



CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN C H U R C H

December 8, 2024 | 10:00am

Second Sunday of Advent

God Gathers Us

Prelude	Bobbie-Anne	
Welcome & Announcements		
Call to Worship	The Rev. Thomas Kim	
*Advent hymn	<i>Hark the glad sound</i>	#118
Prayers of confession & assurance of God's grace		
Advent reading	The Second Sunday in Advent: PEACE – Liviane H	
Advent song (seated)	<i>Hope is a star (v. 2)</i>	#119

God's Word Transforms Us

Story time	Liviane H
Musical interlude	
Responsive reading	Psalm 150: 1-6 – Jeewoo C (English)
Old Testament reading	Malachi 3: 1-4 – Ronald H (Taiwanese)
New Testament reading	Philippians 1: 3-11 – Sarah C (Korean)
Gospel reading	Luke 3: 1-6 – Paige F (Mandarin)
Message	PEACE (Second Sunday of Advent) The Rev. Thomas Kim

We respond, God hears our Prayers

Offering	Offering music: Faith C
*Doxology / Prayer	<i>Praise God from whom all blessings flow</i> #830
Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession followed by the Lord's Prayer (in unison) [sins/sin against us]	

My Christmas Story	Eugene C	
Music Presentation	Members from Asian Cultures <i>Dona Nobis Pacem</i> <i>My Saviour loves me</i> <i>Angels we have heard on high</i>	#147

*Please stand in body or in spirit.



WORSHIP - LIVE - SHARE

The Season of Advent

God Sends Us

*Benediction

Gloria in excelsis Deo

Postlude

Liviane H

Today at Calvin – Sunday, Dec 8th

- **“Christmas in Asia”** Sunday – we are honoured to have our Asian families lead us in worship today.
- **Kid Connect** – come upstairs after Story Time.
- **Young Adult Connect & Youth Connect** (grade 7 and up) – ***A guest this morning?*** Join fellow young people in the Youth Zone behind the sanctuary with your refreshment after the service . ALL ARE WELCOME.

This week at Calvin: Dec 9th – Dec 14th

Tues	Ladies Morning Bible Study at @ 9:30am (offsite)
Wed	Friends & Coffee Social in the Fireside Room @ 10:00am
Thurs	Bible Study in the Gathering Space @ 11:00am
Fri	The Living Table
Sat	Calvin Clappers – Handbell Choir @ 10:30am

Dates to remember

Dec 15 th	<u>Advent Joy</u> : Christmas in Africa
Dec 22 nd	<u>Advent Love</u> : Christmas Music
Dec 24 th	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Dec 29 th	Joint Service with St. Paul’s Presbyterian

Thank You to our Volunteers this morning!

Greeter: Joyce T

Coffee Hour is being hosted by our Asian Families.



ARE YOU VISITING OR NEW TO CALVIN?

If today is your first visit to Calvin or if you are new and want to learn more about Christianity or about church activities, please fill out the **BLUE CARD** found in the PEW RACK. Calvin is here to help you on your faith journey – we are a place where Jesus is WORSHIPPED, LIVED and SHARED and we are so glad you have come.

THE LIVING TABLE

The Living Table happens on Fridays at the home of Thomas Kim!

The **FINAL** seating for dinner in 2024 is:

December 13th: *Spots still available*



Be sure to invite a friend. There is no fee for dinner.

To reserve your seat at the table email us at

NiceDinnerFriends@gmail.com

FOOD BANK 'TWOONIE FOR TURKEYS' UPDATE

A **HUGE** thank you to all those that participated in the Twoonie Drive for the Food Bank this past month. A total of \$373.60 was collected and will be forwarded to the Food Bank.

Remember the red wagon is always in place to take non-perishable food items so we encourage you to continue to bring in supplies as you are able. The need is great, especially this time of year.



Many thanks from your Food Bank Team – Lois, Joyce and Ken

FRIENDS & COFFEE SOCIAL EVENTS LIST

Fun things are happening at the Wednesday morning Friends & Coffee Social during the month of December. Come enjoy good conversation, laughter and encouragement beginning at 10:00am.

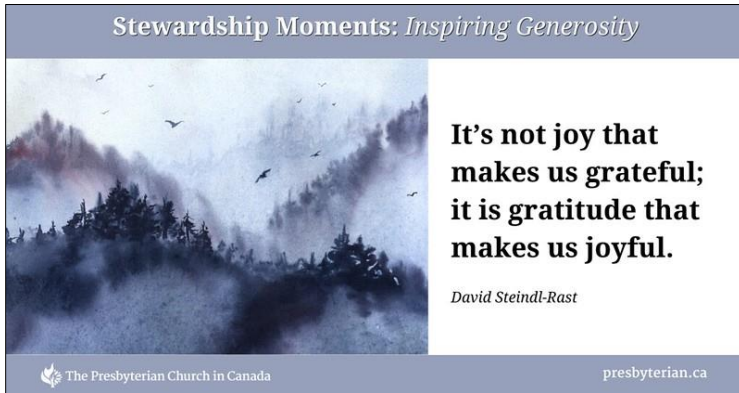
December 11th: Quiz Time

December 18th: Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest

December 18th will be the final social until the New Year!

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS OFFERING

The theme this year is “*Keep the Home Fires Burning*”. In these difficult financial times, we are fortunate to have a building to freely worship and praise God: a church open to all. These funds will honour our dedication to maintain our worship space; to keep it WARM and BRIGHT. This is one way we honour God’s gifts to us – in being a good steward. *Give as you are able.*



BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULES

The final **TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** at the home of Margaret for 2024 will be this coming Tuesday, December 10th. The study will begin again on January 7th.

The final **THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** in the Gathering Space will be this coming Thursday, December 12th until the new year.

QUIET BAGS FOR CHILDREN

Just a reminder to parents that Quiet Bags and Clipboards with colouring pages are available when there is no Kid Connect Class or if your child prefers to stay in the sanctuary. Bags can be retrieved from the back of the sanctuary. Please return them to the box at the end of the service. *Thank you.*

RETURN-IT EXPRESS - Recycling is easy and another way you can support the ministries here at Calvin. Pick up a label from the display in the Gathering Space.



The flowers in the sanctuary are placed by Irene S to the 'GLORY OF GOD'.

JOSHUA HOUSE

Reminder that Joshua House is looking for the following items:

Men's clothing - Blankets & Linens – Men's toiletries



Please place your donations in the Joshua House Drop Box located in the Gathering Space. Questions? Contact Richard

WEEKLY EMAIL LIST

The church office sends out the Weekly Bulletin each Friday. If you are not on this email list and would like to be, please contact Pearl at officecalvinchurch@gmail.com and she'll make it happen.

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SERVICES

THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT: JOY

December 15th, 2024 – 10:00 am

Christmas in Africa | Musical Guests: Blaak Arts Music

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT: LOVE

December 22nd, 2024 – 10:00 am

Christmas Music

CHRISTMAS EVE

December 24th, 2024 – 7:00pm

We invite you to join us as we open our hearts to hear the familiar story surrounded by familiar hymns and carols in our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service.

END OF THE YEAR SERVICE

December 29th, 2024 – 10:00 am

A joint service with our friends from St. Paul's Presbyterian Church.



Be sure to pick up a copy of the CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SERVICES FLYER from the Information Desk and invite a neighbour or friend.

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Volunteers for next week, December 15th Worship:

Greeter: Michele

Coffee Hosts: Alexandra & Edward



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