

THIS MORNING – September 1, 2019

Welcome to Calvin Church! What a joy it is to gather together to worship on this very special weekend when we recognize and appreciate... work! It seems that we often lose sight of this weekend as many people simply view it as the final weekend of summer vacations as school is once again in session. We are glad you chose to worship with us today and trust you enjoy the service and are encouraged in the Lord!

Pastor Dave will kick off a 5 week message series on Church Change. The message this morning is titled “**Encouragement and Moving Forward in Victory!**” based on **Joshua 1:1-18**.

The offering today is for the **Macatawa Resource Center**. Macatawa Resource Center is empowered by empowering its individual agencies, giving them the impact to serve the community better as a whole than they could apart. This enables them to provide a central greater Holland location which allows organizations to share and exchange resources as they serve the holistic needs of our community.

CALVIN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

DID YOU MISS A SUNDAY AT CHURCH? – There are bulletins and requested announcements from the prior week in the left side slots of the mailboxes on the back wall. We also keep bulletins for the previous four weeks up by the office that you may pick up. **Please note that all bulletin announcements are due weekly by Thursday at 10:00 a.m.**

CALVIN MEMBERS & GUESTS – Like Calvin Church on Facebook for updates and news on what is happening at Calvin.

REMINDER – Save your Spartan grocery and gas receipts and put them in the designated mailbox in the back of church.

CONGREGATION – Please check your mailboxes for an important update from the Vision Team.

INTERESTED IN USING YOUR GIFTS TO SERVE THE YOUTH MINISTRY? Contact Lacey Burie at (616)294-0498 or lburie@calvinministries.org.

ANNUAL WIDOWS/WIDOWERS DINNER – The annual Widows/Widowers dinner given by the deacons is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. this Thursday, September 5 at Dunton Park. In case of bad weather, the event will be moved to church. Ask any deacon for more information and let them know if you need a ride! Food will be provided.

SUNDAY MORNING REFRESHMENTS – Would you be willing to make/provide some cookies/bars one Sunday this fall to enrich the fellowship time after our morning services? We will need approximately 8 dozen each Sunday – you may provide all or some. They do not need to be homemade but anything homemade is always a treat! If you can help, please sign up on the bulletin board in the hallway. If you are not able to bake cookies but want to help, you may donate money and someone else will purchase the cookies for you. Questions? See Sue or Shelly. Thanks!

ONLINE PHOTO DIRECTORY APP is available to the congregation. This app is a great, easy way to contact members of Calvin Church. Get the app ‘Online Photo Directory’ and sign up today. This is a service provided free to the members of Calvin Church. Check it out! Any questions, contact Sue Busscher.

CALVIN CONGREGATION: Just a reminder that all groups and meetings at church (church related or not) must be scheduled through the office. Thanks!!

PLEASE NOTE – Jon Fuder has a new cell phone number. It is 616-994-3096.

CALVIN CHURCH MISSION & PURPOSE

We believe God has called us to be a reflection of Jesus by Seeking God's Heart and Sharing God's Love. We will love God and others by.....

- ..**Worshipping** God with our lives
- ..**Connecting** people, and creating a place to belong and build each other up
- ..**Growing** to be more like Jesus
- ..**Serving** each other, our community and beyond
- ..**Sharing** the good news of Jesus

"...to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up."

Ephesians 4:12

Worship Services: Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m.

Pastor: Dave Spoelma

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Web Site: www.calvinministries.org

Sanctuary Internet Password: seekingandsharing

Sermon podcasts are available on the church website

Facebook Page - www.facebook.com/CalvinMinistries

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday - 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Friday & Saturday - Closed

PRAYER SERVICE

Come next week to a special prayer service for our church. We will be encouraged together as well pray for God's guidance and strength as we move forward in faith. See you next week!

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Message:

"Encouragement and Moving Forward in Victory!"

Scripture: Joshua 1:1-18



Seeking God's Heart...

...Sharing God's Love

THIS WEEK AT CALVIN

TODAY: 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service
THURSDAY: 6:00 p.m. Widow/Widowers Picnic at Dunton Park

TODAY – Sept. 1

NEXT SUNDAY – Sept. 8

Offering

Macatawa Resource Center

Offering

Lakeshore Little Peoples Place

Greeters

Dave & Kim Bos
Justin & Dana Burie

Greeters

Dave & Sue Busscher
John & Becky Cruz

Nursery

Sue Busscher
Trish DeBoer
Cody Inthisack

Nursery

Cheryl Spoelma
Brent Bouws
Lydia Vander Laan

Ushers for September

David Kiekintveld, Rick Klompmaker, John Konynenbelt

CALVIN CHURCH CONGREGATION and VISITORS

If you have a pastoral care need, or would like to talk with
Pastor Dave, please call him at 810-417-6281
or email him at dspoelma@calvinministries.org.

