



# CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 4, 2026 | 10:00am  
Second Sunday after Christmas Day

## God Gathers Us

Prelude	Veronika	
Welcome & Announcements	Duty elder – Don Blaak	
Call to Worship	The Rev. Thomas Kim	
*Hymn	<i>As with gladness men of old</i> (vv 1, 4, 5)	#172
Prayers of Confession & Assurance of God's grace		

## God's Word Transforms Us

Story time	The Rev. Thomas Kim
Musical interlude	
Responsive reading	Psalm 1:1-6 – Don Blaak
New Testament reading	John 1: 1-14, 20: 30-31 – Cathie
Message	<b>God Comes to You</b> The Rev. Thomas Kim

## We respond, God hears our Prayers

Offering		
*Doxology / Prayer	<i>Praise God from who all blessing flow</i>	#79
Invitation to Communion		
*Song	<i>Let us break bread together</i>	#548
The Sacrament of Holy Communion (responsive)		
*The Apostles' Creed		
Communion		
Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession		
followed by the Lord's Prayer (in unison) [sins/sin against us]		

\*Please stand in body or in spirit.



## WORSHIP - LIVE - SHARE

### God Sends Us

<b>*Song</b>	<i>Guide me O thou great Redeemer</i>	#651
<b>*Benediction</b>	<i>Go now in peace</i>	
<b>Postlude</b>	Veronika	

### ***Today at Calvin – Sunday, Jan 4<sup>th</sup>***

- Today we celebrate the **Sacrament of Holy Communion** – this is the Lord's Table and all are welcome.
- **Kid Connect** – Classes will resume Jan 11<sup>th</sup>.

### ***This week at Calvin: Jan 5<sup>th</sup> – Jan 10<sup>th</sup>***

Tues	Ladies Morning Bible Study at @ 9:30am (offsite) Calvin Music Academy classes begin
Wed	Friends & Coffee Social in the Fireside Room @ 10:00am
Thurs	Bible Study in the Gathering Space @ 11:00am
Fri	Calvin Coffee House @ 7:30pm
Sat	Men's Fellowship Breakfast Ring Dingers Handbell Choir @ 10:00am Scrabble Time @ 2:00pm

### ***Dates to remember***

Jan 11 <sup>th</sup>	Membership Classes following worship
Jan 16	The Living Table
Jan 30 <sup>th</sup>	The Living Table

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

Greeters: Mark & Cathie  
Coffee Hosts: Alexandra & Edward



*The flowers in the sanctuary are placed by Jo-Ann and Andy Kiss to welcome in the 2026 New Year.*

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## 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.

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## MEN'S BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP

The next meeting of the Men's Breakfast Fellowship will be at the Roseland Restaurant Saturday, January 10<sup>th</sup>. Next month it will return to the first Saturday of the month. All men are invited and bring a friend. Fellowship begins at 8:00am.

## A NEW YEAR - A NEW LIVING TABLE

The Living Table is back at the home of Rev. Kim for two evenings!



January 16<sup>th</sup>

January 30<sup>th</sup>

Menu: TBD

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](mailto:NiceDinnerFriends@gmail.com)

## NEW MEMBERS CLASSES

*Have you wondered what being a member of Calvin Presbyterian really means?*

Beginning on January 11<sup>th</sup>, Rev. Kim will be offering Membership Classes following the worship service. There are 4 sessions in all (Jan 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, Feb 8<sup>th</sup>) approximately 45 minutes in length. It doesn't matter where you are on your faith journey and there is no expectation for you to commit to membership. These sessions are being made available to help you understand God's love for you and how he invites you to be part of his church. If you are interested, please speak with Rev. Kim.



## DON'T FORGET TO DATE YOUR CHEQUES 2026!

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## CALVIN COFFEE HOUSE

Our first Calvin Coffee House of the new year will take place on Friday, January 9, 2026 and will feature local singer/songwriter Amy Van Bergen. Amy is a multimedia artist, poet and singer/songwriter with over 200 original songs in her repertoire and over 15 years of live performance experience. Her songwriting style is folk/jazz storyteller, with a voice that's been compared to "a crisp light beer" .



