

training residents



Calvary Church continues to train the next generation of church leadership through the Jerusalem Project. Currently we have three residents on staff. Each of these individuals started their time here working with our facilities staff. In order to fully understand all that goes on in ministry, it is important to see how the support staff facilitates ministry. The residents quickly see that it is much more than cleaning bathrooms and setting up tables and chairs. They experience being a part of a group of people who regularly gather to pray and encourage each other. They also have a chance to interact with our community service volunteers. Relationships develop, great conversations happen and sometimes the gospel can be shared over a room set-up or teardown.

After their time in Facilities is complete, the residents move on to other areas of the church. Some spend time focusing on a specific area of study while others do a rotation in several areas, experiencing many different types of ministry. During their time here they meet on a regular basis with Pastor Jim, as well as others on the Pastoral Staff. It is our prayer that their time at Calvary allows them to be better equipped for the ministry that God has called them to.

We are seeking to surround our residents with caring encouragers who will faithfully pray and support our residents. If you are interested, we have two opportunities for you to get involved with the Jerusalem Project's residency program:

- Sign up at mycalvarygr.org to receive monthly prayer letters from the Jerusalem Project Prayer Team
- Sign up at the Connection Point today to send the residents notes of encouragement, take them for coffee or share a meal

Questions? Contact Chris Snedeker (csnedeker@calvarygr.org) at ext. 5137.

Missionary Prayer Guides

Missionary Prayer Guides are available at the Chapel Information Center to guide you as you pray for our global and community workers

Partner with our Tanzania Team

Please consider partnering with our Tanzania team by funding them today. Go to mycalvarygr.org, Mission Trip Giving, Tanzania Spring 2019, Team Support and enter the amount you feel comfortable giving. Your funding will send our Calvary team to teach at the Bible College and spend precious time with the woman and teens who are looking forward to all that cloth you helped sew!

congregational care

RECENTLY HOSPITALIZED PRAYER LIST

Blodgett: Regina Bilski, Josie DeVries

Butterworth: Ed DeBruyn, Cindy Simon

If you have been hospitalized, or anticipate hospitalization, and would like to be added to the prayer list or receive a visit from a Calvary staff member, call the church office at 956-9377.

BEREAVED

We extend our Christian sympathy to friends and family of Reita Tait-Wilson at her homegoing on May 5; and also to Sarah Dieleman, Isaac Wamujje, Shalom Dieleman, and Timothy Dieleman at the homegoing of their husband and father, Dale, on May 6.

THANK YOU

Thank you to Calvary Church and Josh Warren for being with us during the loss of our Mother, Marion Laninga. Your thoughts and prayers were greatly appreciated.

The Laninga Family

Thank you Calvary Church for the flowers, kindness and love you have shown to us through the years and with Joe's mom's passing. She saw for the years the love of Christ in this church and wanted and accepted what she saw! So one day because of Calvary's example, we will be reunited!

Joe & Carol DeGennaro

Thank you for your thoughts, prayers and the beautiful flowers in the loss of my mom.

Ralph Eisentrager

PASTOR JIM'S STUDY LEAVE

Pastor Jim is currently taking his annual study leave. The purpose of this study leave is to provide a block of time to pray, study and prepare for the next church year. Please pray for Jim while he is away, that it may be a fruitful time of hearing from the Lord. If you have a pastoral need during this time, please continue to contact the church office for assistance.

