



CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 30, 2025 | 10:00am

Fourth Sunday in Lent

God Gathers Us

Prelude	Laura Levitsky
Welcome & Announcements	Rod Thomson – Duty Elder
Call to Worship	The Rev. Thomas Kim
*Hymn	<i>Come thou fount</i>
Lenten liturgy	Fourth Sunday in Lent – Jo-Ann Kiss
Prayers of Confession & Assurance of God's grace	

God's Word Transforms Us

Story time	Razzberry
Musical interlude	
Responsive reading	Psalm 32 (NRSV) – Don Blaak
New Testament reading	2 Corinthians 5: 16-21
Gospel reading	Luke 15: 1-3, 11b-32 – Neil Visser
Message	Lent 4: A Story of Homecoming The Rev. Thomas Kim
*Hymn	<i>Softly and tenderly</i> #640

We respond, God hears our Prayers

Offering / Offertory	
*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]

God Sends Us

*Hymn	<i>Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine</i> #687
*Benediction	<i>Amen</i> #780
Postlude	Laura Levitsky

*Please stand in body or in spirit



WORSHIP - LIVE - SHARE

The Season of Lent



Today at Calvin – Sunday, Mar 30th

- **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 31st – Apr 5th

Tues	Ladies Morning Bible Study at @ 9:30am (offsite) Ukulele Classes @1:30 pm
Wed	Friends & Coffee Social in the Fireside Room @ 10:00am
Thurs	Bible Study in the Gathering Space @ 11:00am Guitar Classes (evening) Bagpipes Classes (evening)
Sat	Men’s Breakfast Fellowship Calvin Clappers – Handbell Choir @ 10:30am

Dates to remember

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: Margaret Ward

Coffee Hosts: Patti & Alan Hougen



The flowers in the sanctuary are placed
by Judy & Ken Gilbank.
May God bless us all.

Welcome
to Calvin

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 April 5th 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

The Living Table will be on hiatus for a little bit following the April 11th seating. If you haven't been – book your seat today and bring a friend.



Spots available for:

April 11th

Book your seat by emailing: NiceDinnerFriends@gmail.com

CALVIN CHOIR – The next set of practices are:

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

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.



DO YOU HAVE EMPTY JAM JARS?

Helen Marshall would really appreciate receiving small jam jars if you have some that you no longer require. Just bring them to church and we'll make sure she gets them.
Thank you!

QUIET BAGS FOR CHILDREN


Just a reminder to parents that Quiet Bags and Clipboards with colouring pages are available if your child stays 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.*

Stewardship Moments: *Inspiring Generosity*



Gift and Response. In this mode, gifts exist before benefactors. The universe is a gift. Life is a gift. Air, light, soil, and water are gifts. We live on a gifted planet. Everything we need is here, with us. We freely respond to these gifts by choosing a life of mutual care.

Diana Butler Bass

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Be sure to include your NAME or envelope number if you have one.

PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER

There are many different types of prayer but intercessory (praying on behalf of someone else) and petition (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 next week, April 6th Worship:

Greeters: Joy DeMille & Jo-Ann Kiss

Coffee Hosts: Jane & Lorne Bartlett



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A time to be reminded & reshaped.

CHECK US OUT ONLINE!

Join us for in-person worship or online.



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