



TODAY'S MESSAGE

Sacred Time, Hope

November 30, 2025



Quiet Meditation

"I have never been separate from God, nor can I be, except in my mind."

— Richard Rohr

Enter to Worship – Depart To Serve

Prelude "Improvisation" ~ Calvin Music Team

Introit "Oh, What He's Done For Me" ~ arr. Jimmie Abbington

***Gathering Hymn** "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" Hymnal #82

Welcome, Time of Quiet Prayer and Centering Breath

Opening Chant

*Upon this moment,
upon this people,
upon this place
the holy comes.
And sacred knowing
brings Sacred being
for Sacred doing of God's plan.*

Scripture Romans 13:11-14 (The Message); Matthew 24:36, 43-44 (NRSVUE) March Frierson

P: Thanks be to God!

Prayer of Humility "For All the Times II" ~ David E., P., and S.

*For all the times that we have hid the light
O Sacred, Christ-light, shine again.
For all the ways we failed reflecting you
A welcome light within our hearts
Shine your light through us,
Shine your light... through us*

*For all the times we have not noticed you
And failed to bear your holy light,
Forgive our fear of shining mightily,
Restore the brilliance placed inside.
Shine your light through us,
Shine your light... through us.*

(Continue by offering your silent confession)

Prayer of Humility Response *In your name we pray. In your name... we pray..*

Assurance of God's Love

L. Friends: Believe the Good News of the Gospel

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

***Congregational Response (#606)** Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost*

Children's Sermon Kim Sebring

Lighting of Advent Wreath

Anthem

Sermon "Sacred Time, Hope" Rev. A. David Paul

The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them up to the Lord our God.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give thanks and praise.

Prayer

Communion Song:

Heal us, Lord. Heal us, Lord.

On this thirsty ground, may your love flow down.

Come and heal our hearts, O Lord.

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Prayer after Communion

***Presentation of Gifts**

Announcements, Minutes for Mission, Concerns and Celebrations

***Hymn**

"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

Hymnal #93

***Blessing and Benediction**

***Response**

Amen, amen, amen, amen

***Postlude**

Serving This Week and Next Week

♣ Greeters this week: Wils & Jane Cooley

♣ Greeters next week: Karen Cramer & Cathy Baker

Coffee Hour

Please join us after the service for coffee and fellowship.

♣ This Week: Judy Kercovich

♣ Next Week: Denee Stevenson

Prayer Ministers

Every Sunday after worship service , prayer ministers are available at the back of the sanctuary to offer confidential prayers.

♣ Today's Prayer Minister: Rosemary Shirley

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Dr. David English — Vocals, Percussion

Rachel Neelley — Trumpet, Vocals

CALVIN CHURCH ELDERS

Rachel Fagan — Youth Formation (2025)

Amy Alexander — Spiritual Nurture/Membership & Hospitality (2025)

Donna Galbraith — Spiritual Nurture (2025)

Tom Reiber — Personnel & Finance (2026)

March Frierson — Mission (2026)

Jennifer Richart — Membership & Hospitality (2027)

Paul Morrow — Building & Grounds (2027)

Alecia McKee — Clerk of Session

Sunday

FLOWERS

If you would like to provide flowers for Sunday morning services, please sign your name on the form located on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall or email the office administrator at the church, at office.admin@calvinchurchzelie.org.

SERVICE

A live broadcast of each worship service is offered each Sunday. You can watch the same service throughout the week. To get the broadcast, go to the homepage on the Calvin Church website at www.calvinchurchzelie.org.

HEARING ASSIST DEVICES

Hearing Assist Devices are now available on the table at the back of the sanctuary. If you need assistance, please see



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Calendar

Church Office Hours: Monday — Thursday 10:00 a.m. — 3:30 p.m.