You may also contact one of our elders or deacons.

Elders are Dave Busscher, Rod Genzink, Mark Prins,
Jason Terpstra and Kent Van Til.

Deacons are Jon Fuder, Amie Holst, Scott McKillican,
Suzanne Shosten, Lucas Ten Brink,
Charity Vander Laan and Grant Van Doornik.

PRAYER AND PRAISE REQUESTS

Please pray for all **Calvin Leadership** as they serve and lead Calvin Church. **Pastor – Dave Spoelma. Elders – Dave Busscher, Rod Genzink, Mark Prins, Jason Terpstra and Kent Van Til. Deacons – Jon Fuder, Amie Holst, Scott McKillican, Suzanne Shosten, Lucas Ten Brink, Charity Vander Laan and Grant Van Doornik. Staff – Randy Bouwer, Sue Busscher, Shelly Prins, Nancy Genzink, Lacey Burie, Tryn Brondyke, Brian Fuder and Juvenal Esquivel.**

Pray for all staff, teachers and students as they begin another school year!

Juvenal Esquivel's (our custodian) wife, Zaira, had surgery this past week to remove her appendix. Please pray for complete healing.

Continue to pray for **Laurie Naber-Terpstra.** She is doing quite well, but still needs to spend some time in rehab to strengthen.

JD, Kari Murphy's son (our church neighbors), is receiving steroids to strengthen the growth of his neck. He is eating and breathing better but has a long way to go. He is in the Helen DeVos Children's Hospital. Continue to pray for him.

Rick Barrett (he attended WOW Wednesdays) is doing better and is home from the hospital. Keep praying for Rick and Sandy.

Please pray for **Sandy Hough** who is in hospice care at Sanctuary McAuley nursing home in Muskegon. Address is: 1380 East Sherman Blvd. Muskegon MI 49444. Sandy would love to receive cards from her church family.

Pray for **Jared and Anna DeYoung** as they continue their work in the Middle East.

Continue to pray for **The Source Church.** They began a financial campaign to raise funds for a permanent facility. The goal is to raise \$200,000 in a period of two years for a down payment. Please pray for TSC to have a permanent place to call home. For updated details visit www.thesourcechurch.org.

Pray for **Randy Bouwer** with RJB Ministries, **Gary Teja** with Multiplication Network Ministries and Resonate Global Mission, and **Mike & Brenda Perton** with the Christian Reformed Conference Grounds.

Please pray for our members and friends who are facing serious financial struggles because of jobs and other limitations and also for those with unnamed concerns such as injuries, depression, minor illnesses and various other struggles.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRISTIAN REFORMED CONFERENCE GROUNDS LABOR DAY WEEKEND

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE – Tonight, Sept. 1 – 6:00 p.m. –

Pastor Steve DeVries – Plymouth Heights CRC, GR

Monday, Sept. 2 – Labor Day Dinner – 5 – 6:30 p.m.

Travelogue – John Dykstra – 7:00 p.m.

TRAVELOGUE – The Christian Reformed Conference Grounds, 12253 Lakeshore Dr., Grand Haven, would like to invite you to join us on Monday, September 2 to enjoy a Travelogue, “National Treasures – Cuyahoga and Saguaro National Parks”, with John Dykstra. You will leave saying, “To God be the glory!” as you see the beauty of these national parks! The doors to the Worship Center will open at 6 pm, the travelogue will begin at 7 pm. Come early and enjoy a delicious Roast Beef dinner, served in the Sunshine Room from 5:00-6:30 pm.

GROUNDWORK – BAPTISM - Water is ordinary, so why do Christians think touching a person’s body with water in baptism can do extraordinary things? Join Groundwork in studying Matthew 28:18-20 and Colossians 2:9-15 with our guest Jim Brownson to discover what happens in baptism, whom it’s for, and the hope it gives to faithful believers. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork’s weekly emails for future episodes.

KIDS CORNER – MORRIE’S LOVE STORY - Morrie gets up the courage to talk to the little red-headed girl he’s had a crush on. But does she like him, or is there someone else? Listen now at kidscorner.net and subscribe to KC’s weekly emails for future episodes. Download this month’s Kids Corner puzzle and game giveaway, The Bible Challenge Activity Book 7.

