

Calvin Connection



November 2016

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Stewardship is everything we do after we say "I believe"

Growing in Faith
Building on Blessings



Supporting the ministry of
Calvin Church



Stewardship dedication - Sunday, November 13th

"Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received." (1 Peter 4:10)

Pastor Carol's Corner



Earlier this fall I was blessed to participate in a study leave trip that went to Greece to follow in the footsteps of the Apostle Paul. The trip followed in Paul's footsteps through Greece in what is generally referred to as his Second Missionary Journey. I have been sharing some of what I learned and saw during worship throughout the month of October, but will include a few photos as highlights from the trip.

Our trip was following Paul once he arrived in Greece. Like Paul we visited Neopolis (known today as Kavala), Philippi (now an archaeological site), and other stops Paul made in Thessalonica, Berea, Athens, and Corinth (southwest of Athens).

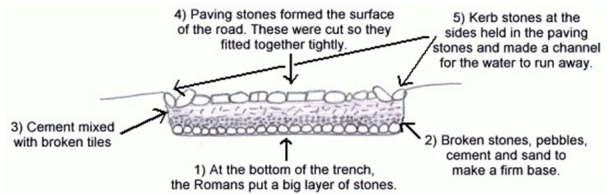
I traveled with twenty one people, mainly Anglican Christians from Manchester, England.



Mosaic on the ceiling of the church outside Philippi honoring Lydia, the first person Paul baptized on European soil.



To left: walking on the Via Egnatia in Philippi on the remains of the Roman road Paul would have walked. The Roman's roads have survived in places because of how they were built:



Mosaic of Jesus inside the Agios Dimitrios Church in Thessalonica



To left: one of the amazing Meteora Monasteries that cling to rocks that rise from a valley floor.



Visiting an iconographer's workshop; icons in the Orthodox Church are sacred painting. This icon represents the Trinity.

The seaport where Paul sailed from Greece, outside the city of Corinth



Ancient city of Corinth

Greeter/Liturgist Schedule

November 6 - Communion

Greeter - Ron Bowman
Liturgist - Candy Bowman

November 13

Greeters - Joel & Sarah Settles
Liturgist - Joel Settles

November 20 - Music Sunday

Greeters - Coccoluto family
Liturgist - Josh Coccoluto

November 27

Greeter - Bob Hardin
Liturgist - Pam Vande Vegte



*Come celebrate
the music
ministry at
Calvin on
Music Sunday,
November
20th at
10:00am.*



Calvin Church members are invited to participate in an ecumenical Thanksgiving Eve worship service at Trinity Lutheran Church (2060 County Road 6) in Long Lake. Pastor Carol is guest preaching, and there will be a pie social immediately following the service. The worship service begins at 7:00pm on Wednesday, November 23rd.

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
3:00pm SPARKS program
Wednesday
6:00pm Handbell practice
7:00pm Chancel choir practice
Thursday
3:00pm SPARKS program

Monthly Activities

Men's Breakfast	1st Monday	8:00am
Feed My Starving Children	1st Tuesday	2:30pm
Session Meeting	1st Tuesday	6:30pm
Lunch Bunch	1st Wednesday	12:00pm
PW Meeting	3rd Monday	9:00am
Ruth Circle	2nd Thursday	2:00pm
Mary & Martha Circle	4th Wednesday	9:30am



Calling all Holiday Helpers!

*We are pushing back the date for the Hanging of the Greens this year. It will be on Saturday, December 3rd at 3:00pm, followed by a potluck supper and a carol sing in the sanctuary.
Look for a sign-up sheet in the coming weeks.*



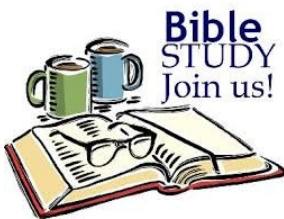
A few photos from the Scavenger Hunt on Sunday, October 16th. See all the pictures from the event on our FB page!



Sunday, October 30th we are hosting Trunk-or-Treat in the parking lot after worship. Anyone that would like to decorate their trunk and/or hand out treats to the trunk-or-treaters can park along the first row of parking places closest to the building. Everyone is invited so please bring your friends! Afterward there will be a sloppy joe potluck in the Fellowship Hall. The Fellowship Committee will provide the sloppy joes, buns, and chips; sign-up in the Gathering Hall to bring a salad, side, or dessert.



Calvin Youth Movie night (4th grade and under) - Friday evening movie night for the younger youth of Calvin will be November 11th at 6pm. Pizza, popcorn, fun, and a movie on the "big screen"! Look for the sign-up sheet in the Gathering Hall.



Bible STUDY
Join us!

ADULT EDUCATION

Fellowship Hall - 9:00am
Everyone is welcome!



A Bible Study Series on the theme
THE SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD
Unit Three: Jesus: Alpha and Omega
Lessons from the Book of Revelation

Rev. Chamberlain is needing to take a break from teaching due to back issues. We will hold him in prayer. In the meantime, Rev. Reed will lead the adult education class.

- Sunday, November 6 - Lesson 10, Making All Things New -- Revelation 21:1-8
- Sunday, November 13 - Lesson 11, The New Jerusalem -- Revelation 21:9-14; 22-27
- Sunday, November 20 - Lesson 12, Living Waters -- Revelation 22:1-7
- Sunday, November 27 - Lesson 13, Alpha and Omega -- Revelation 22:12-21



What will you get this Christmas for someone who has everything? We can help: give a gift to a mission project in honor of someone on your list. Shares are available in various amounts to purchase things off the wish list of agencies our church supports such as Bibles for Clearwater Forest, honeybees for Heifer Project, a container garden or farming tools for Presbyterian Church (USA) mission projects, or provide meals for children and families through Feed My Starving Children. Gift prices vary from \$10-\$75.

