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Coffee Hosts
Flowers
Ralph & Gerry Cox
Alice Boster, Jo Hinsdale
John & Julie Gage
To the Glory of God and in Celebra-
tion of Dick & Joanne Shipley's 50th
Anniversary.



March 12, 2017
10:00 am

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

GATHERING MUSIC "Thee We Adore" Martin

WELCOME Pastor Tim Jantos

ENTRY INTO LENTON WORSHIP
Dave Dillon, Liturgist

Leader: From familiar and comfortable spaces, God,

People: You call us: Go.

Leader: In the dead of night when questions burn,

People: You invite us: Come.

Leader: Where there is welcome and fellowship,

People: You beckon us: Draw near.

***PRAISE GOD WITH SONG #183**
Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

CALL TO PRAYER

In the promise that "God so loved the world, he gave his only Son," our Lord, let us make our confession together...

***WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE FAIL** (in unison)

It is too easy, God,
for faith to become an escape
– a way to avoid the pain of being human and alive;
or a path to success
– a way to persuade the universe to give us the things
we want; or a system of control
– a way to bend others to our will.
But the faith you offer is different, Jesus,
more dangerous and compelling;
It's the faith that carries the cross,
that embraces death
and lays itself down for the sake of others;
It's the only faith that can lead us to resurrection
to life renewed and overflowing.
We praise you for this faith, God.
Open our hearts to receive it. Amen.¹

***MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION**

***WITH GOD'S GRACE WE CAN BEGIN ANEW**

Friends: God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Believe the good news this day: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

***SONG OF THANKSGIVING #623** "Gloria Patri"

DON'T KEEP IT TO YOURSELF

Pastor: Please generously share the peace of Christ with one another. Peace be with you.

People: And also with you!

WE ARE ALL GOD'S CHILDREN

LISTENING FOR THE WORD WITHIN THE WORDS

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Julia Dillon, Reader
Psalm 121, p. 965

ANTHEM "Near To the Heart of God"
Men's Chorus

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING
John 3: 1-17, p. 1649

LISTENING FOR THE WORD PROCLAIMED
"The New Birth"
Rev. Dr. James L. Wallace

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***PRAISE GOD WITH SONG #184**
"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

WE OFFER OUR LIVES AND GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY "Reverie" Debussy

***DOXOLOGY**

DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

GOING OUT TO SERVE

PRAISE GOD WITH SONG #304
"Lift High the Cross"

***BLESSING**

SENDING MUSIC "Thy Strong Word" Manz

Those Serving Today:

Ray Beyer, Director of Men's Chorus
Tom Anderson, Trumpet
Darlene Cusick, Organist

¹ Sacredise worship resources for The Second Sunday In Lent

*Those who are able may stand.

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We are pleased to have you worship with us. If this is your first visit please fill out the yellow card in the pew rack and provide us with your address and phone, so that we can provide you with information about Calvin. If you would like to know more about Calvin or unite with us, please join us at our monthly **Newcomers Meeting** held once a month *following worship. The next meeting will be April 2.*

Sunday School Schedule

10:00 am Worship Service in the Sanctuary
11 am Coffee Mingle Time - following worship, in the Celebration Center.

Sunday School

First Sunday Communion Schedule:
 Preschoolers - 4th grade may remain in worship with their parent/s to share in the Lord's Supper or they may be excused to Sunday School following We Are All God's Children. Fifth graders and older may remain in worship.

Infants/Toddlers - May use the Nursery upstairs in Cayton Hall

Preschoolers through 8th grade - 10:15 am. Children and middle schoolers begin worship in the Sanctuary and are then dismissed to their classes in Good Shepherd Hall downstairs after We Are All God's Children.

High School Youth Group: 7-9 pm

"IF YOU HAVE IDEAS FOR OUTREACH, please give Don Moore a call! 503-639-6014.

Prayer Requests

Lord Hear Our Prayers:

Mike Norgart, Roger Speece, Tom Hudgens, Maria Gander, Becky Browning, Barbara Brown, Stephanie, Linda, Helen MacDonald, grandmother, Sylvia

Prayer requests may be made to the church office at 503-639-3273.

When You Are Hospitalized... please call the church office to alert the pastors so they can visit and the Prayer Chain can be supporting you in prayer.

Pick up a complete prayer list on the counter in the church office.

Regular Gatherings

Dominoes: come play the first Tuesday of the month in the Fellowship Hall at 1:00 pm

Body Recall exercise class:

Monday 3:30 to 4:30 pm

Wednesday 4:00 to 5:00 pm

Knitters of all skill levels are invited to Calvin's knitting group every Friday, 2 to 4 pm in the church library

Up Coming Events

Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, March 16th

1:00 pm - 6:00 pm

To schedule your appointment please call 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit www.redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code: CalvinPC

Have your blood pressure checked TODAY after service in the Fellowship Hall.

Wednesdays During Lent

4:00 pm, Body Recall exercise class

5:00 pm, Bible Study, Koinonia Room

5:45 pm, All-Church Dinner

Men's Thurs & Fri Bible Studies are the dinner helpers. Menu: Asian Stir Fry \$5.00 per person, \$12.00 per family

6:45 pm, Marcus Borg Series I "Embracing an Adult Faith"

7:30 pm, Sisters in Song, Chancel Choir

Lenten Study Wednesday Evenings beginning March 15th at 6:30 pm

Join Pastor Jim and on DVD Marcus Borg author of Embracing an Adult Faith "What It Means to Be Christian" in a 5 part study revisiting Christianity's most fundamental questions. Each study will include a 10 minute DVD presentation followed by group discussion in our own comfortable Fellowship Hall.

First Study March 15th - God

Lenten Booklets & Artistic Daily Meditations

Make sure to check out the art and meditations on the black screens in the back of the sanctuary. You can follow the daily meditations on our webpage and Facebook page, or you can pick up a booklet and a coloring calendar at the Good News Center.

Our Music Department has new on-line help!

Choir Director, Brian Tierney, has made it much easier to sing in the choir by incorporating the use of the web as aides for easy practice. YouTube videos and iPhone apps are now available if you want to have some extra help so you can easily learn your part in addition to choir's weekly practice. Read more in *Musical Notes* in March Hilltop Notes.

The youth mission team is going to Mexico City this year! Reserve Sunday, April 9, following worship for lunch and an auction in the Celebration Center.

Also, if you have items or events you would like to donate to the auction, please contact Sue Van Stelle.

The youth group is looking for an adult male chaperone for their Mission Trip July 1-8. An application is available at the Good News Center. Applicants must have been involved at Calvin for at least 6 months, successfully pass a national criminal background check, and enjoy teens, adventures, and flexible schedules. (It's an international mission trip.) Application deadline is March 19th. The youth will have a say in choosing who goes along.

Calvin is hosting a community **Easter egg hunt**

Children's Ministry will be collecting candy for the eggs from now until April 9. Look for a collection bin by the Good News Center.

Mission Opportunities

The Templeton Food program needs the following items on a long term basis:

- Tuna
- Oatmeal packets
- Pasta Sauce in a can (Traditional)
- Peanut butter
- Snack Items

Cheerios or other boxed cereal
 Thank you so much. Ila Peters

Thank you for your previous donations, Now our Homeless Ministry is in need of new men and women's underwear. Men's sizes M to XL and women's M to XL. Please leave your donations under the homeless board in the Fellowship Hall.