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Grace Alone Faith Alone Scripture Alone Christ Alone Glory to God Alone

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## WELCOME TO CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

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We are delighted that you have chosen to join us in worship this Lord's day. It is our sincere hope and prayer that you know the saving presence, power, love and authority of our King and Savior Jesus Christ during our time together in worship. Recognizing that you are about to meet God in a special way, we encourage you to prepare for worship in silent prayer as you enter the sanctuary.

Childcare is available in the church's nursery during the service. Please do not hesitate to ask a greeter for assistance.

### ABOUT CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Calvin Presbyterian Church exists for the glory of God, the proclamation of His Gospel, and the growth and edification of God's people. We are an Evangelical and Reformed church. By *Evangelical*, we mean that we emphasize the gospel (good news of salvation) through faith in Jesus Christ, affirm orthodox Christian doctrines and hold to the inerrancy of Scripture. By *Reformed*, we mean that we are connected to the teachings of the historic church and the doctrinal beliefs recovered by the Reformation. These doctrinal beliefs are expressed in the Westminster Confession of Faith.

We are a member church of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), a denomination formed to be "Faithful to the Scriptures, True to the Reformed Faith, and Obedient to the Great Commission." The PCA emphasizes the need for both theological reformation and personal revival. True theological reformation keeps us grounded in the historic truths of Biblical Christianity. True personal revival keeps us living in joyful fellowship with and submission to our Lord. We are committed to God-centered worship, in which we celebrate and affirm God's gracious covenant to redeem his people; and we are committed to engaging our culture with the glorious truth that Jesus is Lord.

**Audio CDs** of each Sunday morning worship service are available in the hallway. Audio CDs of Adult Sunday School classes and evening services and DVD videos of Sunday morning worship are available upon request.

**Most Morning and Evening Sermons** are available online by visiting our website: [calvinpca.org](http://calvinpca.org)

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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### Prelude & Reflections

Possibly the most obvious truth arising from the history of the plagues is of the immense, irresistible power of the Lord, its total command of every possible resource and its total sway over the whole field of human life—place, person, and event. All things, and everything, all peoples and every person lie ‘uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account’ (Heb. 4:13). Indeed so! But, marvelously, the same power acts to shelter and protect us, to guard us, even from what we justly deserve. Can we say then that the people deserved the deliverance that they received? What we can say with certainty is that by the wonder of divine mercy, they were the Lord’s people, the subject of his saving activity, the people destined for deliverance and, in the meantime, in a world under his just and awesome judgment, they were a people set apart, the objects of his loving, protective care (8:22-23).

J.A. Motyer, *The Message of Exodus*

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### GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

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- \* The Divine Call to Worship Matthew 11:28-29
- \* Prayer of Invocation
- \* Trinity Hymnal *We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator* #97
- The Reading of the Law James 2:8-10
- Silent Confession of Sin
- Corporate Confession of Sin

Father of mercies, we confess that we have sinned against you. By your Holy Spirit, come and work repentance into our hearts. Help us to see you as you are: with outstretched arms, a loving heart, and power to save. Help us to see Jesus, the friend of sinners, and to follow him more faithfully. As we have received him, so strengthen us to walk in him, depend on him, commune with him, and be conformed to him. Give us an experience of your grace that makes us bold for others, that we might joyfully tell our friends and neighbors of your saving mercy. Amen.

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Our Elder Assistant today is Mike Fournier

\* The Reading of the Gospel

1 Peter 2:9-10

\* Song of Renewal

*O MY SOUL*

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O my soul; arise and bless your Maker,  
For He is your Master and your Friend  
Slow to wrath but rich in tender mercy;  
Worship the Savior Jesus.

King of grace, His love is overwhelming;  
Bread of Life, He's all I'll ever need.  
For His blood has purchased me forever,  
Bought at the cross of Jesus.