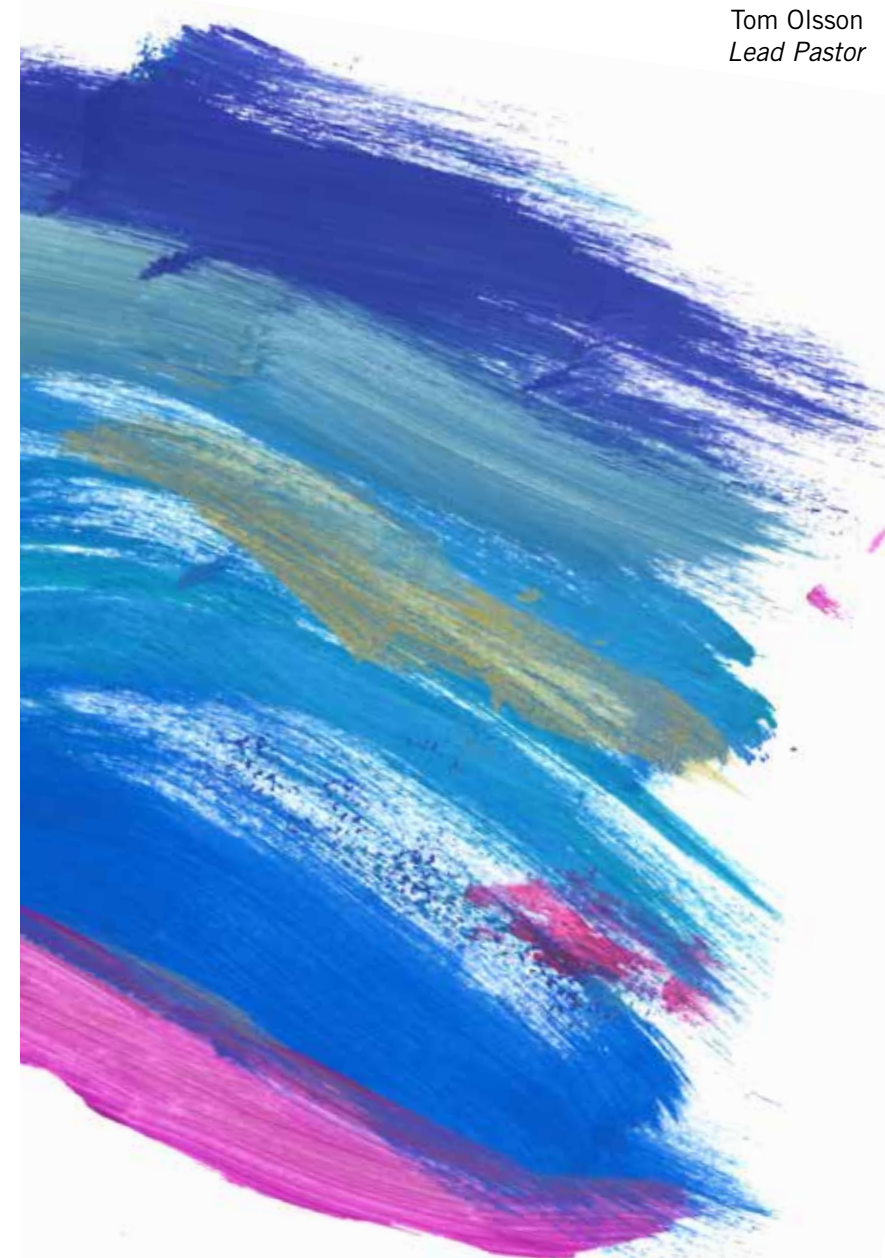
Calvary Church Elders

May 12, 2019

9:00 & 10:45am

A Mother's Love
Isaiah 49:13-18

Tom Olsson
Lead Pastor



Isaiah

FOR THE RECORD • FISCAL YEAR 2018-19

	<u>Projected Offerings</u>	<u>Actual Offerings</u>	<u>Surplus/ (Deficit)</u>
Last Week	\$ 137,829	\$ 159,007	\$ 21,178
Fiscal YTD Sept. 1 - May 5	\$ 5,759,227	\$ 4,459,267	(\$ 299,960)
Jerusalem Project		\$ 237,672	

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TODAY at calvary church

PRAYER

Pre-Service Prayer | 8:30-8:50am | Room 255: Pray for our worship services with the morning's teaching pastor.

Boiler Room | 8:50-11:50am: Visit room 222 behind the Sanctuary to pray over every aspect of the worship service as the Holy Spirit leads, including staff-initiated requests.

LISTENING TO TODAY'S MESSAGE

Language Interpretation: During the 9:00 service, the sermon is interpreted into Mandarin and Farsi. At 10:45, the worship service is interpreted into both Korean and Arabic. Pick up a receiver at the Welcome Center (across from the main Sanctuary entrance).

Hearing Assistance: If you need hearing assistance, listening devices are available at the Welcome Center in the Crosswalk.

BEYOND SUNDAY MORNING

We send out a reflection email each Tuesday morning to help you engage with today's message and apply it to your life all week long. Sign up at mycalvarygr.org.

Isaiah Reading Plan For Week of May 13: Isaiah 46 & Psalm 71

NEXT STEPS - GET CONNECTED

Whether you're new to the church or just ready to try something new, visit the Connection Point (across from the main Sanctuary entrance just inside the Gathering Place) following the service to take your next right step at Calvary.

