

Calvin Connection



May 2015

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Welcome New Members!



We will be receiving six new members into the Calvin Church family on Sunday, May 3rd during worship. Here is a little bit of background about each member:

Miki Banavige has returned to her childhood roots in becoming a member of a Presbyterian Church. Miki found her way to Calvin Church several years ago. She has been actively attending worship, enjoying our labyrinth, participating with Presbyterian Women functions, and is becoming our liaison with IOCP. Watch for Miki in the very back pew of the sanctuary, pulpit side.

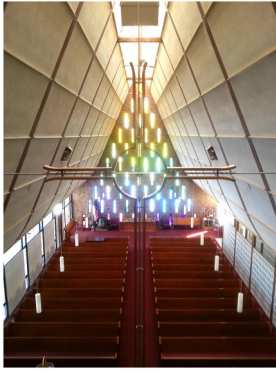
Judith Lent has been attending Calvin Church for a couple years. Judith has been volunteering monthly with Loaves & Fishes and the Crisis Nursery, helping with set up for the Lenten soup suppers, working on Presbyterian Women's sewing projects, basically volunteering wherever she can help. Watch for Judith in the front pew of the sanctuary, lectern side.



Diane and Jim Whitehead began coming to Calvin Church with their friends Joyce and Denny Anderson. They first began attending the Lunch Bunch, and later the Lenten mid-week services, but came to appreciate the way they always felt at home at Calvin.

Chelsea Rettinger was a participant at Calvin Church as a child although she later went on to attend Confirmation at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Wayzata. She returned to Calvin Church several years ago and Pastor Carol will be officiating at Chelsea and Christopher's wedding in September.

Christopher Rhea began attending Calvin Church when he began dating Chelsea Rettinger. Since then he has been recruited to help the Rettinger family set up, serve, and clean-up at many Palm Sunday brunches and other meals at the church, and also help teach Sunday School.



From the Personnel Committee

What is a Sabbatical?

From the Presbyterian Church (USA), Office of the General Assembly website:

Someone has compared the life of a minister with that of a taxi leaving an airport. It is so loaded down with passengers and suitcases and the other items that the car has a hard time even moving and is strained to the point of breaking, yet the taxi may be only a few years old. So it is with clergy. They bear the burdens, the anguish, the pain, and hurt of their parishioners 24-7. That is 24 hours, seven days a week. As a result, many, if not all, experience to one degree or another symptoms of emotional collapse, stress related illnesses, and “burnout” adversely affecting the minister’s personal, family, and parish life, and greatly diminishing his or her effectiveness and well-being. For too long, this situation has been accepted, even tolerated as an inevitable part of the job.

Sabbatical Leave for pastors is a planned time of intensive enhancement for ministry and mission. This “extended time” is qualitatively different from “vacation” or “days off.” It is an opportunity for the individual to strategically disengage from regular and normal tasks so that ministry and mission may be viewed from a new perspective because of a planned time of focus.

Sabbatical Leave is recommended for all full-time pastors and educators serving churches, who have served in their present position for six (6) continuous years. The recommended length of the Sabbatical Leave is three (3) months.

Why didn't previous pastors have Sabbaticals?

The Presbyterian Church has gained awareness through the years that clergy who receive Sabbaticals return to their congregation renewed and refreshed. In the end it helps the pastor; it helps the congregation. In 2007 the Twin Cities Area Presbytery voted in a policy of granting Sabbaticals and it was included in Rev. Reed's contract. She has served at Calvin Church since June 2007.

How long is our pastor's Sabbatical and what will she be doing?

The Sabbatical begins May 18th and ends August 17th. Rev. Reed will be attending classes at Iona Community, off the west coast of Scotland, as well as at Ghost Ranch Presbyterian Retreat Center in Abiquiu, New Mexico, working on writing some adult curriculum based on research from her Doctor of Ministry degree, and catching up on some reading related to ministry in our changing world.

What will happen while our pastor is away this summer?