Sunday, November 30th

9:00 a.m.	Adult Education
10:00 a.m.	Worship Service
11:00 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship

Monday, December 1st

6:00 p.m.	Tai Chi Connection
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Tuesday, December 2nd

9:30 a.m.	Devotional Prayer Group
5:30 p.m.	Session Dinner
7:00 p.m.	Session

Wednesday, December 3rd

5:00 p.m.	Worship & Arts Ministry Team
7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	Moore & More Study Group

Thursday, December 4th

8:30 a.m.	Men's Room
6:00 p.m.	GIFT Group
	Taizé Service

Saturday, December 6th

10:00 a.m.	Pre-Sermon Small Study Group
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Samaritan Counseling Is Here to Help: Calvin Church supports and hosts Samaritan Counseling as part of our ongoing mission to care for those in our community. Samaritan offers both in-person and virtual counseling both in their office at Calvin Church, and at their 10 satellites throughout Western Pennsylvania. They accept almost all insurance and also offer client aid. If you, or someone you know, is struggling and needs to speak to a therapist, please contact Samaritan at 412-741-7430 or through their website at www.samaritancounseling.net.

Groups at Calvin

Visit our website for more information about our groups

www.calvinchurchzelie.org

TUESDAYS

Devotional Prayer Group — 9:30 a.m.

Conference Room or via Zoom

This is a group for those seeking to go deeper in their faith journey. It prayerfully studies and discusses classics of the Christian spiritual life. Contact Marie Campbell at marie.l.campbell@icloud.com for more information.

WEDNESDAYS

Moore & More — First and Third Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m.

Conference Room

Meeting the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month, this group's focus is to guide women into a richer, more fulfilling relationship with Jesus. They use Beth Moore Bible Studies and others to learn more about the Bible.

THURSDAYS

Men's Room — 8:30 a.m.

Marriott North (dining area), Cranberry Twp. or via Zoom

This spiritual growth group for men explores ways to connect faith practically in work, family, and other areas of life.

GIFT — 6:00 p.m.

Conference Room

GIFT is a women's book group that meets every Thursday evening. All women are welcome. Contact Kelly Casey at kncasey@gmail.com for more information.

SUNDAYS

Alphabet Soup — 2nd Sunday @ 2:00 p.m.

This group is for LGBTQ+ individuals and allies living in the Zelienople and Harmony areas. They meet on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m. at Calvin Church. Come enjoy a safe space where you can get to know your fellow LGBTQ+ neighbors and find local support.

World Events Through a Christian Lens — Last Sunday @ 6:00 p.m.

This group allows all participants to celebrate, lament, discuss, and share thoughts on current events, history, culture, and trends in a safe place, where we can respectfully share, agree, or disagree, in a supportive mutual spirit of Christian witness.

They meet the last Sunday of each month. All are welcome! Contact Herb Wright at 412.443.1254 with any questions.

Announcements

JOIN US THIS ADVENT AS WE PRACTICE

reflecting the sacred

Each year, Christmas returns and invites us to meet the story anew—right in the midst of our longing, our questions, and our hope for healing. Together, we'll explore an incarnational faith that trusts Christ is shimmering through every person and every moment. Through study, conversation, prayer, and worship, we'll learn to soften our gaze, notice the holy all around us, and reflect that sacredness into the world.

Come practice, study, and worship with us this season—and discover a world pregnant with Christ's presence.



TEN THOUSAND VILLAGES SALE

You can still place an order online thru December 1st at <https://tinyurl.com/10KVillages> or scan the QR code. Use code CALVIN2025 when checking out so your purchase can contribute to the church's fundraising efforts this year.



Please note that the website you'll find when Googling Ten Thousand Villages is NOT the correct site and therefore will not accept the code. Please use the link above when ordering.



CALVIN YOUTH GROUP

The Calvin youth group will not meet this evening due to the Thanksgiving holiday weekend.



THE MEN'S ROOM

The Men's Room will be begin reading a new book *The Universal Christ* by Richard Rohr.



11/26/25 ***Happy Thanksgiving***

12/04/25 ch14 The Resurrection Journey

12/11/25 ch15 Two Witnesses to Jesus and Christ

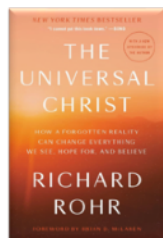
12/18/25 ch16-17 Transformation...– Beyond Mere Theology...

12/25/25 ***Merry Christmas***

01/01/26 ***Happy New Year***

* = ADP not available

The group meets every Thursday morning at 8:30 a.m. in the Marriott Cranberry North dining area. You can also join via Zoom. A link is emailed out every week.



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Christmas Eve "Eve"

Community Worship

Glen Eden Barn (229 Dufford Road, Evans City)

Tuesday, December 23rd @ 3:00 and 7:00 p.m.



