

March 23, 2025 | 10:00am Third Sunday in Lent

God Gathers Us

Prelude Veronika Klassen

Welcome &

Announcements Rod Thomson – Duty Elder

Call to Worship The Rev. Thomas Kim

*Hymn Blessed Jesus, at your word #416

Lenten liturgy Third Sunday in Lent – Jo Blaak Prayers of Confession & Assurance of God's grace

God's Word Transforms Us

Story time Jonathan Stevens

Musical interlude

Responsive reading Psalm 63: 1-8 (NRSV) – Don Blaak

New Testament 3 John 1-14

readings 1 Corinthians 2: 14-16 – Michele Martin

Gospel reading Luke 13: 1-9

Message Lent 3: The Mind of Christ

The Rev. Thomas Kim

*Hymn May the mind of Christ my Saviour #644

Calvin Choir God is always with me

We respond, God hears our Prayers

Offering / Offertory

*Doxology / Prayer All praise and thanks to God

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

followed by the Lord's Prayer (in unison) [sins/sin against us]

God Sends Us

*Hymn Simply trusting every day #689

*Benediction Peace be yours
Postlude Veronika Klassen



WORSHIP - LIVE - SHARE

The Season of Lent



Today at Calvin – Sunday, Mar 23rd

- Kid Connect meet 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.
- Membership Classes begin after worship today

This week at Calvin: Mar 24 th – Mar 29 th	
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
	Bagpipes Classes (evening)
Fri	The Living Table
Sat	Calvin Clappers – Handbell Choir @ 10:30am
Dates to remember	
Apr 5 th	Men's Breakfast Fellowship
Apr 11 th	The Living Table (spots available)
Apr 11 th	Calvin Coffee House
Apr 18 th	Good Friday
Apr 20 th	Easter Sunday

Thank You to our Volunteers this morning!

Greeter: Neil Visser

Coffee Hosts: Rod & Cathy Thomson



The flowers in the sanctuary are placed by Julia Happer in loving memory of her husband, Jim.



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.

MEN'S BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP

The next meeting of the Men's Breakfast Fellowship is <u>April 5th</u> at the Roseland Restaurant beginning at 8:00am.

FOOD BANK

Come Meet Ducky & Lucky

The two little Gnomes standing guard by the RED WAGON. Do you know that in the last 9 months the number of people that visit the Food Bank has risen by 27%. The need is great- help as you are able. Thanks, from your Food Bank Team: *Lois, Joyce and Ken!*

THE BIG BLUE BIN

Joshua House's big blue bin is always available in the Gathering Space to accept donations of men's clothing, toiletries, blankets and linens for men struggling with addiction. They accept larger items as well – contact Richard Hay.



THE LIVING TABLE – Dinner with Friends!

The Living Table happens on Friday evenings at the home of Thomas Kim. A wonderful way to meet new people in a caring and warm atmosphere. There is no fee to attend but we do ask you to reserve a seat.

The next seating for dinner is:

March 28th
April 11th

Book your seat by emailing: <u>NiceDinnerFriends@gmail.com</u>
Invite a <u>friend</u> or two.

CALVIN CHOIR - join when you are able!

The choir will sing at a service once a month with practices being held the two Sundays before the service. Check the dates below. If you are interested or need more information, please speak with Don Blaak.

- for April 20th Easter Worship April 6th & 13th
- June 8th & 15th for June 22nd Worship

QUIET BAGS FOR CHILDREN

Just a reminder to parents that Quiet Bags and Clipboards with colouring pages are available if your child stay in the sanctuary today. Bags can be retrieved from the back of the sanctuary. Please return them to the box at the end of the service. Thank you.

WEDNESDAY FRIENDS & COFFEE SOCIAL

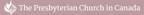
Want to meet some new people while enjoying a coffee, tea and treats? Come join us on Wednesday mornings from 10:00-11:00am for good conversation, laughs and encouragement. All are welcome.

Stewardship Moments: *Inspiring Generosity*



In normal life, one is not at all aware that we always receive infinitely more than we give and that gratitude is what enriches life. One easily overestimates the importance of one's own acts and deeds, compared with what we become only through other people.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer





Want to support the ministries of Calvin online through e-transfer?

Use the email CalvinChurchDonation@gmail.com Be sure to include your NAME or envelope number if you have one.

There are many different types of prayer but <u>intercessory</u> (praying on behalf of someone else) and <u>petition</u> (praying for specific outcomes) prayers are strongly encouraged in the Christian faith. We are community that cares for each other. We encourage you this week to spend time in prayer with our beloved Lord whose love is never ending.

Pray for our Community and our World:

- Pray for peace and reconciliation across the globe.
- Pray for our nation. May God grant wisdom to our leaders, as they make decisions that promote peace and unity.
- Pray for the community of Abbotsford and surrounding areas in which we live.

Pray for our Church Community:

- Pray for all Christian churches worldwide that a revival to hear God's word be ignited.
- Pray for the Presbyterian Church in Canada as they work to provide support for organizations, agencies and individual churches across Canada and the world.
- Pray for all the ministries at Calvin. Pray for our minister, our elders and our staff.
- Pray for our Youth and Young Adult Connect Groups, our Seniors and our Kid Connect school program.
- Pray for all those that volunteer their time to ensure our church is a safe and welcoming place.

Pray for those with Personal Challenges

Pray for those that are facing financial and family difficulties, those that are lonely, or feeling the pain of loss of a loved one, those that are waiting for medical results, those facing health issues and those who are experiencing challenges in their workplace or at school. May God bring them healing, comfort and strength.

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

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Volunteers for <u>next week</u>, March 30th Worship:

Greeter: Margaret Ward Coffee Hosts: Patti & Alan Hougen



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