## CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# **Calvin Connection**



August 2018

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# Music Department News



Jared Miller, Calvin accompanist

Born in San Diego, Jared Miller discovered his passion for Collaboration while participating in his high school choral ensembles. He graduated from St. Olaf College with a B.A. in Music and an Asian Studies concentration. While there, he worked extensively with the vocal department, and was also very active with the Choral Ensembles, serving as pianist for three of the six choirs at St. Olaf. Jared has a particular passion for studying and performing works by Hispanic composers. He is currently pursuing a Master's Degree in Collaborative Piano at the University of Minnesota, where he has continued working closely with the vocal faculty, as well as for the choirs, and opera workshops.



Savannah Heigl, Soprano Choral Scholar

Originally from Milwaukee, WI, Savannah Heigl studies Choral Music education through the University of Minnesota Twin Cities, School of Music. Heigl is excited to be entering her last year of studies towards her undergraduate degree. Some of her various musical experiences include studies at the Wisconsin Conservatory of Music in voice, three performances with the School of Music's opera theatre, and scholar conducting for the South Metro Chorale. We are thrilled to have her join us as a Soprano Choral Scholar at Calvin!



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# Pastor Carol's Corner

For we are co-workers in God's service; you are God's field, God's building. ~1 Corinthians 3:9

Hiking the Fern Canyon in Prairie Creek Redwood State Park, California

In mid-July I had a week of study leave with a group of clergy at a Presbyterian conference center on Lake Tahoe. It was a beautiful setting although we were sadly aware it was the fires near Yosemite National Park that were destroying acres of trees and homes that were providing us with beautiful sunsets.

Following the retreat, my cousin Helen picked me up and we headed off to visit national and state parks in northern California and southern Oregon. We hiked in Lassen National Park in California where we learned about volcanoes that had created that stunning area (on one hike we saw a mother bear and two cubs!) We hiked in the Deschutes National Forest outside of Bend, Oregon and finally headed to Redwoods National Park and Humboldt State Park in California where we hiked in groves of giant redwoods. If you have ever stood by a redwood, you know it is humbling to be looking up at the tallest living trees in the world!

During our times in the National Park system we kept reading about John Muir. Muir was born in Scotland in 1838 and emigrated to this country with his family to become farmers in Wisconsin. Eventually Muir moved to California where he worked on his father-in-law's fruit farm outside San Francisco. He fell in love with the wilderness and mountain areas of western US and Alaska. We have John Muir to thank in part for the establishment of many National Parks. He took President Theodore Roosevelt on a two-day hike in what was to become Yosemite National Park, and the president returned convinced of the need to protect wilderness lands from logging and development.

Once back at Helen's house in the Bay Area, we went to visit John Muir's home. The docent, an enthusiastic and knowledgeable tour guide at the National Historic site, ended her tour encouraging us. She asked we remember that John Muir, who did amazing things in his life and helped preserve places so many of us enjoy, was really just a person like any of us. We too have the opportunity to do great things. Perhaps it will not be on the scale of Muir. But we can each make a difference in our world or in the lives of another person.

"How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world." — Anne Frank

"Creator God,

by your word you call all things into being and reveal yourself within your world; open our eyes to see your glory and our ears to hear your word, and give us the strength to follow the way of Jesus Christ, your Word made flesh."

Excerpt From: Neil Paynter. "We Bring You Everything, and tip it out in front of you." iBooks."



Looking up at a giant redwood tree in Redwood National Park in California

# **Greeter/Liturgist Schedule**

### August 5 - Communion

Greeters - Ushers Liturgist - Susan Baker

### August 12

Greeters - Ushers Liturgist - Pat Headley

### August 19

Greeters - Ushers Liturgist - Shaughnessy Family

### August 26

Greeters - Ushers Liturgist - TBD



# **Summer Schedule**

10:00am Worship

I I:00am Coffee Fellowship in Fellowship Hall



### **Monthly Activities**

Men's Breakfast1st Monday8:00amSession Meeting1st Tuesday6:30pmLunch Bunch1st Wednesday12:00pmRuth Circle2nd Thursday2:00pm



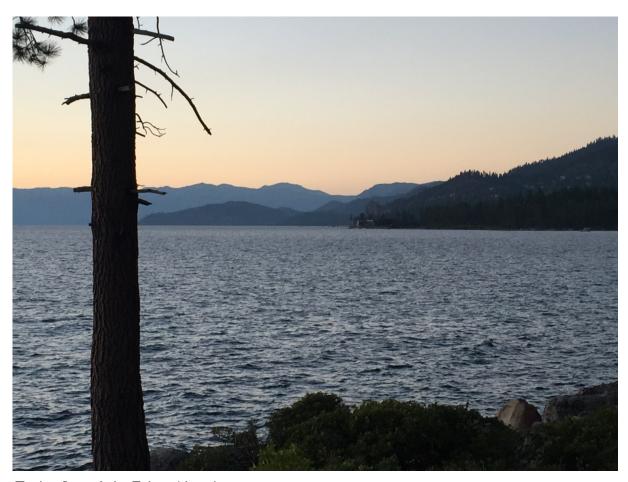


I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.