Rev. Dwight Chamberlain and Rev. Doug Potter will be providing pastoral care during the Sabbatical time. Rev. Meg Newswanger, pastor at the Presbyterian Church in Maple Plain (who has had two Sabbatical times), has also offered to assist in pastoral emergencies.

Who will lead worship and preach on Sundays:

Personnel Committee is pleased to announce the following summer worship schedule:

May 24th	Skelly Shaughnessy
May 31st	George Funk and Judy Rogosheske
June 7th	Rev. Doug Potter
June 14th	Rev. Judy Kim
June 21st	Sam Grace and Mark Bilyeu
June 28th	Rev. Doug Potter
July 5th	Arlo Vande Vegte (Doug Potter will lead Communion)
July 12th	Sam Grace and Mark Bilyeu
July 19th	Rev. Doug Potter
July 26th	Walter and Susan Baker
August 2nd	Rev. Doug Potter
August 9th	Sam Grace and Mark Bilyeu
August 16th	Rev. Doug Potter
August 23rd	Rev. Carol Reed is back and preaching!

Please speak to any member of the Personnel Committee (Bonnie Boylan, Terry Olson, or Pam Vande Vegte) if you have any questions about this Sabbatical time.

Greeter/Liturgist Schedule

May 3 - Communion

Greeters - Walter & Susan Baker
Liturgist - Susan Baker

May 10

Greeter - Belinda Breit
Liturgist - Belinda Breit

May 17 - Music Sunday

Greeter - Bonnie Boylan
Liturgist - Shirley Tulberg

May 24 - Pentecost

Greeters - The Shaughnessy Family
Liturgist - The Shaughnessy Family
Message - Skelly Shaughnessy

May 31

Greeter - Arlo Vande Vegte
Liturgist - Pam Vande Vegte
Message - Arlo Vande Vegte



Pentecost is a Greek word meaning "fiftieth", coming 50 days after Easter. Scripture tells us that on the day of Pentecost the disciples and first believers were filled with the Holy Spirit. The book of Acts of the Apostles describes how after Pentecost, the disciples were led to go and begin sharing what they had experienced of God in Jesus Christ. At first the disciples were known as followers of *The Way*, and eventually became known as *the Body of Christ, the Church*.

This year **Pentecost is Sunday, May 24th**. We are invited to wear red or orange, a reminder of the flames that marked the Spirit's arrival, and reminding us that the Spirit is still with us, the church, today.

Spring 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

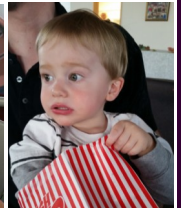
6:00pm Handbell practice
7:00pm Chancel choir practice

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



The Women's Association Annual Spring Salad Supper is on Thursday, May 14th at 6:00pm. Our talented accompanist/organist, Mark Bilyeu, will be our entertainment for the evening. Invite a coworker, friend, or family member to enjoy a wonderful evening out! Everyone is welcome (men included)! Please sign up on the sheet in the Gathering Hall.



"Walking with Dinosaurs" movie night at Calvin with the younger youth - Friday, April 17th. Kathy Berg served as hostess for the event & did an amazing job with decorations. The toy dinosaurs even had a "mountain" to climb!



The youth choir will practice with the Chancel Choir on Wednesday, May 6th at 7pm in preparation for singing *Joy In My Heart*, an arrangement by Rollo Dilworth during worship on May 10th.



The Confirmation class has been invited to play laser tag in Eden Prairie with the youth group from Plymouth Presbyterian Church next Wednesday, May 6th at 6pm. Cost is \$10/person. Please let Pastor Carol know if you plan to attend.

The final confirmation class for the year will be Wednesday, May 13th at 5:30pm. Class will resume in the fall.



Summer is right around the corner! Teacher Appreciation and the last day of Sunday School is Sunday, May 17th! **Thank you to all our wonderful teachers** that have given their time and shared their faith with our awesome youth this year!



We are so excited to be bringing Vacation Bible School back to Calvin! It is set for June 15-18, 2015 from 9-12pm, for ages 4 through 4th grade. We are offering it at no charge for the community and our youth, and we encourage our youth to bring a friend! Look for more details in the next few weeks.