Christmas Eve

Community Worship

Calvin Presbyterian Church

Wednesday, December 24th @ 3:00 and 7:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS ANGEL PROGRAM: WINTER WARMING COLLECTION

Each year, Glade Run provides life-changing services to over 7,000 individuals throughout Western PA.



This holiday season, your gift will support the children and families they serve who would otherwise do without. More than just a present under the tree, donated items received through their annual drive provide joy, relief and comfort all throughout the year.

Needed items include:

- Blankets
- Bed-in-a-Bag (twin, full, queen)
- Pillows/Pillow Cases
- Hand Warmers/Small Heaters
- Coats (Youth/Teens all sizes)
- Hats & Gloves (Youth/Teens/Adults all sizes)
- Sweatpants/Hoodies/Leggings (Youth/Adult all sizes)
- Socks/Underwear/Sports Bras (M/F, Teen/Adult)
- Toothbrush/Toothpaste
- Body Wash/Soap/Deodorant/Lotion (M/F)
- Any Hygiene Products
- Bath Towels
- Sleeping Bags
- Umbrellas

There will be a box on the Mission table in Fellowship Hall until December 14th.

Education



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Every Sunday morning
11:30 a.m. — 12:15 p.m.



CREATIVE ARTS MINISTRY

All children grades K-6.
Combined with Sunday school



CHILDREN'S CORNER

Check out the special section on our website for children's bulletins, sermons, and other fun stuff for the kids!



YOUTH GROUP

Sunday Evenings @ 6:00 — 7:30 p.m.
Grades 7–12



ADULT EDUCATION

9:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall
Advent Series: Reflecting the Sacred



Ways to Give

ONLINE



<http://www.calvinchurchzeli.org> and click the Contribute Online link or scan the QR code with the camera on your smartphone



CHECK/CASH



You can place your donation in the offering plate on the table at the back of the church before or after services. You can also mail your donations to the church at 415 E. Grandview Ave. Zelenople. Make checks payable to Calvin Presbyterian Church.

CHURCH APP



Download our Tithe.ly app and click on the Give link to make a one time donate or set up recurring giving.

TEXT TO GIVE



Three Simple Secure Encrypted Steps

1. Text GIVE to (833) 642-0108
2. Follow instructions to register with tithe.ly and Link
3. Simply enter amount you want to give to the phone number in step 1

Social Media



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Deadlines

- ◆ Bulletin and Sunday Service Inclusions — Wednesday @ 3pm
- ◆ Newsletter Submissions — 20th of every month
- ◆ Ministry Team Minutes — within 24 hours after meeting

Advent 1

Lectionary Texts

Romans 13:11-14 (The Message); Matthew 24:36, 43-44 (NRSVUE)

Theme

Reflecting the Sacred



Digging Deeper:

1. How I can stay present with others this week and shine as a beacon of hope?
2. Has your understanding and experience of God changed over the course of your life in ways that felt significant? If you're really honest with yourself, what is the next change that you need to make?
3. In what ways are you currently being invited to align "with Love and Light"?

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

"Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us show love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O divine master let us not so much seek to be consoled as to console, understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen"

Prayer Concerns

Please offer God prayers for the different ministries & activities of Calvin Church

Especially pray for

- * Session and Worship & Arts Ministry Team
- * Pastor David Paul and Calvin's leaders
- * Calvin Church Staff

Please pray for these members of Calvin Church

- ~ Bob Van Ingen, continued prayers
- ~ Ken Weaver, for continued healing
- ~ Wayne Brinda, for continued healing

Prayers for the World

- * For Calvin Church's partnership with Oti Presbytery – Ghana
- * For first responders and front line medical workers
- * Our congressmen, senators, governor and president
- * For people across the world who are victims of terrorism
- * For Syria refugees and for the Syrian conflict
- * The people of Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota, and their liaison, Ron Cotner
- * Ukraine, Palestine and Israel during this time of war
- * Dr. Doug Tilton, Global Ecumenical Liaison for Africa
- * Jamaica and all of those affected by Hurricane Melissa

If you would like to include someone in these weekly prayers, please contact the church office at 724-452-7560, office.admin@calvinchurchzelle.org or place a note in the offering plate.