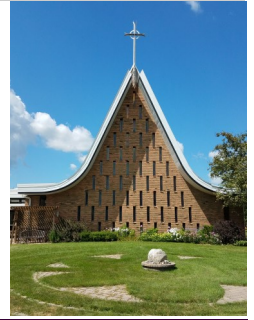


Calvin Connection



April 2019

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The Season of Lent



The season of Lent is 40 days, taking us from Ash Wednesday through to Holy Week. We continue our Wednesday Lenten soup suppers and worship that include a drama each week through April 10th. If you are able to bring soup or help with clean up, there are sign up sheets in the Gathering Hall.

Palm Sunday, April 14th: Worship service followed by a brunch for all. Please sign up in the Gathering Hall.

We do not gather on Wednesday evening during Holy Week. Instead we gather for a communion worship service on Maundy Thursday, April 18th at 7:00pm.

We gather again for worship on Good Friday together with our brothers and sisters in Christ from First Presbyterian Church in Maple Plain, 7:00pm.

Easter morning worship at 10:00am as we celebrate the resurrection.

*Bless to us, O God,
the fragility of snowdrops,
the blossoming of orchards,
the dancing of bees.*

*Bless to us, O God,
the smudge of ashes,
the Lenten journey,
the blazing Easter fire.*

*Bless and silence us with wonder,
O God of hope and justice.
Gift us with courage.
Warm and quicken us with love.*



Ruth Burgess in "Spring: Liturgical Resources", Wild Goose Publications, Iona, Scotland

News from Session



Session members - Front row (left to right):

Denny Anderson, Tammy Wenz, Shelly Dressel, Martha Brown, Ann Shaughnessy, Skelly Shaughnessy

Second row (left to right):

John Manro, Amy Wenz, Kathy Berg, Chelsea Rhea, Alison Bowman, Walter Baker, Ron Bowman

Session committees:

Building & Grounds: Ron Bowman, John Manro

Christian Education: Chelsea Rhea

Fellowship: Kathy Berg, Ann Shaughnessy

Finance: Skelly Shaughnessy

Outreach: Shelly Dressel

Personnel: Alison Bowman, Martha Brown, Denny Anderson

Worship: Martha Brown, Amy Wenz

Clerk of Session: Walter Baker

Mission: Tammy Wenz

We have been blessed as a congregation with a bequest from Terry and Jane Olson to the Church for the sum of \$400,000. It is to be used ½ for maintenance and improvement of the church buildings and facilities and ½ for the support of the programs and mission of the church, so it can remain a strong church in the Long Lake area of western Hennepin County, Minnesota.

Greeter/Liturgist Schedule

April 7 - Communion

Greeter - Bonnie Boylan
Liturgist - Susan Baker

April 14

Greeters - Phyllis & Harry Johnson
Liturgist - Pam Vande Vegte

April 21

Greeters - Denny & Joyce Anderson
Liturgist - Pam Vande Vegte

April 28

Greeters - The Hagan Family
Liturgist - Val Hagan

Soup Suppers continue through Wednesday, April 10th!

Time: Lenten meal served at **5:45pm (note earlier time)**,

Worship service at 6:30pm

Where: Calvin Fellowship Hall

Free will offering will be collected



Sign-up sheets to bring soup or to volunteer for set-up/clean-up are in the Gathering Hall

