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**April 20, 2025 | 10:00am**

**Easter Sunday**

**God Gathers Us**

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| <b>Prelude</b>  | Veronika   |
| <b>Welcome &amp; Announcements</b>                          | Duty Elder – Don Blaak                             |
| <b>Call to Worship</b>                                      | The Rev. Thomas Kim                                |
| <b>*Hymn</b>  | <i>Now let the vault of heaven resound</i><br>#255 |
| <b>Easter liturgy</b>                                       | Easter Sunday – Don Blaak                          |
| <b>Calvin Handbell Choir</b>                                | <i>Sing Hallelujah</i> (arr. by Linda Stassen)     |
| <b>Prayers of Confession &amp; Assurance of God's grace</b> |  |

**God's Word Transforms Us**

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| <b>Story time</b>            | Jonathan Stevens                                 |
| <b>Musical interlude</b>     |  |
| <b>Responsive reading</b>    | Psalm 150 (NRSV) – Don Blaak                     |
| <b>Old Testament reading</b> | Isaiah 65: 17-25 – Neil V                        |
| <b>New Testament reading</b> | 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11 – Joyce T                 |
| <b>Gospel reading</b>        | Luke 24: 1-12 – Margaret A                       |
| <b>Message</b>               | <b>It's not over yet!</b><br>The Rev. Thomas Kim |
| <b>*Song</b>                 | <i>Praise, I will praise</i> #420                |
| <b>Calvin Handbell Choir</b> | <i>Celtic grace</i> (arr. by Susan Geschke)      |

**We respond, God hears our Prayers**

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| <b>Offering / Offertory</b>                                     | Calvin Handbell Choir – <i>A song of love</i><br>(arr. by Julie Turner) |
| <b>*Doxology / Prayer</b>                                       | <i>Praise God from whom all blessings flow</i><br>#830                  |
| <b>Calvin Choir</b>   | <i>Praise be the God who reigns above</i><br>(by Dana Mengel)           |
| <b>Commissioning of Ghana Mission Team Members</b>              |   |
| <b>Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession</b>                 |   |
| followed by the Lord's Prayer (in unison) [sins/sin against us] |   |

CHRIST IS RISEN!  
RISEN INDEED!



### God Sends Us

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| *Hymn        | <i>Thine be the glory</i> | #258 |
| *Benediction | <i>Amen</i>               | #780 |
| Postlude     | Veronika                  |      |

\*Please stand in body or in spirit

### *Today at Calvin – Sunday, Apr 20<sup>th</sup>*

- **Kid Connect** – there is no Kid Connect class today.
- **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.

### *Dates to remember*

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| May 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Men's Breakfast Fellowship         |
| May 9 <sup>th</sup>  | Calvin Coffee House                |
| May 24 <sup>th</sup> | Ladies' Tea Party                  |
| May 30 <sup>th</sup> | Jazz Vespers                       |
| Jun 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Christianity Explored Study begins |
| Jun 8 <sup>th</sup>  | Anniversary Sunday                 |



***Thank You to our Volunteers this morning!***

**Greeters:** Philippa and Richard

**Coffee Hosts:** Marilyn & Miriam

The flowers in the sanctuary are placed by Terry S  
in memory of those who have made the journey.

### **EASTER OFFERING**

Your Easter givings will be designated to "Sight & Sound" - the upgrades needed for our sanctuary's audio-visual equipment. The mission and ministry of Calvin is made possible by your gifts. If you feel called to respond financially your donation is greatly appreciated.

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A green rectangular box with a subtle floral pattern. The text "Welcome to Calvin" is written in a yellow, serif font. "Welcome" is on the top line, "to" is on the second line, and "Calvin" is on the third line.

## 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.

## QUIET BAGS FOR CHILDREN

Just a reminder to parents that Quiet Bags and clipboards with colouring pages are available as there is no Kid Connect Class 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.

*There is also an Activity Box in the Gathering Space with other items – be sure to check it out.*

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This is a casual and open meeting over dinner and discussion about Christianity.

**"Christianity Explored"** will

meet at the home of Rev. Kim every Friday evening from **June 6<sup>th</sup> - July 18<sup>th</sup>**. If you want to learn more about Christianity or know someone who is searching for the meaning of life join us and invite your friend. Session begins with Soup and Buns at 6:00pm. Let us know you're coming by signing up on the clipboard found at the Information Desk.

## LEARNING TOUR TO NEPAL & SOUTH KOREA

In the fall of 2025, Pastors Thomas and Lydia will be hosting a Christian mission and cultural learning tour to **Nepal** and **South Korea** from **September 13<sup>th</sup> - October 4<sup>th</sup>** (3 weeks). This exciting trip will offer participants a unique opportunity to engage in mission work, explore the vibrant cultures of both countries, and deepen their understanding of Christian ministry in diverse settings. Registration deadline: **May 15<sup>th</sup>**. Feel free to reach out to Pastor Thomas for **more details**.

## BICYCLE FOR YOUSSEF

Youssef is looking for an adult bicycle. If you have a bicycle that could be donated, please speak with Lorne. And spread the word with neighbours and friends.



## 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.

## FOOD BANK

**Keep it coming** – *there is nothing more beautiful to see than a FULL RED WAGON!* Thanks, from your Food Bank Team: *Lois, Joyce and Ken!*

## THANK YOU

Helen M is very grateful to all those that donated jam jars. God bless you!

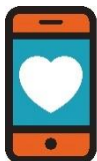
## JOSHUA HOUSE

A special request for weightlifting equipment has been received from our friends at Joshua House. For pickup or more information, please contact Richard. *On behalf of Joshua House - thank you all for the wonderful donations of clothing, bedding, and notions.* – Richard H.



## REV. THOMAS KIM OUT OF OFFICE

Thomas will be away from April 21<sup>st</sup> through to May 30<sup>th</sup> returning to the office on Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. Thomas along with several others will be headed to Ghana for a mission's trip until May 14<sup>th</sup>. Following that Thomas will take a few weeks vacation. Please pray for Thomas and the others as they serve God abroad. May this bring a time of renewal and revitalization.



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

Use the email [CalvinChurchDonation@gmail.com](mailto:CalvinChurchDonation@gmail.com)  
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 PCC 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 our Mission Trip to Ghana and the six members from Calvin leaving on April 21<sup>st</sup> through to May 14<sup>th</sup>.

## **Pray for those with Personal Challenges**

- Pray for healing and recovery for Ron, Maria and Sharize.
- Pray for Julia K – on the passing of her brother.
- 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."*

***Thessalonians 5: 16-18***

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### ***Volunteers for next week, April 27<sup>th</sup> Worship:***

Greeters: Marilyn and Ron  
Coffee Hosts: Jane and Lorne



### ***CHECK US OUT ONLINE!***

*Join us for in-person worship or online.*



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