ADULT EDUCATION

Fellowship Hall - 9:00am

Last day of Adult Education is Sunday, May 17th.

Everyone is welcome!

A Bible Study Series on the theme

THE SPIRIT COMES

Part Three: Woven Together in Love

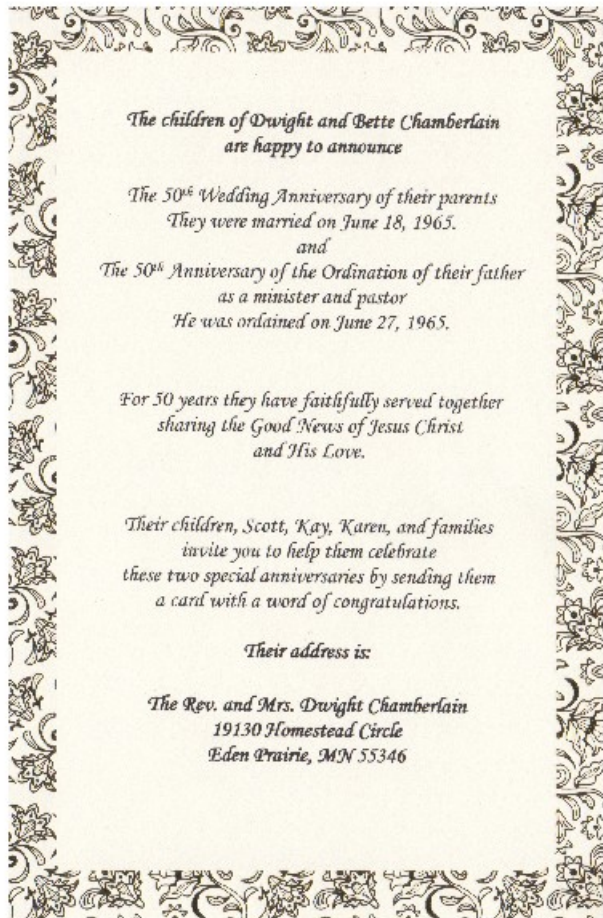
Led by Rev. Dwight Chamberlain & others in the congregation

Sunday, May 3 - Lesson 10 (pg. 43) Coworkers with the Truth -- III John 1:1-14

Sunday, May 10 - Lesson 12 (pg. 51) Members of One Body -- I Corinthians 12:14-31

Sunday, May 17 - Lesson 14 (pg. 59) The Greatest Gift is Love -- I Corinthians 13:1-13

Dwight & Bette are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary and Dwight's 50th anniversary of ordination. We will be celebrating at Calvin with the Chamberlain family on Sunday, October 11th. See their announcement below:



Birthdays



- May 3 Jeff Brown
- May 6 Bob Gehrman
- May 9 Lois Potter
- May 11 Evan Manro
- May 13 Lucia Stubbs
- May 14 Marj Kvale
Marion Johnson
- May 17 Wilma Hagan
- May 29 Rachel Wenz
- May 30 Katie Dillman
- May 31 Doug Potter
Ed Oliver

Celebrate!

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

We are continuing to take donations for the spring rummage sale through Tuesday, May 5th (Please no TV's, skis, computers, large electronics, encyclopedias or textbooks). Baked goods may be brought for the Bake Sale on Wednesday, May 6th between 9am-12pm.



Volunteers are needed to help unpack & organize donations Mon-Wed, May 4-6 from 9am-12pm. We will also need help packing up leftover rummage on Sat, May 9 beginning at 12pm. Even a few hours would be greatly appreciated!

Shopping for Calvin members is on Wednesday, May 6th from 6-7pm. There will be no "pre-sales" prior to Calvin's shopping night. The sale is Thursday, May 7th (9am-7pm), Friday, May 8th (9am-3pm, half price day), and Saturday, May 9th (9-12pm, Bag day/\$4 a bag).