The church provides a card and an explanation about each gift you purchase and your donation goes to the agency you choose. "Shopping" begins mid-November; watch for the Gift Board in the Gathering Hall.

Clearwater Forest Wish List

- Bike helmets
- Recreation Equipment
- Paddleboards (3)



Heifer Project

- Share of a sheep \$10
- Flock of chicks \$20
- Share of tree seedlings \$10
- Honeybees \$30



Presbyterian Church (USA)

- Water filter \$50
- Container garden \$40
- Farming tools \$10
- Kitchen kit \$25
- Bicycle for a pastor \$75



Feed My Starving Children

- .22 for one meal through FMSC; one box of food \$50
- 45 meals for a village in Honduras \$10
- 113 meals for a family in Honduras \$25
- 200 meals for a community in Nicaragua \$50



Birthdays

- November 7 Sarah Bracken
- November 19 Jack Lutz
- November 20 Isabella Berbig
- November 24 Lois Sturman
- November 30 Arlo Vande Vegte



Celebrate!

Anniversaries

- November 7 Ron & Nancy Miller

Fall Rummage Sale



The October 2016 rummage sale raised \$3,847.31!
The funds will be used in the following manner:

- Maple Plain Food Shelf: \$400
- Westonka Food Shelf: \$400
- Feed My Starving Children: \$400
- Interfaith Outreach: \$400
- Chechon Children's Home: \$400
- Salvation Army/Hurricane Matthew: \$400
- Home Free Women's Shelter: \$300
- Guest speaker/entertainment: \$200
- Women's Assoc. Sunshine Comm: \$200
- Adopt a Family/Xmas mission: \$300
- Christmas gifts for shut-ins: \$100
- Christmas gifts: \$125

Thank you to everyone who donated items to the sale, donated their time to help work at the sale, helped with clean-up or shopped! The Spring sale will be May 4 - 6, 2017.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

- Ruth Circle** Meeting November 10th @ 2pm
- PW** Meeting on November 14th @ 9am
- Mary & Martha Circle** Meeting Nov. 16th @ 9:30am





Lunch Bunch will be Wednesday, November 2nd at 12pm. Bring a dish to share, **but no need to bring your own place settings**. Going forward we will be using kitchen supplies from church to simplify clean-up afterwards. Join us - everyone is welcome!



Origami paper cranes - A group will be gathering to fold more origami cranes. If anyone has any brightly colored paper they would like to donate, please leave it in the old kitchen.



Save the date! Calvin's PW Christmas Salad Supper will be Monday, December 12th. We are going to be entertained by Bob Gasch and will be honoring a special group of knitters from Ridgepointe.



We have another centenarian church member! Delphine Monroe had her 100th birthday on October 19th. She currently resides at Haven Homes in Maple Plain. Happy 100th birthday Delphine!



Thank you to Rev. Dwight Chamberlain and Rev. Doug Potter, who stepped in during my recent study leave trip and helped while I was away. Rev. and Bette Chamberlain made numerous visits and Rev. Potter led worship and a memorial service for Dale Purnick. We are so blessed to have them both continue to share in the ministry at Calvin Church.
~Rev. Carol Reed

MUSIC News



Hello from the Music Department! We've had an eclectic month of music, and hope you've been enjoying the diversity in programming. We are geared up for our Fall Music Sunday, which will be November 20th. The choir will be offering several anthems, the bells will perform, and I'll be playing a little Vince Guaraldi to round out the service. If you've been considering singing with us or ringing a bell (or playing a drum, or strumming a guitar), this is your official invitation. Join us! The short commitment of one month leading up to Music Sunday will be the perfect entrance into lending your talents, abilities and enthusiasm to our weekly worship. Thank you for your continued support of our music here at Calvin!

~Mark Bilyeu, Music Director

Meet our newest choral scholar, Brian Brokofsky. He is a third year Music Education major at the University of Minnesota. Aside from singing, he also enjoys (and previously went to school for) playing guitar, and has played and recorded some music with several rock bands. Brian also enjoys swing dancing and salsa/meringue dancing, when time allows. He is also very much a dog person! His family owns a King Charles Cavalier named Gilligan, who is one of his favorite things in the world.

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.



NOVEMBER 2016



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 2:30-4:30pm FMSC 3-5pm SPARKS 6:30pm Session	2 12pm Lunch Bunch 7pm Choir practice	3 No SPARKS	4	5
		6 Communion 9am Adult Education 9:30am Choir rehearsal 10am Worship/Sunday school 	7 8am Men's breakfast	8 3-5pm SPARKS 	9 7pm Choir practice	10 2pm Ruth Circle 3-5pm SPARKS
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20 Music Sunday 9am Adult Education 9:30am Choir rehearsal 10am Worship/Sunday school	21	22 3-5pm SPARKS	23 7pm Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service @ Trinity Lutheran Church No Choir practice	24 Office Closed Happy Thanksgiving	25 Office Closed	26
27 9am Adult Education 9:30am Choir rehearsal 10am Worship/Sunday school	28	29 3-5pm SPARKS	30 7pm Choir practice	<p>Fellowship Time is on Sundays at 11:00am (following worship)</p>		

NOTES:

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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.