Doors open at 7:00 p.m. in the Calvin Church lobby and the evening begins with an open mic at 7:30 and ends with a performance by our featured musical guest. Admission is free and a paid concession is available. All are welcome, so bring friends and enjoy an evening of great music!

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## 2025 ANNUAL REPORTS

A heads up for those individuals who are responsible for reporting on their group's activities for 2025 – the reports will be due into the church office later this month or early February (date to be confirmed). *Thank you!*

## SCRABBLE is BACK!

Chase away the January blues with a happy game of Scrabble or if you prefer: Snakes and Ladders. Beginning next week, January 10<sup>th</sup> 'Scrabble Time' is back at Calvin – a time to gather with others for a friendly match with words. All skills levels invited and no experience necessary. Come enjoy fellowship with refreshments and cookies. Every Saturday, from 2:00-4:00pm in the cozy Fireside Room and bring a friend.



## KID CONNECT

Kid Connect returns next week, January 11<sup>th</sup>. The program is for children up to and including grade 6. This takes place every Sunday, except the first Sunday of each month when they are invited to take part in communion. Each week during the service there is a *Story Time*. After this, children go upstairs for their participation in songs, games, and a Bible lesson. *Come join us!*



## RING DINGERS HANDBELL CHOIR

*Have you ever played handbells or wished you could?* Come and give it a try! We invite you to join us on Saturday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am to experience the joy of making music together. No experience is needed - just bring your curiosity and enthusiasm!

For more information, contact Emily at [calvinhandbells@gmail.com](mailto:calvinhandbells@gmail.com)

## JOSHUA HOUSE

A reminder that Joshua House appreciates donations of 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 H.



## FOOD BANK

### We certainly did HAM-IT-UP this month!

Way to go Calvin, we graciously received 25 tins of Ham! A huge thank you those that donated.

This month it's...

### **\* Absolutely Anything and Everything \***

*Let's fill that RED WAGON with as many non-perishable food items as we can!* Thanks, from your Food Bank Team: Lois, Joyce and Ken!

## TODAY DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

Copies of the **JANUARY/FEBRUARY** Guide are now available. You can pick up a copy from the Information Desk. Large prints are also available.

**The LIBRARY is still rolling** – Be sure to stop by the rolling A-Frame and check out the display of books.



## REMEMBER TO KEEP RECYCLING!

The Return-it Recycle Program is a simple and effortless way to support the ministries at Calvin. Need a label? Pick one up from the table in the Gathering Space. Remember only 12 Glass Bottles per bag.



# THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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## THE APOSTLES' CREED

*\*please stand in body or in spirit*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered  
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended  
to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge  
the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church\*,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

\* with a small "c", "catholic Church", refers to the universal Christian Church  
- all believers in Jesus Christ.

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

**Leader:** The Lord be with you

**ALL:** **and also with you**

**Leader:** Lift up your hearts,

**ALL:** **we lift them to the Lord**

**Leader:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

**ALL:** **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

**Leader:**

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth, with joy we give you thanks and praise. You call your people to repentance, to renew their covenant with you and to prepare for the joyful victory feast of the Lord. Therefore, with all your faithful people we join with the whole creation to lift our hearts in joyful praise.

**(ALL)** **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,  
God of Power and Might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your Glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord  
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Leader:**

We praise you, most holy God,  
for sending your only Son Jesus to live among us.  
He took up his cross and died that we might live.  
We praise you that he overcame death and is risen.

Remembering our Lord's command to take and eat,  
we ponder the mystery of his promise  
that in this meal we are joined to him,  
and to one another as a holy people.  
Today we gather at his invitation to break bread and share the cup and  
to proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**(ALL)**

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

**Leader:**

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and wine, that we, and all who share this feast, may be one with Christ and he with us. Here we offer ourselves to be a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to you.

Through Christ, in Christ in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, almighty God forever and ever. **Amen.**

**GO NOW IN PEACE**

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast strong and true.  
Know he will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe.  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there, watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.