Join other Presbyterian women and guests for worship, fun, fellowship, and connection. This is a wonderful time to experience the larger church. The theme of the Gathering is "One Body, One Spirit", based on I Corinthians 12:12-27. Held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Minneapolis, June 18-21, 2015.

There are scholarship forms available in the Gathering Hall, as well as Registration Booklets. More information is also available on their website - www.presbyterianwomen.org/gathering

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

- GIFT Meetings every Tues. @ 9:30am
- Ruth Circle Meeting May 14th @ 2pm
- PW No meeting in May
- Mary & Martha Circle Meeting May 27th @ 9:30am





Lunch Bunch in May is moved to Wednesday, May 13th at 12pm (due to the rummage sale). Bring your own place settings and a dish to share. Come and join us - everyone is welcome!



Volunteers are available for anyone that may need a ride to church on Sundays. Please contact Marj Kvale at #952-473-7765 or Joyce Anderson at #763-972-9966 if you are in need of a ride.



Save the date! Calvin and Maple Plain Presbyterian Churches have agreed to work together to host the Presbytery of the Twin Cities area on Tuesday, September 8th. There will be many opportunities to help out - baking bars for dessert, helping to park cars to fit in the crowds, selling tickets for dinner, giving directions around the church, etc. More details to come as we get closer to the date.



Food Pantry Donations Needed

After our confirmation class volunteered at IOCP, they discovered there are some basic staple items that the food shelf continually runs low on. Lists of most needed items at the area food shelves we support are available in the basket in the Gathering Hall (where you may also leave donations). Thank you!



Pictures of our Confirmation class volunteering at Feed My Starving Children on April 15, 2015.



MUSIC News



Dear Calvin Family,

May is an exciting time for music at Calvin! As we approach the end of our program year, expect to hear lots of great music to help us kick off summer. On Mother's Day (May 10th), the youth choir will join the Chancel Choir to perform Rollo Dilworth's arrangement of *Joy in My Heart* - an anthem you won't want to miss! On May 17th we will round out the year with our Music Sunday service, which is sure to be packed with some of your favorites from this year. Finally - if you run into Gigi Stroncek or Spencer Ruona, please thank them for their service and musical leadership over the past year at Calvin. We are blessed to have Gigi and Spencer working with us, and we will miss them as they move on after graduation this spring! Thank you Gigi and Spencer!

~Sam

Do you have a musical talent or know someone that does? Let's feature it this summer at Calvin! Talk to Sam Grace about scheduling to perform during Sunday morning worship. We love featuring special music during the summer months!



MAY 2015



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
 <p><i>Fellowship Time is on Sundays at 11:00 am (following worship)</i></p> 					1	2
<p>3 Communion</p> <p>9am Adult Education</p> <p>9:30am Choir rehearsal</p> <p>10am Worship/ New Members Installation</p> <p>11am Rummage sale set-up</p>	<p>4 8am Men's breakfast</p> <p>9-12pm Rummage sale set-up</p> <p>3:30pm Crisis Nursery</p>	<p>5 9-12pm Rummage sale set-up</p> <p>9:30am GIFT</p> <p>10am Exercise</p> <p>3:45pm Loaves & Fishes</p> <p>6:30pm Session</p>	<p>6 9-12pm Rummage sale set-up</p> <p>6pm Laser Tag w/ Plymouth Pres.</p> <p>7pm Youth choir & Chancel Choir Practice</p>	<p>7 9am - 7pm Rummage Sale</p>	<p>8 9am - 3pm Rummage Sale (1/2 price day)</p>	<p>9 9am - 12pm Rummage Sale (Bag day - \$4/bag)</p> <p>12pm Rummage sale clean-up</p>
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<p>24 10am Worship</p>	<p>25 </p> <p>Office Closed</p>	<p>26 9:30am GIFT</p> <p>10am Exercise</p>	<p>27 9:30am Mary & Martha</p>	28	29	30
<p>31 10am Worship</p>						

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Connect with us!



OFFICE HOURS

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

*Pastor Carol is in
the office Mon - Thurs
(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 - Sam Grace
- Handbell Director - Sam Grace
- Organist - Mark Bilyeu

- 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.