AT-HOME FAITH FORMATION TIP - Fall can be an overwhelming and anxious time for students of all ages. How could you encourage the students in your family or your church this week? You might bake cookies, share a favorite book, send a card. And pray for them as they discover the gifts God has given them and explore how God might be calling them to use those gifts. (Tip from Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

POSITION OPENING AT BROTHERS AND SISTERS HOMES -

Part-Time Maintenance Assistant: Brothers and Sisters Homes (of the Holland Deacons' Conference) is looking for a part-time maintenance person to assist with upkeep and repairs of Brothers and Sisters Homes and the HDC office building. This position is for 2-8 hours a week. Basic knowledge of home maintenance is ideal. This person would join the Maintenance Team alongside the Supervisor and another Maintenance Assistant. Applications can be submitted on-line at brothersandsistershomes.org/careers or can be requested by calling Carrie at the HDC office at 616.494.6050. Application deadline is Thursday, September 5.

CONCERT – The Hope Heralds, a 90-voice Reformed men’s chorus that presents concerts throughout the summer in the Grand Rapids, MI area, will present their final 2019 concert in the beautiful sanctuary of First Reformed Church just southeast of the corner of Chicago Dr. and Wilson Ave across from the Grandville Public Library. Parking is near and around the church or across the street on the west side of Wilson. The concert will be held on Friday evening, September 13, 2019, at 7:30 PM. While the concert is free to the public, a free will offering will be collected to help pay for our expenses. Please join us in praising the Name of our great God as we conclude our season.

FALL STEWARDSHIP WORK DAYS AT THE CALVIN ECOSYSTEM PRESERVE & NATIVE GARDENS

- Join us for some preserve/garden caretaking and discover a bit of interesting natural history at the same time. Volunteers will control invasive species, restore our prairie by introducing native plants, and keep the native gardens weed-free. Work days are held on Thursdays from 2-4 pm, September 12 - October 31. Find more info under adult volunteer opportunities: calvin.edu/ecosystem-preserve/get-involved/volunteer/.

POSITION OPENINGS - Calvin University is looking for two employees in the area of arts administration with a focus on music events: an Administrative Manager for the Arts (.91 FTE) and a Community Arts Manager (.80 FTE). For more information and to apply, please visit employment.calvin.edu/ and click on “Employment Listings.”

THE BANNER’S GUIDE TO THE ACTS OF SYNOD 2019 - Every year, following the CRC's annual general assembly, the denomination publishes a hefty volume detailing all the 'acts' of that year's synod. If you get bogged down in the 50,000-word document

or are intimidated to even pick it up, The Banner's 3,000-word guide is for you. Find it at thebanner.org/synod.

THE CALVIN ACADEMY FOR LIFELONG LEARNING - The CALL program is collaborating for another session of over 55 dynamic classes beginning September 3. Join us also for a Passport film at 7pm, September 12, in the Covenant Fine Arts Center on wonders of the world in 43 countries for \$6. On September 19, we have a free lecture at 3 pm in the Recital Hall on GR economic development. Visit www.calvin.edu/call or call 526-8777 for more information.

CHUSEOK: A KOREAN THANKSGIVING - Korean Connection, a West Michigan based nonprofit, is hosting Chuseok: A Korean Thanksgiving at the Goei Center in Grand Rapids on Thursday, September 12 from 6-8:30 pm. The event will feature Korean food catered by Emonae Korean BBQ and entertainment provided by Calvin University students. The cost is \$50 per person with part of the proceeds going to an orphanage support group in Korea. Chuseok is a major harvest festival in Korea that is often considered Korean Thanksgiving Day. For more on Korean Connection, see: www.koreanconnectionwm.org/. Tickets for the September 12 event can be purchased here: www.eventbrite.com/e/chuseok-a-celebration-of-korean-thanksgiving-tickets-66765903615?aff=ebdssbdestsearch.

CAREERS WITH WORLD RENEW - If you are passionate about World Renew's work and advancing His kingdom, check out the following career opportunities currently available with World Renew. These include: Director of Donor Relations, USA (based in Grand Rapids, MI); and Program Coordinator with the International Disaster Response Team (based in Burlington, ON). See our website for more details about these opportunities and the links to apply: worldrenew.net/careers.

HELP NASCHITTI CRC RECOVER FROM ARSON FIRE - Last week, the CRC in Naschitti, NM, was damaged by arson. The property was uninsured and church leaders have asked World Renew DRS for help. DRS volunteers are making plans to support the congregation with clean up, repair and volunteer labor. Your financial support makes this project possible. Please give generously today at worldrenew.net/drs, by calling 800-552-7972, sending your check, made out to World Renew DRS with "Naschitti CRC Response" in the memo line, to World Renew, 1700 28th St., SE. Grand Rapids, MI 49508.

VOLUNTEER OVERSEAS WITH WORLD RENEW - Are you looking for ways to help end poverty, restore creation, and reconcile relationships? World Renew's Global Volunteer Program has overseas placements for individuals in language learning, health, agriculture, engineering, and more. If you are identifying God's call in your life or looking for an opportunity to use your gifts and skills, let's further God's kingdom together. To find out more, contact Andrew at globalvolunteer@worldrenew.net.