Spring Schedule

9:00am Adult Education, Fellowship Hall

9:30am Chancel choir practice, Choir Rehearsal Room

10:00am Worship

10:00am Sunday school

11:00am Coffee Fellowship in Fellowship Hall

Weekly Activities

Sunday

9:00am

Adult Education

9:30am

Chancel choir rehearsal

10:00am

Worship

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 Tuesday

8:00am

Session Meeting

1st Tuesday

6:30pm

Lunch Bunch

1st Wednesday

12:00pm

PW Meeting

2nd Monday

9:00am

Ruth Circle

2nd Thursday

2:00pm

Mary & Martha Circle

4th Wednesday

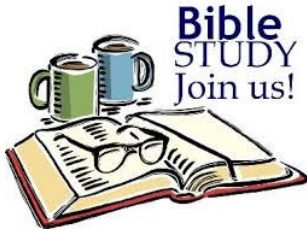
9:30am

Palm Sunday Brunch

We will be serving a great brunch in the Fellowship Hall on Palm Sunday, April 14th after worship. Dobo's is catering the meal of egg bakes, caramel rolls, and fresh fruit. Orange juice and coffee will be provided by church. All are welcome so feel free to invite your neighbors and friends! A free will offering will be collected. Please sign up in the Gathering Hall.



Krista Berbig & Skelly Shaughnessy performing in one of our Lenten dramas. Two more chances (April 3rd & 10th) to join us for delicious soups and a short worship service on Wednesdays at 5:45pm.



ADULT EDUCATION

Fellowship Hall - 9:00am
Everyone is welcome!



A Bible Study Series on the theme
NEW TEACHING
 Unit Two: New Growth

Led by Rev. Dwight Chamberlain & Rev. Dr. Carol Reed

- Sunday, April 7 - Lesson 6, A Growing Awareness -- II Thessalonians 2:1-12
- Sunday, April 14 - Lesson 7, A Growing Resolve -- II Thessalonians 2:13-3:5
- Sunday, April 21 - Lesson 8, Remember the True Gospel -- Galatians 1:6-9;
 Matthew 28:1-7, 18-20
- Sunday, April 28 - Lesson 9, The Source of Paul's Gospel -- Galatians 1:10-24

As time permits we will also highlight the lives of several early 2nd century Christian leaders. These persons are important in early Church History and our heritage as Christians.



MINNESOTA FOODSHARE MARCH CAMPAIGN



Kathy Berg was captain for Team #1 (last names A-F), collecting for the Maple Plain Food Shelf. Chelsea Rhea was heading up Team #2 (last names G-O), collecting for IOCP; and Tammy Wenz was captain for Team #3 (last names P-W), collecting for WeCan. Thanks to everyone who contributed food or cash donations. Congratulations to Kathy Berg's team!

"Well done, good and faithful servant." ~Matthew 25:23

The final totals for our food drive competition are:

Team 1 (A-F): \$367, 74.6 lbs.

Team 2 (G-O): \$357, 127 lbs.

Team 3 (P-W): \$321, 68.1 lbs.

Total of \$1,045.00 and 269.7 pounds!



The One Great Hour of Sharing offering allows us to participate in mission work of the Presbyterian Church (USA). Banks for the OGHS offering are on the table in the Gathering Hall. Offering can be given at any time, although we dedicate that offering on Palm Sunday. Our offerings make a difference in the world through three programs:

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) - 32%: Works alongside communities as they recover and find hope after the devastation of natural or human-caused disasters.

Presbyterian Hunger Program (PHP) - 36%: Takes action to alleviate hunger and the systemic causes of poverty so all may be fed.

Self-Development of People (SDOP) - 32%: Invests in communities responding to their experiences of racism, oppression, poverty and injustice and educates Presbyterians about the impact of these societal ills.



Thursday, April 25, 2019

5:30-6:30pm

Trinity Lutheran Church

ALL ARE WELCOME!

There is no cost for these meals, but donations will be accepted. Join us!

Birthdays



Celebrate!

- April 1 Alice Hurd
- April 2 Ron Bowman
- April 11 Vicky Williamson
- April 13 Denny Anderson
- April 15 Alison Bowman
- April 18 Bonnie Boylan
- April 21 Harriet Swanson
- April 22 Adeline Gagner
- April 25 Lenny Berg
- April 26 Susan Baker
Wanda Pratt
- April 27 Ann Shaughnessy



START YOUR SPRING CLEANING!

Beginning Thursday, April 25th (9-12pm) we will be taking donations for the spring rummage sale. Bring in your old clothing, household items, toys, etc. Please no TV's, skis, computers, large electronics, encyclopedias or textbooks.

