



First Sunday of Lent

March 5, 2017



As we gather as God's people, please greet your neighbor and be sure to sign the Pew Pads. Thanks

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP "He is Lord" Page 27

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 111)

- L. Praise the LORD!
- P. I will give thanks to the LORD with all my heart, in the company of the upright and in the assembly.**
- L. Great are the works of the LORD; they are studied by all who delight in them.
- P. Splendid and majestic is His work, and His righteousness endures forever.**
- L. He has made His wonders to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and compassionate.
- P. He has given food to those who fear Him; He will remember His covenant forever.**
- L. He has made known to His people the power of His works, in giving them the heritage of the nations.
- P. The works of His hands are truth and justice; all His precepts are sure.**
- L. They are upheld forever and ever; they are performed in truth and uprightness.
- P. He has sent redemption to His people; He has ordained His covenant forever;**
- L. Holy and awesome is His name.
- P. The fear of the LORD is the beginning of Wisdom; a good understanding have all those who do His commandments;**
- ALL. His praise endures forever.**

HYMN OF CELEBRATION "Holy, Holy, Holy" Page 538

JOYFUL NOISE OFFERING The Potter's House

(The Joyful Noise Offering is the collection of loose coins that we place in a tin can you shake that makes "Joyful Noise". The Noise is joyful because an agency/program is selected to receive the offering every two months)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRELUDE "Break Now the Bread of Life" D. Johnson

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Father, though we are Your children, yet we are fallen and broken. We have sinned and disobeyed. Convict us, hear us as we confess our sins in the silence of these few moments...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON..... in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

UNISON PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

O we thank and praise You Most High God, for Your love and mercy is simply overwhelming. Help us then to love You more by forgiving those who have offended us in the same matter in which we know Your forgiveness. All to the praise and glory of Your most holy name. Amen.

OFFERING

- Invitation to Give Our Gifts
- Passing of the Plates "God be in My Head" #858 in LUYH
- Doxology Page 96
- Prayer of Dedication

SCRIPTURE LESSON O.T. - Deuteronomy 4:7-9
N.T. - Matthew 22:34-38

SERMON "Core Value 3: Thoughtful Theology"

CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

- Invitation to the Table
- Prayer of Great Thanksgiving
- Words of the Institution
- Distribution of the Bread and Cup "Gift of Finest Wheat" K. Hildebrand
- (Please come forward by way of the side aisles, take a piece of bread, and then the cup, and return to your seat by way of the center aisle)*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Lord's Prayer

HYMN OF SENDING "I Serve A Risen Savior" Page 365

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION "Micah 6:8" On Screen

POSTLUDE "Strengthen for Service" D. Johnson

Participants in Today's Service

Rev. Mike Baynai, Preaching

Bob Brooks, Liturgist

Linda Fridsma, Organist

Julie Koenes, Usher

Roger and Marie Zoerner, Greeters

Joseph Cook, Media Director

Dan Vanderberg, Media Technician

Bolu Olayemi, Children's Message

Bolu Olayemi & Jared Swanson, Children's Church

Viola Kenyi, Children's Program Sub

TODAY AT GOOD SHEPHERD

10:00am – Worship Service

11:00am – Listening Team Meeting (lecture hall)

11:00am – Loving Team Meeting (Sanctuary)

3:30pm - Devotions at Samaritas (The Terraces)

THIS WEEK AT GOOD SHEPHERD

Friday - Calvin Seminary Chapel Services @10:00am

NEXT WEEK SUNDAY

10:00am – Worship Service

11:00am – Loving Team Meeting (lecture hall)

3:30pm - Devotions at Samaritas (The Lodges)

4:30pm – Baynai's Home Group

MARK YOUR CALENDARS – Sunday, May 7, 2017 is Consecration Sunday for our church. We are celebrating moving from an ECO “plant” church, to an ECO church. Come join in the celebration. More details to come!

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Building the family of God, one soul at a time

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Sunday Services 10:00 am
Calvin Theological Seminary Chapel
3233 Burton SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49546





JOHN AND LORRAINE KAPELLER as their son Trent Harmond has suffered a heart attack. Please keep the family in your prayers

MARSHA HAMMER who went to the hospital last week and was found to have a small aneurism and after many tests was sent home and is waiting for the doctors to determine the course of treatment

ROSE DEYOUNG as she recovers from surgery

ARLENE KOENES as she recovers from thumb surgery

JOAN WALSTROM is in Spectrum Rehabilitation following a hospital stay for a severe virus. Please pray for her to regain her strength and is returned to her home soon

JEAN BAILEY as she continues treatments for cancer and as she prepares for surgery

LOIS STEPHENS prayers for an upcoming surgery

TODD & CYNDI COLE friends of Jean Bailey, as they mourn the death of a son

JABE HEPBURN (Bettye Kay's grandson) prayers for him and the family

A FRIEND of Dani Schumacher is having heart surgery

KIM a township co-worker of Dana Lehmann is schedule for surgery on March 1st, please pray for the best surgical outcome, and that the tissue they remove is not cancerous or poses any further health risks for Kim.

CATHY JO who lives at Samaritas and who is in constant pain

CALVIN COLLEGE AND CALVIN SEMINARY students and faculty that God would continue to bless them as they prepare to return to their studies this month

NORMA VANDEN BROEK, RACHEL KIMBREL, PAT DOORN AND EVONNE KRUIS as they worship at home



MONDAY: GOVERNMENT. Pray for all those who serve the people of this nation, be they national, state or local officials that they would serve with integrity. That they would be honest and hardworking and that they would obey the laws which they have sworn to uphold. That God would move upon the institutions of our government and call them to humility and righteousness.

TUESDAY: ENTERTAINMENT. God has blessed our nation with such prosperity that we enjoy an entire industry known as the Entertainment Industry. Pray

that these men and women would be decent people, providing for us that which is spiritually, culturally and intellectually enriching. While forsaking that which is destructive and immoral. And that as we enjoy recreation and leisure, we would understand it as a gift from God to be enjoyed and appreciated.

WEDNESDAY: EDUCATION. Thank God for those who have dedicated themselves to building us intellectually. Those who seek to stand on the shoulders of those who have gone before us and bring further knowledge and wisdom to all citizens. That these folks would teach honestly and with diligence. And that those who serve in administration would do so with fidelity and care.

THURSDAY: INDUSTRY. We have been abundantly blessed to partake of the greatest industrial society in history. Thank God for the men and women who make products and jobs. For those who labor on behalf of the culture and their families. That God would continue to bless America with great companies and business, and that all men and women might work for the good of all.

FRIDAY: FAMILY. Family is the bedrock of our society. It is where love and nurture is first and best shared. It is God's building block for a godly people and culture. Pray that our families stay together. That love and mercy and encouragement are given and received. That we become more patient with each other and that children learn the truth about God. Pray for the safety, care and nurture of our children.

SATURDAY: RELIGION. Pray for those who seek God. Those who desire to know "the Higher Power". Pray that the debates about religious convictions and claims are thoughtful and kind. Pray that Jesus would open the hearts, ears and minds of those who want to know and worship The One True God.

SUNDAY: YOURSELF. Nothing changes until we ourselves change. Pray that God would show you His truth and glory. That God would change you into a kinder and more loving person. And then, that God would use you like a tool to do for others, and to do for Himself all that He desires.