When I wake, I know that He is with me;  
When I'm weak, I know that He is strong.  
Though I fall, His arm is there to lean on;  
Safe on the Rock of Jesus.

Stir in me the songs that You are singing;  
Fill my gaze with things as yet unseen.  
Give me faith to move in works of power,  
Making me more like Jesus.

Then one day I'll see Him as He sees me,  
Face to face, the Lover and the loved;  
No more words, the longing will be over; t  
Here with my precious Jesus

\* Confession of Faith

**The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there 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.

\* Song of Praise

*BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR*

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All my days I will sing this song of gladness  
Give my praise to the Fountain of delights  
For in my helplessness You heard my cry  
And waves of mercy poured down on my life

I will trust, in the cross of my Redeemer  
I will sing of the blood that never fails  
Of sins forgiven, of conscience cleansed,  
Of death defeated and life without end

Beautiful Savior, Wonderful Counselor,  
Clothed in majesty, Lord of history  
You're the Way, the Truth, the Life,  
Star of the Morning, glorious in holiness  
You're the Risen One, heaven's Champion,  
And You reign, You reign over all

I long to be where the praise is never ending  
Yearn to dwell where the glory never fades  
Where countless worshipers will share one song  
And cries of worthy will honor the Lamb (Chorus)

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Offering Prayer, Offering

\* Doxology (Trinity Hymnal #731)

\* Trinity Hymnal

*Of the Father's Love Begotten* #162

————— **GOD OFFERS HIS MEANS OF GRACE** —————

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon

*The Finger of God* (Exodus 7:14-9:12) - Pastor Aaron

\* Psalm of Praise: Psalm 115:1-2, 9-11

*Tune: "For the Beauty of the Earth"*

Not to us, LORD, not to us, but to Your name glory give,  
For Your steadfast love and grace, for Your cov'nant faithfulness.  
Why should heathen nations say, "Where now is their mighty God?"

Is-ra-el, trust in the LORD, He's their help and He's their shield!  
Aaron's house, trust in the LORD, He's their help and He's their shield!  
Who the LORD fear, trust the LORD, He's their help and He's their shield!

Invitation to the Lord's Table

*Guidelines for the reception of communion: We invite all Christians who profess faith in Jesus Christ, and who are members in good standing of an evangelical congregation that proclaims the gospel, to participate and to receive Holy Communion. As the elements are distributed, we encourage you to spend time in silent communion, thanksgiving, and prayer.*

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution and Distribution of the Element

————— **GOD SENDS US OUT** —————

\* Trinity Hymnal

*Jesus Lives, and So Shall I* #706

\* Benediction

Announcements

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\* Congregation Stands

## THIS WEEK AT CALVIN

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Today	6:30 PM	Corporate Prayer and Evening Worship Service <i>Why Jesus Wept</i> (John 11:17-44) - Pastor Bob Weeber
Monday	6:30 PM	American Heritage Girls
	6:30 PM	Calvinist Cadet Corps
Tuesday	7:30 PM	Choir Practice
Wednesday	10:00 AM	Ladies Bible Study— <i>The Lamb of God</i> by Nancy Guthrie. All ladies are welcome. Babysitting will be available as needed.
Sunday	9:00 AM	Adult Sunday School Class— <i>Discipleship Explored</i>
	10:15 AM	<i>An Almost Repentance</i> (Exodus 9:13-10:29) - Pastor Aaron
	6:30 PM	Corporate Prayer and Evening Worship Service Pastor Aaron will preach

## TODAY'S NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

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Leeann Francis, Rodger Francis

### Next Week's Volunteers

Diane Farkas, Lydia Eichelberger

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**Assistive Listening Units are Available** - If you have difficulty hearing all of the service the deacons have installed an assistive listening system. Please ask one of the greeters or any deacon and they will give you a very discrete hearing device that fits in your ear with an adjustable volume control.

