at church at 5:30pm in the library. October 7th is our first class. Teri Wood and Pastor Carol are leading again along with help from our intern, Mitch Nelson.



ADULT EDUCATION

Fellowship Hall - 9:00am

Everyone is welcome!

A Bible Study Series on the theme

THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY COMES ALIVE

Unit Two: Giving Bold Testimony

Led by Rev. Dwight Chamberlain & others in the congregation

Sunday, Oct 4 - Lesson 5, The Ministry of the Spirit -- Acts 8:9-24

Sunday, Oct 11 - Lesson 6, A Dynamic New Witness -- Acts 9:18-31

Sunday, Oct 18 - Lesson 7, Breaking Down Barriers -- Acts 10:24-38

Sunday, Oct 25 - Lesson 8, Trusting the Spirit -- Acts 11:1-18

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S
FALL GATHERING**

The Women of the Presbytery of the Twin Cities Area will hear about "Haiti: Poorest of the Poor" when they hold their Fall Gathering at North Presbyterian Church in North St. Paul on Saturday, October 17th. Registration opens at 9am. Keynote speaker will be Diane Albright, president of Houses for Haiti, a nonprofit organization dedicated to building houses for homeless families living on the streets of Cite Soleil, the poorest slum in the Western Hemisphere.

You can choose from two afternoon sessions. We will have one of the leaders from Reiser Relief, which is also performing charitable works in Haiti. It is this group that takes our Dresses for Haiti to various orphanages and schools. The other choice is a Habitat for Humanity presentation about Women Build - women building houses in the Twin Cities.

The cost of the gathering is \$15, which includes sweet treats in the morning and a great lunch. Contact Belinda Breit at #763-475-3568 to work out registrations and carpooling.

The Presbyterian Women's gathering is about mission work. In the fall, the ladies bring school kits, hygiene kits, sheets and dresses to the gathering. This summer we worked on school kits, and now we need to assemble hygiene kits. See the box below for needed items:

Hygiene kits:

- One wide-tooth comb (suitable for thick, coarse hair)
- One nail clipper
- One wrapped bath size bar of soap (no Irish Spring)
- One toothbrush (in original packaging)
- Six standard size Band-Aids ®

Place all items in a one-gallon zipper top plastic bag.



Birthdays

October 1	Mabel Norton Martha Brown
October 4	Pat Miller Helen Pesonen
October 11	Beth Potter Reggie Rettinger
October 13	Dave Zajac
October 16	Rob Wenz
October 18	Chelsea Rhea
October 19	Delphine Monroe
October 23	Zach Berbig
October 25	Cal Headley Anita Goman
October 26	Walter Baker



Celebrate!

Anniversaries

October 8	DJ & Anita Goman
October 17	Mathew & Sara Tomczik



Roof repair work being done at the beginning of September by Mint Roofing.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

GIFT Meetings every Tuesday @ 9:30am
 Ruth Circle Meeting Oct. 8th @ 2pm
 PW Meeting Oct. 19th @ 9am
 Mary & Martha Circle Meeting Oct. 28th @ 9:30am





October Lunch Bunch is on Wednesday, October 7th at 12pm. Bring your own place settings and a dish to share. Come and join us - everyone is welcome!



Shirley Tulberg has moved - her new address is 5855 Cheshire Parkway #4401 in Plymouth, MN 55446. Her new phone number is #763-557-8000



Thank you to Susan Baker and Pam Vande Vegte, plus all the many volunteers who helped with cooking, parking cars, baking, doing dishes, serving, selling tickets, making signs, greeting people, etc. It really does take a whole church to host the Presbytery meeting! We had many compliments on our church and how smoothly the meeting went. Thank you to Calvin for doing such a great job.



Dear Calvin Family - Thank you for your prayers, cards and expressions of sympathy upon the death of my twin brother. I appreciate your caring very much. Sincerely, Darwin Swanson & family



Congratulations to two wonderful couples that tied the knot last month! Jennifer Bowman and Nick Schadewald were married on Saturday, September 12th at Calvin; and Chelsea Rettinger and Christopher Rhea were married on Saturday, September 26th at Manhattan Beach Club in Crosslake, MN.



Thank You!

Thank you everyone for the prayers, cards, and calls. Not only after my recent surgery, but following my move to Kansas City. I send my best wishes to Sam and am thrilled that Mark will be leading the choir. ~Betty Gillum



MUSIC News



Greetings from the music corner! The past month has been full of transitions: transitions of staff, transitions of the seasons, and transition into the program year. At every seasons change, I am reminded of the passage from Ecclesiastes 3 - "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens: a time to be born and a time to die...time to weep and a time to laugh...a time to keep and a time to throw away...a time to be silent and a time to join the music ministry at Calvin Presbyterian.."

Okay, so that might be a loose translation, but the point stands: is this the season you join the choir, or learn to ring a handbell? I ask you to consider if this might be your season to join with other members of the Calvin family in adding meaningful experiences to our weekly worship through music! We'd love to have you!

~Mark Bilyeu, Director

Do you love to sing? The Calvin Chancel Choir is always welcoming new singers! No experience is necessary—only a love for music! There's also no need for a long-term commitment. Join us for one rehearsal and see if you like it. Rehearsals are on Wednesday nights from 7:00-8:30pm in the music room.



OCTOBER 2015



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
 <p><i>Fellowship Time is on Sundays at 11:00am (following worship)</i></p> 				1 9am - 7pm Rummage Sale	2 9am - 3pm Rummage Sale (1/2 price day)	3 9am - 12pm Rummage Sale (\$4/bag) 12pm Rummage sale clean-up
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Connect with us!



OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
10:00am - 2:00pm

*Pastor Carol is in
the office Tues - Fri
(or can be reached at
her home phone #)*



Please recycle

*We extend a most cordial invitation
to you to participate in worship,
study and the many other activities in
the life of our Calvin family.*



Church Staff

- Pastor - Rev. Dr. Carol Reed
- Parish Associate - Rev. Dwight Chamberlain
- Pastor Emeritus - Rev. Douglas Potter
- Clerk of Session - Walter Baker

- Music Director - Mark Bilyeu
- Handbell Director - Mark Bilyeu
- Choral Accompanist - Taylor Burkhardt

- Office Administrator - Angela Coccoluto
- Treasurer - Pat King
- Financial Secretaries - Marj Eisinger & Tammy Wenz
- Custodian - Dave Zajac

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Calvin Connection deadline: Second Friday of the month
Sunday Bulletin announcements deadline: Thursdays at 10am
Email articles and/or announcements for the Calvin Connection & Sunday bulletins to Angela (see email address above), or drop them off in the church office. Any questions, please call Angela at 952-473-5419.