

# Calvin Connection

November 2023

## CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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## November Birthdays

Nov 9 Sally Miller

Nov 15 Mary Ann  
Goodall

Nov 16 Maighread  
Shaughnessy

Nov 19 Jack Lutz

Nov 30 Arlo  
Vande Vegte

## DEADLINES

*Calvin Connection* :  
Third Friday of the month

**Sunday Bulletin  
announcements:**  
Thursdays at 10am

Email articles and/or  
announcements for the  
Connection & Sunday  
bulletins to the church office.

## Trunk or Treat



## Rev. TJ Shirley's Ordination



## Children's Choir



## PW Update

Our Calvin PW hosted a Presbytery wide Fall Gathering on Saturday, October 14. We had a morning session with Rev Anita Cunningham from Stillwater. Her topic was about dealing with change but the most important part was her ability to create humorous poems about life's little problems. We had a wonderful lunch of chicken and pasta salad, jello salad, broccoli salad and croissants. My extreme gratitude to my husband, Ron, and Sally Miller for serving treats and then serving lunch and doing the clean-up. In the afternoon we had a presentation about the Rural Health Care initiative, our ongoing mission project in Tikonko, Sierra Leone, Africa. For table decorations we had beautiful teacup and saucer sets that were donated by Lucia and Debbie Stubbs. The attendees were allowed to take their favorite set home.



**Thursday, November 16, 2019**

**5:30-6:30pm @**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

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

## Men's Breakfast

Men's Breakfast will be on the first Wednesday of the month.  
November 1st at 8:30 a.m. at Perkins off Highway 394 by Menards. All men in the church are invited and welcome to join us for:  
A Delicious Breakfast  
Good Fellowship  
Short Devotional

## Adult Education

Sunday Mornings in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00 a.m.  
Everyone is welcome.

November we will begin a new series of lessons on Psalms in the Old Testament. The next special Psalms we will study are:

- **Psalm 22**—A Psalm of the Crucifixion: A vivid and prophetic description of what happened when
- Jesus was dying on the cross.
- **Psalm 23**— "The Lord is my Shepherd" A favorite Psalm for everyone.
- **Psalm 24**—This Psalm is fulfilled by Jesus on Palm

## Ruth / M&M Circle

Gathers on the second Thursday of the month, Thursday Nov 10 at 1:30, at the church or on zoom for a hybrid gathering.

This year's theme is "Celebrating the Sabbath", and we will start by looking at the Sabbath as a gift from God for each of us. Many of us may not want to change our lives so much as make a mid course correction to some of our ways.

## Hanging of the Greens



We will be decorating the church Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup> after worship. Help is needed getting décor out of the garage on Saturday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at Noon. There will be a sign up sheet as it gets closer





## Message from Belinda

For our last Community Meal in September, we served about 60 people in our dining room and maybe had 10 take-out meals. We served pulled-pork sandwiches and sides. As a group, we are discouraging take-out meals. They are harder to prepare and require different foods than we might serve in the Fellowship Hall. Our next Community Meal is November 16. I think we will serve the same meal that we had at the PW Gathering, with the addition of pumpkin pie for dessert. If anyone would like to contribute a salad to the meal, then it would be more like a pot-luck event. Everyone from Calvin should plan on coming. We will need volunteers to help with serving and clean-up so please sign-up in the Gathering Hall.

I just received a note from Interfaith stating that they are discontinuing the gift card program because it doesn't fulfill the needs of their clients. They are asking that we donate new winter boots in adult, teen and children's sizes and snow pants for teen and children. I will set up a collection point in the Fellowship Hall, probably on the grand piano. I will make a delivery to Interfaith right after the Community Meal, and then again later if I need to. We support the Homestead Instead Senior gift program by taking gift requests from trees at Lunds and Byerly's, shopping and then returning the gifts to Lunds and Byerly's. The gift requests won't be available until the week of Thanksgiving, but if you would like to contribute to the either cause ahead of time, please donate through Calvin.

## Music News

Welcome Daniel LeGuen-Schmidt!

Calvin is excited to announce Daniel LeGuen-Schmidt as Calvin's new Music Director. Daniel resides in Minnetonka and has held various musical roles bringing heavenly music to churches. Daniel's first Sunday is November 5. A "Get-To-Know Daniel" section will be included in the next Calvin Connection.

## Message from Tammy

Thanks to everyone who helped make the 2023 Fall Rummage Sale a huge success! We had the most amount of treasures donated that I can recall in the history of the sale, and we made a record-breaking \$7500 which will be donated to local and global missions. Watch for **additional** information in the December Calvin Connection!

## Feed My Starving Children

We are doing a service project at Feed My Starving Children in Chanhassen on Saturday, November 18, 2023 from 11:30am – 1:15pm with First Presbyterian of Maple Plain. Email Amy Feldkamp at [amwenz93@gmail.com](mailto:amwenz93@gmail.com) if you would like to attend or use this link to sign up! <http://www.fmsc.org/join-group?joincode=890D4L>

# Calendar

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 8:30 am Men's Breakfast	2 3-5pm SPARKS	3	4
5 9am Adult Education 10am Worship/ Sunday school 11:00 Children's Choir	6 10am Handbells	7 3-5pm SPARKS	8	9 1:30 pm Circle  3-5pm SPARKS	10	11
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**PASTORAL CARE**

Along with Pastor TJ, Calvin's Parish Associate, Rev. Dwight Chamberlain, is available for any pastoral care needs that may arise

He can be reached by calling the church and leaving a message, or by calling him directly at (952) 937-6160

We have **fresh flower arrangements** on the altar table! If you are interested in signing up for flowers, please call Tammy Wenz at 612-384-9520 or email her at [tammywenz@aol.com](mailto:tammywenz@aol.com), to check on available dates. The cost is \$35/arr., and payment can be made by sending a check to the church payable to Calvin. If you wish, you will be able to pick up your flowers after the recording of the Sunday service.

**GOD IS LOVE**

**Be A Messenger**

**FREE bookmarks and Assorted Greeting Cards\***

*Bookmarks* - You will find an abundance of bookmarks to use and share far and wide in places throughout the church. PLEASE use these to bless others! Please take a moment to read the write-up, located at the PW Women's bulletin Board, of how the idea of the bookmark began during the pandemic and continues today.

*Assorted Greeting Cards*

(*Blessing Bundles*) - Through a group of women (called Creative Hearts), who meet each Tuesday morning at Art 2 Heart in Hamel, we have been provided the opportunity to help spread God's word through free handmade 8-paks of assorted greeting cards. Without your help, these cards will just sit... waiting to be a blessing to someone near and far. Along with your own use, consider giving a pack to a shut-in or those you know who find it hard to shop. Look for the little basket with bright colored ribbons

**BE A MESSENGER!**

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**Veterans Day Program**

Orono High School and the Rotary Club of Orono present  
a Veterans Day Program  
Friday November 10, 2023  
8:30 AM  
Orono High School Gymnasium



Color Guard, Welcome and Introduction, Keynote Speaker, and Music  
Honoring All Who Served!