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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① **Easter Lily Notice** – Anyone interested in providing an Easter lily this year should mark **Friendship Register #1**. Cost is \$8.00. Please put payment in a brown pew envelope sometime before Easter marked, “Easter lily” and your name, and put it in the offering plate. (Note if the lily is in memory or honor of someone.)

**Adult Sunday School Class:** Today, we will begin a new adult Sunday School series entitled, "Discipleship Explored." The series is a study in the book of Philippians. The goal is to help both new and "seasoned" Christians think through what it means to be a genuine disciple of Jesus Christ. Class teachers will include Dave Skarzynski, Gary Furlong, and Kevin Lintner. The lively format of the class will include instruction, videos, and discussion based on the handbook that has been placed in your mailbox.

**The Men’s Retreat** is scheduled for **March 23-25, 2018** at Ligonier Camp & Conference Center. There is a sign up sheet on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

**Message from the Deacons:** For those willing and able, please consider parking in the lower lot across the street to open space in the main parking lot for the elderly and families with children. Thank you.

**Calvin PCA Sermons Available** - Would you like to share a sermon with a friend or hear it again yourself? Our Sunday sermons are available on our website: [www.calvinpca.org](http://www.calvinpca.org) then click on Resource/Sermon Audio.

**Inquirer's Class** - Pastor Aaron holds a periodic inquirer's class for anyone interested in learning more about the basics of the Christian faith and the distinctives of Calvin Presbyterian Church. This class is required for those interested in joining our church (it is not required if you are transferring membership from another PCA church). The class is scheduled on an as needed basis. If you are interested in this class please contact Pastor Aaron or make a note on the Friendship Register.

### **2018 Bible Reading Plan (March 11—March 18)**

Sunday:	Psalms, Chapters 49-54	Thursday:	Leviticus, Chapters 18-20
Monday:	Leviticus, Chapters 11-12	Friday:	Leviticus, Chapters 21-23
Tuesday:	Leviticus Chapters 13-14	Saturday:	Leviticus, Chapters 24-25
Wednesday:	Leviticus, Chapters 15-17	Sunday:	Psalms, Chapters 55-59

## SUNDAY EVENING ORDER OF WORSHIP

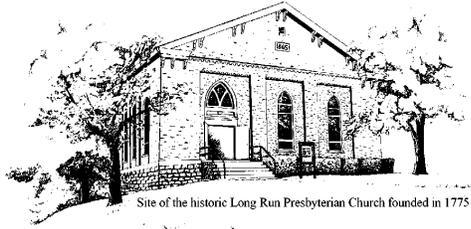
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### Reflection

I hope what you find in yourself by daily experience, will humble you—but not discourage you. For if our Physician is almighty—our disease cannot be desperate. Our sins are many—but His mercies are more. Our sins are great—but His righteousness is greater. When our sins prevail, remember that we have an Advocate with the Father, who is able to pity, to pardon, and to save to the uttermost! It is better to be admiring the compassion and fullness of grace which is in our Savior—than to dwell too much upon our own poverty and vileness.

John Newton, *Cardiphonia: Letters from a Pastor's Heart*

- \* The Divine Call to Worship Psalm 89:1
  - \* Opening Prayer
  - \* Trinity Hymnal *Awake, My Soul, in Joyful Lays* #183
  - Pastoral Prayer
  - Selected Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs
  - Sermon *Why Jesus Wept* (John 11:17-44) - Pastor Bob Weeber
  - \* Trinity Hymnal *Man of Sorrows! What a Name* #246
  - \* Benediction
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## CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Aaron P. Garber, Pastor

Robert C. Weeber, Pastor Emeritus

*Calvin Presbyterian Church is a growing fellowship of vibrant, committed believers that seeks to honor Jesus Christ in every aspect of life. Started in 1957, our congregation is a member of the Presbyterian Church in America, one of our nation's fastest-growing denominations. We are committed to the Bible as God's inspired, infallible, and inerrant Word – true in all that it teaches.*

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