# Calvin Music Academy

(Calvin Presbyterian Church 33911 Hazelwood Avenue,  
Abbotsford, BC)

is offering group classes for adults and children  
for the following instruments:

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## **VIOLIN BEGINNER TWO FOR CHILDREN (Ages 8-12)**

- Starting Thursday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm
- 10 classes for \$100.00

Must have a basic working knowledge of the violin.

Students must have their own instrument.

Contact Jo Blaak at [joblaak@gmail.com](mailto:joblaak@gmail.com) or 604-309-7976

## **VIOLIN INTERMEDIATE TWO FOR CHILDREN (Ages 9-15)**

- Starting Thursday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm
- 10 classes for \$100.00

Must have played for more than 2 years.

Must have your own instrument.

Contact Jo Blaak at [joblaak@gmail.com](mailto:joblaak@gmail.com) or 604-309-7976

## **VIOLIN BEGINNER TWO FOR ADULTS**

- Starting Saturday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am
- 10 classes for \$100.00

Must have taken Violin One or have a working knowledge of the instrument.

Must have your own instrument.

Contact Jo Blaak at [joblaak@gmail.com](mailto:joblaak@gmail.com), or 604-309-7976

## **BEGINNER UKULELE COURSE**

- Starting Thursday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon
- 8 classes for \$80

All ages! Learn about notes, rhythms and chords on the ukulele

Meet other people who also want to learn to play! Have fun singing songs and strumming along!

Must have your own instrument.



## **CALVIN UKULELE STRUMMERS**

- Starting Thursday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm
- \$5 drop-in or \$40 for 8 weeks

All ages! Have fun singing songs and strumming along!  
Must have your own instrument.

## **GUITAR TWO CLASS**

- Starting Thursday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm
- 8 classes for \$80

All ages! Must have taken Guitar One or can already read a few chords and notes. Learn more about notes, rhythms and chords on the guitar! Meet other people who also want to learn to play! Have fun singing songs and strumming along!  
Must have your own instrument.

## **CALVIN GUITAR STRUMMERS**

- Starting Thursday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm
- \$5 drop-in or \$40 for 8 weeks

All ages! Recommend that you have either taken Guitar One and Two or already can play chords. Have fun singing songs and strumming along!  
Must have your own instrument.

Both Ukulele & Guitar courses are offered in partnership with Stepping Stone Music Co. To register email: [steppingstonemusicco@gmail.com](mailto:steppingstonemusicco@gmail.com)

## **RING DINGERS HANDBELL CHOIR**

\$25.00 registration fee

It's not too late to join .... A new community handbell choir for adults is looking for new members.

Rehearsals take place on Saturdays at 10:00 am beginning January 10<sup>th</sup>.

We invite anyone interested to come join us.

For more information contact the director, Emily at [calvinhandbells@gmail.com](mailto:calvinhandbells@gmail.com) or [joblaak@gmail.com](mailto:joblaak@gmail.com)

## **BAGPIPES**

Instructor, Marcus Range

For more information, please contact Marcus Range at [marcrange17@gmail.com](mailto:marcrange17@gmail.com)



Check out our website for more information: [CalvinMusic.ca](http://CalvinMusic.ca)

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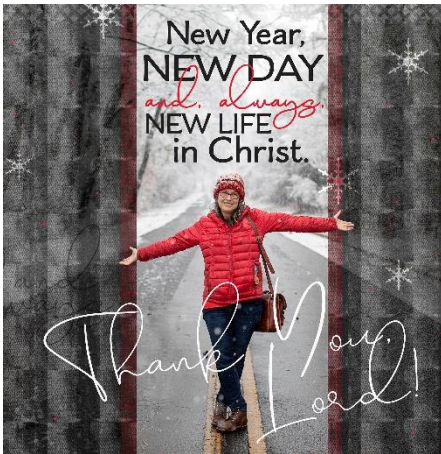
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***Volunteers for next week,  
January 11<sup>th</sup> Worship:***

Greeters:  
Richard & Philippa

Coffee Hosts:  
Cathy & Rod

## **CHECK US OUT ONLINE!**

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



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