SUBSCRIBE TO OUR EMAIL NEWSLETTER

Each Friday, we send a weekly email update on happenings around the church. Stay in the know - visit mycalvarygr.org, click on subscriptions and sign up for the *Calvary Church eNews*.

coming events & announcements

Women's Golf

**Tuesdays, Beginning May 14
9:00am | Saskatoon Golf Course**

Join women from Calvary Church (and guests) on Tuesday mornings this summer. 9:00am for registration, coffee and fellowship. Consider mentoring new golfers at 9:30am. Golf starting at 10:00am. Lots of flexibility and room for all skill levels. Louise Cerling is coordinating but contact women@calvarygr.org with any questions. No signup needed, just show up.

**College Worship & Bonfire
Thursdays in May | 7:00-9:00pm
1040 Fairfield Ave NW**

Join us for an evening of lawn games, hotdogs and s'mores around the fire. High School seniors welcome! Bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on. In case of rain we'll meet in room 208.

Widow's Luncheon

May 19 | 12:30-2:00pm | Room 108

Come join us! Contact Courtney (choekwater@calvarygr.org).

Choir & Orchestra Finale

May 19 | 6:00pm | Sanctuary

Join the choir and orchestra for an evening of worship as they present their favorites songs from the past year!

Isaiah Bible Studies Available

Our Adult Bible Studies have had a great year of study through *Revealed: Seeing the LORD Through the Imagery in Isaiah*. Since our Sunday sermons will be in Isaiah throughout the summer months, we would like to extend the invitation to you to go through the study on your own. Copies are available in the Library for a \$20 donation (for both volumes).

Support Student Missions

We have 75 middle and high school students going on mission trips this summer. Each student is responsible to raise support to go on these trips. If you would like to help offset the costs, you can do so by making a donation to our Student Mission Fund; specify the fund on the memo line of your check or your giving envelope. You may also text-to-give by entering your giving amount followed by the code "STUDENTS" (e.g. 50 STUDENTS) to 616-294-0700.

Pray For the Muslim World

From now through June 4, over 1.8 billion Muslims around the world celebrate Ramadan. This is a window of time where people have increased openness to spiritual matters. Prayer guides at the Connection Point or Chapel Information Center.

updates to the church constitution

Thank you to everyone who came to last Sunday's Town Hall Meeting. It was wonderful to see so many people participating in the conversation around the proposed updates to Calvary's Constitution. A video of the Town Hall Meeting is available at calvarygr.org if you would like to review what was shared. A preliminary copy of the proposed constitution is available at calvarygr.org as well. Online you can also find FAQs on the Deacon Reorganization and Women Serving as Deacons. All members are encouraged to review the constitutional revisions and send any questions or feedback to elders@calvarygr.org.

Voting on the revised constitution will take place on Sunday, June 9 at 12:15pm in the Sanctuary. Final copies of the proposed constitution will be available by May 26 for distribution to the congregation. This is the version of the constitution that will be voted on June 9. If you have any questions about this process, don't hesitate to contact the elders (elders@calvarygr.org). We look forward to hearing from you.

this week at calvary

1 Michigan Men's Weekend May 17-19

Join men from West Michigan as they gather at the Michigan Men's Weekend at Timber Wolf Lake a Young Life Camp. Features include great speakers, worship, fellowship, incredible food, zip lines, go karts, basketball, trails, canoeing and other fun activities. Registration at michiganmensweekend.com.

Cost is \$135 per person. Scholarships available upon request, contact Mark Stacy (markstacy6@gmail.com).

2 OASIS Fitness Fridays Fridays | 10:00am-12:00pm

We're moving outside! Join us at Cascade Township Park. Play pickleball or walk a beautiful paved trail. Want to fellowship with friends afterwards? Bring a picnic lunch and stay longer.

CONNECTING BEYOND THE BULLETIN

We produce a quarterly *Calvary Life* magazine with ministry updates, and faith-enriching articles. Pick one up at the back of the Sanctuary. We also share regularly on Facebook (CalvaryChurchGR) and Instagram (calvarygr.org) and would love to connect with you there. Find an archive of sermons, our events calendar, a staff email directory and more at calvarygr.org.

TAKE
your
NEXT
step»

Forever Hope Adoption & Foster Care

Contact: Sheri Schmidt (sschmidt@calvarygr.org)

Pray for families at Calvary who are adopting, fostering and providing respite care, that we may become a more hospitable and merciful church. Requests are emailed twice a month. Sign up at mycalvarygr.org.

This year we're challenging everyone at Calvary to spend more time in prayer! Visit calvarygr.org/prayer to review your opportunities.

2019
prayer challenge