~|ohn | I |:25-26

Jane Olson July 31, 1936-June 13, 2018

Lillian Miller August 30, 1921-July 14, 2018



Zephyr Point, Lake Tahoe, Nevada

### THE LAKE

The lake was still, tranquil in the morning light.
I, too, was still, watching and listening.
What would God say to me today?
A dragonfly danced and darted,
then rested beside me,
amber-iridescent in the sun.
Being not doing.
God said I could be like that,
being not doing,
receiving his love.

Hilary Allen, from "Summer" in Bare Feet and Buttercups by Wild Goose Publications





# Presbyterian Women Fall Gathering

Saturday, October 13, 2018

Calvin Presbyterian Church More details to follow





We are assembling school kits again for CWS (Church World Service). The kits require -

- Three 70-page wide-ruled spiral bound notebooks (or two 100-page)
- Six new pencils
- One full size eraser
- One pencil sharpener
- One box of 24 crayons



The Hygiene Kits for CWS are distributed wherever there is a healthcare disaster. For these kits we need:

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

All items should be placed in a one-gallon zipper top plastic bag.





Items should be brought to church by Sunday, August 12th, in preparation for assembling and sending them off. See Belinda Breit with any questions.

### PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Ruth Circle Meeting August 9th @ 2pm
PW No August meeting
Mary & Martha Circle No August meeting





**Lunch Bunch** in August is on Wednesday, August 1st at 12pm. Bring a dish to share, but no need to bring your own place settings. We now use kitchen supplies from church to simplify clean-up. Join us - everyone is welcome! We are now rotating the host responsibilities every month. If all participants sign up to host at least once, all the months should be covered. You can sign up for hosting on the sign-up sheet in the Gathering Hall.



A note from Belinda - Thank you to everyone who helped with the Community Meal. It was so nice to have a food prep team, a serving team, and a clean-up team. Dwight told me everyone loved the meal so we may repeat it. I know now what to buy a little more of and what to buy a little less of. I just wish there was some way to prevent cheese being spilled on the carpet. A huge thank you to Martha Brown for cooking all the taco meat. She said it was no big deal but I know it was because it was a big deal getting it reheated. 20 pounds of hamburger is a lot of meat. We had very little left so that was the perfect amount to prepare. The next Community Meal at Calvin is October 25th.



Thanks for Rev. Dwight and Bette Chamberlain who did many pastoral visits during my time away in July. We are blessed to have the Chamberlain's as a part of our church family! ~Pastor Carol



#### Important Choir dates:

Choir's first rehearsal - Wed, Sept. 5 Choir party - Thursday, Sept. 6 Choir's first Sunday - Sept. 9

Greetings from the Music Department. It's hard to believe August is already here, but it is, and here we are! As we start to look into our program year, I'm pleased to announce we've hired a new Choral Accompanist - Jared Miller, and a new soprano Choral Scholar - Savannah Heigl. They are both currently students at the University of Minnesota whom I have already worked with, and am confident they will be excellent additions to both our music program, and our Calvin community. You can read a bit more about each of them in their bios. I am also working to finalize our first full season of the Shirley Tulberg Memorial Concerts, which will include a return of the Bach Society of Minnesota, as well as an alumni recital by former Choral Scholars. Chancel Choir will begin again on September 5th, and don't forget about our last summer choir on August 12th! Wishing you all an excellent end to your summers, and seeing you all back at Calvin very shortly.

~Mark Bilyeu



### MARK YOUR CALENDARS



### **AUGUST 2017**

Lunch Bunch - Wednesday, August I @ I2pm

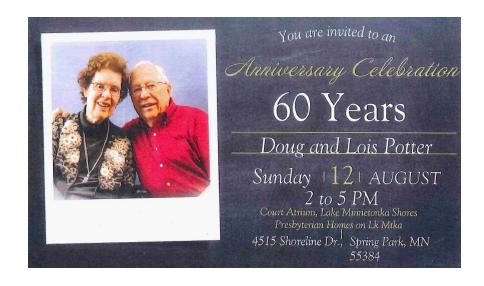
Men's breakfast - Monday, August 6 @ 8am

Session Meeting - Tuesday, August 7 @ 6:30pm

Ruth Circle - Thursday, August 9 @ 2pm

Community Meal, Dexter Park - Thursday, August 23 @5:30pm







# Bach Society of Minnesota Fall Concert - Sunday, October 7, 3:00pm Calvin Presbyterian Church

"Bach and the Forbidden City", a program that mixes Baroque, including Bach, with Classical Chinese music. Hong Gao, a renowned Pipa player, will join the Bach Society. The Pipa is a Classical Chinese lute, and Ms. Gao easily crosses over between western and Chinese music.

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### **OFFICE HOURS**

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

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

Office Administrator - Angela Coccoluto

Treasurer - Pat King

Financial Secretaries - Marj Eisinger & Tammy Wenz

Custodian - open

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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.