Volunteers are needed to help unpack & organize donations; and then to clean-up on Saturday, May 4th after the sale ends. Even a few hours is greatly appreciated!

Shopping for Calvin members is on Wednesday, May 1st from 6-7pm. The sale is Thursday, May 2nd (9am-7pm), Friday, May 3rd (9am-3pm, half price day), and Saturday, May 4th (9-12pm, Bag day/\$5 a bag).

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



Ruth Circle Meeting on April 11th

PW April meeting - TBD

Mary & Martha Circle Meeting on April 24th



No Lunch Bunch is scheduled for April, due to our weekly Lenten soup suppers. **The next Lunch Bunch will be May 8th at 12pm (moved back a week due to the spring rummage sale).** If you would like to host the meal, please sign up in the Gathering Hall. If all participants sign up to host at least once, the entire year should be covered.



Weight Warriors support group - A support group has formed at Calvin and meets every Saturday morning at 8am. Weigh in and stay for an informal meeting to get support on your weight loss journey. The group is open to anyone (men or women) that are interested in losing weight, getting back on track with healthy eating, or looking for support to maintain their weight loss. Questions? See Kathy Berg or Tammy Wenz.



Thank you for all the cards, prayers, and phone calls during my long recovery. I hope to be back to church soon! ~Debbie Stubbs



Dear Calvin Church - We want you to know that we really appreciate all of the prayers and get well wishes you sent our way. Your kind words cheered me up! Every day I feel stronger and more energetic. Thank you for your caring ways and thinking of me during my recovery! ~Eunice & Michael Kearin



Thank you so much for your prayers, cards, and visits during my time at the care center. I am home now and looking forward to being back at church. ~George Fike



All-You-Can-Eat Pancake & French Toast breakfast benefiting the Long Lake Firefighters' Relief Association will be held on Sunday, April 14th from 8am-1pm at the Long Lake Fire Department. Adult tickets are \$8, seniors & kids (ages 5-12) are \$5.



Lending closet - Just a reminder that the church has a lending closet. Walkers and small transfer wheelchairs are available to be borrowed. If anyone has a need, please contact the church office to make arrangements.



Easter flowers - We will have a variety of flowering plants in the chancel on Easter Sunday. To order flowers please fill out an order form and return it with payment to the church office no later than Wednesday, April 10th. Order forms are available in the Gathering Hall.

A surprise treat at one of the Lenten soup suppers in March (courtesy of Kathy Berg)





APRIL 2019



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2 8am Men's breakfast 3-5pm SPARKS 6:30pm Session meeting	3 6pm Soup supper & Lenten worship 7pm Choir practice	4 3-5pm SPARKS	5	6
7 Communion 9am Adult Education 9:30am Choir rehearsal 10am Worship	8	9 3-5pm SPARKS	10 6pm Soup supper & Lenten worship 7pm Choir practice	11 2pm Ruth Circle 3-5pm SPARKS	12	13
14  9am Adult Education 9:30am Choir rehearsal 10am Worship 11am Palm Sunday brunch	15	16 3-5pm SPARKS	17 7pm Choir practice	18 3-5pm SPARKS  7pm Communion worship service	19  7pm Good Friday worship @ Calvin	20
21  9am Adult Education 9:30am Choir rehearsal 10am Worship	22	23 3-5pm SPARKS	24 9:30am Mary & Martha Circle 7pm Choir practice	25 9am - 12pm Rummage Sale set-up 3-5pm SPARKS 5:30pm Community Meal @ Trinity	26 9am - 12pm Rummage Sale set-up	27
28 9am Adult Education 9:30am Choir rehearsal 10am Worship	29 9am - 12pm Rummage Sale set-up	30 9am - 12pm Rummage Sale set-up	 <p>Fellowship Time is on Sundays at 11:00am (following worship)</p>			

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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 - Jared Miller
- Choral Scholar - Savannah Heigl

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

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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.*